

# Anisotropy

## From basics to 3D modeling

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# **Starting with a numerical simulation**

**3D inversion (ModEM)**

**of simulated data**

**(full impedance tensor and tipper)**

**for 6 periods**

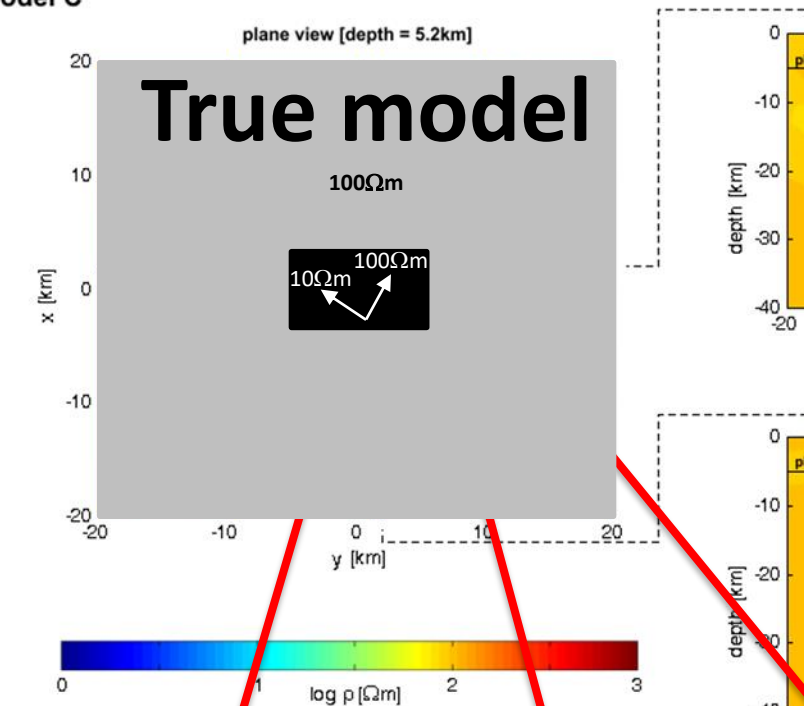
**between 1 – 100 s**

**at 441 sites**

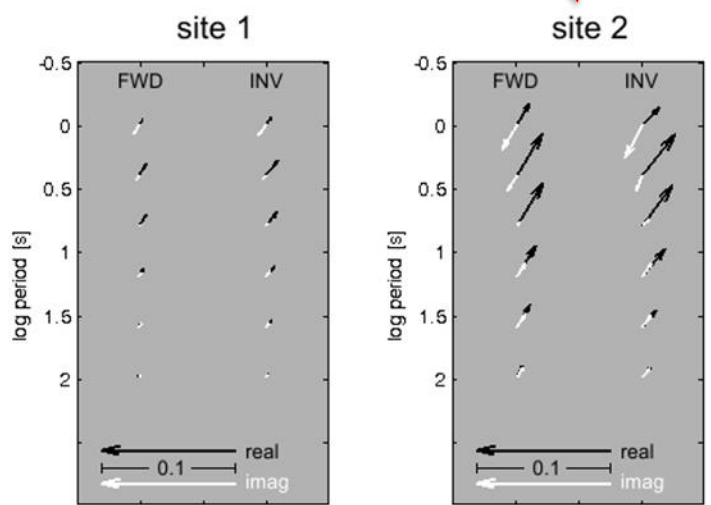
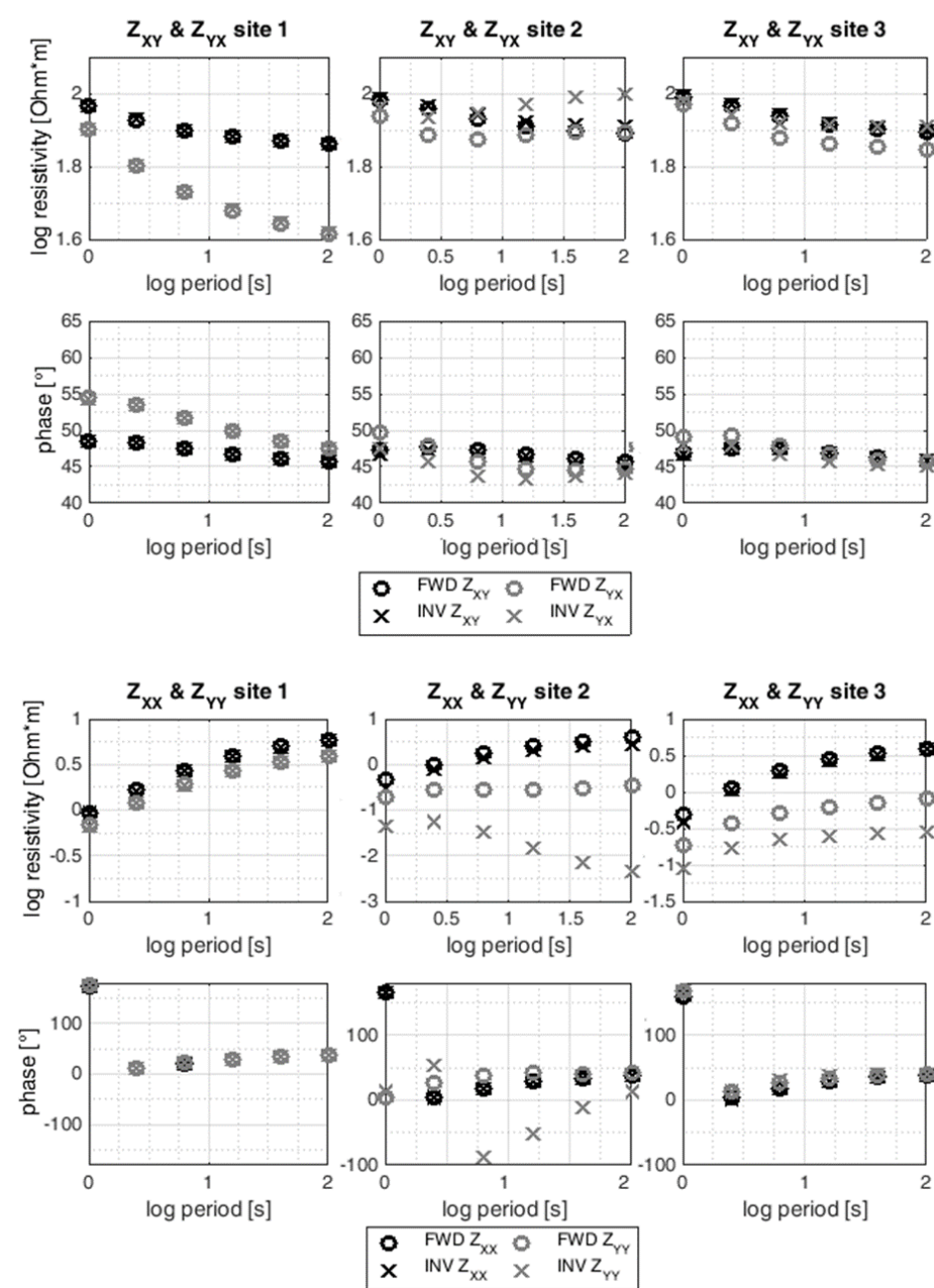
**equally distributed in 20 km x 20 km**

(Löwer&Junge, PAGEOPH 2017 (online))

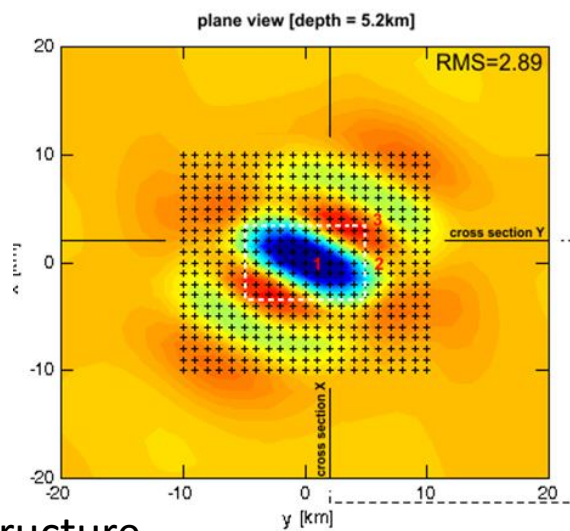
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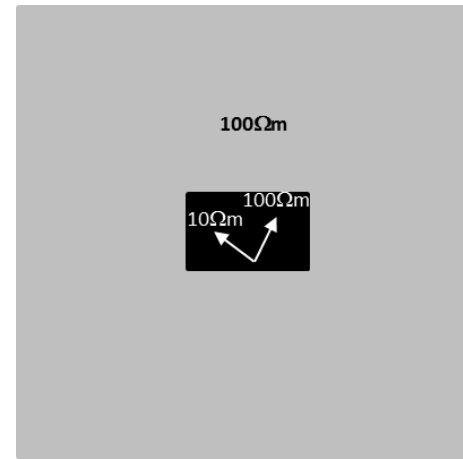


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Complex structure  
High resistivity contrast

## Isotropy or Anisotropy?



Simple structure  
Moderate resistivity contrast

According to  
Occam's Principle,  
what model  
do you prefer?

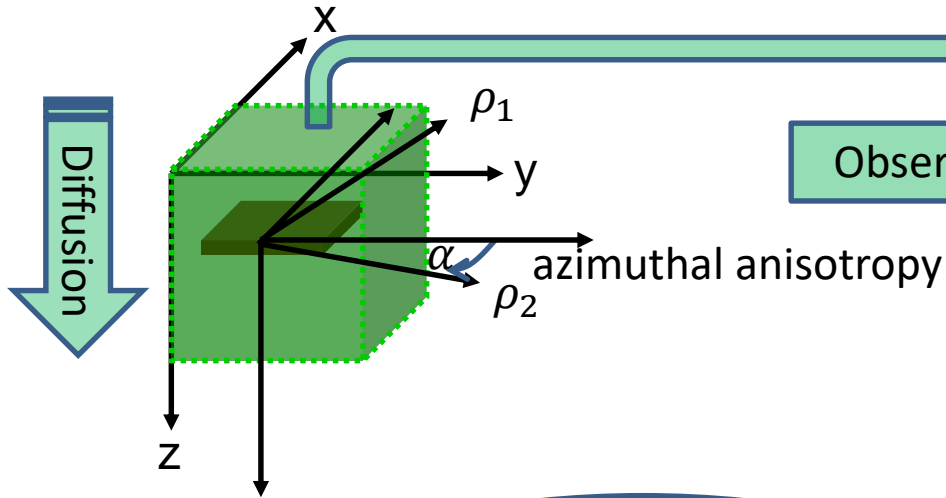
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# 3D cube: isotropic/anisotropic

3D subsurface  
Nature:  $\rho(x, y, z)$



Observation at the surface  $z=0$ :  $B_x, B_y, B_z, E_x, E_y$

Transfer Functions

$\rho_{xy}, \varphi_{xy}, \rho_{xx}, \varphi_{xx}, T_{zx}$   
 $\rho_{yx}, \varphi_{yx}, \rho_{yy}, \varphi_{yy}, T_{zy}$   
 $(x, y, T)$

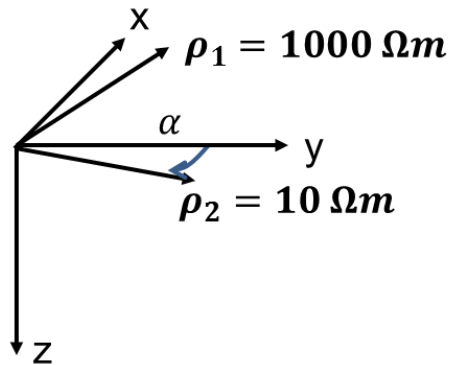
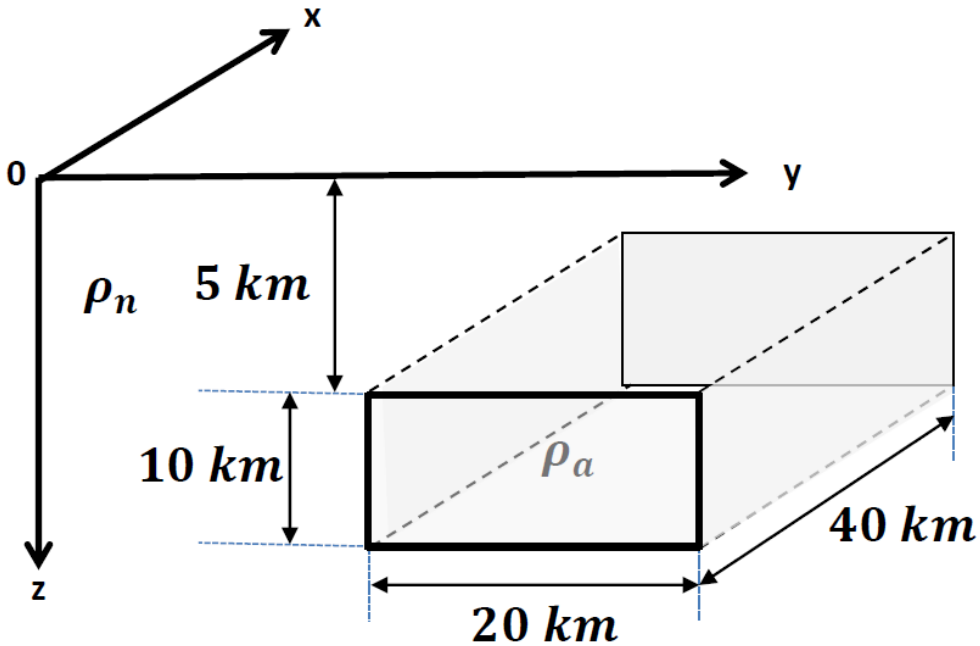
**Numerical Modelling**  
Numerical Modelling (1D, 2D, 3D)

$B_x, B_y, B_z$   
 $E_x, E_y, E_z$   
 $J_x, J_y, J_z$        $Re, Im$   
 $(x, y, z, T)$

$\begin{pmatrix} \rho_{xx} & \rho_{xy} & 0 \\ & \rho_{yy} & 0 \\ & & \rho_{zz} \end{pmatrix} (x, y, z)$



# 3D Model Study



$\rho_a$  anisotropic:  $\rho_1 = 1000 \Omega m$   
 $\rho_2 = 10 \Omega m$

$\rho_n = 100 \Omega m$

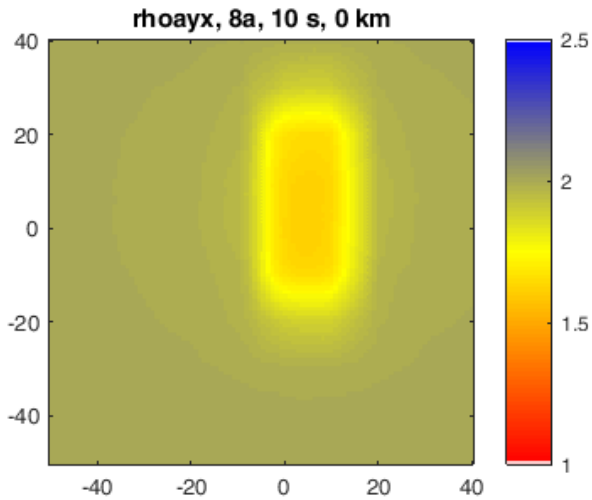
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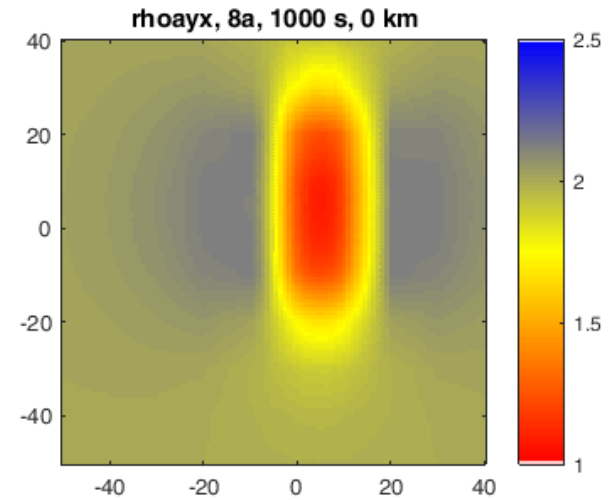
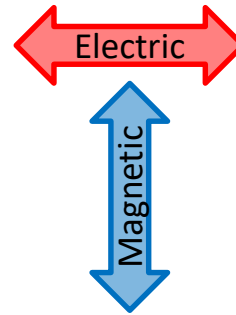
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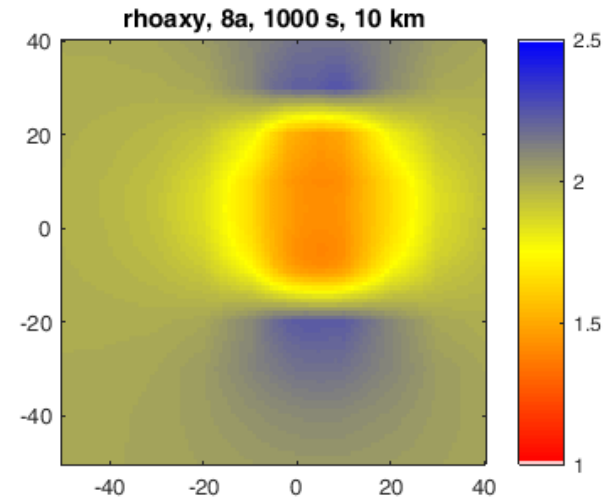
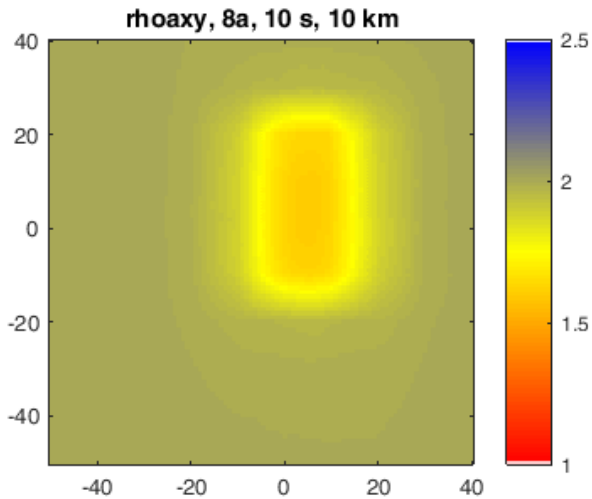
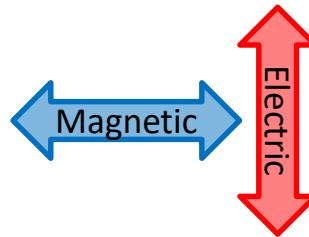
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Source field polarization



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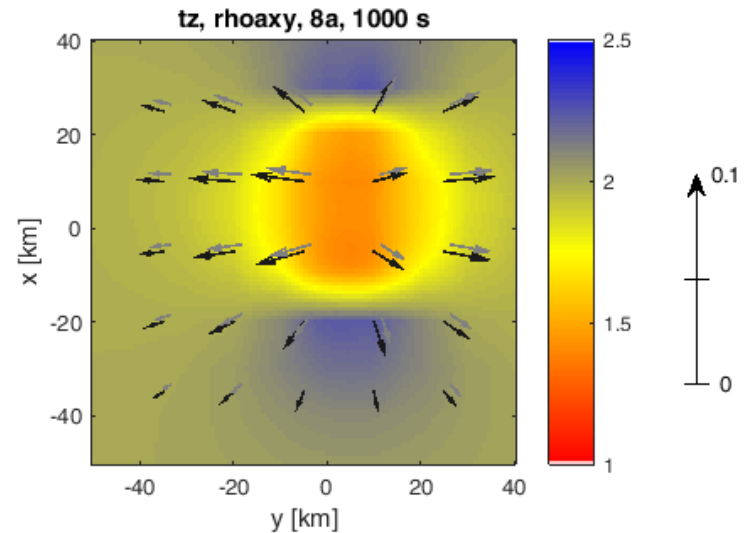
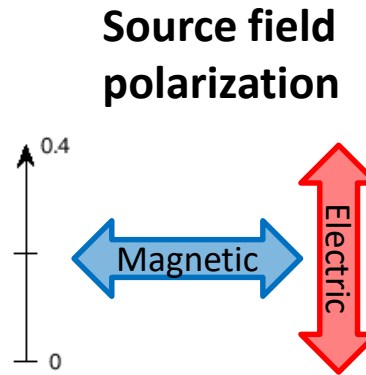
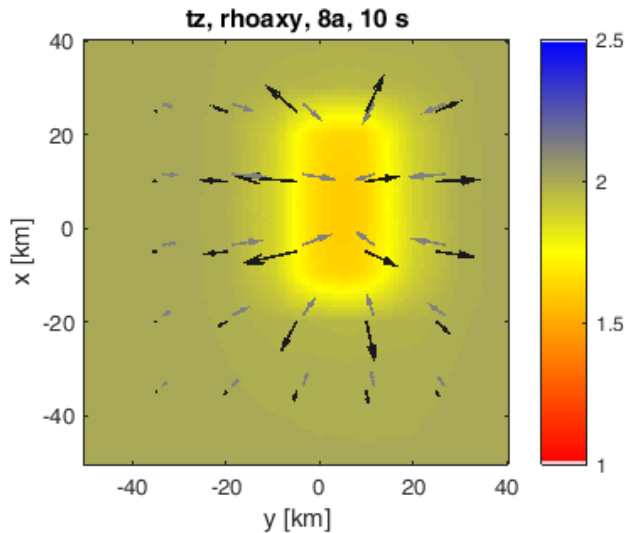
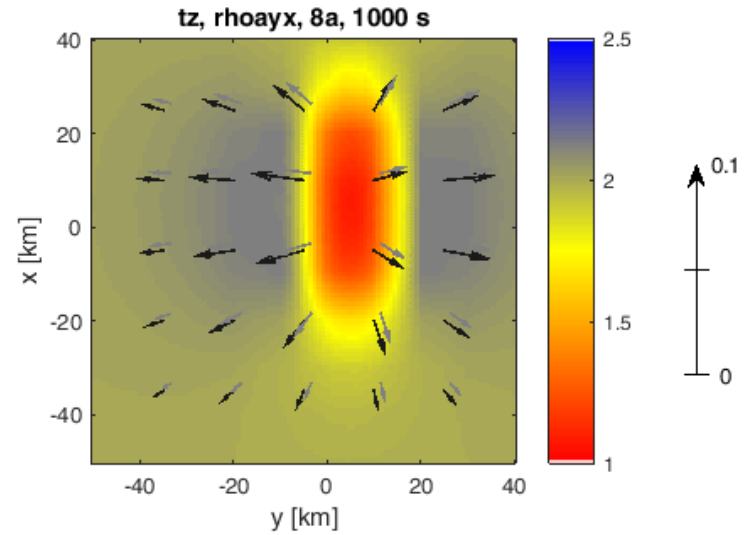
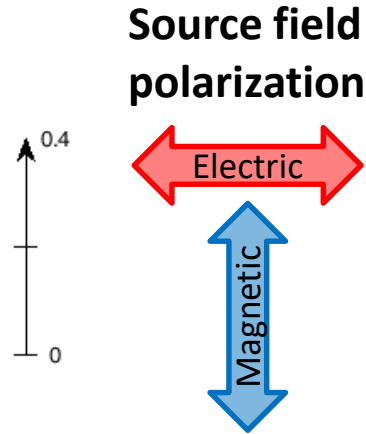
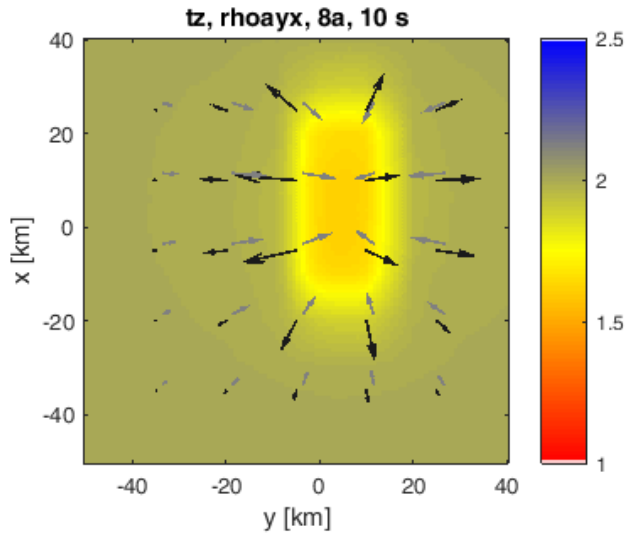
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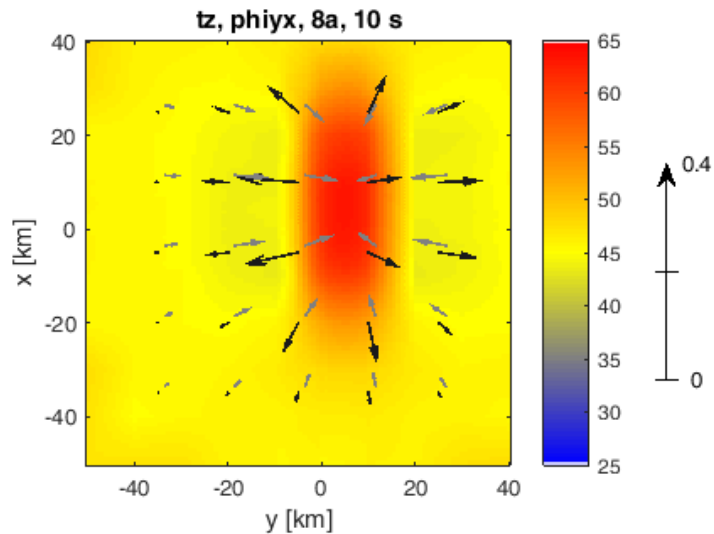
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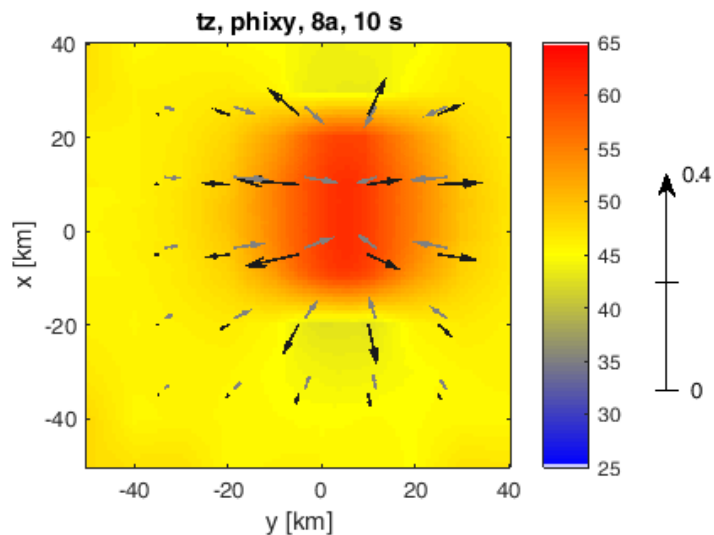
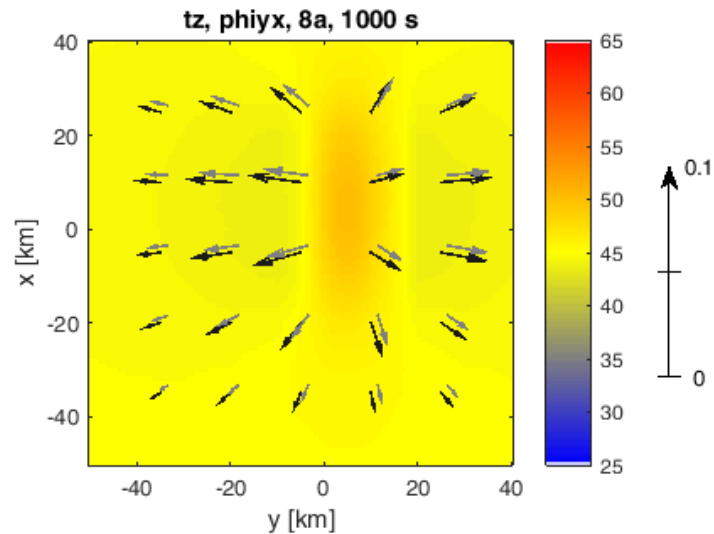
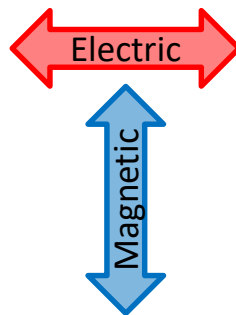
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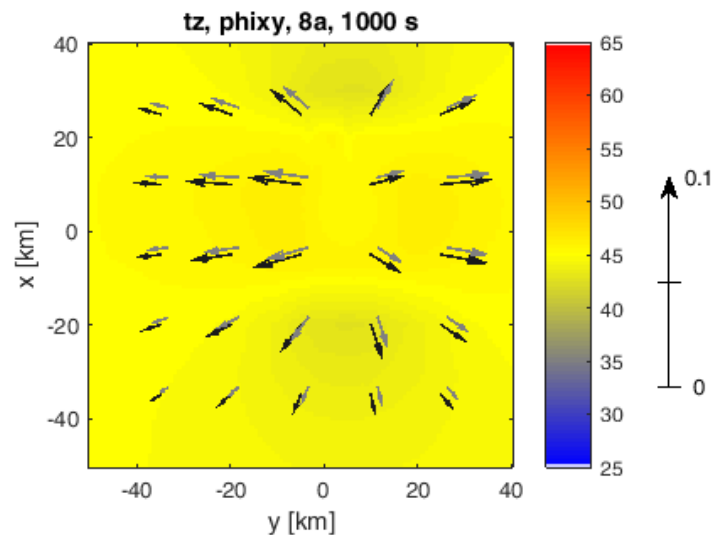
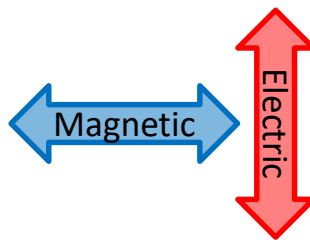
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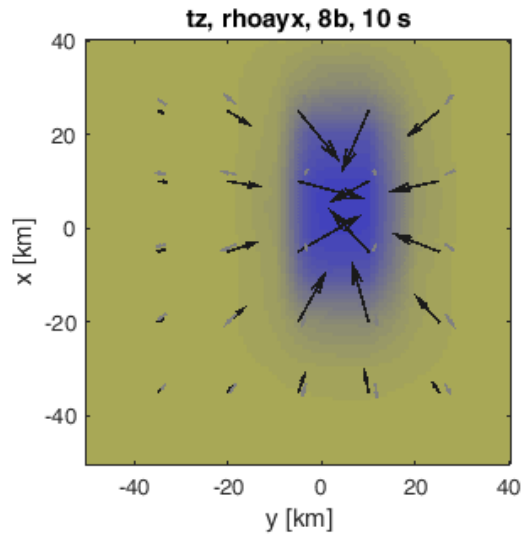
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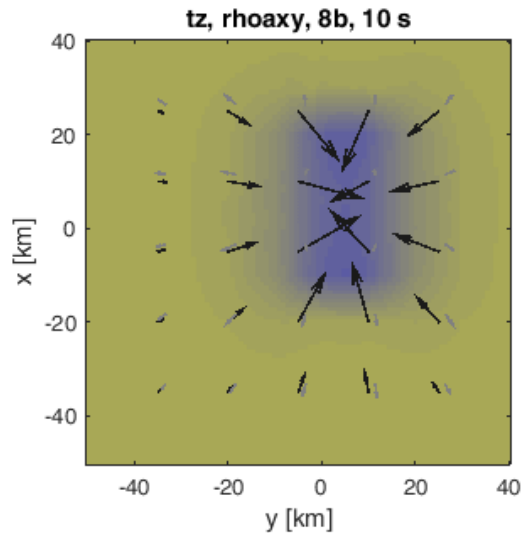
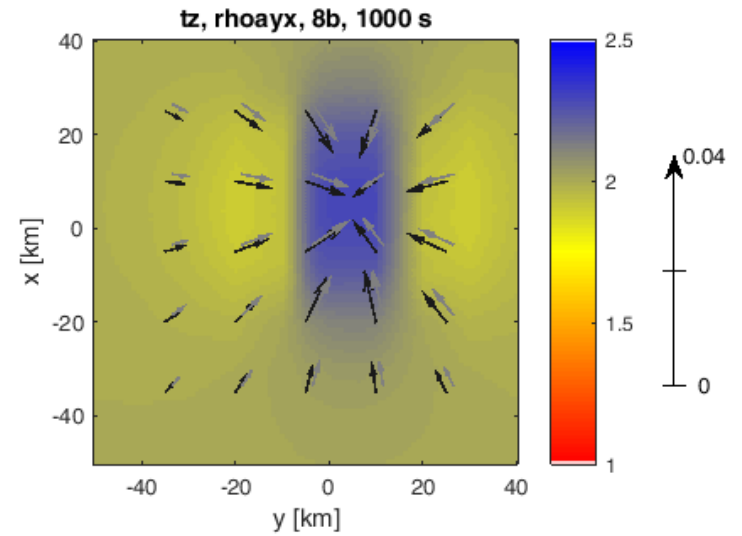
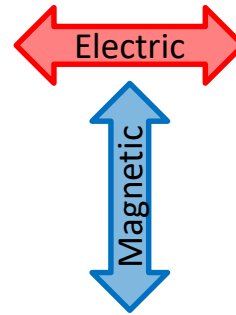
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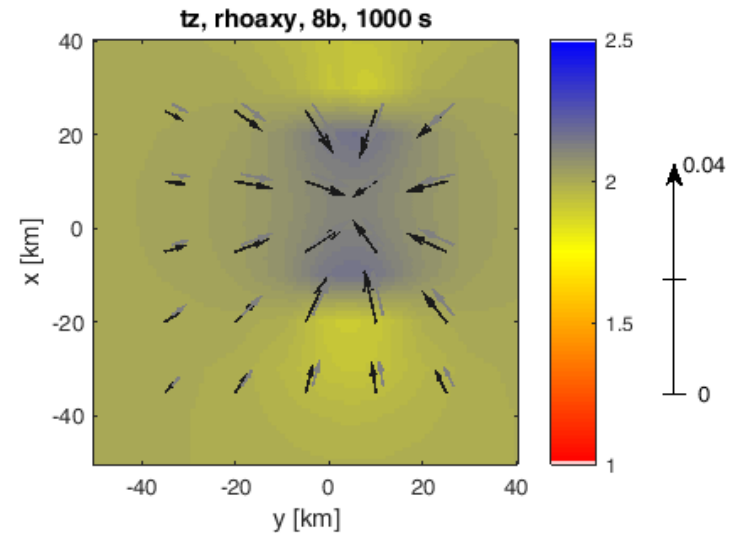
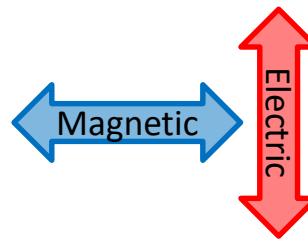
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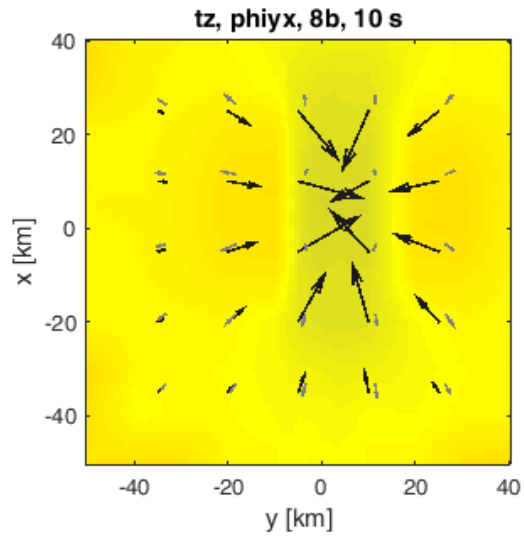
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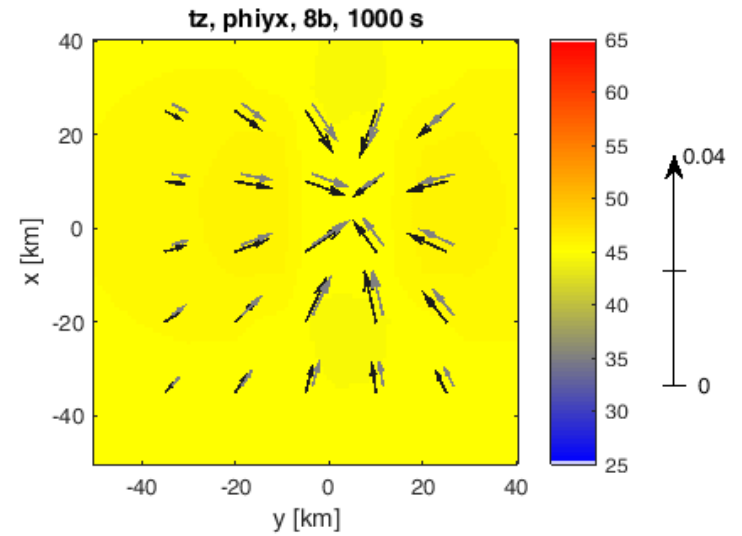
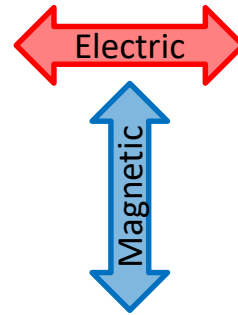
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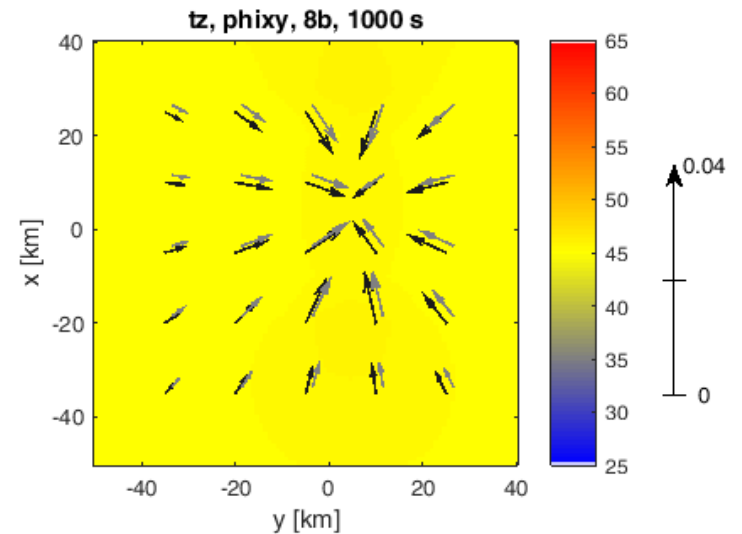
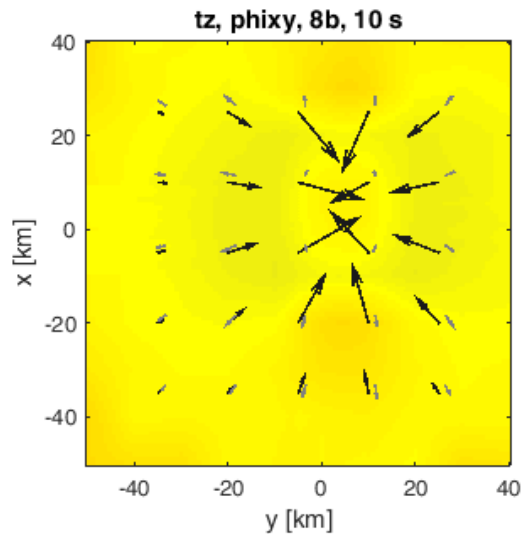
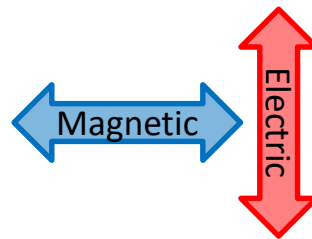
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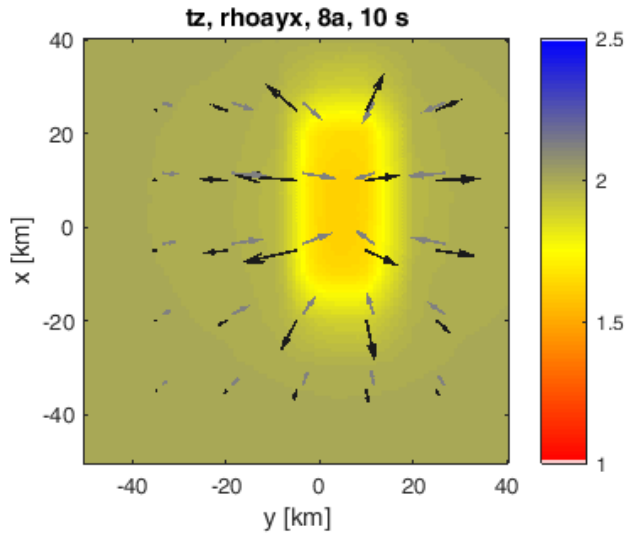
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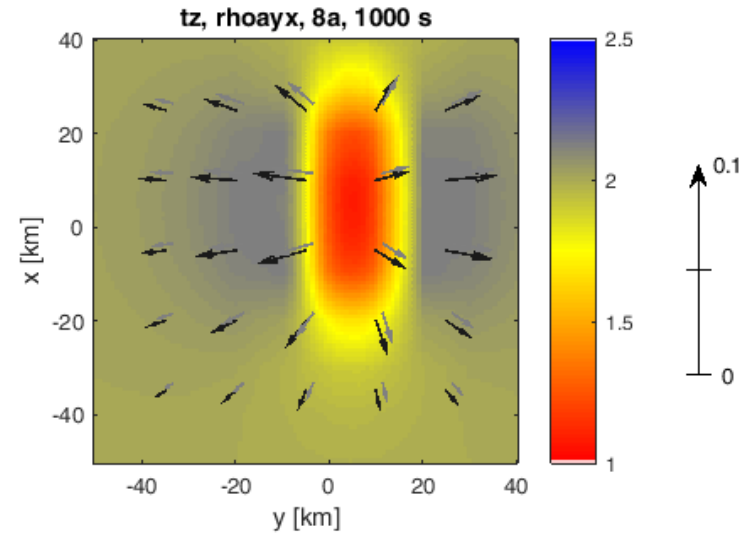
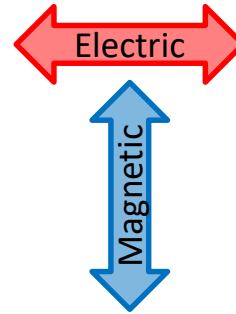
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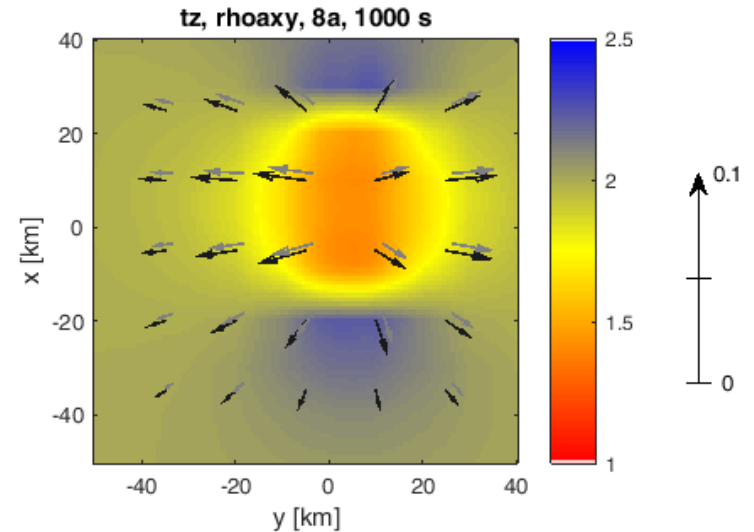
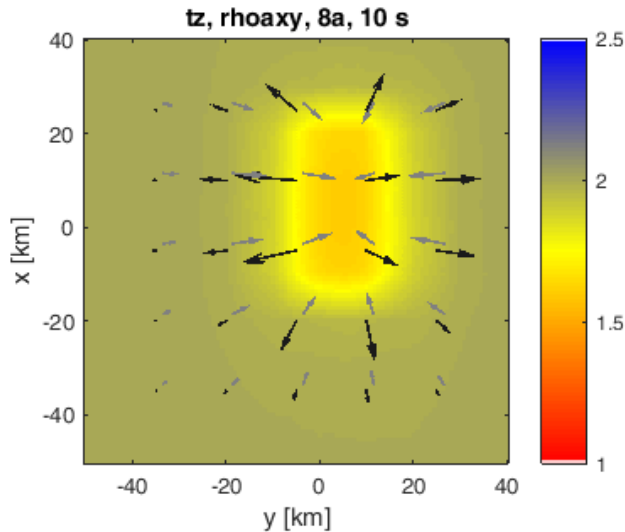
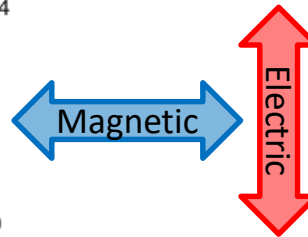
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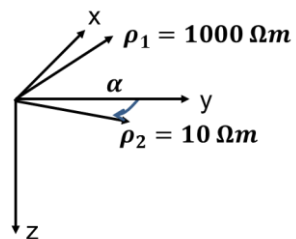
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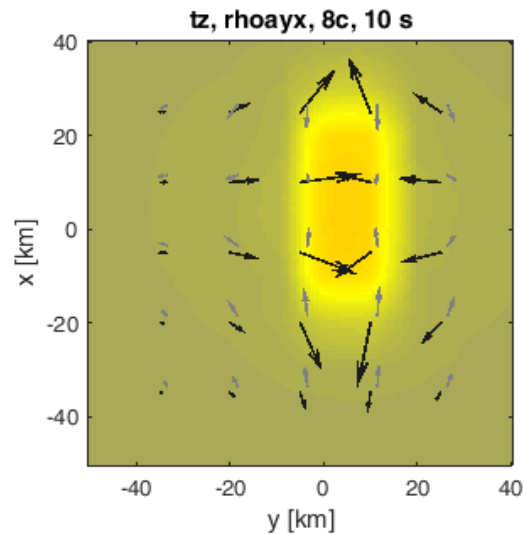
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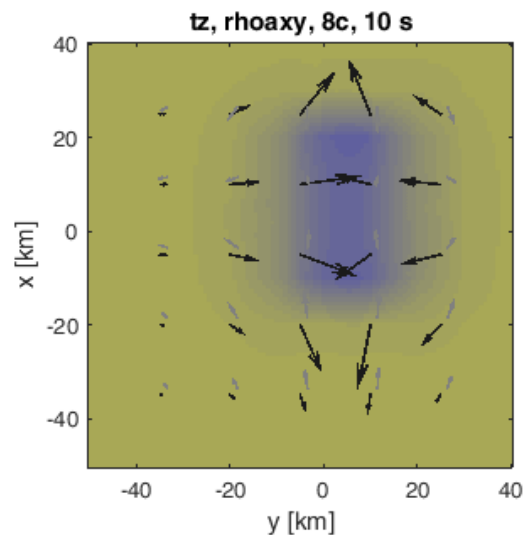
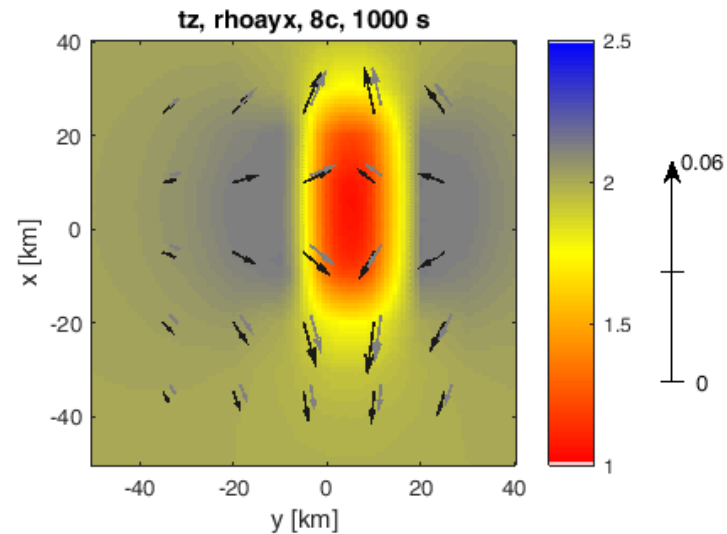
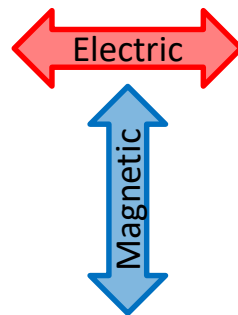
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Apparent resistivity

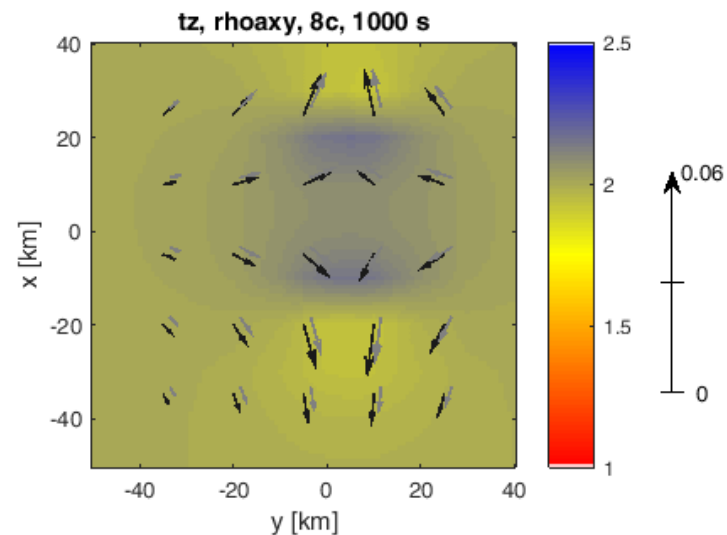
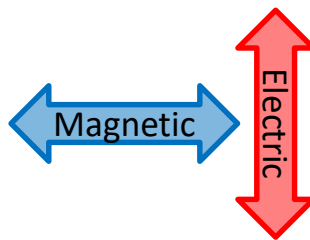
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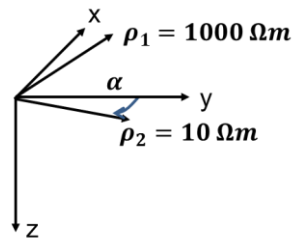


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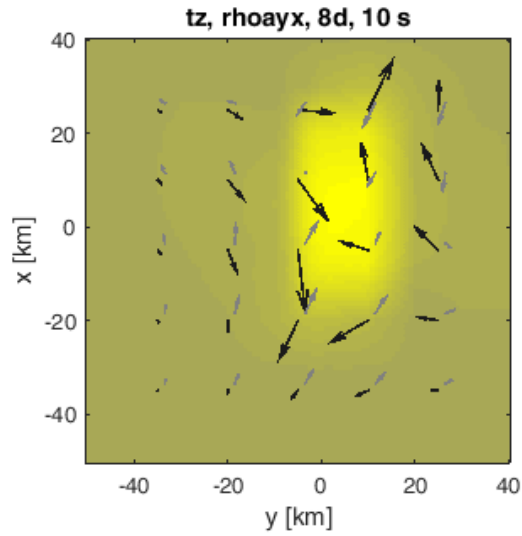
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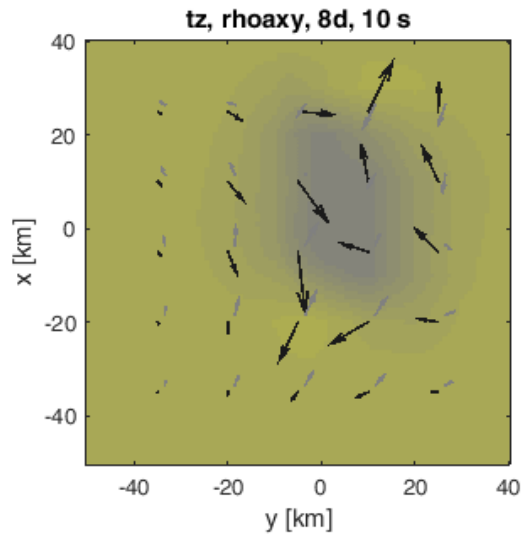
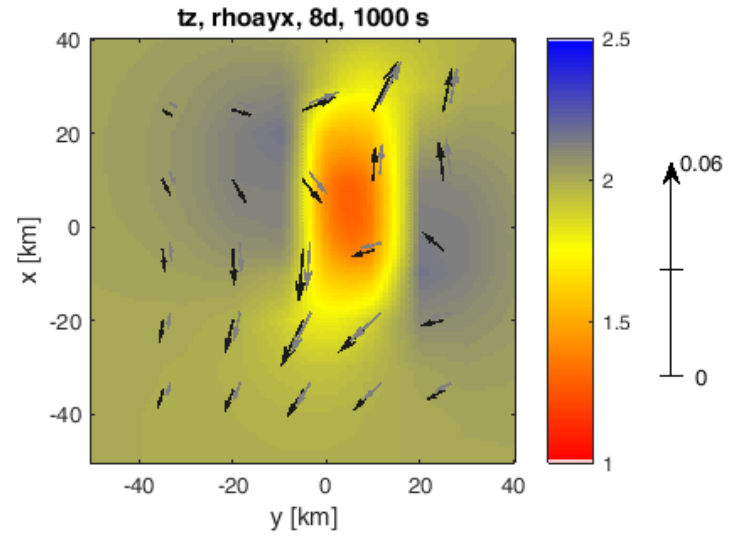
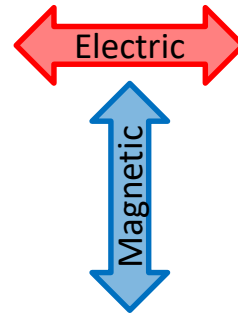
## $\alpha = 30^\circ$

## Apparent resistivity

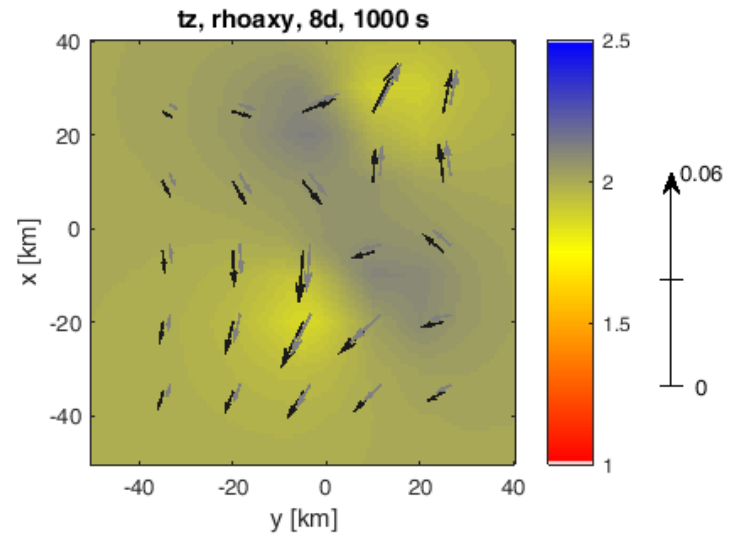
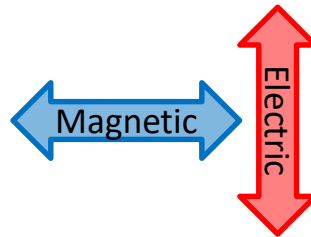
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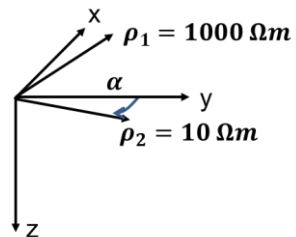


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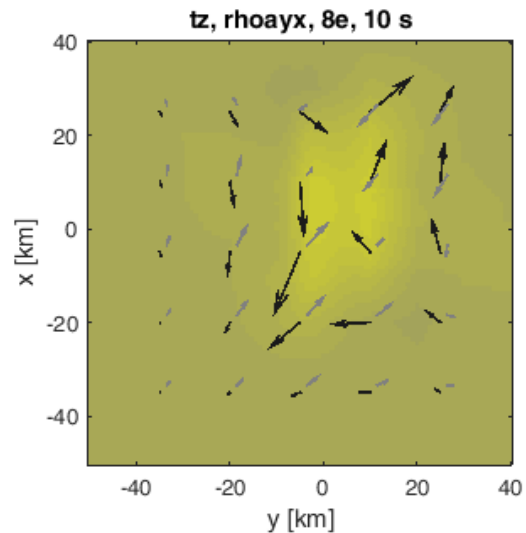
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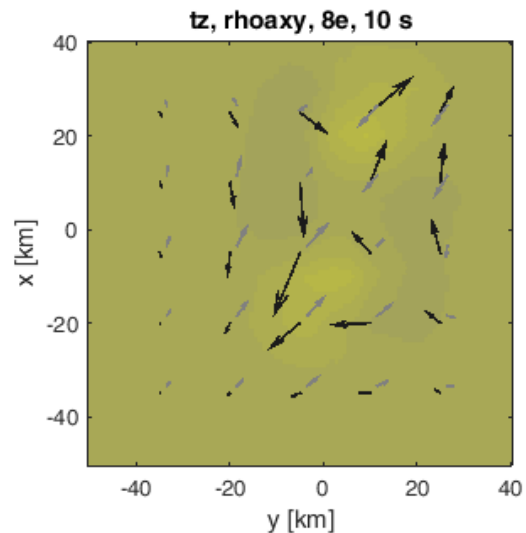
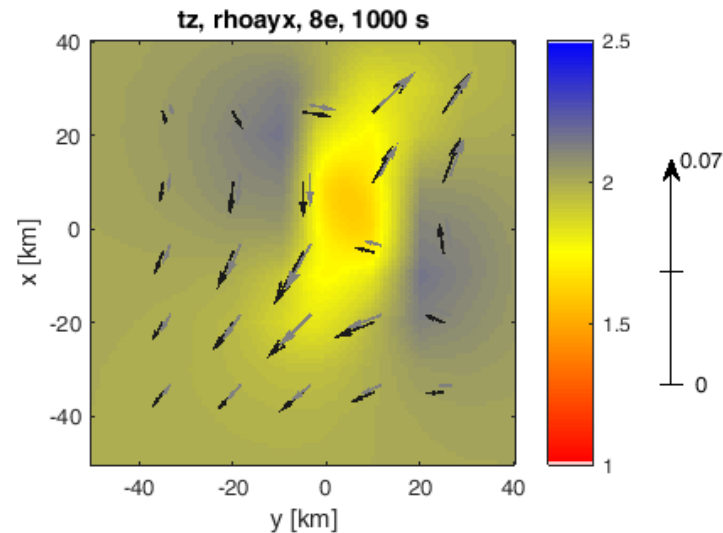
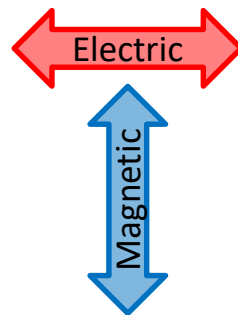
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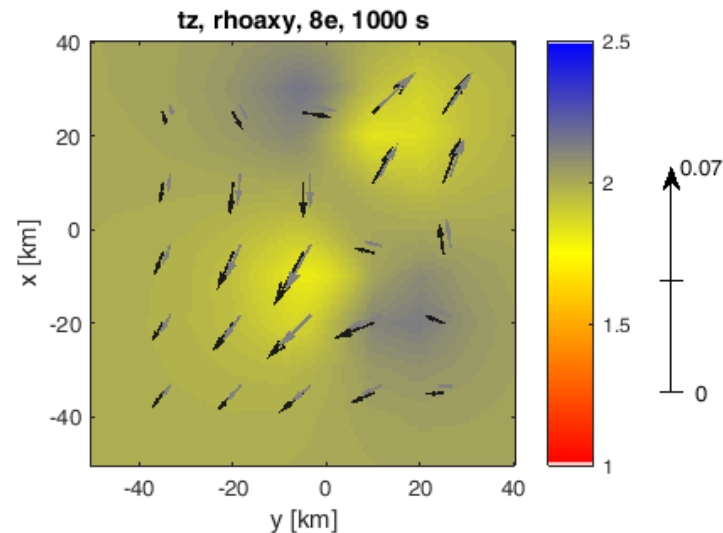
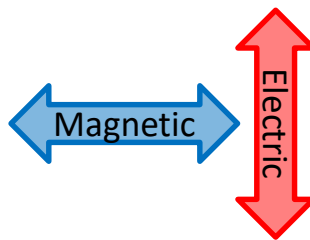
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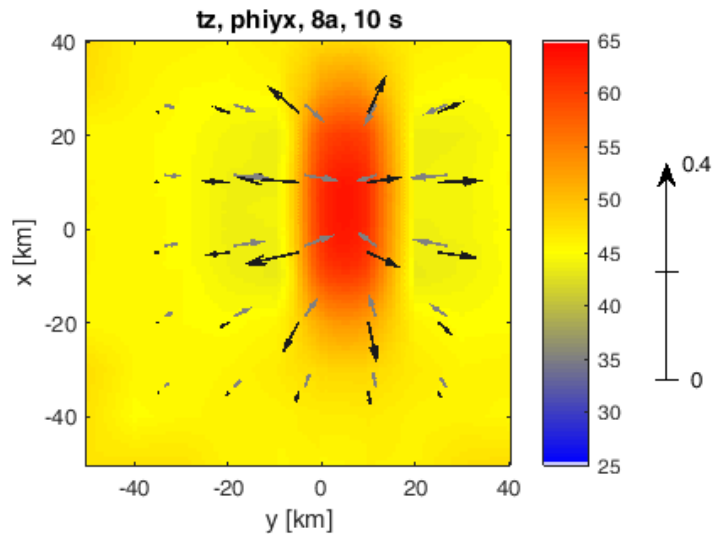
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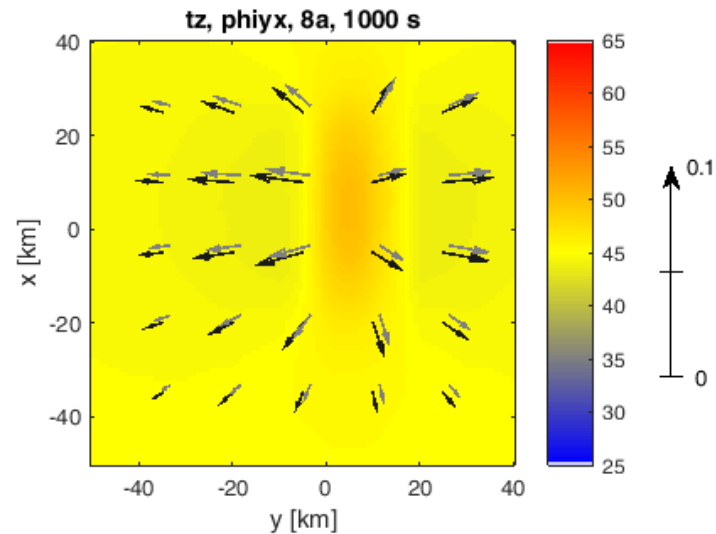
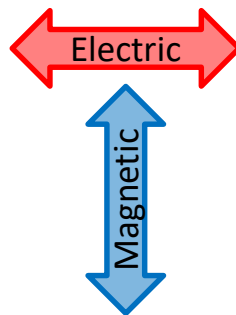
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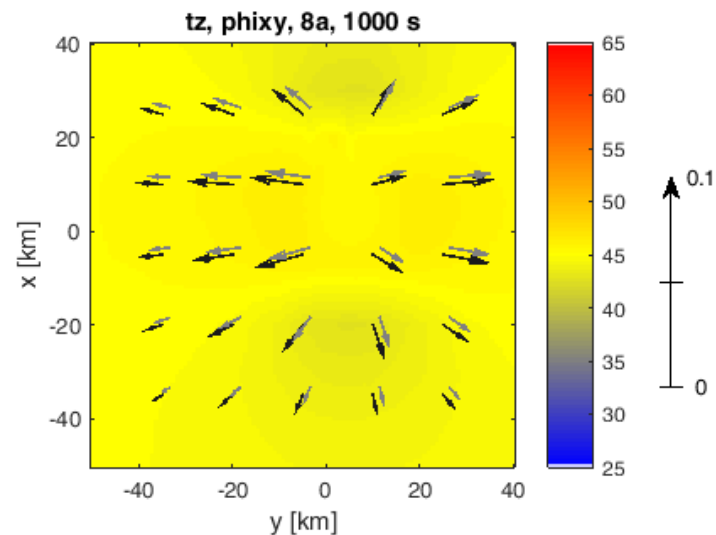
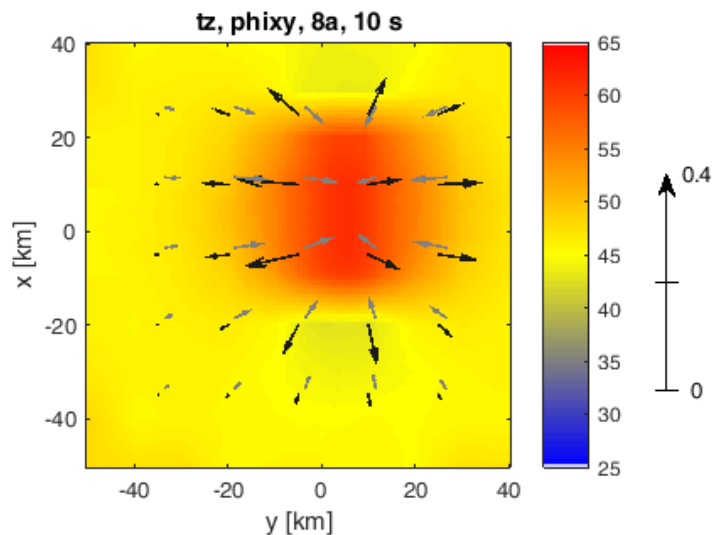
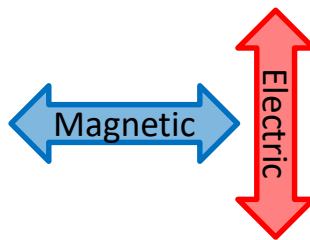
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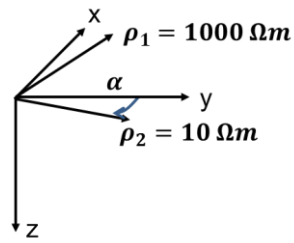


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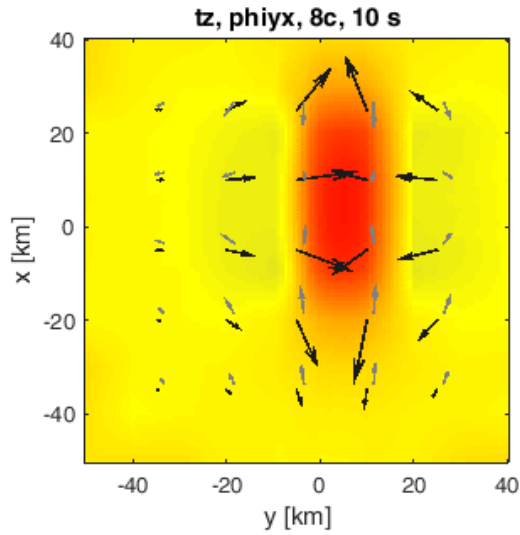
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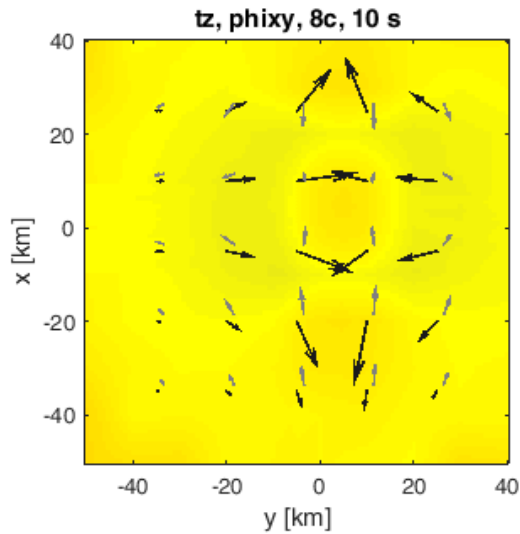
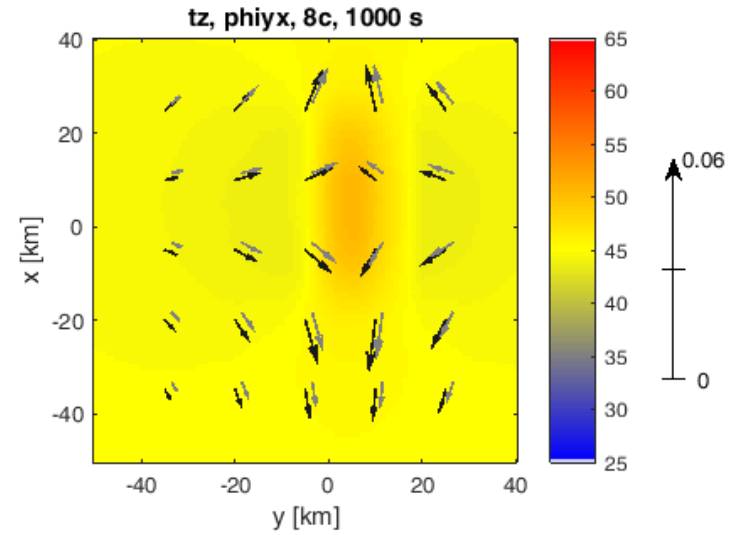
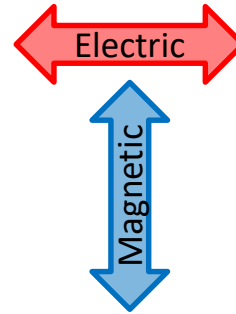
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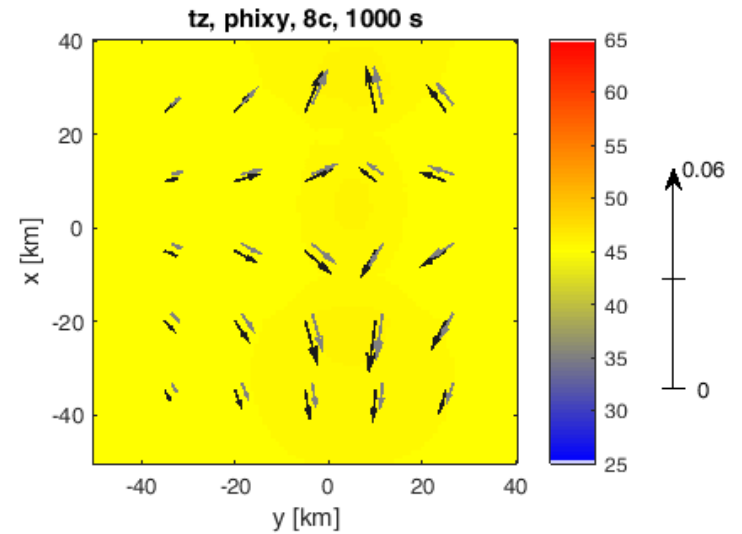
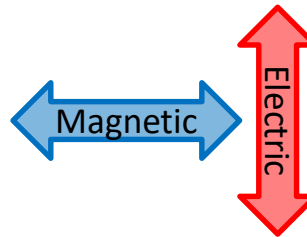
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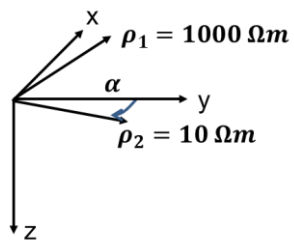


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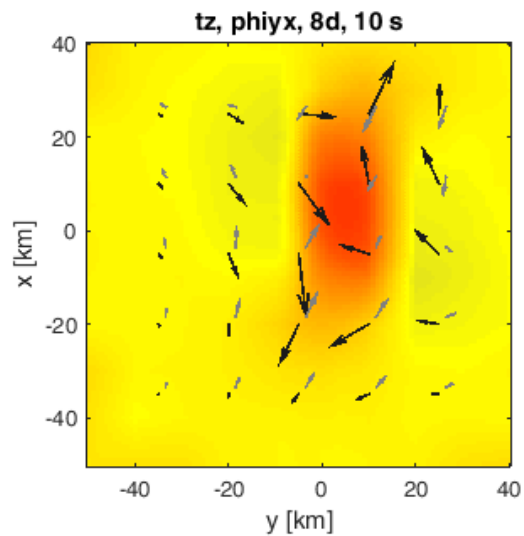
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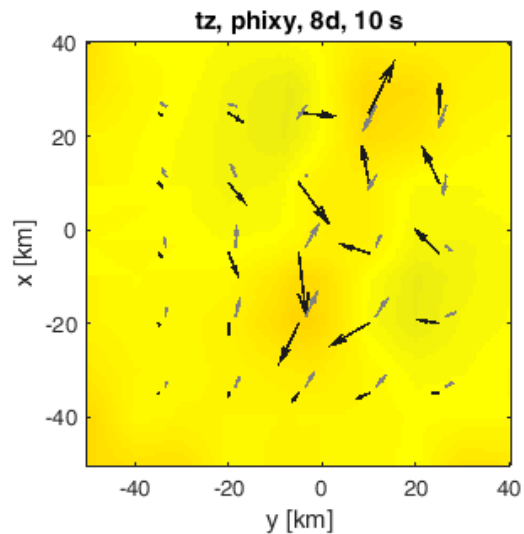
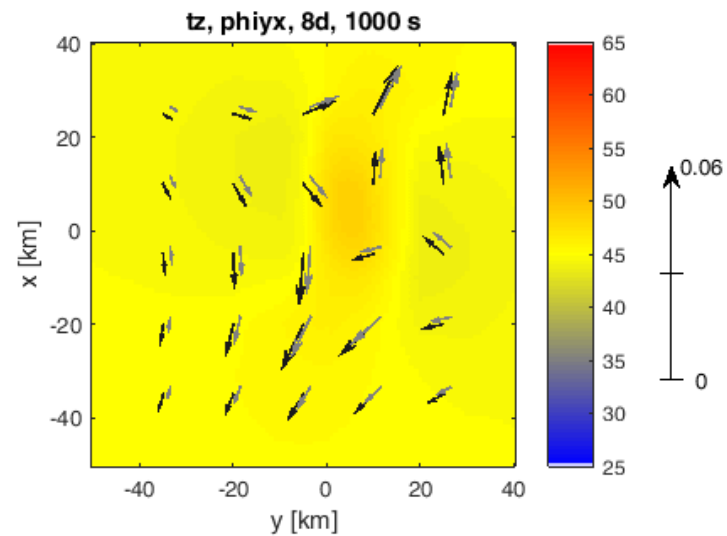
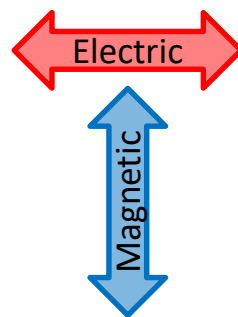


$\alpha = 30^\circ$  Phase

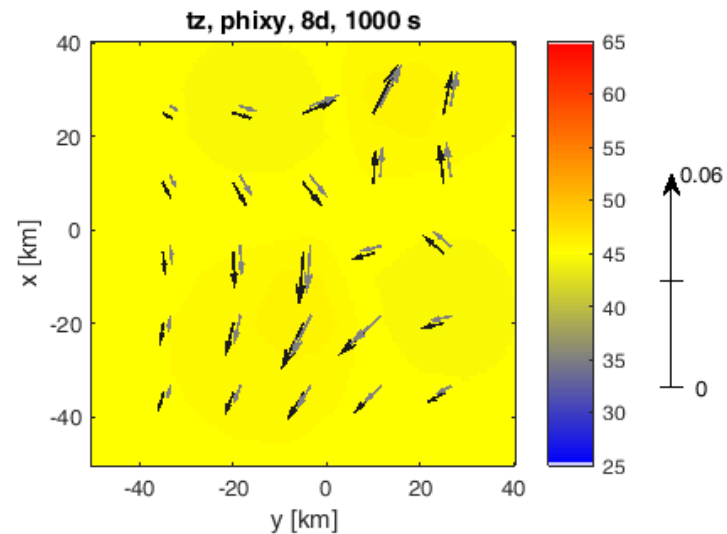
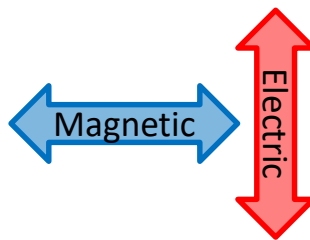
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Source field polarization

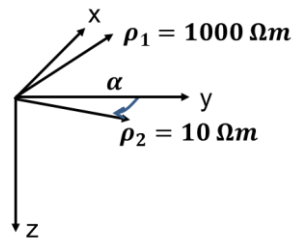


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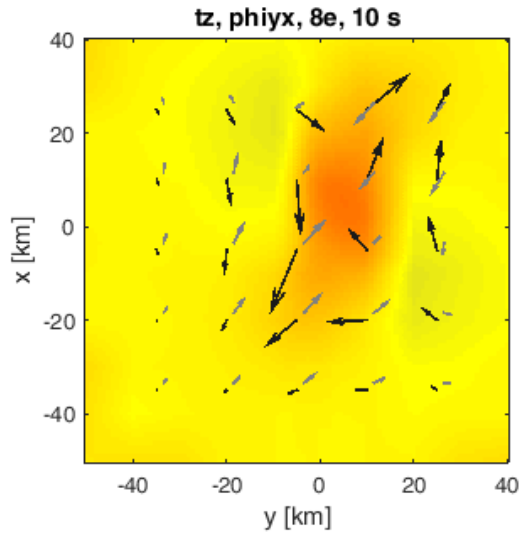
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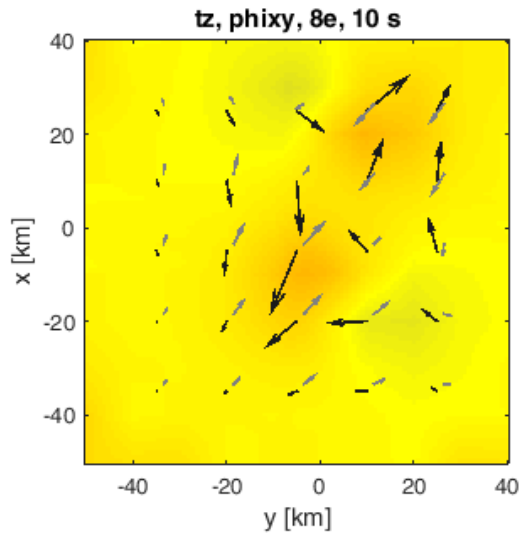
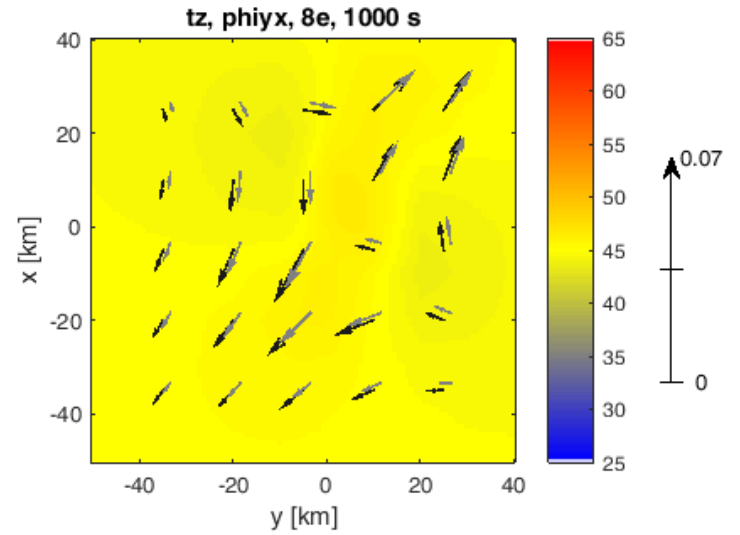
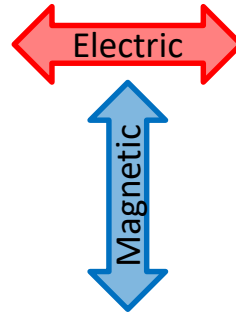


$\alpha = 45^\circ$  Phase

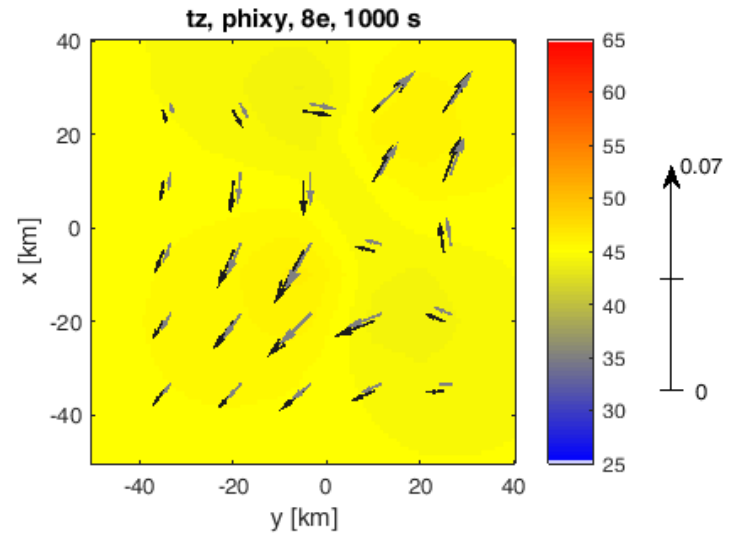
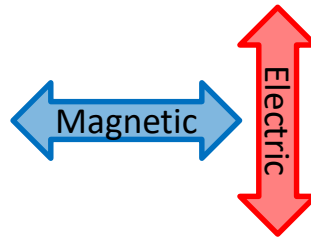
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Source field polarization



Source field polarization



## Some MT Definitions

Impedance Tensor  $\underline{\mu}\mathbf{Z}$ : 
$$\begin{pmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} Z_{xx} & Z_{xy} \\ Z_{yx} & Z_{yy} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} B_x \\ B_y \end{pmatrix} \text{ or } \underline{E} = \mathbf{Z}\underline{B}$$

Apparent Resistivity  $\rho_a$ :  $\rho_{a,xy} = \mu/\omega |Z_{xy}|^2$ , Phase:  $\varphi_{xy} = \tan^{-1}(\Im Z_{xy}/\Re Z_{xy})$

Phase Tensor  $\Phi$  : 
$$\boldsymbol{\phi} = (\Re \mathbf{Z})^{-1}(\Im \mathbf{Z}) \quad (\text{Caldwell et al., 2004})$$

Apparent Resistivity Tensor  $\boldsymbol{\rho}$ : 
$$\boldsymbol{\rho} = (i\mu/\omega) \det(\mathbf{Z}) \mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{Z}^{-1})^T \quad (\text{Brown, JGR 2017})$$

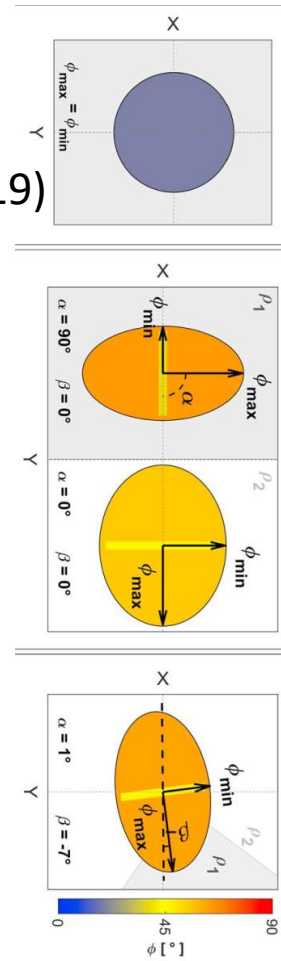
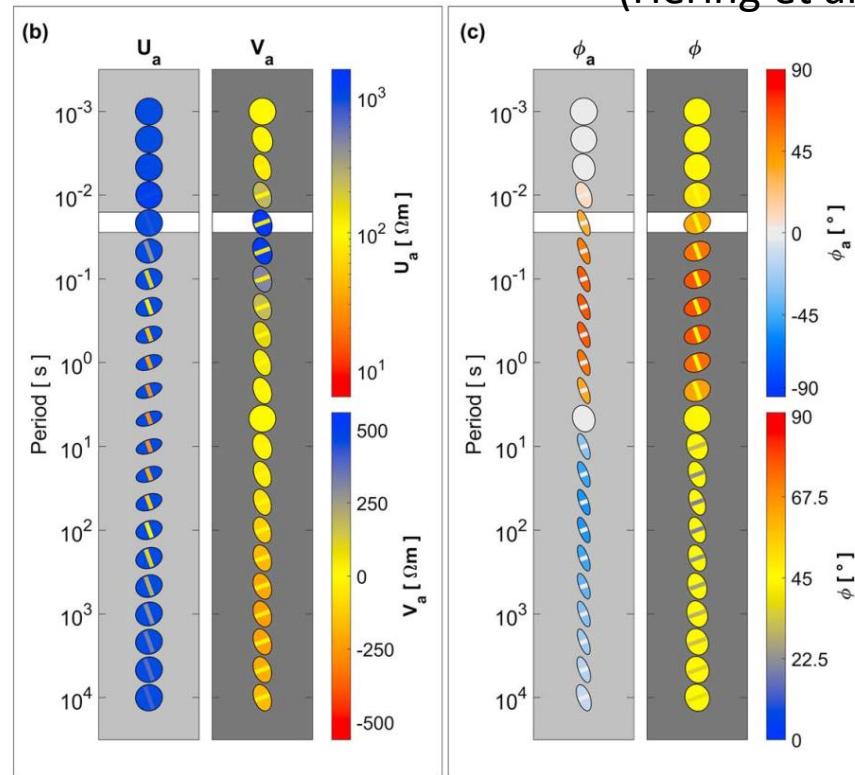
Apparent Current Density  $\underline{J}$ : 
$$\underline{E} = \boldsymbol{\rho} \underline{J} \quad (\text{Brown, JGR 2017})$$



# Some MT Definitions

## Graphical Presentation

(Hering et al., JGR 2019)



Phase Tensor  $\Phi$  :

$$\phi = (\Re Z)^{-1} (\Im Z) \text{ (Caldwell et al., 2004)}$$

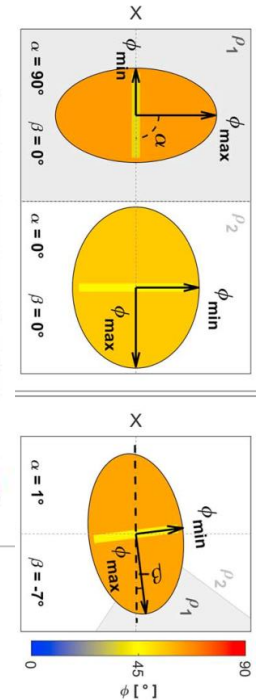
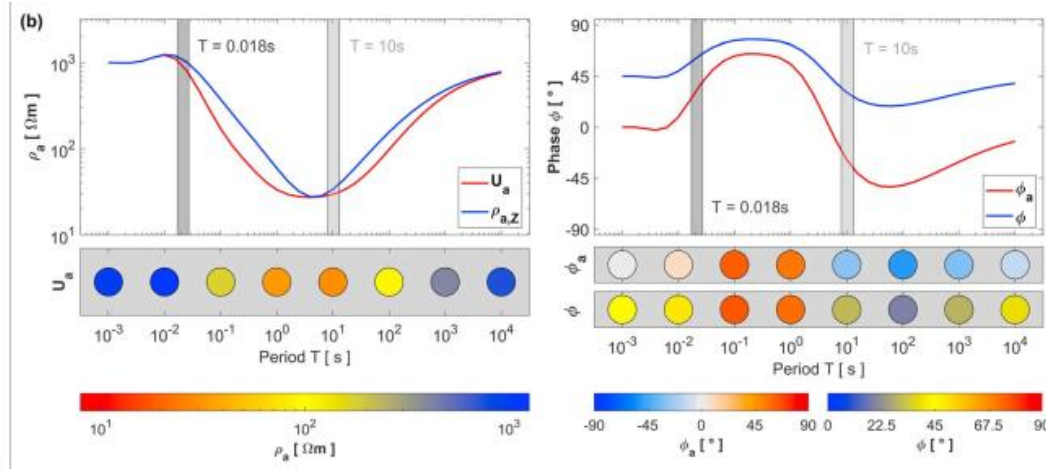
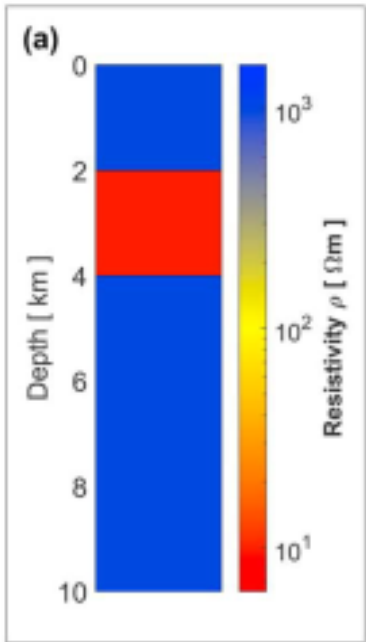
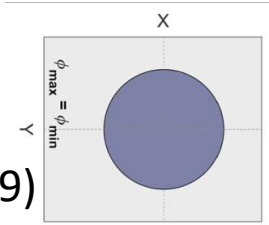
Apparent Resistivity Tensor  $\rho$ :  $\rho = (i\mu/\omega) \det(Z) Z (Z^{-1})^T$  (Brown, JGR 2017)

$$\rho = U_a + iV_a \quad \phi_a = (U_a)^{-1} (V_a)$$

# Some MT Definitions

## 1D isotropic

(Hering et al., JGR 2019)



(Hering et al., 2018)

Phase Tensor  $\Phi$  :

$$\Phi = (\Re \mathbf{Z})^{-1} (\Im \mathbf{Z}) \text{ (Caldwell et al., 2004)}$$

Apparent Resistivity Tensor  $\rho$  :

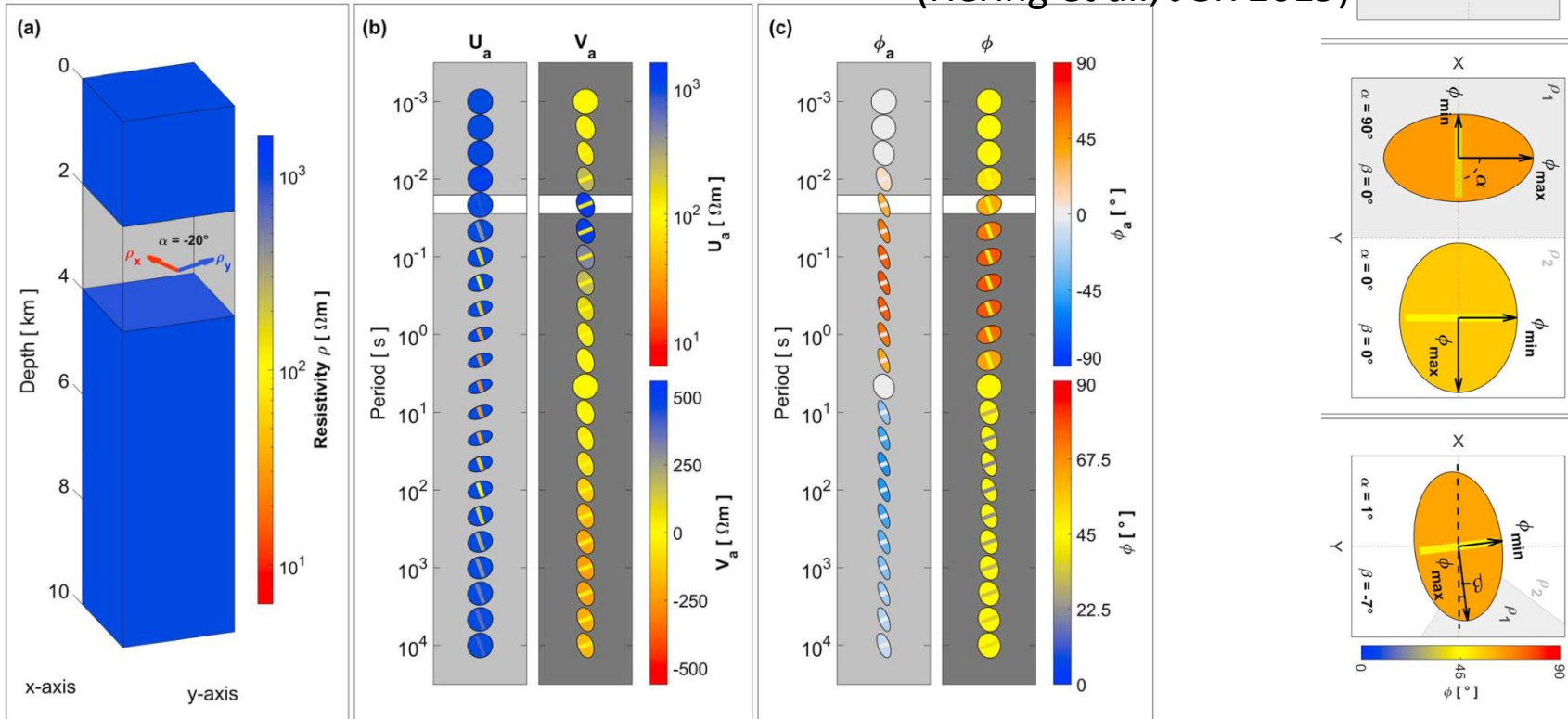
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# Some MT Definitions

## 1D anisotropic

(Hering et al., JGR 2019)



Phase Tensor  $\Phi$  :

$$\phi = (\Re \mathbf{Z})^{-1} (\Im \mathbf{Z}) \text{ (Caldwell et al., 2004)}$$

Apparent Resistivity Tensor  $\rho$ :  $\rho = (i\mu/\omega) \det(\mathbf{Z}) \mathbf{Z} (\mathbf{Z}^{-1})^T$  (Brown, JGR 2017)

$$\rho = U_a + iV_a \quad \phi_a = (U_a)^{-1} (V_a)$$

# 1D isotropic - anisotropic: What happens inside the body?

In general for 1D subsurface:

Behaviour of B and E with depth and period

$$\begin{pmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & Z_{xy} \\ Z_{yx} & 0 \end{pmatrix}} \begin{pmatrix} B_x \\ B_y \end{pmatrix}$$

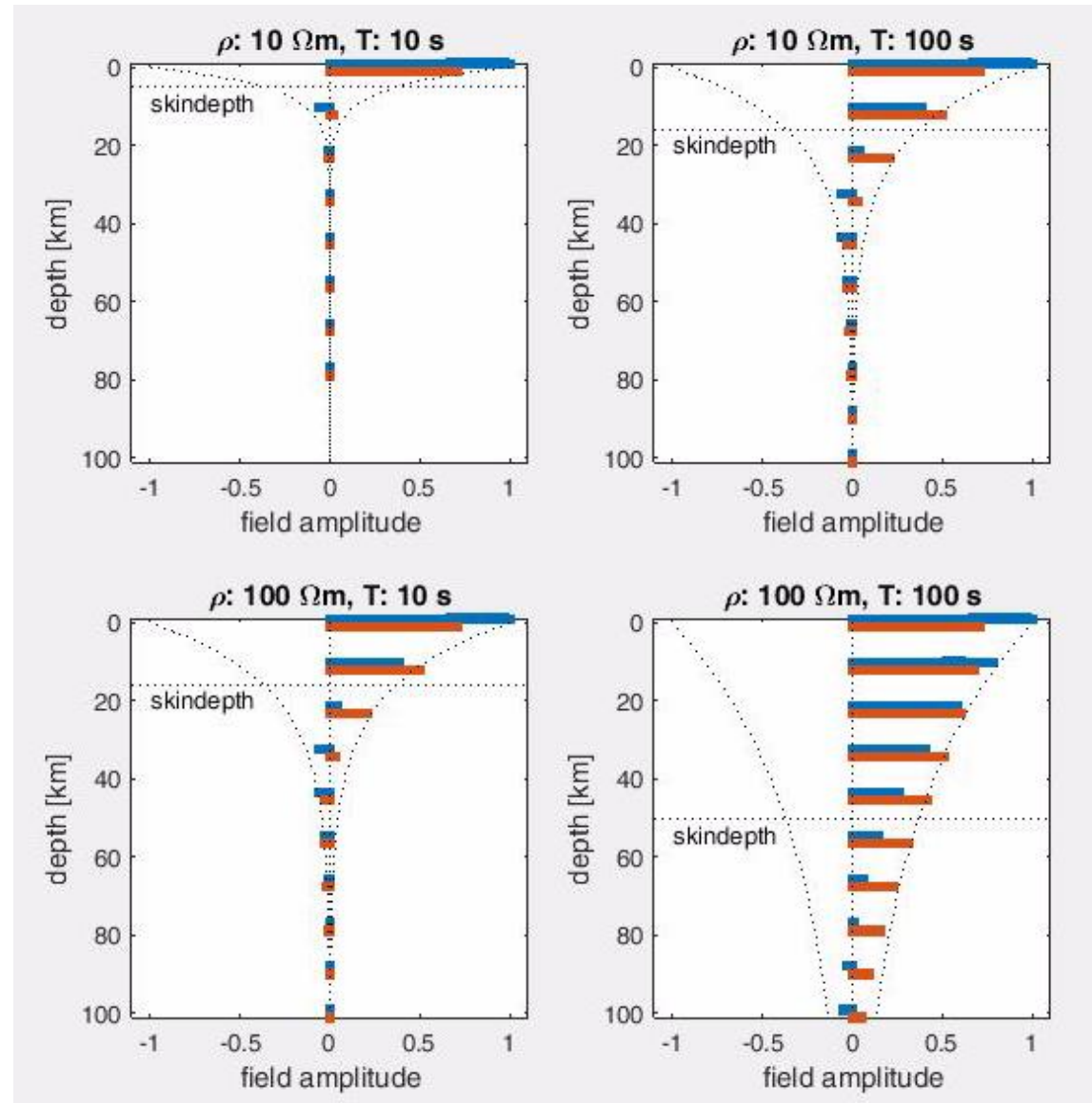
$$\rho_{axy} = \rho_{ayx}$$

$$\varphi_{xy} = \varphi_{yx} + \pi$$

$$B_y(z) = B_{y0} e^{-\sqrt{i \frac{\mu_0}{\rho}} \omega z}$$

$$Z_{xy} = \frac{E_x}{B_y}$$

$$E_x = (1 + i) \sqrt{\frac{\rho \omega}{2 \mu_0}} B_y$$

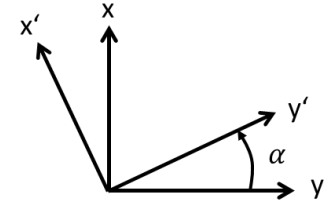


# 1D isotropic - anisotropic: What happens inside the body?

## Azimuthal anisotropic Conductivity

For  $(x', y', z)$

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}' = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_3 \end{pmatrix}$$



Generally

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{xx} & \sigma_{xy} & 0 \\ \sigma_{xy} & \sigma_{yy} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_3 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{R}_\alpha^T \boldsymbol{\sigma}' \mathbf{R}_\alpha$$

Ohm's law

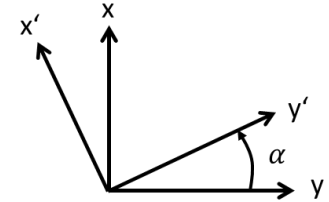
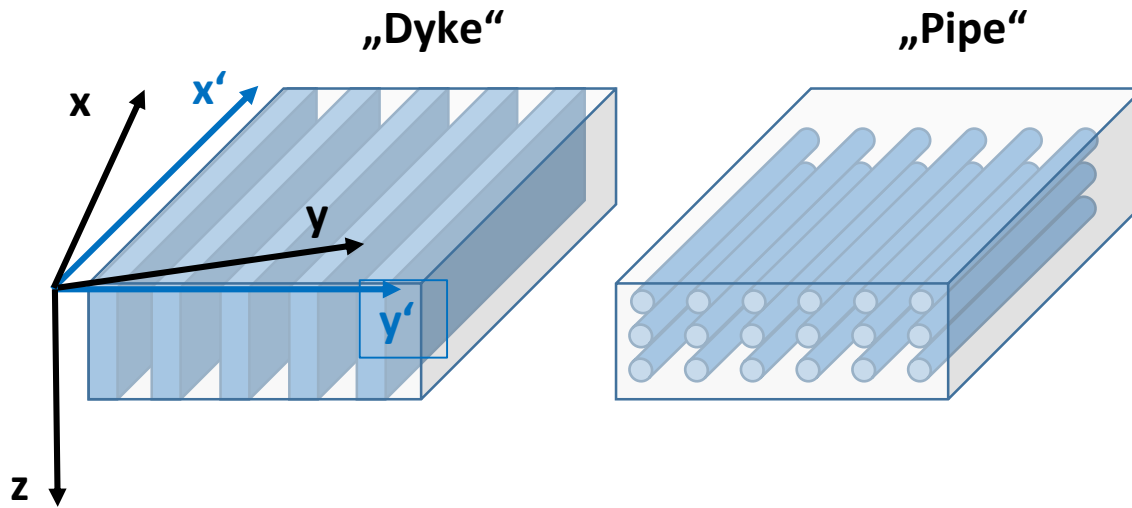
$$J_x = \sigma_{xx} E_x + \sigma_{xy} E_y$$

$$J_y = \sigma_{xy} E_x + \sigma_{yy} E_y$$

$$\rightarrow \underline{J} \nparallel \underline{E}$$

# 1D isotropic - anisotropic: What happens inside the body?

## Azimuthal anisotropic Conductivity



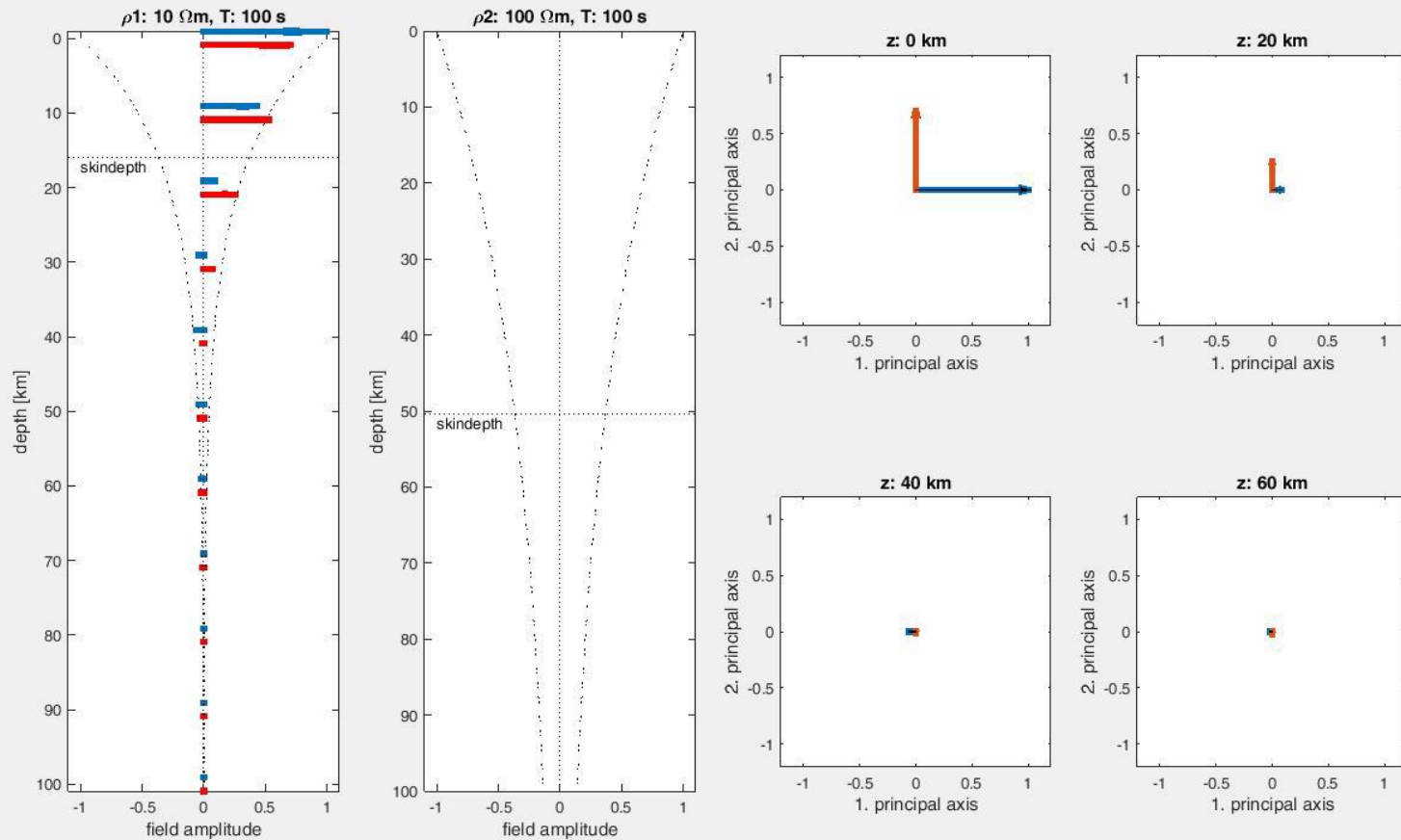
$$\begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{x'x'} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_{y'y'} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_{x'x'} \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{x'x'} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_{y'y'} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_{y'y'} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sigma_{x'x'} = \sigma_{zz} \quad \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{xx} & \sigma_{xy} & 0 \\ \sigma_{xy} & \sigma_{yy} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_{zz} \end{pmatrix} \quad \sigma_{y'y'} = \sigma_{zz}$$

# 1D isotropic - anisotropic: What happens inside the body?

Behaviour of B and E with depth and period

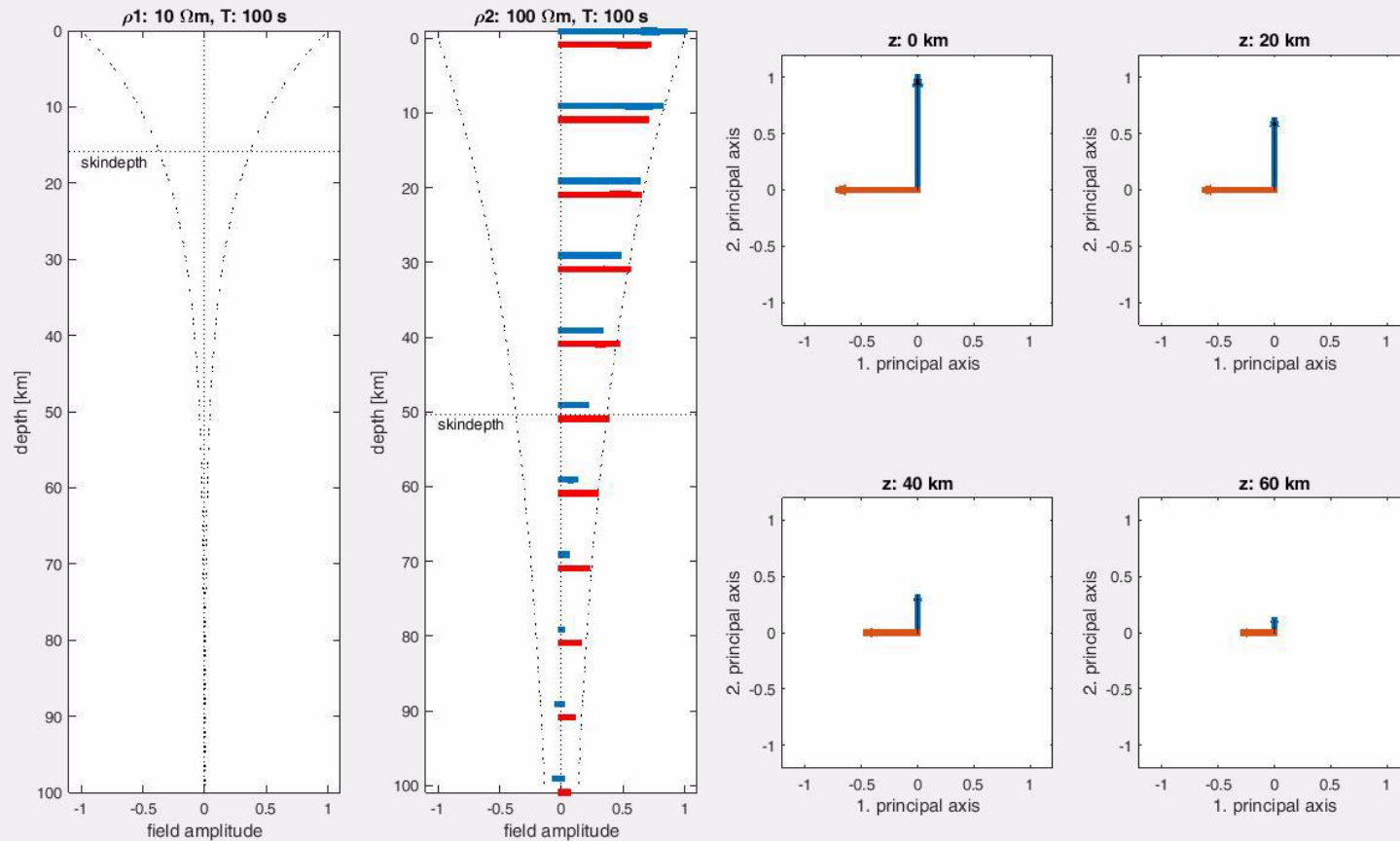
Anisotropic homogeneous halfspace,  $\alpha = 0^\circ$



# 1D isotropic - anisotropic: What happens inside the body?

Behaviour of B and E with depth and period

Anisotropic homogeneous halfspace,  $\alpha = 90^\circ$

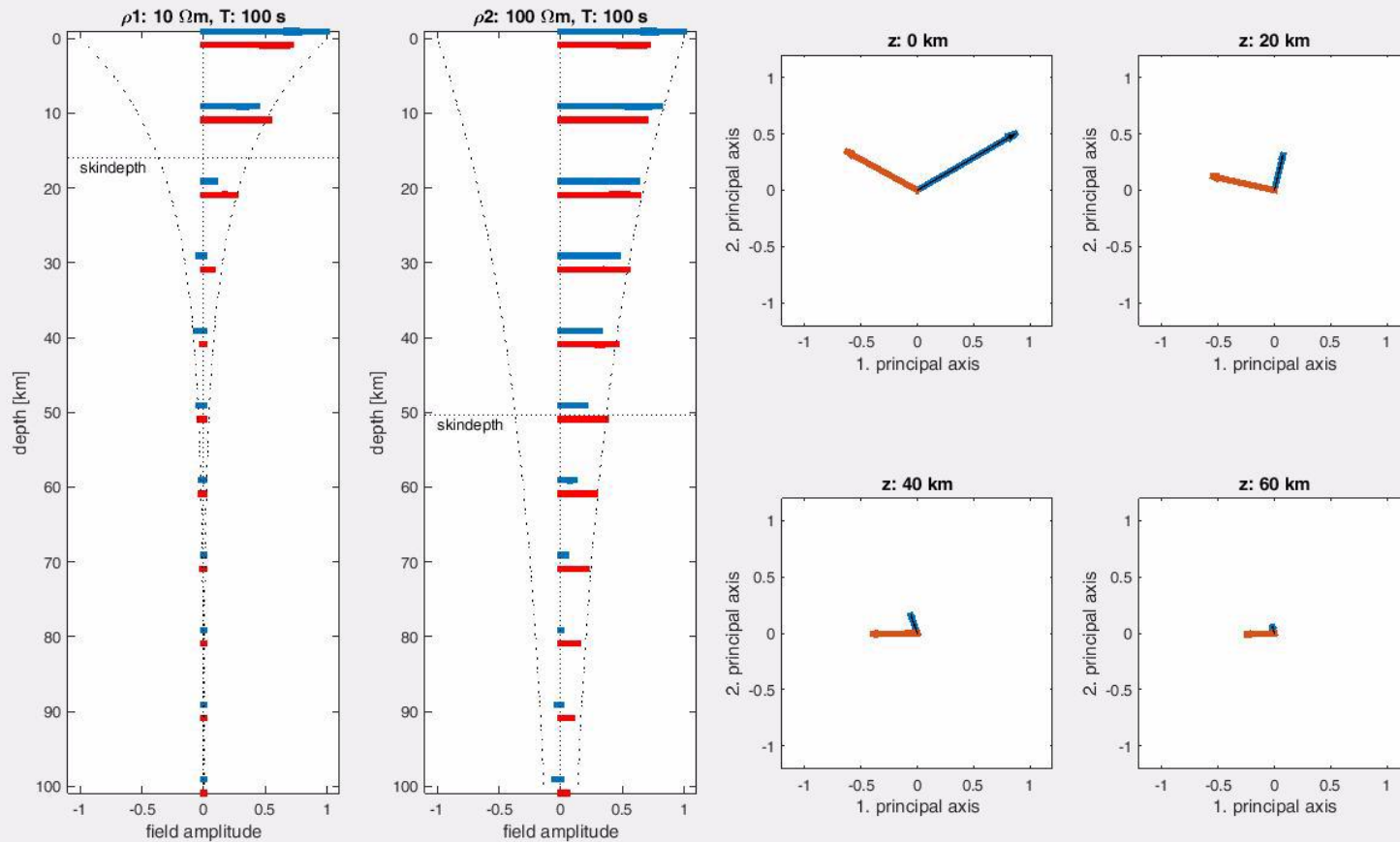




# 1D isotropic - anisotropic: What happens inside the body?

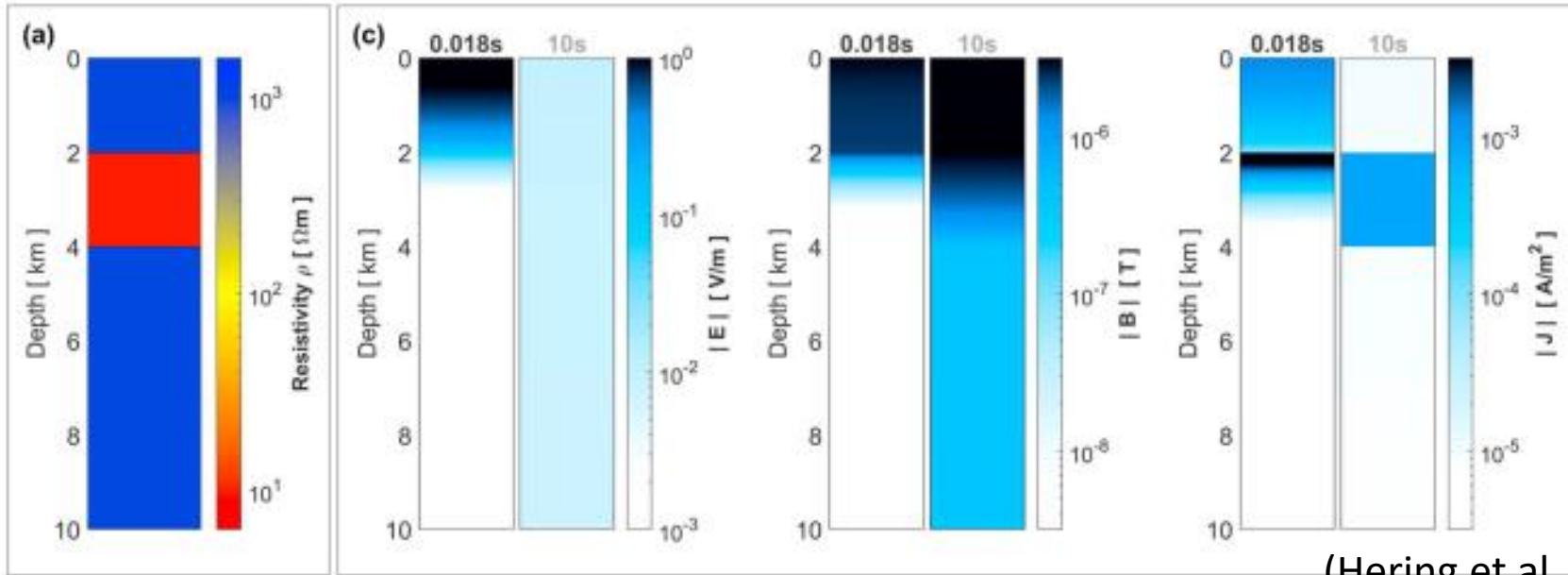
Behaviour of B and E with depth and period

Anisotropic homogeneous halfspace,  $\alpha = 30^\circ$



# 1D isotropic - anisotropic: What happens inside the body?

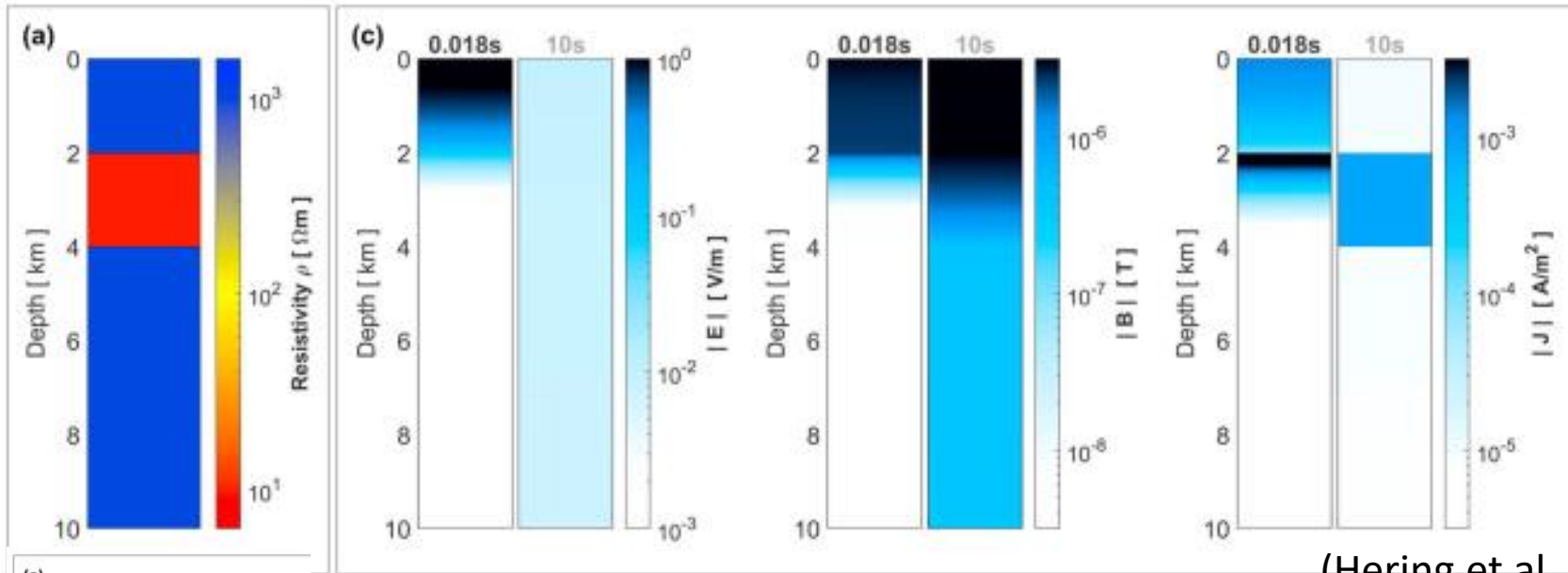
Behaviour of B, E and J with depth and period     Isotropic



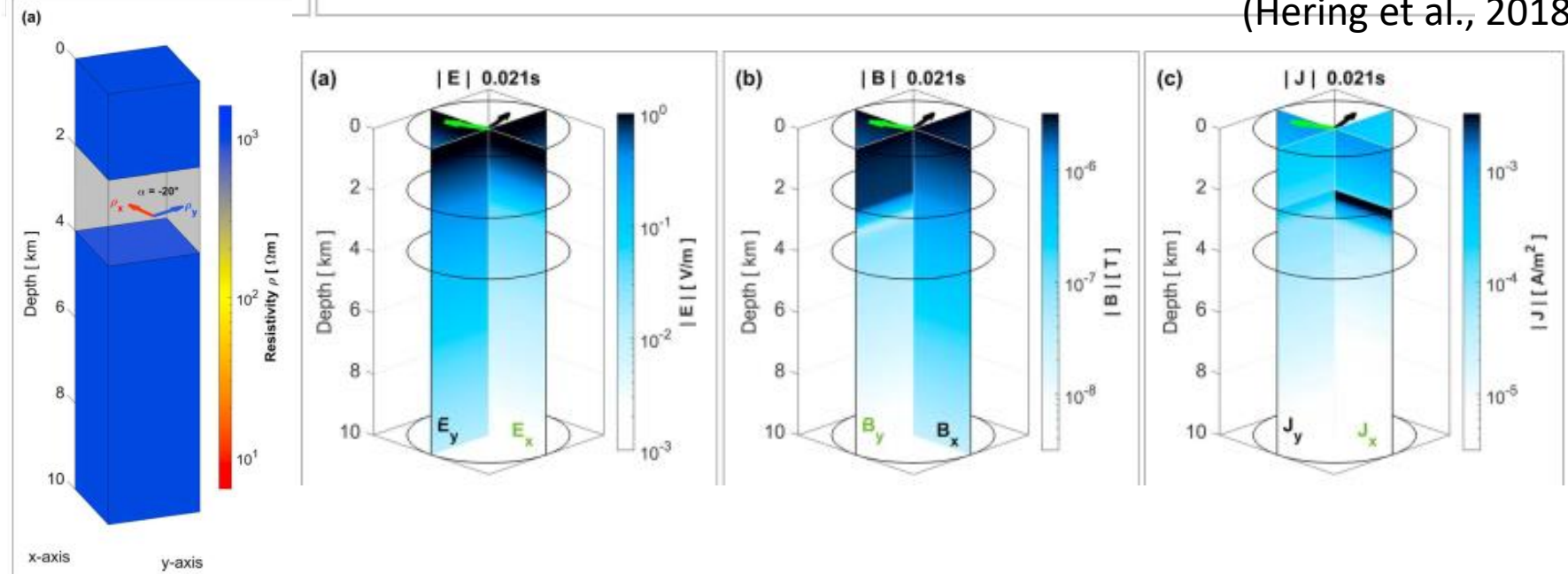
(Hering et al., 2018)

# 1D isotropic - anisotropic: What happens inside the body?

Behaviour of B, E and J with depth and period    Isotropic, Anisotropic Layer,  $\alpha = -20^\circ$



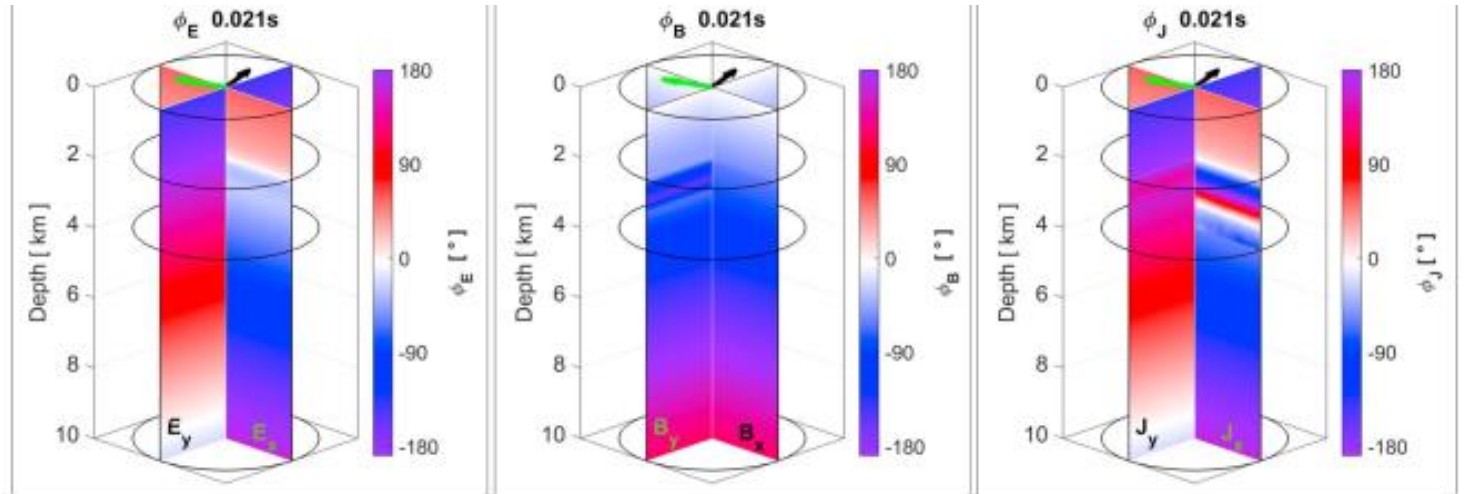
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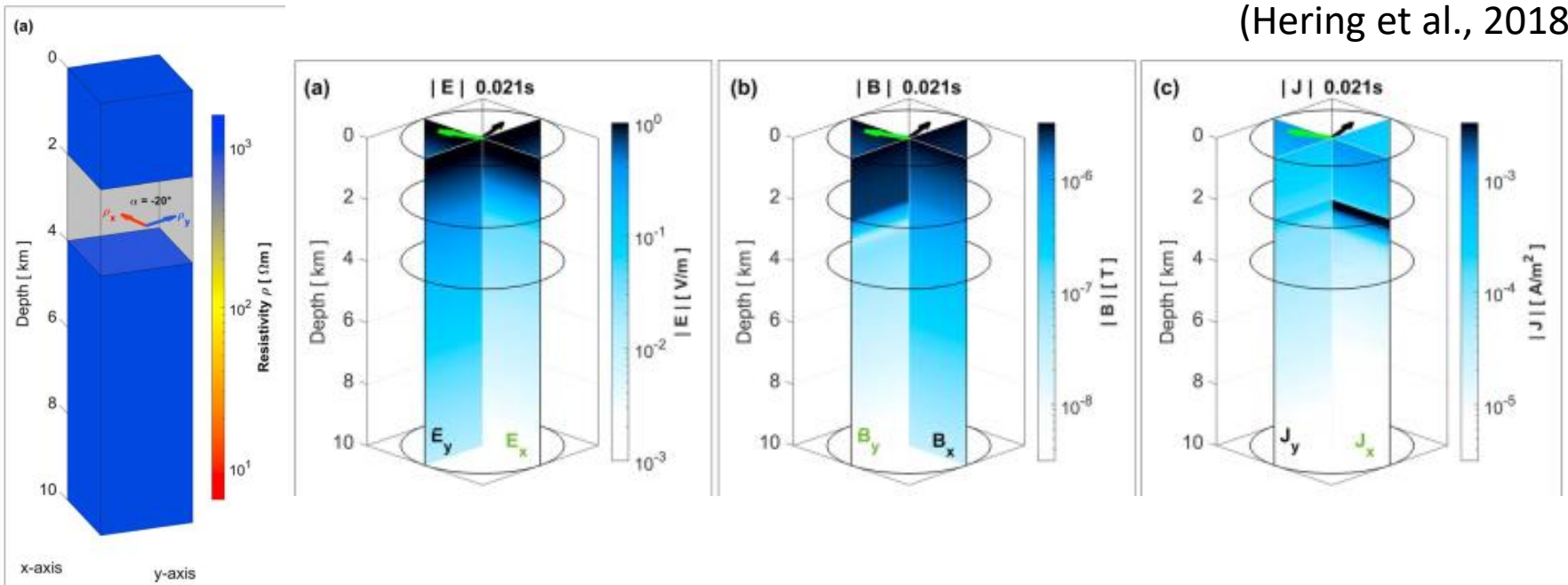
# 1D isotropic - anisotropic: What happens inside the body?

Behaviour of B, E and J with depth and period

Isotropic, Anisotropic Layer,  $\alpha = -20^\circ$



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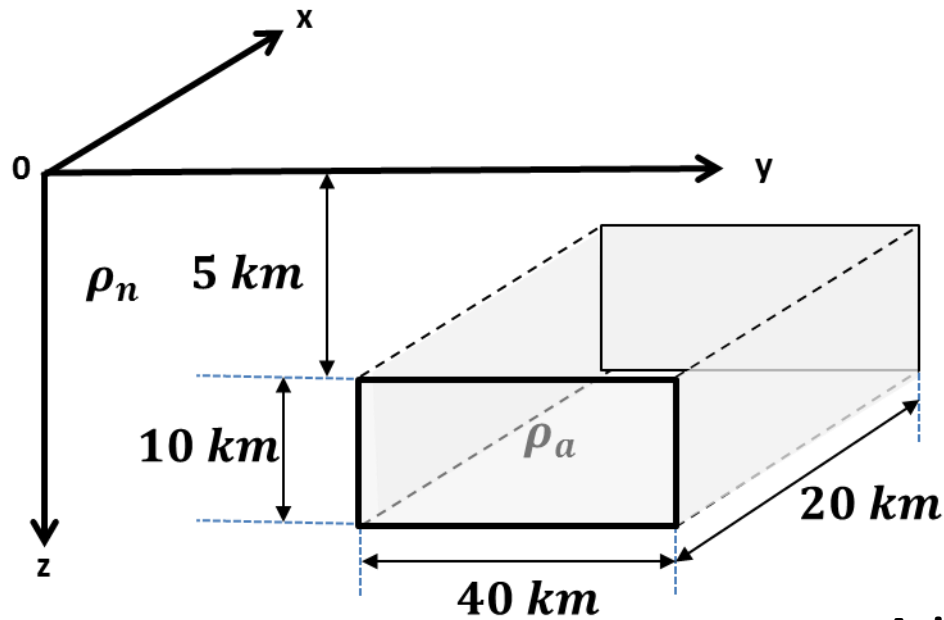


## 3D isotropic - anisotropic: What happens inside the body?

### 3 Studies:

- Anisotropic Cube within isotropic half space
- Isotropic Cube above anisotropic half space
- Dipping Anisotropy

# Anisotropic Cube within isotropic half space

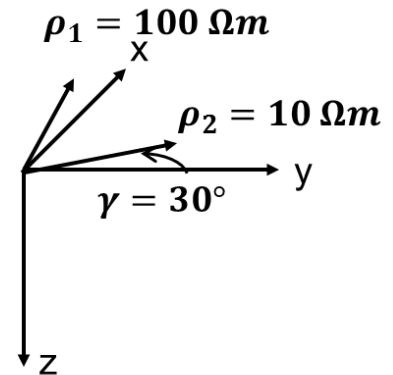


$\rho_a$  anisotropic:  $\rho_1 = 100 \Omega m$

$\rho_2 = 10 \Omega m$

background:  $\rho_n = 100 \Omega m$

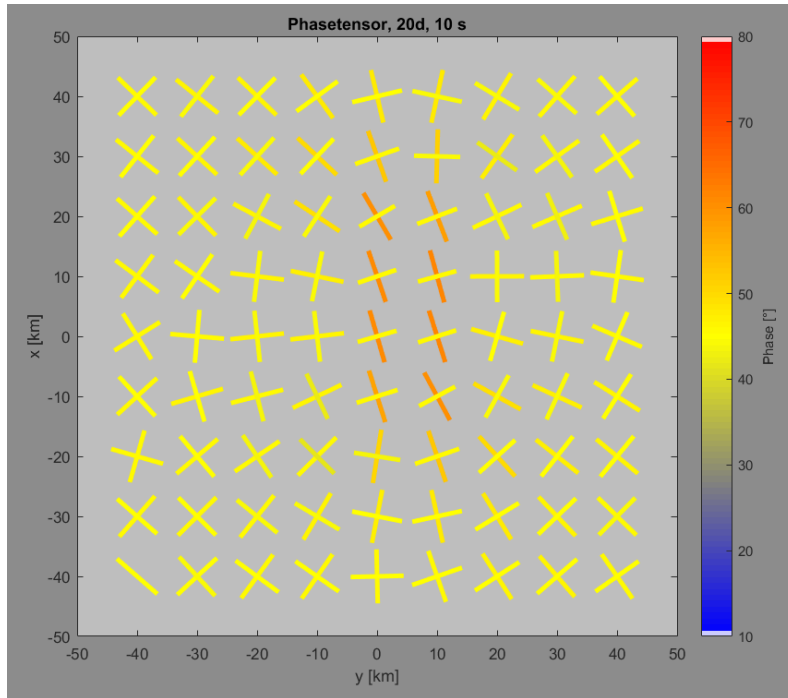
**Azimuthal anisotropy!**



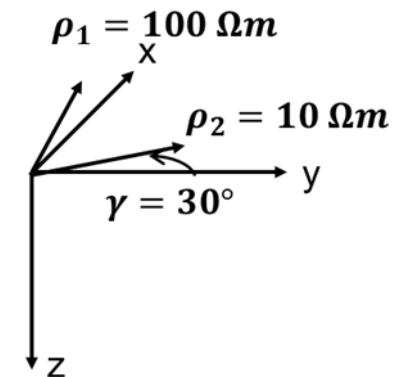
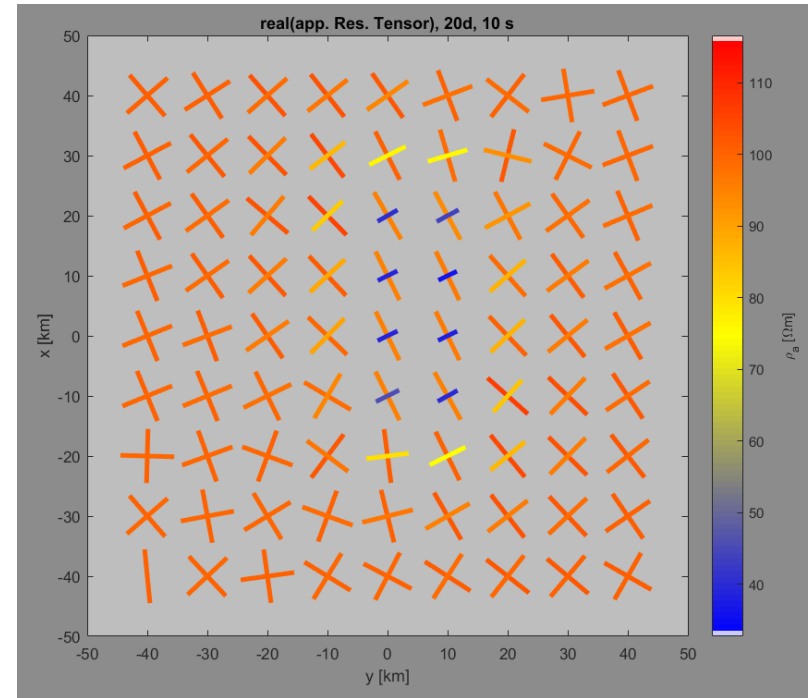
# Transfer functions: phase tensor, app.res. tensor

## plane view, period 10 sec

$\phi$



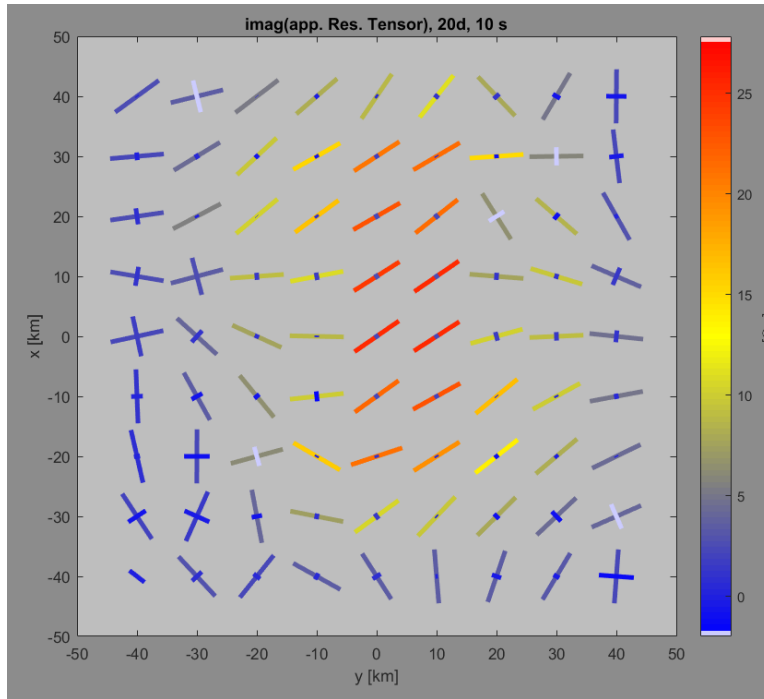
$\Re\rho$



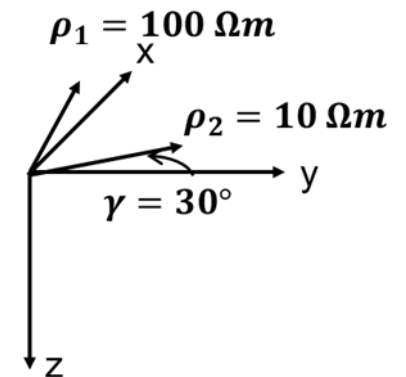
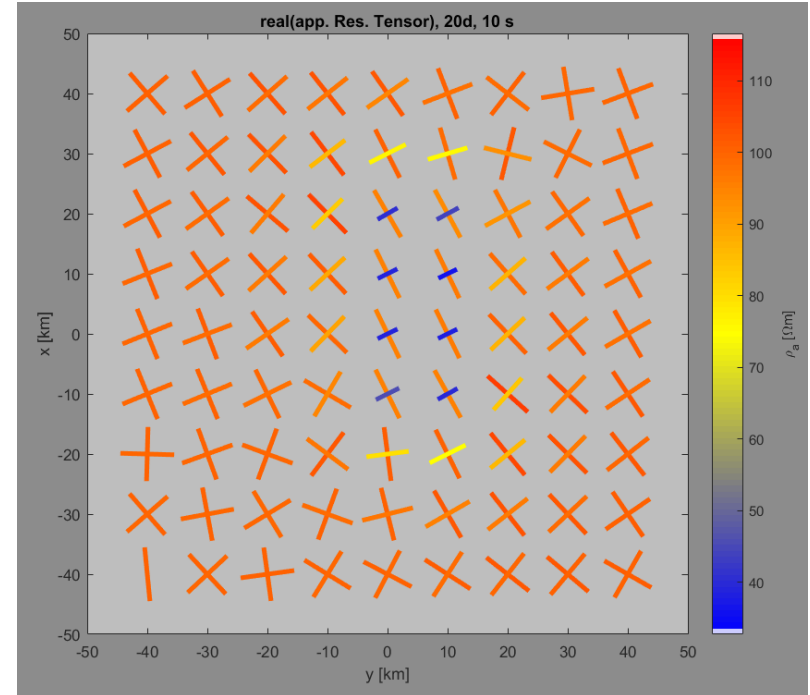
# Transfer functions: phase tensor, app.res. tensor

## plane view, period 10 sec

$\Im \rho$

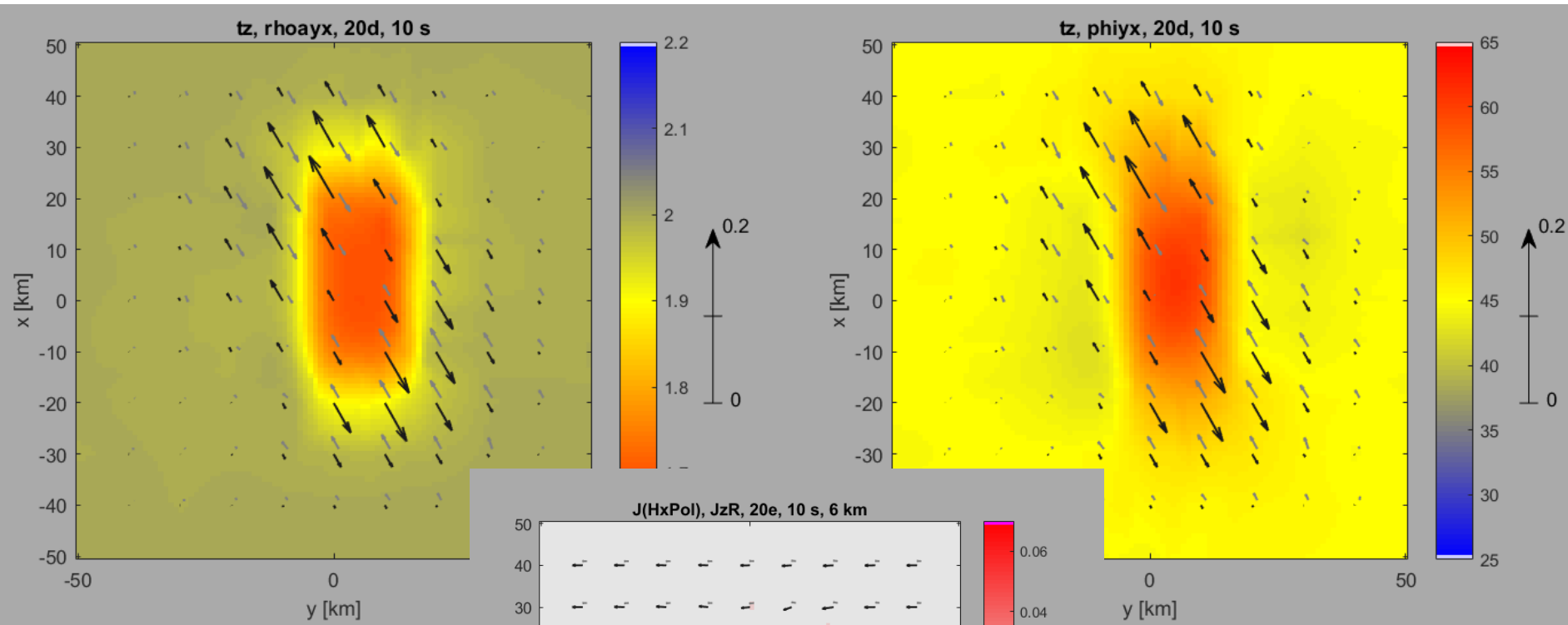


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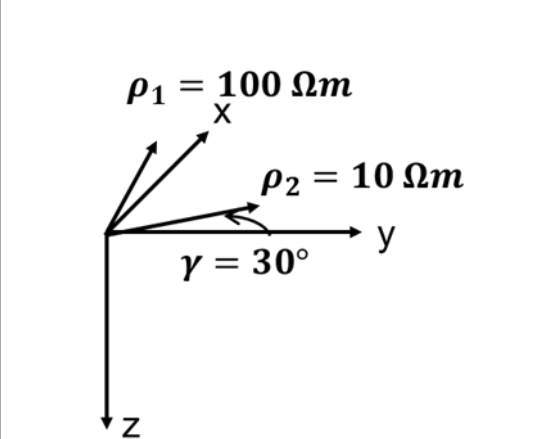
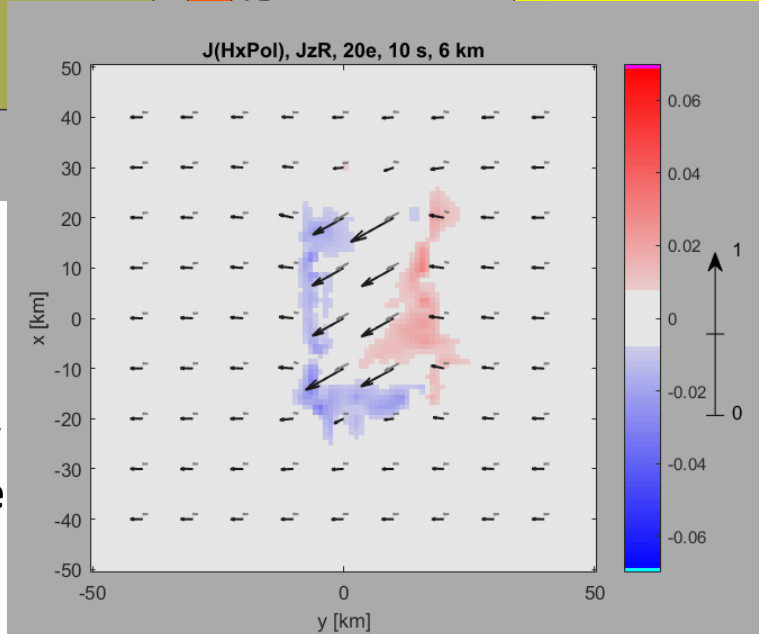




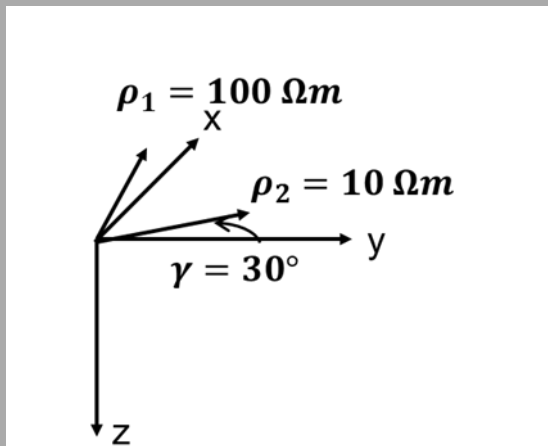
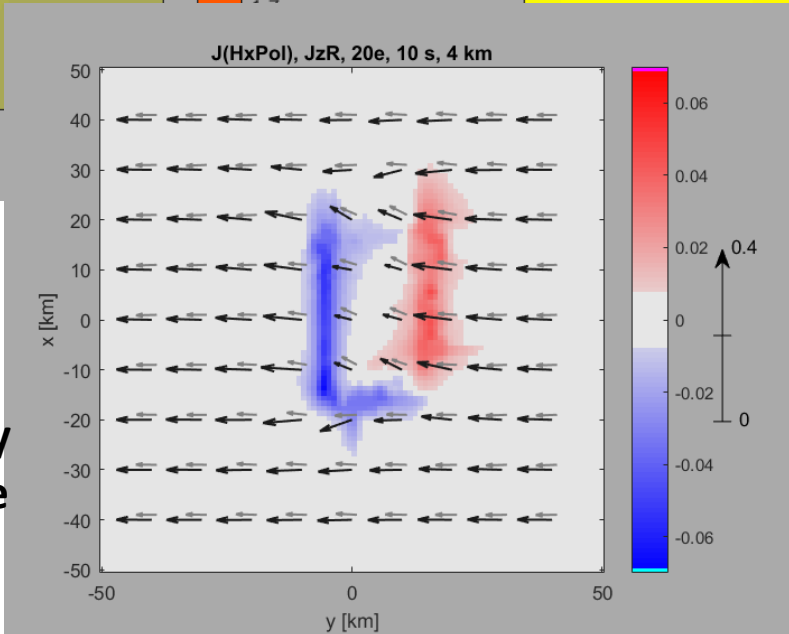
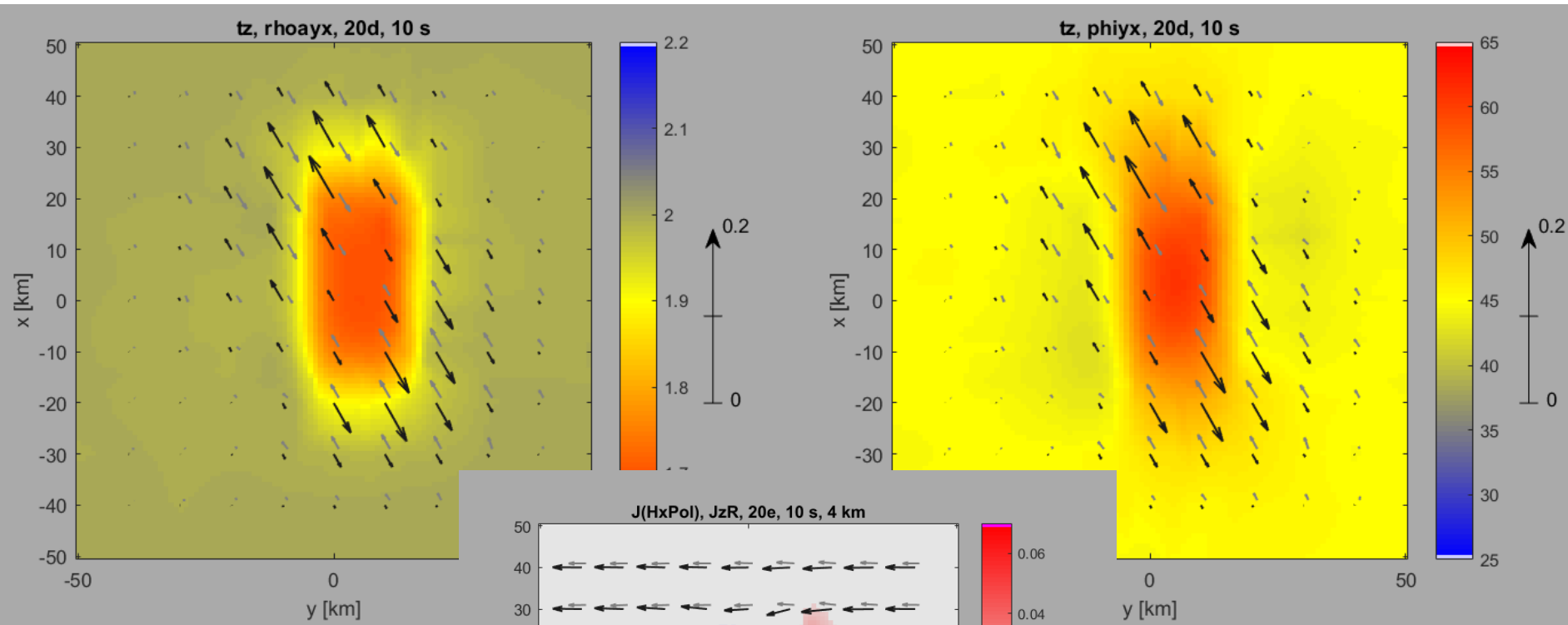
# Transfer functions: apparent resistivity, phase and tipper plane view, period 10 sec



Current density  
**within** the cube



# Transfer functions: apparent resistivity, phase and tipper plane view, period 10 sec



Current density  
above the cube

current density **Hx** polarization  
 plane view  
 z = 6 km (**inside** cube)  
 arrows: ( $J_x, J_y$ )  
 colors:  $J_z$  (red: downward)  
 period: 10 s

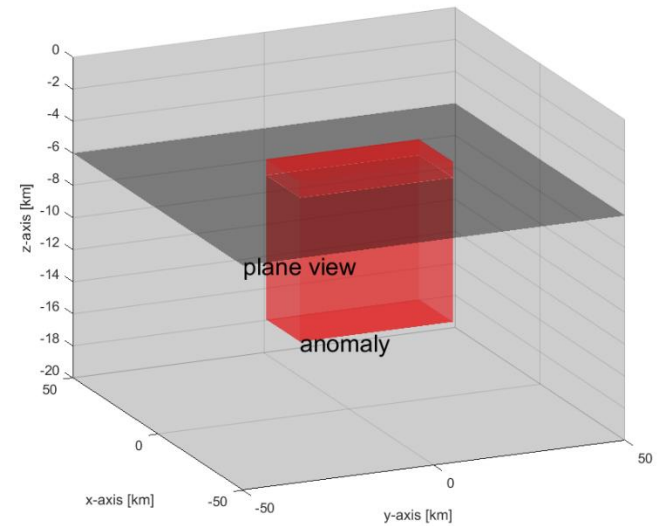
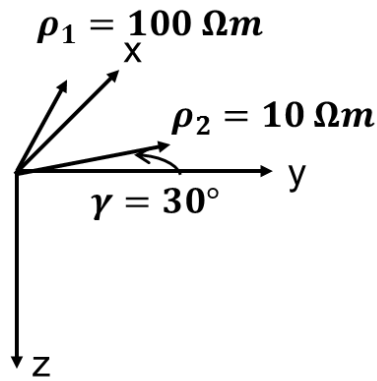
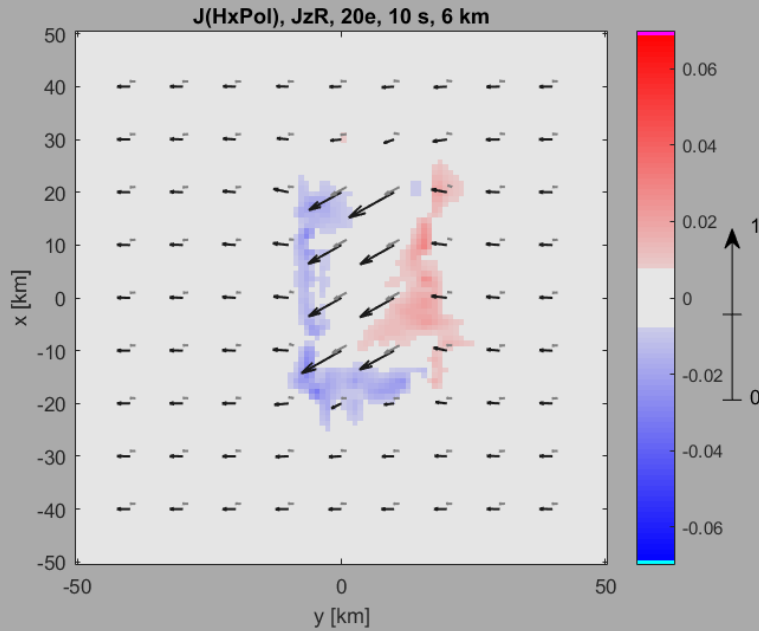
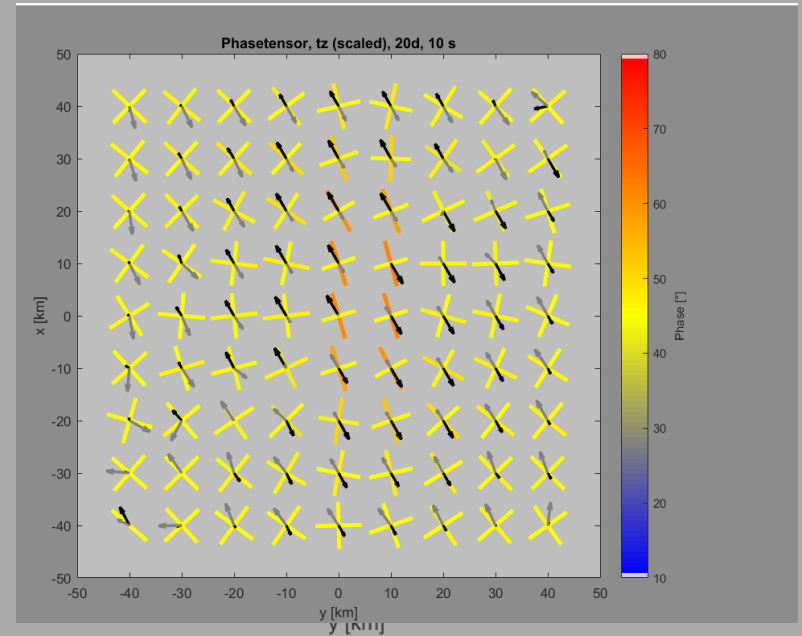


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### Current Density



### Phase Tensor, Tipper



current density **Hx** polarization  
 plane view  
 z = 4 km (**above** cube)  
 arrows: ( $J_x, J_y$ )  
 colors:  $J_z$  (red: downward)  
 period: 10 s

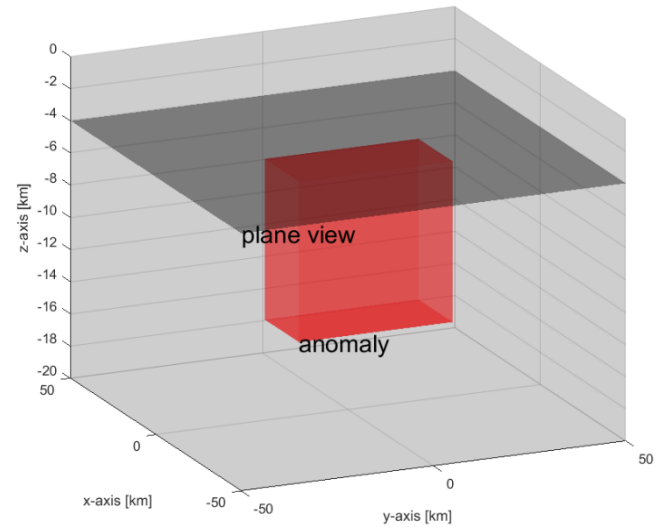
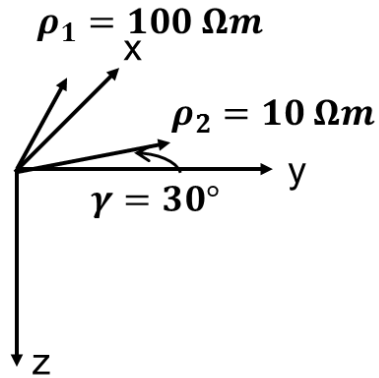
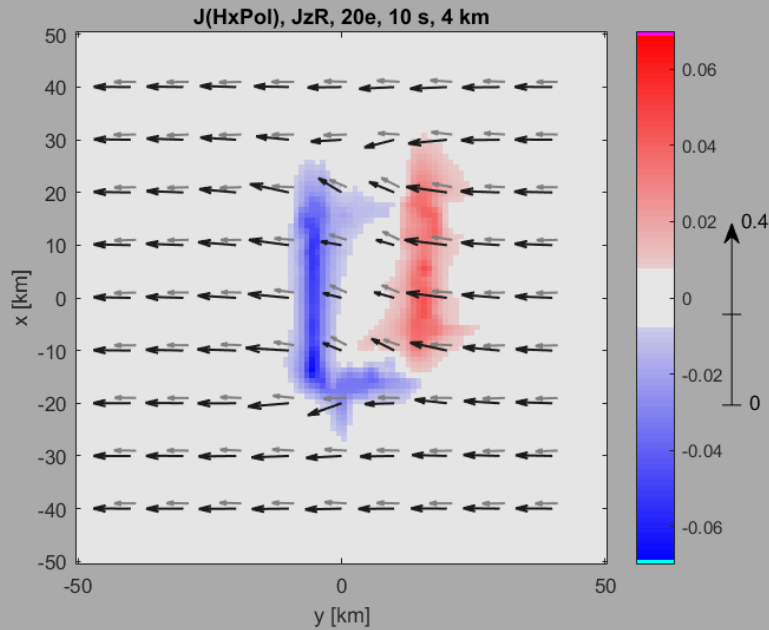
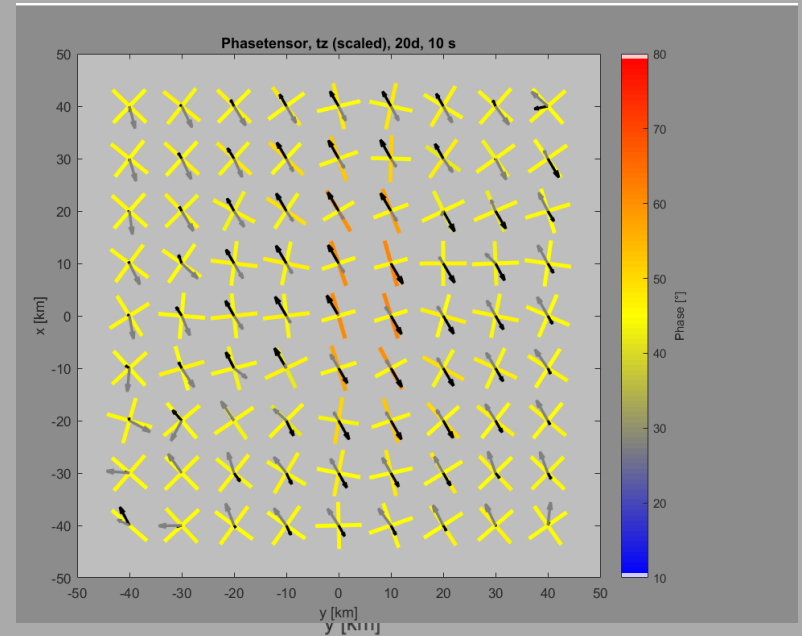


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### Current Density



### Phase Tensor, Tipper



current density **Hy** polarization  
 plane view  
 z = 6 km (**inside** cube)  
 arrows: ( $J_x, J_y$ )  
 colors:  $J_z$  (red: downward)  
 period: 10 s

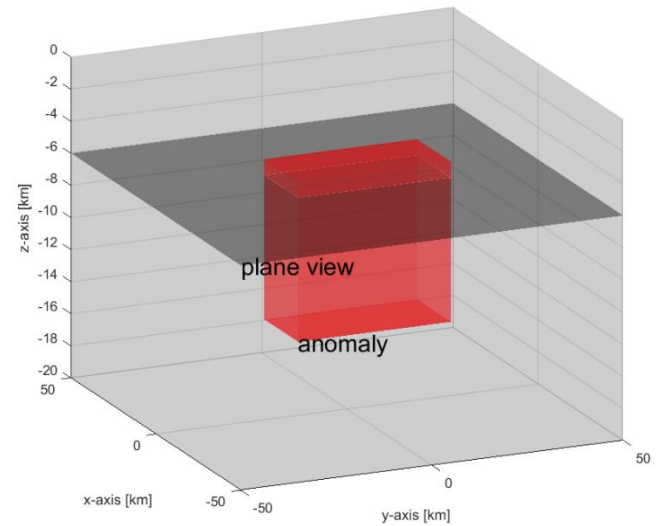
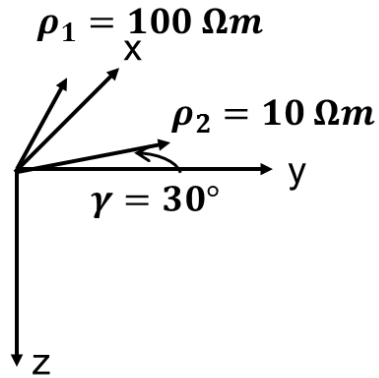
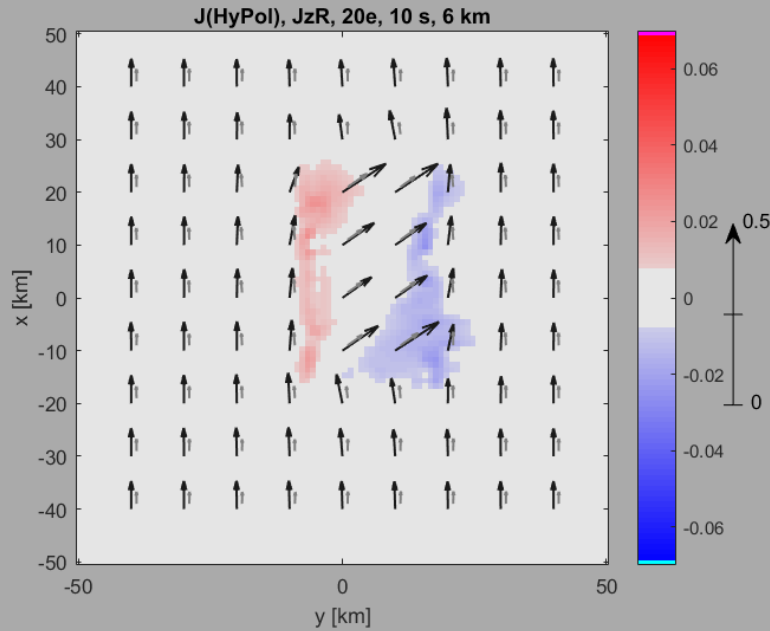
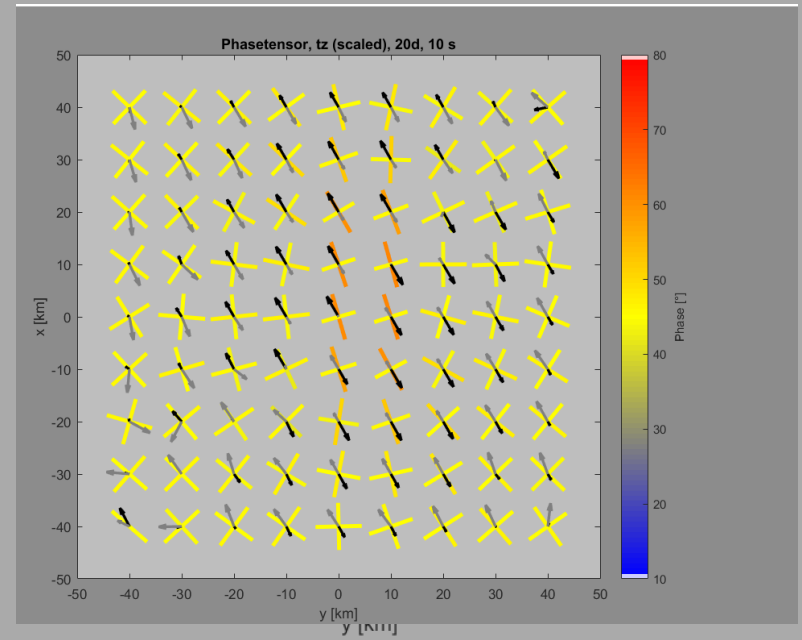


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### Current Density



### Phase Tensor, Tipper



current density **Hy** polarization  
 plane view  
 z = 4 km (**above** cube)  
 arrows:  $(J_x, J_y)$   
 colors:  $J_z$  (red: downward)  
 period: 10 s

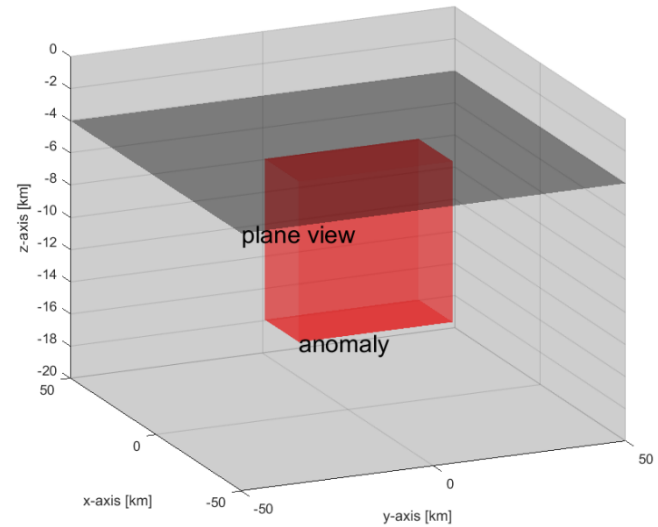
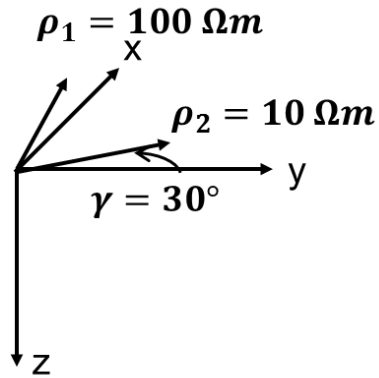
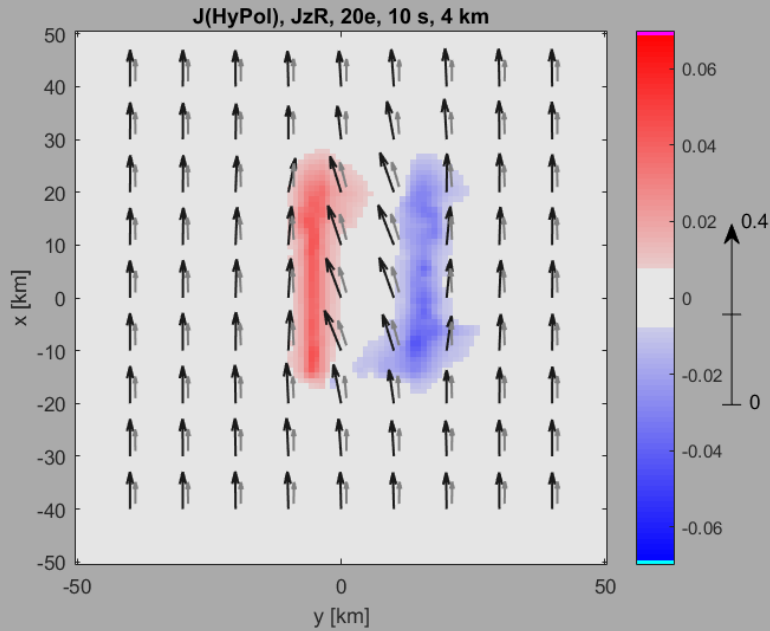
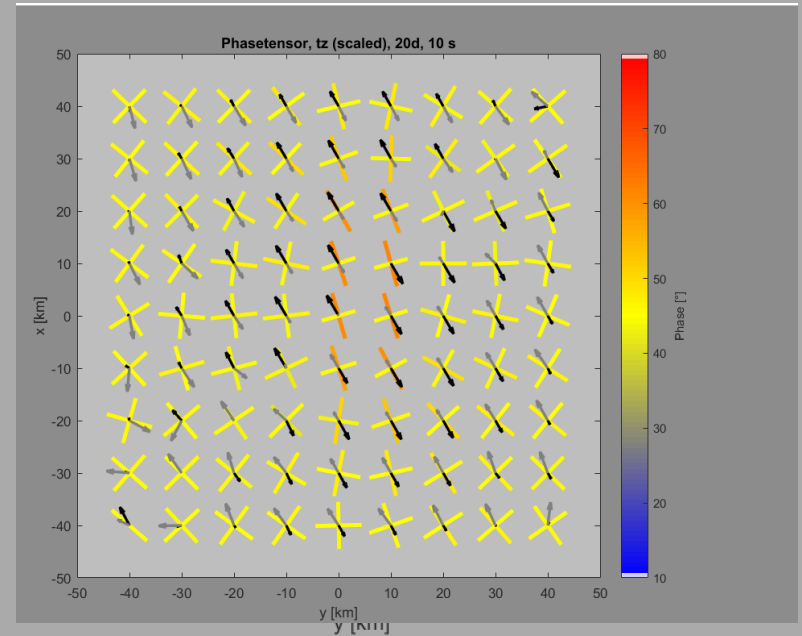


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### Current Density

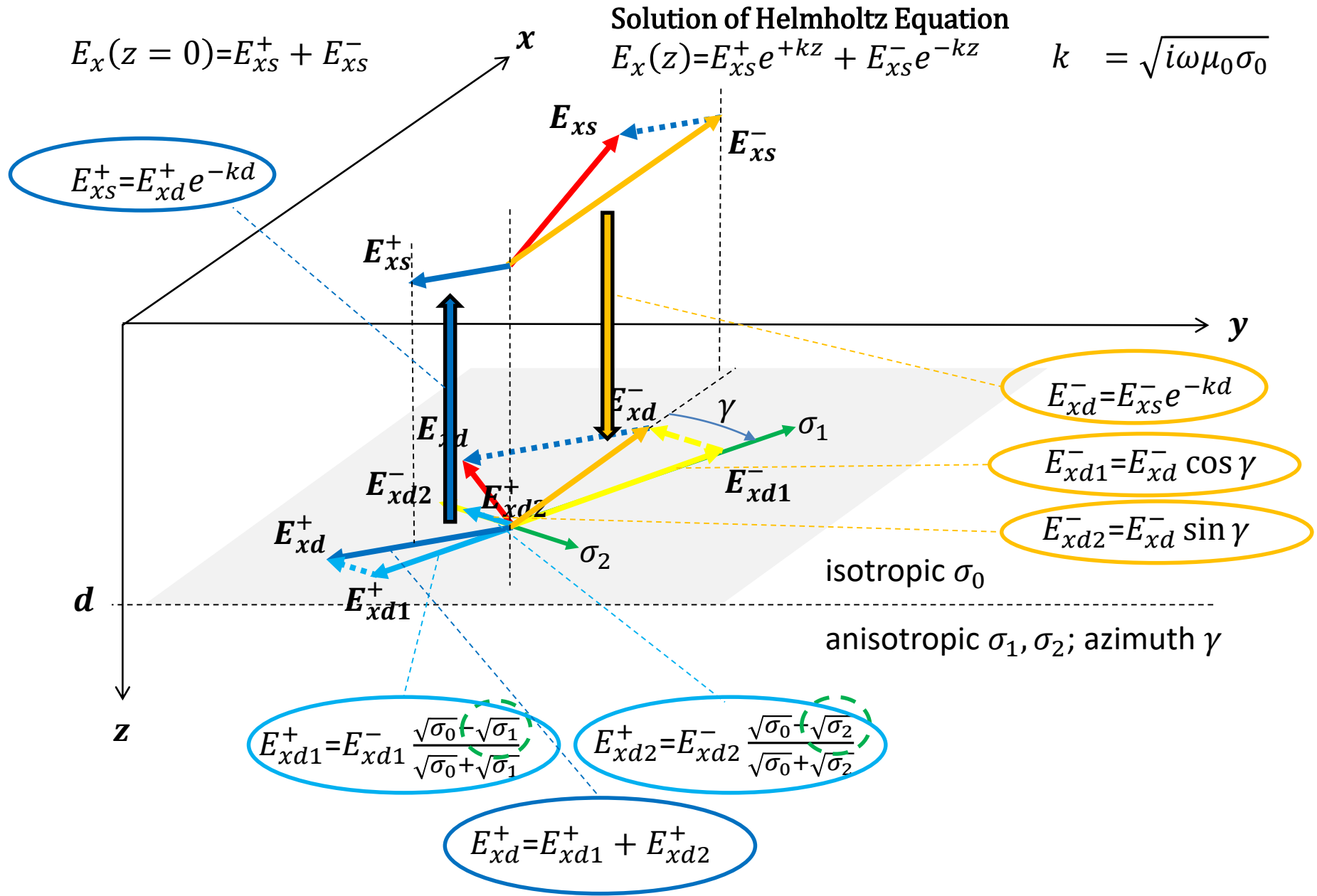


### Phase Tensor, Tipper



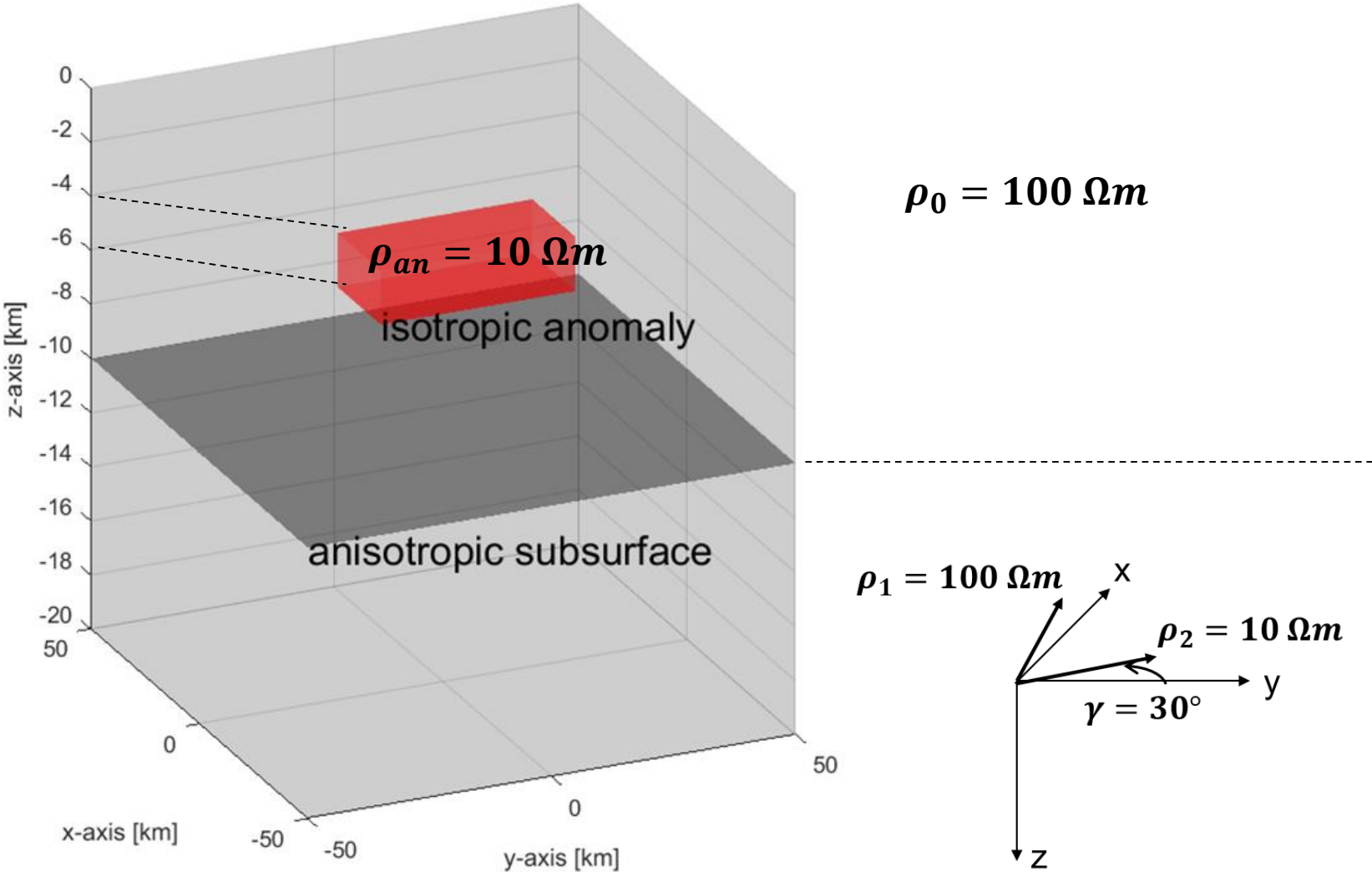
**How can we explain  
the rotation of the field vectors?**

# Downward – Upward Propagating Wave



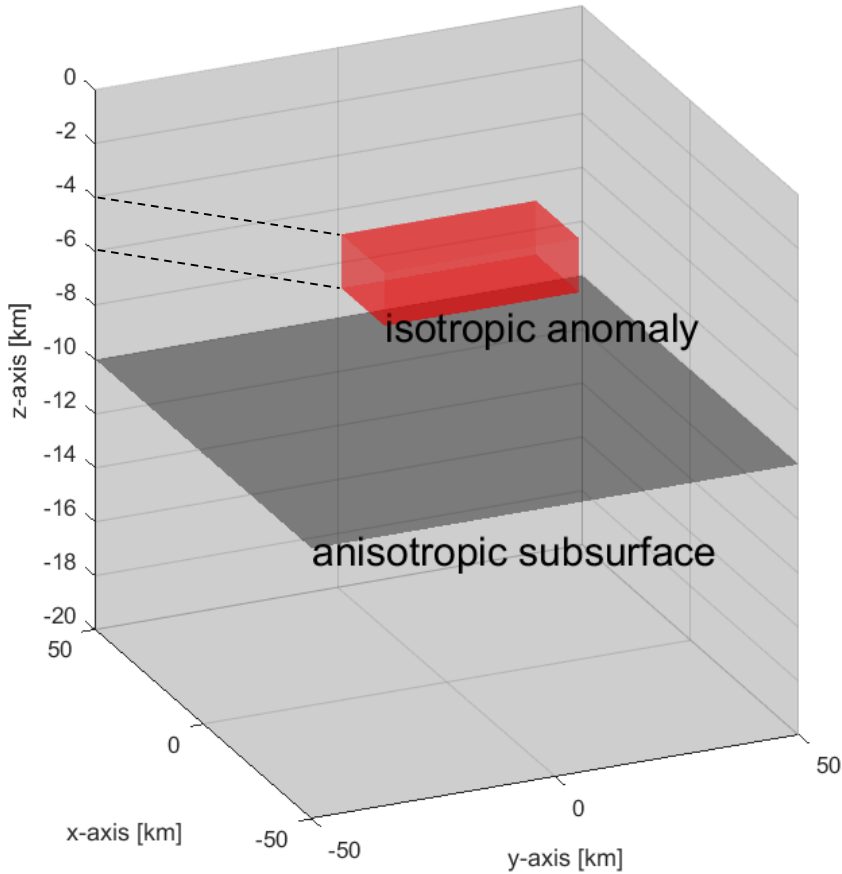


# Isotropic Cube above anisotropic half space

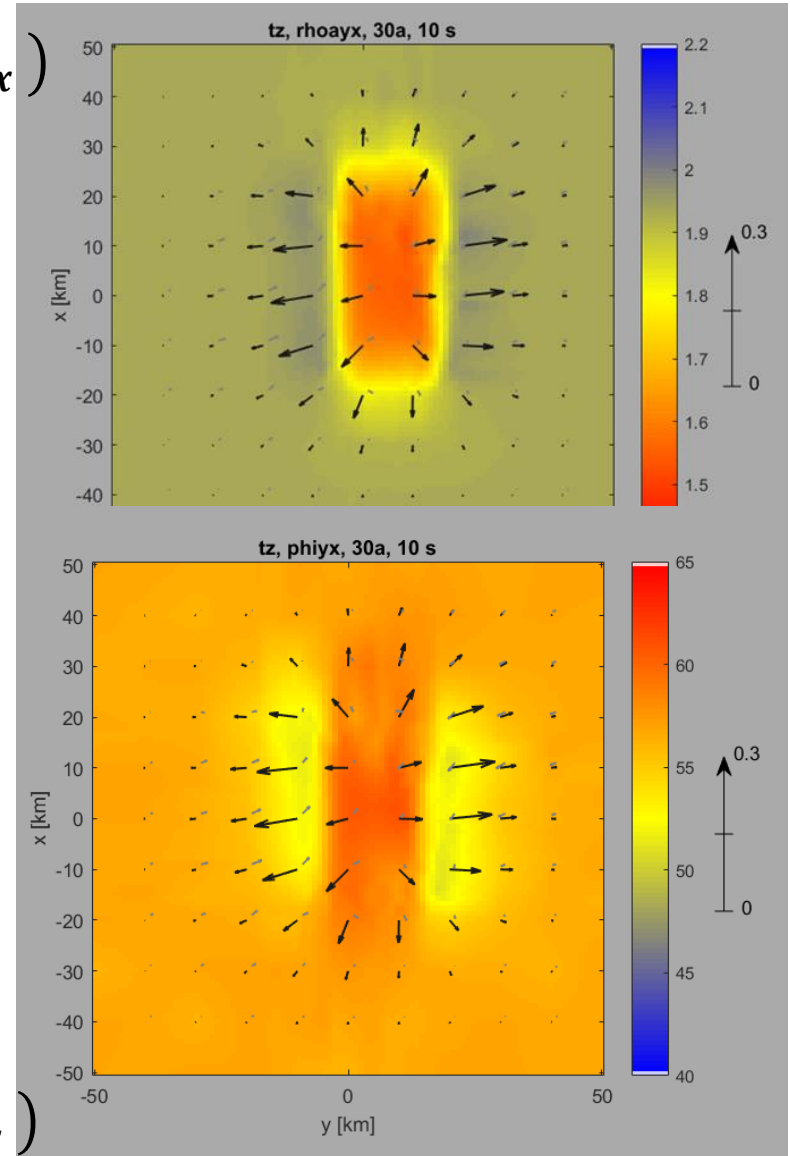


# Isotropic Cube above anisotropic half space

Apparent resistivity ( $\rho_{a,yx}$ )

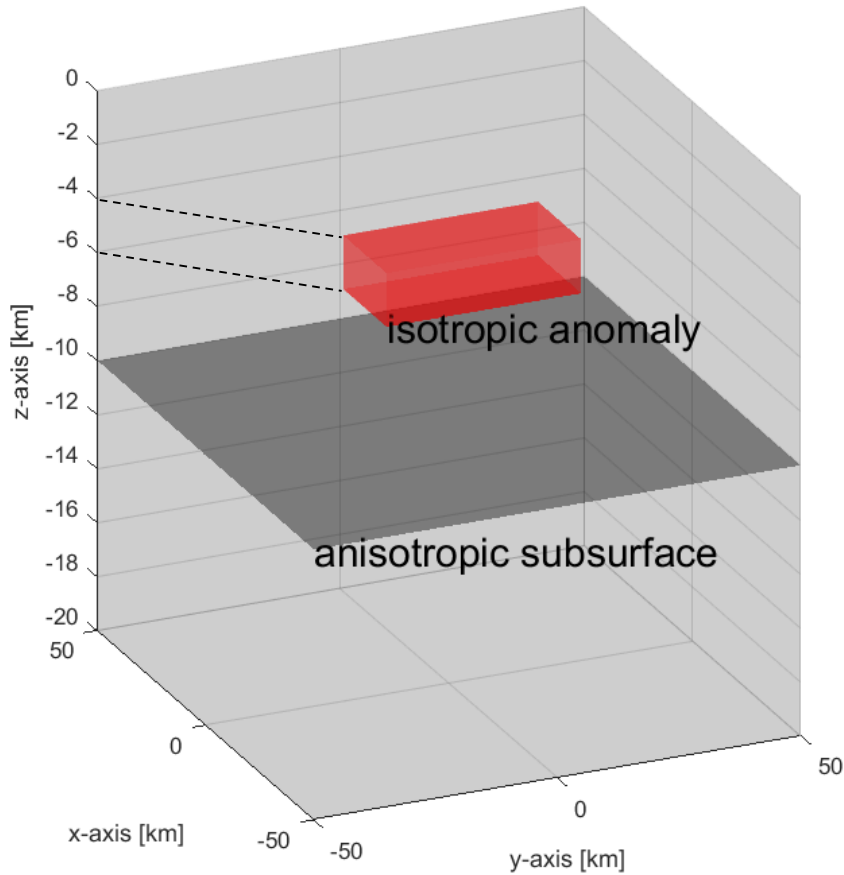


Phase ( $\varphi_{yx}$ )

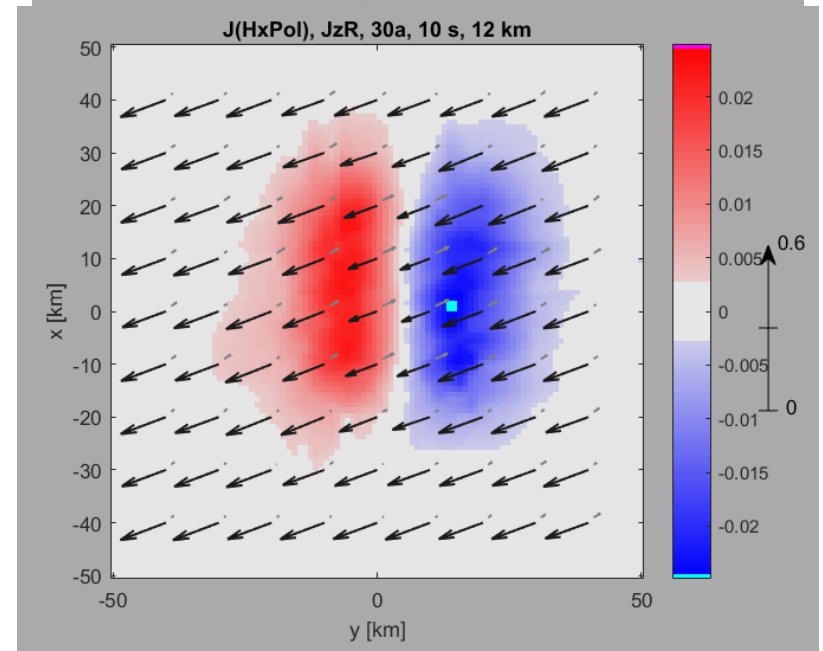
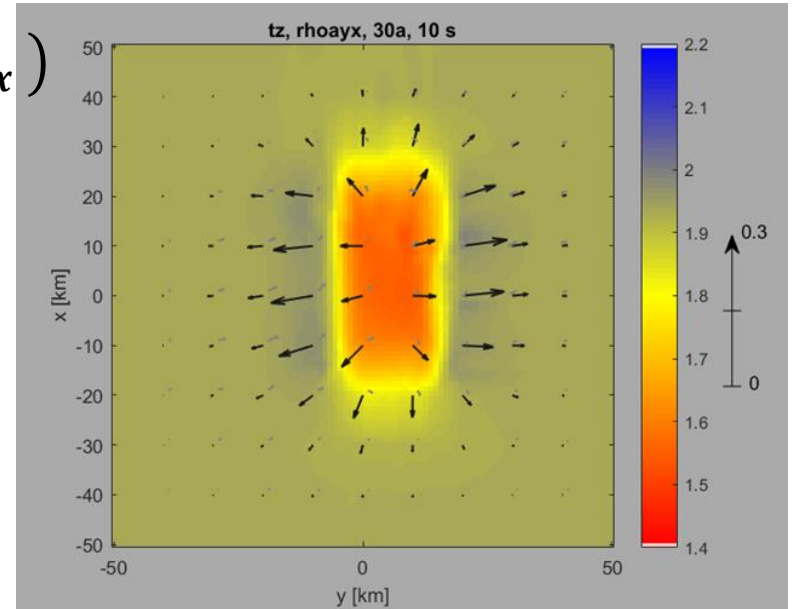


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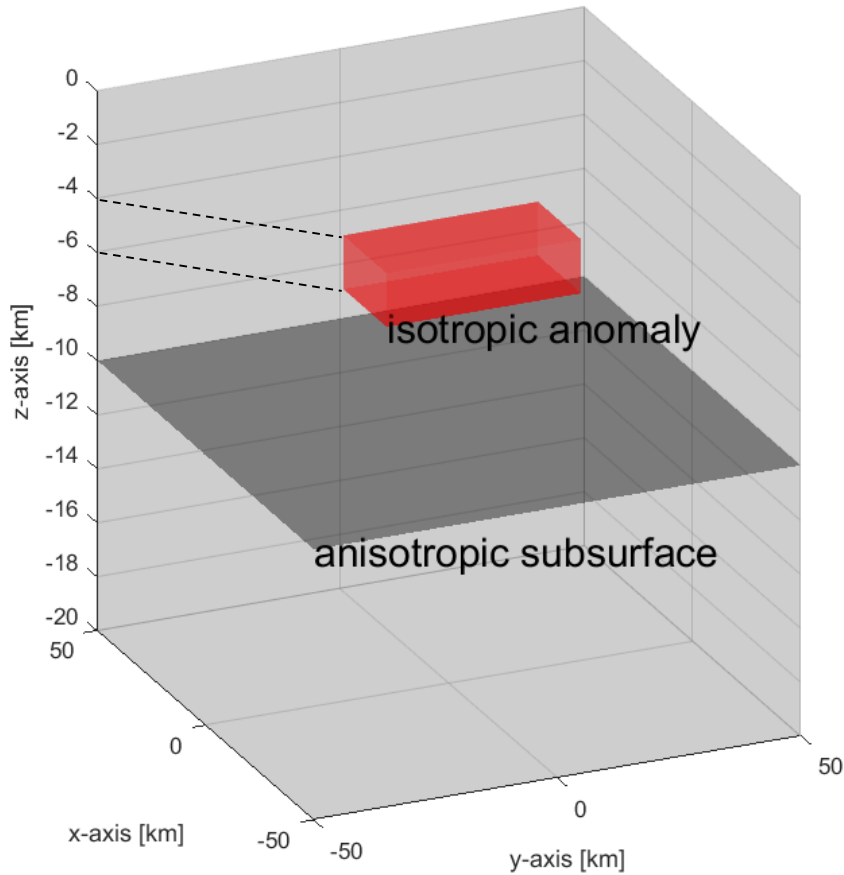


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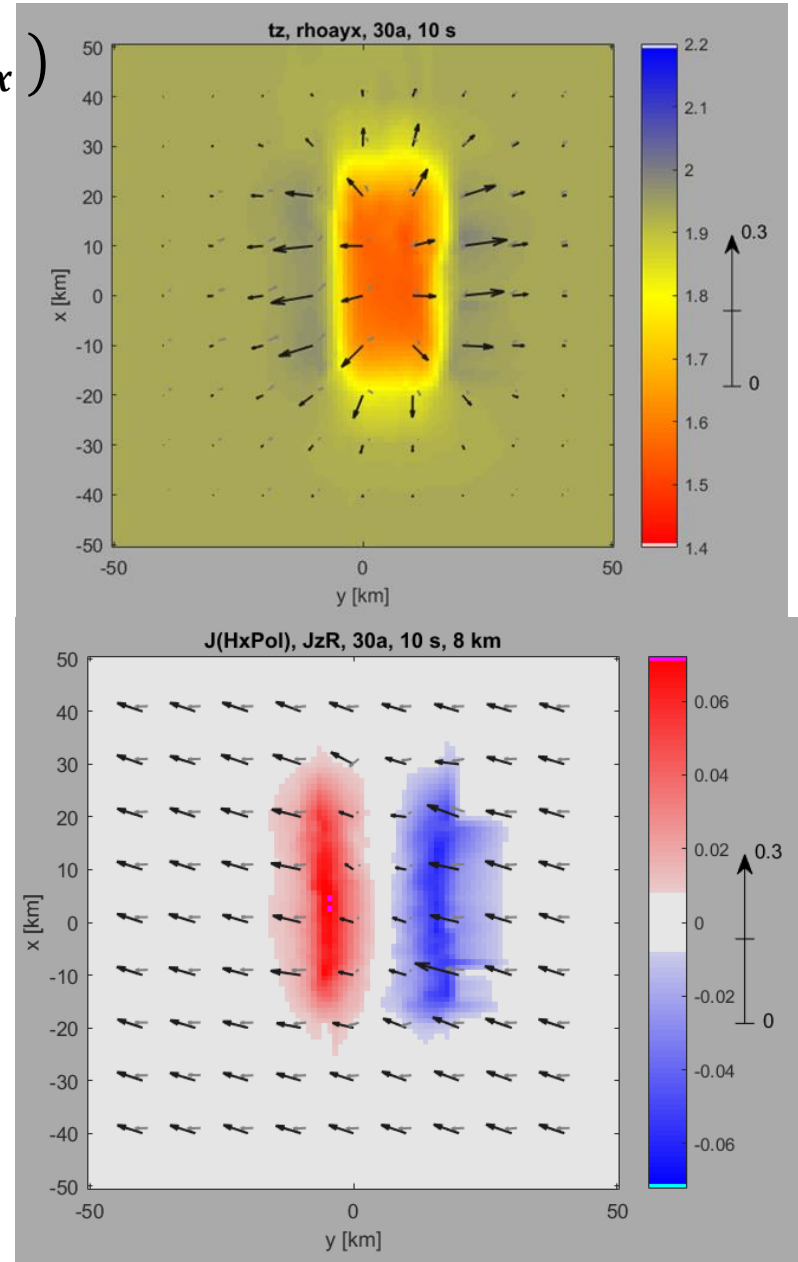


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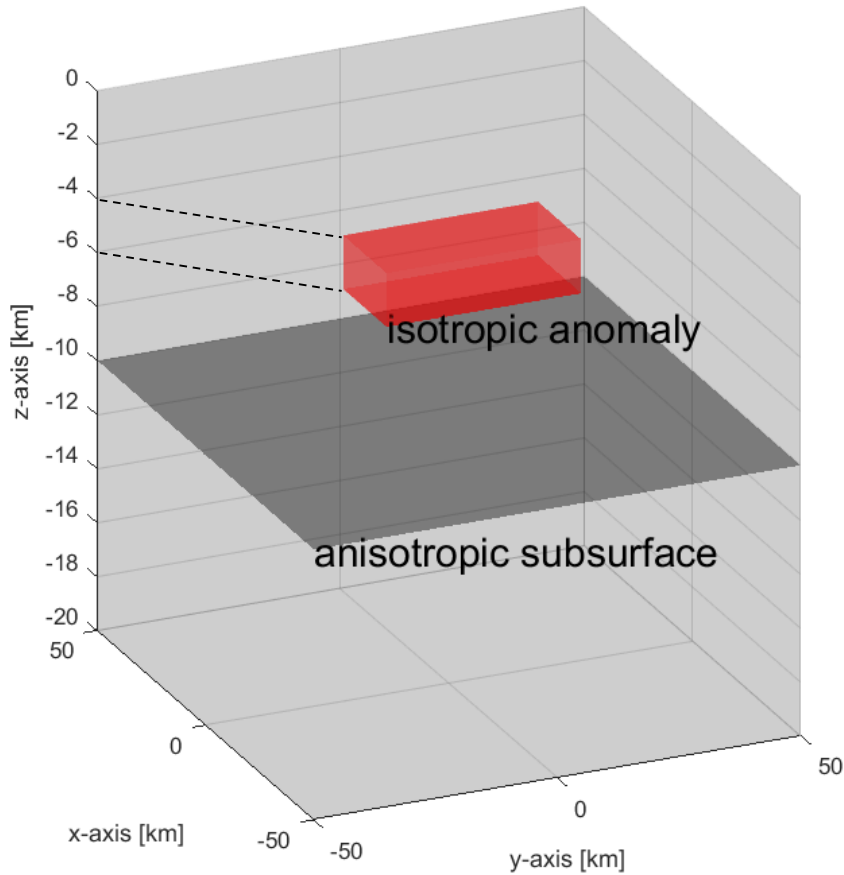


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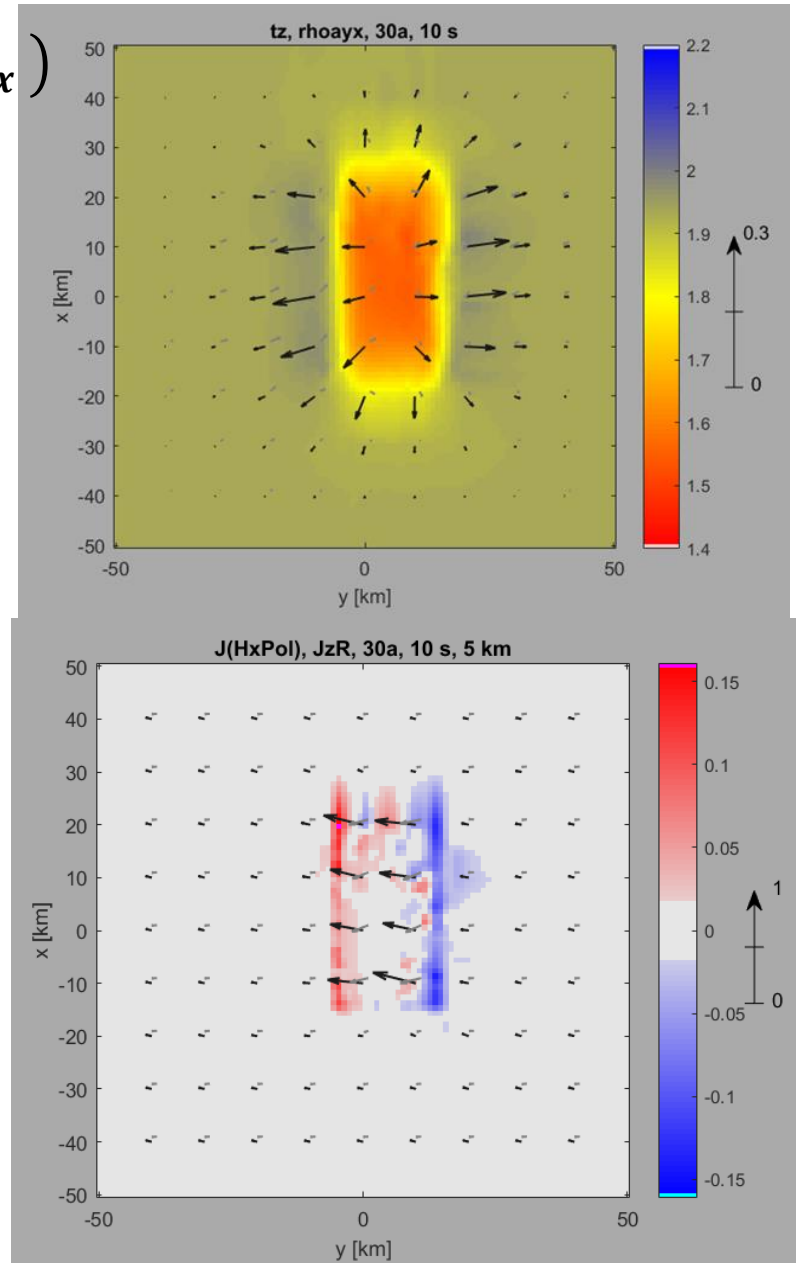


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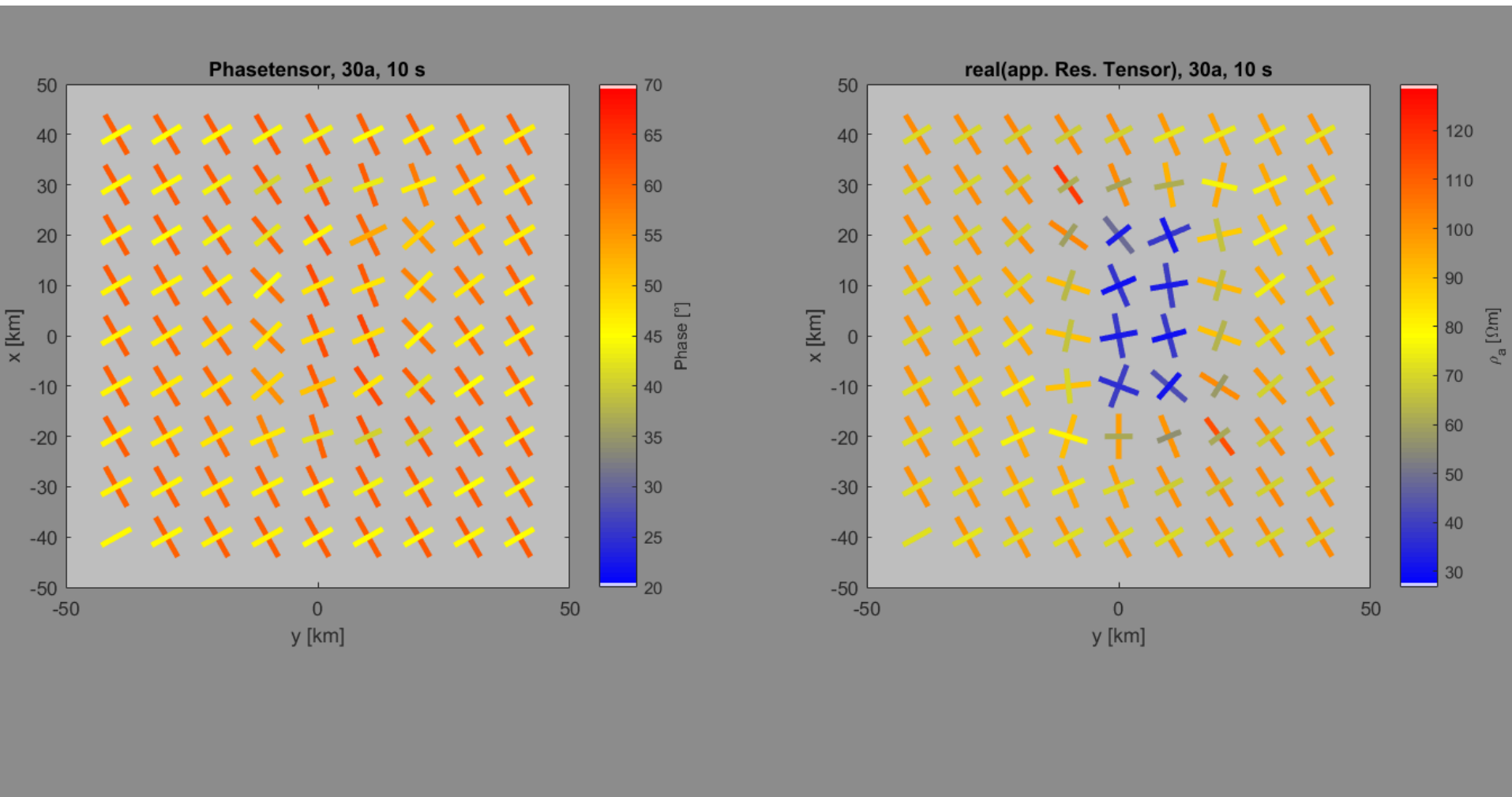


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plane view, period 10 sec

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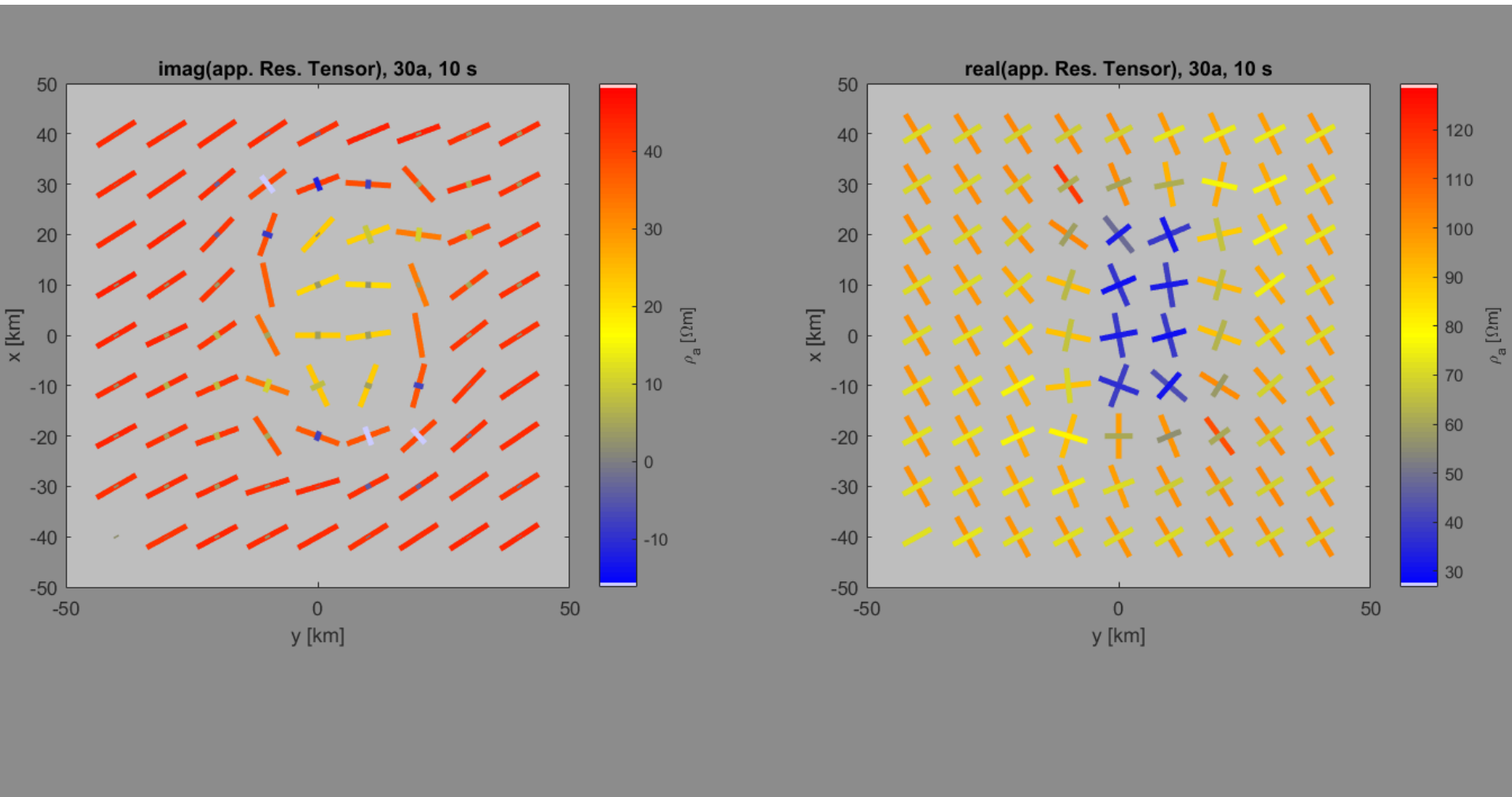


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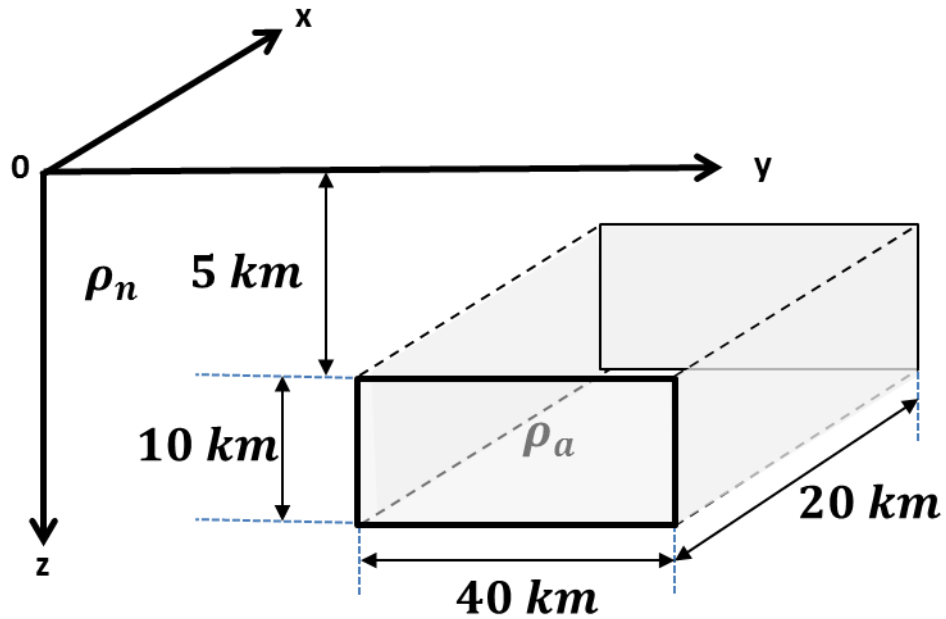
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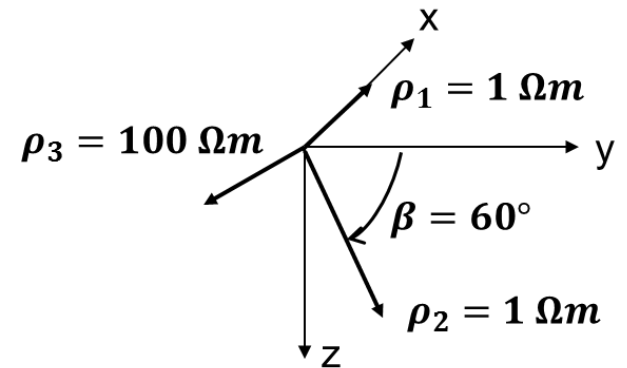


# Dipping Anisotropy



$\rho_a$  anisotropic:  $\rho_1 = 1 \Omega m$   
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background:  $\rho_n = 100 \Omega m$

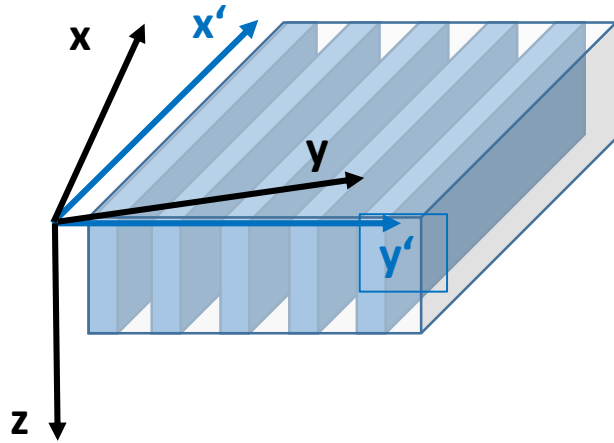




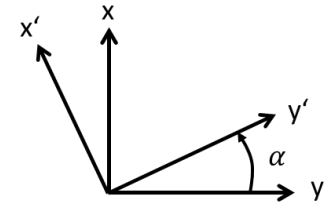
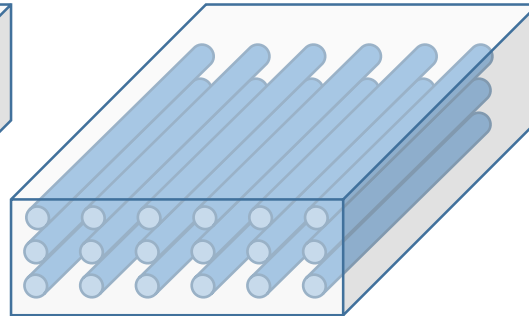
# 1D isotropic - anisotropic: What happens inside the body?

## Azimuthal anisotropic Conductivity

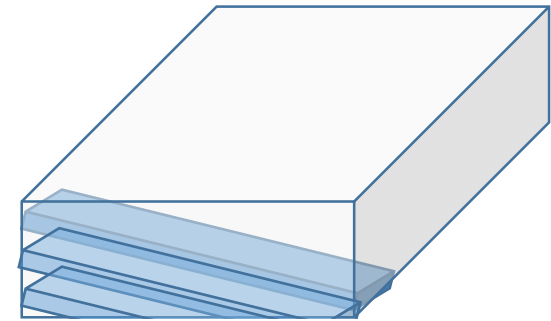
„Dyke“



„Pipe“



Dipping anisotropy



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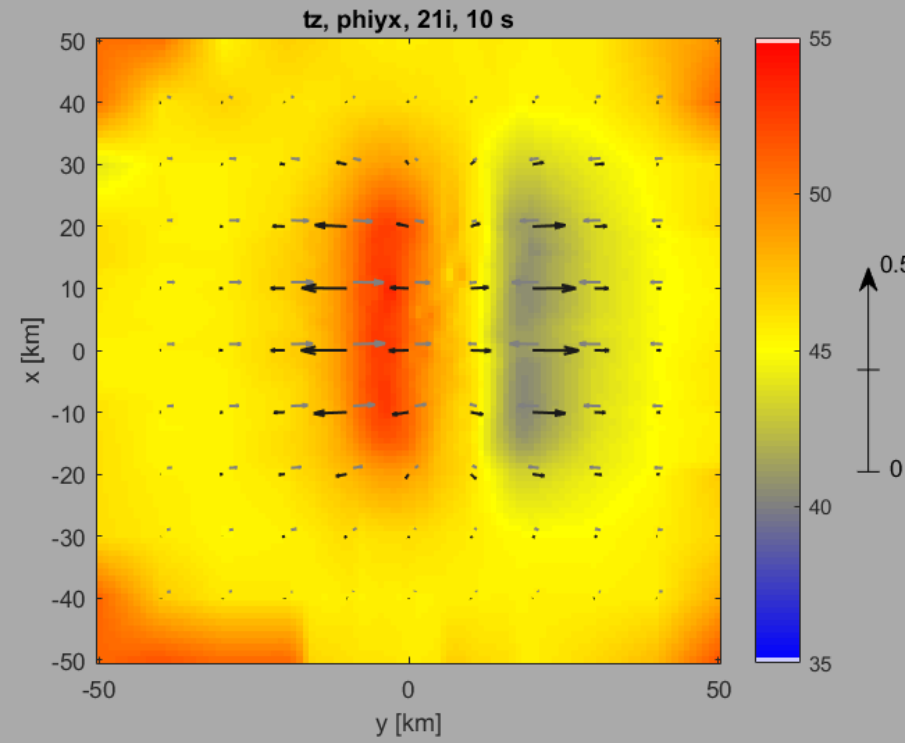
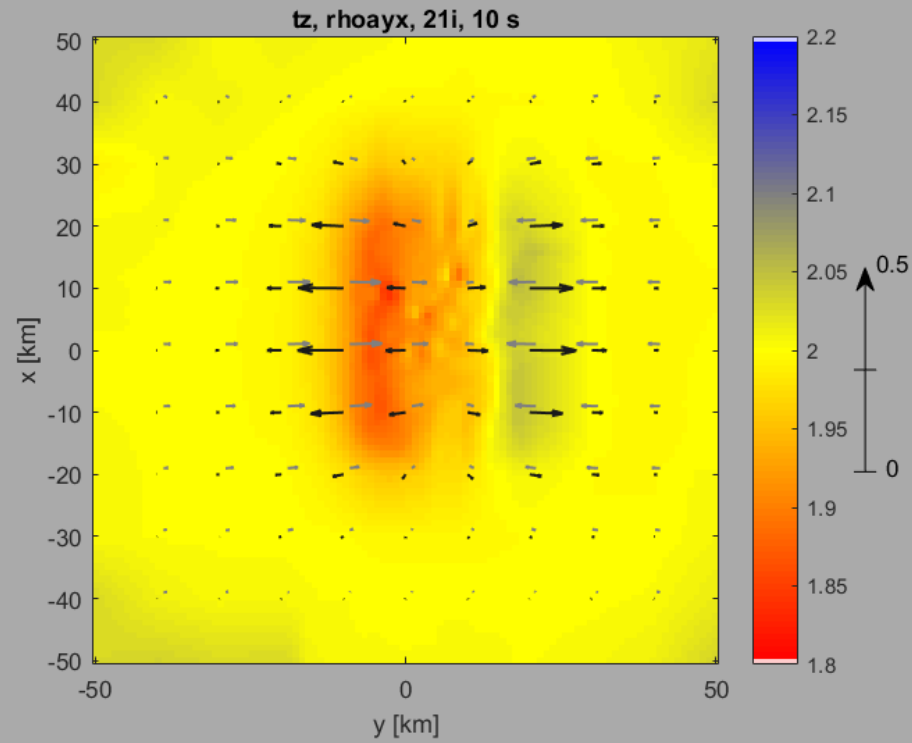
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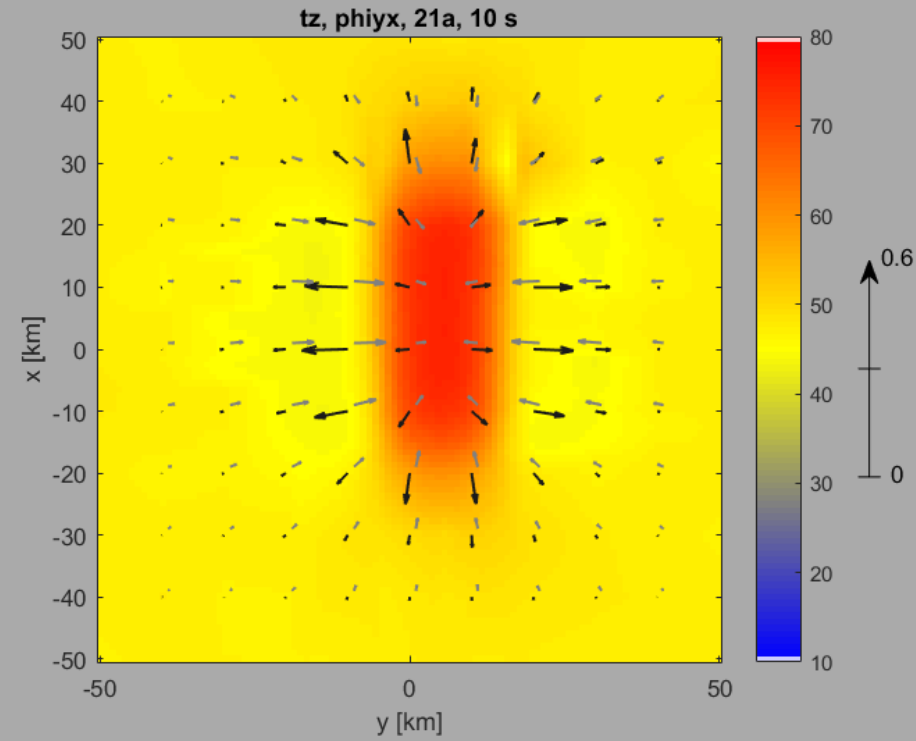
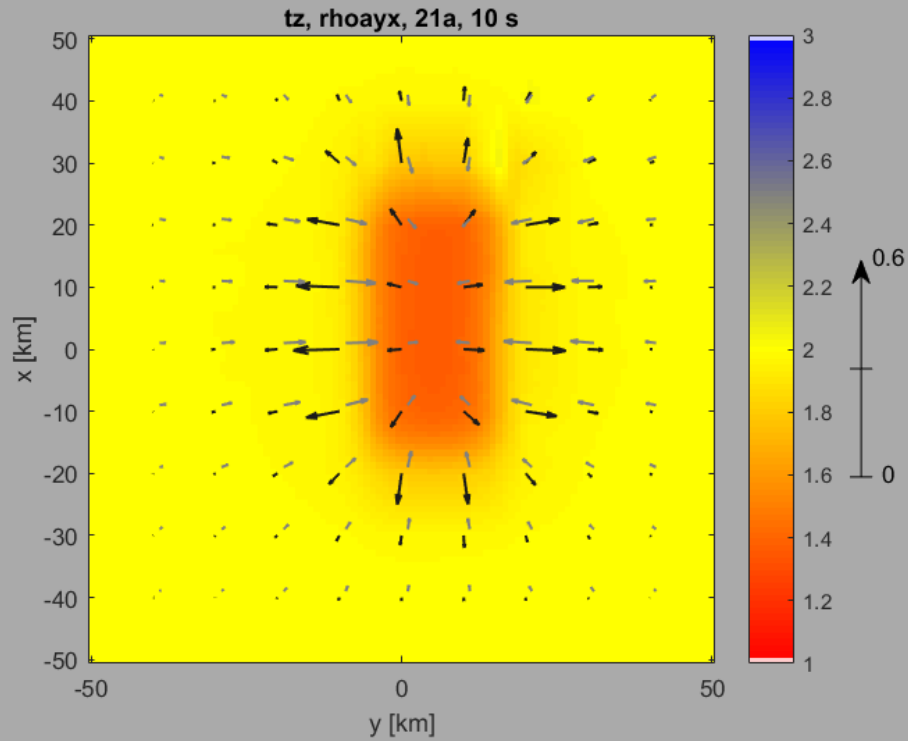
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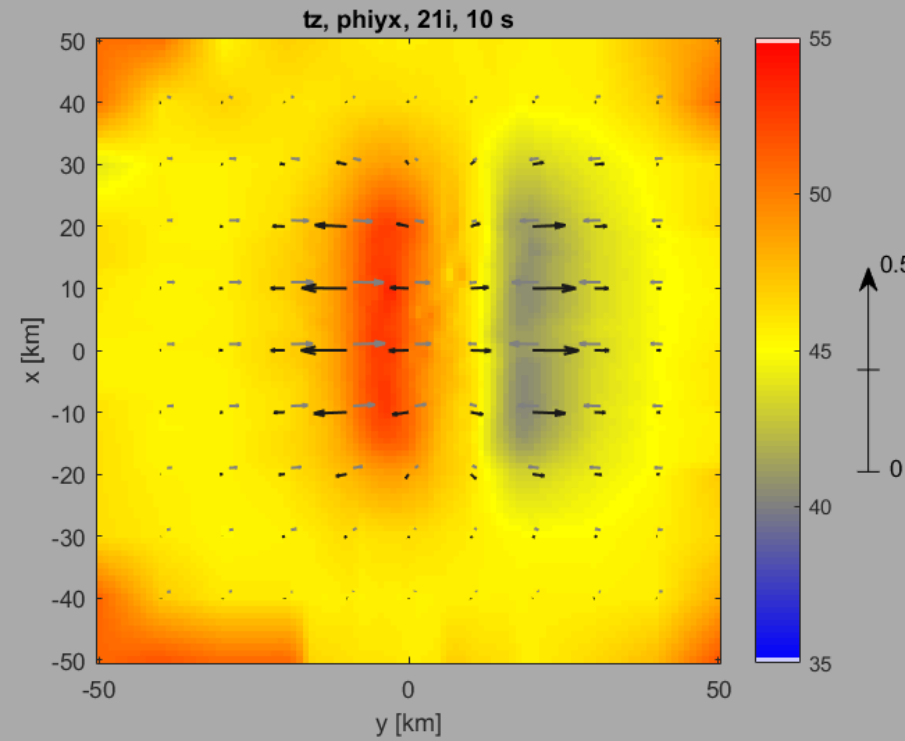
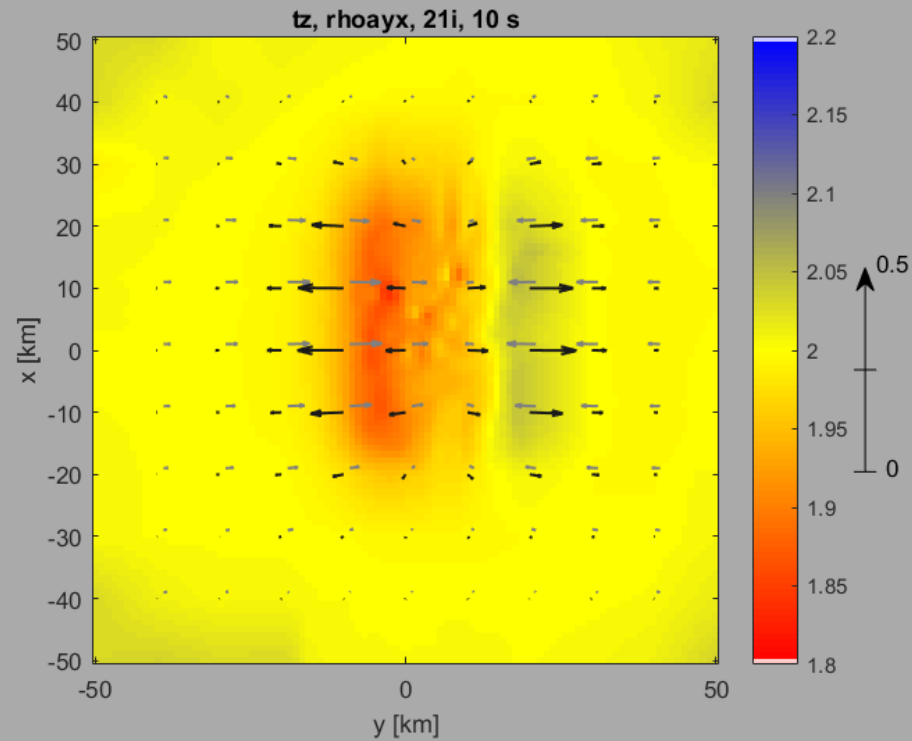


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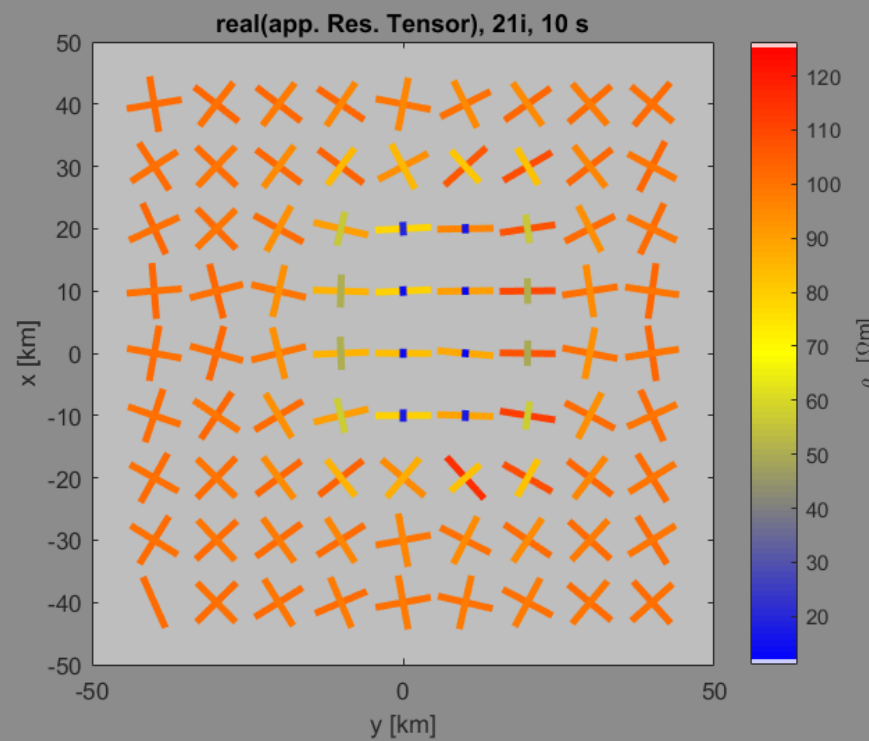
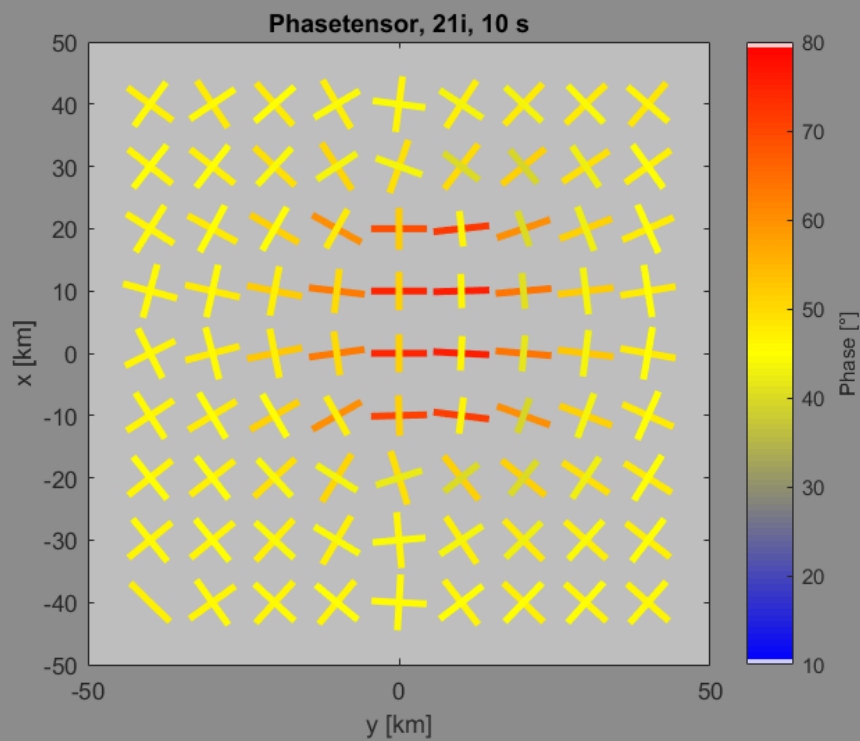


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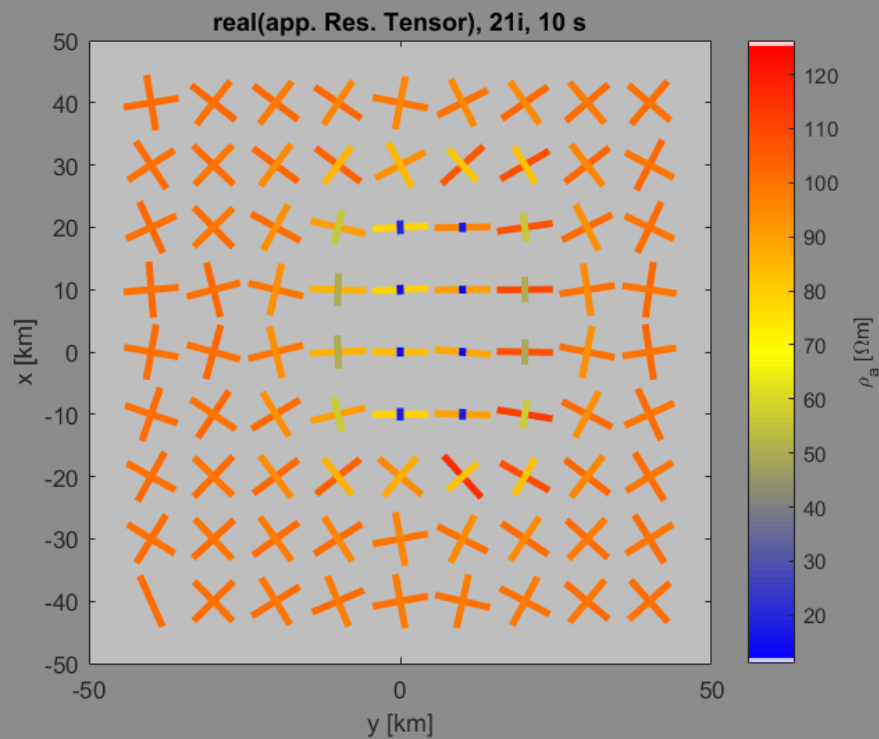
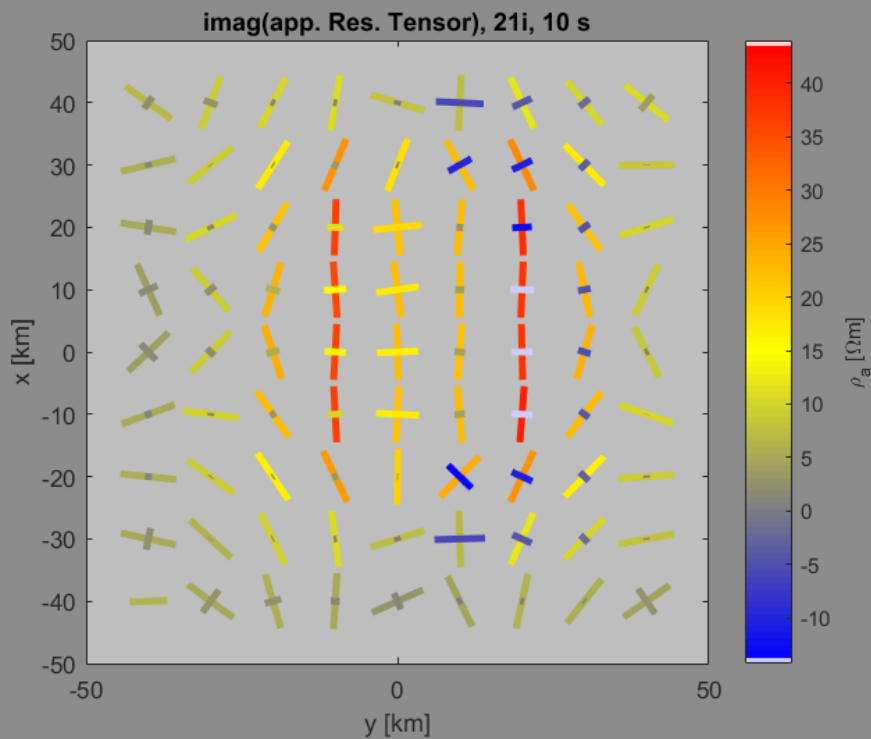


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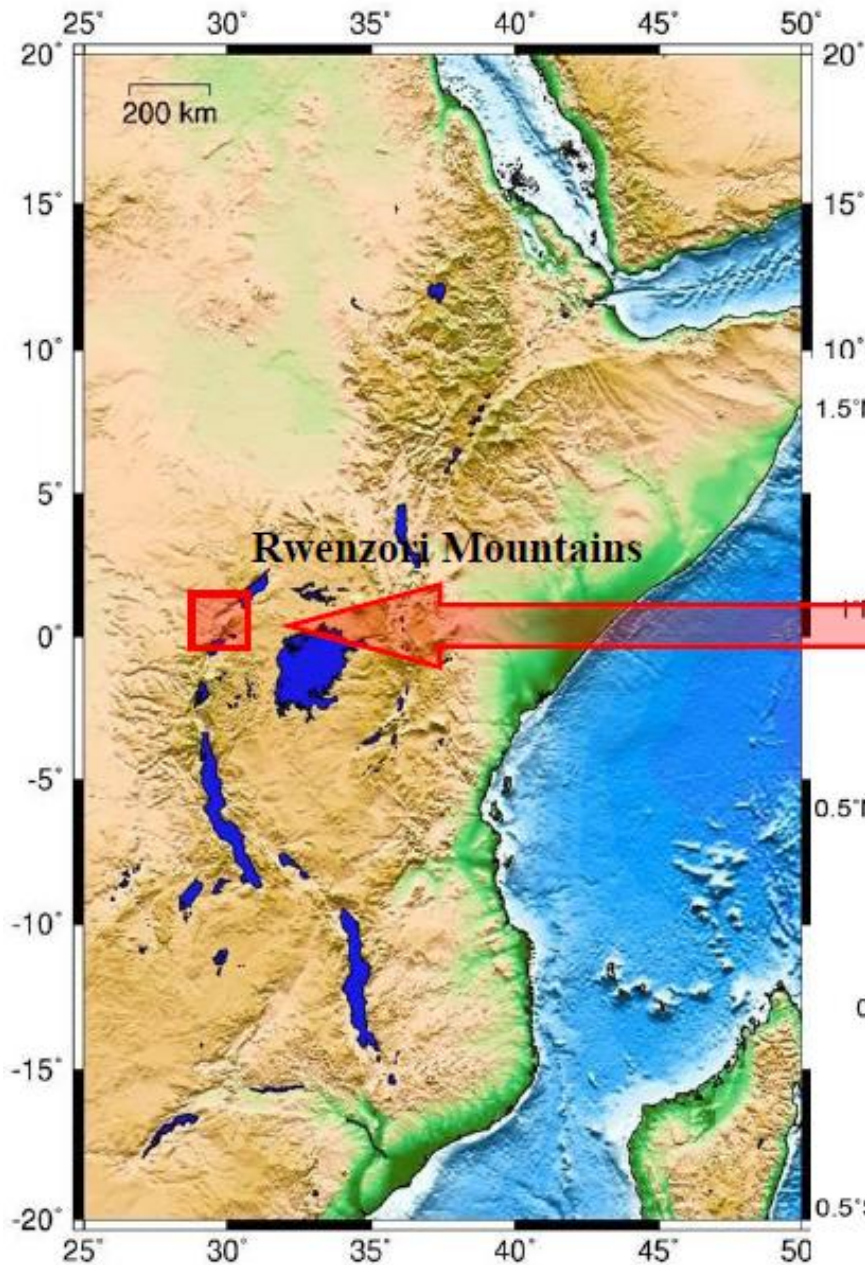
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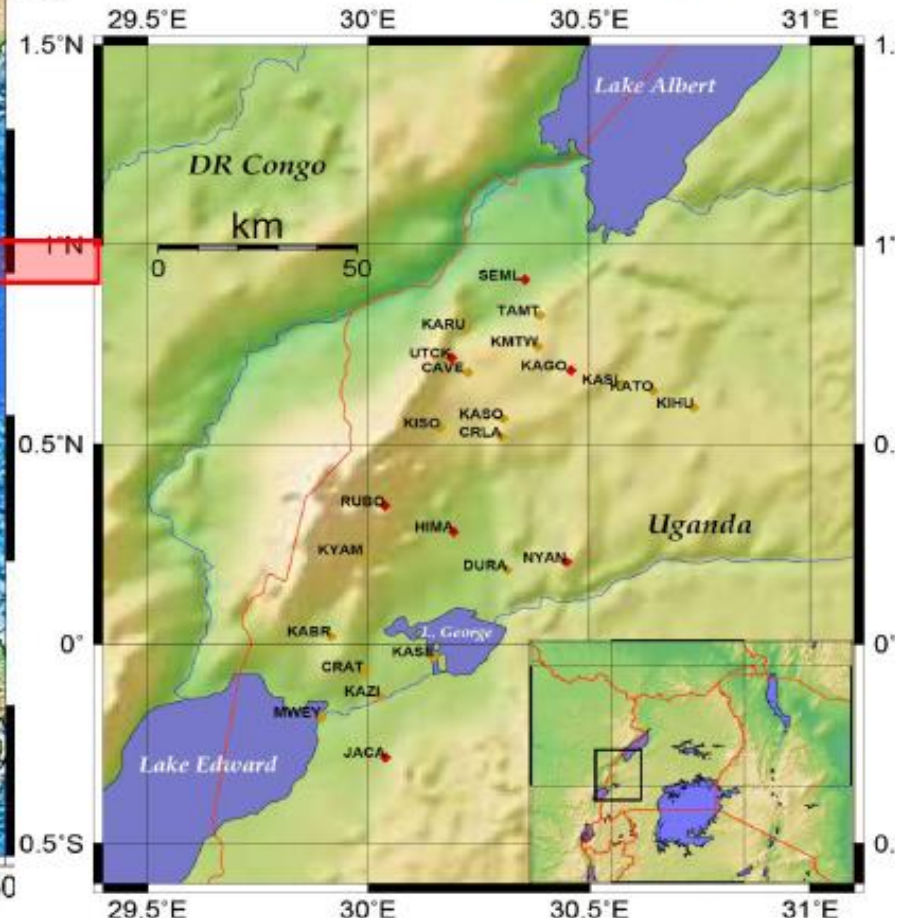




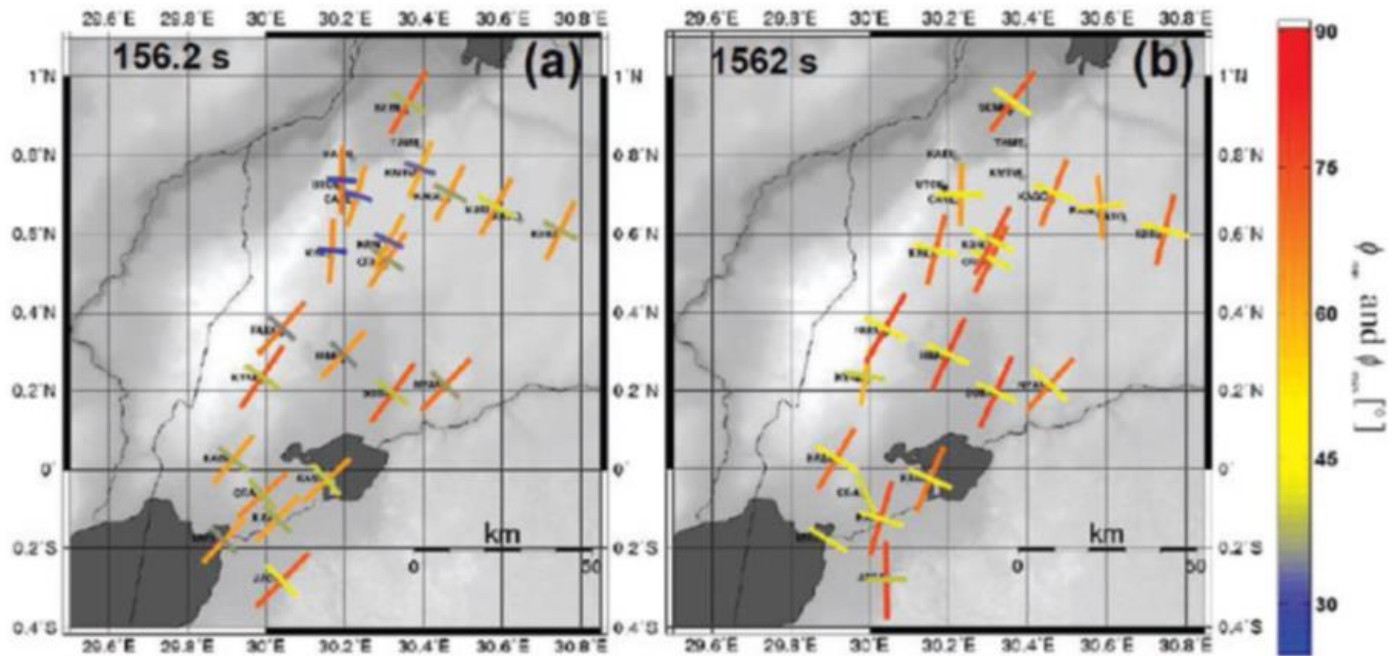
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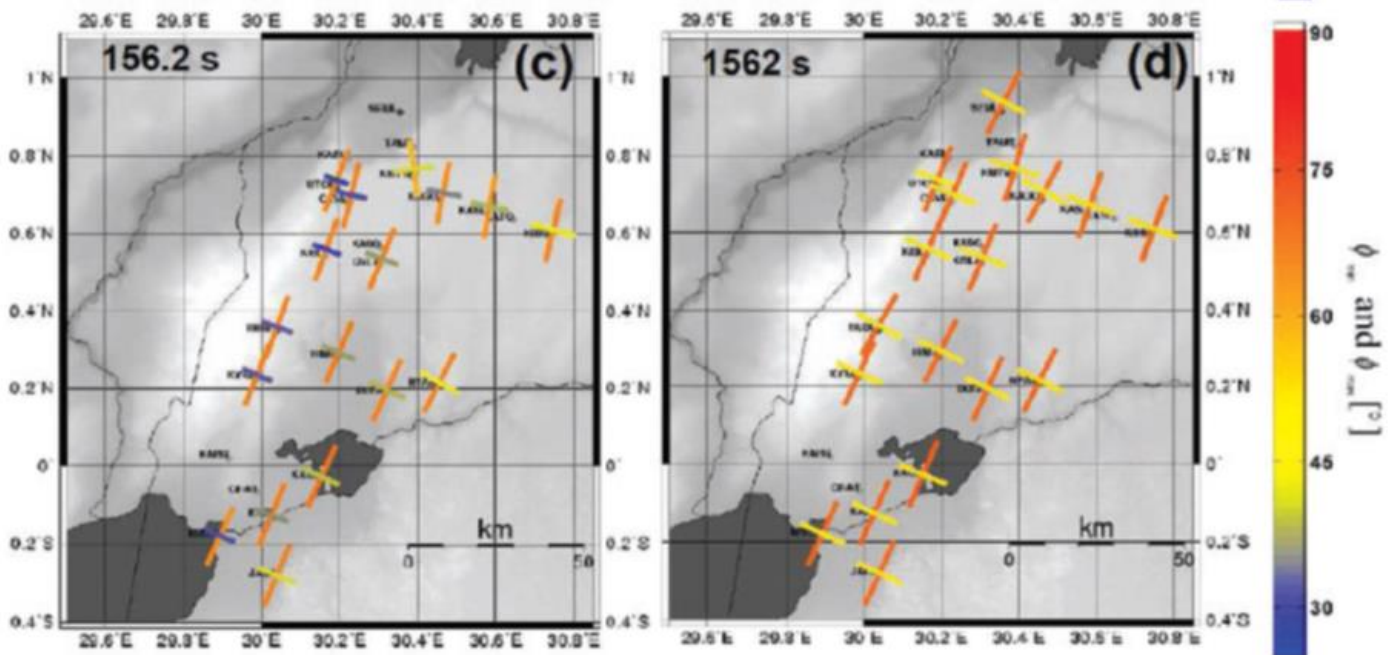
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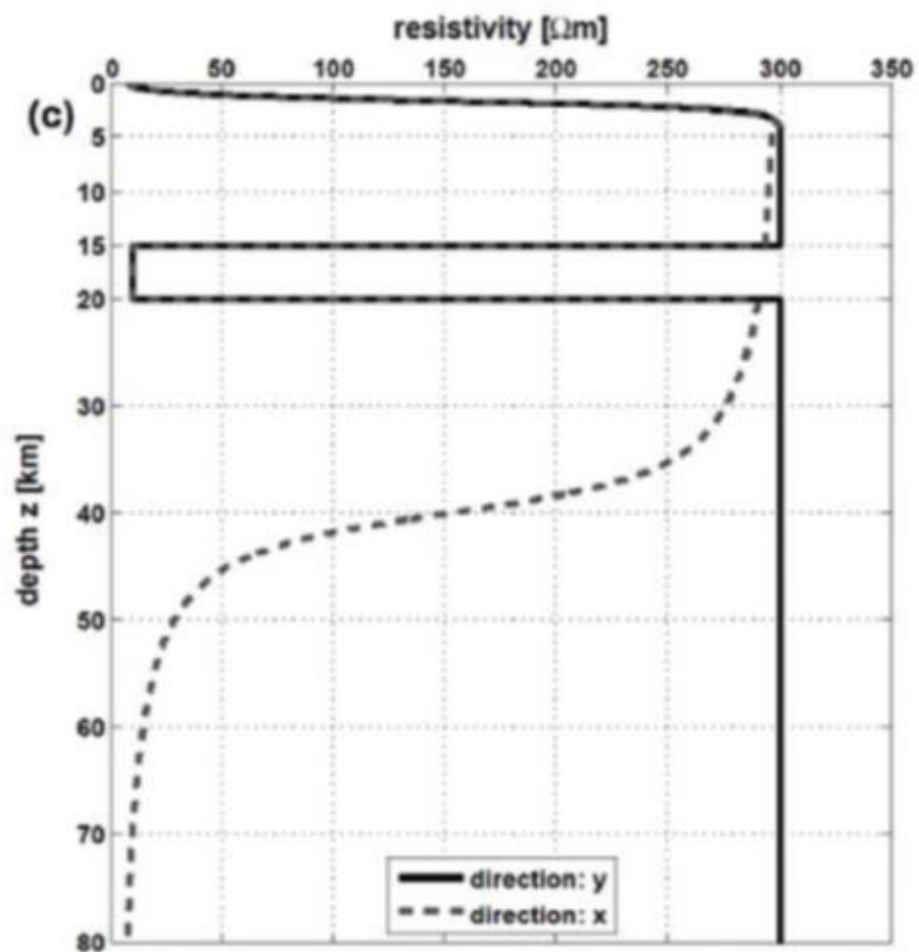
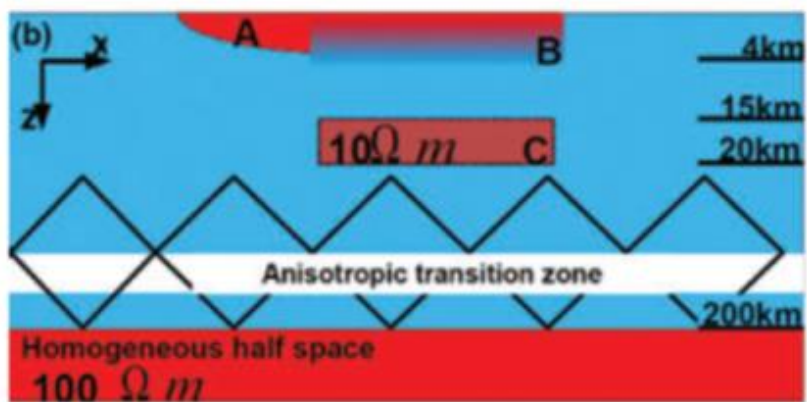
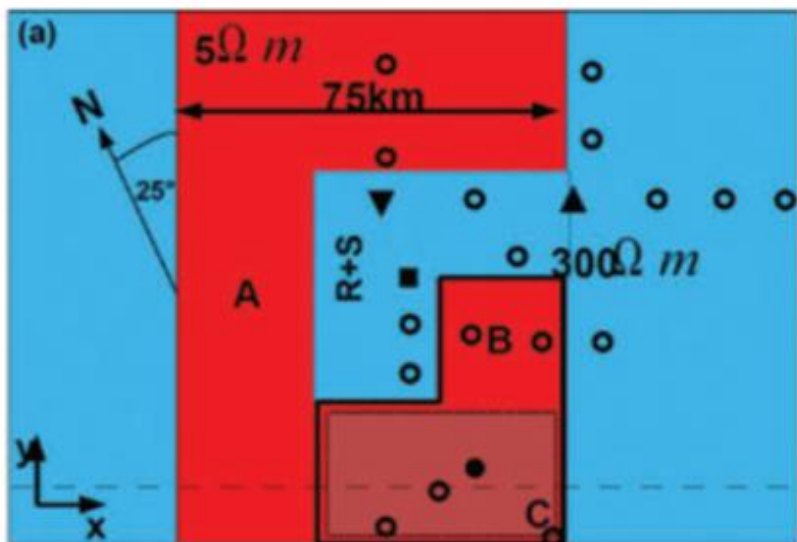


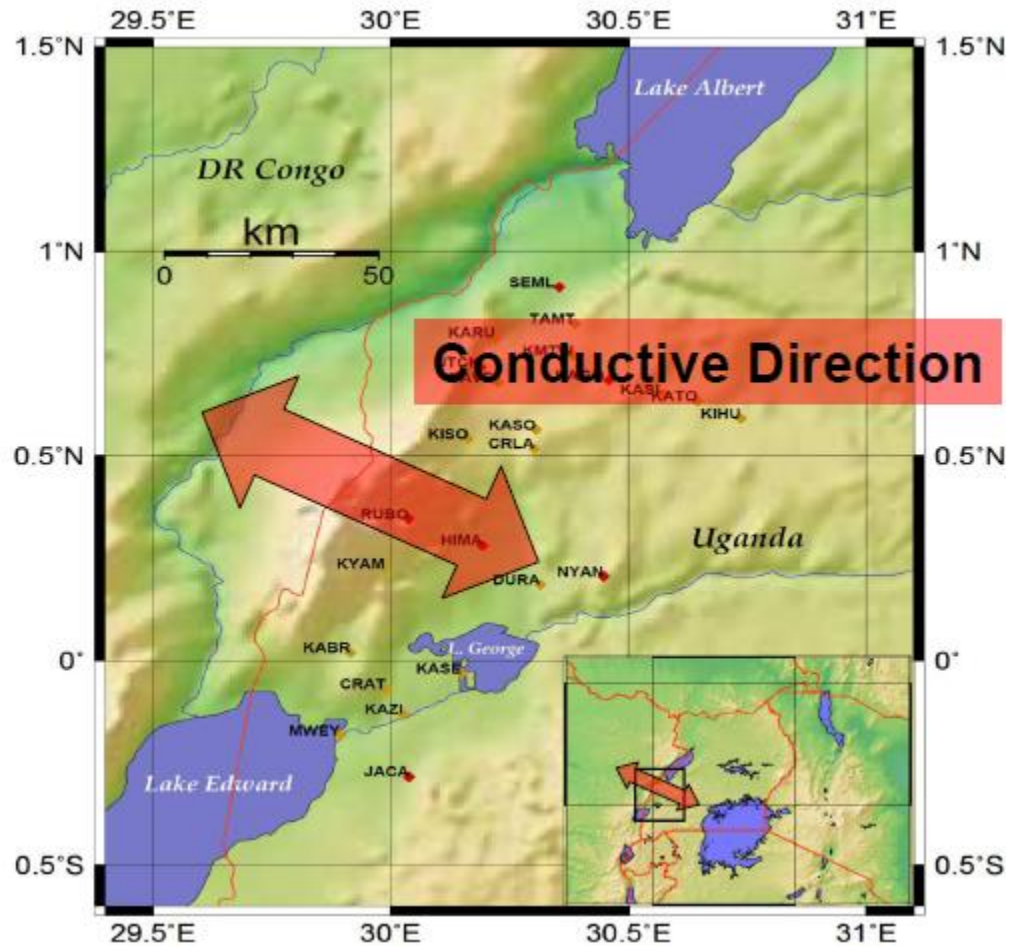
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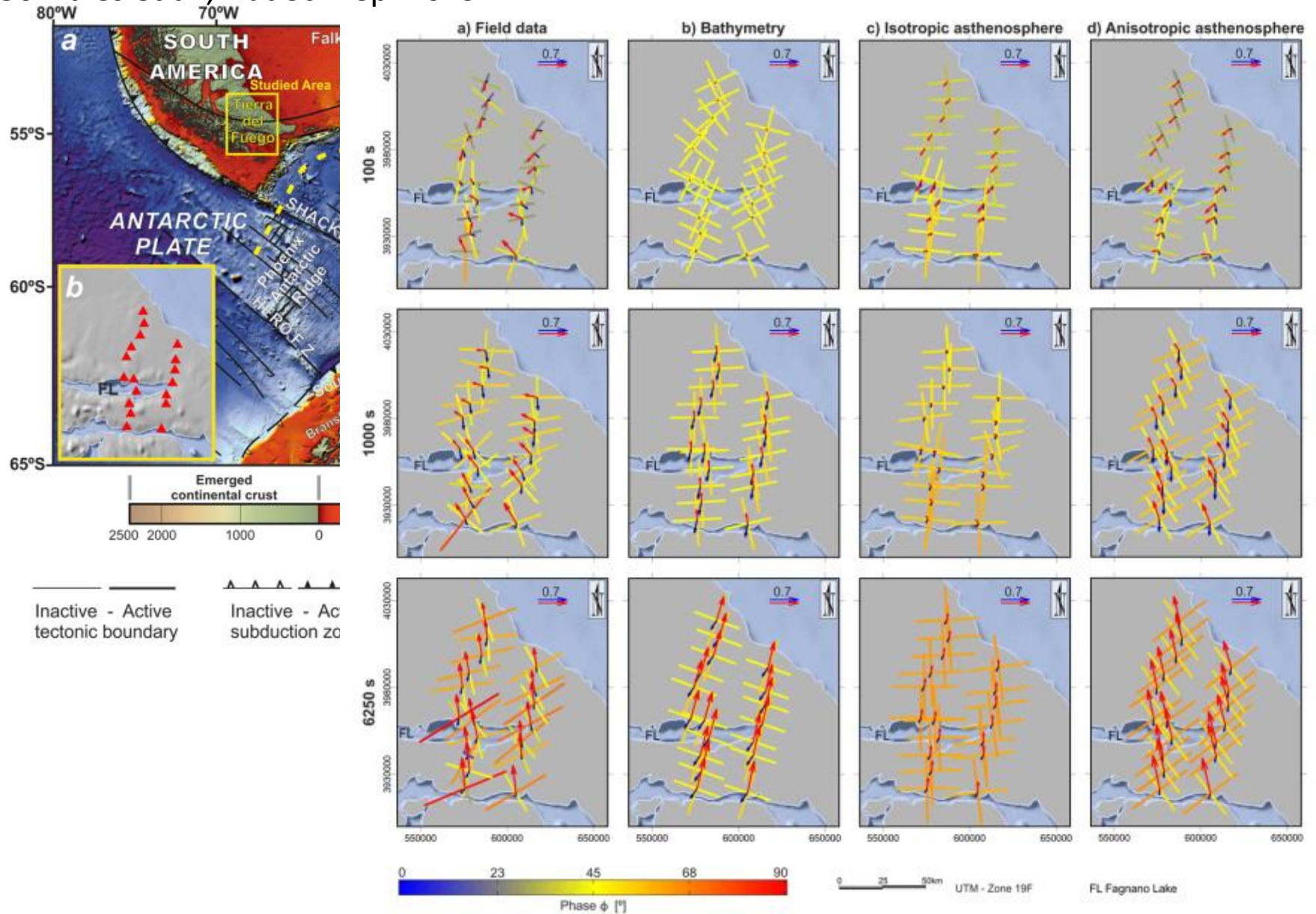


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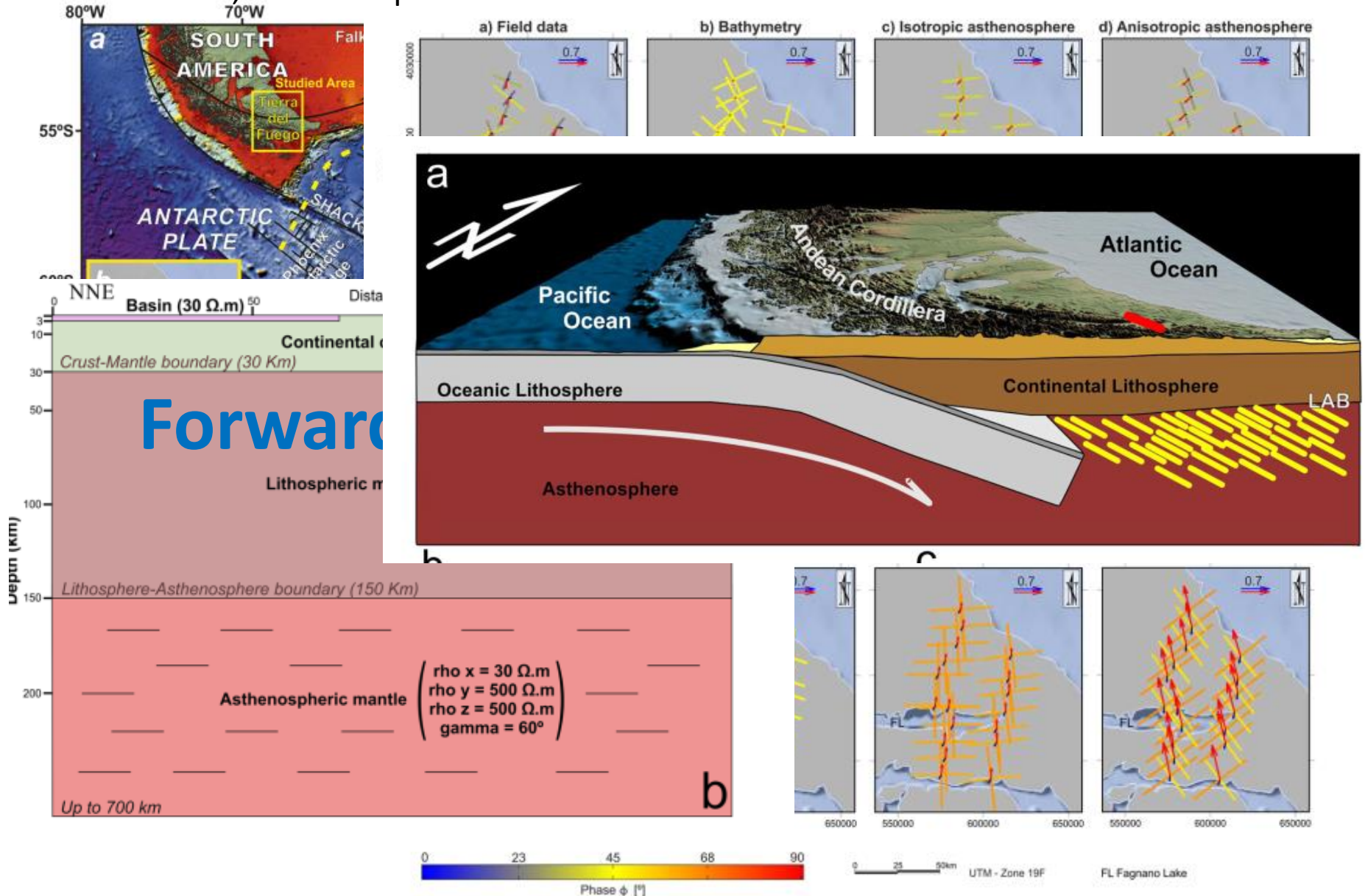
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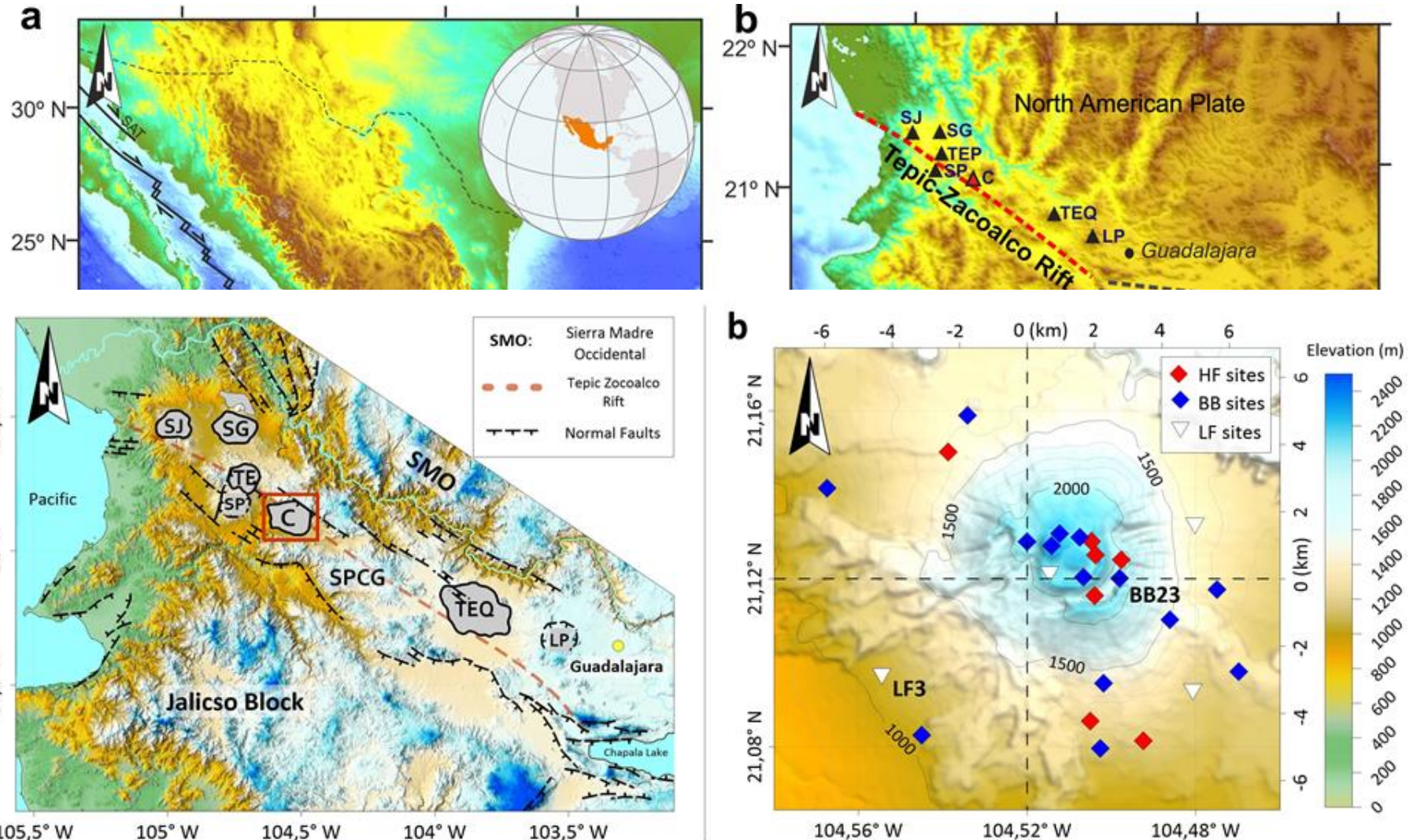
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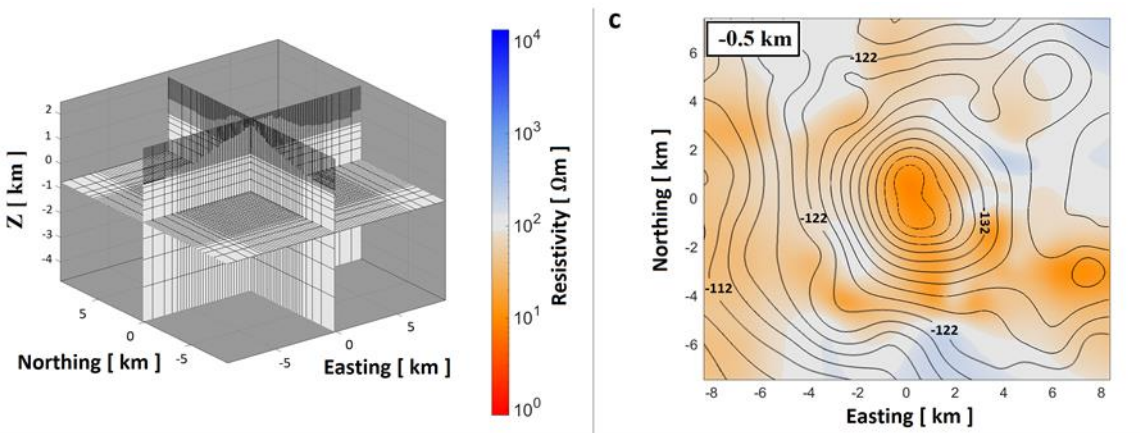
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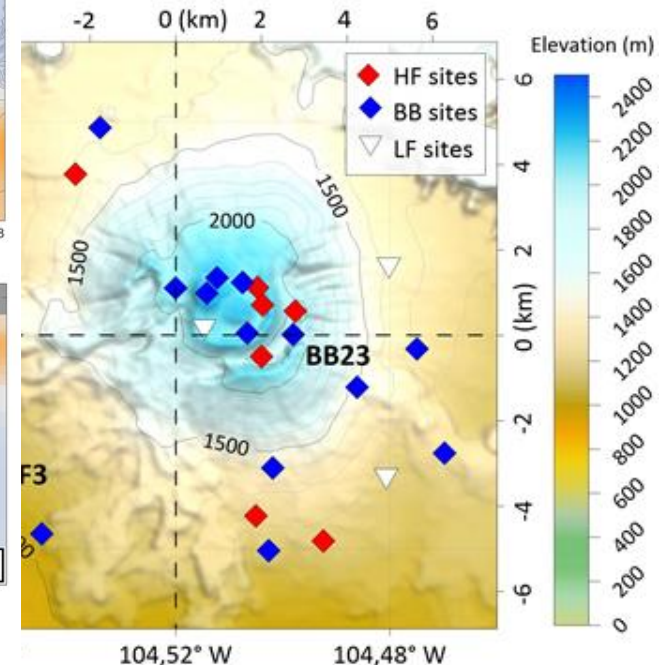
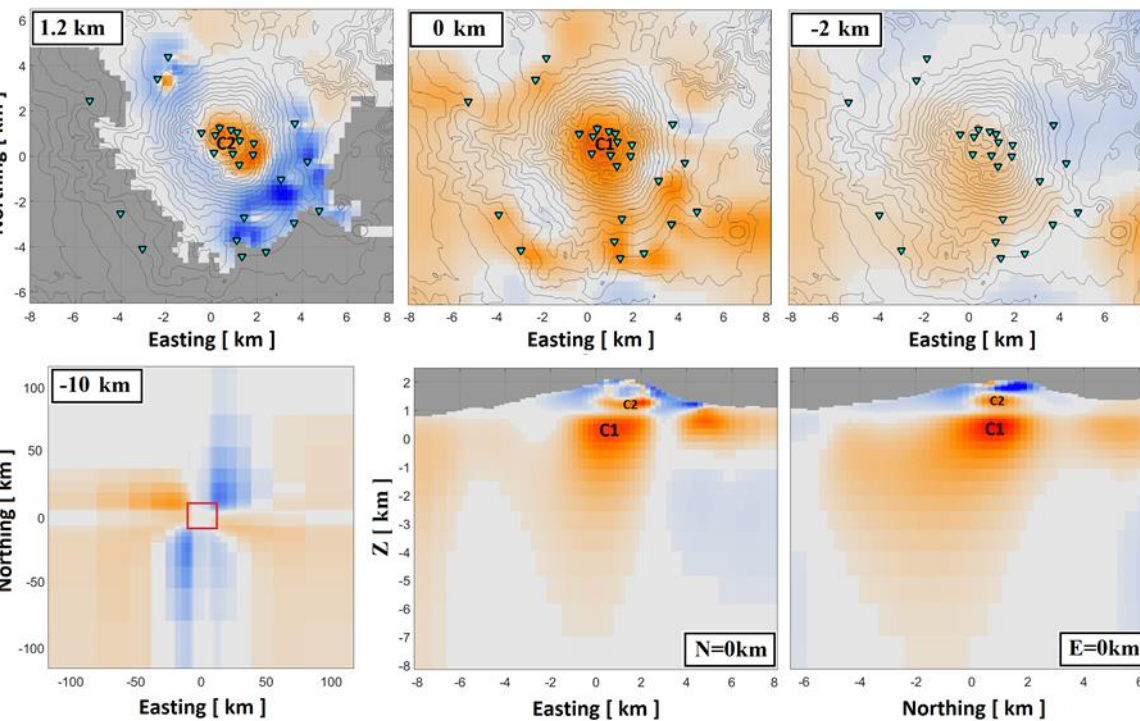


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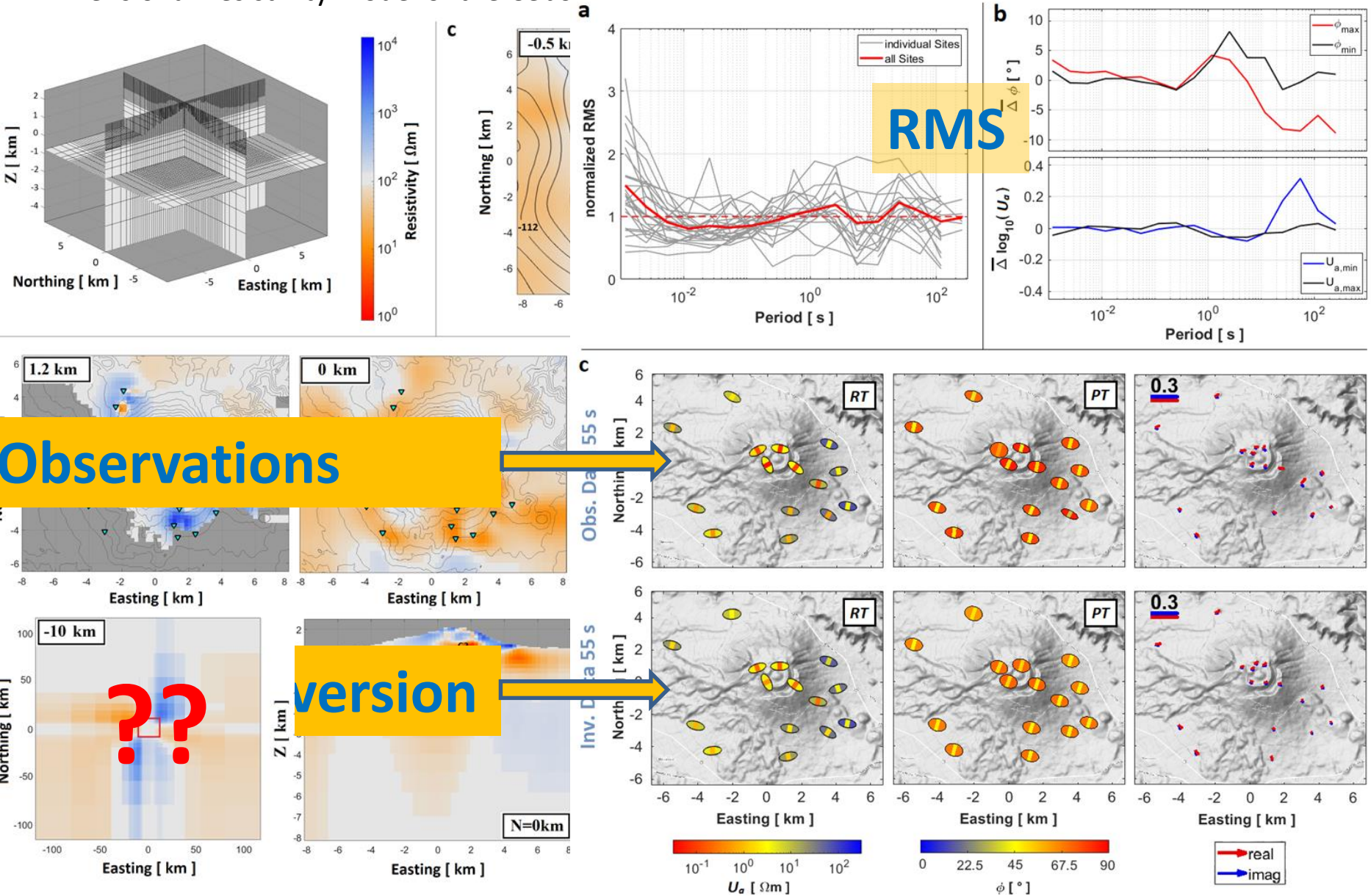


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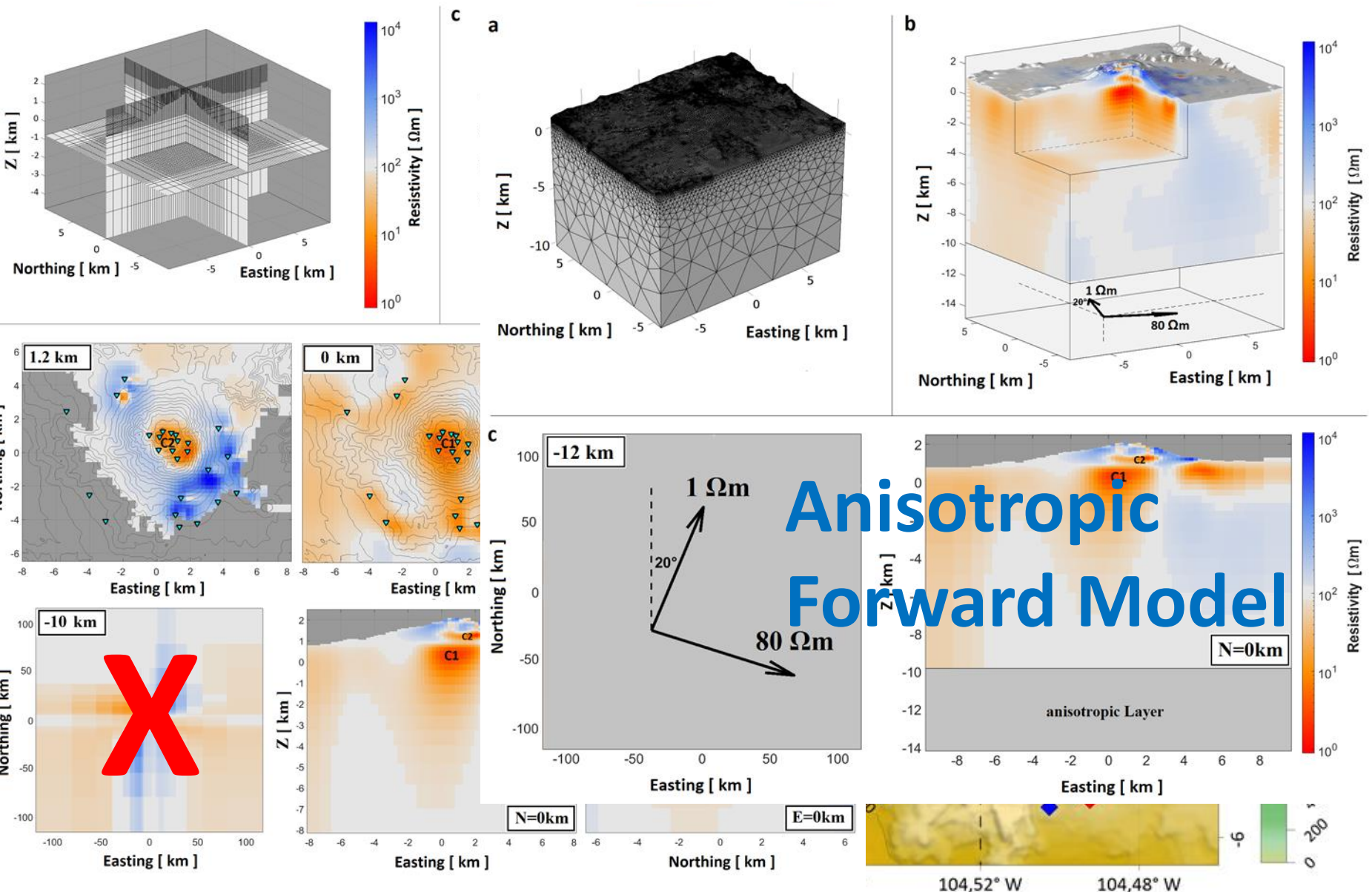
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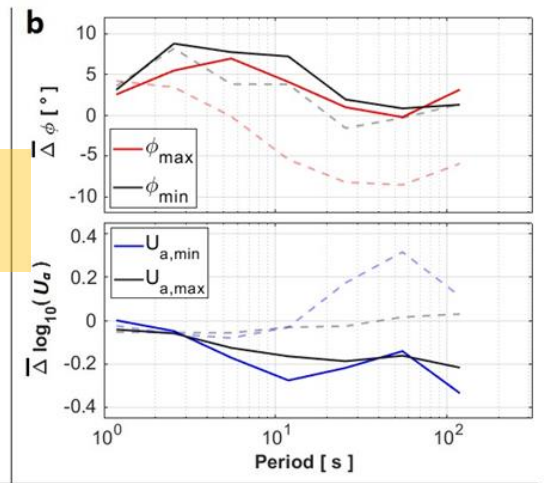
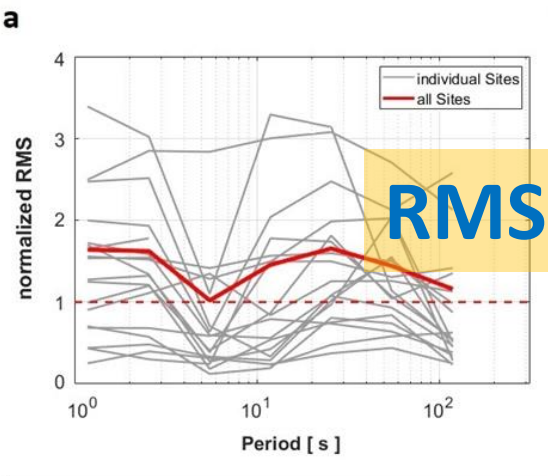
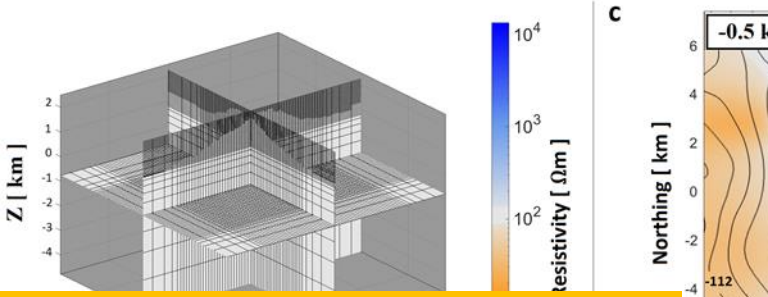
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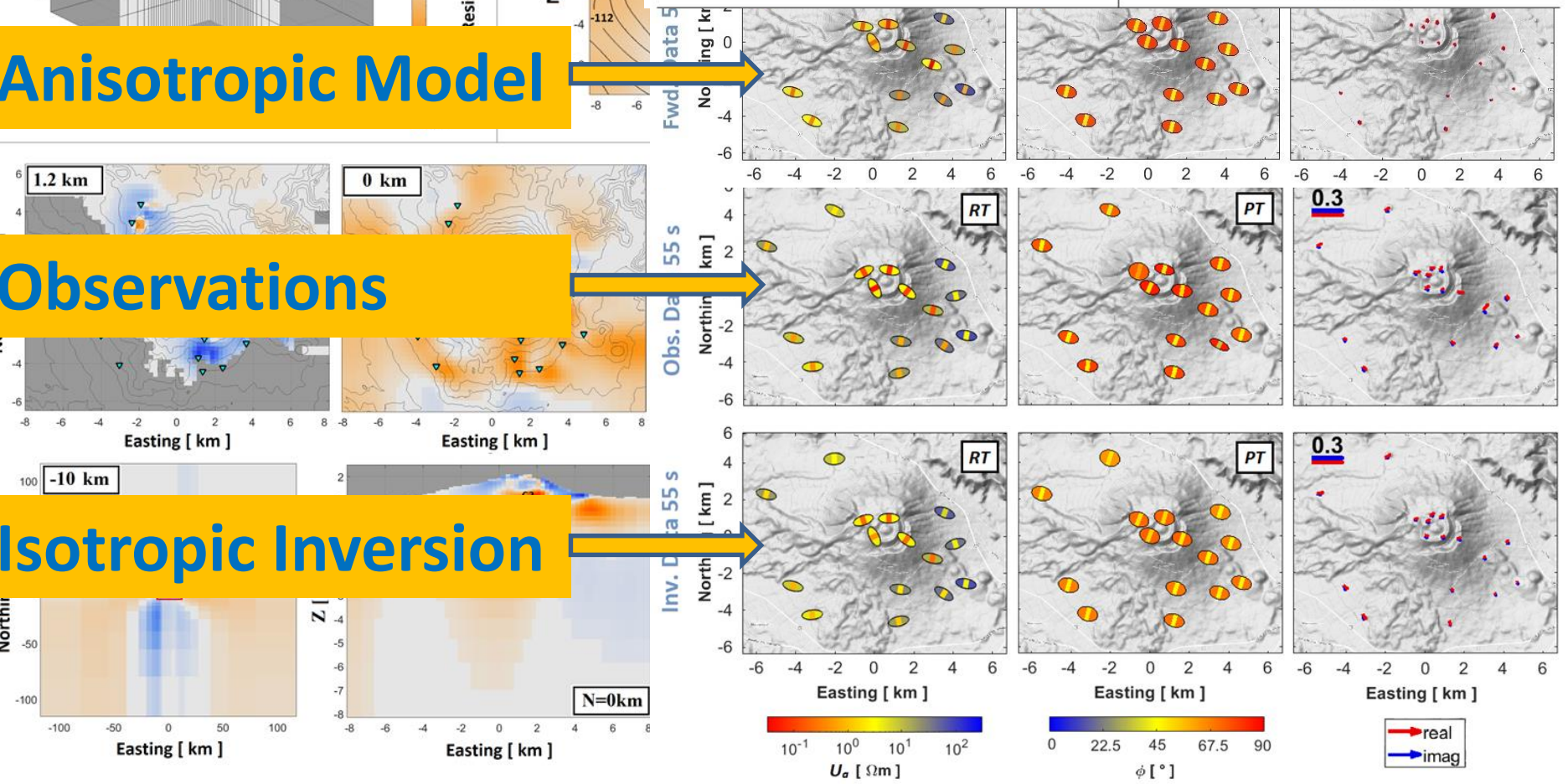
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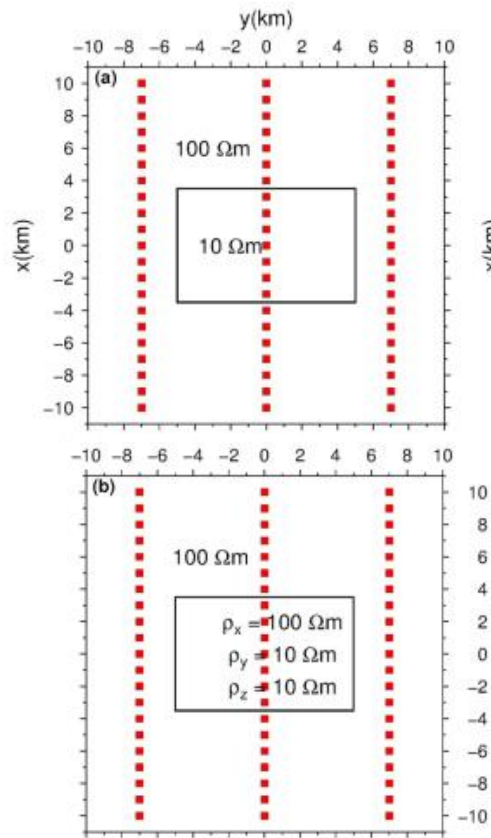
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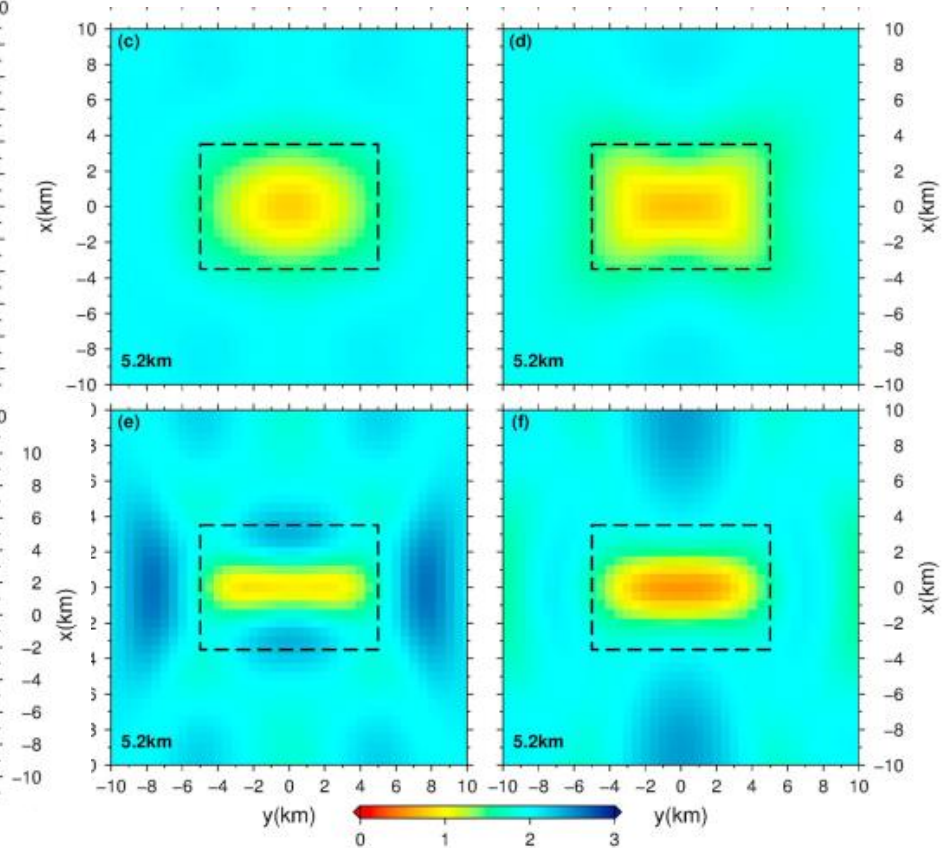


anisotropic

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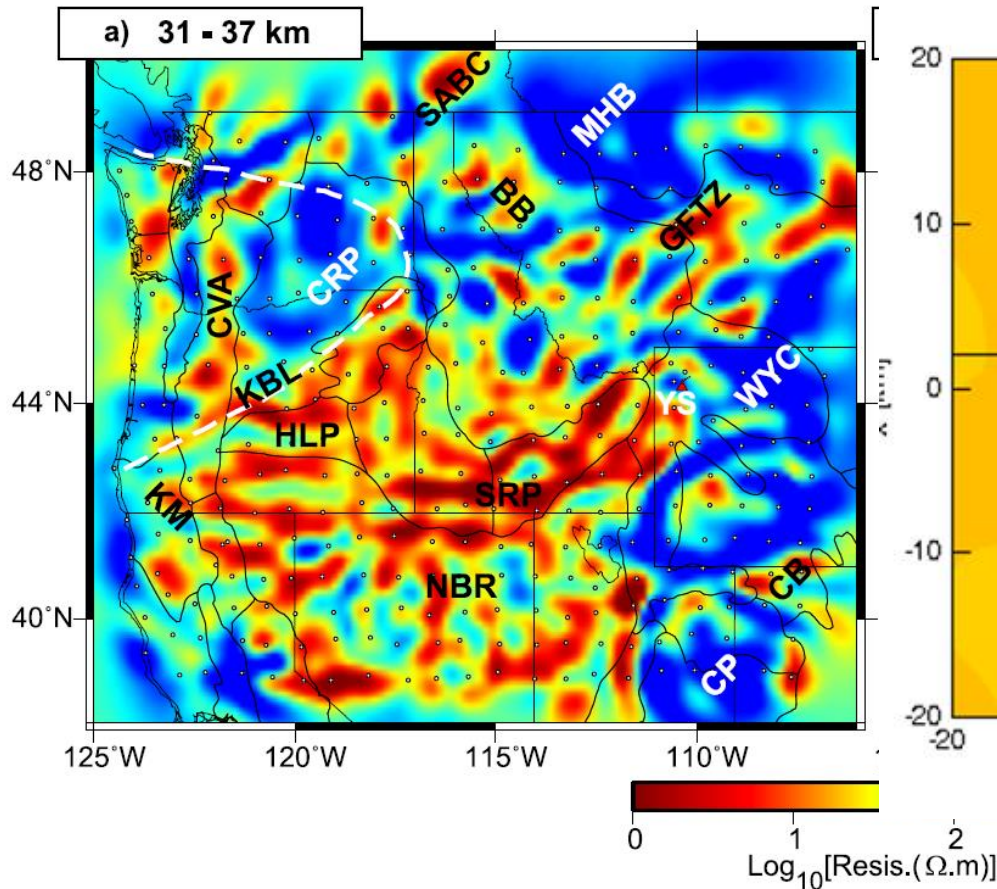
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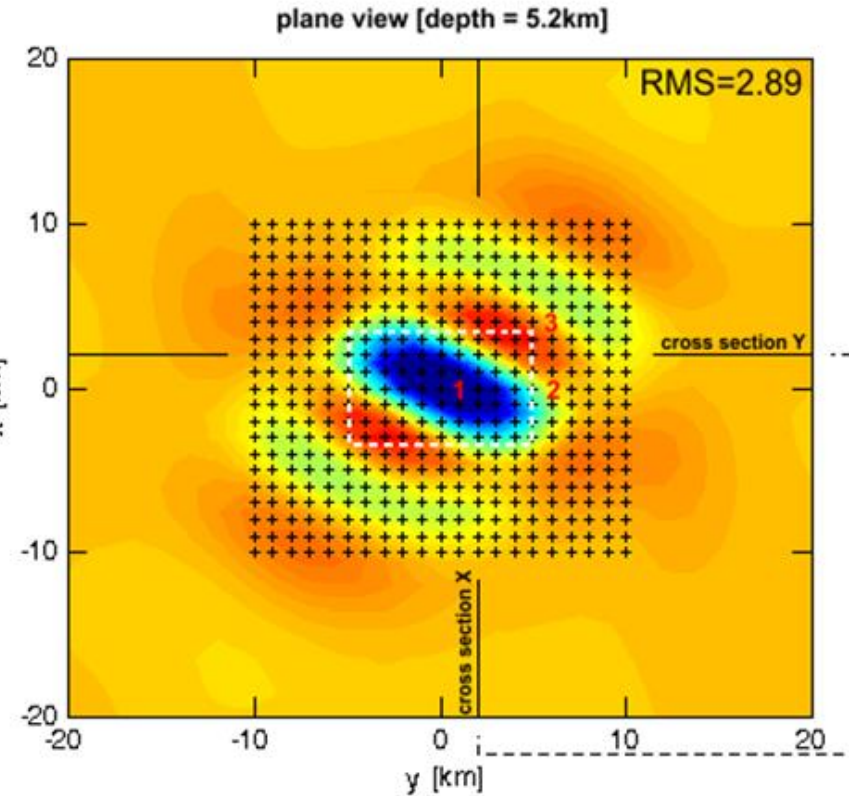
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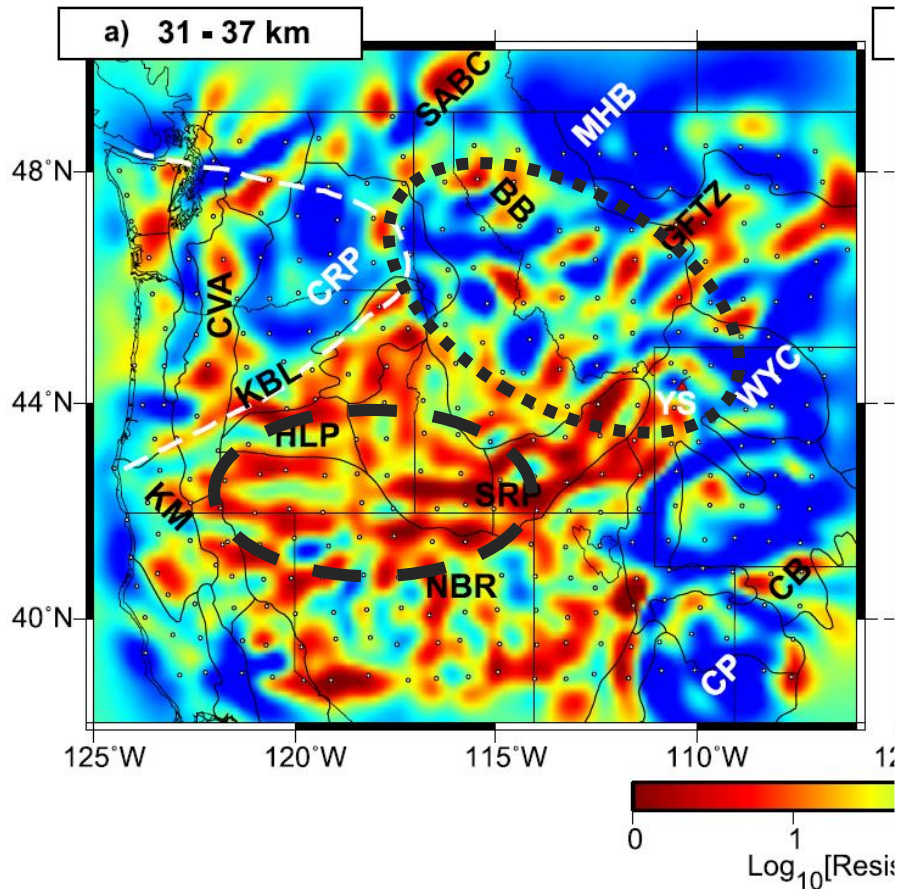
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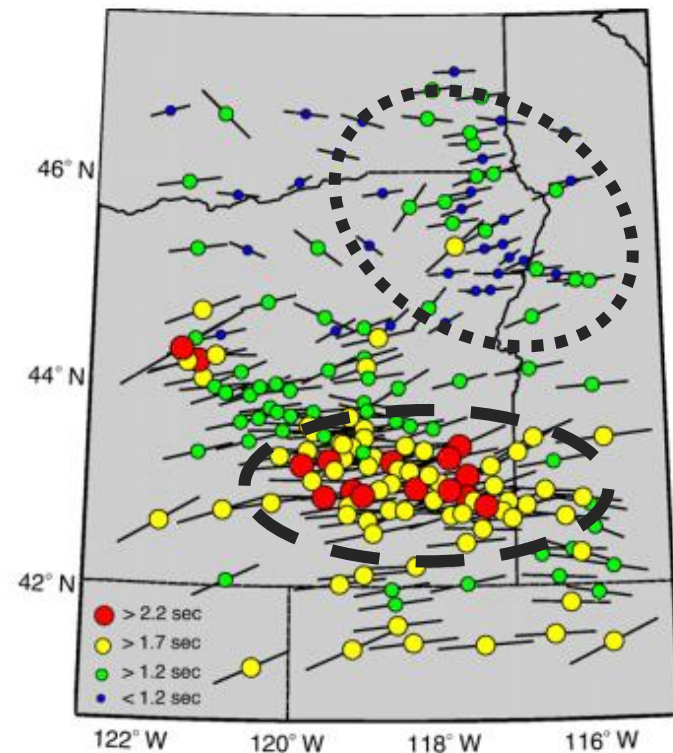
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Compared to isotropic dyke models  
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**Bulk Anisotropy** yields realistic moderate  
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# Conclusions

- **Indications for anisotropic conductivity in crust and mantle**
- **Magnetotelluric is the (only?) method to detect deep electrical anisotropy**
- **Array site distribution necessary**
- **Preferable observables: Complex Resistivity Tensor and Tipper**  
(Brown, JGR 2017, Hering et al., JGR 2019)
- **Comparison with seismic anisotropy (spatial pattern)**
- **Important parameter for understanding geodynamic processes**

**Thank you for your attention**