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Contemporary Models of the Earthquake Process

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Lecture I: The Simplicity of Generating Complexity

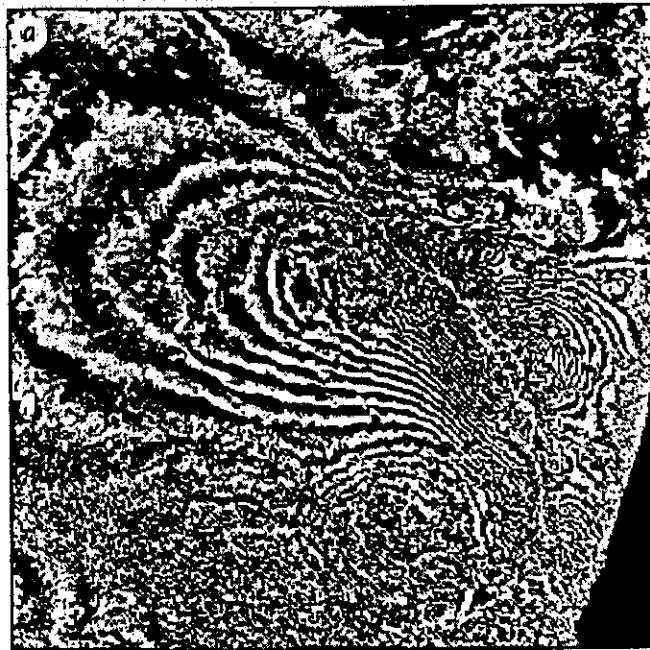
- Generating Power Laws
- Simple Examples of Complex Patterns
- Self-Organized Criticality (SOC)
- Earthquake Models of Complexity
- A CA Model Using Permeability as a Toggle Switch
- Application of the CA Model to Dehydration Reactions

Lecture II: Contemporary Models of the Earthquake Process

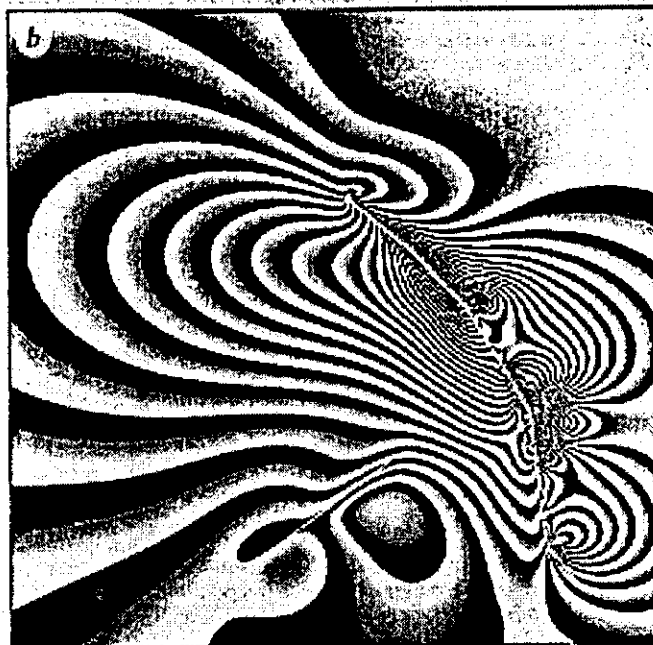
- **Dislocations and Brittle Faulting**
- **Stress Transfer Models (Including NAFZ in Turkey)**
- **Coupling Fluid Flow to Large Scale Tectonics**
- **Behavior of a 3-D Fluid-Controlled Earthquake Model**

Lecture III: Properties of Large Ruptures and Surface Deformation Field

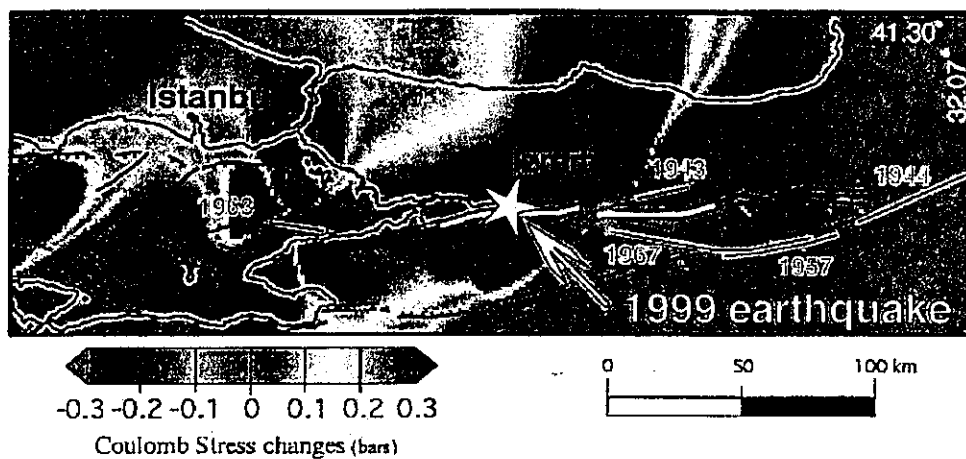
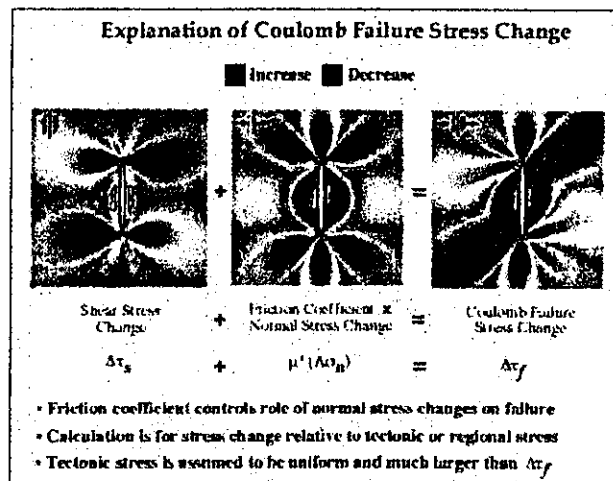
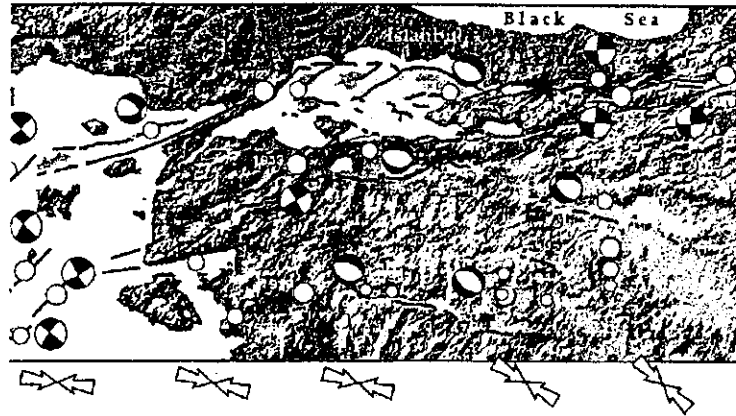
- Review of Some Rupture Models
- Complex Slip of Earthquakes
- General Strain Fields Around Elastic Dislocations
- The Properties of Large Ruptures (e.g. slip, rise time, moment release)
- Comparisons with Earthquake Catalogs
- The Surface Deformation Field



25 km

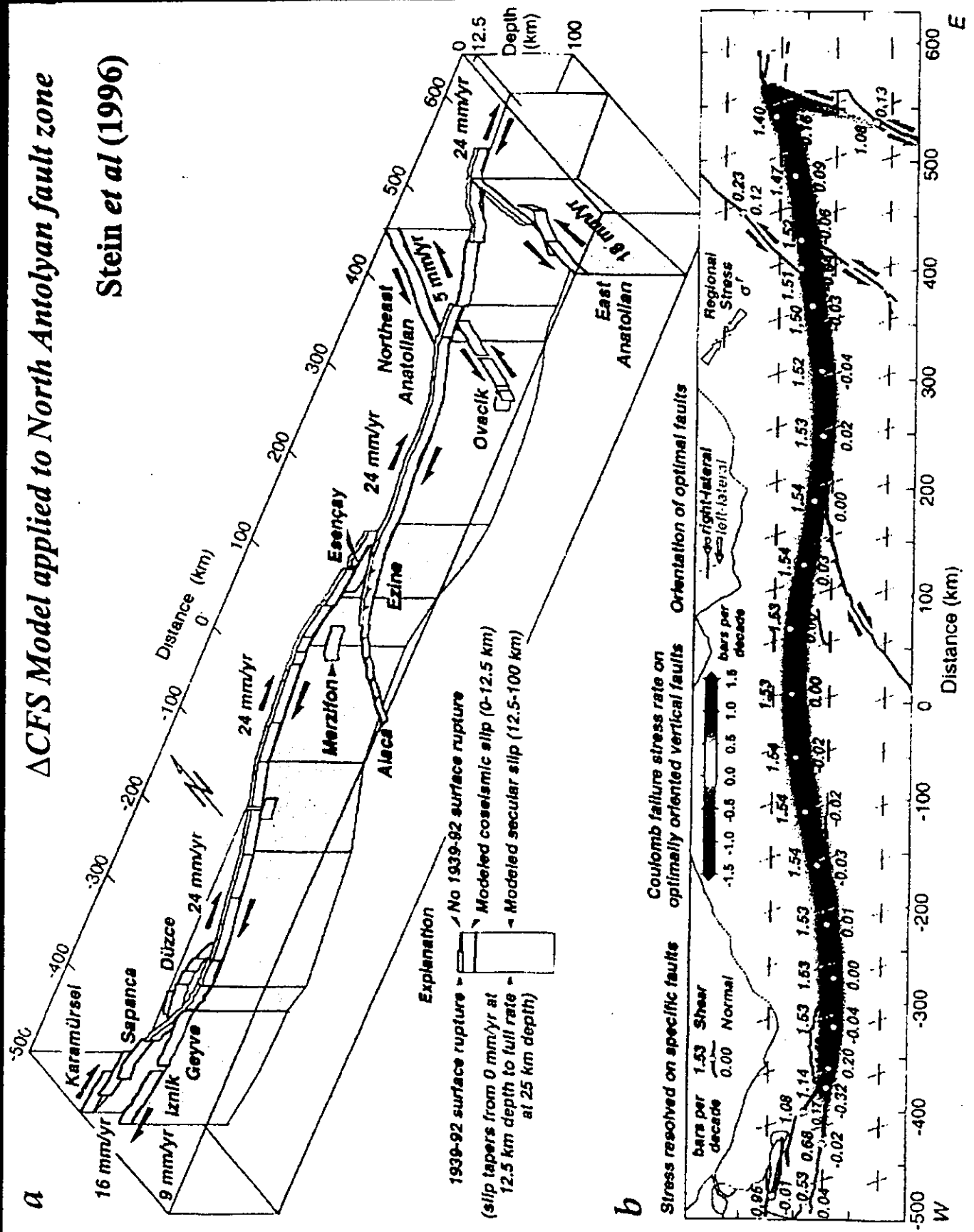


et al
Massonnet (1994)



ΔCFS Model applied to North Antolian fault zone

Stein et al (1996)



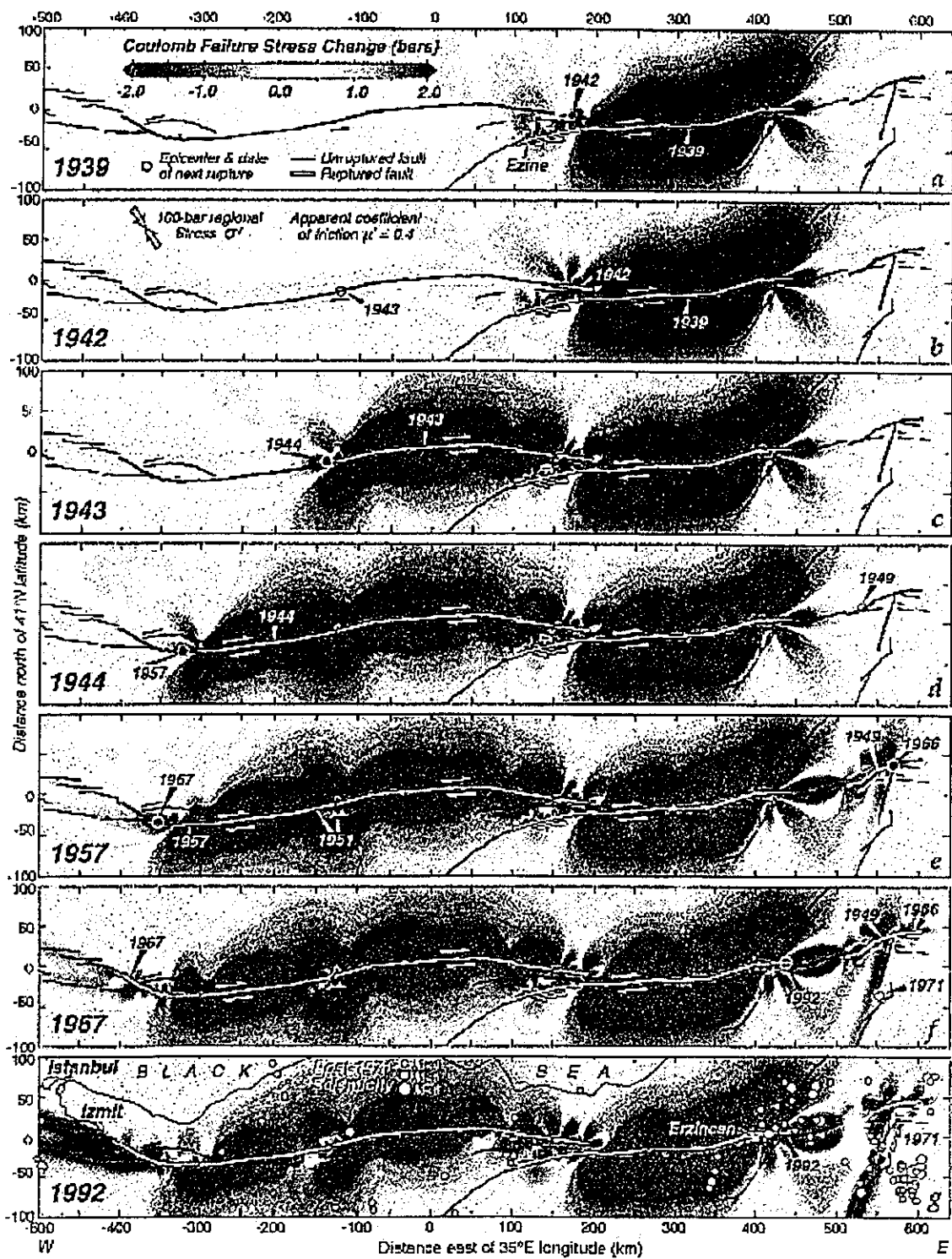
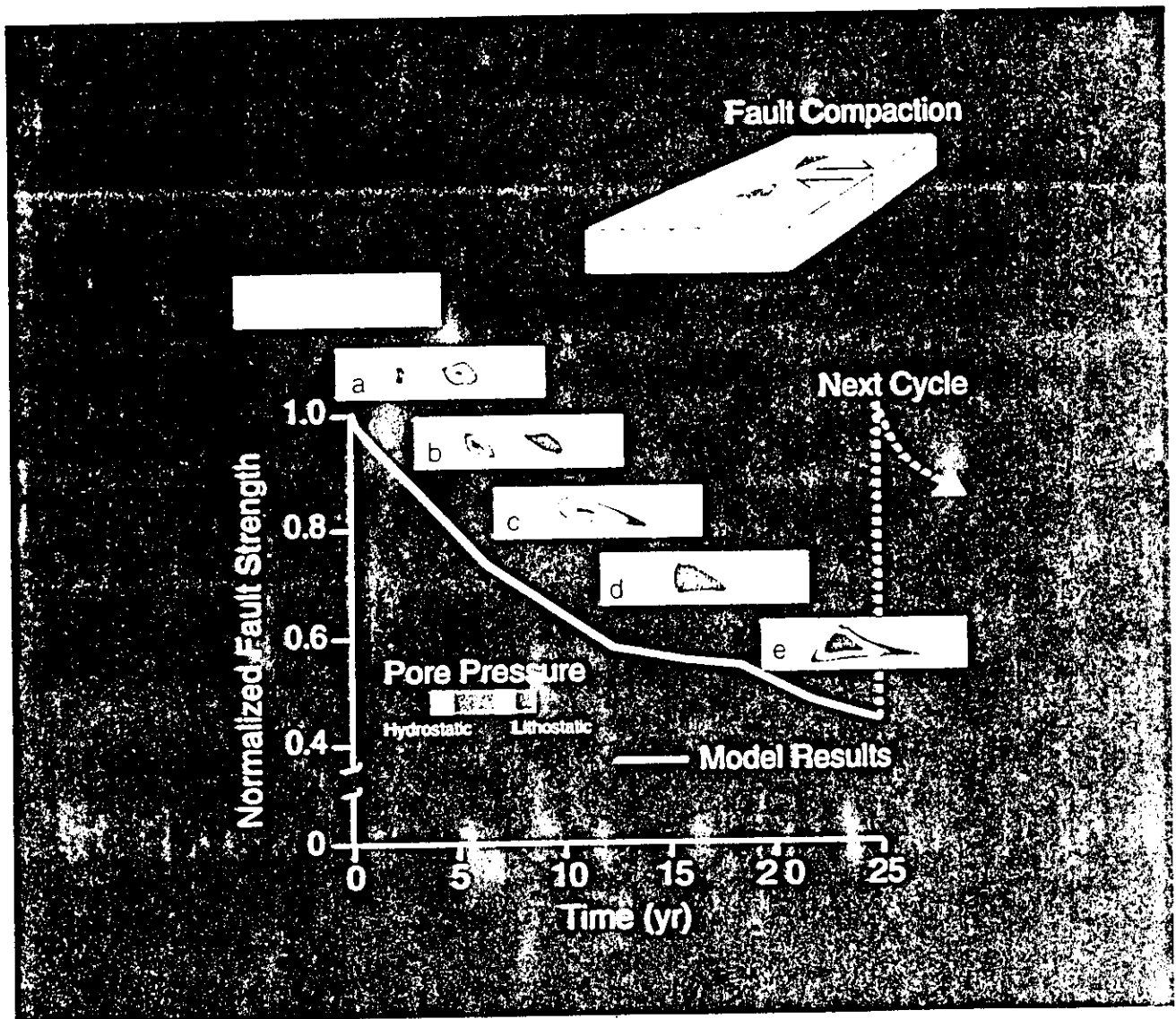
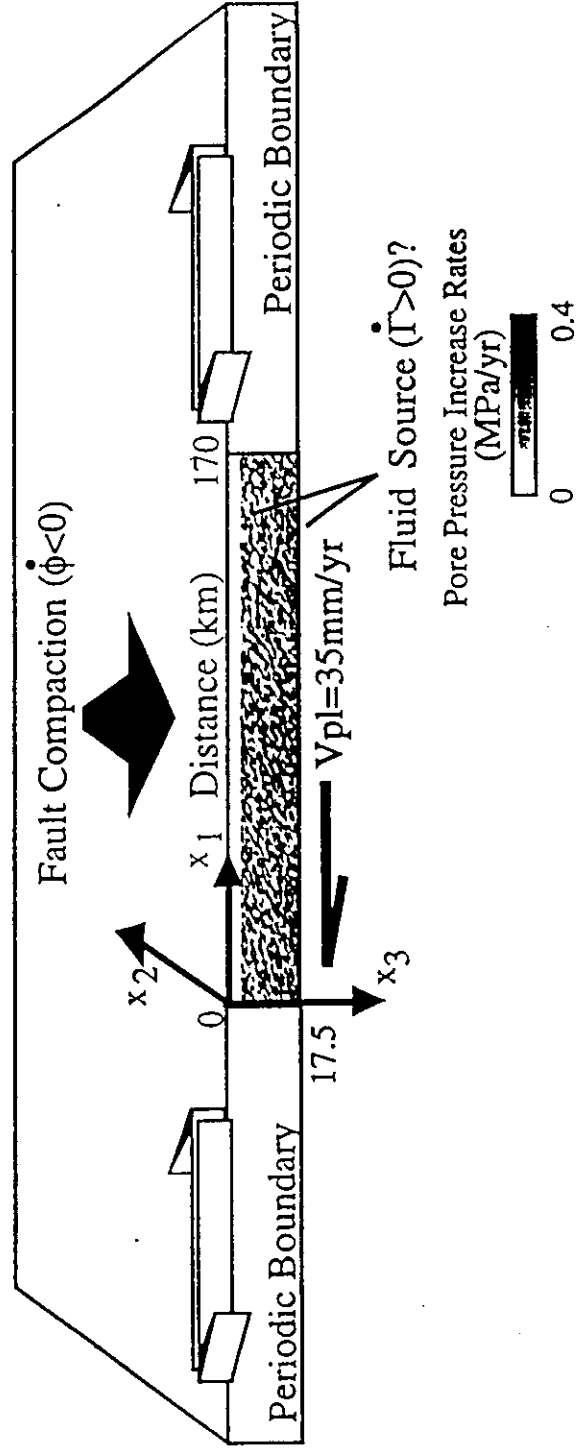


Figure 4 17 Oct 96 Stein et al.



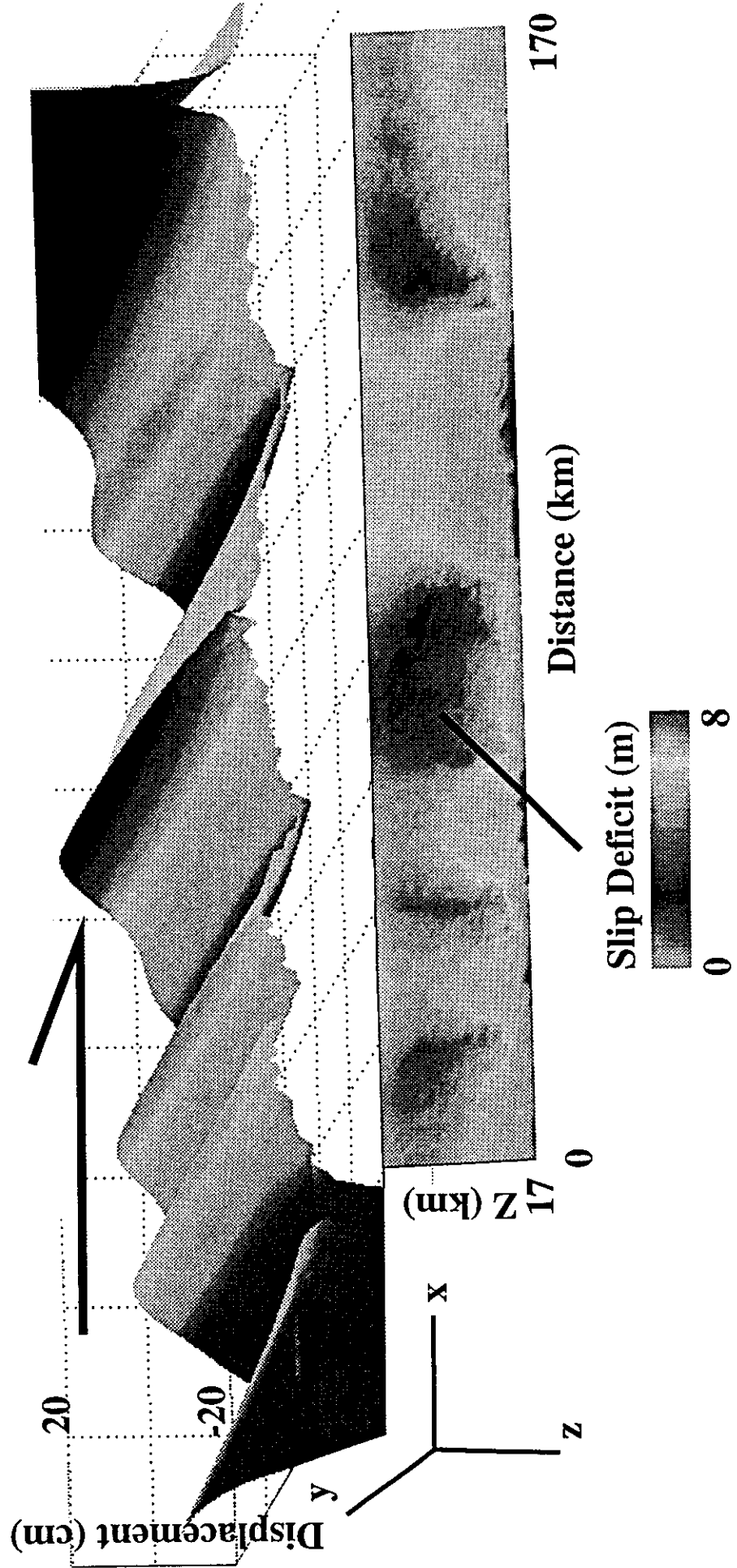
The Model



Miller et. al. (JGR 99)

(Elastic) Surface Displacements in Response to Slip Deficit

Model Results at 4000 years



Calculate shear stress from plate motion

$$\tau_i = \frac{G}{2\pi} \sum_{j=1}^N k_{ij} (\delta_j - V_{pl}(t))$$

Benjamin-Rice (1953)

Calculate pore pressure increase

$$\left. \frac{\partial P_f}{\partial t} \right|_{\text{noflow}} = \frac{\dot{\Gamma} - \dot{\phi}_{\text{plastic}}}{\phi(\beta_\phi + \beta_f)}$$

NC

$\tau > \tau_{\text{fail}} ?$

YES

Redistribute Shear Stress

$$\tau_i = \frac{G}{2\pi} \sum_{j=1}^N k_{ij} \delta_j$$

Assume $\Delta\sigma = 80\%$

Create New Porosity

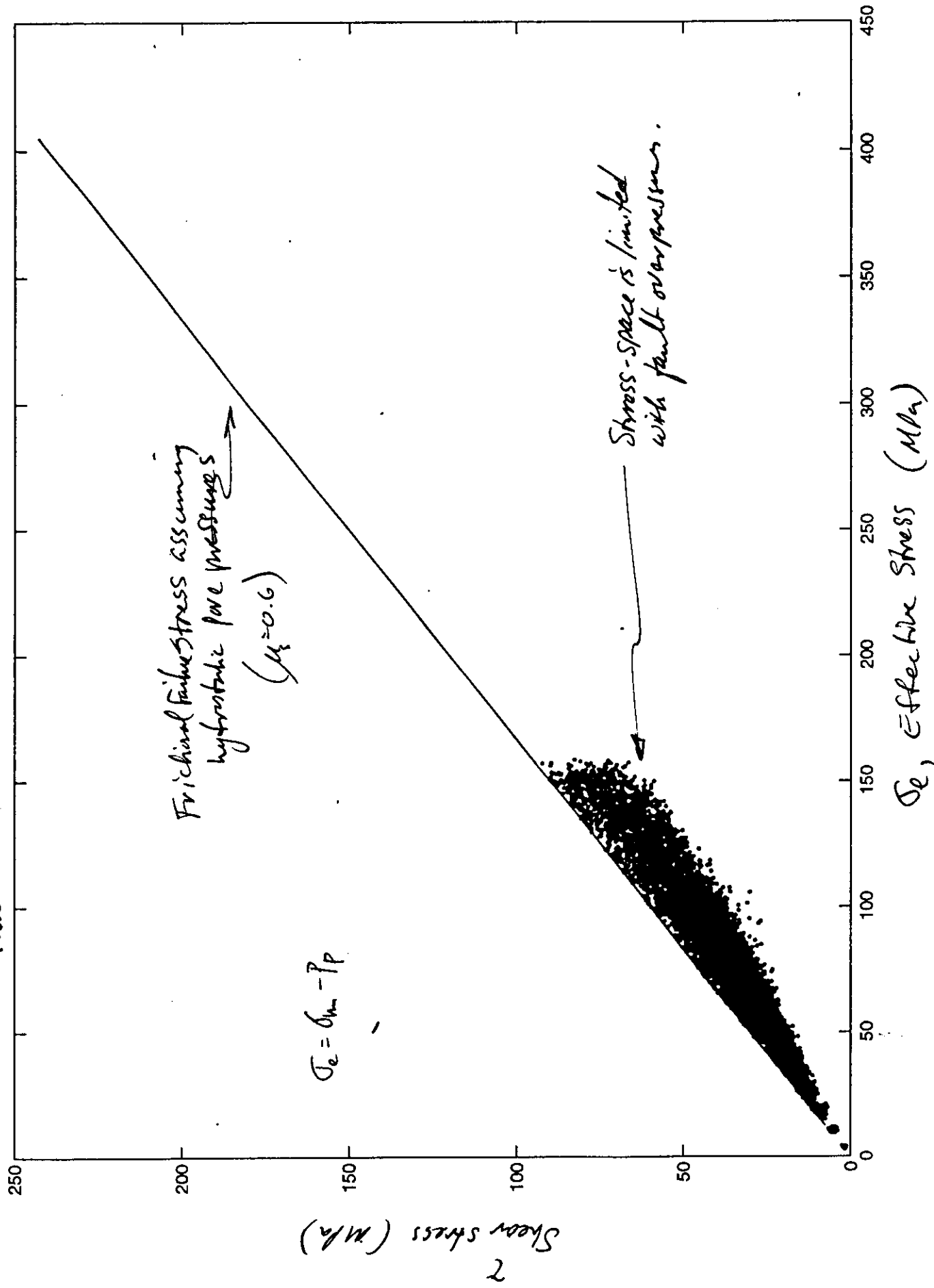
$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \delta} = \frac{\beta_m (\phi_m - \phi) \mu}{W \phi_m}$$

Slaps (1965)

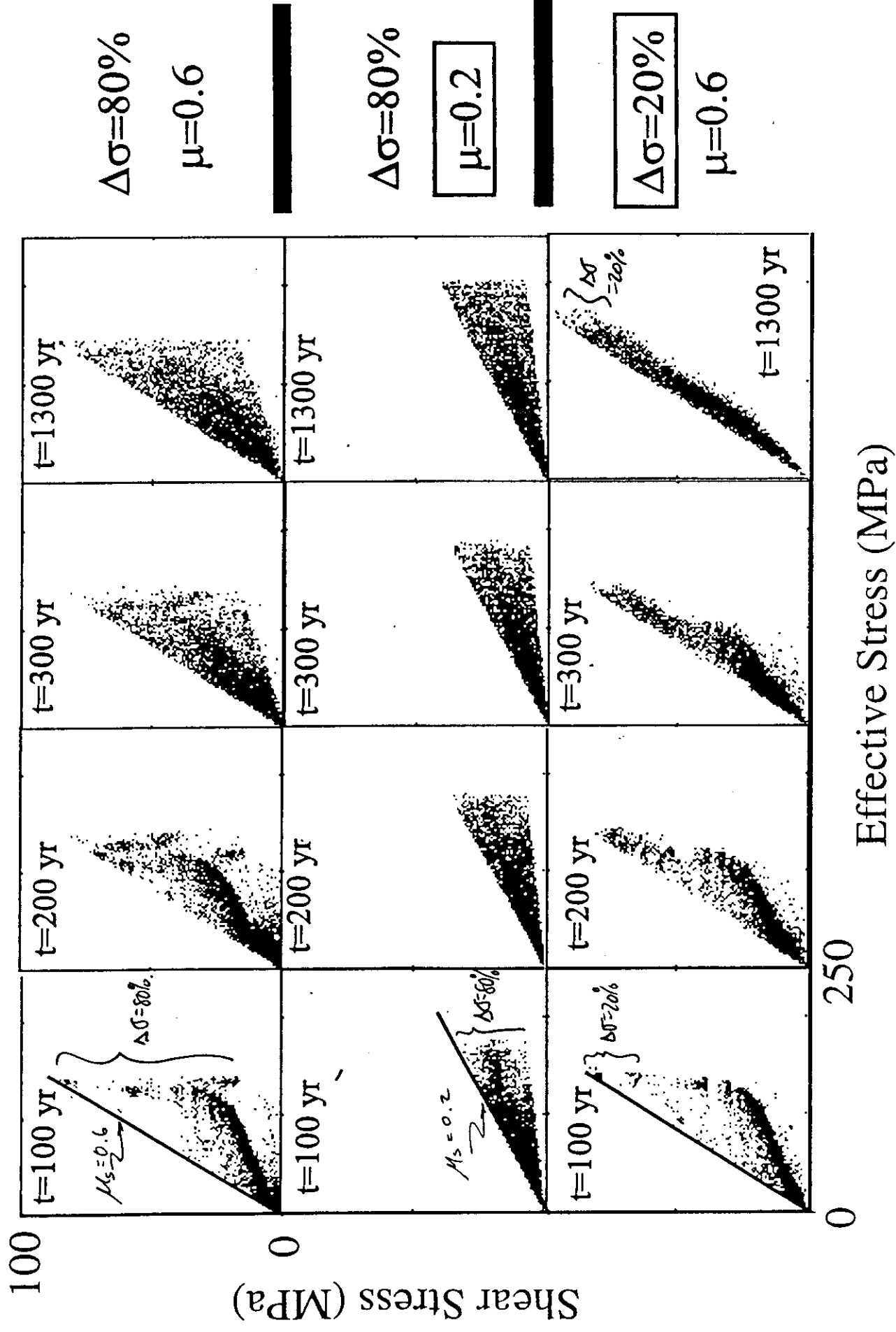
Redistribute Pore Pressure

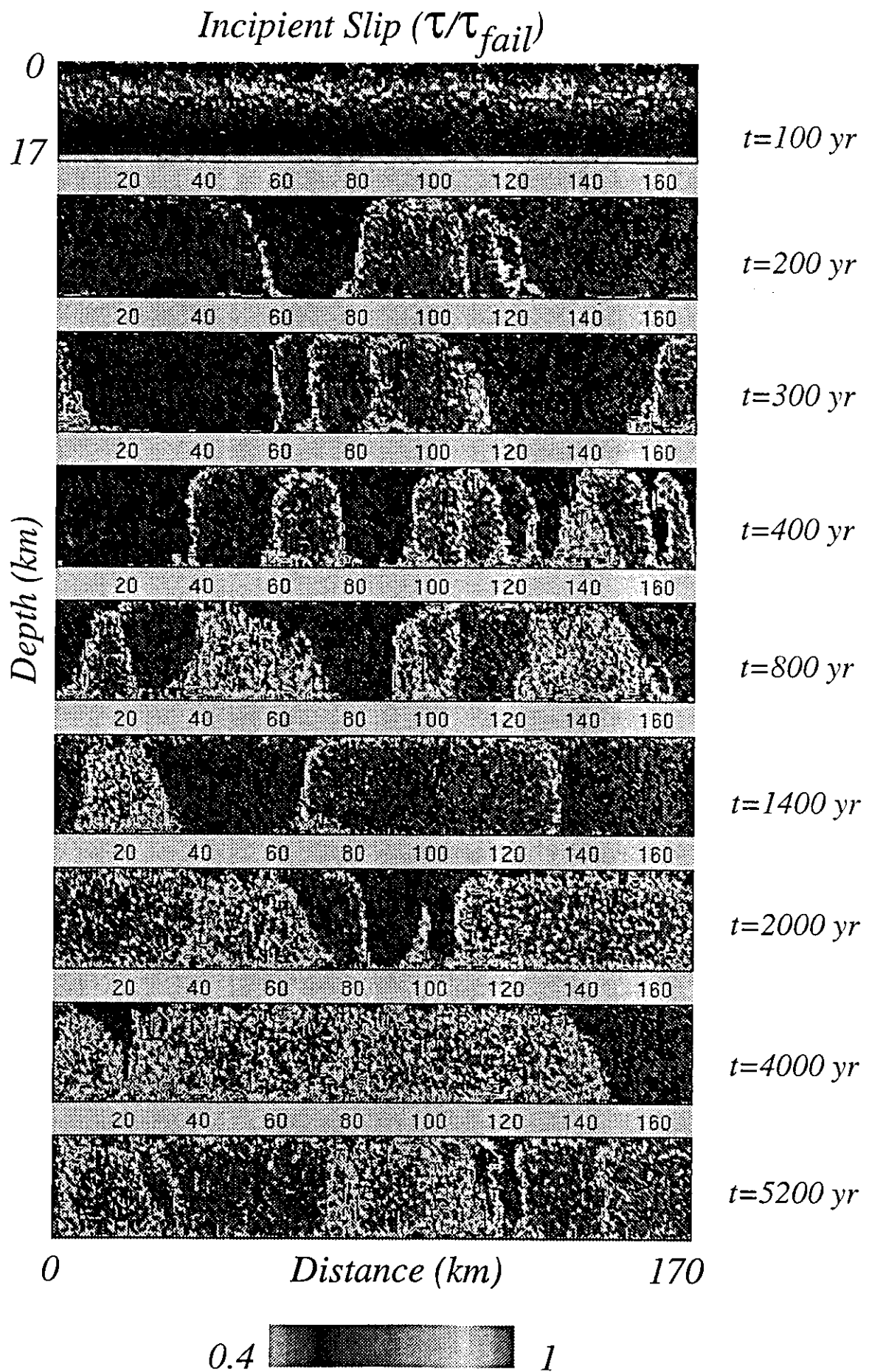
$$\bar{P} = \frac{\sum_i^M (\phi\beta)_i (P_i - \rho g \Delta h)}{\sum_i^M (\phi\beta)_i} + \rho g \Delta h$$

Fault Weakness

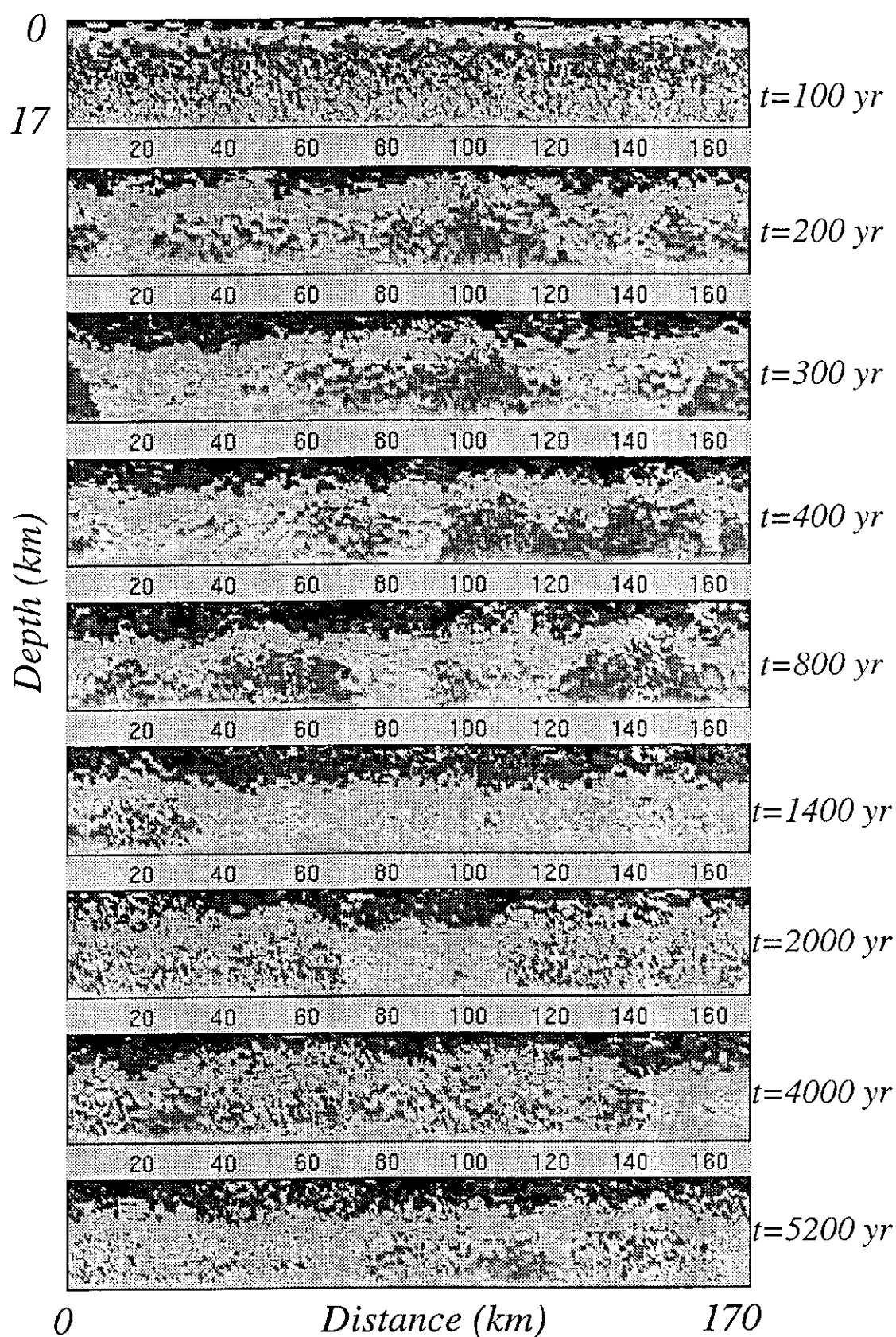


Stress State Evolution in Mohr-space for Different Cases

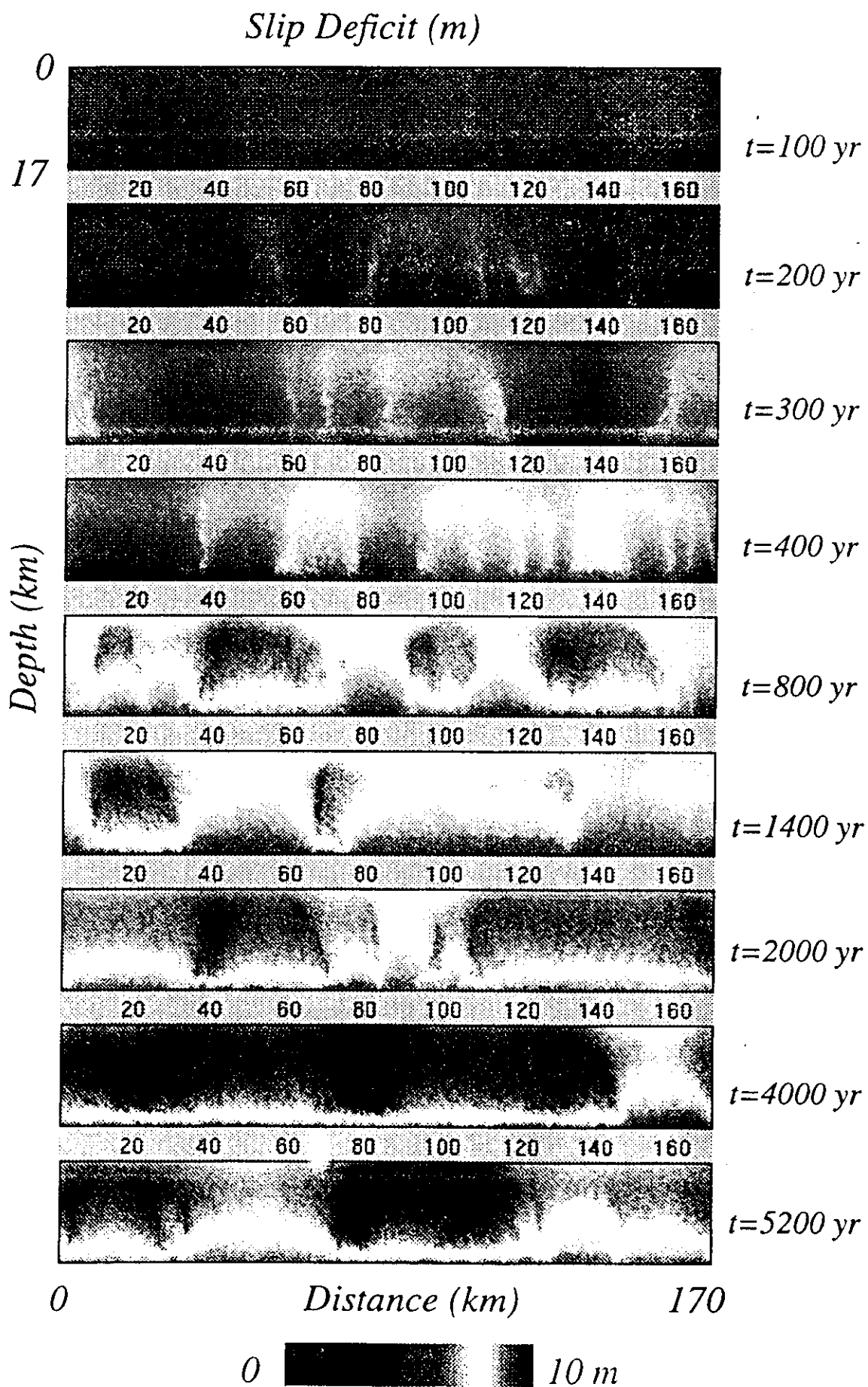


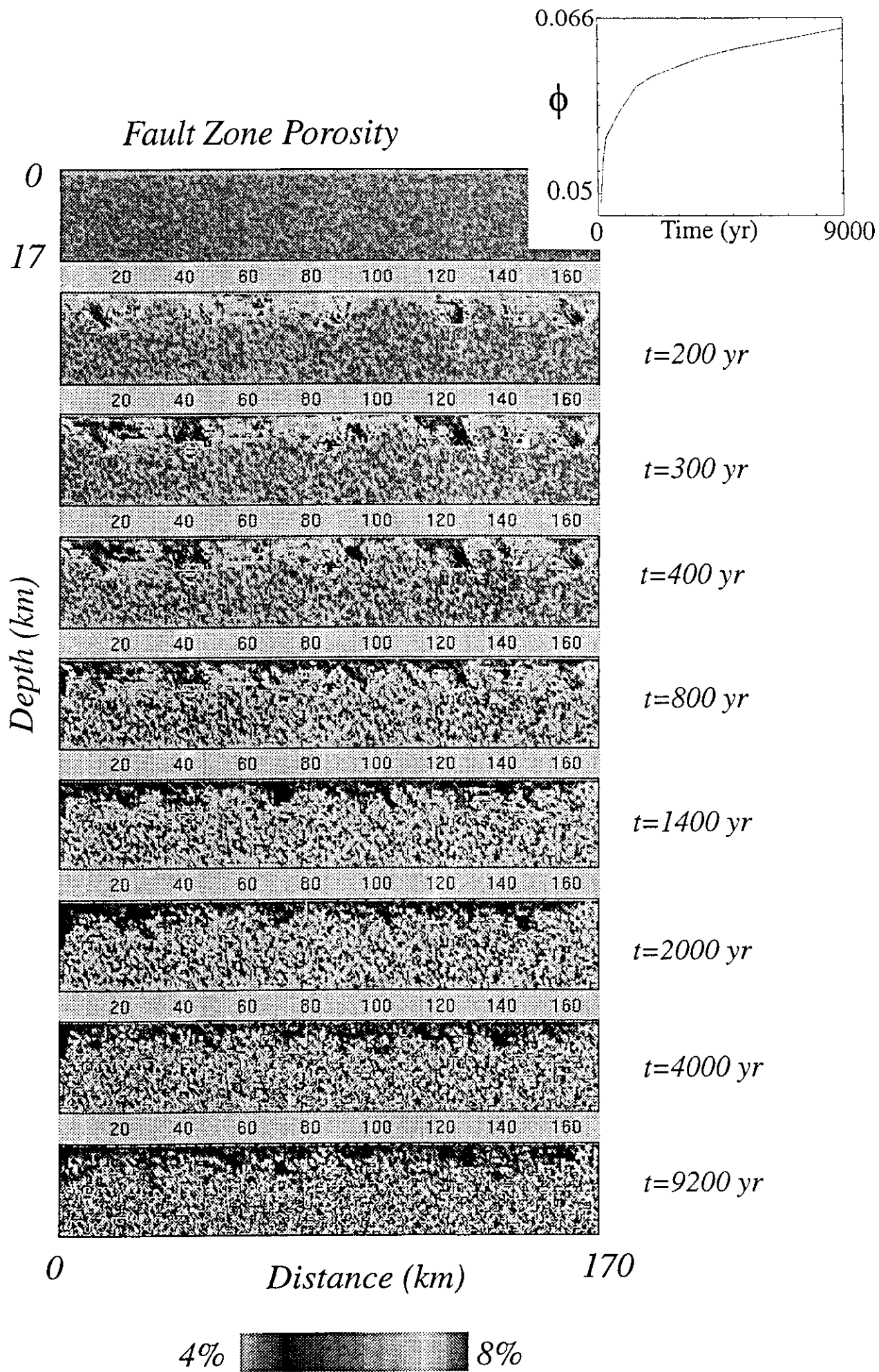


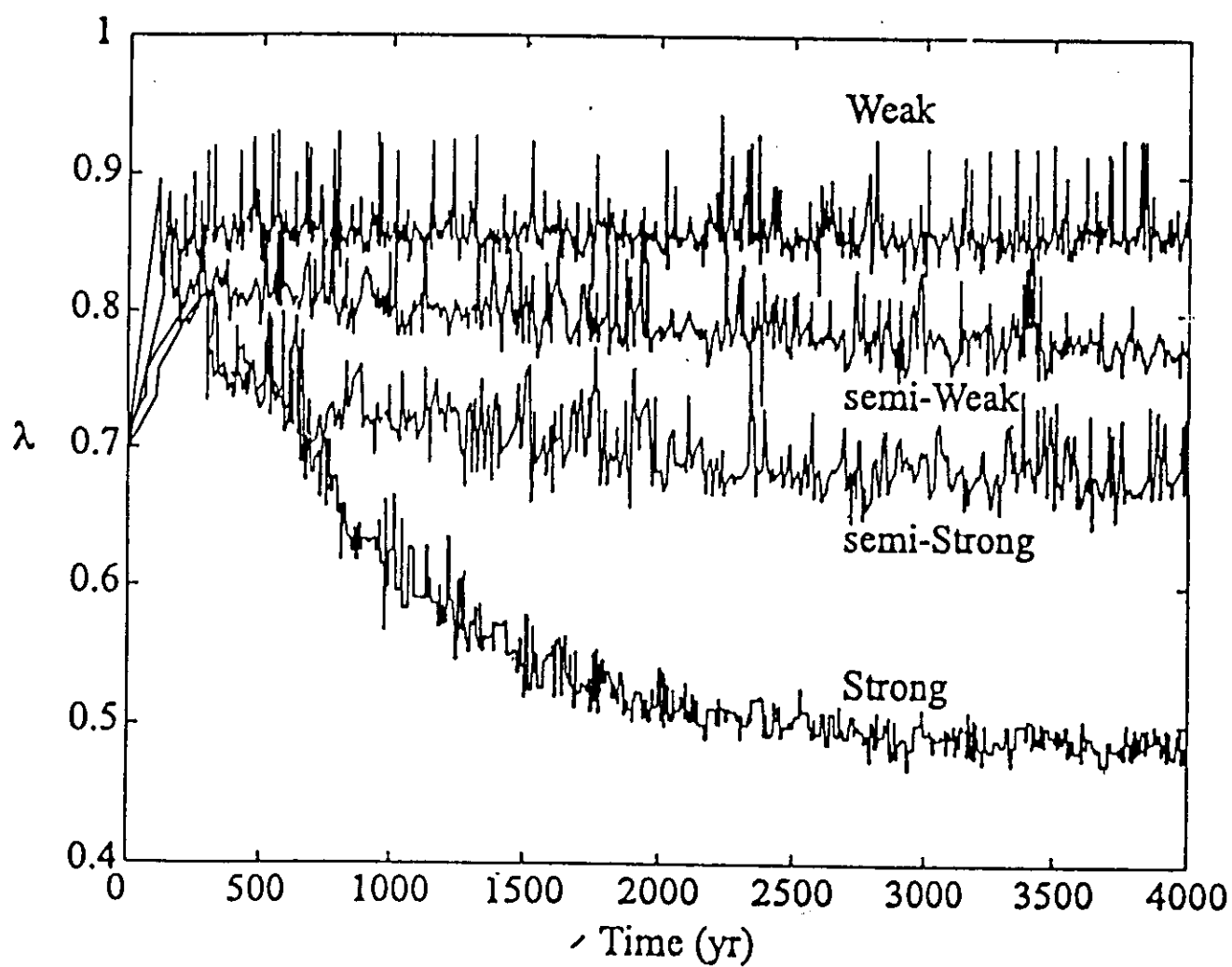
Fault Zone Pore Pressure State



(hydro) 0.4 1 (litho)

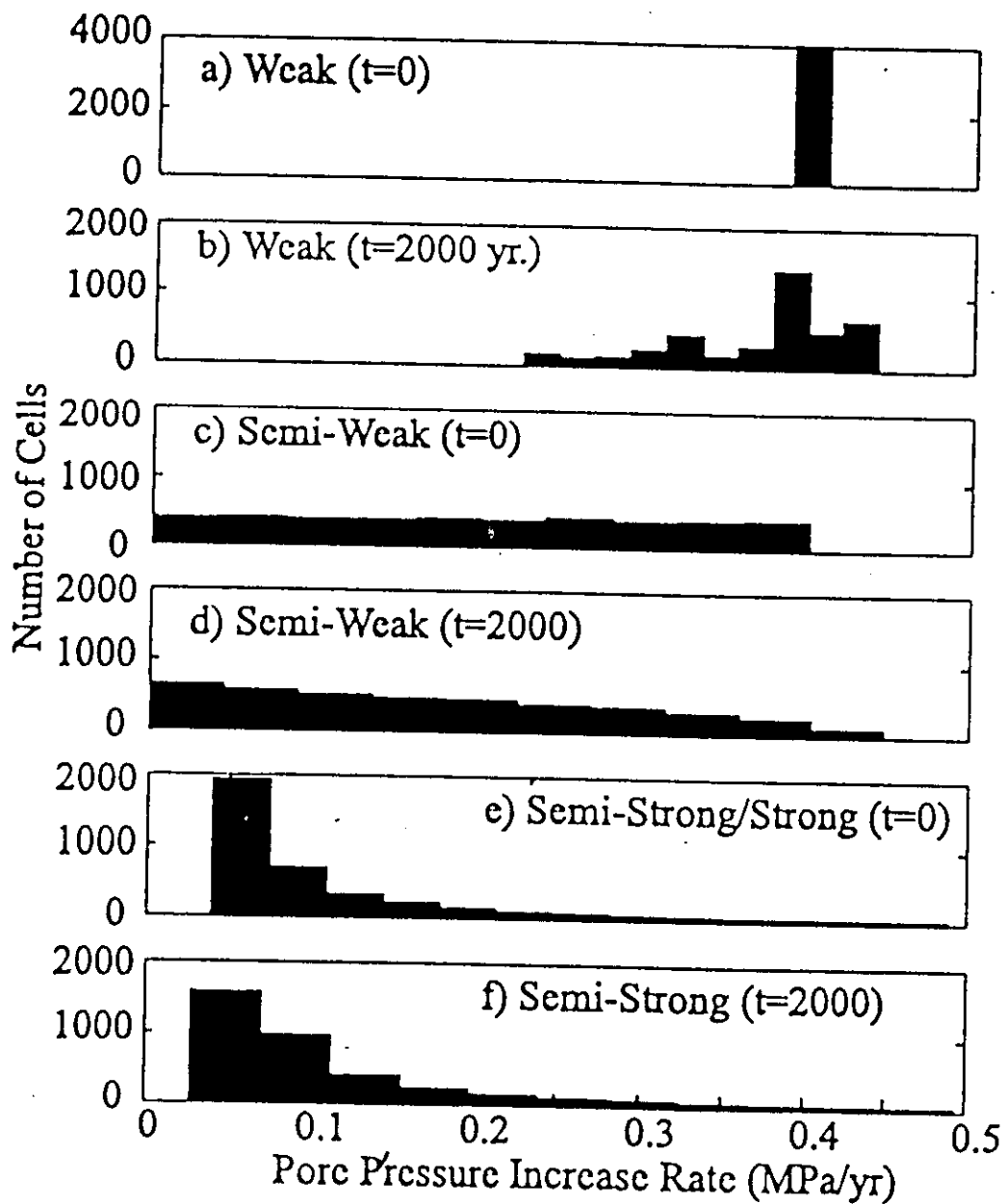






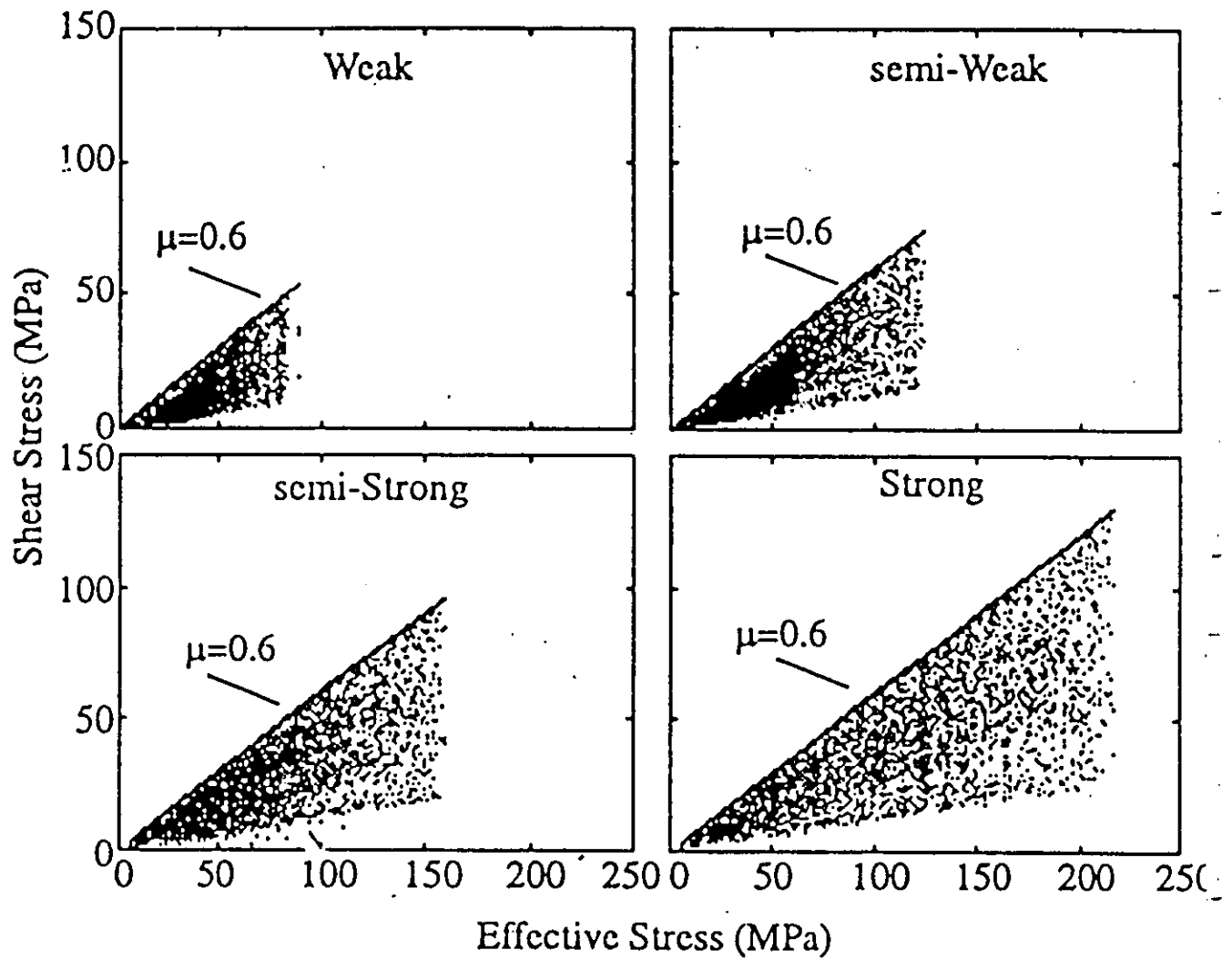
Miller et al (99)

INPUT TO MODEL: RATE OF PORE PRESSURE INCREASE



Miller et al (98)

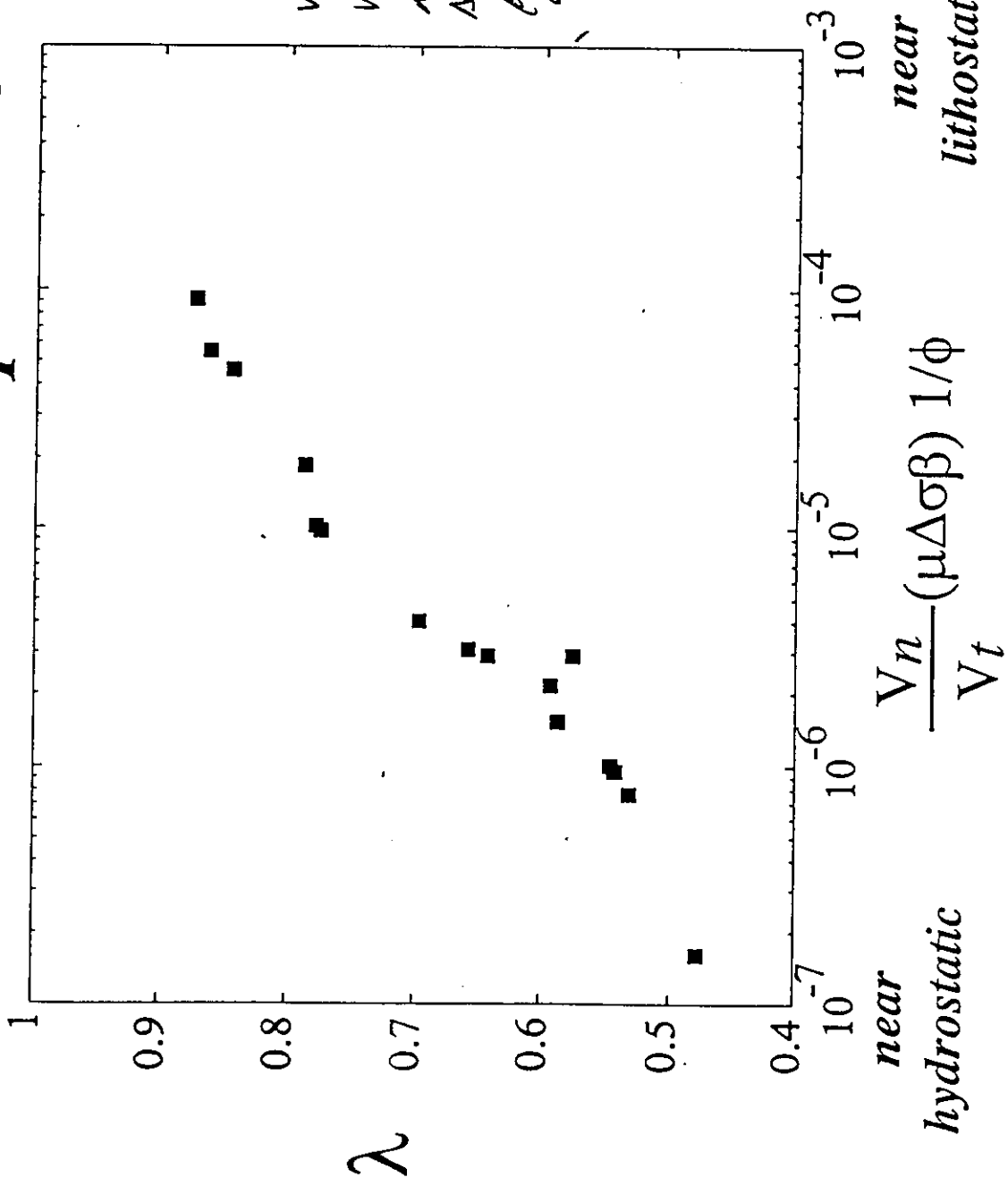
LONG-TERM EQUILIBRIUM IS MAXIMUM STRESS-SPACE DISORDER



Miller et. al (99)

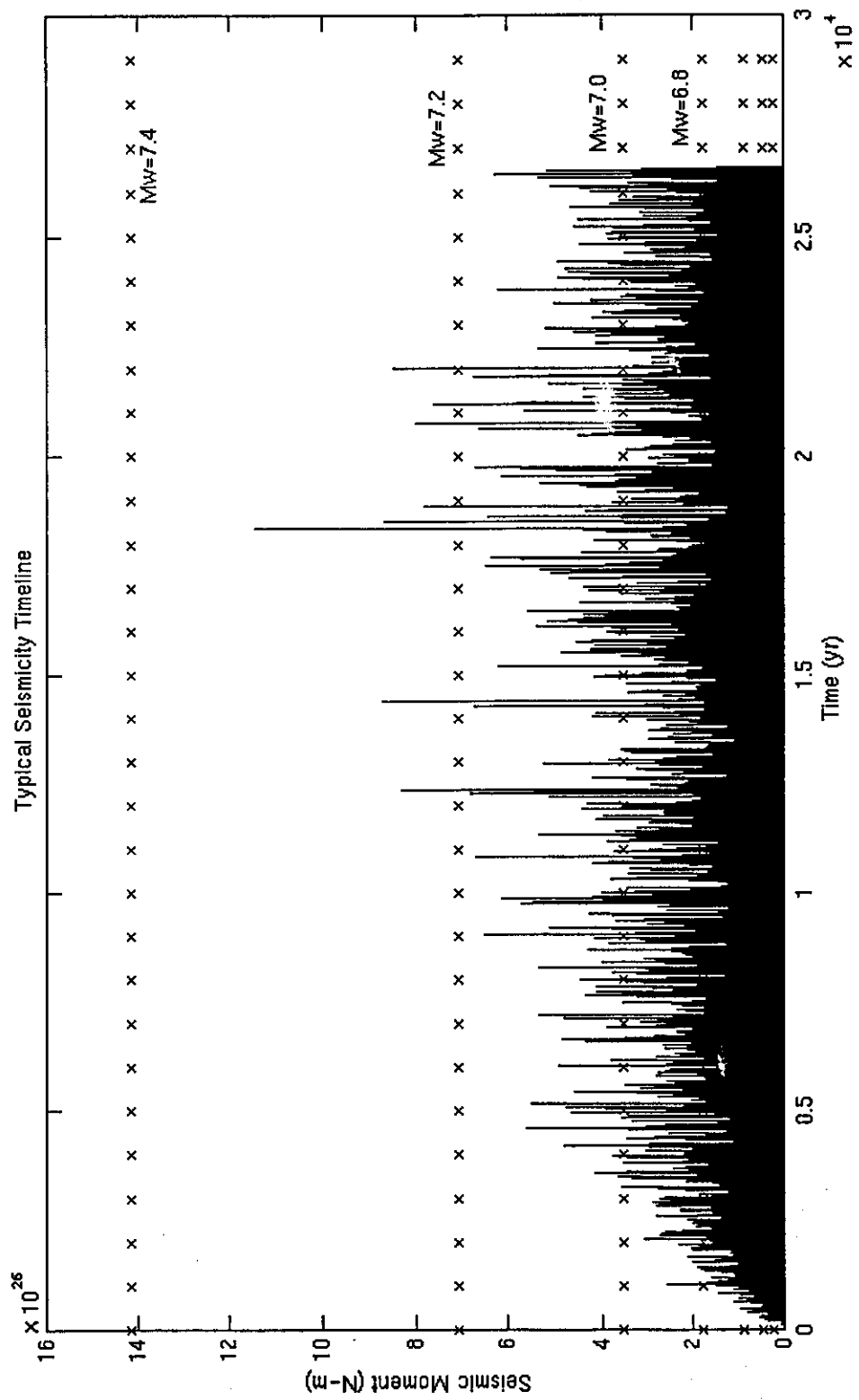
NON-DIMENSIONALIZING THE PROBLEM

Fault Zone Overpressure

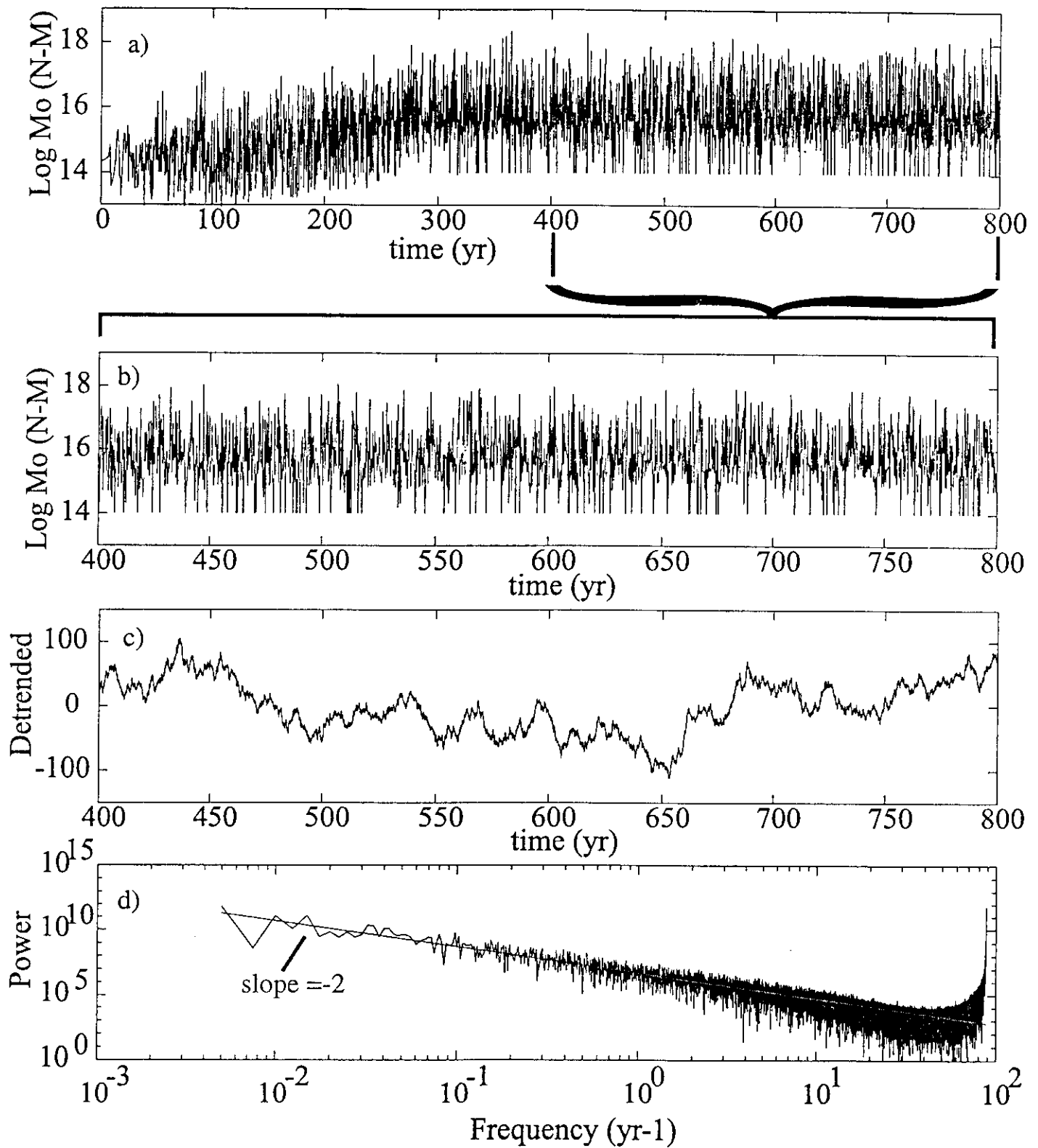


V_n = Fault-Normal velocity
 V_t = Fault-tangential velocity
 μ = friction coefficient
 $\Delta\sigma$ = stress drop
 β = pore compressibility
 d = porosity

Miller & Podolschikov. (in prep.)

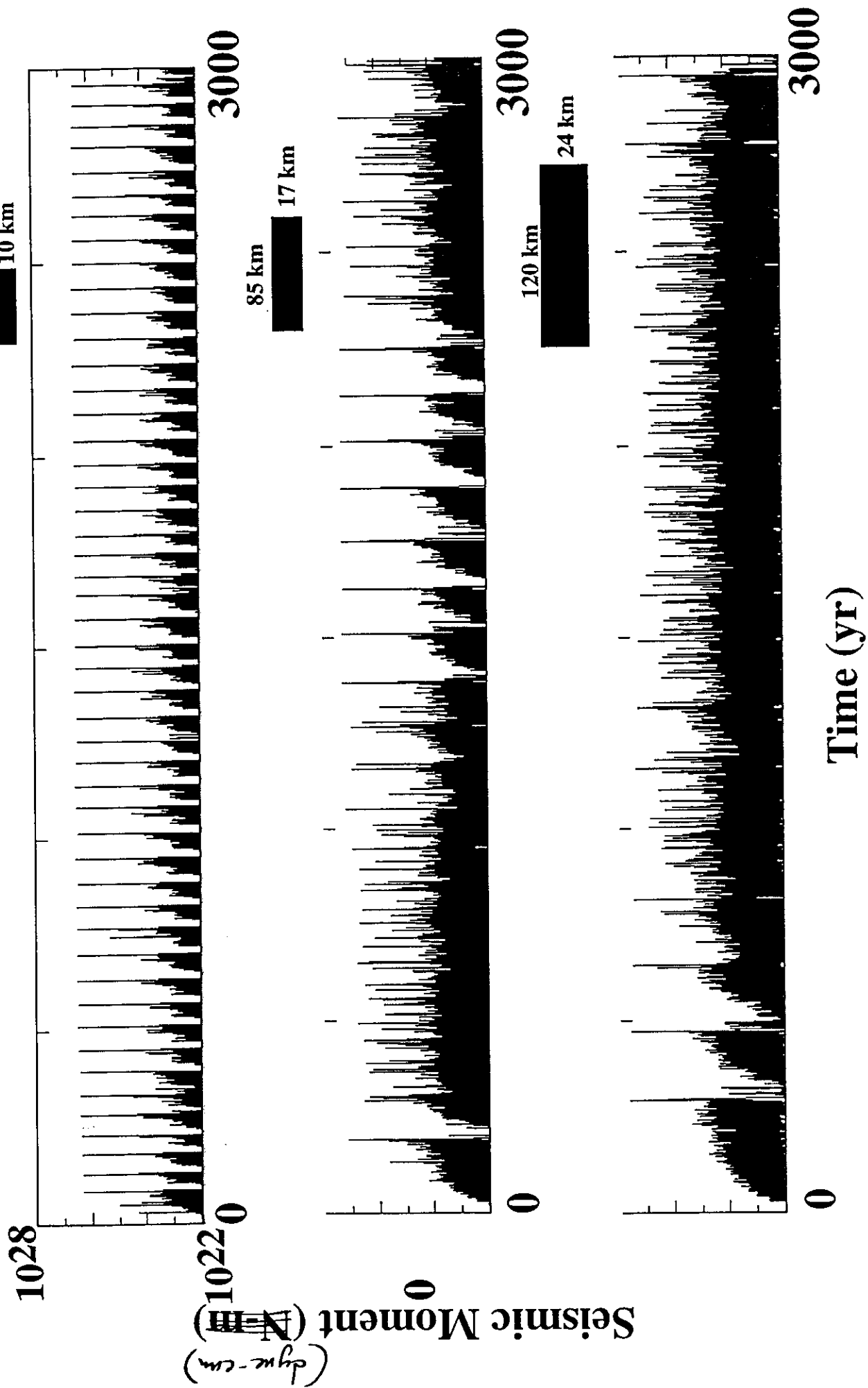


Static Friction Only = Random Moment Release



Miller et al. (JGR 1999)

Earthquake cycles for different fault dimensions



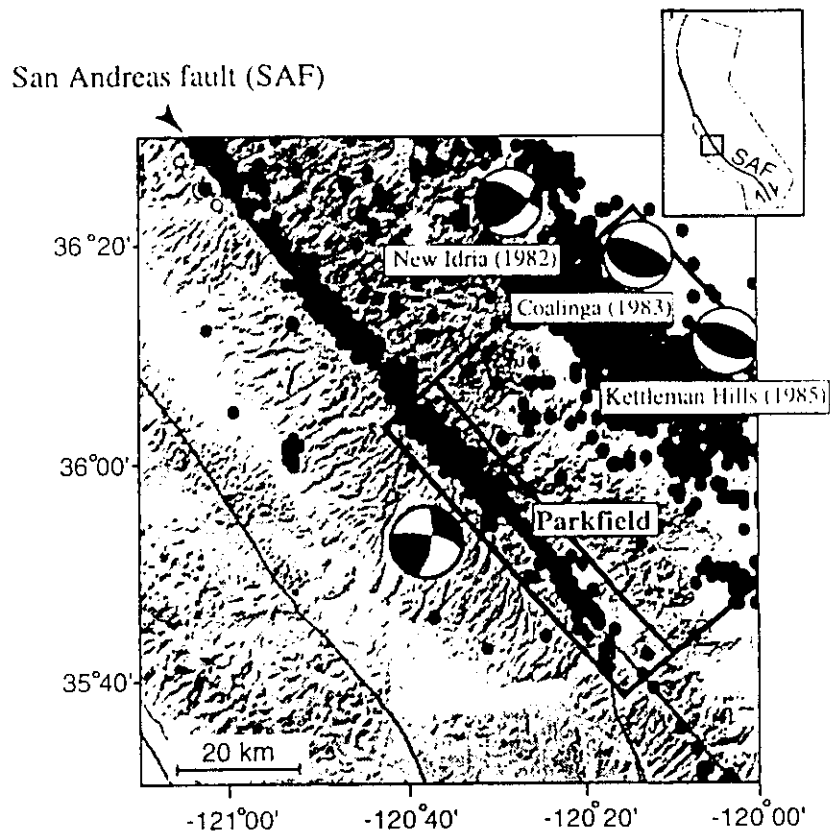


FIG. 1 Map of the study area (courtesy of US Geological Survey, USGS) with the epicentre (circles) of all events ($M \geq 2.5$) from January 1969 to October 1995 (data provided by the NCEDC). Concentrated epicentres mark the San Andreas fault, and the New Idria, Coalinga and Kettleman Hills regions are shown by the epicentres to the northeast. The beach balls show strike slip earthquake focal mechanisms along the San Andreas fault, and thrust fault focal mechanisms in the Coalinga region¹⁴. For results presented in this Letter, the region is separated into Coalinga–Kettleman Hills (CK), and 60 km along strike, centred around Parkfield (denoted by boxes).

1996) and analysis of the geodetic data^{8,16}. Changes in fault-

Miller (Nature, '96)

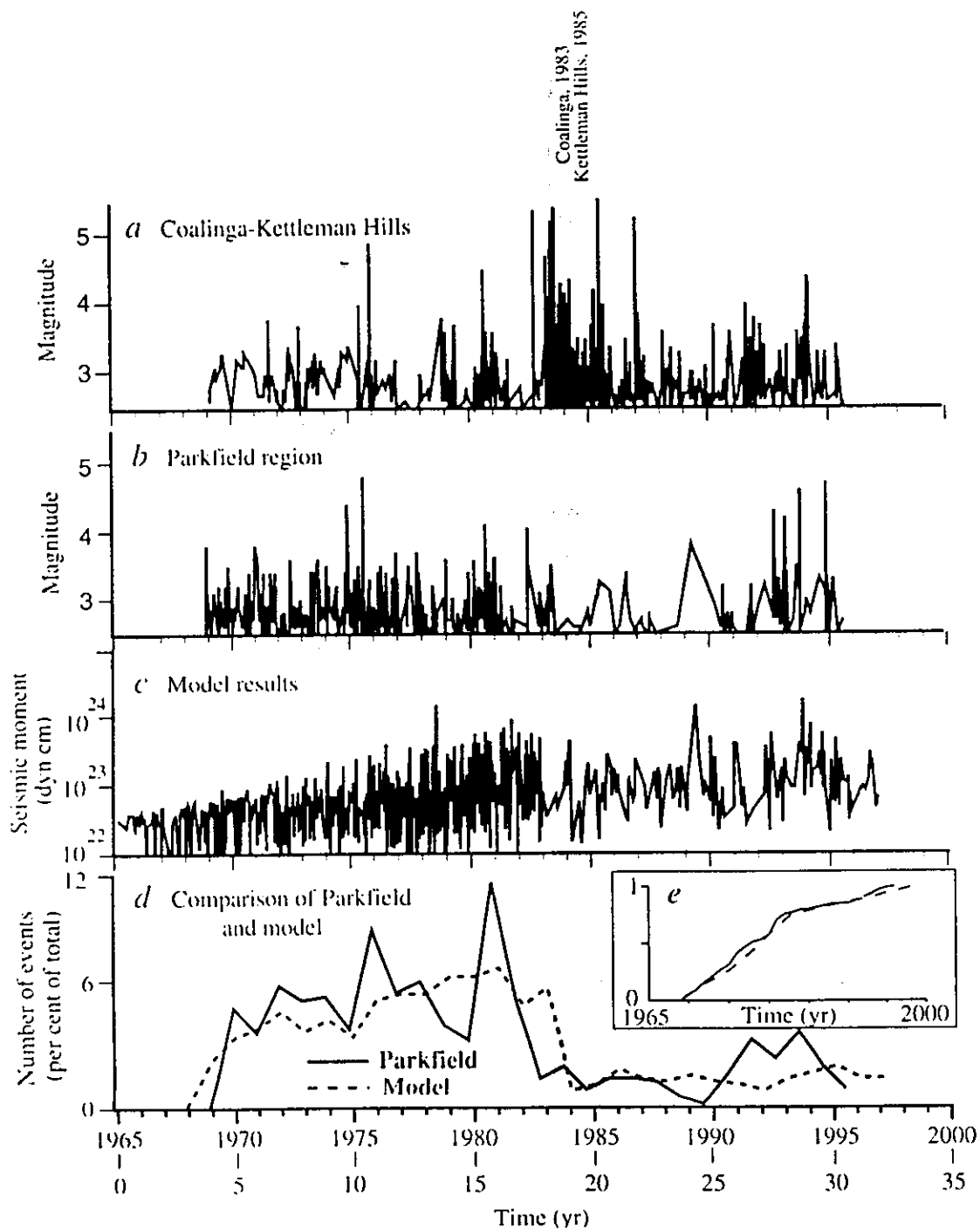
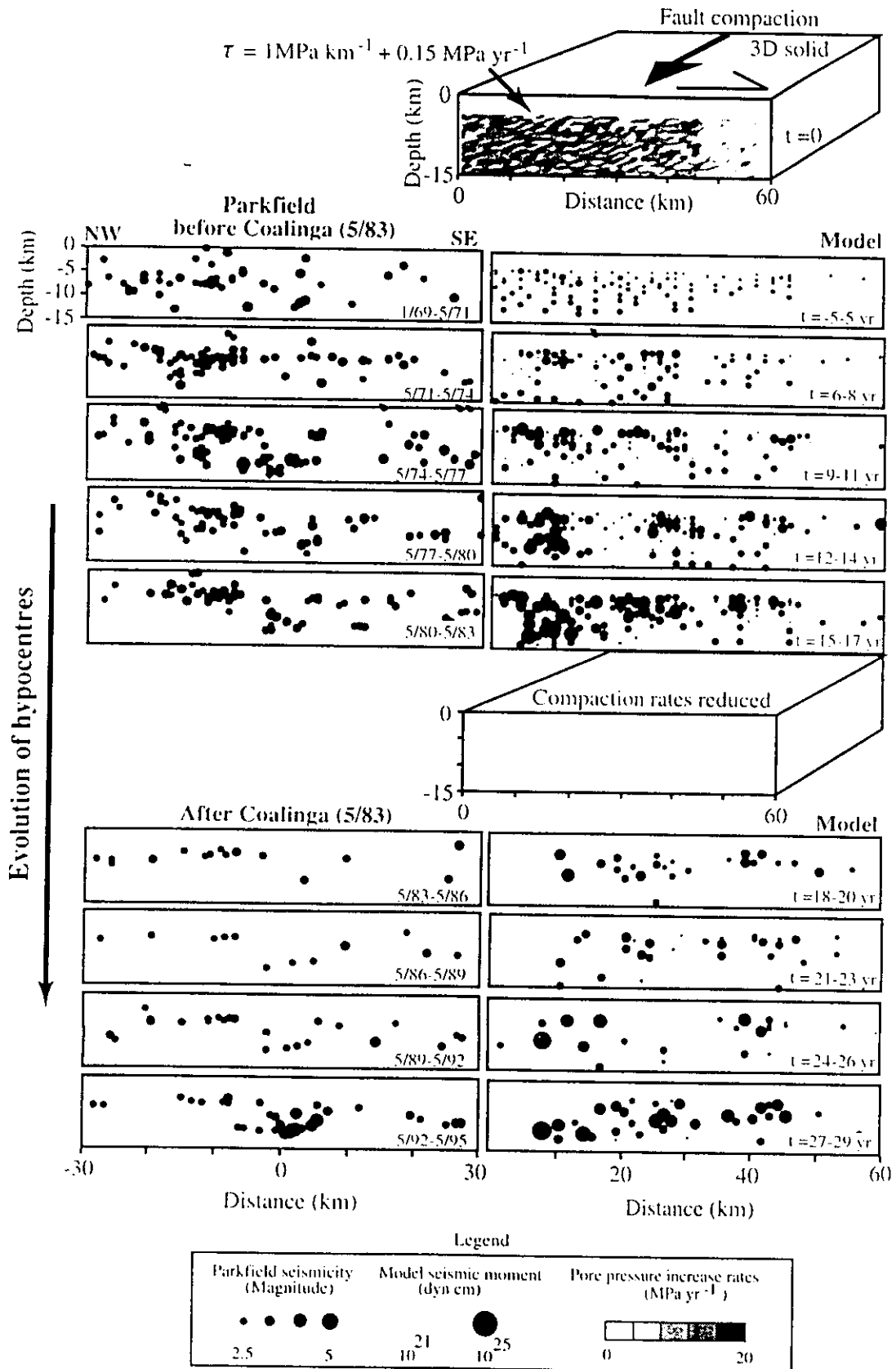


FIG. 2 Time history of seismicity for Coalinga-Kettleman Hills (a), Parkfield (b) and model results (c). A comparison of Parkfield seismicity and model results is shown in d as a percentage of the total number of events for Parkfield (478 events) and in the model (657 events). A comparison of the cumulative number of events (derived by integrating the distribution in d) is shown in e. The spatial distribution of records in b and c are compared in Figs 3 and 4.

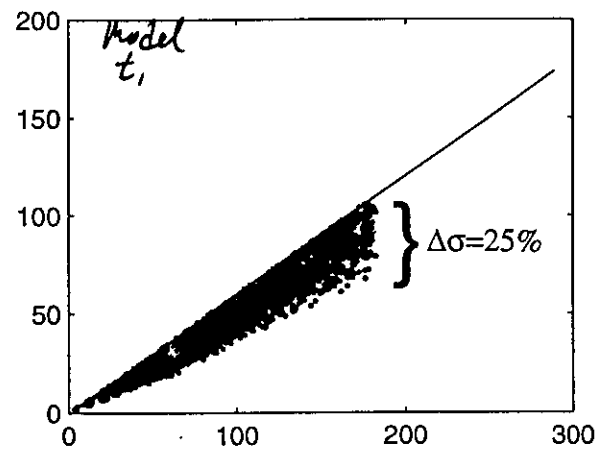
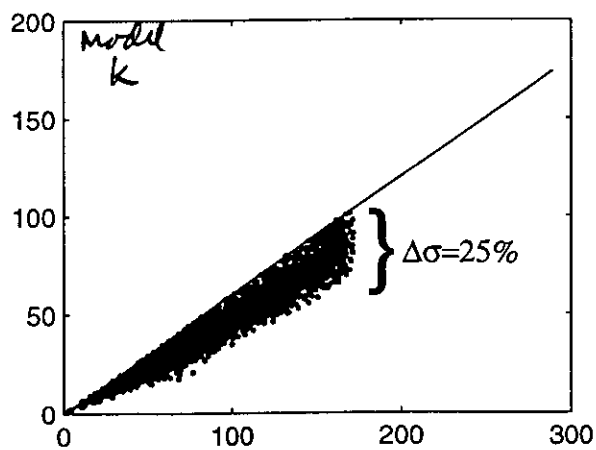
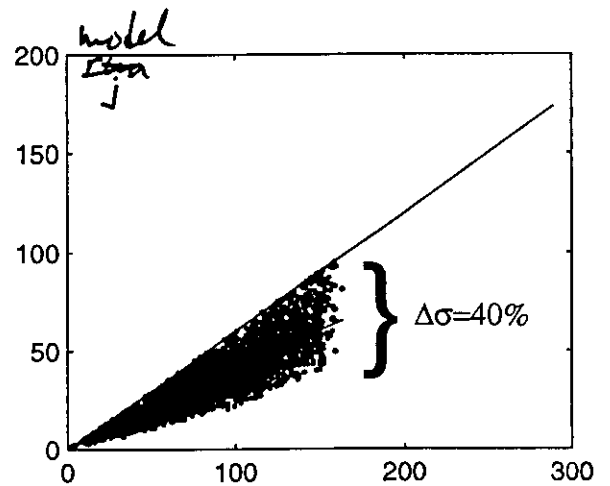
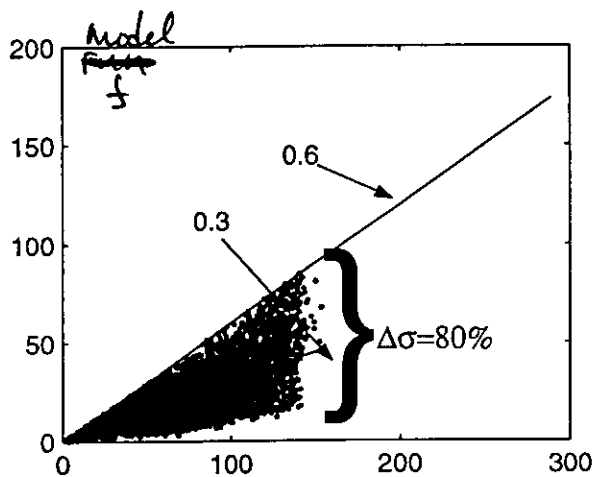
A comparison

Witten (Nature, 96)

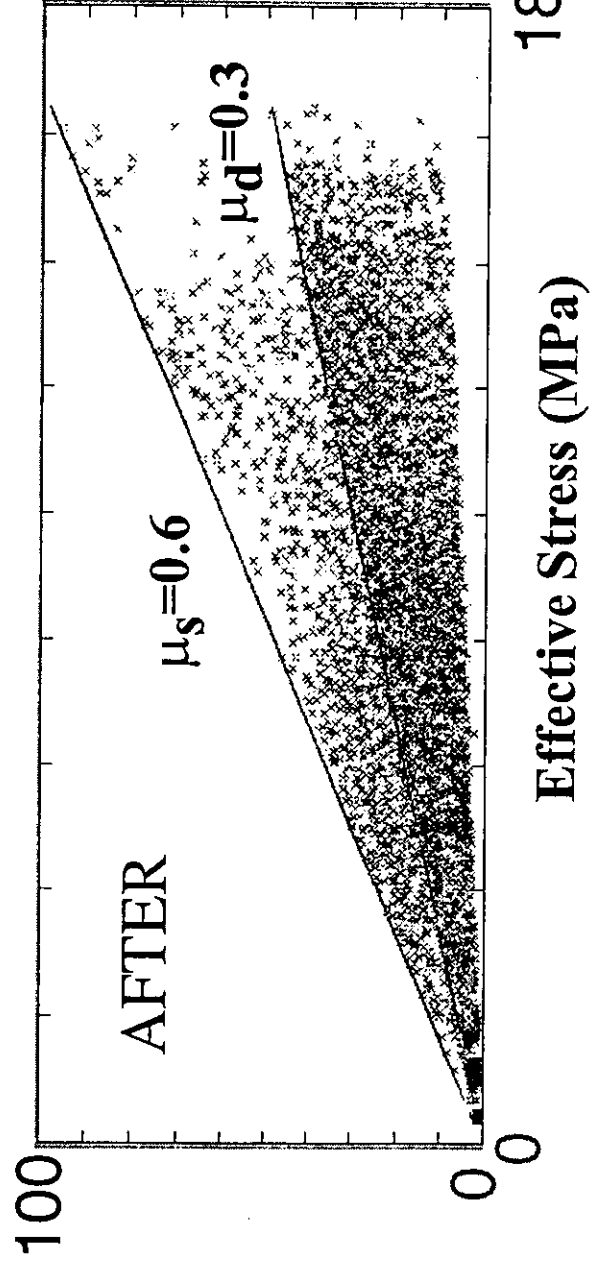
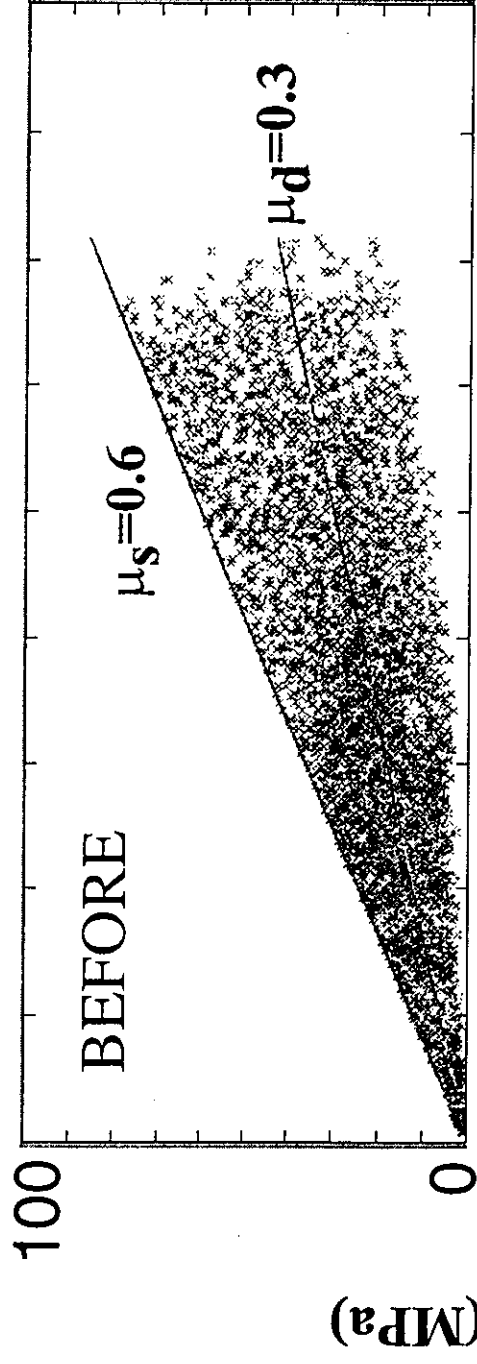
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STRESS - STATES PRECEDING LARGE RUPTURES



Stress-state before and after a large rupture



"Slip-Weakening" Model of Friction

