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Bounds on Anisotropic Moduli

Constraints on C_{13} and their Consequences

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Focus:

- VTI symmetry
- Shales



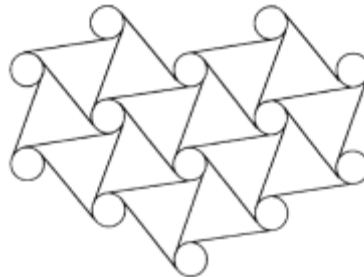
Isotropic Bounds on Elastic Moduli

Bulk modulus K
 Shear modulus G
 Young's modulus E
 Plane Wave Modulus H

} $3 \geq 0$

Poisson's ratio ν

$$-1 \leq \nu \leq \frac{1}{2}$$



$G \geq 0; K \geq 0$



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$K \geq 0; G \geq 0$

Theoretical Basis: Positive Elastic Energy

Anisotropy

VTI (Vertical Transverse Isotropy):

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{C}^t &= \begin{pmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} & C_{13} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ C_{12} & C_{11} & C_{13} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ C_{13} & C_{13} & C_{33} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & C_{44} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & C_{44} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & C_{66} \end{pmatrix} \\
 \mathbf{s} = \mathbf{C}^{-1} &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{E_H} & -\frac{n_{HH}}{E_H} & -\frac{n_{VH}}{E_V} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{n_{HH}}{E_H} & \frac{1}{E_H} & -\frac{n_{VH}}{E_V} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{n_{HV}}{E_H} & -\frac{n_{HV}}{E_H} & \frac{1}{E_V} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2G_{HV}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2G_{HV}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2G_{HH}} \end{pmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

- Theoretical Basis: Positive Elastic Energy; Stiffness & Compliance Matrices Positive Definite

Anisotropic Wave velocities:

$$r v_{PH}^2 = C_{11}; \quad r v_{PV}^2 = C_{33}; \quad r v_{SV}^2 = C_{44}, \quad r v_{SH}^2 = C_{66}$$

$$r v_{qP}^2(q) = f(C_{11}, C_{33}, C_{44} \text{ \& } C_{13})$$

$$e = \frac{C_{11} - C_{33}}{2C_{33}}; \quad g = \frac{C_{66} - C_{44}}{2C_{44}}$$

$$d = \frac{(C_{13} + C_{44})^2 - (C_{33} - C_{44})^2}{2C_{33}(C_{33} - C_{44})}$$

\hat{U} Anisotropic E-moduli & Poisson's ratios:



$$E_V = C_{33} - \frac{C_{13}^2}{(C_{11} - C_{66})} = \frac{(C_{11} - C_{66})C_{33} - C_{13}^2}{(C_{11} - C_{66})}; \quad \nu_{VH} = \frac{C_{13}}{2(C_{11} - C_{66})}$$



$$E_H = \frac{4C_{66}[(C_{11} - C_{66})C_{33} - C_{13}^2]}{C_{11}C_{33} - C_{13}^2}; \quad \nu_{HV} = \frac{2C_{66}C_{13}}{C_{11}C_{33} - C_{13}^2}; \quad \nu_{HH} = \frac{(C_{11} - 2C_{66})C_{33} - C_{13}^2}{C_{11}C_{33} - C_{13}^2}$$



Angular dependence of Young's modulus (core axis at angle q with z):

$$\frac{1}{E(q)} = \frac{\cos^4 q}{E_z} + \frac{\sin^4 q}{E_r} + \frac{\sin^2 q \cos^2 q}{B}; \quad \frac{1}{B} = \frac{1}{C_{44}} - \frac{C_{13}}{(C_{11} - C_{66})C_{33} - C_{13}^2}$$

Linking static and dynamic parameters

- **In the LAB:**
- **Dynamic (ultrasonic) measurements:**
 - We can easily obtain C_{33} & $C_{44} + C_{11}$ & C_{66} from one core plug
 - C_{13} : Yes, but with more uncertainty

$$C_{13} \text{ @ } d; "n" \text{ \& } "E"$$

- **Static (or quasistatic) measurements:**
 - We can obtain C_{33} , C_{13} & C_{66} from one core plug (at least 2 stress paths required!)
 - C_{11} from a second core plug drilled at 90°
 - C_{44} from a third core plug drilled at oblique angle

Bounds may help to provide a best estimate of "uncertain" parameters + QC of measured data

Anisotropic Bounds for VTI Media

- Theoretical Basis: Positive Elastic Energy;
Stiffness & Compliance Matrices Positive Definite

$$C_{44} > 0; \quad C_{66} > 0$$

$$C_{11} > C_{66} > 0; \quad C_{33} > 0$$

$$(C_{11} - C_{66})C_{33} - C_{13}^2 > 0$$

*Note: No
requirement that
 $C_{33} > C_{66}$*

- Fundamentally; bounds may in general not always be found.
- Here we assume that C_{11} & C_{66} are known (C_{33} & C_{44} may be found if P- and S-wave anisotropies also are known):
- Question: What bounds do then exist for Poisson's ratios, Young's modulus anisotropy, and Thomsen's d?

Conclusions

- Anisotropic elastic moduli are bounded by the requirement of positive elastic energy
 - Rigid bounds do not always exist
- Constraints on C_{13} lead to bounds on Poisson's ratios, E-modulus anisotropy and Thomsen's d .
 - " ν " > 0.5 is accepted and expected
 - Do not use " ν " from v_p/v_s in anisotropic media
 - $d < 0$ is expected, in particular for soft shales
- Laboratory observations show no values outside bounds
 - Trends within bounds may reveal fundamental insight

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