

# Structural Geology

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## How to use the Calculations Excel file

This excel file contains spreadsheets that calculate the eigenvectors and eigenvalues of plane strain deformations.

The sheet "**Simple shear**" is the simplest. It calculates the eigenvalues, principal strains ( $1+e_1$  and  $1+e_2$ ) and the strain ratio  $R$  and the angle between the principal strain axis  $X$  and the shear plane.

The sheet "**Pure shear**" is similar for pure shear. The user enters values for  $k_x$  (in red).

"**Subsimple shear**" allows the user to mix simple and pure shear ( $\gamma$  and  $k_x$ ). It also allows the input of a line and shows its new orientation and extension after deformation.

"**Wk-based 2D-strain**" is also for subsimple shear, but lets the user specify  $W_k$  and the shear strain ( $\gamma$ ). It also shows the deformation of a line.

"**Marker, ss, calc new orient**" calculates the new orientation of a passive marker that is deformed in a simple shear zone.

"**Marker, ss, calc shear strain**" calculates the shear strain where the change in orientation of a marker in a simple shear zone is known.