

Error estimates of elastic tensor components in stress-dependent VTI media

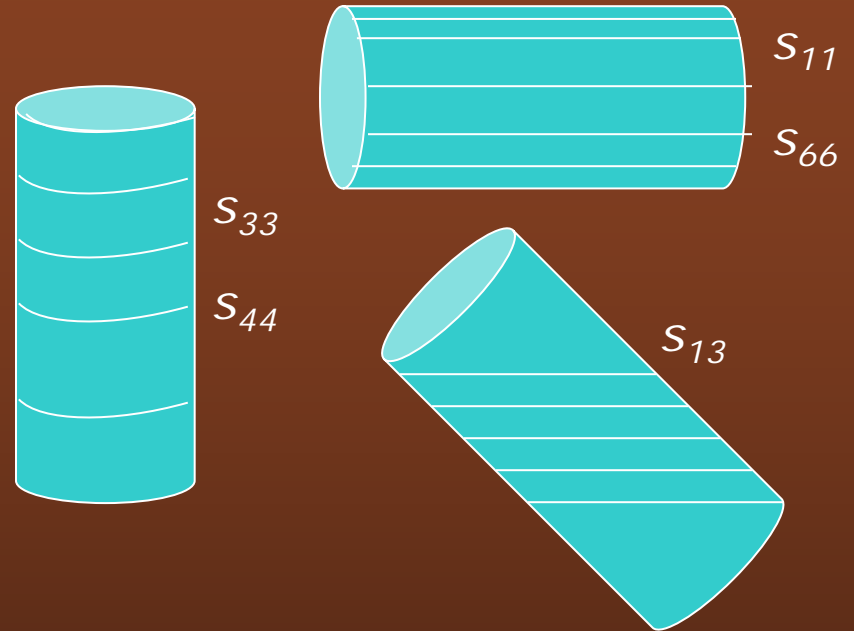
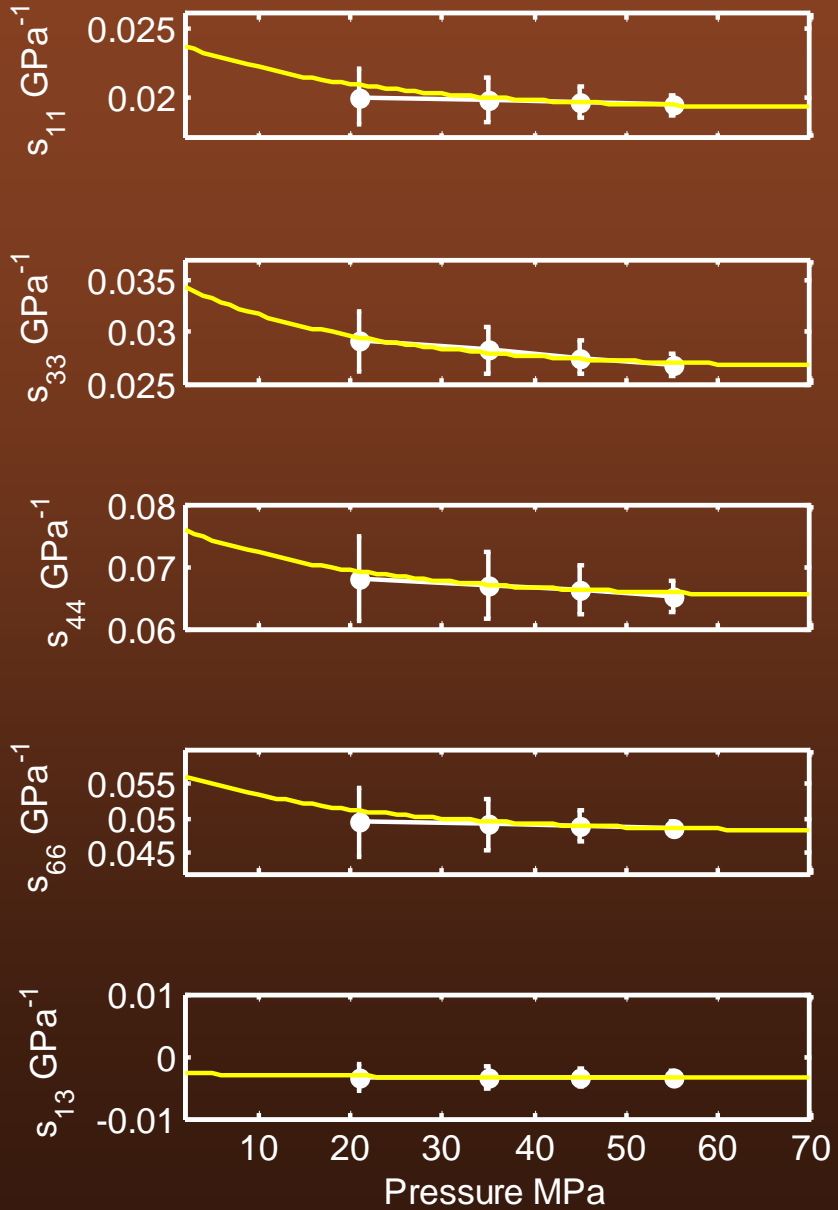
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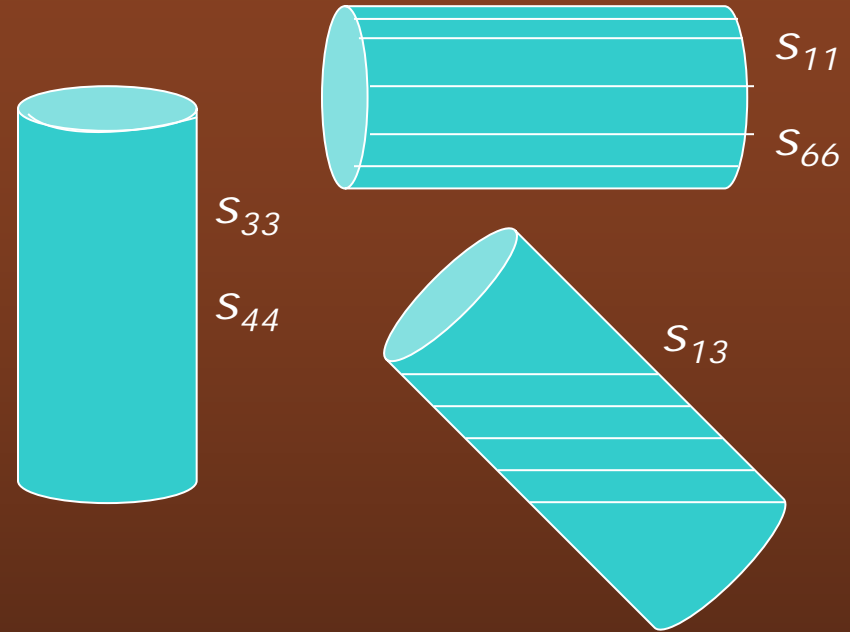
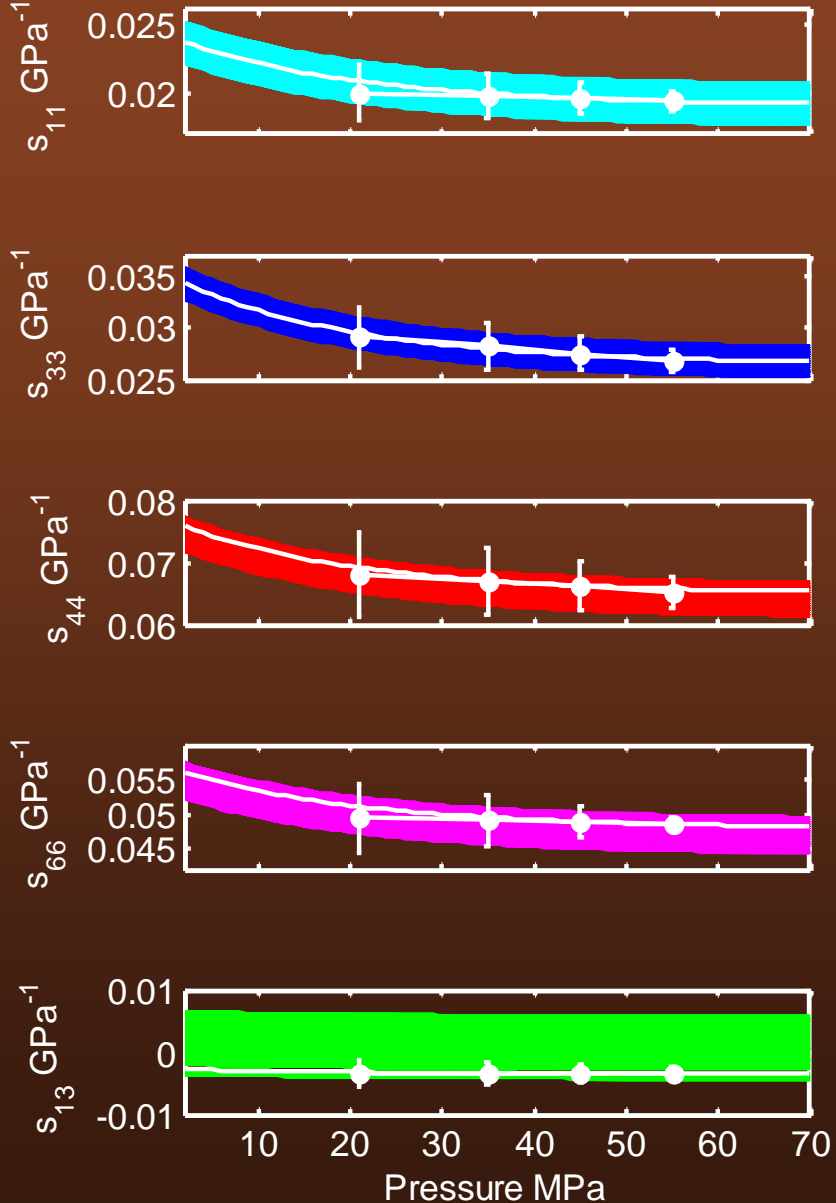
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Motivation



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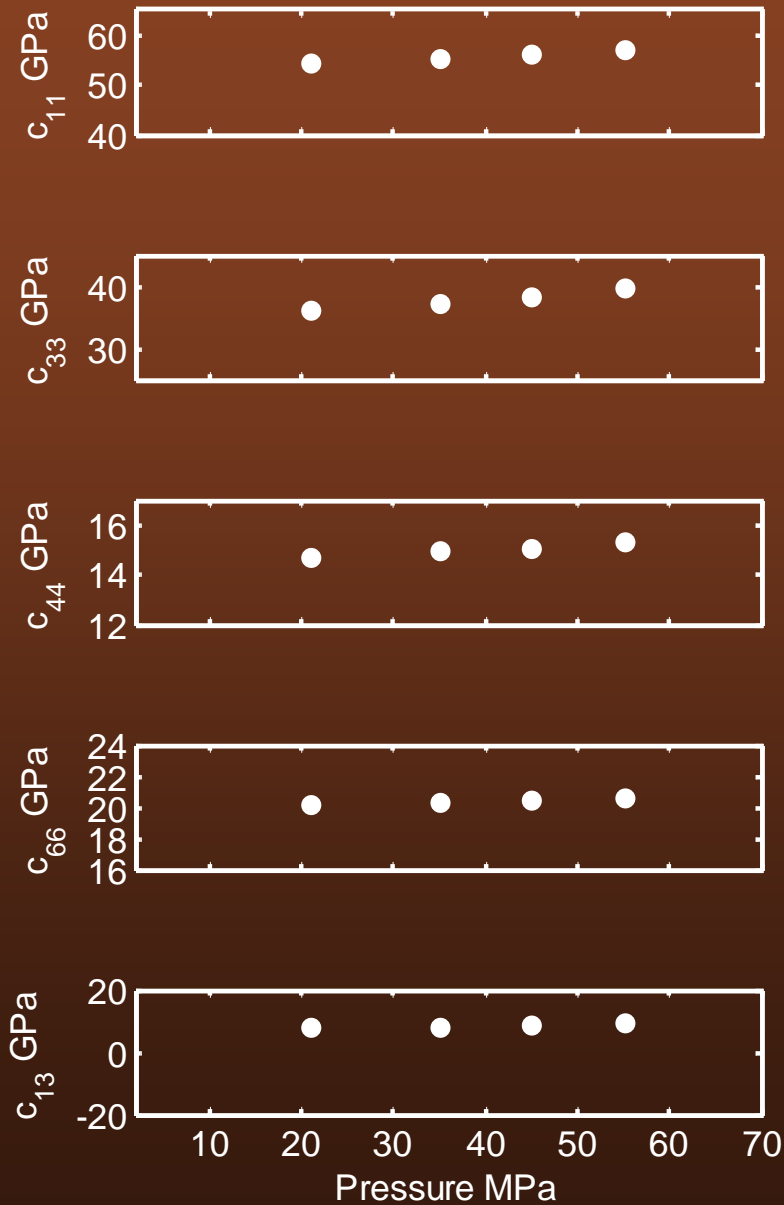
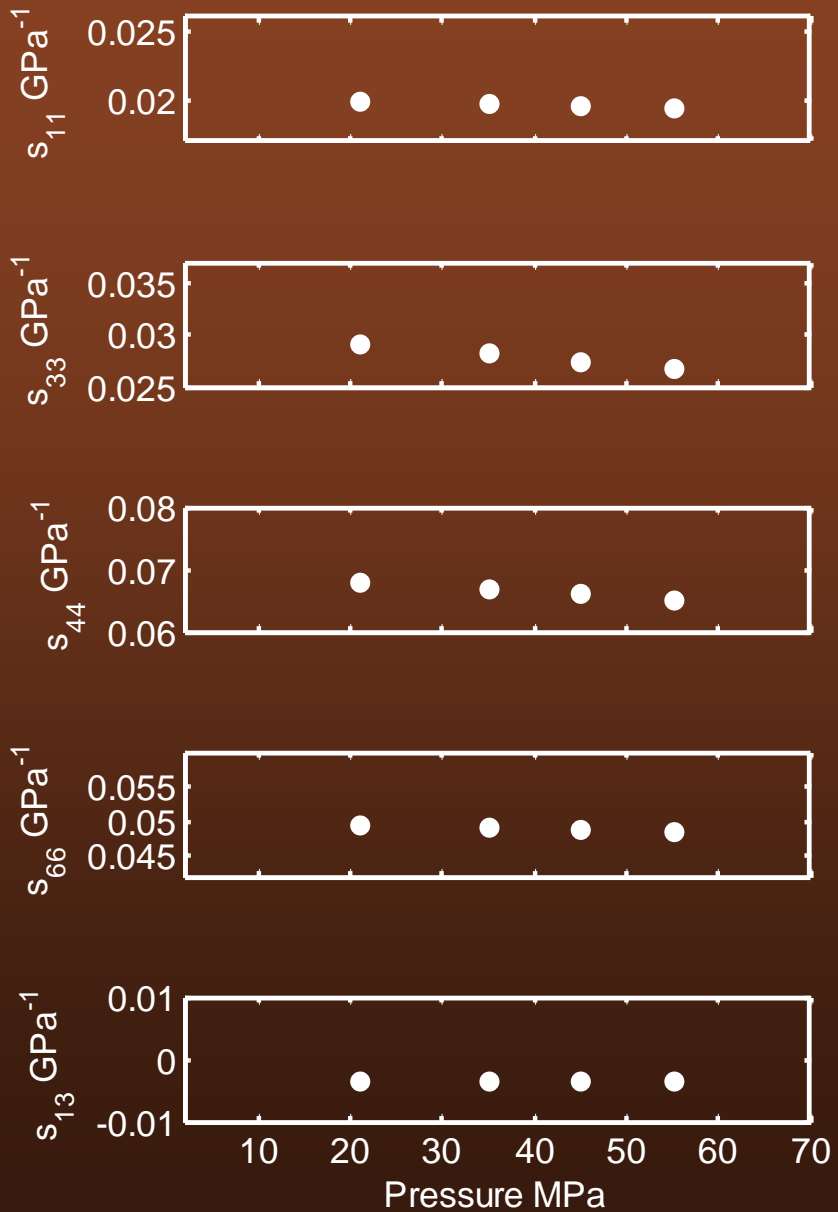


Account for measurement and model errors

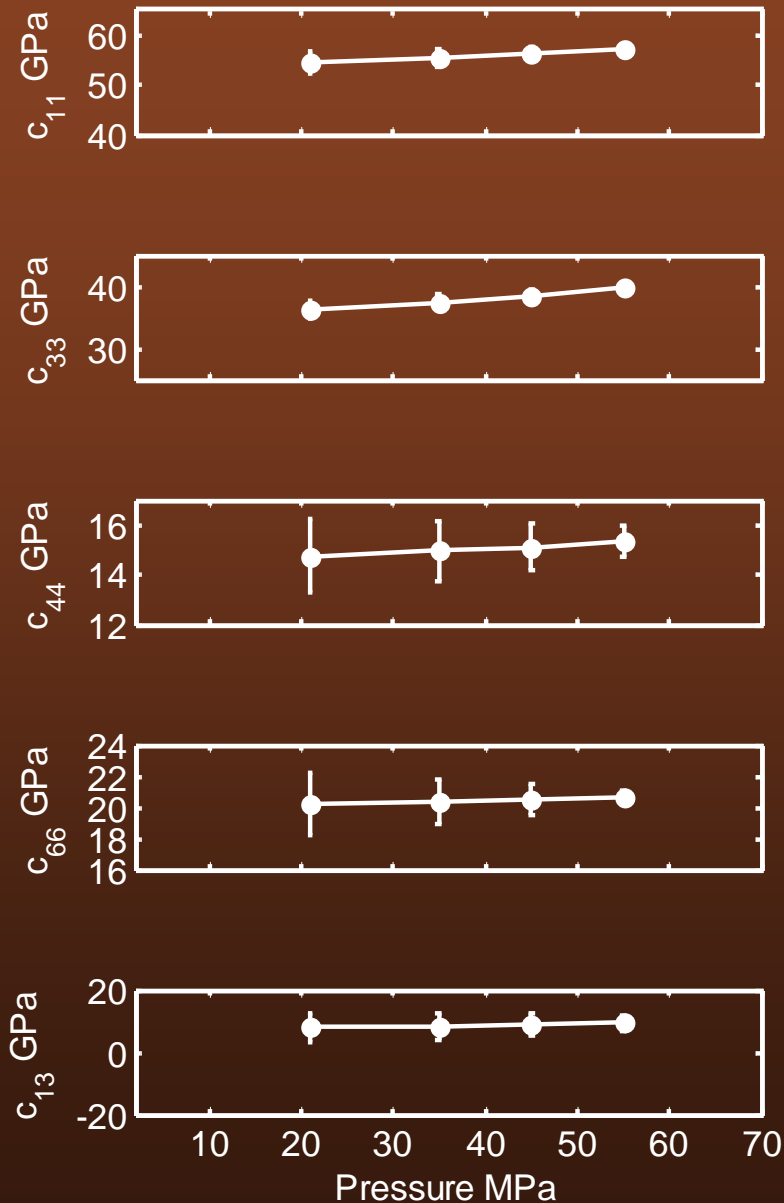
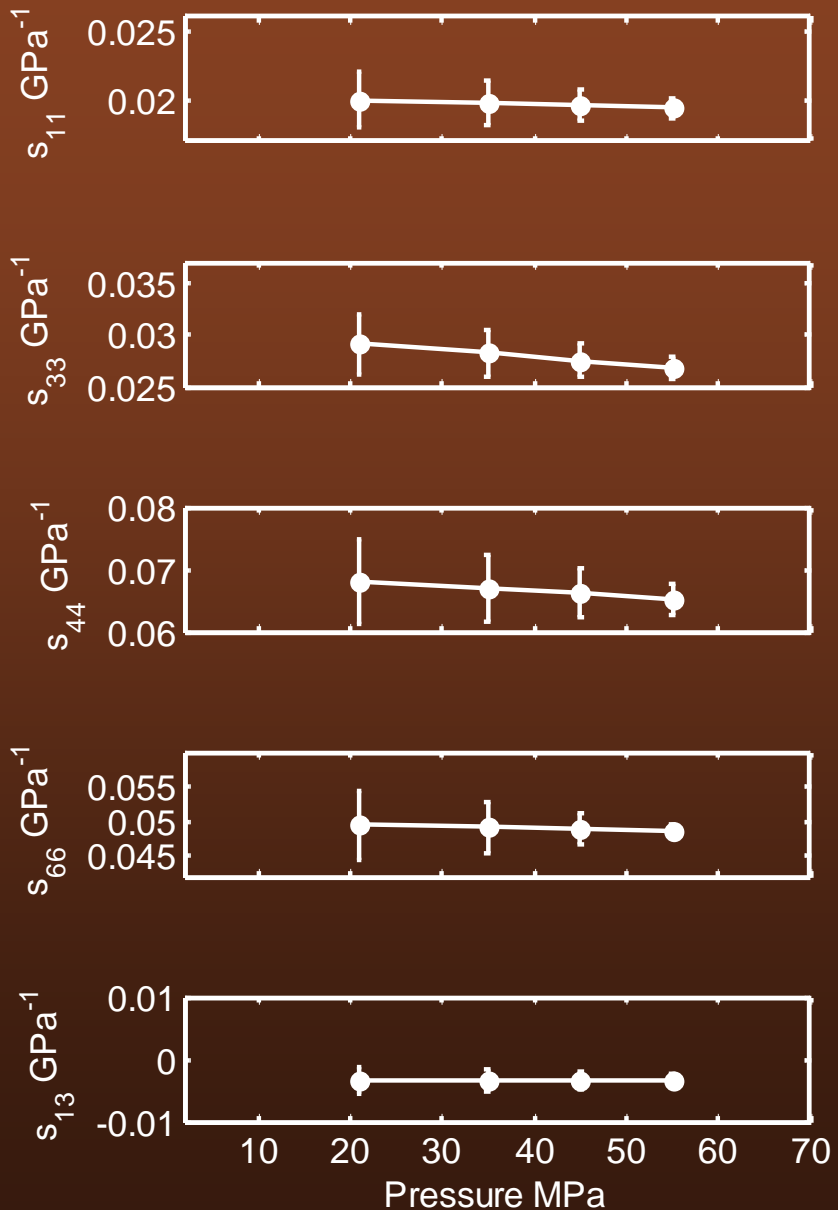
Provide insight into viable ranges of anisotropy

Constraint anisotropic seismic imaging and inversion schemes

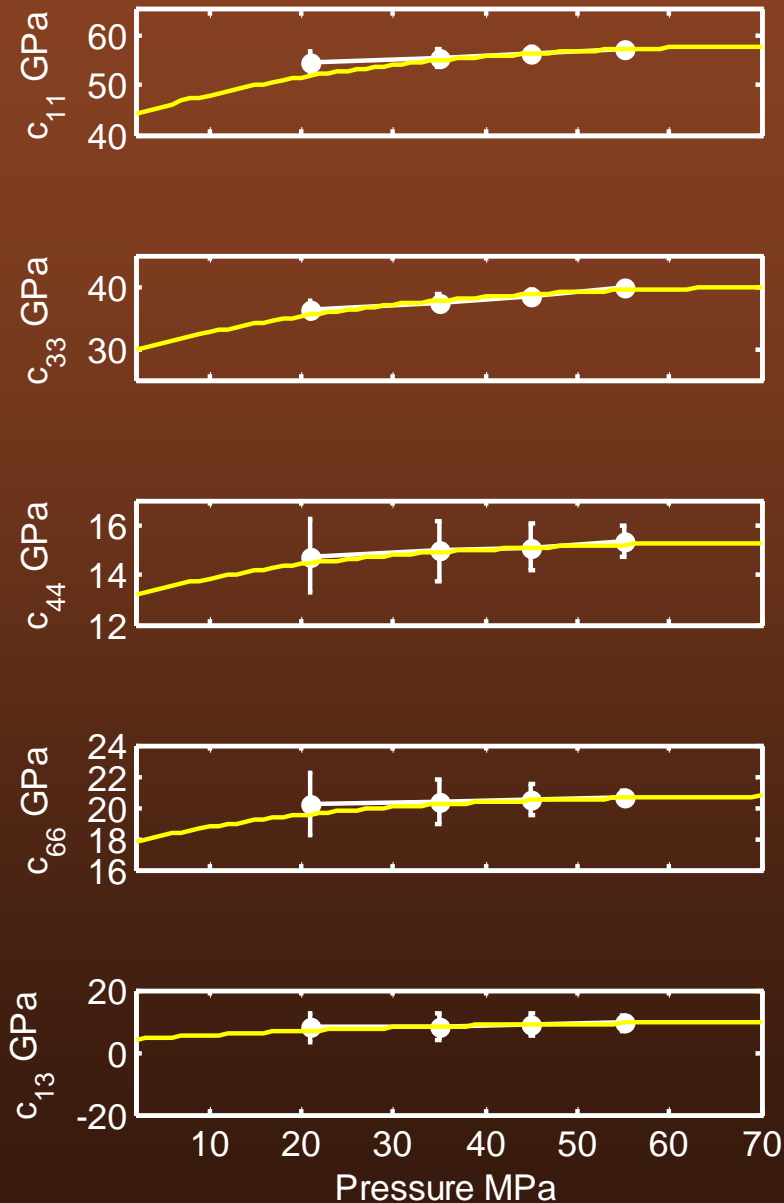
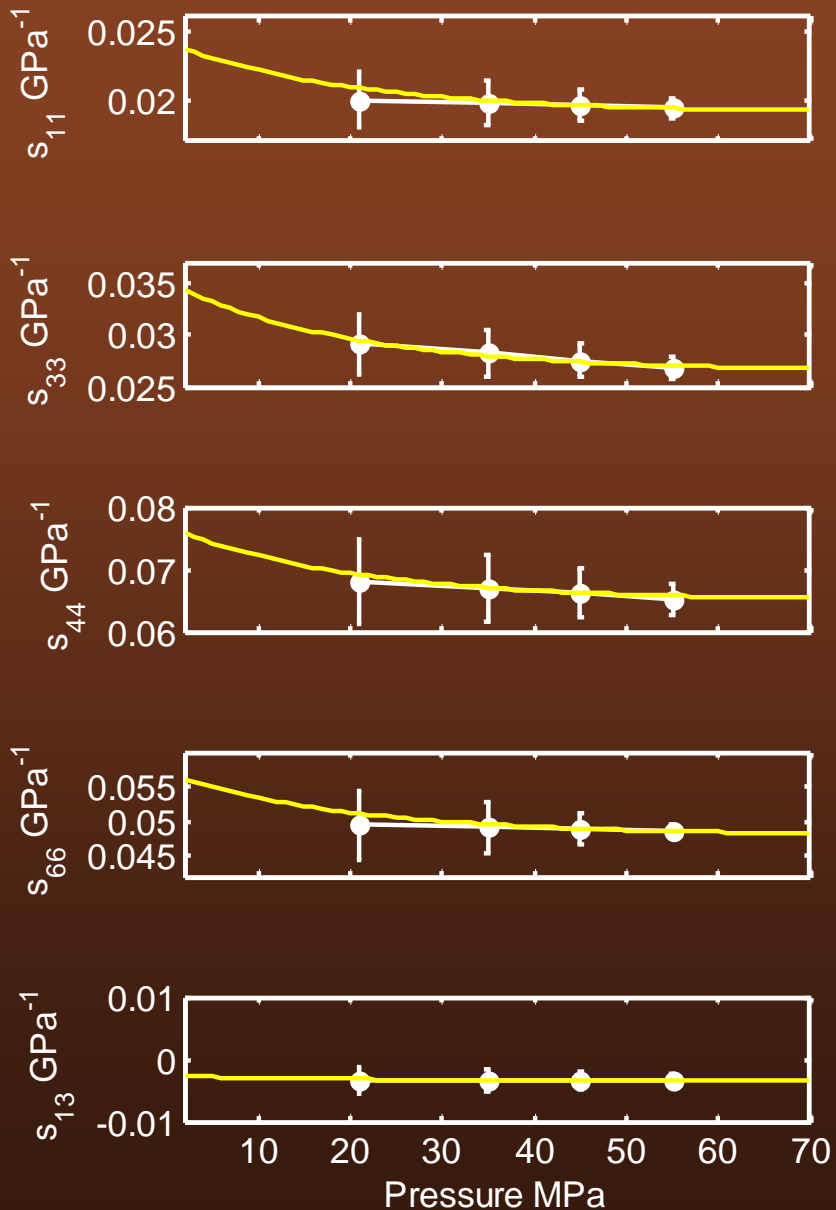
Dataset



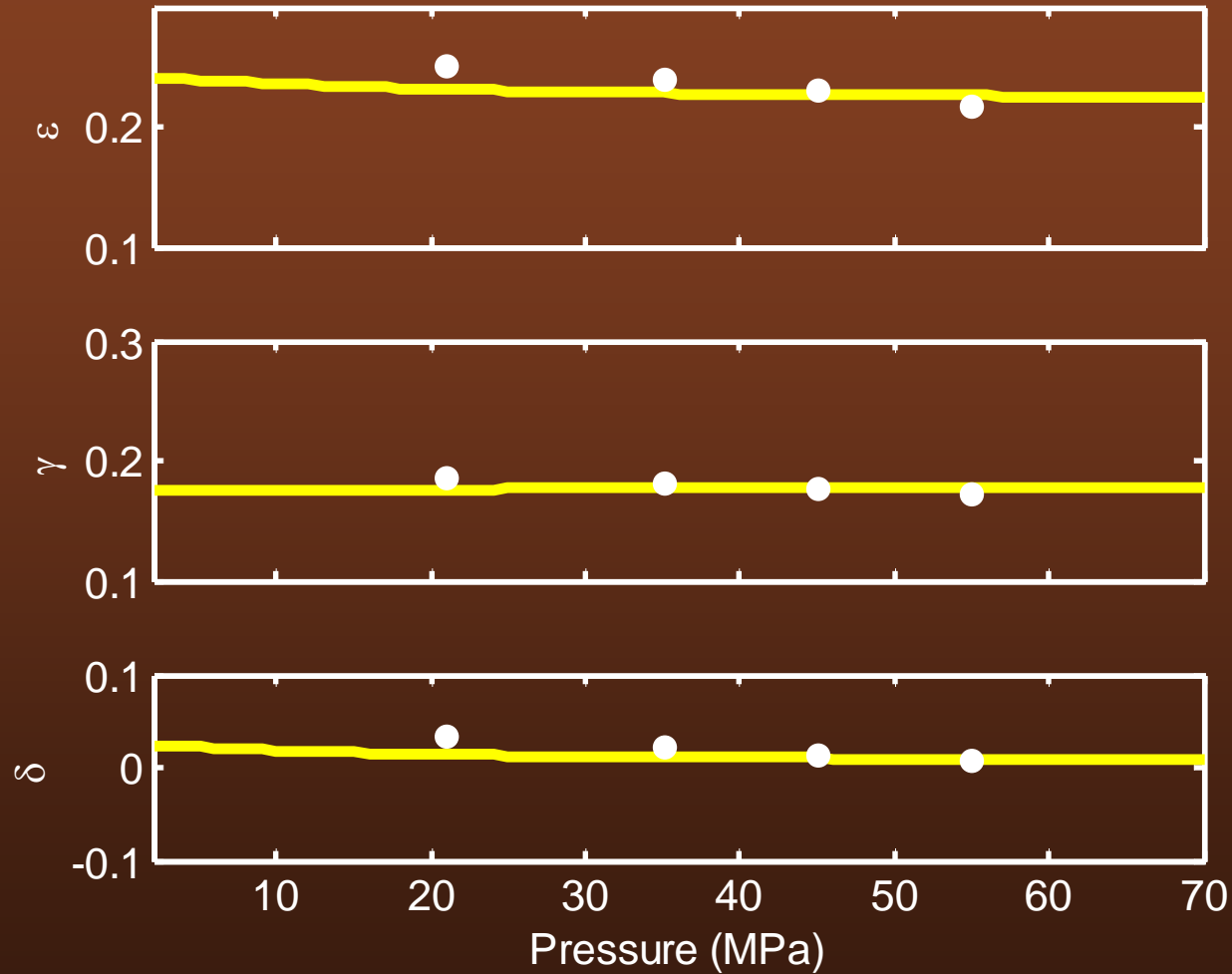
Dataset and error bars



Dataset, error bars, and the original model



Anisotropy data and original model



Pervukhina model

$$\Delta S_{11} = S_{11} - S_{11}^0 = \frac{s_n B_T \exp(-P / P_c)}{105} (14 + 4\eta + 21B + 3B\eta)$$

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$B = B_N / B_T$. $P = \text{Pressure}$

$s_n = \frac{N_0 A^0}{4\pi(1 + \eta / 3)}$, (specific surface area of cracks per unit volume)

η : Anisotropic crack orientation parameter

P_c : Characteristic pressure where compliant cracks are closed

Rock physics model: effective compliances

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Model from Pervukhina et al., 2011 (Geophysics)

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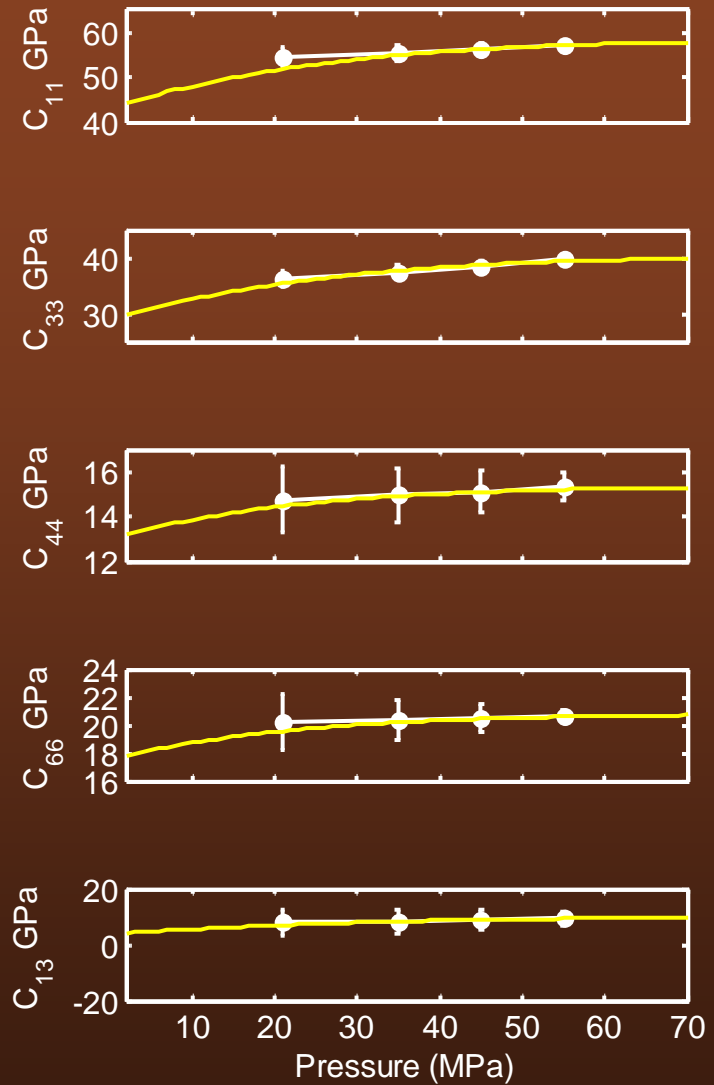
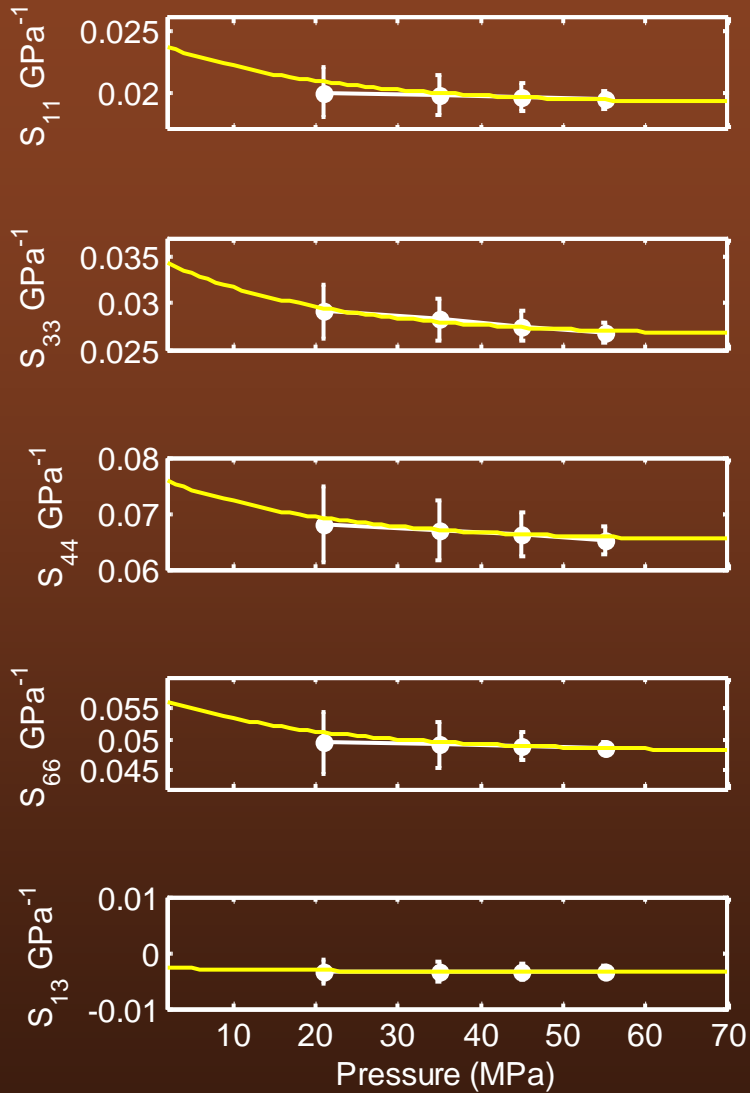
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Rock physics model: high-pressure compliances

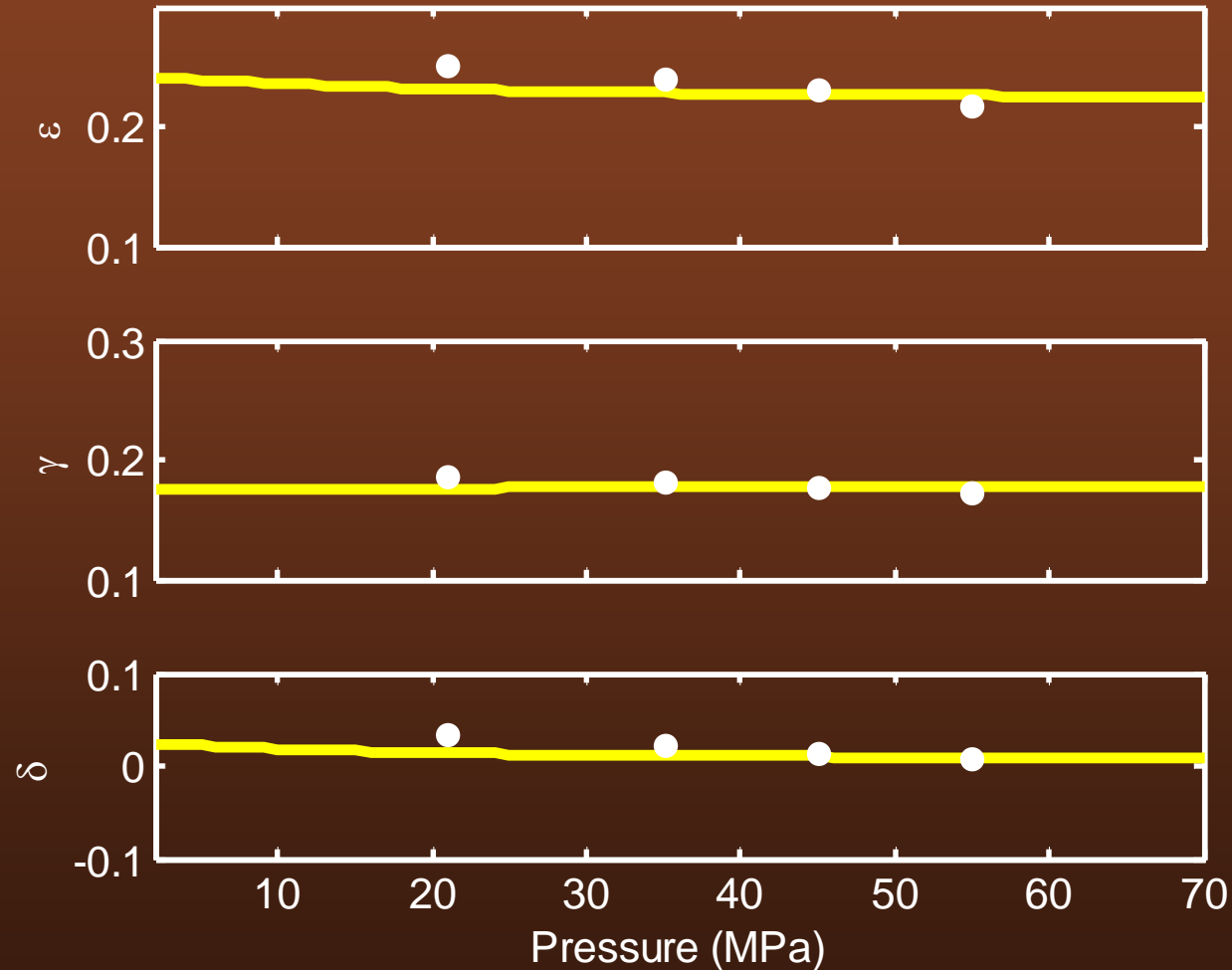
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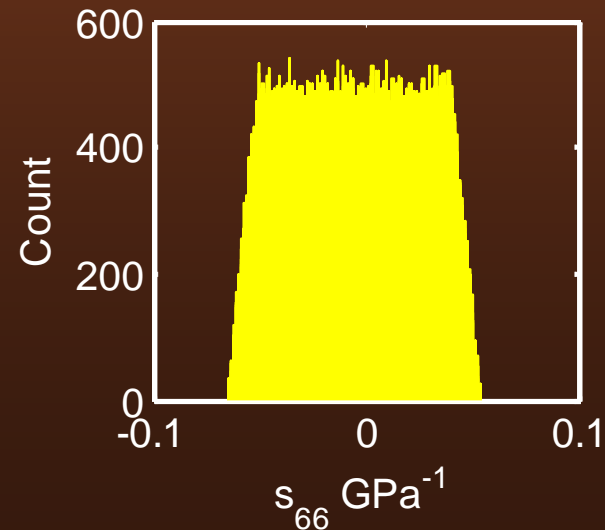
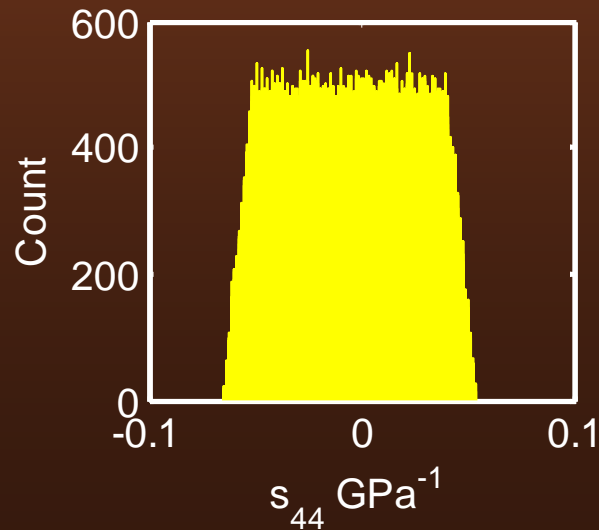
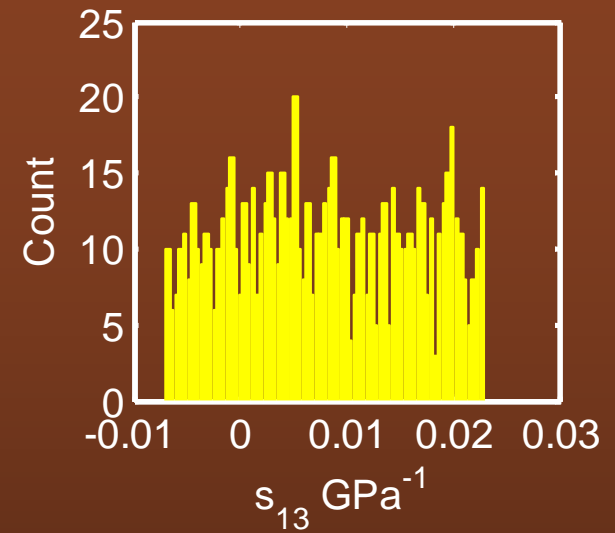
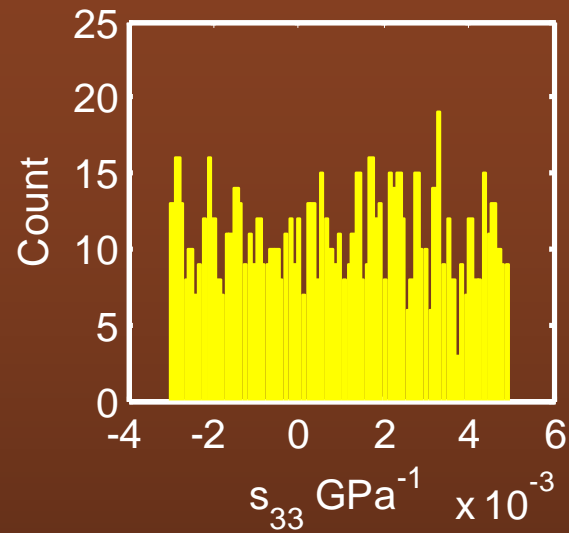
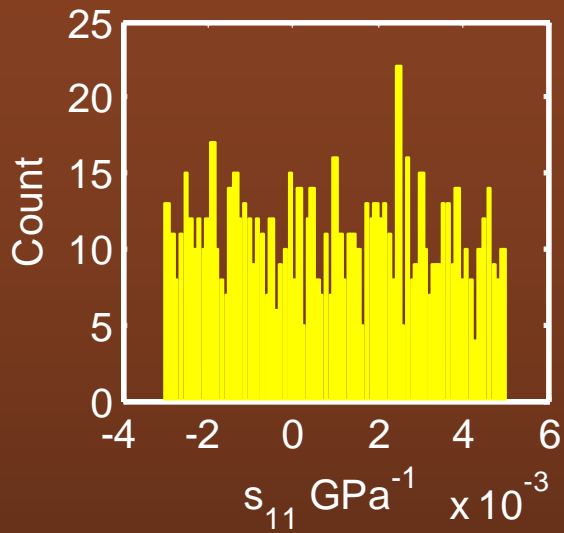
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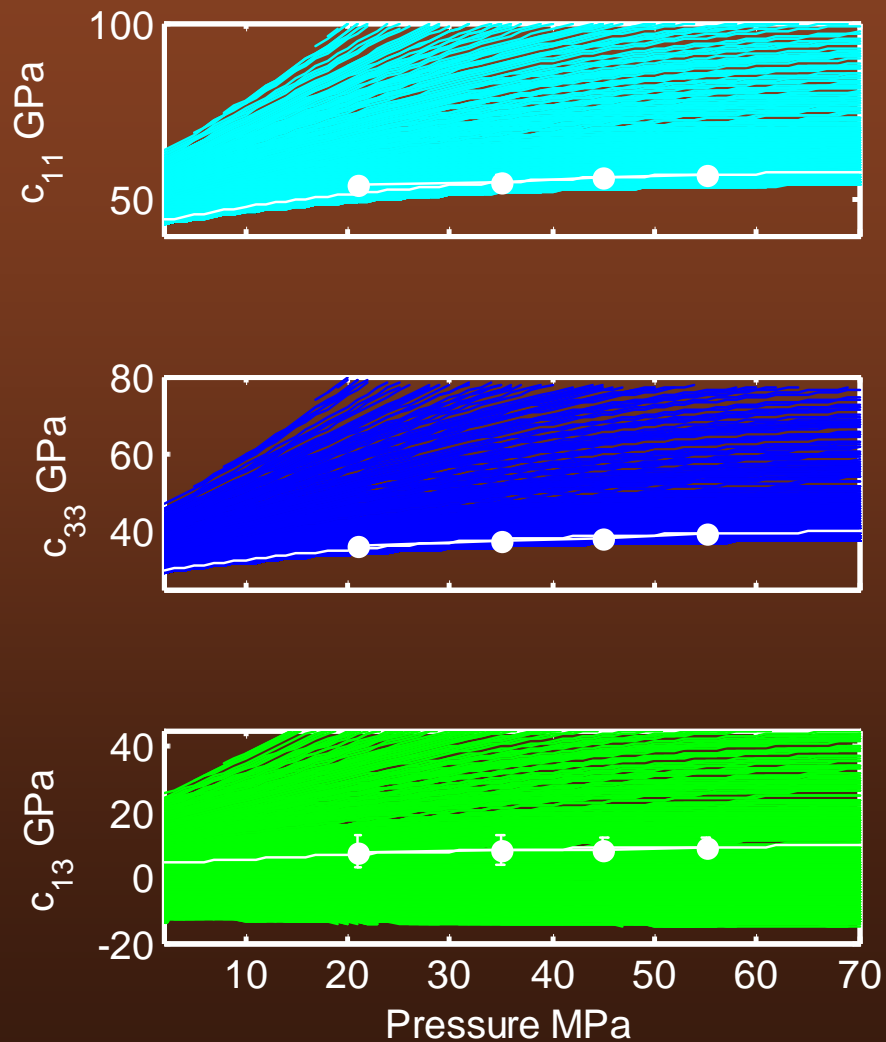
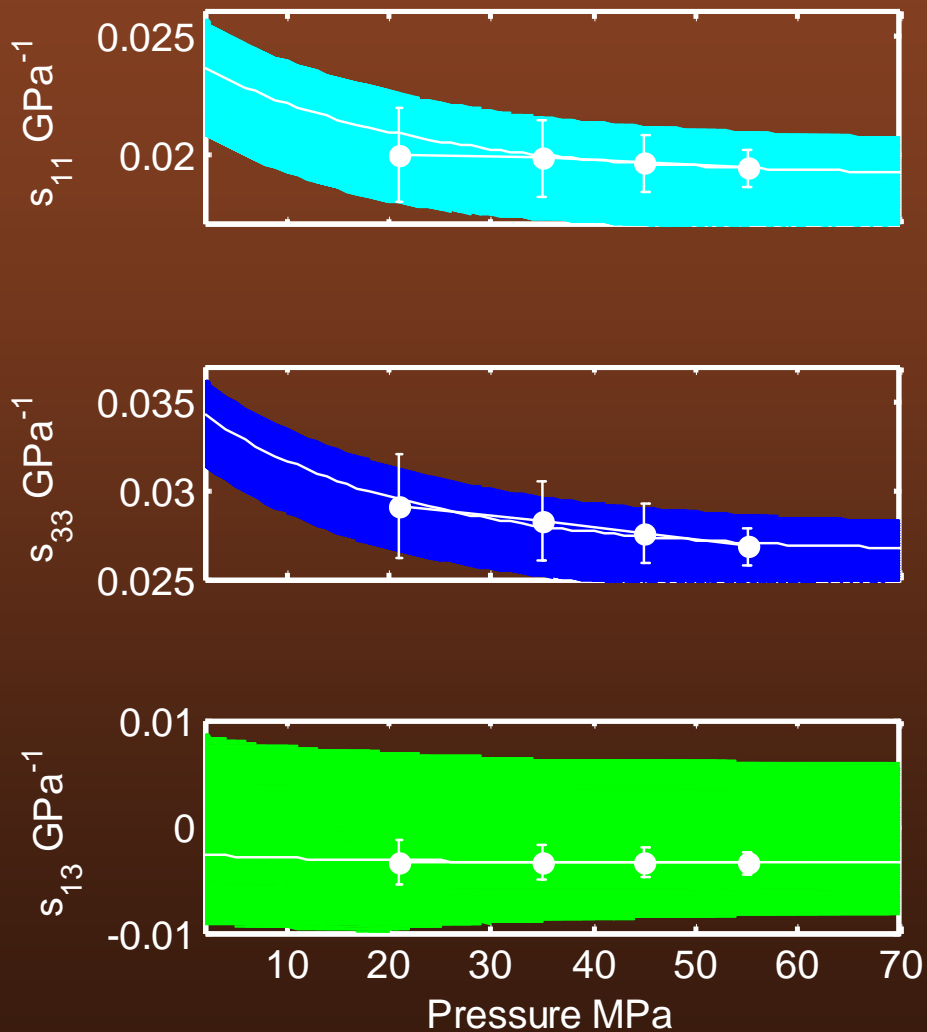
Anisotropy parameters and models



Prior distributions



Models with all slopes



Strain energy requirements

$$c_{44} \geq 0$$

$$c_{11} > |c_{12}|$$

$$(c_{11} + c_{12})c_{33} \geq 2c_{13}^2$$

$$(c_{13} + c_{44}) > 0$$

Anisotropy parameters and relative values

$$\delta \geq \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{c_{44}}{c_{33}} \right)$$

$$\delta \leq \frac{2}{c_{33}/c_{44} - 1}$$

$$\varepsilon > \delta$$

$$\varepsilon - \delta \geq 0$$

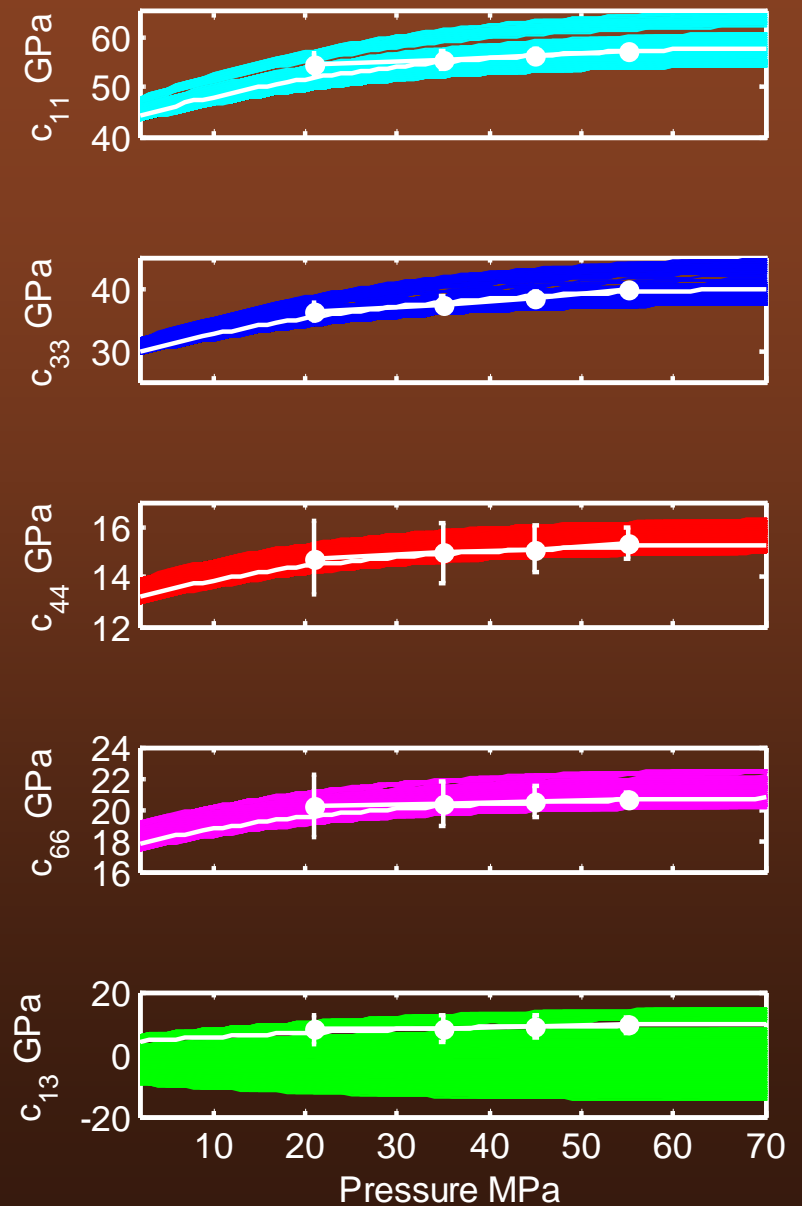
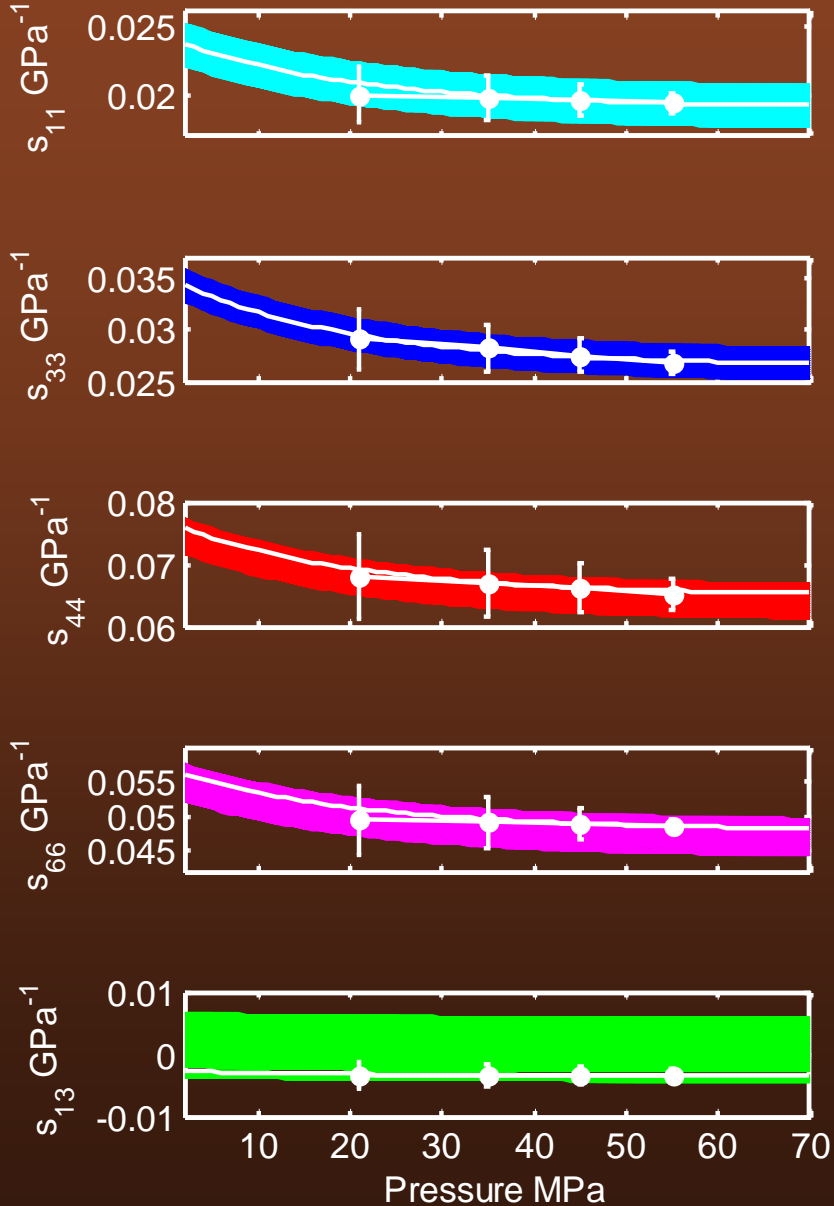
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$$\varepsilon = \frac{c_{11} - c_{33}}{2c_{33}}$$

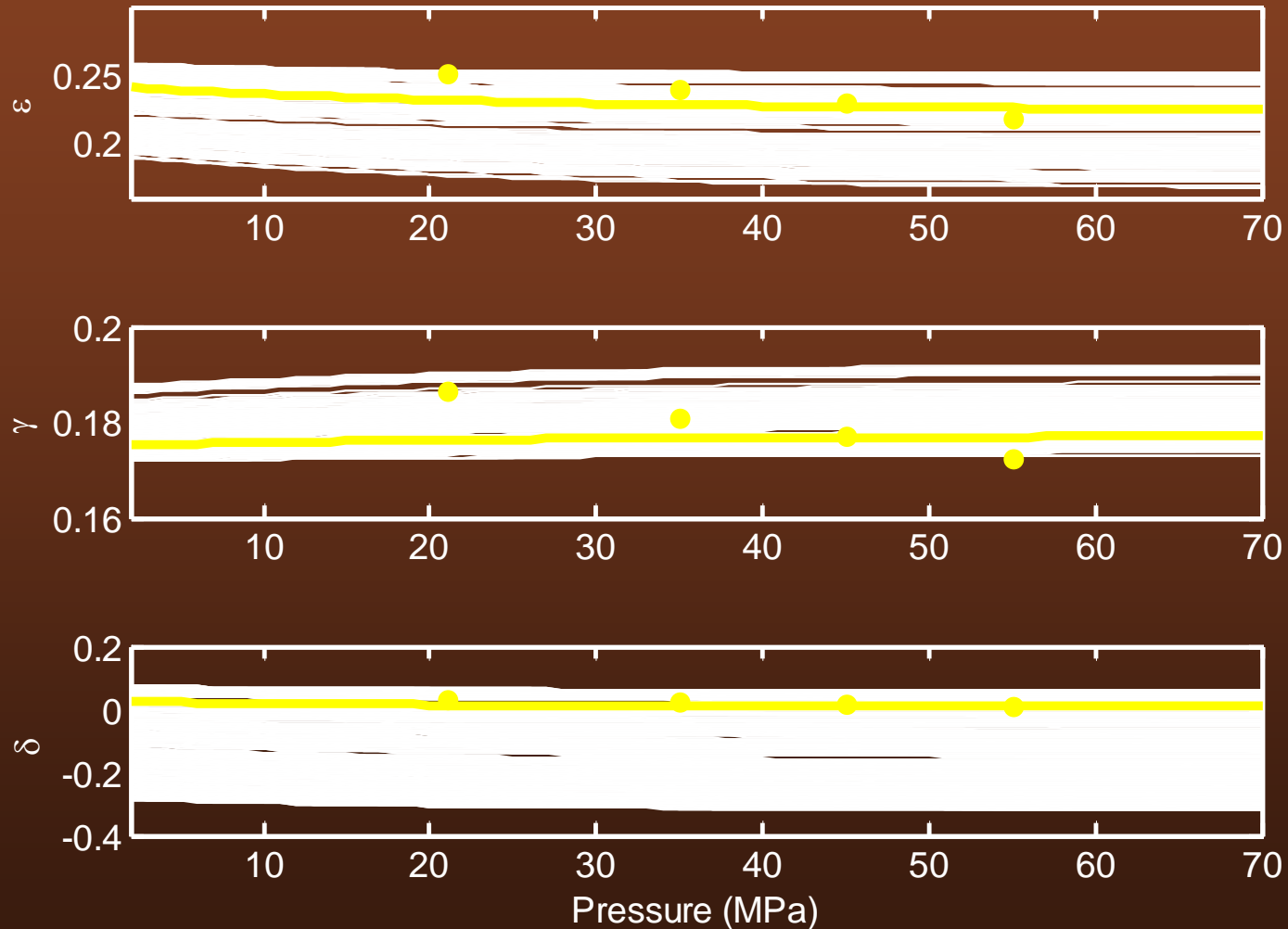
$$\gamma = \frac{c_{66} - c_{44}}{2c_{44}}$$

$$\delta = \frac{(c_{13} + c_{44})^2 - (c_{33} + c_{44})^2}{2c_{33}(c_{33} - c_{44})}$$

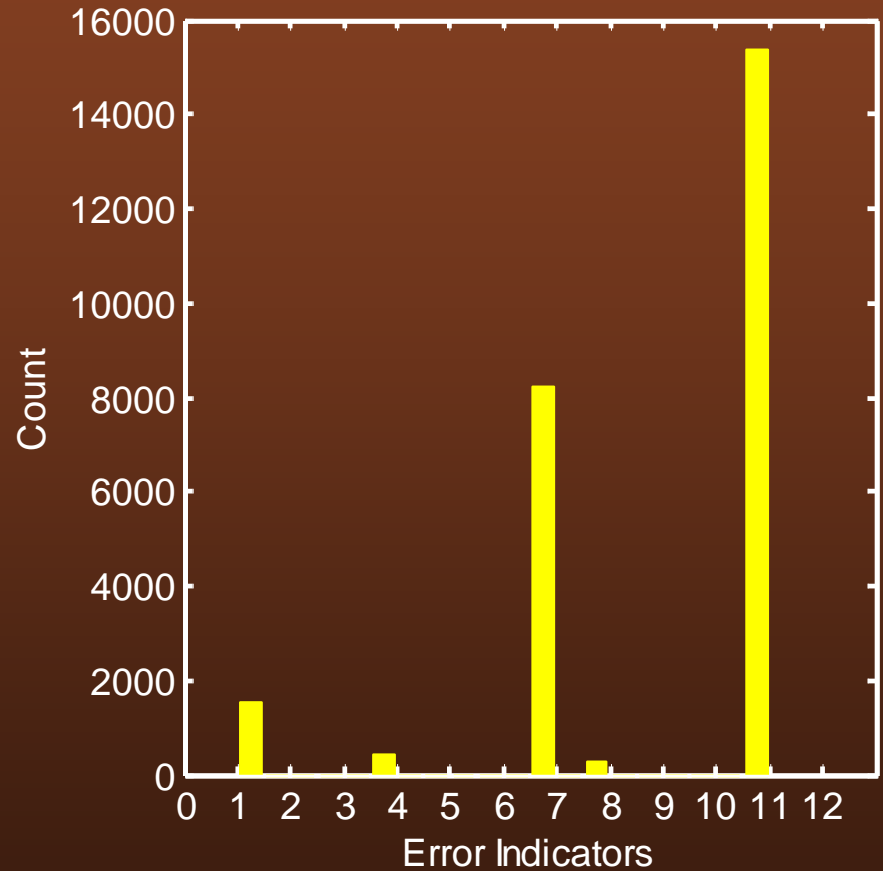
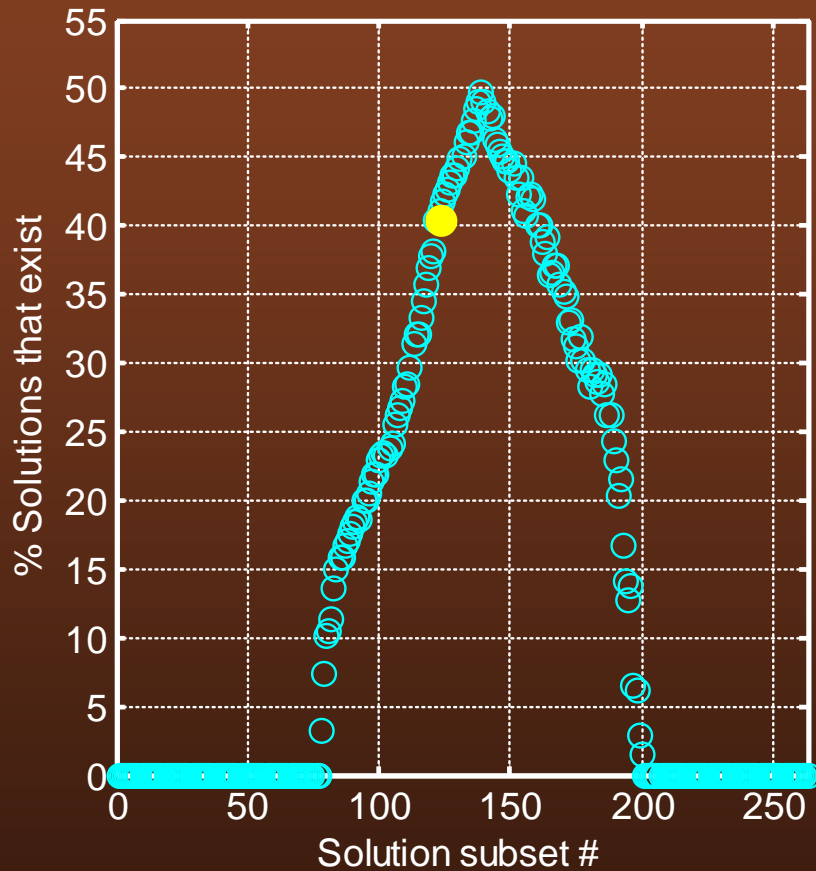
Compliance and stiffness models



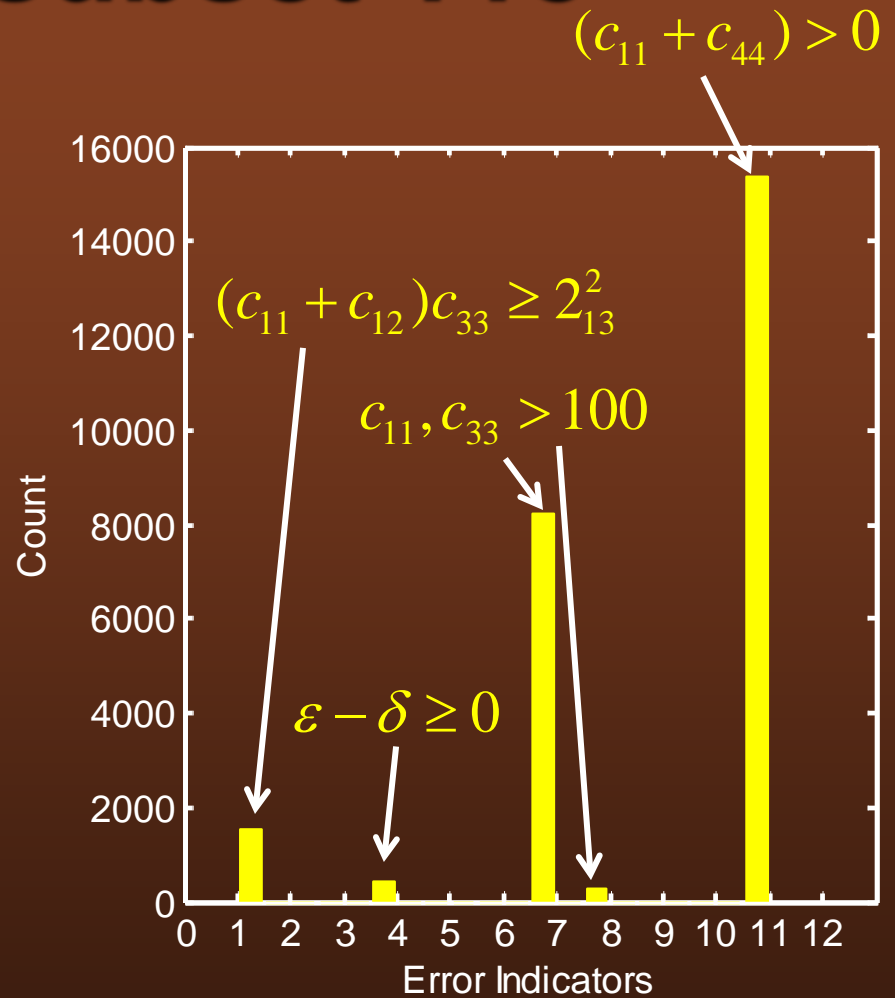
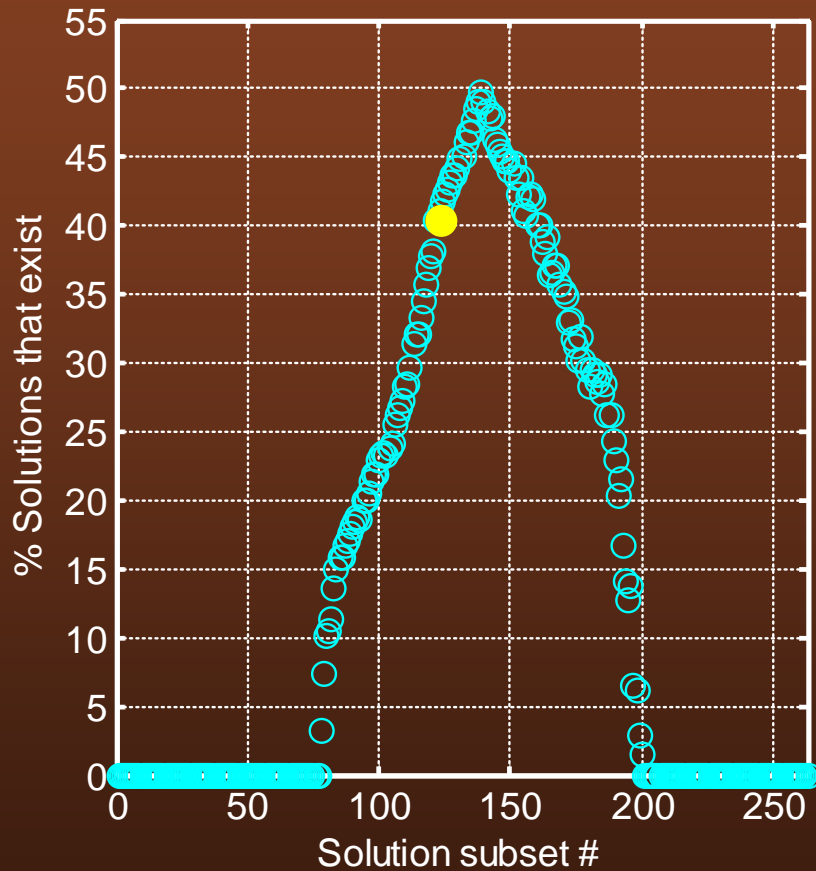
Anisotropy parameter models



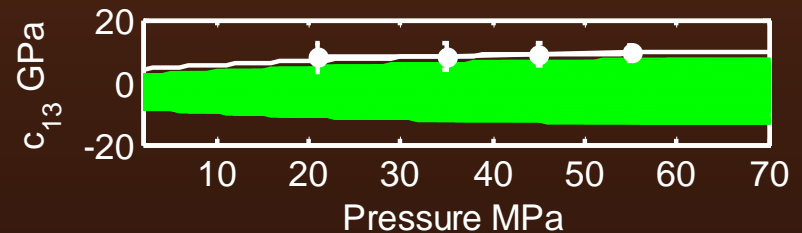
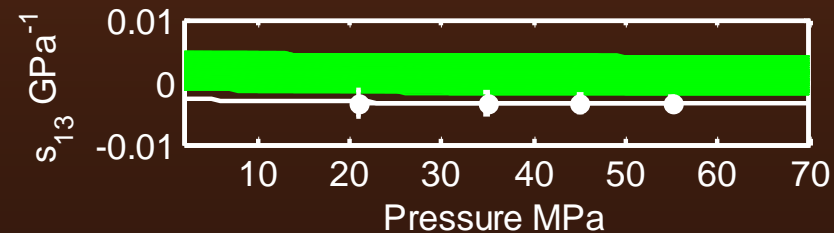
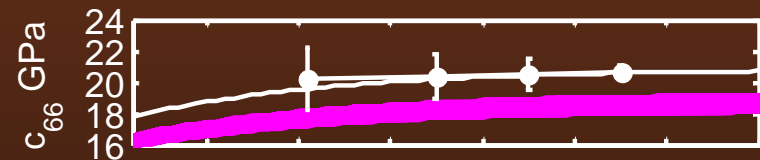
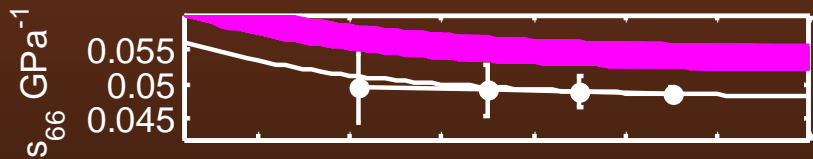
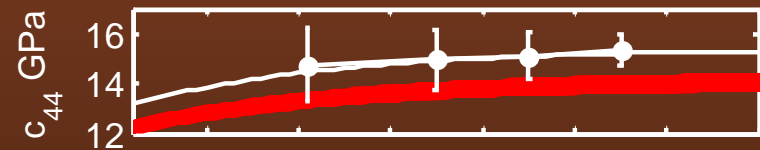
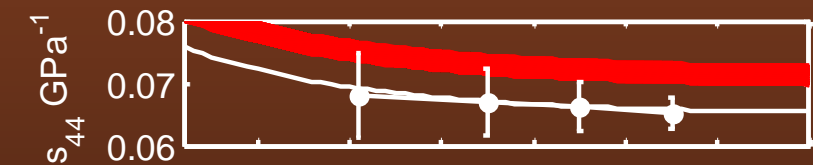
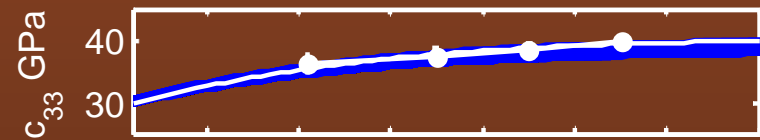
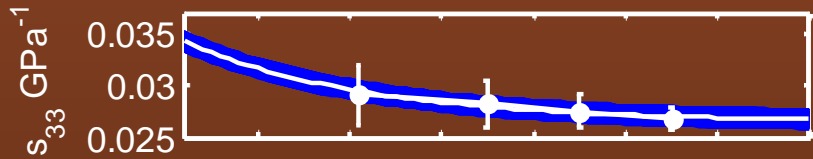
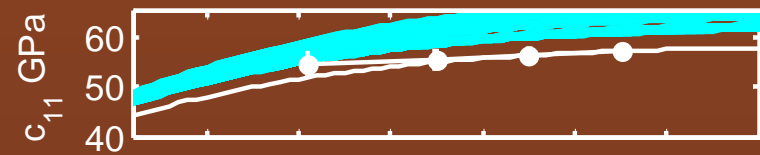
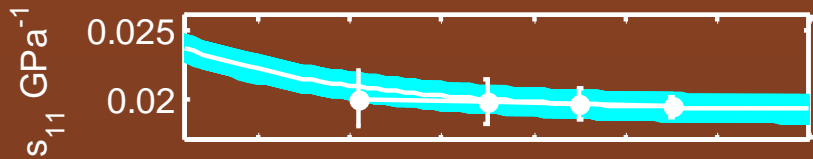
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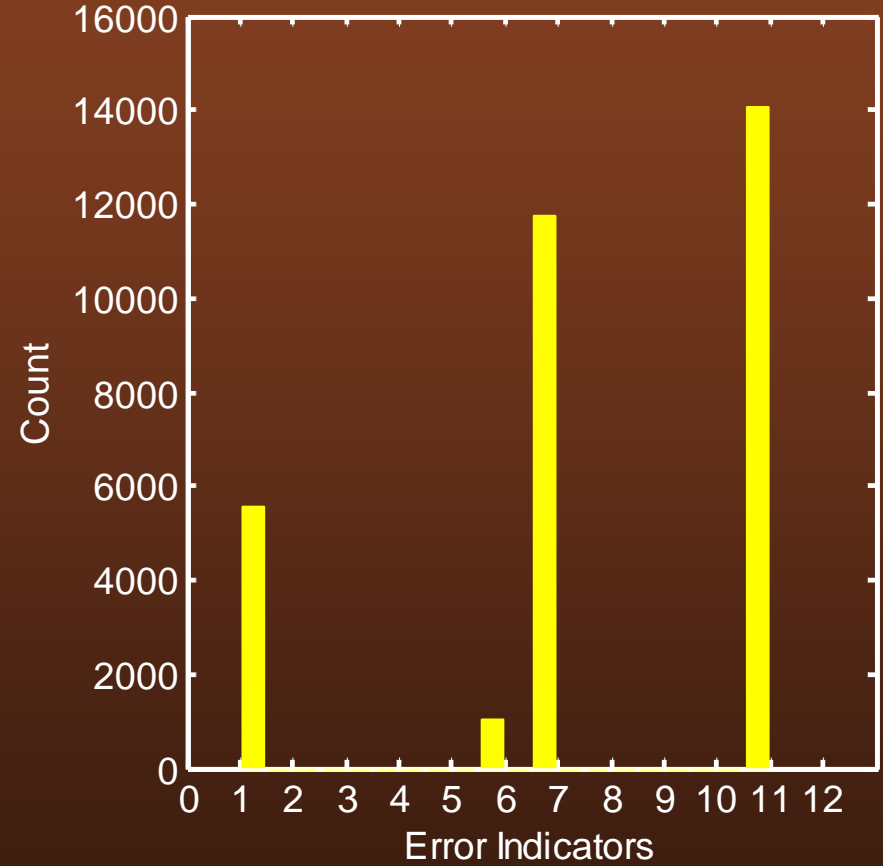
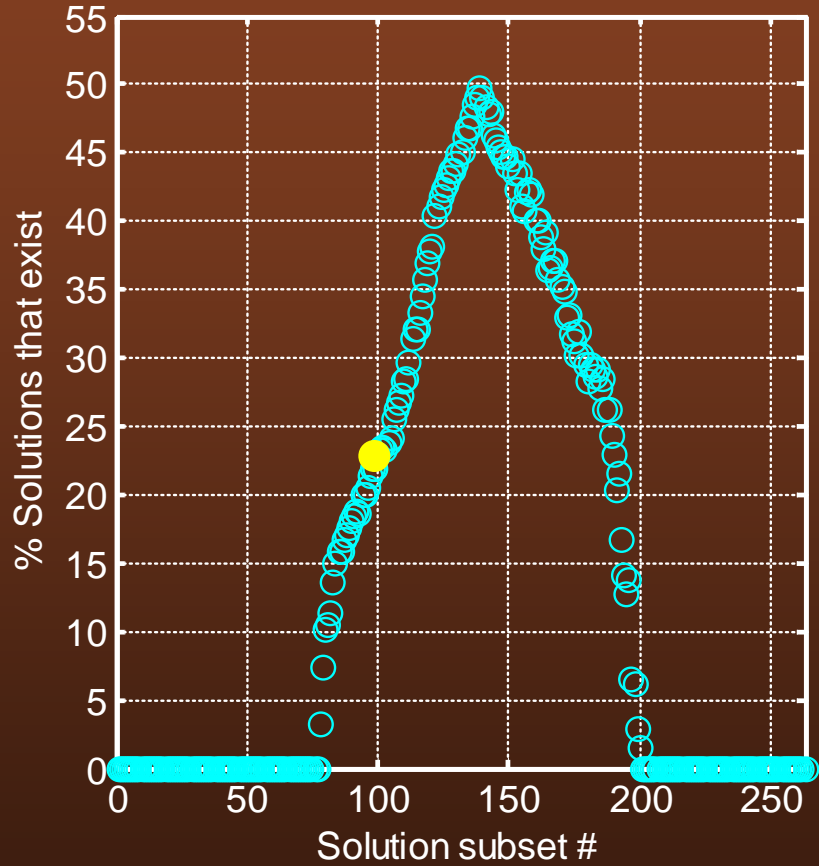
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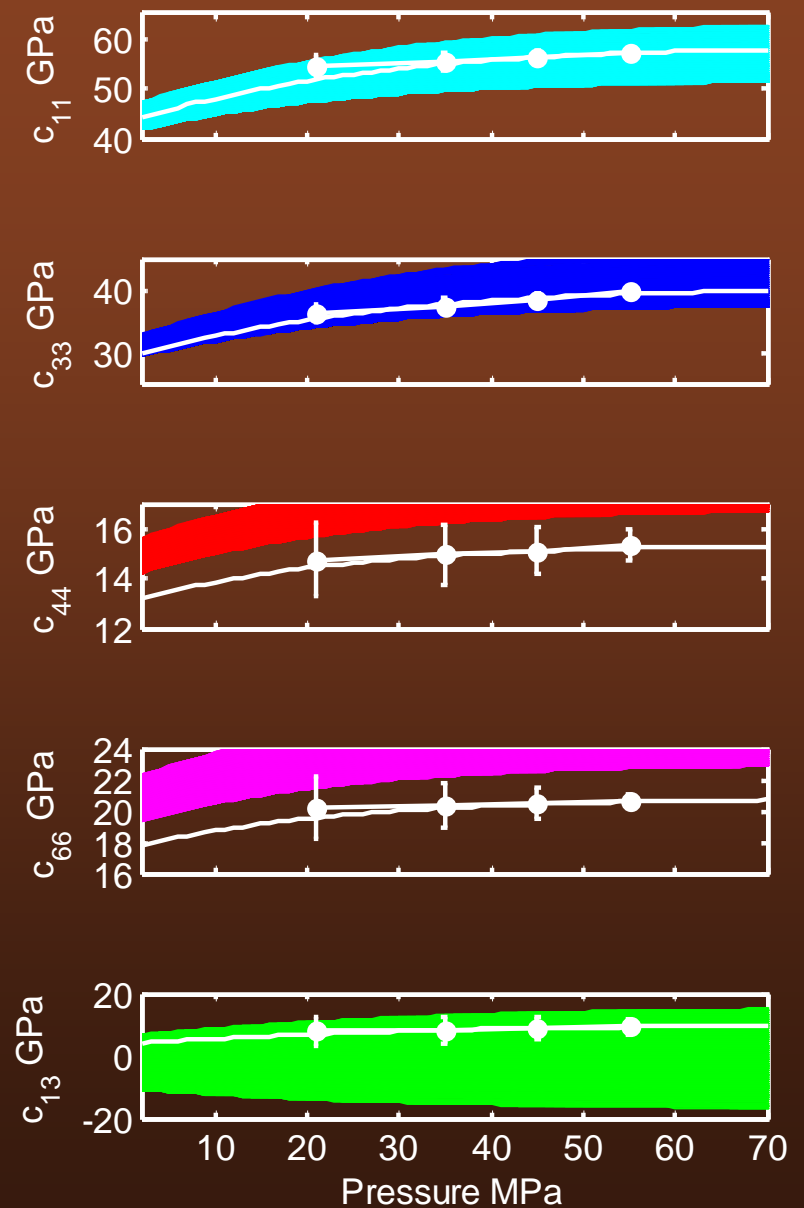
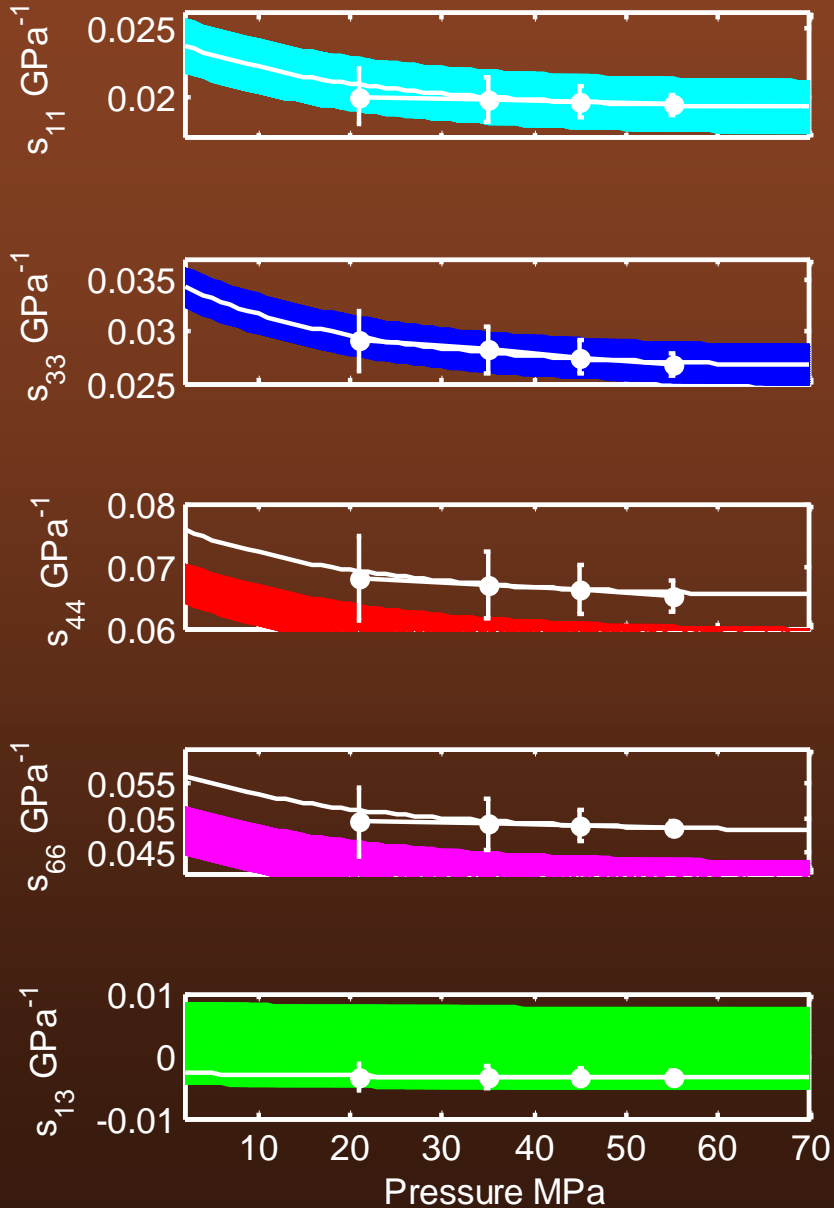
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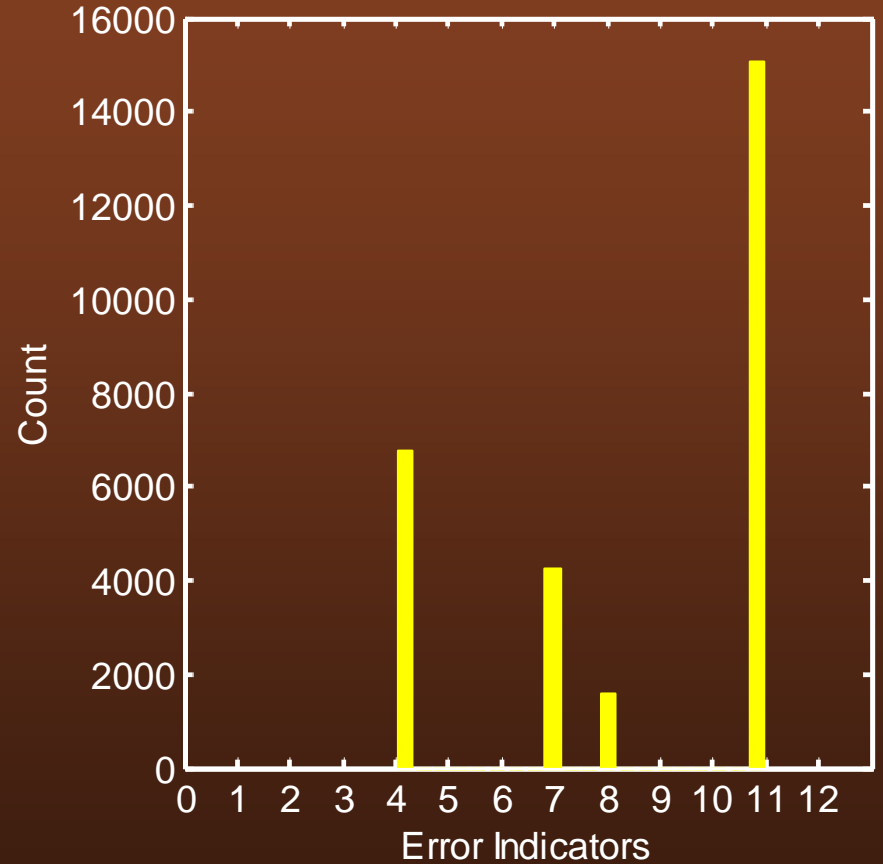
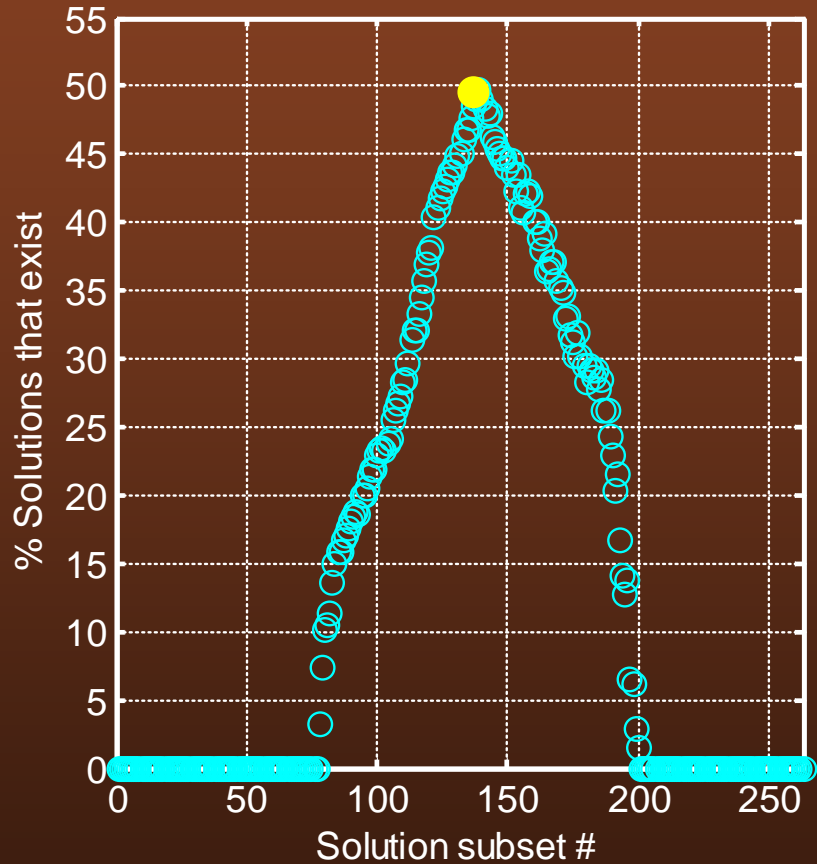
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Solution subset 135



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Discussion

Data clearly shows anisotropic behavior.

In most cases, 11 and 33 terms match better than 44, 66, and 13 terms.

Do the S-wave measurements inherently more uncertain?

Are these samples truly homogeneous VTI?

Error assessment suggests inhomogeneities at the MHz frequency range might be detectable.

Conclusions

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