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# **A new parameterization in acoustic orthorhombic media**

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# The parameterization matters !

Seismic modeling

Full waveform inversion

Traveltime approximation

Sensitivity & trade-off

Velocity analysis

Tomography

## *Objective*

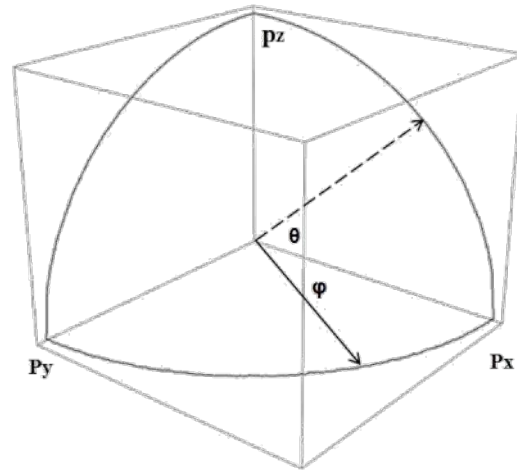
*A perturbation-based approximation for traveltime using different parameterization*

# Outline

- 1 A new parameterization for an acoustic orthorhombic model**
- 2 Perturbation based method for traveltime approximation**
- 3 Sensitivity analysis of anellipticity parameters**
- 4 Numerical examples**
- 5 Conclusions**

# Seismic Anisotropy

*The dependence of the seismic velocity on the propagation angle*



$$\frac{1}{V(\theta, \phi)}$$

## Isotropic model

## Transverse isotropic model with a vertical axis

## Orthorhombic

ISO

$$\begin{bmatrix} \lambda + 2\mu & \lambda & \lambda & & & \\ \lambda & \lambda + 2\mu & \lambda & & & \\ \lambda & \lambda & \lambda + 2\mu & & & \\ & & & \mu & & \\ & & & & \mu & \\ & & & & & \mu \end{bmatrix}$$

VTI

$$\begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & C_{11} - 2C_{66} & C_{13} & & & \\ C_{11} - 2C_{66} & C_{11} & C_{13} & & & \\ C_{13} & C_{13} & C_{33} & & & \\ & & & C_{55} & & \\ & & & & C_{55} & \\ & & & & & C_{66} \end{bmatrix}$$

ORT

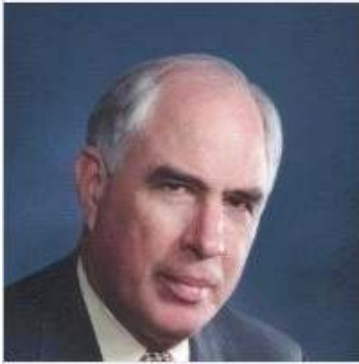
$$\begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} & C_{13} & & & \\ C_{12} & C_{22} & C_{23} & & & \\ C_{13} & C_{23} & C_{33} & & & \\ & & & C_{44} & & \\ & & & & C_{55} & \\ & & & & & C_{66} \end{bmatrix}$$

2 independent coefficients

5 independent coefficients

9 independent coefficients

# Elastic anisotropy model



Leon Thomsen (1986)

$V_{P0}, V_{S0}, \epsilon, \delta, \gamma$

$$V_{P0} = \sqrt{\frac{C_{33}}{\rho}},$$

$$V_{S0} = \sqrt{\frac{C_{44}}{\rho}},$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{C_{11} - C_{33}}{2C_{33}},$$

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

$$\gamma = \frac{C_{66} - C_{44}}{2C_{44}},$$

Simplify



**VTI**

## Acoustic assumption for anisotropy model



Tariq Alkhalifah (1998)

$V_p, \epsilon, \delta$  P wave

$$V_{nmo} = V_{p0} \sqrt{1 + 2\delta},$$

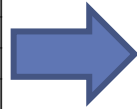
$$\eta = \frac{\epsilon - \delta}{1 + 2\delta}$$

Alkhalifah and Tsvankin (1995)

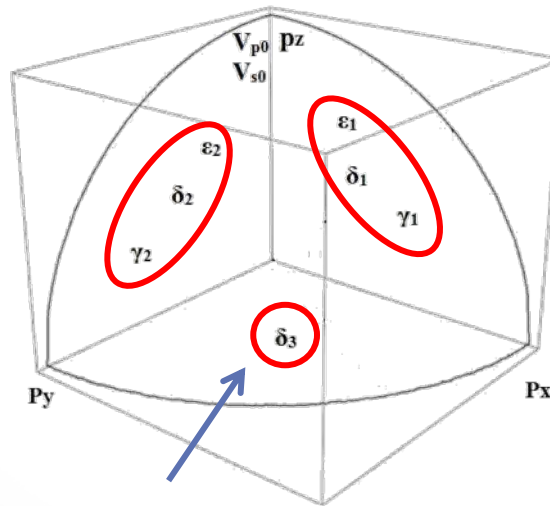
# Parameterization ORT model

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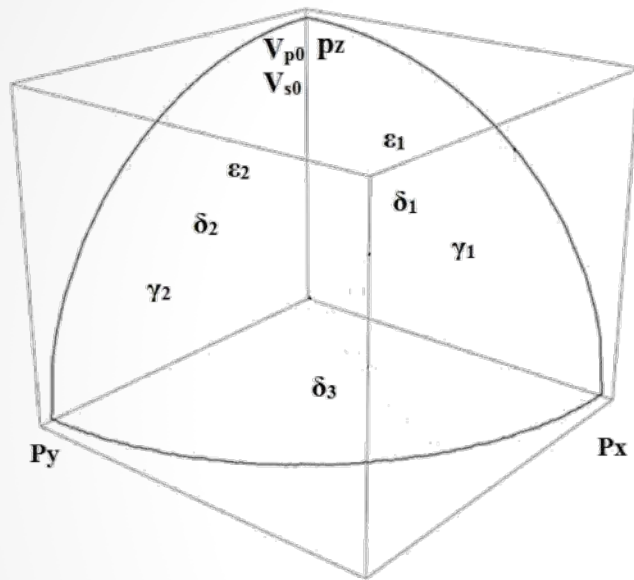


Tsvankin (1997)  
 Velocity:  
 $V_{p0}, V_{s0}$   
 Anisotropy parameter  
 [XOZ] plane:  $\epsilon_1, \delta_1, \gamma_1$   
 [YOZ] plane:  $\epsilon_2, \delta_2, \gamma_2$   
 [XOY] plane:  $\delta_3$



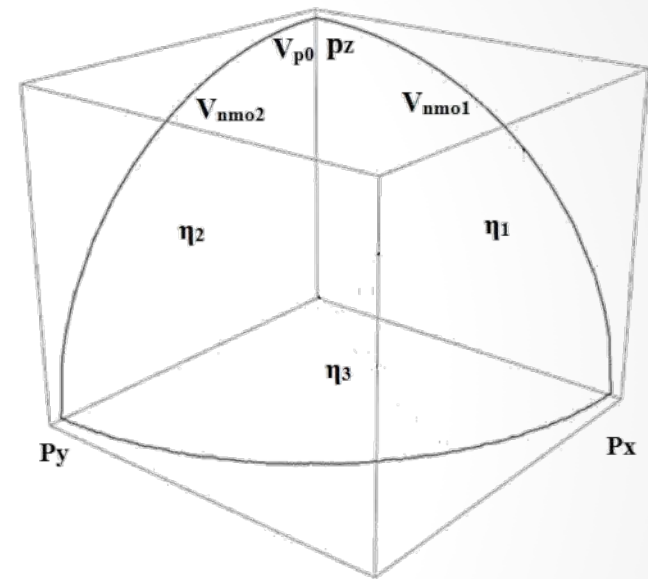
# Acoustic ORT model

Elastic ORT P & S waves



$9 \Rightarrow 6$

Acoustic ORT P wave



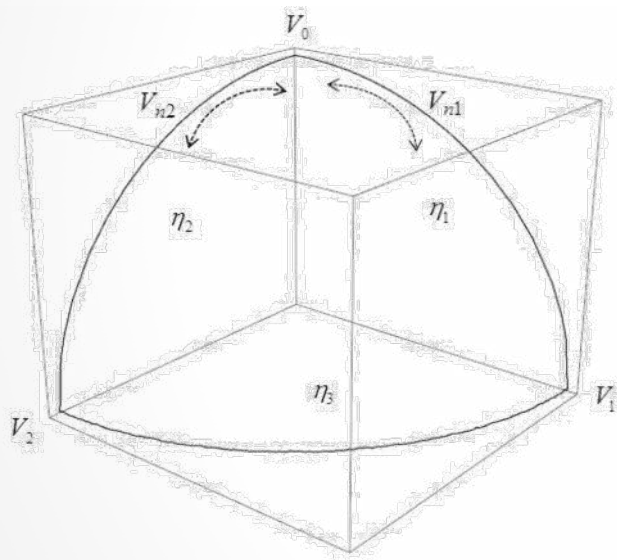
Tsvankin 1997

Alkhalifah 2003

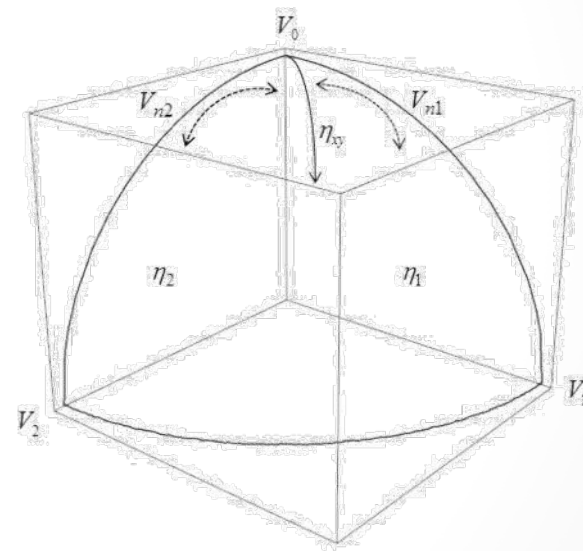
# The parameterization for acoustic ORT model

## P wave

Alkhalifah 2003



Stovas 2015



$$\eta_{xy} = \sqrt{\frac{(1+2\eta_1)(1+2\eta_2)}{1+2\eta_3}} - 1$$



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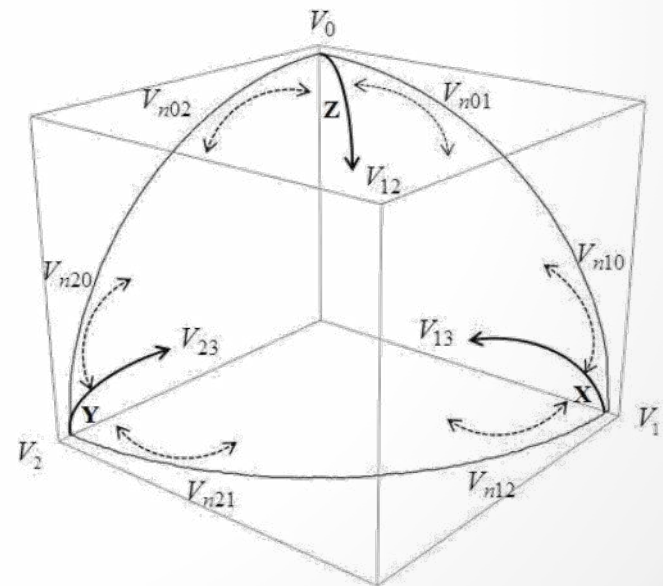
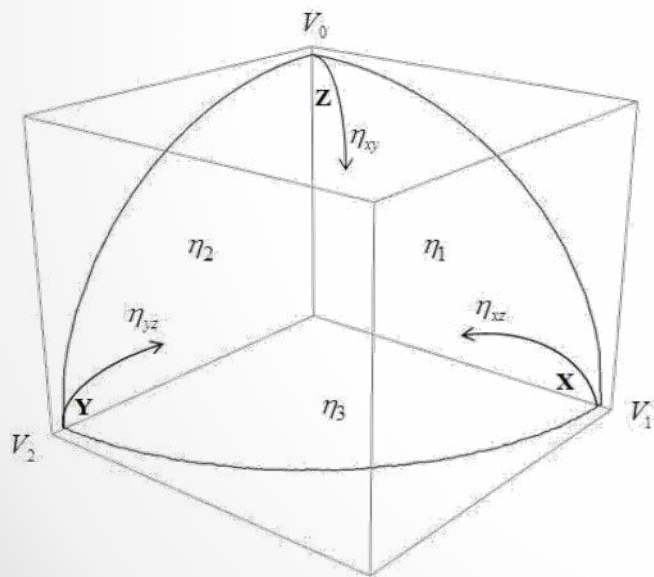
$$\eta_{xz} = \sqrt{\frac{(1+2\eta_1)(1+2\eta_3)}{1+2\eta_2}} - 1,$$

$$\eta_{yz} = \sqrt{\frac{(1+2\eta_2)(1+2\eta_3)}{1+2\eta_1}} - 1.$$

$$V_{12}^2 = V_{n01}V_{n02},$$

$$V_{13}^2 = V_{n10}V_{n12},$$

$$V_{23}^2 = V_{n20}V_{n21}$$



# The parameterizations

Parameterization	Elliptical background	Anellipticity parameters
Non-symmetric parameterizations		
Case A	$V_0, V_{n1}, V_{n2}$	$\eta_1, \eta_2, \eta_3$
Case B	$V_0, V_{n1}, V_{n2}$	$\eta_1, \eta_2, \eta_{xy}$
Case C	$V_0, V_{n1}, V_{n2}$	$\eta_{xy}, \eta_{xz}, \eta_{yz}$
Case D	$V_0, V_{h1}, V_{h2}$	$\eta_1, \eta_2, \eta_{xy}$
Symmetric parameterizations		
Case E	$V_{12}, V_{13}, V_{23}$	$\eta_1, \eta_2, \eta_3$
Case F	$V_{12}, V_{13}, V_{23}$	$\eta_{xy}, \eta_{xz}, \eta_{yz}$
Case G	$V_0, V_{h1}, V_{h2}$	$\eta_1, \eta_2, \eta_3$
Case H	$V_0, V_{h1}, V_{h2}$	$\eta_{xy}, \eta_{xz}, \eta_{yz}$

**Table 1.** Eight types of parameterizations with different background model and different set of anellipticity parameters.

# Perturbation-based approximation

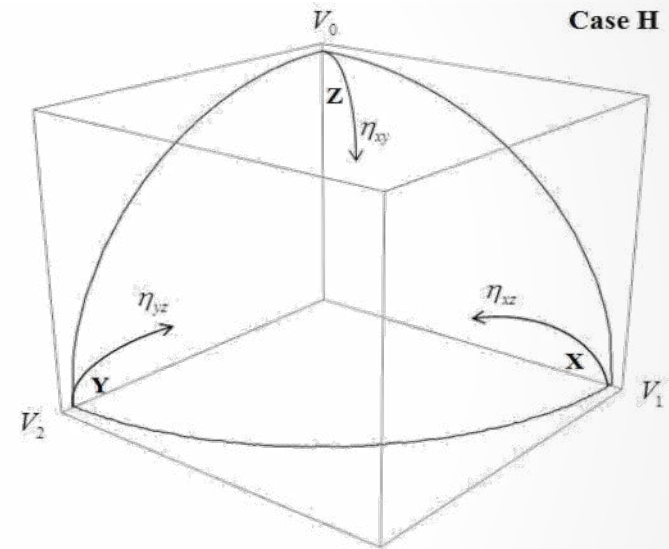
## Acoustic Eikonal equation in ORT model

Alkhalifah 2003

$$\tau = \tau_0 + \sum_i a_i \eta_i + \sum_{i,j} b_{ij} \eta_i \eta_j, (j = 1, 2, 3)$$

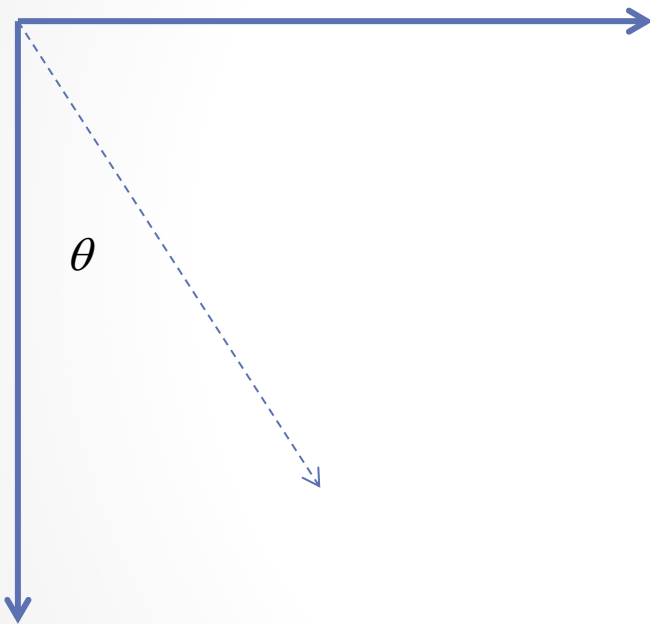
$$1 \equiv xy, 2 \equiv xz, 3 \equiv yz$$

$$\tau_0 = \sqrt{t_0^2 + \frac{x^2}{V_{h1}^2} + \frac{y^2}{V_{h2}^2}},$$



# Sensitivity analysis

## Group velocity related coefficients



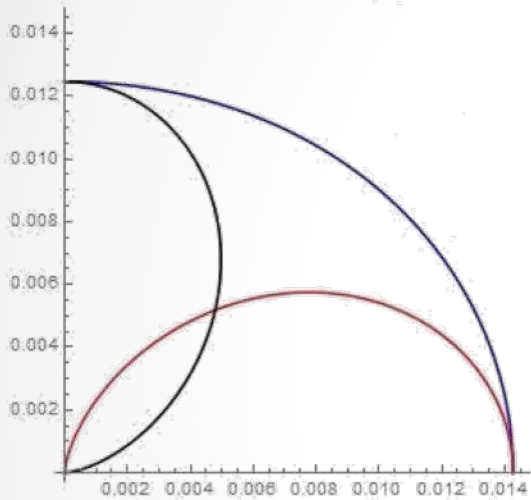
$$\theta \in (0, 30^\circ) \quad (30^\circ, 60^\circ) \quad (60^\circ, 90^\circ)$$

$$\hat{a}_i(\phi) = \frac{1}{\theta_2 - \theta_1} \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \tilde{a}_i(\theta, \phi) d\theta,$$

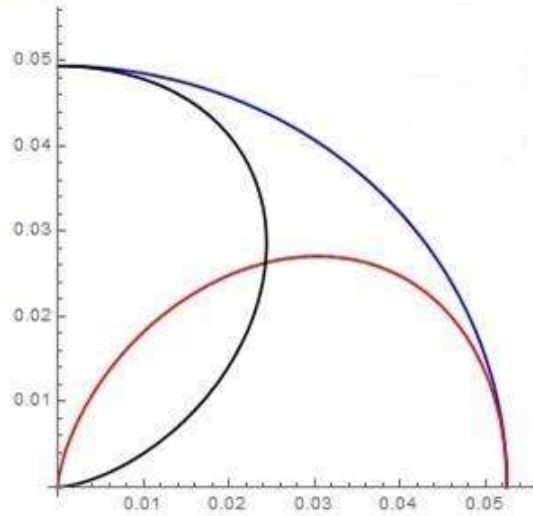
$$\hat{b}_{ij}(\phi) = \frac{1}{\theta_2 - \theta_1} \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \tilde{b}_{ij}(\theta, \phi) d\theta.$$

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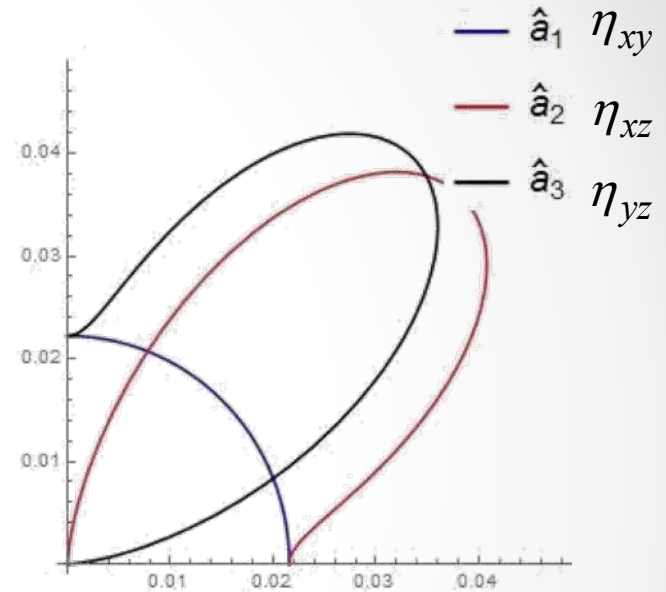
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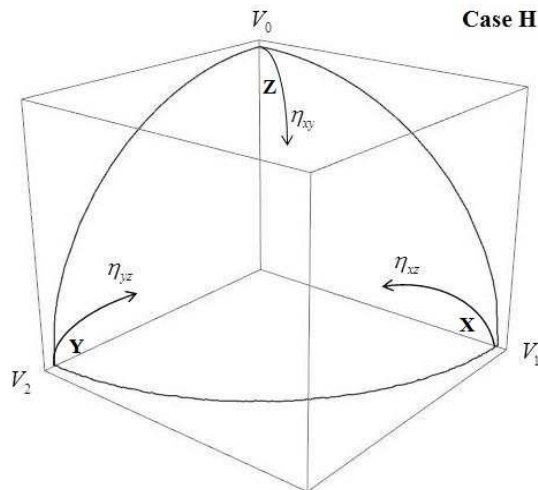
$(30^\circ, 60^\circ)$



$(60^\circ, 90^\circ)$



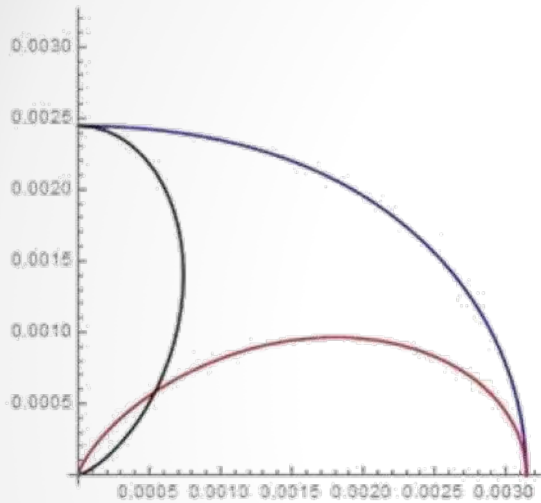
—  $\hat{a}_1 \eta_{xy}$   
 —  $\hat{a}_2 \eta_{xz}$   
 —  $\hat{a}_3 \eta_{yz}$



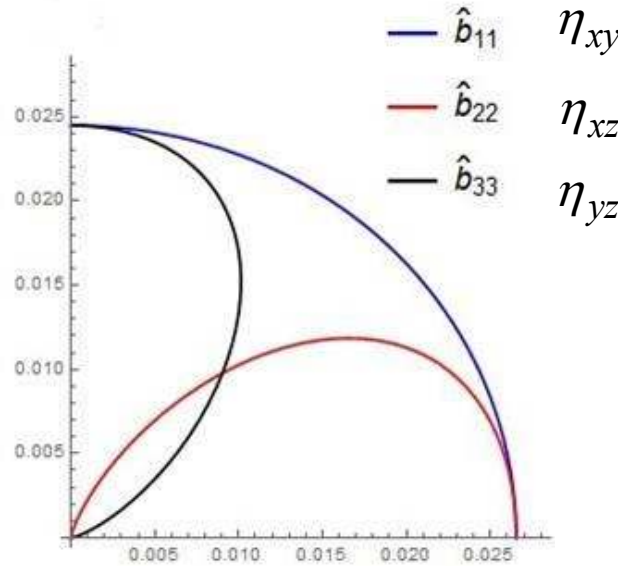
elliptical background:  $V_0, V_{h1}, V_{h2}$

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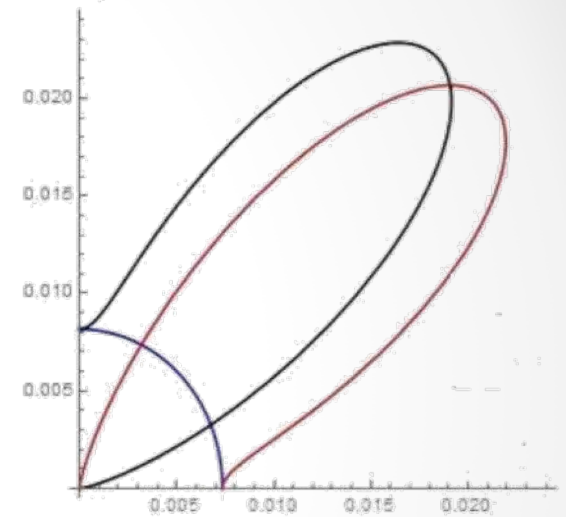
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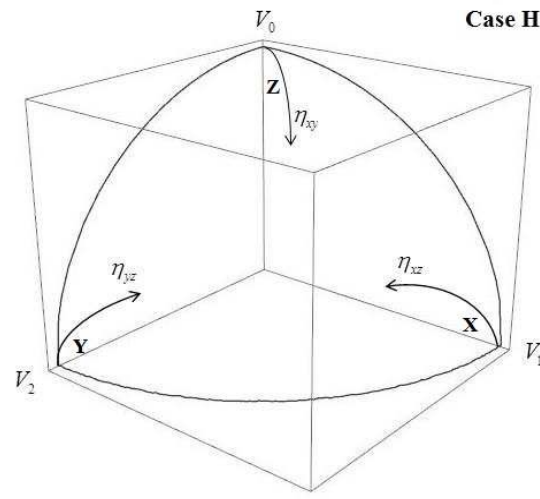
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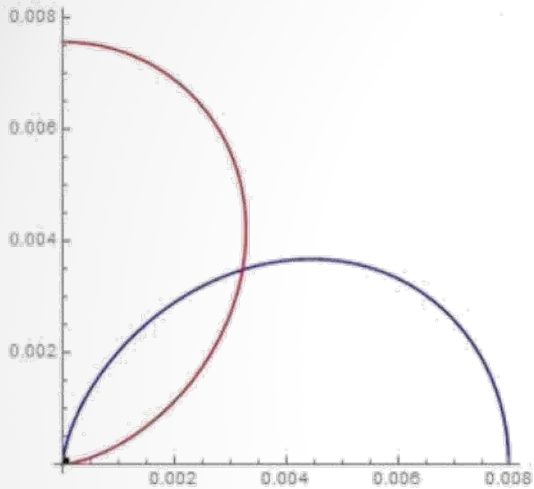
—  $\hat{b}_{11}$   $\eta_{xy}$   
 —  $\hat{b}_{22}$   $\eta_{xz}$   
 —  $\hat{b}_{33}$   $\eta_{yz}$



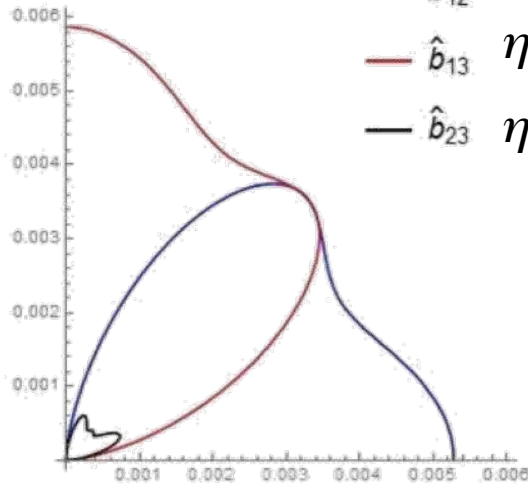
elliptical background :  $V_0, V_{h1}, V_{h2}$

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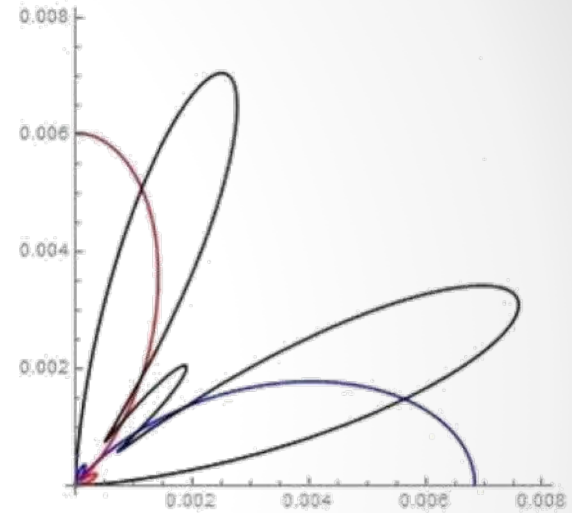
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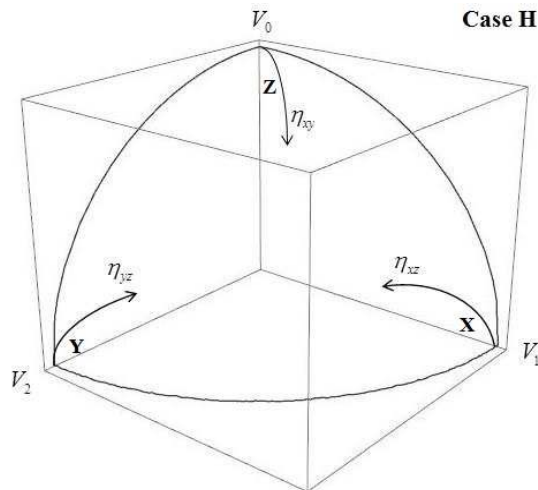
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$\hat{b}_{12} \quad \eta_{xy}\eta_{xz}$   
 $\hat{b}_{13} \quad \eta_{xy}\eta_{yz}$   
 $\hat{b}_{23} \quad \eta_{xz}\eta_{yz}$

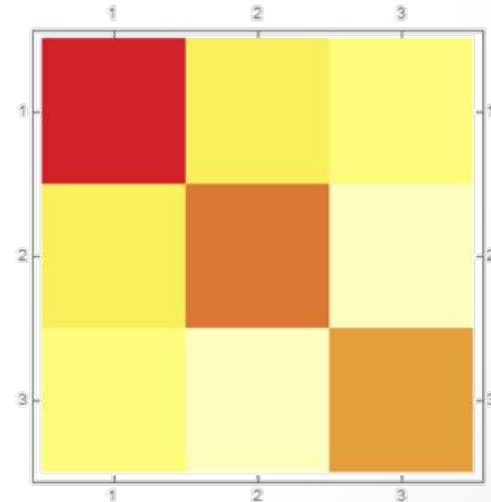
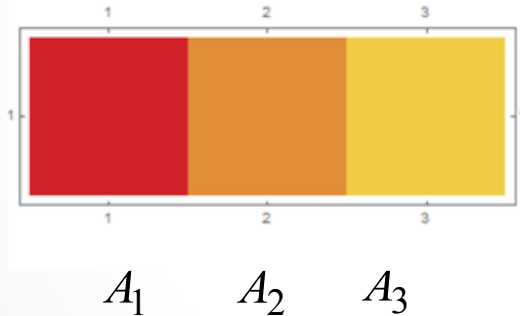


elliptical background :  $V_0, V_{h1}, V_{h2}$

# Overall sensitivity (case H)

$$\hat{A}_i = \frac{4}{\pi^2} \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^{\pi/2} \tilde{a}_i(\theta, \phi) d\theta d\phi,$$

$$\hat{B}_{ij} = \frac{4}{\pi^2} \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^{\pi/2} \tilde{b}_{ij}(\theta, \phi) d\theta d\phi,$$



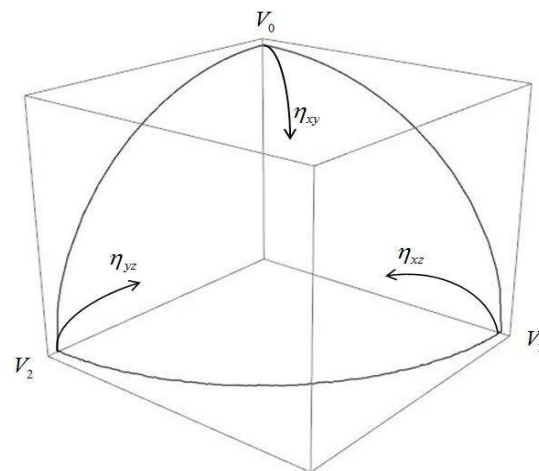
$$1 \equiv \eta_{xy}, 2 \equiv \eta_{xz}, 3 \equiv \eta_{yz}$$



# Numerical examples (model parameters)

Velocities	$V_0$	$V_{h1}$	$V_{h2}$	$V_{n1}$	$V_{n2}$	$V_{12}$	$V_{13}$	$V_{23}$
(km/s)	2	2.4	2.6	2.1	2.23	2.17	2.04	1.94

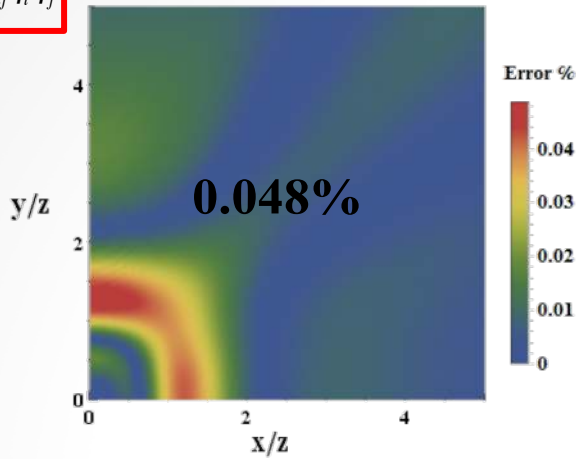
Anellipticity parameters	$\eta_1$	$\eta_2$	$\eta_3$	$\eta_{xy}$	$\eta_{xz}$	$\eta_{yz}$
	0.15	0.18	0.1	0.214	0.07	0.12



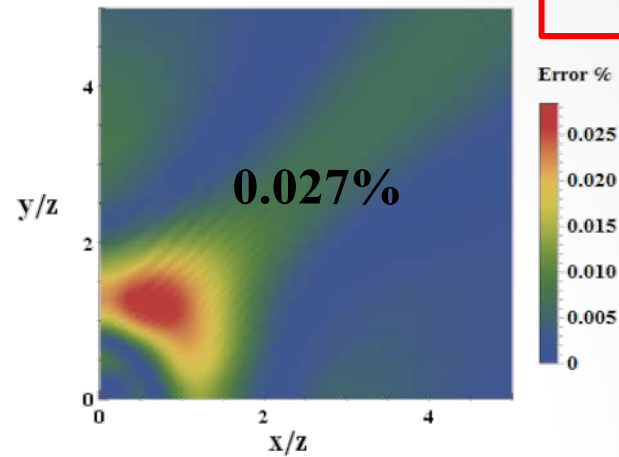
# Numerical examples-Case H

$$\tau = \tau_0 + \sum_i a_i \eta_i + \sum_{ij} b_{ij} \eta_i \eta_j$$

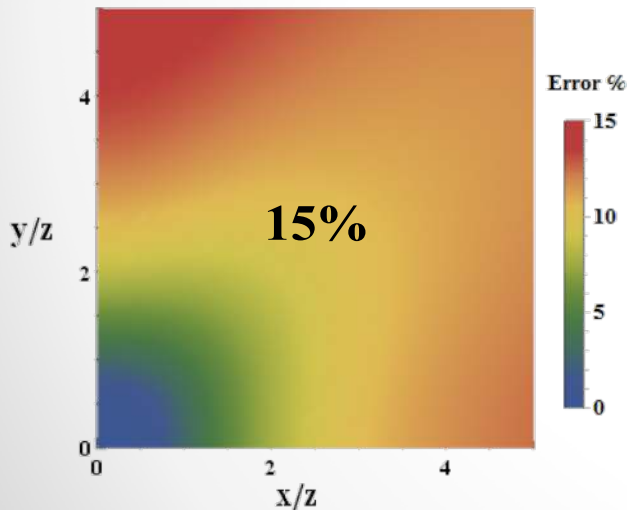
$$\tau_3 = \frac{\tau_0 \tau_2 - \tau_1^2}{\tau_0 + \tau_2 - 2\tau_1},$$



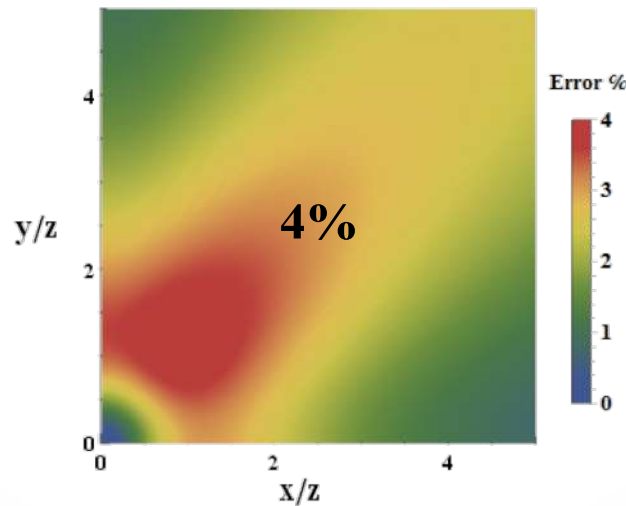
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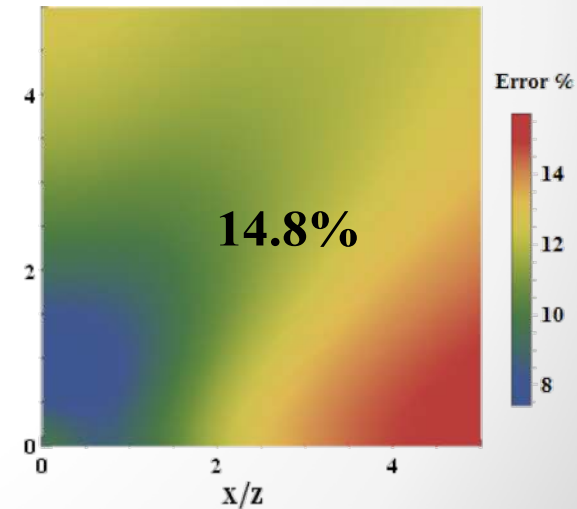
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$V_0, V_{n1}, V_{n2}$



$V_0, V_{h1}, V_{h2}$



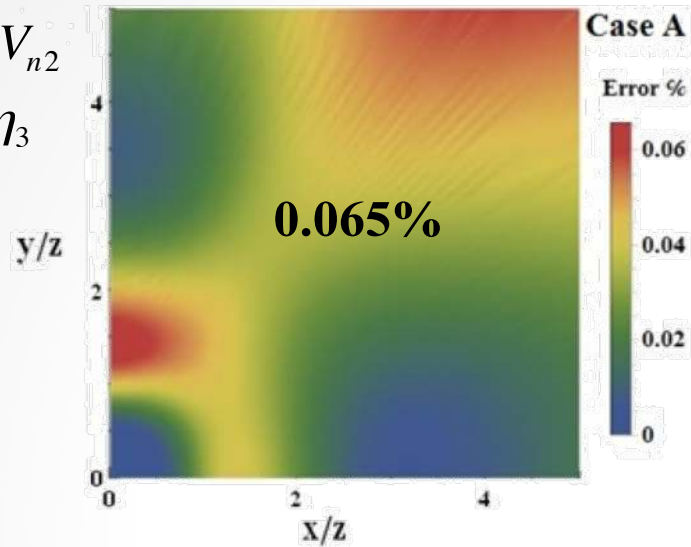
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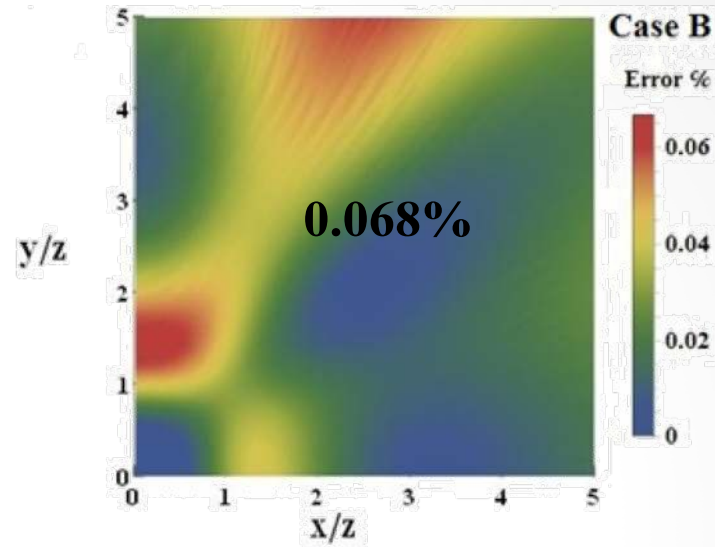
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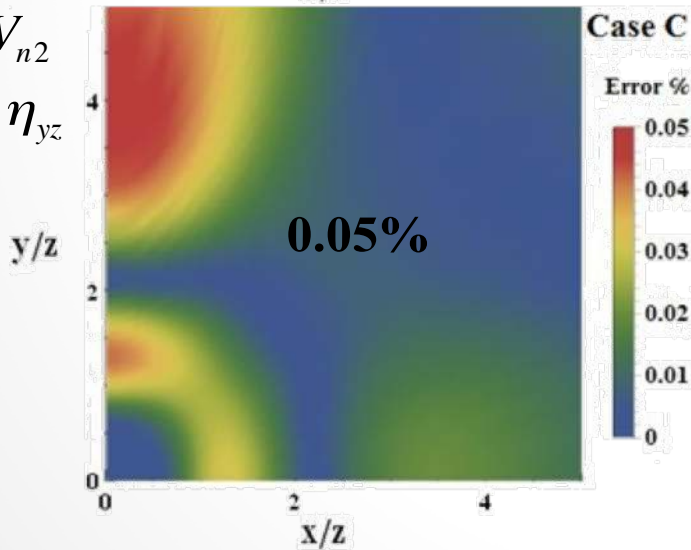
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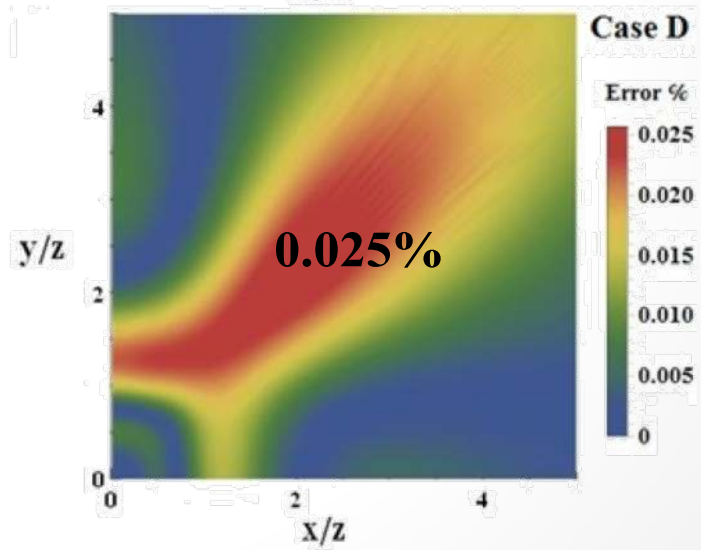
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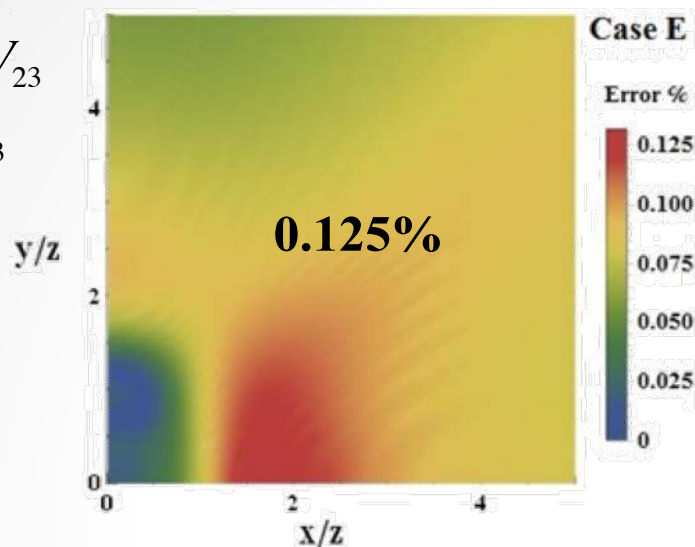
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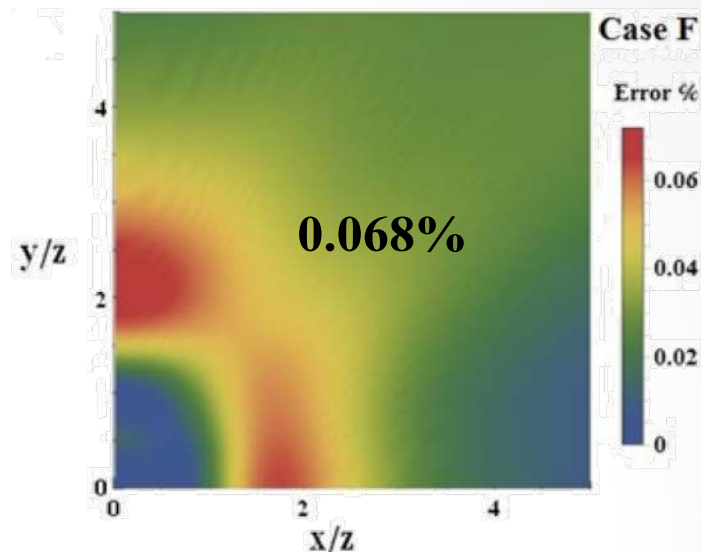
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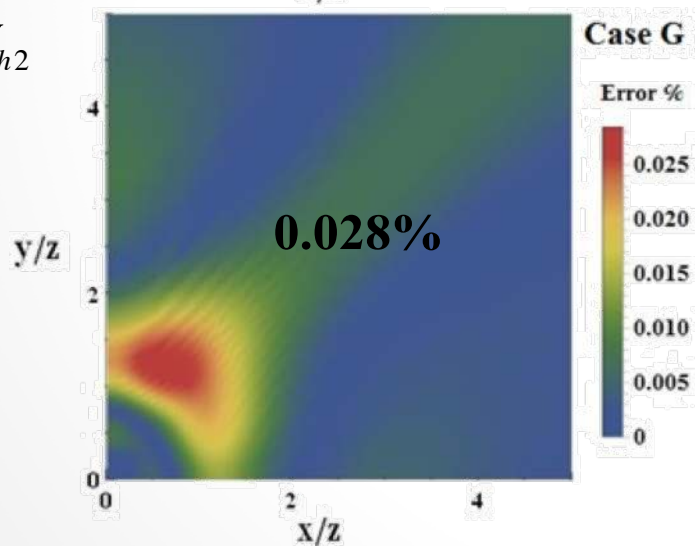
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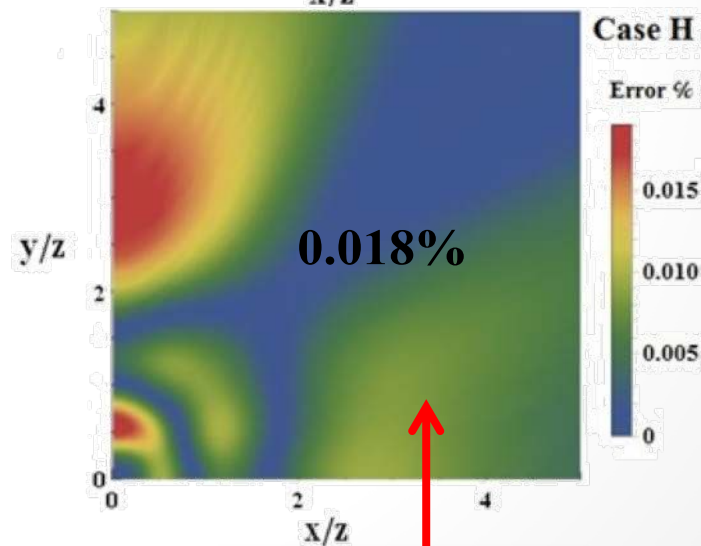
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*Most accurate*

model dependent

# Conclusions

1. A group of new parameterizations for a homogeneous ORT model.
2. The parameterization with vertical and two horizontal velocities and three cross-term anellipticity parameters results in best accuracy (model dependent).
3. More accurate traveltimes results in better accuracy in the anisotropy estimation of the velocity analysis.

**End**

***Thanks for attention !***

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