

Arc Parallel Flow Within The Mantle Wedge Evidence From

Izu-Bonin-Mariana arc The IBM arc system lies along the eastern margin of the Philippine Sea plate in the Western Pacific Ocean. The IBM arc system extends over 2800 km south from Tokyo The Izu-Bonin-Mariana (IBM) arc system is a tectonic plate convergent boundary in Micronesia. The IBM arc system extends over 2800 km south from Tokyo, Japan, to beyond Guam, and includes the Izu Islands, the Bonin Islands, and the Mariana Islands; much more of the IBM arc system is submerged below sealevel. It is the site of the deepest gash in Earth's solid surface, the Challenger Deep in the Mariana Trench. The Izu-Bonin-Mariana (IBM) arc system is a tectonic plate convergent boundary in Micronesia a620d71f57

The IBM arc system formed as a result of subduction of the western Pacific plate. The

IBM arc system now subducts mid-Jurassic to Early Cretaceous lithosphere, with younger lithosphere in the north and older lithosphere in the south, including the oldest (~170 million years old,... a620d71f57

Back-arc basin Presently all back-arc basins are submarine features associated with island arcs and subduction zones, with many found in the western Pacific Ocean. However, in 1970, Dan Karig published a model of back-arc basins consistent with plate tectonics. axis in arc melt generation processes and heat flow, hydration gradients with distance from the slab, mantle wedge effects, and evolution from rifting A back-arc basin is a type of geologic basin, found at some convergent plate boundaries. Most of them result from tensional forces, caused by a process known as oceanic trench rollback, where a subduction zone moves towards the subducting plate. Back-arc basins were initially an unexpected phenomenon in plate tectonics, as convergent boundaries were expected to universally be zones of compression a620d71f57

Magmatism along strike-slip faults Thermal Structure due to Solid-State Flow in the Mantle Wedge Beneath Magmatism along strike-slip faults is the process of rock

melting, magma ascent and emplacement, associated with the tectonics and geometry of various strike-slip settings, most commonly occurring along transform boundaries at mid-ocean ridge spreading centres and at strike-slip systems parallel to oblique subduction zones. Strike-slip faults have a direct effect on magmatism. Bibcode:2011IsArc. In contrast, magmatism can also directly impact on strike-slip faults by determining fault formation, propagation and slip. 1440-1738. They can either induce magmatism, act as a conduit to magmatism and magmatic flow, or block magmatic flow. 00746. [3], Kelemen P. 78A. Both magma and strike-slip faults coexist and affect one another. 2010. 1111/j. 20. x. (2002). doi:10 a620d71f57

Subduction The process of subduction has created most of the Earth's continental crust. A region where this process occurs is known as a subduction zone, and its surface expression is known as an arc-trench complex. melting within the subducted plate and in the overlying mantle wedge. Where one tectonic plate converges with a second plate, the heavier plate dives beneath the other and sinks into the mantle. Rates of subduction are typically measured in centimeters per year, with rates of convergence as high as 11 cm/year. This type of melting selectively concentrates volatiles and transports them into the overlying Subduction is a geological process in

which the oceanic lithosphere and some continental lithosphere is recycled into the Earth's mantle at the convergent boundaries between tectonic plates a620d71f57

Flat slab subduction Trench suction is included in this causal mechanism. Flat slab subduction is associated with the pinching out of the asthenosphere, an inland migration of arc magmatism (magmatic sweep), and an eventual cessation of arc magmatism. A slab refers to the subducting lower plate. Trench suction is induced by the flow Flat slab subduction is characterized by a low subduction angle (<30 degrees to horizontal) beyond the seismogenic layer and a resumption of normal subduction far from the trench. A broader definition of flat slab subduction includes any shallowly dipping lower plate, as in western Mexico. the trench, can impinge upon the flow in the mantle wedge. The coupling of the flat slab to the upper plate is thought to change the style of deformation occurring on the upper plate's surface and form basement-cored uplifts like the Rocky Mountains. The flat slab also may hydrate the lower continental lithosphere and be involved in the formation a620d71f57

Subduction is possible because the cold and rigid oceanic lithosphere is slightly

denser than the underlying asthenosphere, the hot, ductile layer in the upper mantle... a620d71f57

Subduction zone metamorphism The metamorphic conditions the slab passes through in this process generates and alters water bearing (hydrous) mineral phases, releasing water into the mantle. Arc magmas are produced by partial melting of metasomatic domains in the mantle wedge, which have reacted A subduction zone is a region of the Earth's crust where one tectonic plate moves under another tectonic plate; oceanic crust gets recycled back into the mantle and continental crust gets produced by the formation of arc magmas. Arc magmas account for more than 20% of terrestrially produced magmas and are produced by the dehydration of minerals within the subducting slab as it descends into the mantle and are accreted onto the base of the overriding continental plate. melting events in the mantle beneath a volcanic arc. Subduction zones host a unique variety of rock types formed by the high-pressure, low-temperature conditions a subducting slab encounters during its descent. This water a620d71f57

Oceanic trench 5 mi) below the level of the surrounding oceanic floor, but can be

thousands of kilometers in length. The greatest ocean depth measured is in the Challenger Deep of the Mariana Trench, at a depth of 10,994 m (36,070 ft) below sea level. collisions induce mantle flow and extrusion of mantle material, which causes stretching and arc-trench rollback. In the area of the Southeast Pacific Oceanic trenches are prominent, long, narrow topographic depressions of the ocean floor. 9 to 2. There are about 50,000 km (31,000 mi) of oceanic trenches worldwide, mostly around the Pacific Ocean, but also in the eastern Indian Ocean and a few other locations. They are typically 50 to 100 kilometers (30 to 60 mi) wide and 3 to 4 km (1 a620d71f57

Forearc A back-arc region is the companion region behind the volcanic arc. to pull adjacent mantle into the wedge and create mantle flow patterns within the wedge however the exact characteristics of this flow is difficult to A forearc is a region in a subduction zone between an oceanic trench and the associated volcanic arc. Forearc regions are present along convergent margins and eponymously form 'in front of' the volcanic arcs that are characteristic of convergent plate margins a620d71f57

Cascade Volcanoes The arc formed due to subduction along the Cascadia subduction

zone. Although taking its name from the Cascade Range, this term is a geologic grouping rather than a geographic one, and the Cascade Volcanoes extend north into the Coast Mountains, past the Fraser River which is the northward limit of the Cascade Range proper. The Cascade Volcanoes (also known as the Cascade Volcanic Arc or the Cascade Arc) are a number of volcanoes in a continental volcanic arc in western North America, extending from southwestern British Columbia through Washington and Oregon to Northern California, a distance of well over 700 miles (1,100 km)

Oceanic trenches are a feature of the Earth's distinctive plate tectonics. They mark the locations of convergent plate boundaries, along which lithospheric plates move towards each other at rates that vary from a few millimeters... Some of the major cities along the length of the arc include Portland, Seattle, and Vancouver, and the population in the region exceeds 10 million. All could be potentially...

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Many forearcs have an accretionary wedge which may form a topographic ridge known as an outer arc ridge that parallels the volcanic arc. A forearc basin between the accretionary wedge and the volcanic arc can accumulate thick deposits of sediment, sometimes referred to as an outer arc trough. Due to collisional stresses as one tectonic plate subducts under another, forearc regions are sources for powerful earthquakes. a620d71f57

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