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Key points:

- Transtensional coseismic slip and stress field in Hovsgol basin are revealed with InSAR, teleseismic data and focal mechanisms.

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Plain Language Summary

The 2021 Mw 6.7 Turt earthquake has been the strongest earthquake recorded instrumentally for the Hovsgol basin. We used InSAR and teleseismic data to constrain seismogenic fault geometry. InSAR data show the subsidence up to 0.2 m. The comparable normal and strike slip components are found after slip distribution inversions. The maximum coseismic slip was 1.2 m at a depth of 7 km. We also invert the stress fields using the regional focal mechanisms. We found that the 2021 Turt earthquake occurred in the transtensional stress regime, which is consistent with the observed transtensional coseismic slip. Our results also suggest that the current deformation of Hovsgol basin is dominated by half-graben forming. Considering that the earthquake occurred in the junction zone of two large faults, namely the North Hovsgol fault and Mondy fault, an Mw6.9 earthquake occurred on the latter 70 years ago. Based on the Coulomb stress change calculation, we found that the 1950 Mondy earthquake may advance the 2021 Turt earthquake by ~7% recurrence interval, meanwhile potential seismic hazard on the neighbor Mondy and South Hovsgol Fault deserves more attention.

1. Introduction

The Hovsgol basin is situated in the western closure of the Baikal rift system. This rift system is located within the Asian continent interior, and is one of the most active discrete rifts representing the early stages of continental split-up (Petit and Déverchère, 2006). GPS measurements suggest that ~15% of the India-Eurasia convergence (~40 mm/yr) is accommodated within the Baikal Rift System and Mongolia (Calais et al., 2003; Wang and Shen, 2020). The western part of the Baikal rift system is located within the Central Asian mobile belt which traces along the southern margin of the Siberian craton. This belt near the Siberian craton consists of a number of Precambrian and Early Paleozoic terranes (Gladkochub and Donskaya, 2009). The Cenozoic Hovsgol basin has been formed along the border of the Tuva-Mongolian Riphean microcontinent with the early Paleozoic Khamardaban block (Vasiliev et al., 1997). The basin is a half-graben with the steep western side bordered by the Hovsgol master fault. This graben-forming stage is still continuing, which divides the Hovsgol Unit into west-Hovsgol dome-blocky uplift and the east-Hovsgol arch-like structure during the neotectonics stage (Gladkochub and Donskaya, 2009).

The considered area is a key region where compression due to the Indo-Eurasia collision meets extension due to Baikal rifting. In the northern Mongolia, three narrow basins, oriented S-N, namely the Busingol, the Darkhad, and the Hovsgol basins, are supposed to be rift basins; however, the recent stress field here has been evaluated as transpression (Sankov et al., 2011). Reconstructed on tectonic fracturing, slickenside in outcrops of dated Cenozoic formations and basement rocks, the stress field of the Hovsgol basin shows temporal changes from extension in NW-SE direction in Miocene to compression in this direction for a short time in Late Pliocene, and then at the latest stage (Quaternary) to strike-slip and transpression stress field with orientations of NE-SW compression axis and NW-SE tension axis (Sankov et al., 2004). Thus, the present-day stress field in the region is defined as compressional stress regime (Ritz et al., 2000). However, there is no consensus on the type of stress regime in Hovsgol basin. Combined seismological focal mechanisms and geological observations, Delouis et al. (Delouis et al., 2002) provide the stress inversion results indicating the Hovsgol basin is under pure extensive stress regime, while wrench-extensional regime is also proposed for the Hovsgol basin (Petit et al., 1996; Radziminovich et al., 2016). In addition, the seismic

80 focal mechanism solutions of the 2021 Hovsgol mainshock from several organizations

81 showed a consistent normal faulting (Fig. 1b). However, their magnitude of strike slip

82 component and focal depth (10-20 km) is inconsistent (Table 1). These discrepancies indicate

83 that the regional tectonic stress is rather complicated.

84   On 11 January 2021, an Mw 6.7 earthquake occurred in the northern part of the Hovsgol

85 basin. It is the largest instrumentally recorded event here, providing an opportunity for

86 studying the stress heterogeneity in the region. However, only a few geodetic studies were

87 carried out with limited campaign GPS sites (Bayasgalan et al., 2005; Calais et al., 2003;

88 Vergnolle et al., 2003), which are not located in the coseismic region. Fortunately, space

89 geodetic Interferometric Synthetic Aperture Radar (InSAR) technology captures the coseismic

90 surface displacement caused by the 2021 Turt earthquake. This permits us to study the crust

91 deformation and stress regime in the Hovsgol basin. Here, we use Sentinel-1 Synthetic

92 Aperture Radar (SAR) images to map the coseismic InSAR displacements following the 2021

93 Turt Mw 6.7 earthquake. Combining the teleseismic P-wave data, we jointly constrain the

94 seismogenic fault geometry and finite slip model. Using the previous data on earthquake focal

95 mechanisms, we make stress inversion to reveal how the displacement of the Turt earthquake

96 relates to the stress field. Finally, we analyze seismic risk in the Hovsgol region by estimating
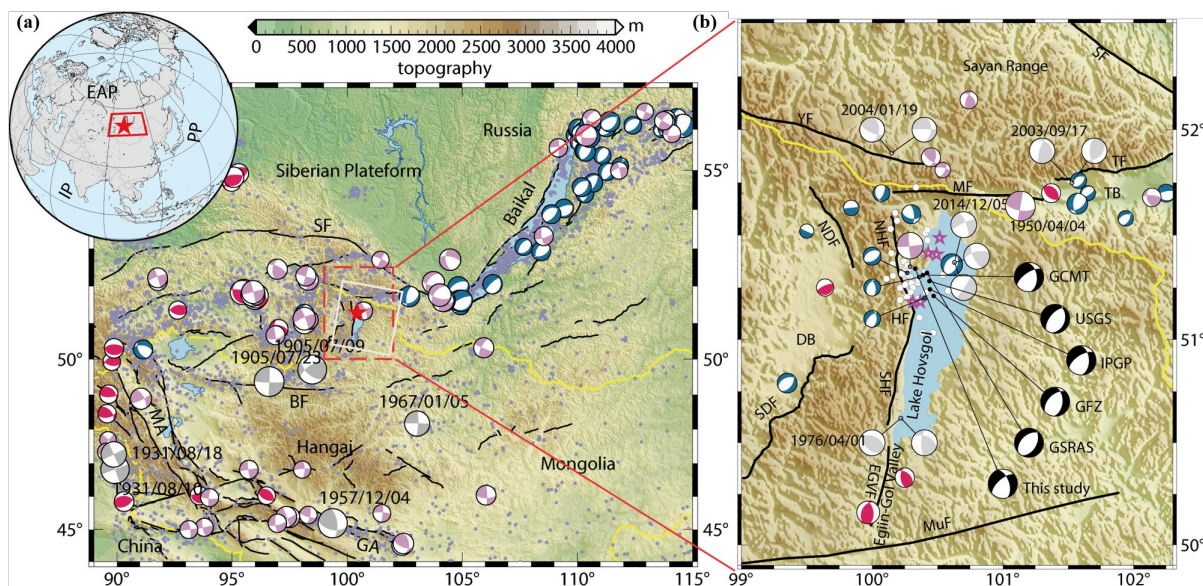
97 the Coulomb stress change after the Turt earthquake.

98 **Fig. 1.** Regional seismotectonic context around the 2021 Turt, Mongolia earthquake. (a) Red star represents

99 the epicenter of the main shock from USGS. Blue, pink, and red focal mechanisms represent normal-,

strike-slip, and thrust-dominated events from International Seismological Centre (ISC, http://www.isc.ac.uk/iscbulletin/search/fmechanisms/interactive/), respectively. Gray moment tensors are historical great earthquakes with M>7. Purple dots are epicenters for earthquakes since 1900. Black lines are the main active faults from GEM Global Active Faults (https://github.com/GEMScienceTools/gem-global-active-faults). White rectangles represent the spatial extent of Sentinel-1 SAR data from one descending track (DT4). Yellow line shows the border between China, Mongolia and Russia. Dashed red rectangle bounds the extent of enlarged Fig. 1b. The inset shows the location of the study area. IP, Indian Plate; PP, Pacific Plate; EAP, Eurasian Plate. (b) The detailed tectonic background in the study area. Black focal mechanisms represent solutions for the mainshockfrom different catalogs (Table 1). White dots are the aftershocks from USGS, and six Mw > 5 were highlighted by purple starts. SF, Sayan Fault; BF, Bolnay Fault; TF, Tunka Fault; MF, Mondy Fault; YF, Yamaatinskiy Fault; HF, Hovsgol Fault including North HF (NHF) and South HF (SHF); NDF, North Darkhat Fault; SDF, South Darkhat Fault; EGVF, Egiin-Gol Valley Fault; MuF, Murn Fault; MA, Mongolian Altay; GA, Gobi Altay; TB, Tunka Basin; DB, Darkhat Basin. Note that the SHF and MuF are compiled from previous studies and geomorphology (Jolivet et al., 2013; Petit et al., 2002; Ritz et al., 2018; Schlupp and Cisternas, 2007).

2. Data Processing and Inversion Methods

### 2.1. Coseismic Data Processing

2.1.1. InSAR Data

The Turt earthquake occurred in the remote northwestern of Mongolia, where few in-situ geodetic observations (i.e., GPS) are available near the epicenter (Calais et al., 2003; Wang and Shen, 2020). However, the good condition of arid climate and low erosion rates (Meltzer et al., 2019) permit us to employ InSAR technology to obtain the space geodetic displacements for this earthquake even with the C-band SAR images. SAR data acquired by the Sentinel-1 satellite provide a unique opportunity to quantify surface displacements of the Turt earthquake and to constrain the activated normal fault structures beneath the Lake Hovsgol (Fig. 1). Using the Gamma software (Wegmuller et al., 2015), high-accuracy coregistration of the primary and secondary Single Look Complex (SLC) products from descending tracks were firstly carried out (Table S2). Then, we constructed coseismic interferograms with the coregistrated primary and secondary SLCs. After removing the effect of topography with the 30 m Shuttle Radar Topography Mission digital elevation model (Farr et al., 2007), an improved

130 power spectrum filter method was applied to minimize the phase noise in the interferograms

131 (Li et al., 2008). We unwrapped the filtered pairs of interferograms by a minimum cost flow

132 method (Chen and Zebker, 2001), and geocoded the unwrapped interferograms to obtain the

133 coseismic surface displacement fields. Considering the substantial topographic relief

134 surrounding the Lake Hovsgol, possible topography-dependent tropospheric delay was

135 estimated and removed (Xu et al., 2017).

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2.1.2. Teleseismic Data

138 In addition to InSAR data, we also collected P wave records from 43 teleseismic stations

139 at epicentral distances between 30° and 90° (Fig. S1) compiled by the Incorporated Research

140 Institutions for Seismology (IRIS). The initial P wave records were firstly processed to

141 minimize the influence of instrument response (Wald et al., 1996), and then a band-pass filter

142 (0.01-0.5 Hz) was applied to suppress the noises. In addition, the teleseismic stations in the

143 southern azimuth were excluded due to the low signal-to-noise ratio. Time window of

144 waveforms was tapered as 98 s with 30 s before the initial arrivals (Figs. 2 and S2). The

145 global velocity model AK135 is used for teleseismic Green's function calculation.
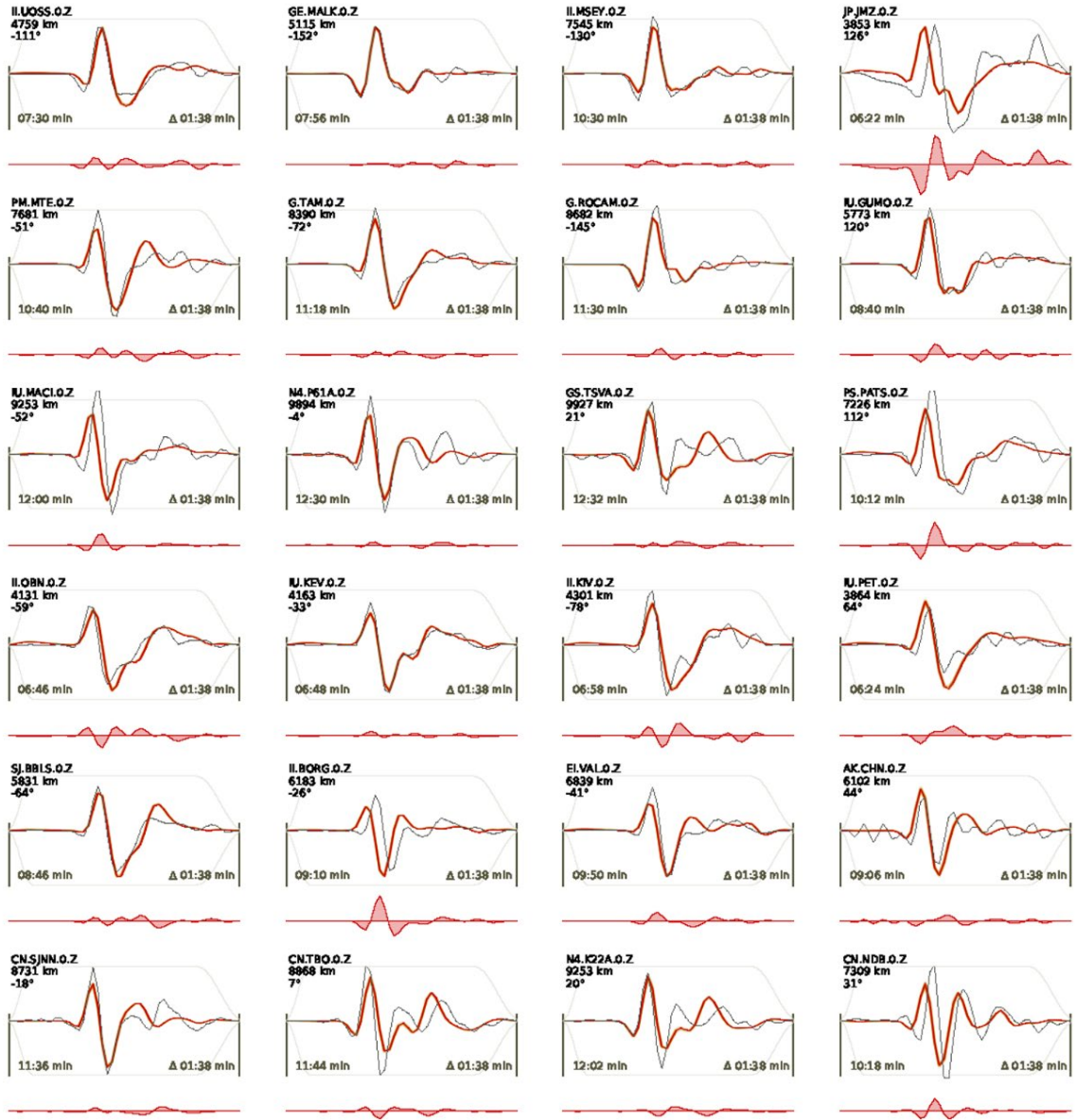
Fig. 2. Comparison between the observed teleseismic P waves and the synthetic waveforms obtained from the joint inversion of uniform fault slip model. The filtered (0.01–0.1 Hz) displacement waveform data (gray line) and the filtered synthetic displacement waveforms (red line) are shown together. Brown shading indicates 100 random draws of the filtered synthetic waveform displacements from the posterior probability density. Red-line polygons below each waveform submap represent the residual waveforms. Each sub-panel is annotated with the station name, component, the distance, and azimuth angle from the maximum a-posterior solution from the center of the reference fault. The arrival time and the duration of each station are shown in the lower left and right, respectively.

2.2. Fault Geometry and Distributed Slip Inversion

158   Before making an inversion of the Turt earthquake seismogenic fault geometry, we first

159   downsampled the InSAR interferograms with a quadtree algorithm (Jónsson et al., 2002) to a

160   computationally tractable size. Covariances of the downsampled data are estimated with the

161   variability of raw observations within the downsampled grids and employed to weight the

162   observations in the following inversions. In order to provide extra constrain on the fault

163   geometry, P wave records data from IRIS and GEOFON are also introduced. The variances of

164   P-wave data are estimated based on the data fluctuation before the P-wave arrival time.

165   Bayesian Earthquake Analysis Tool (BEAT) is applied to determine the fault geometry

166   parameters and their uncertainties (Vasyura-Bathke et al., 2020). To broadly cover the solution

167   space and better quantify the associated uncertainties, a relatively loose sampling boundary is

168   set up for fault geometry parameters according to prior knowledge (e.g., focal mechanisms

169   from USGS/GCMT/GFZ/IPGP/GSRAS etc.) (Table 1 and Table S3). More detailed

170   information about the nonlinear inversion can be found in (Vasyura-Bathke et al., 2020).

171   To resolve a distributed slip coseismic model fitting the observations better, we fixed the

172   fault geometry derived from joint InSAR and teleseismic data inversion and extended the

173   fault size with length of 50 km and width of 30 km (24 km in depth), and the fault was

174   divided into 2×2 km subfaults. Being more finely discretized, sources are generally

175   overparameterized, which commonly requires smoothness constraints to stabilize the

176   solutions (Jónsson et al., 2002; Xu, 2017). We used the Laplacian regularization with smoothing

177   factor determined from Cholesky decomposition of off-diagonal terms in a Gaussian

178   prior $p(\mathbf{s}|\alpha)$. The maximum-a-posterior solution for strike, dip, and slip and the Laplacian

179   smoothing factor α is obtained with sequential Monte Carlo method (Del Moral et al., 2006).

180   More detailed information can be found in (Vasyura-Bathke et al., 2020).

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182   **2.3. Focal mechanism data and stress inversion**

183   To make stress field inversion, we compiled a database of focal mechanism solutions for

184   the Hovsgol region which come mainly from regional solutions published in the regular

185   catalogs and some papers. The dataset includes focal solutions for 27 earthquakes that

186   occurred before the 2021 Turt event (Table S1, Fig. 6). The vast majority of mechanisms were

187   determined by the method of first motion polarity of P waves at the regional stations. Four

188 earthquakes have several solutions obtained by different authors. The strongest earthquake in

189 the area is the 1950 Mw6.9 Mondy earthquake occurred at the western termination of the

190 Tunka basins. Its fault-plane solution discussed in detail in (Delouis et al., 2002) was a sinistral

191 strike-slip movement on the western sublatitudinal segment of the Mondy fault. Other faults

192 in the western Tunka area have a reverse fault component that led to the conclusion about the

193 strike-slip or transpressive stress field here (Delouis et al., 2002; Radziminovich et al., 2016;

194 Sankov et al., 2004). However, the northern part of the Hovsgol basin is characterized mainly

195 by normal faulting in earthquake foci (Fig.1b, 5), though the 2014 Mw4.9 earthquake, which

196 occurred closer to the eastern side of the northern Hovsgol, had a different mechanism. Three

197 solutions are available for it (Table S1): the GCMT solution is a strike-slip with a normal fault

198 component, the first-motion solution is pure dip-slip with a flat and a steep planes of the NE

199 orientation (Dobrynina et al., 2018), and strike-slip solution with a reverse component is based

200 on the surface waves inversion (Melnikova et al., 2020). In contrast to the northern part of the

201 Hovsgol basin, its southern part is distinguished by reverse faulting (Figs. 1 and 5).

202   There are several methods for determining tectonic stress from focal mechanisms. The

203 most commonly used methods have been developed by (Gephart and Forsyth, 1984; Michael,

204 1984; Michael, 1987), which have been expanded and modified by (Lund and Slunga, 1999;

205 Martínez-Garzón et al., 2016; Vavryčuk, 2014). An iterative joint inversion method (Vavryčuk, 2014)

206 was adopted to calculate triaxial stress field σ_1, σ_2, σ_3 with $\sigma_1 > \sigma_2 > \sigma_3$ under the positive

207 compression stress convention, and the stress shape ratio $R = (\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)/(\sigma_1 - \sigma_3), 0 \le R \le 1$

208 describing the relative magnitudes of the principal compressive stresses (Warren-Smith et al.,

209 2019). This method is suitable for regions without information about actual tectonic faults.

210 This is attributed to a fault instability algorithm identifying a more likely nodal plane (Lund

211 and Slunga, 1999; Vavryčuk et al., 2013), which has little influence on the accuracy of stress field

212 orientations but significant improvement on the stress shape ratio. Additionally, this method

213 allows one to quantify the confidence intervals of optimal stress tensor by bootstrap

214 resampling approach (Michael, 1987), in which each nodal plane can be selected with equal

215 probability during the sampling.

216   For stress inversion, we used the focal mechanisms of earthquakes which occurred

217 before the Turt earthquake (Table S1, Fig.5) and the main shock (our solution) (Table 1 and

218 Table S1). Two samples were taken: the total sample given in Tables and only for the northern

219   part of the Hovsgol area. We estimated 2000 bootstrap samples with random noise 10° to

220   obtain 95% confidence region of optimal stress tensor. The average misfit angle α between

221   the observed and predicted fault slip directions can be used to evaluate the success of stress

222   inversion.

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3. Results

3.1. Coseismic InSAR displacement of the 2021 Turt earthquake

226   The excellent coherence and generally low noise level in the coseismic interferogram

227   characterize well-defined surface displacements associated with the Turt earthquake (Fig. 3).

228   The displacements are mainly distributed between the North Hovsgol Fault (NHF, Fig. 3) and

229   west bank of Lake Hovsgol. Few coseismic displacement can be observed on the neighboring

230   NNE-SSW striking South Hovsgol Fault (SHF), which may inhibit propagation of coseismic

231   rupture (Wilson et al., 2009). The descending coseismic displacement field shows obvious up to

232   ~20 cm surface subsidence away from the satellite line of sight (LOS) direction, indicating the

233   significant displacement zone is located at the hanging wall of the normal fault. There is no

234   obvious range decrease in the radar LOS direction except for the about ~5 cm LOS uplift

235   along the east bank of Lake Hovsgol (Fig. 3a). Interestingly, there exists a secondary fault

236   (NDF) on the west side of the seismogenic fault (~25 km), which may constrain the surface

237   displacement patterns on the footwall side of NHF (Fig. 3). It is worthy to note that coseismic

238   interferogram covers six Mw 5 and other aftershocks, which occurred on the same day of the

239   mainshock. In addition, the descending coseismic displacement contains more than one day of

240   other postseismic transients. These indicate that the coseismic displacements may be affected,

241   to some extent, by postseismic activities (Liu and Xu, 2019).

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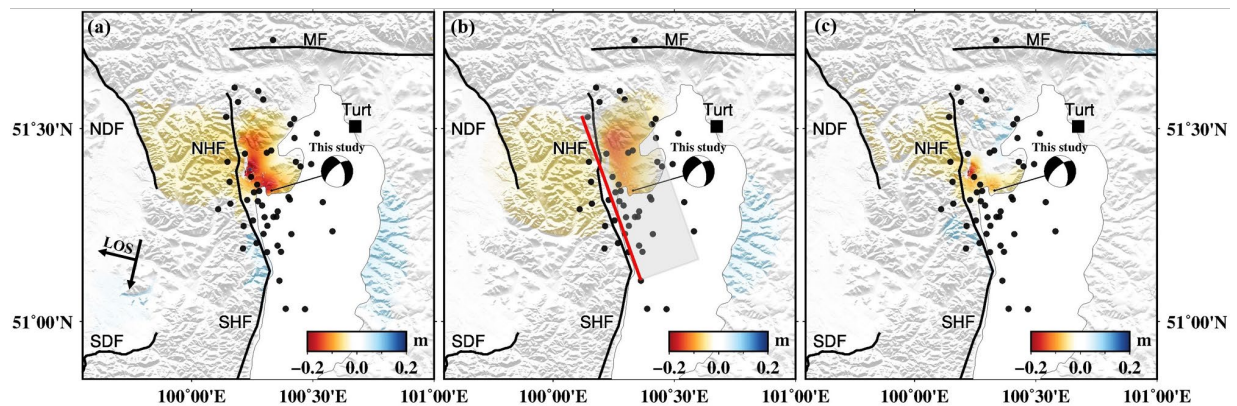
244   **Fig. 3.** Observed and modeled coseismic ground displacements in satellite line of sight (LOS)

245   direction. (a) the observed ground deformation fields; (b) model predictions; (c) residuals

246   between observations and models. Black moment tensor and dots represent USGS solution

247   and aftershocks. The shade box in (b) represents the ground projection of the seismogenic

248   fault with the red solid line indicating the fault trace. The fault abbreviations are identical to

249   those in Fig. 1.

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251   **3.2. Fault Geometry and Slip Distribution**

252   There are several fault-plane solutions for the Turt earthquake issued by different

253   seismological agencies (Table 1). After the complete solution search for strike [0°, 360°], dip

254   [0°, 90°], and rake [-180°, 180°] angles (Table S3), our results of nonlinear inversion show

255   that the optimal fault plane was the NNW-SSE oriented plane (Table 1, Table S3). This

256   confirms that the NHF is the seismogenic fault nucleating the 2021 Turt earthquake. The

257   maximum posterior probability uniform slip model solution obtained after 10^6 iterations with

258   sequential Monte Carlo method, raising the preferred fault plane of 35 km long and 14 km

259   wide with a strike angle of 341°, a dip angle of 54°, and a rake angle of -146° (Table 1). This

260   is consistent with the field-mapped fault trace along the west side of Lake Hovsgol (Fig. 1)

261   and explains well the observed P waveform data (Fig. 2). Trade-offs between the fault

262   parameters are not obvious (i.e., strike, dip and rake angles) as shown in the histograms of

263   posterior probability distributions (Fig. 4).

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265   **Table 1.** Source parameters for the 2021 Turt earthquake. USGS, U.S. Geological Survey

266   (https://earthquake.usgs.gov); GCMT, Global Centroid-Moment Tensor Project

267   (https://www.globalcmt.org/); GFZ, GeoForschungsZentrum (GEOFON) Moment Tensor

268   Solutions (http://geofon.gfz-potsdam.de/eqinfo/); IPGP, Institute de Physique du Globe de

269   Paris (http://www.ipgp.fr/fr); GSRAS, Geophysical Survey of Russian Academy of Sciences

270   (http://www.ceme.gsras.ru/new/ssd_news.htm).

Source	Lon (°)	Lat (°)	Depth (km)	Strike (°)	Dip (°)	Rake (°)	*Mw*
USGS	100.438	51.281	11.5	16/219	32/60	-110/-78	6.74
GCMT	100.39	51.31	14.3	354/236	45/65	-143/-52	6.8
GFZ	100.47	51.21	18	4/226	47/51	-121/-60	6.7

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IPGP	100.443	51.241	13	358/237	46/62	-139/-52	6.84
GSRAS	100.42	51.32	20	29/228	46/46	-103/0	Mb 6.5
This study	$100.33^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$	$51.34^{+0.01}_{-0.02}$	$8.9^{+0.6}_{-0.2}$	$340.4^{+1.0}_{-1.6}$	$53.9^{+7.0}_{-4.0}$	$-146.4^{+4.6}_{-5.8}$	$6.75^{+0.13}_{-0.17}$

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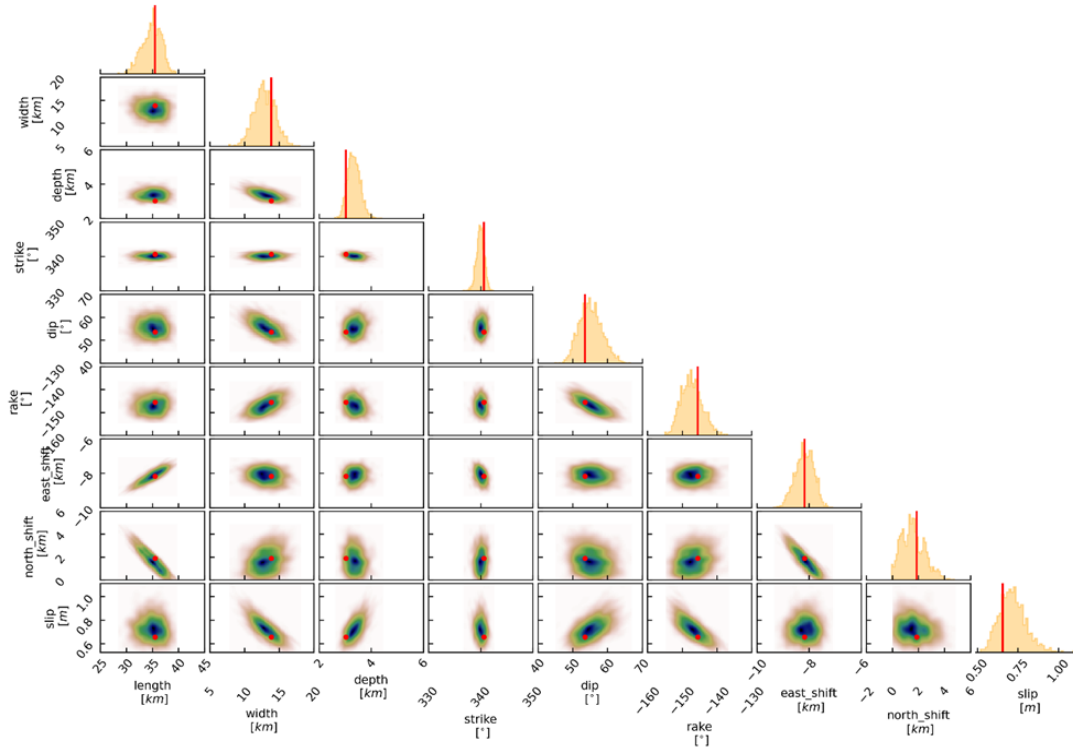
Fig. 4. Posterior probability distributions for the fault model parameters of the 2021 Hovsgol earthquake. Red lines and cycles represent the maximum-a-posteriori probability solution. Scatter plots are contoured according to frequency (cold colors for high frequency, warm colors for low frequency).

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The optimal coseismic slip inversion results indicate that the 2021 Turt earthquake ruptured on a fault structure with a length of ~35 km (coseismic slip > 0.2m) along the west bank of Lake Hovsgol (Fig. 5), which successfully reproduces the InSAR observations (Fig. 3). The RMS of observations and model predictions are about 1 cm for InSAR observations. The coseismic slip is mainly concentrated at depths of 2-10 km with a peak slip of 1.2 m located at 7 km depth. The uncertainty of slip on each patch is marked by ellipses in Fig. 5. Assuming the average shear moduli is 34 GPa in the Hovsgol region (Laske et al., 2013), we calculated a geodetic moment (M_0) as ~2.46×10^{19} Nm. The estimated geodetic moment is corresponding to M_w 6.75, which is generally consistent with different catalogs (Table 1). Interestingly, the finite coseismic fault slip reveals that the slip is characterized by comparable dip-slip and right-lateral slip component (rake = -146°). In addition, no obvious shallow (0-2

288 km in depth) coseismic slip may indicate the shallow slip deficit (Xu et al., 2019).
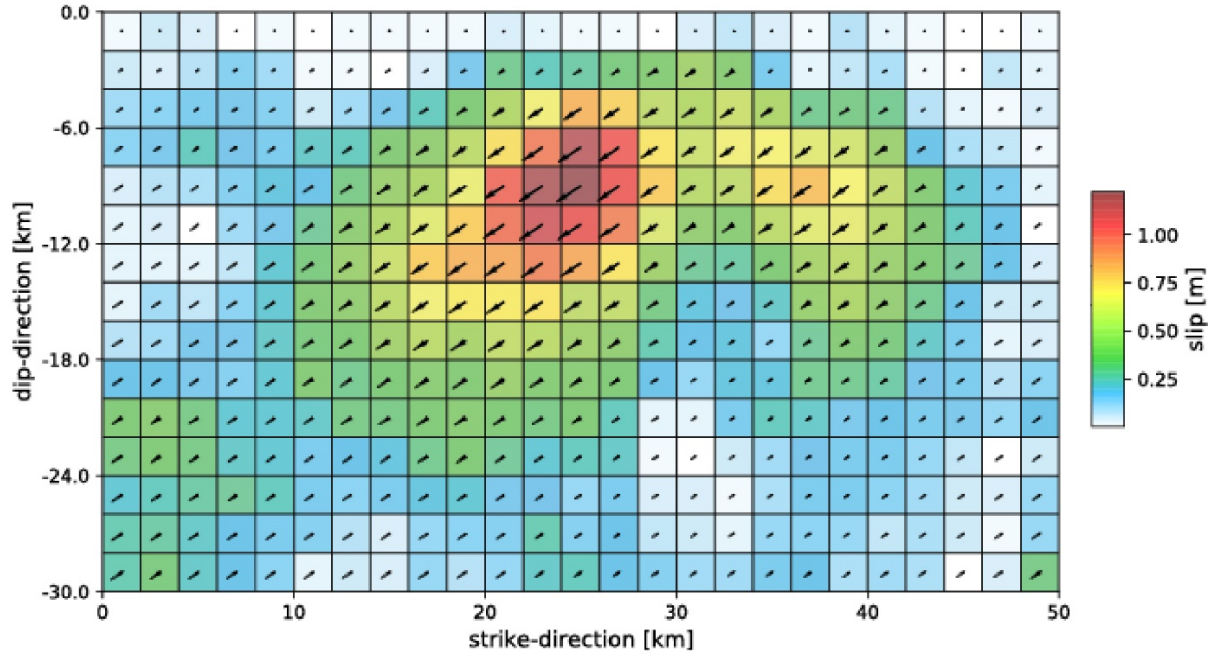
Fig. 5. Coseismic slip distribution solution for the 2021 Turt earthquake estimated using InSAR interferogram. The color patches and black arrows show the value and direction of the maximum-a-posterior solution. The two-sigma confidence interval is indicated by black ellipses around the arrow tips.

3.3. Stress inversion

The achieved stress inversion results are reported and summarized in Fig. 6 and Table 2, showing the stress fields in and around the Hovsgol basin is rather complicated. The sub-horizontal σ_1 axes in North Hovsgol Region (NHR) with NE-SW orientation and a low R (0.3) value indicating slightly difference in magnitude between σ_1 and σ_2 (Fig. 6b), coupled with horizontal σ_3 (Table 2), implies the NHR is under coexistence of both normal and strike slip stress regimes. The NHR is characterized by well-defined 95% confidence regions of sub-horizontal principal stress σ_3. In addition, we inverted all the compiled focal mechanisms for average stress filled in and around Hovsgol basin (Fig. 6a and c). It is similar to the stress filed of NHR but with much large average misfit angle 57°, indicating the background tectonics stress fields in and around Hovsgol basin are highly heterogenous (Michael, 1991).

Table 2. Stress tensor parameters as obtained from focal mechanisms inversion

Subregions	N^a	σ_1 (°) az./pl.[b]	σ_2 (°) az./pl.	σ_3 (°) az./pl.	R	α(°)	Stress Regime	SHmax[c]
North Hovsgol	15	223/48	34/42	128/4	0.30	43	NS	38
Total region	29	250/45	32/38	138/20	0.34	57	NS	48

[a] Number of focal mechanisms; [b] Azimuth and plunge angles; [c] maximum horizontal compressive stress orientation.

According to the scheme of stress regime characterization and maximum horizontal compressive stress orientation (SHmax) proposed by (Zoback, 1992) based on the plunge and azimuth angles of stress axes, the results for the NHR and the entire study region show that it is under transtension stress field. The estimated SHmax in the 2021 Turt earthquake region is 38° (Table 2). This is consistent with our observed transtensional fault slip (Fig. 5) and comparable with the data (SHmax 23°/31°) from World Stress Map project (Heidbach et al., 2016).
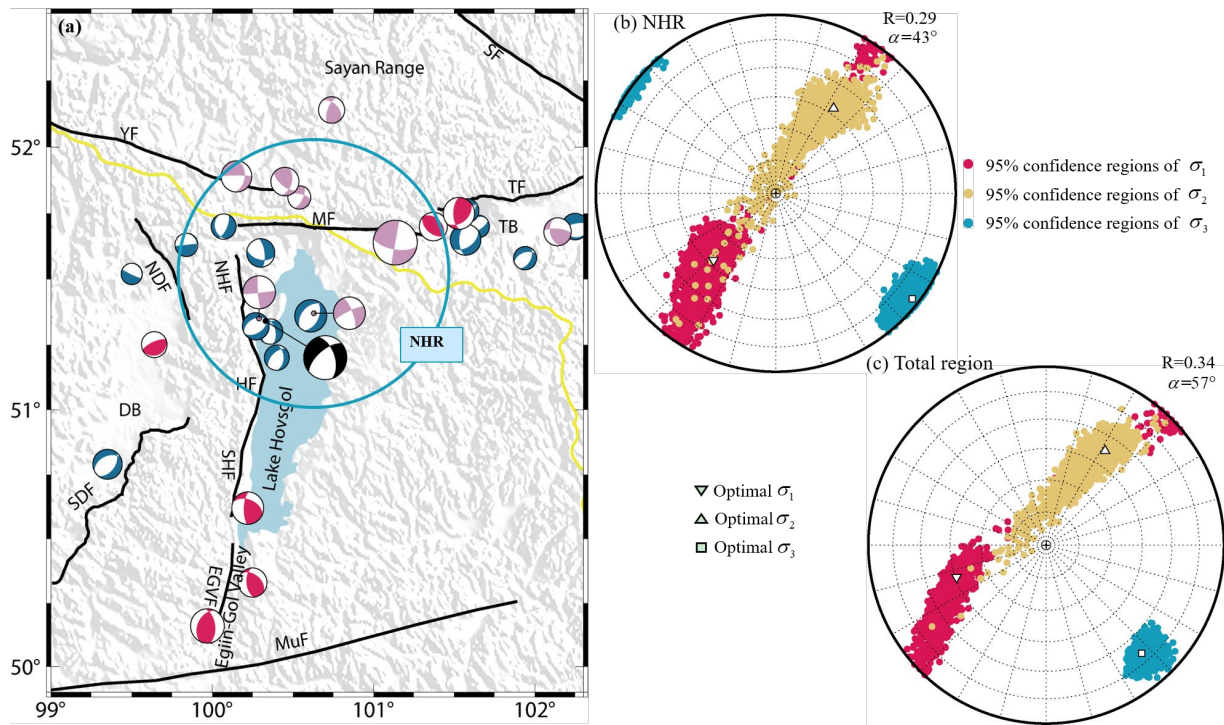
Fig. 6. The stress tensor inversion. (a) Focal mechanisms in the lower hemisphere projection used in the stress inversion for the entire region and for the northern part of the Hovsgol basin; (b) results of stress inversion for the northern part of the Hovsgol area; (c) results of stress inversion for the entire region.

4. Discussion

4.1. Faulting and stress heterogeneity in the Hovsgol basin region

The 2021 Mw 6.7 Turt earthquake is the largest instrumentally recorded event occurred within the Hovsgol basin. It is supposed to be caused by movement on the NW striking plane resulting from normal faulting with a right-lateral strike-slip component. The solution obtained in our study is in agreement with tensor moments issued by GCMT and IPGP, while other available solutions show mostly normal faulting (Fig. 1b and Table 1). The type of displacement in our focal mechanism corresponds to the kinematics of the NW fault determined from geological-structural data (Sankov et al., 2004). The field data described in (Sankov et al., 2004) also show, along with facets characterizing normal fault movements, regular right-lateral shear displacements of high-order stream valleys and asymmetric fanning cones. The stress regime deduced from the mainshock and previous focal mechanisms is transtension (Table 2); while earlier it was defined as pure extensive (Delouis et al., 2002). Since the stress inversion results are highly dependent on the input events, we argue that the completer and more up-to-date catalog in our study provide a more compelling evidence. Thus, we can state that the northern part of the Hovsgol basin is under extensional conditions with a right strike-slip component on NW oriented faults. This extension seems to be local because it is surrounded by transpression and strike-slip stress regimes (Delouis et al., 2002; Melnikova et al., 2004; Radziminovich et al., 2016; Sankov et al., 2004). Spatially, the present-day stress field in the region is changing from compression in the southern part of the Hovsgol basin to extension in its northern part, and then, to the north of the Hovsgol basin, the stress field is transpressive (Delouis et al., 2002; Melnikova et al., 2004; Radziminovich et al., 2016; Sankov et al., 2004). This complex spatial stress regime transition is probably responsible for the large average misfit angle in the stress inversion for the entire considered region (Fig.5, Table 2).

This indicates the complicated stress heterogeneity within the Hovsgol region, which can be deduced from the stress inversion results in and around the Hovsgol basin (Fig. 6). It is also visible from the basin morphology which shows a widespread deforming zone in the north but relatively narrow rift in the south (Fig. 7). Specifically, the topography is relatively lower in the southern counterpart. Gravity data also indicates remarking sedimentary thickness difference between north and south of the Hovsgol depression, with the maximum

550 m of sediments confined to the northern part of the depression, while the thickness of sediments rarely exceeds 350 m in the southern part of the Lake Hovsgol (Gladkochub and Donskaya, 2009; Zorin et al., 1989).

Reasons for heterogeneity of the stress field in the region are still under discussion. The local extension, for example, was modeled as opening of the northern basin which is in a T-shape conjunction of the Mondy fault and Hovsgol fault, and the diagonal NW fault forms the block structure of this area (Sankov et al., 2004). After the Turt earthquake, most of aftershocks (~60,000 in the first three months) from local seismic stations, are located in the conjugate angle region between near E-W MF and NW-S NHF, confirming activity of this block of the crust. In addition, stress heterogeneity including stress orientations and concentrations is attributed to active fault structures (Petit et al., 1996; Wilson et al., 2009; Yale, 2003) and contrasting rheology (Wileveau et al., 2007). Petit et al. (Petit et al., 1996) suggest that inherited structures have a crucial influence on the local stress field changes within the Baikal rift zone, so that changes in stresses are spatially confined to changes in the Siberian craton boundary. The sudden fault strike changes from near E-W direction (YF, MF and TF) to near N-S direction (HF, NDF and SDF), and then to NEE-SWW (MuF) orientation is observed in the Hovsgol region (Fig. 1b, Fig. 7), which may geometrically control the stress heterogeneity from north to south here.

Fault strike change is observed also along the western side of the Hovsgol basin, from SHF (10°) to NHF (341°). According to some study (Nicol et al., 2005; Wilson et al., 2009), the fault linkage point may control the displacements on the faults, so this change along the Hovsgol fault may inhibit the rupture propagation to SHF, confirming by the coseismic displacement mainly confined surrounding NHF during the Turt earthquake (Fig. 3). In this regard, it should be noted that seismicity of the instrumental period is concentrated in the northern part and southern tip of the Lake Hovsgol, while the south-central part of the lake (50.5° N - 51° N) seems to be a seismic gap where few earthquakes have been recorded (Dugarmaa et al., 2002; Radziminovich et al., 2016) (Fig.1).

4.2. Half-graben-dominated depression

Hovsgol basin is generally considered as the result of subsidence on the down-dropped block of half-graben with the master steep western HF hosting the 2021 mainshock. Some

388 literature only propose the active western major HF which is clear on the topography and

389 geomorphology (Ivanov et al., 2015; Pollitz et al., 2003; Ritz et al., 2018). Some others, however,

390 show the eastern minor Hovsgol fault (Petit et al., 1996; Tapponnier and Molnar, 1979; Wang et

391 al., 2013). This makes it confused whether Hovsgol basin is dominated by half- or full-graben.

392 Our geodetic observations show a dominated subsidence observed near the major HF on the

393 western side indicating that the current subsidence is dominated by half-graben depression

394 (Fig. 3). Epicenter distribution of the previous seismicity (Dugarmaa et al., 2002), as well as

395 aftershocks following the 2021 Turt earthquake show that much intense seismic activities is

396 observed on the west side of Lake Hovsgol compared with the east side.

397   Lithology of the basin sides differs; Pliocene basalts are located on the eastern side of HF,

398 while it is relatively complex with sedimentary volcanic units (Riphean), Oselkovaya

399 sedimentary series (Early Vendian) and Dzhidinsky sedimentary sequence (Middle Cambrian)

400 on the western side (Fig. S3, http://bic.iwlearn.org/en/atlas/atlas-of-the-baikal-basin-

401 eng/view). Bathymetry data of Lake Hovsgol indicates that the slope of the bottom of the lake

402 is steep on the west and gentle on the east (Fig. 7), which is consistent with the observed fault

403 scarps and steep slope on the west. This is also consistent with the west dome-blocky uplift

404 and east arch-like structure features within Hovsgol basin (Gladkochub and Donskaya, 2009).

405 Thus, the dominated west InSAR subsidence zone and remarkable difference of lithology,

406 seismic activity, lake bathymetry, geomorphology fault scarps indicate that the current

407 Hovsgol basin is still dominated by half-graben. Interestingly, the coseismic InSAR

408 observations also show surface displacement on eastern Lake Hovsgol bank (Fig. 3), implying

409 the potential local structures. Aftershocks from local seismic stations show microearthquake

410 (ML ~2) cluster which agrees well with the displacement zone on eastern bank of Lake

411 Hovsgol. These indicate that the minor structure may be activated by the 2021 Turt

412 earthquake (Fig. 7b).

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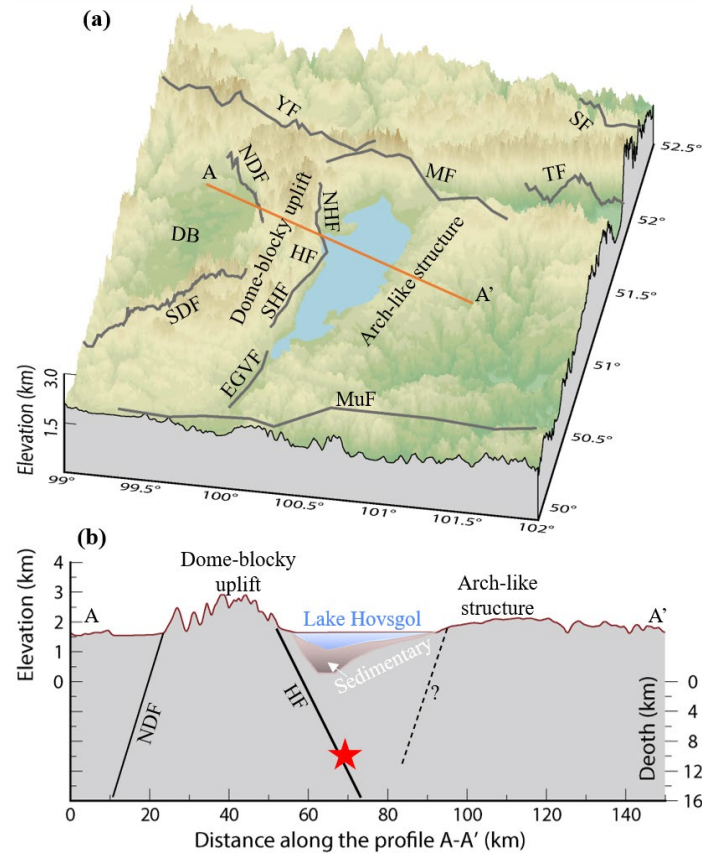
Fig. 7. Topography of the region. (a) The 3D view of topography in Fig. 1b. Gray lines represent active faults. The fault abbreviations are identical to those in Fig. 1. Orange line is the profile A-A' shown in (b). (b) The 2D conceptional model on the profile A-A'. Solid and dashed black lines represent the seismogenic fault and a possible oppositely dipping fault beneath the eastern bank of Lake Hovsgol. Red star indicates the hypocenter of the 2021 Turt earthquake.

4.3. Regional Seismic Hazard

Considering the complicated heterogeneity stress background in the Hovsgol region, it is crucial to evaluate the influence of 2021 Turt earthquake on its surrounding active faults. Seismic stress triggering theory indicates that accumulated tectonic stress is suddenly released during earthquakes, the redistributed stress may influence the adjacent faults with stress triggers promoting the subsequent seismicity or stress shadows delaying the subsequent earthquake ruptures (Harris, 1998; King et al., 1994; Stein et al., 1994). Utilizing the coseismic slip model caused by the 2021 Turt earthquake as the driving source, and assuming the effective coefficient of $\mu=0.4$, we estimated the static Coulomb Failure Stress changes (ΔCFS)

430 triggered by the mainshock on the surrounding active faults (Lin and Stein, 2004; Toda et al.,
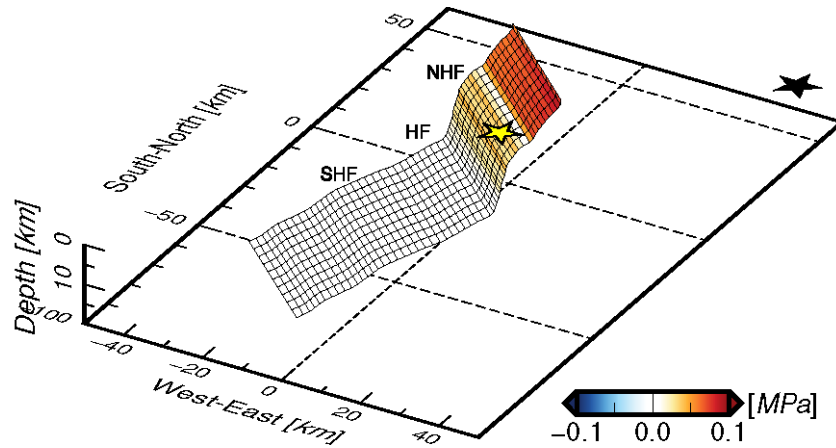
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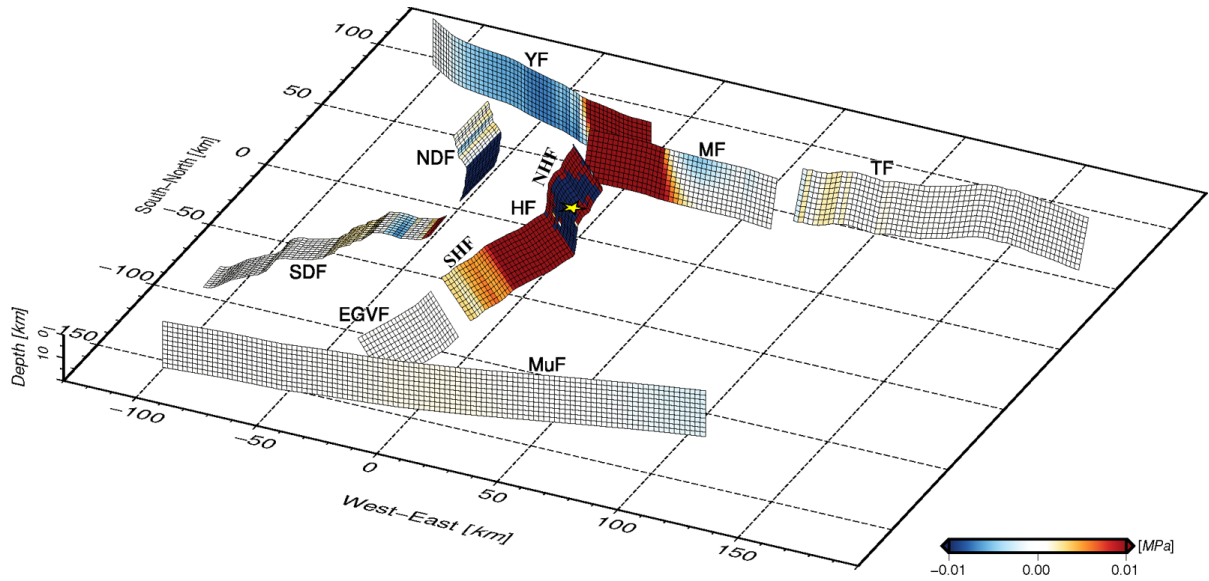
Fig. 8. Distribution of the static ΔCFS in the adjacent active faults induced by the 2021 Turt

earthquake. The fault abbreviations are identical to those in Fig. 1b. Yellow star represents the

USGS hypocenter. The geometries of the receiver faults are determined based on the

information of regional moment tensor and GEM Global Active Faults (Table S4).

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438 The maximum positive and negative static ΔCFS both about 2.5 MPa are found on the

439 NHF (Fig. 8 and Fig. S4). It is worth noting that color scale is saturated at [-0.01 0.01] MPa

440 for the visualization (Fig. 8). Strong stress triggers around coseismic rupture zone on NHF

441 may explain the aftershocks after the mainshock and indicates potential postseismic transients

442 (e.g., afterslip, poroelastic rebound, and viscoelastic relaxation). Stress triggers (0.16 MPa,

443 Fig. 8 and Table S4) are found on the west Mondy Fault, a sinistral strike slip fault dipping

444 south which hosted the 1950 Mondy Mw 6.9 (Delouis et al., 2002). In addition, 0.03 MPa stress

445 triggers are observed on the east tip of YF (Fig. 8 and Table S4); whereas the NDF, west YF

446 and east MF are mainly located in a stress shadow zone. It is obviously that the geometries of

447 receiver faults play an important role in the ΔCFS calculations. For instance, the striking

448 orientation changes are significantly influence the polarity (stress triggers or stress shadows)

449 of ΔCFS , which can be observed clearly on fault NDF and SDF (Fig. 8). This kind of

450 structure-orientation-related ΔCFS polarity is also reported, for example, in the case of 2020

451 Mw 6.5 Monte Cristo Range Earthquake (Zheng et al., 2020). This seems further confirming

452   that the strikes change is one of the potential reasons for the stress heterogeneity in Hovsgol

453   region. The calculated positive ΔCFS on the northward faults (east YF, west MF and central

454   MuF) exceeds the earthquake triggering threshold 0.01 MPa (Hardebeck et al., 1998). This

455   indicates that the seismic hazard for these faults may be potentially increased, especially for

456   the West Mondy Fault. Besides, rather strong positive ΔCFS (~0.5 MPa, Fig. 8 and Table S4)

457   are observed on the SHF induced by the 2021 Turt earthquake. Considering that the SHF is a

458   seismic gap during the instrumental era, we suggest that potential seismic hazard on SHF

459   should be also taken into consideration.

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461   **Fig. 9.** Distribution of the static ΔCFS on the Hovsgol Fault induced by the 1950 Mondy Mw

462   6.9 earthquake. The effective friction coefficient is 0.4. The fault abbreviations are identical to

463   those in Fig. 1b. Yellow and black stars represent the hypocenter of 2021 Turt earthquake and

464   1950 Mondy earthquake, respectively.

465   In addition, considering that the 1950 Mondy Mw 6.9 and the 2021 Turt Mw 6.7

466   earthquakes are only ~70 km apart, we modeled the possible impact of the Mondy fault.

467   Based on the focal mechanism of 1950 Mondy earthquake (Delouis et al., 2002), we synthesized

468   the uniform pure sinistral coseismic slip (0.83 m) on a 50 km×20 km fault plane with strike

469   100° and dip 75°. With the same method above, the static Coulomb Failure Stress changes

470   (ΔCFS) triggered by the 1950 Mondy earthquake were estimated on the Hovsgol Fault (Figs.

471   9 and S5). Almost all positive static ΔCFS with an average value of 0.05 MPa are located on

472   the NHF, indicating that the 1950 Mondy event may significantly promote the 2021 Turt

473   earthquake. Given the average stress drop of about 0.72 MPa in the 2021 rupture zone and

474   assuming recurrence earthquake releasing the same tectonic stress, we suggest that the 1950

475   event advanced the 2021 earthquake by about 7% recurrence interval. However, it seems to

476 have little positive effect on SHF and shows stress shadow with a peak value of -0.008 MPa

477 inhibiting earthquake nucleation on the north tip of the SHF (Figs. 9 and S5). This may

478 explain, to some degree, the seismic gap on SHF and seems to evidence again that structures

479 geometry plays a significant role in local stress field.

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481 ## 5. Conclusions

482 In this study, we investigated the seismogenic fault geometry, coseismic fault slip with

483 surface displacement fields for the Mw6.7 2021 Turt earthquake by using InSAR and

484 teleseismic data. We found that the observations can be best explained by the fault slip on a

485 seismogenic fault with a strike of 341° and a dip angle of 54°. Coseismic slip is characterized

486 by normal faulting with a dextral strike-slip component with a peak value of 1.2 m at 7 km

487 depth. According to InSAR data, up to ~20 cm surface subsidence occurred at the hanging

488 wall of the fault. The stress inversion results show that this earthquake occurred within a

489 transtensive stress regime. It is a local area with such a regime being surrounded by

490 transpressive and strike-slip stress fields. This stress heterogeneity is probably controlled by

491 the distinct structure geometries in and around Hovsgol basin.

492 The dominated west bank InSAR subsidence and remarkable difference of lithology,

493 seismic activity, lake bottom slope, geomorphology fault scarps, indicate that the current

494 Hovsgol basin is still dominated by half-graben. The calculated ΔCFS induced by the 2021

495 Turt earthquake suggests the potential seismic hazard associated with the West Mondy Fault

496 that deserves further attention. In addition, the ΔCFS caused by the 1950 Mondy earthquake

497 may advance the 2021 Turt earthquake by ~7% recurrence interval. The findings reported here

498 have important implications for regional heterogenous stress field of the crust, graben

499 deformation mechanisms and seismic potential.

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520 https://www.gamma-rs.ch/software. The BEAT software is obtained from
521 https://github.com/hvasbath/beat. The iterative joint stress inversion software is obtained from
522 https://www.ig.cas.cz/en/stress-inverse/. The Coulomb3 software is available from
523 https://www.usgs.gov/software/coulomb-3. The Generic Mapping Tools (Wessel et al., 2013) created
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Supporting Information for

Coseismic Fault Slip and Transtensional Stress Field in the Hovsgol basin

Revealed by the 2021 Mw 6.7 Turt, Mongolia Earthquake

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1950 Mw 6.9 Mondy earthquake (Fig. S5). We also include tables describing the moment tensors

(Table S1), coseismic InSAR data information (Table S2), optimal fault geometry parameters

and their searching intervals in the non-linear inversion (Table S3) and geometry parameters of

receiver faults for Coulomb stress change calculation (Table S4).

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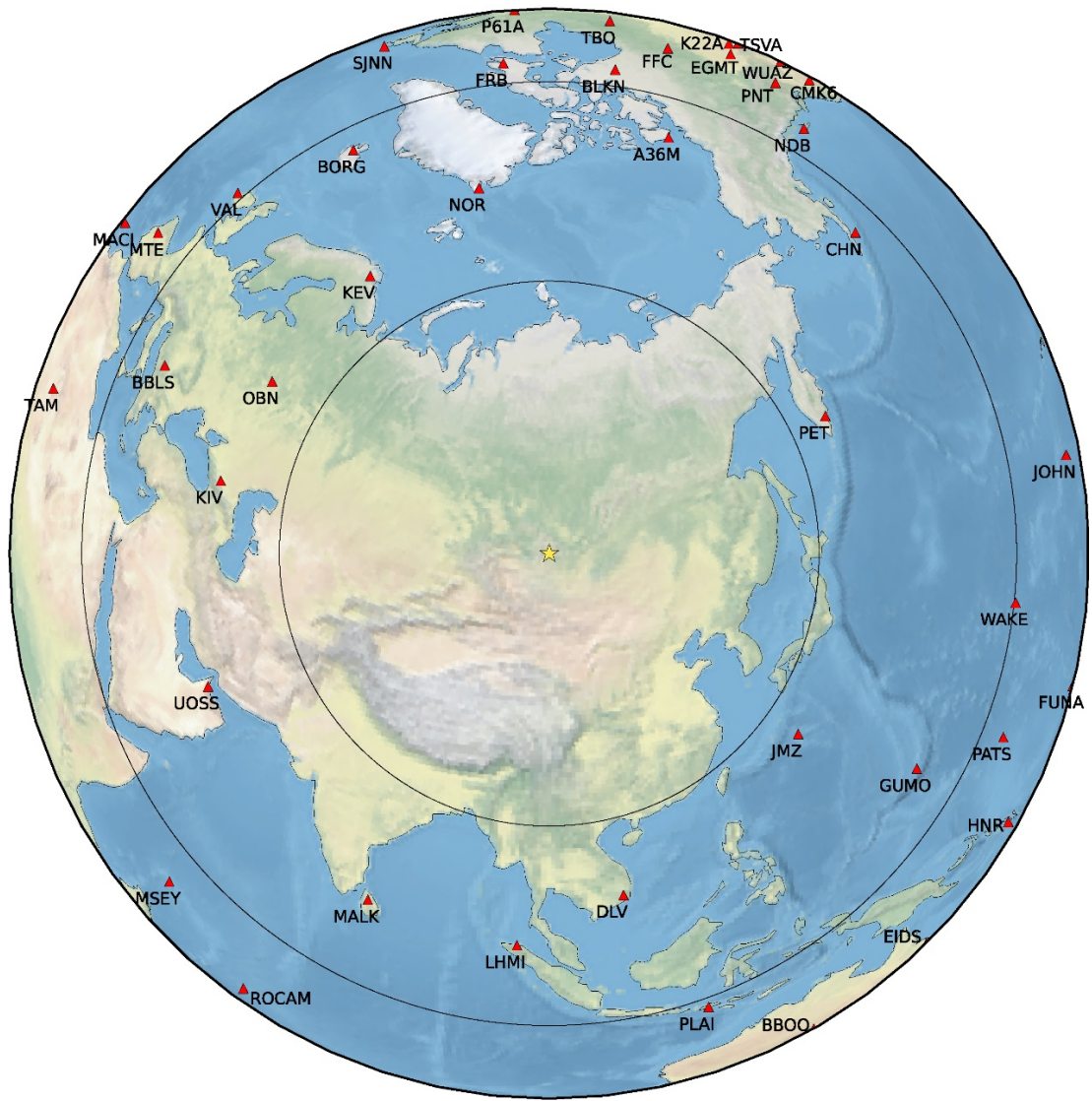
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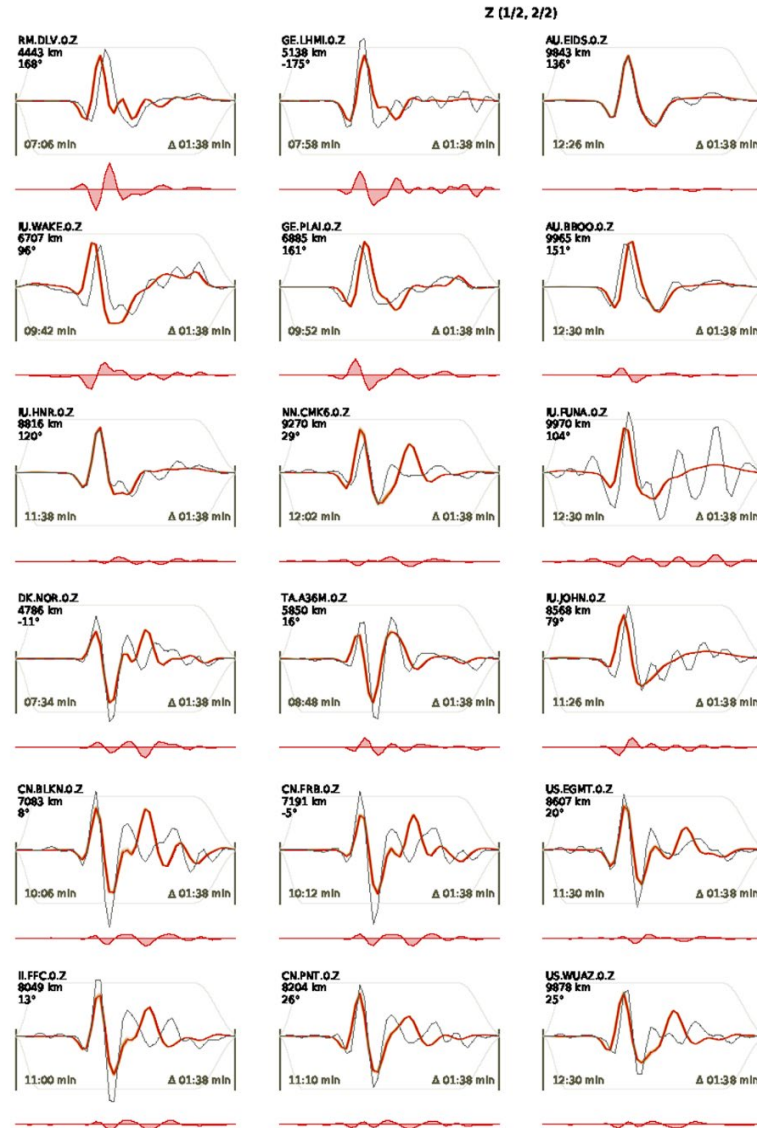
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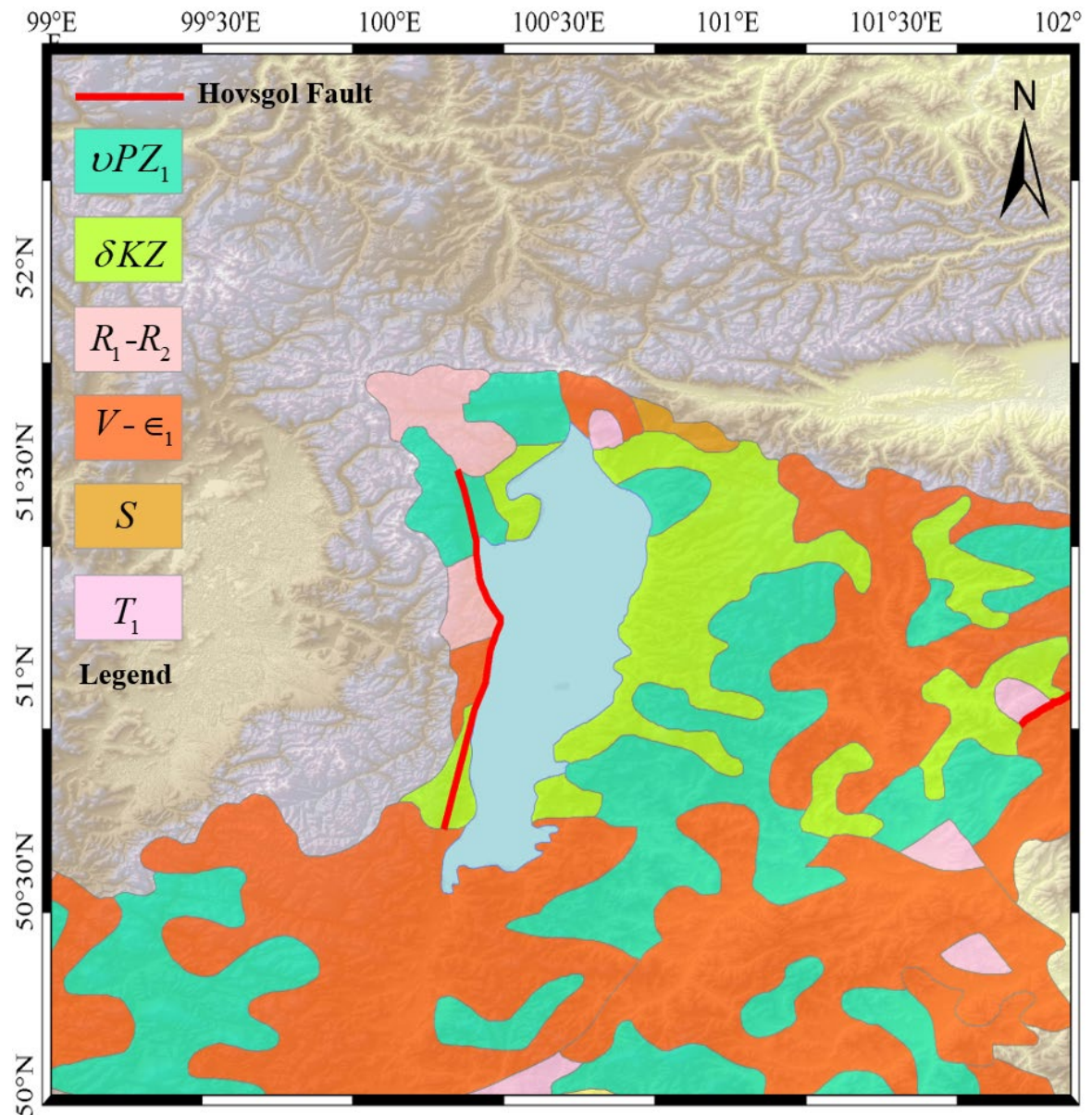
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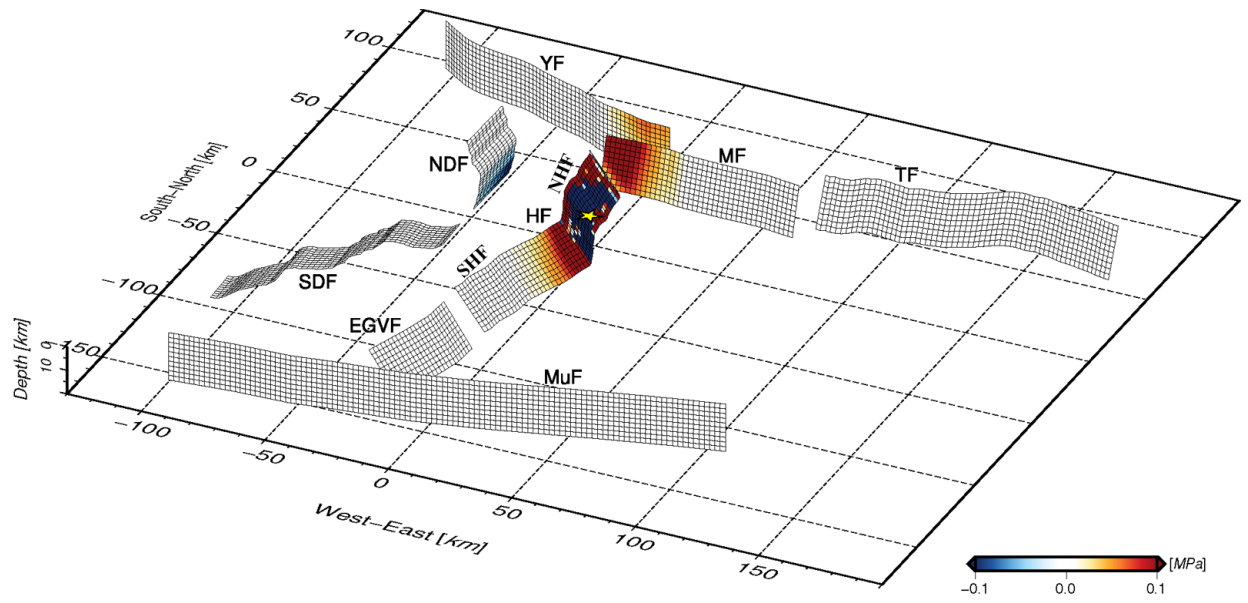
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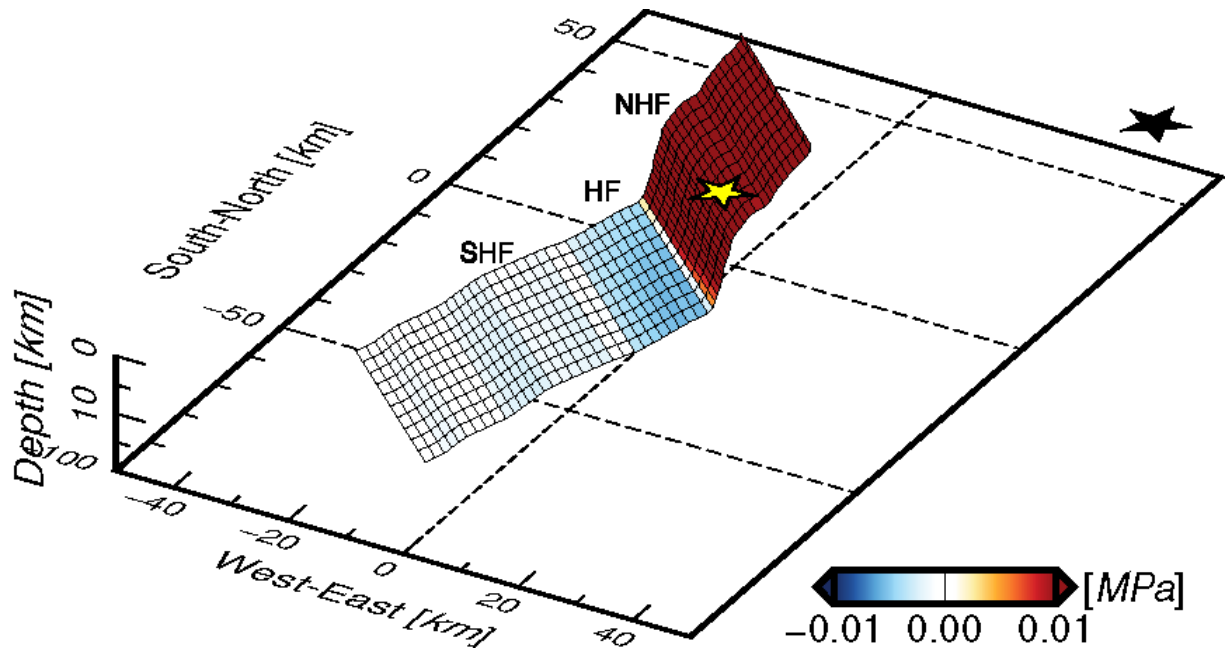
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63   **Table S1**. Fault plane solutions for earthquakes in the Hovsgol area. Earthquakes with multiple focal mechanism solutions are highlighted in

64   bold.

dd/mm/yyyy	Hour	Lat.	Lon.	Mag.	T pl	T az	N pl	N az	P pl	P az	Strike	Dip	Slip	Strike	Dip	Slip	reference
04/04/1950	18:44	51.8	101	Mw6.9	11	324	74	190	11	56	100	75	0	10	90	165	Delouis et al., 2002
21/12/1961	16:02	51.6	100.3	4.4	10	52	41	151	47	311	353	67	-44	104	50	-149	Khilko et al., 1985
29/08/1964	20:55	51.52	99.5	3.3	39	209	4	116	51	21	115	84	-94	329	7	-56	Khilko et al., 1985
01/04/1976	**19:02**	**50.62**	**100.22**	**5**	**77**	**132**	**13**	**306**	**2**	**36**	**293**	**48**	**72**	**139**	**45**	**109**	Khilko et al., 1985
01/04/1976	**19:02**	**50.62**	**100.22**	**5**	**46**	**137**	**41**	**344**	**14**	**242**	**182**	**70**	**133**	**292**	**47**	**28**	Golenetskii, 1980
14/03/1980	21:34	51.87	100.45	4.4	49	350	39	151	9	249	16	50	146	129	65	45	Khilko et al., 1985
03/12/1982	05:16	51.7	101.37	4.4	84	16	3	132	5	222	130	50	87	315	40	94	Golenetskii, 1986
06/04/1985	05:32	51.36	100.61	5	3	123	10	34	80	229	25	48	-102	223	44	-77	Solonenko et al. 1993
24/08/1985	22:57	51.2	100.4	3.9	6	295	24	28	64	190	0	44	-126	225	56	-60	Solonenko et al., 1993
08/03/1987	05:16	51.3	100.36	3.9	7	96	22	4	66	204	348	56	-117	210	42	-57	Solonenko et al., 1993
04/03/1989	19:43	50.79	99.35	4.6	2	140	14	50	76	236	37	48	-109	244	45	-70	Filina, 1993
05/02/1992	10:57	50.16	99.97	5.3	72	206	17	6	6	98	206	42	116	353	53	69	Melnikova, Radziminovich, 1998
13/01/1993	05:18	51.68	102.14	4.3	44	141	42	291	16	34	167	46	155	275	72	46	Melnikova, Radziminovich, 1998
02/09/1997	15:35	51.7	101.65	3.5	21	143	7	236	68	342	58	66	-83	221	25	-105	Melnikova, Radziminovich, 2003
17/09/2003	**02:59**	**51.75**	**101.53**	**Mb4.6**	**55**	**136**	**23**	**8**	**25**	**267**	**196**	**74**	**114**	**318**	**29**	**35**	Radziminovich et al., 2
17/09/2003	**02:59**	**51.75**	**101.53**	**Mw4.9**	**62**	**41**	**26**	**196**	**10**	**291**	**180**	**60**	**60**	**49**	**41**	**131**	Seredkina, Melnil 2013
17/09/2003	03:31	51.76	101.58	3.7	3	328	16	59	74	228	253	50	-69	42	44	-113	Radziminovich et al., 2
20/09/2003	05:01	51.32	100.27	4.2	3	150	3	60	86	285	243	42	-86	57	48	-94	Radziminovich et al., 2
19/01/2004	**23:50**	**51.89**	**100.15**	**Mb4.5**	**48**	**342**	**37**	**130**	**16**	**233**	**4**	**44**	**152**	**115**	**71**	**50**	Melnikova et al., 2010
19/01/2004	**23:50**	**51.89**	**100.15**	**Mw4.8**	**26**	**326**	**45**	**85**	**34**	**217**	**270**	**85**	**-45**	**5**	**45**	**-173**	Seredkina, Melnil 2013
11/03/2004	09:39	52.14	100.74	Mb4.1	48	161	40	360	10	261	202	66	135	314	50	32	Melnikova et al., 2010
21/10/2004	01:00	51.7	102.25	4.1	26	356	10	261	62	152	258	72	-100	108	21	-62	Melnikova et al., 2010

11/05/2005	2:01	51.7	100.07	3.9	20	99	18	196	63	325	162	30	-128	24	67	-70	Radziminovich et al., 2
03/03/2007	11:20	51.63	99.84	3.6	44	164	10	264	44	4	264	90	100	174	10	0	Melnikova et al., 2013
03/03/2007	13:11	51.81	100.54	Mb3.6	0	154	53	64	37	244	282	65	-28	25	65	-152	Melnikova et al., 2013
05/04/2008	18:56	50.33	100.25	Mb4.5	65	142	24	336	5	244	175	55	120	310	45	55	Melnikova et al., 2014
14/05/2012	16:38	51.25	99.64	Mb4.0	63	154	1	246	27	337	71	18	95	246	72	88	Melnikova et al., 2018
16/07/2012	17:00	51.58	101.94	3.6	1	140	23	50	67	231	251	49	-59	29	50	-120	Melnikova et al., 2018
05/12/2014	**18:04**	**51.37**	**100.63**	**Mw5.0**	**3**	**293**	**70**	**33**	**20**	**202**	**245**	**79**	**-17**	**339**	**74**	**-168**	**GCMT**
05/12/2014	**18:04**	**51.37**	**100.63**	**5.0**	**36**	**113**	**54**	**301**	**4**	**206**	**154**	**69**	**150**	**256**	**62**	**24**	Melnikova et al., 2020
05/12/2014	**18:04**	**51.37**	**100.63**	**5.0**	**41**	**125**	**0**	**35**	**49**	**305**	**35**	**86**	**-90**	**214**	**4**	**-91**	Dobrynina et al., 2018
29/03/2019	23:22	51.65	101.57	Mw4.8	4	298	31	206	59	34	56	49	-48	182	56	-128	GCMT
11/01/2021	21:33	51.281	100.438	6.74	14	301	10	33	72	158	16	32	-110	219	60	-78	USGS
11/01/2021	21:33	51.31	100.39	6.8	13	300	33	39	54	192	354	45	-143	236	65	-52	GCMT
11/01/2021	21:33	51.21	100.47	6.7	2	295	22	26	68	199	4	47	-121	226	51	-60	GFZ
11/01/2021	21:33	51.241	100.443	6.84	9	301	33	37	55	197	358	46	-139	237	62	-52	IPGP
11/01/2021	21:33	51.32	100.42	Mb6.5	0	309	9	39	81	219	29	46	-103	228	46	0	GSRAS
11/01/2021	21:33	100.33	51.34	6.75	6	287	42	22	47	191	340	54	-146	-	-	-	This study
31/03/2021	00:01	100.29	51.35	5.1	2	130	83	239	5	39	175	84	-177	84	87	-5	GFZ

65 USGS, U.S. Geological Survey (https://earthquake.usgs.gov); GCMT, Global Centroid-Moment Tensor Project (https://www.globalcmt.org/);

66 GFZ, GeoForschungsZentrum (GEOFON) Moment Tensor Solutions (http://geofon.gfz-potsdam.de/eqinfo/); IPGP, Institute de Physique du

67 Globe de Paris (http://www.ipgp.fr/fr); GSRAS, Geophysical Survey of Russian Academy of Sciences

68 (http://www.ceme.gsras.ru/new/ssd_news.htm).

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70 **Table S2**. Details of the coseismic Sentinel-1 SAR data used in this study.

Interferograms	Primary (yyyymmdd)	Secondary (yyyymmdd)	Path	Frame	Direction	Bperp (m)
CoDT77	20201223	20210112	77	419	Descending	4.6

71 Note: CoDT77 is descending coseismic interferogram.

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75   **Table S**3. Searching intervals of the co-seismic fault geometry parameters and the optimal

76   solution in the non-linear inversion. E-shift and N-shift are differential E-W and N-S distances

77   with respect to the GCMT epicenter location. Depth is the upper depth of uniform fault. The

78   optimal solutions are maximum-a-posteriori probability solutions, and 2.5% and 97.5% represent

79   confidence interval of posterior probability density functions of fault parameters.

Parameters	E-shift (km)	N-shift (km)	Length (km)	Width (km)	Depth	Strike (°)	Dip (°)	Rake (°)	Slip (m)
Lower boundary	-20	-20	0	0	0	0	0	-180	0
Upper boundary	20	20	40	20	15	360	90	180	5
Optimal	-8.2	2.0	35.3	14.2	3.2	340.4	53.9	-146.4	0.7
2.5%	-8.8	0.0	31.6	10.5	2.9	338.8	49.9	-152.2	0.6
97.5%	-7.5	3.0	38.1	15.6	3.8	341.4	60.9	-141.8	0.9

80   **Table S4**. Geometry information of receiver faults. Unit of ΔCFS is MPa

Faults	Strike* (°)	Dip (°)	Rake (°)	Slip-Type	Max. ΔCFS	Min. ΔCFS
NHF	341	54	-146	Dextral-Normal	2.4435	-2.5369
SHF	10	54	-146	Dextral-Normal	0.4683	-0.1780
TF	84	60	-60	Normal	0.0026	-0.0023
MF	100	75	0	Sinistral	0.1631	-0.0382
YF	289	90	0	Sinistral	0.0646	-0.0076
NDF	152	50	-80	Normal	0.0030	-0.1257
SDF	221	50	-80	Normal	0.0113	-0.0068
EGVF	0	50	110	Thrust	0.0001	-0.0001
MuF	80	90	0	Sinistral	0.0015	-0.0023

81   *Strike angle is the average striking orientation azimuth for individual receiver fault.

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