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A Re-Evaluation of the WIPP Room D Closure Predictions

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Outline

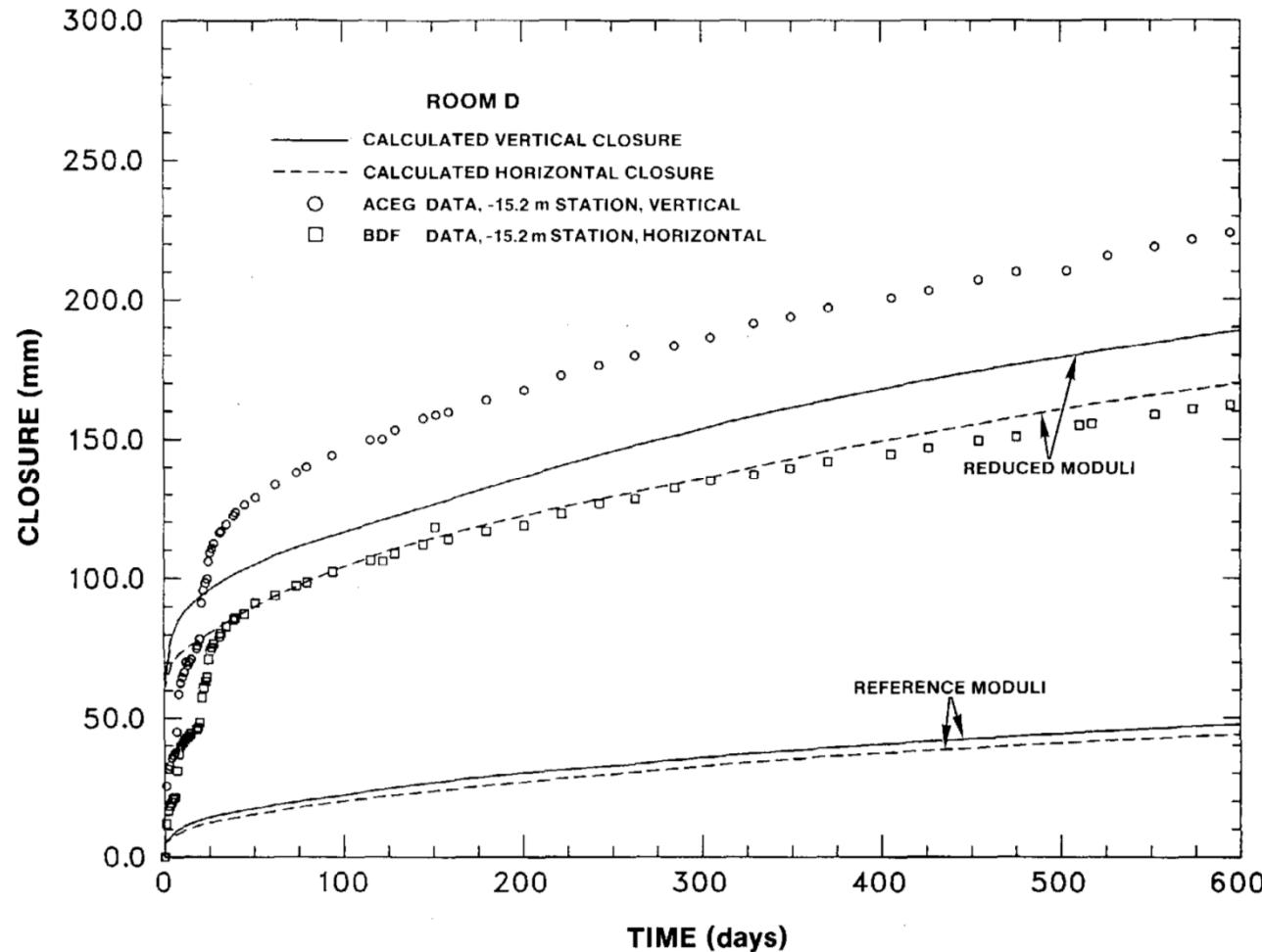
- Legacy simulations
- Resolving the legacy simulation numerics
- Joint Project III simulations
- Legacy Munson-Dawson model calibration
- Preliminary Munson-Dawson model recalibration

Room B / D Stratigraphy



Legacy Simulations

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Munson, D., Torres, T. Jones, R. Pseudostrain representation of multipass excavations in salt. 28th Symposium on Rock Mechanics. July 1987

Steady State
Creep Rate

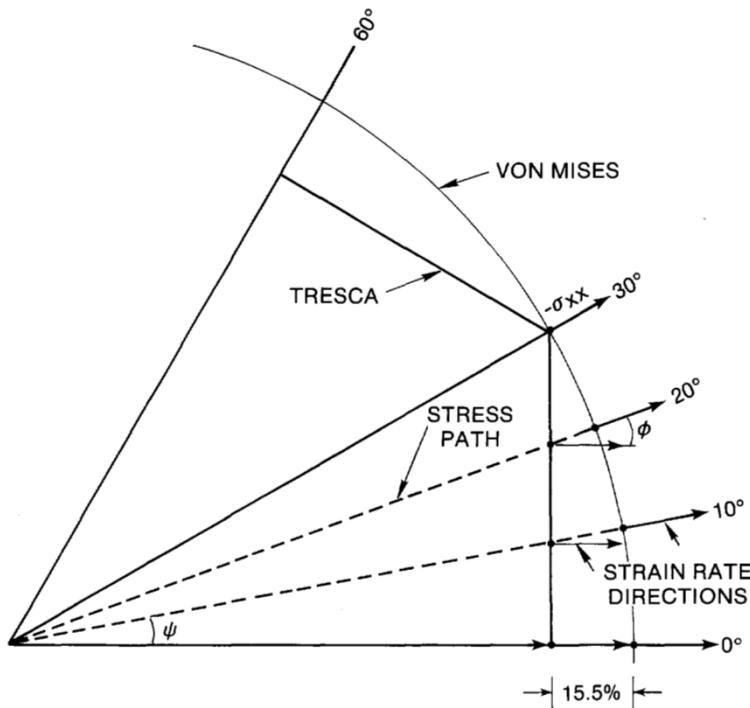
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Transient Creep
Strain Limit

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Changed the Flow Potential

π -Plane



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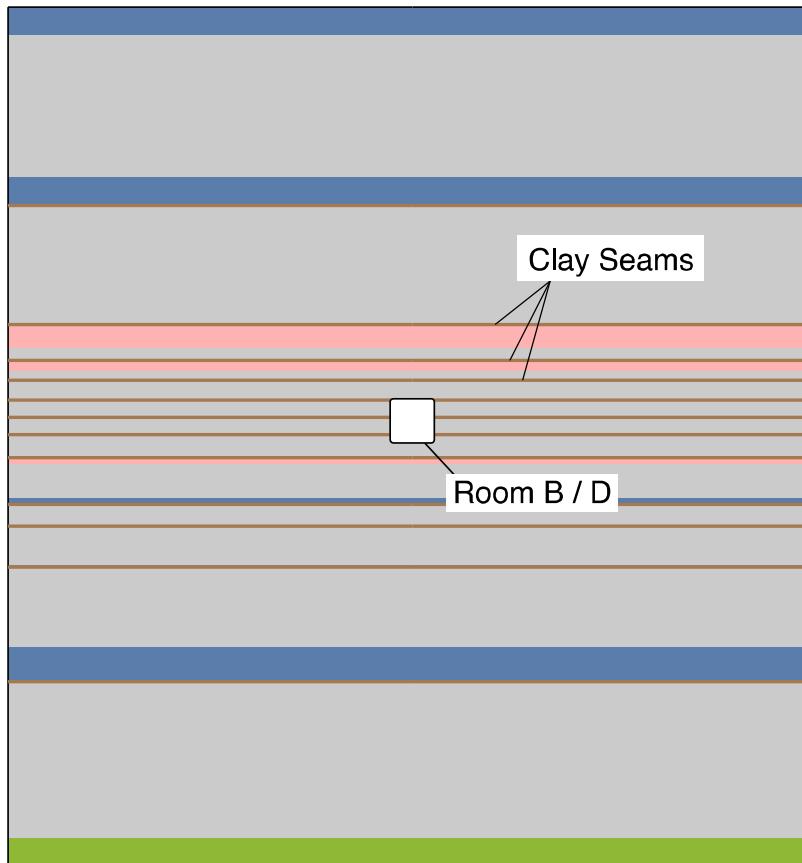
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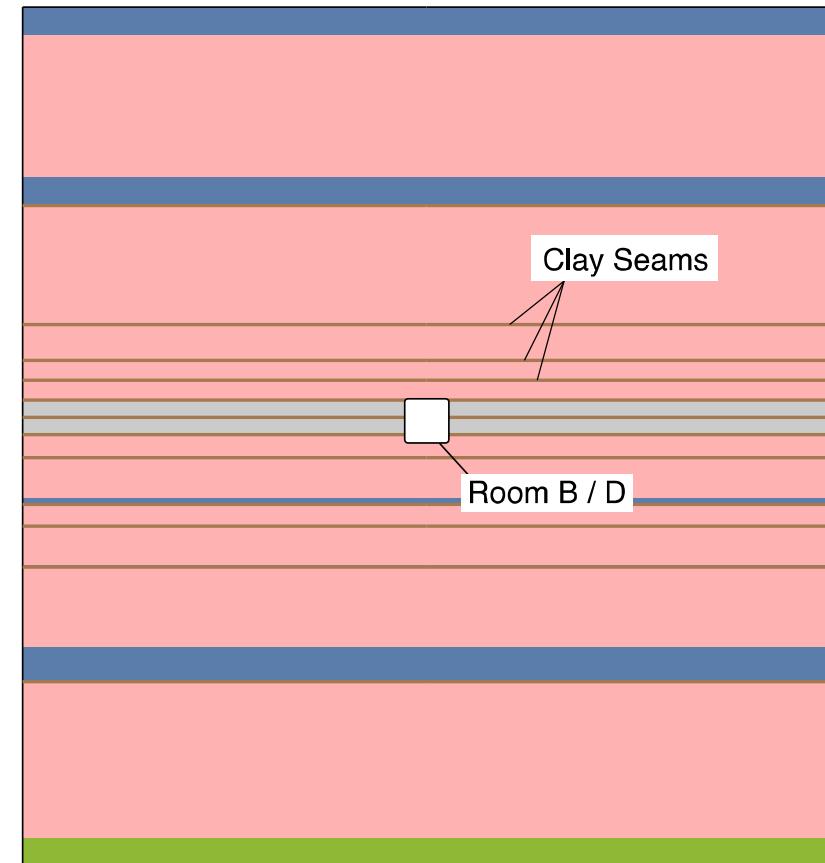
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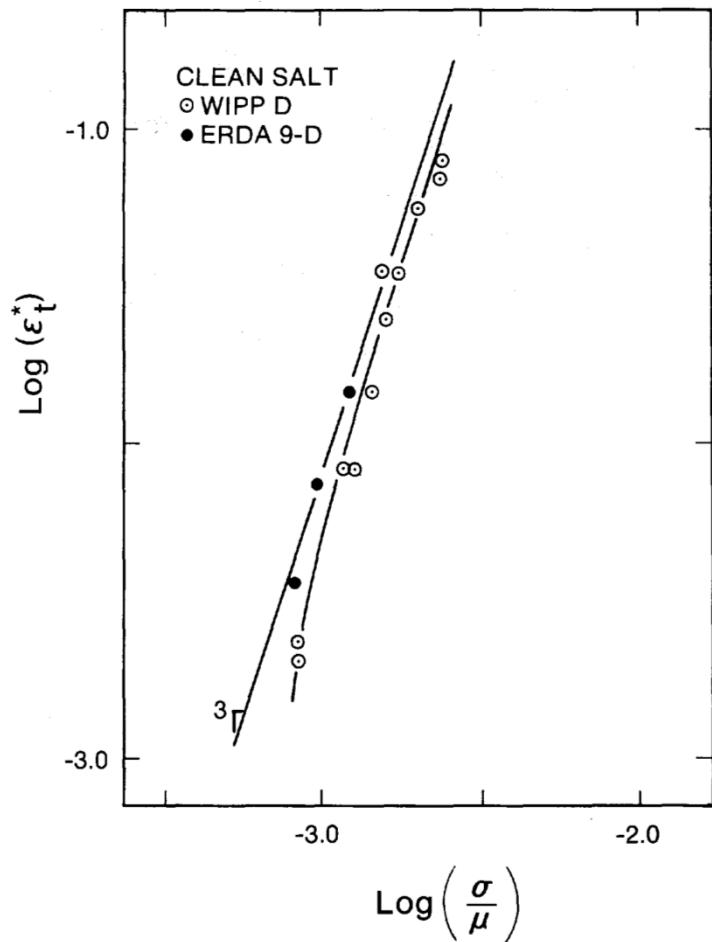
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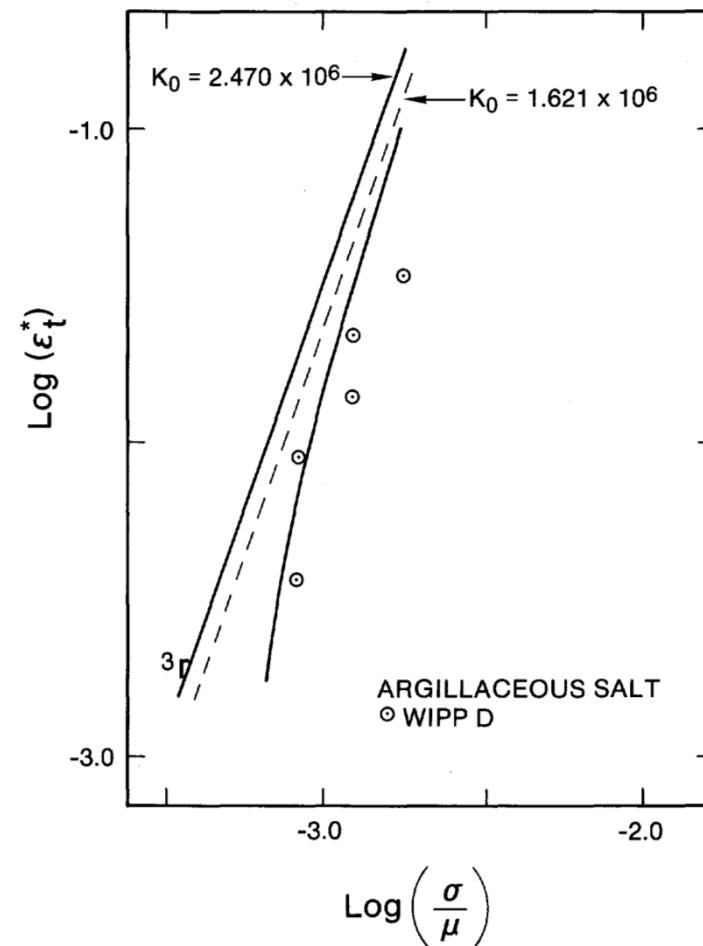
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Changed the Material Model Calibrations

Clean Salt



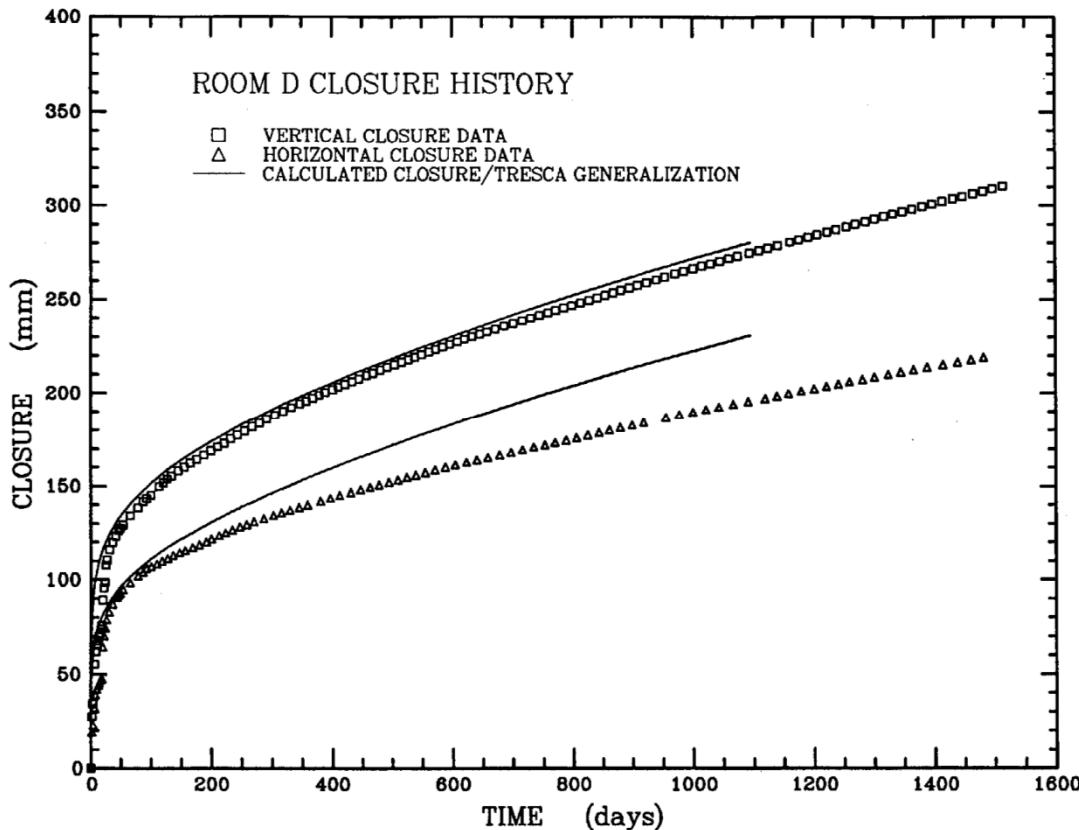
Argillaceous Salt



Argillaceous transient strain limit treated as a “free parameter”.

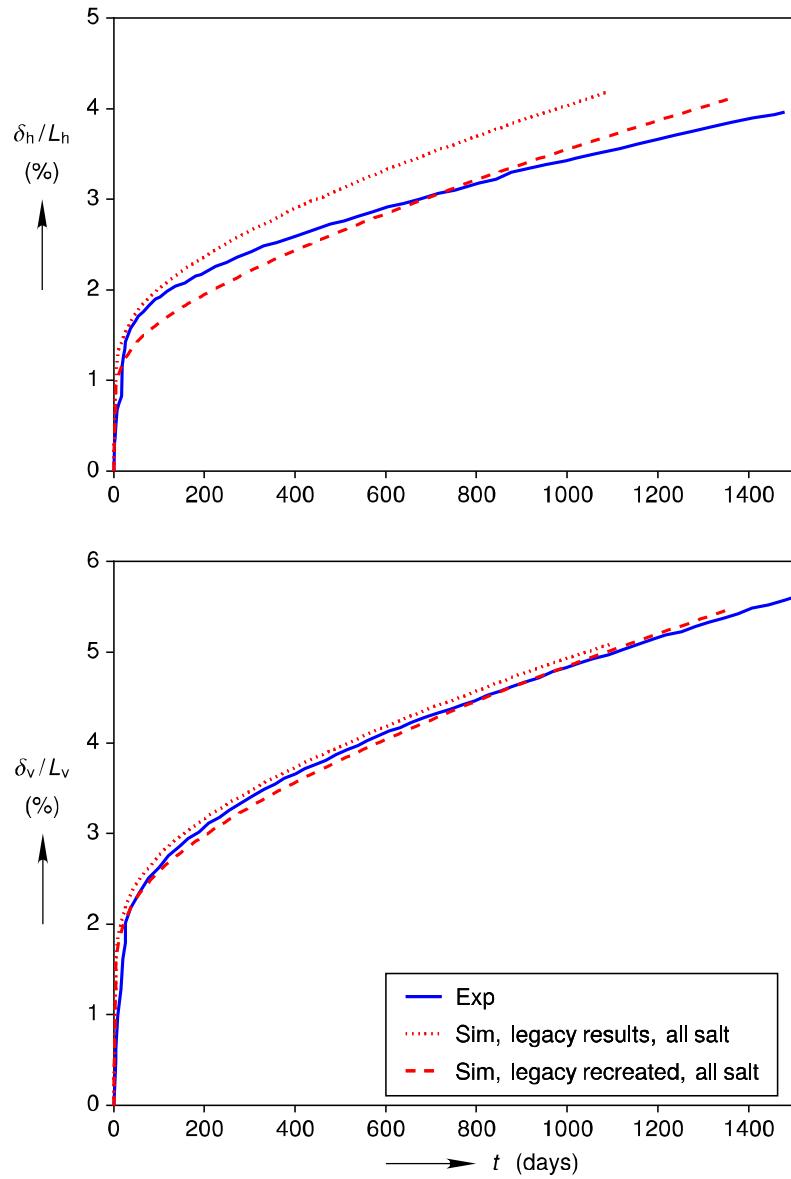
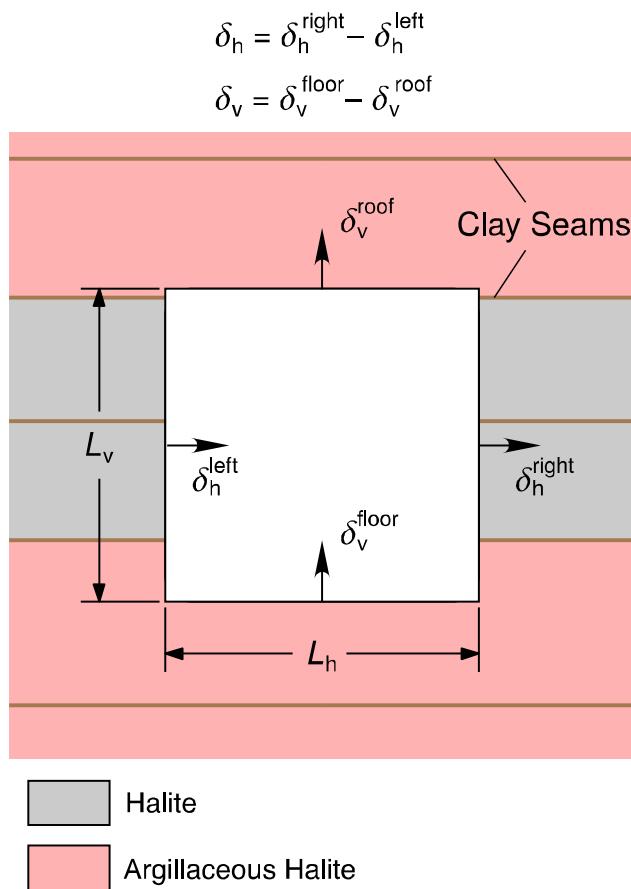
Legacy Simulations

- Changed from von Mises to Tresca flow potential
- Changed from mostly clean salt to mostly argillaceous salt
- Changed the material model calibrations
 - Argillaceous transient strain limit treated as a free parameter
- Changed the clay seam friction coefficient from 0.2 to 0.4

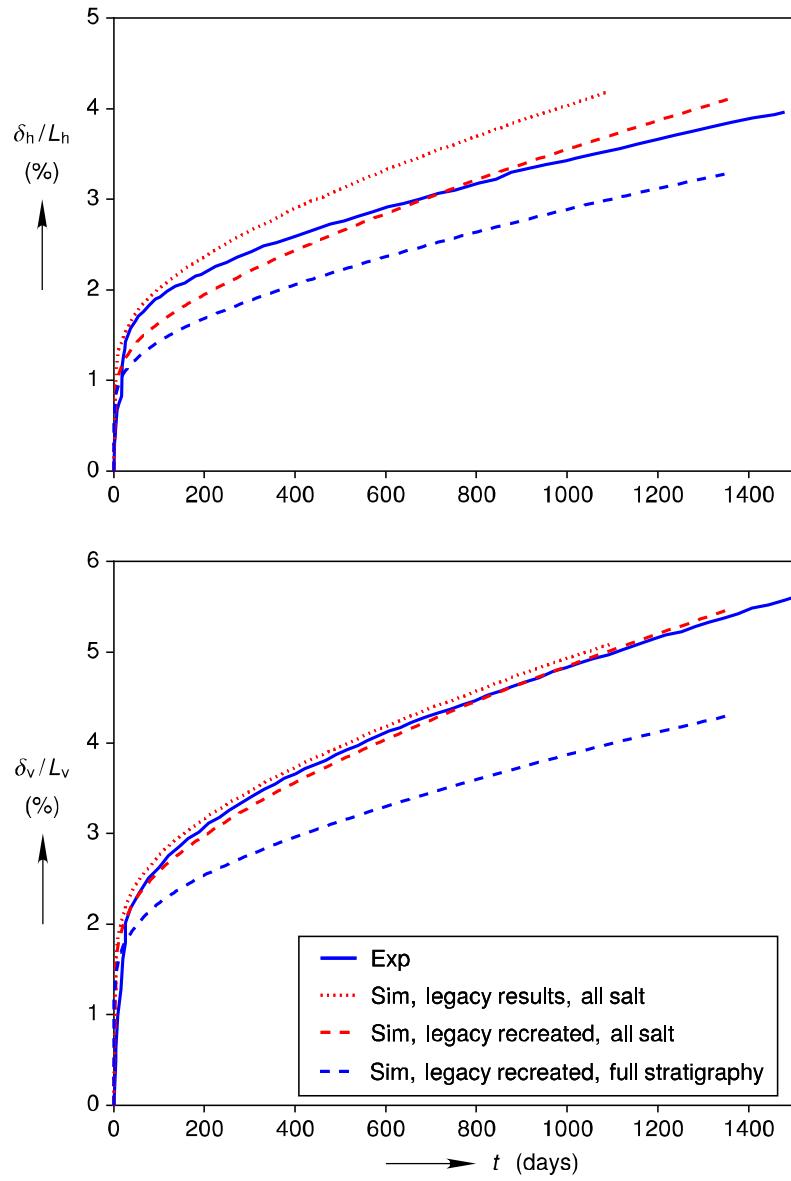
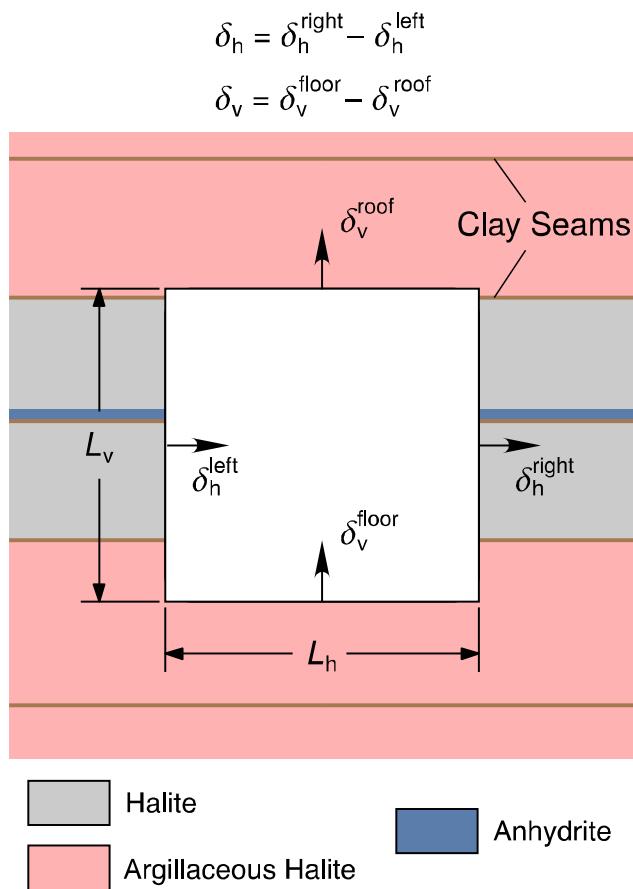


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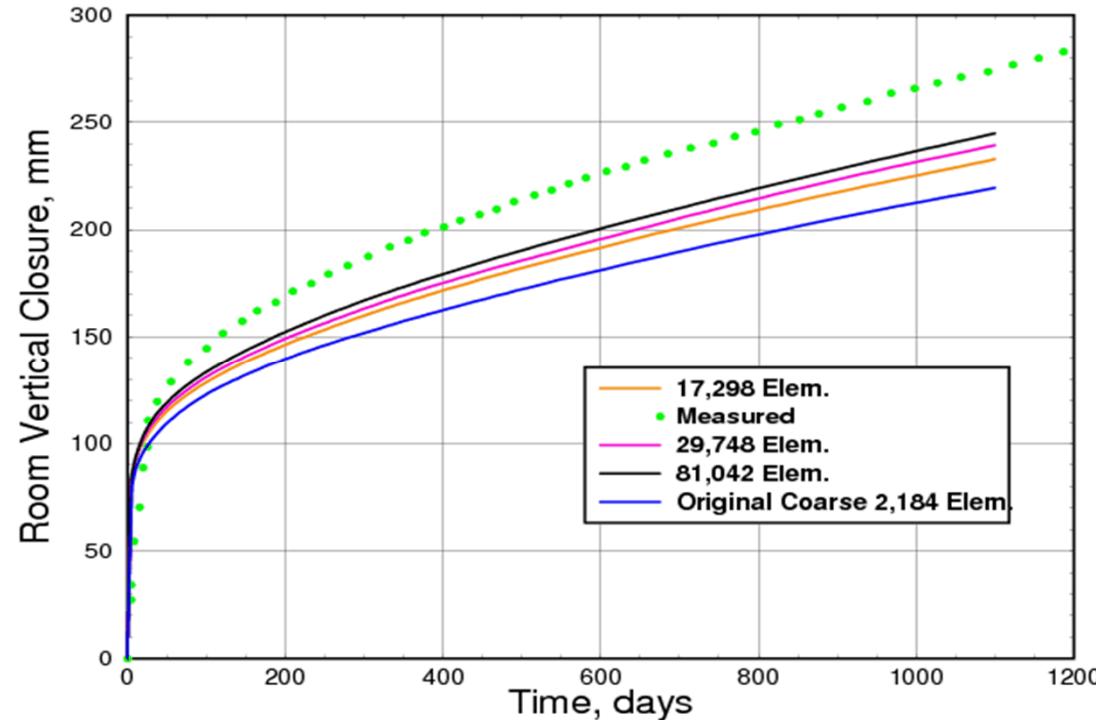
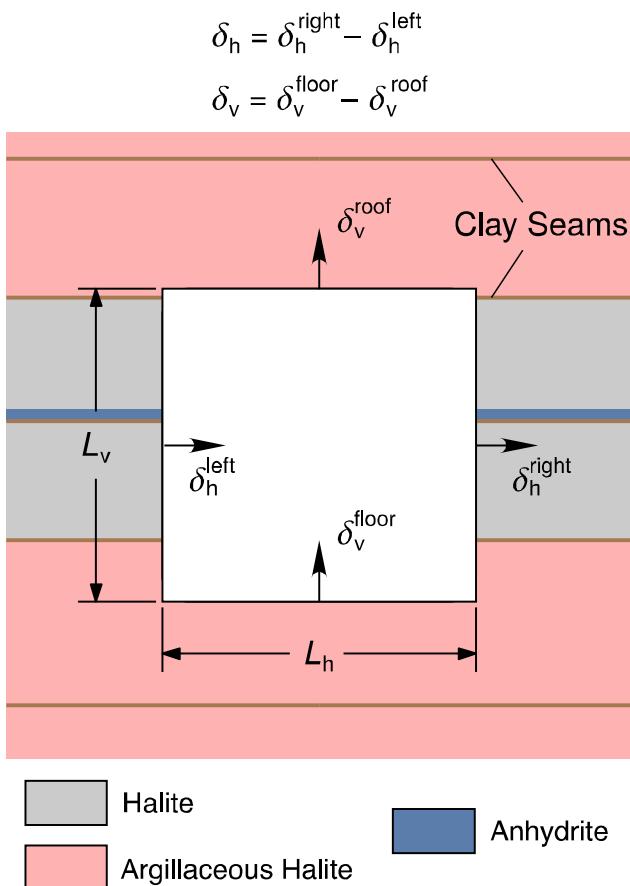


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Resolving the Legacy Simulation Numerics

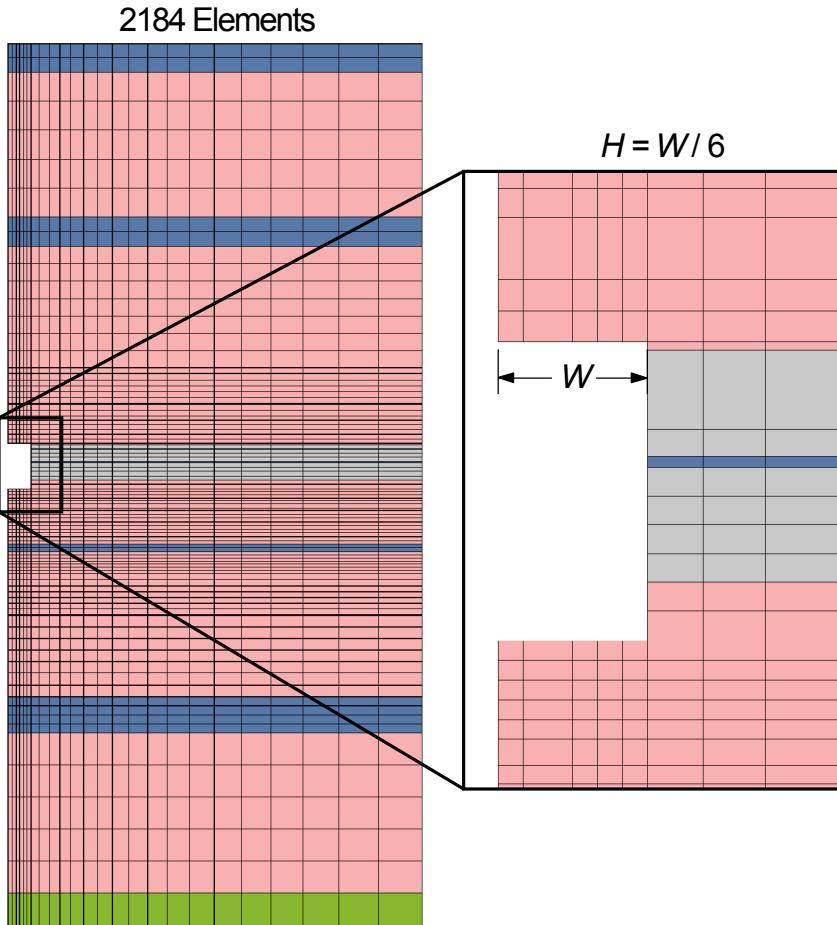
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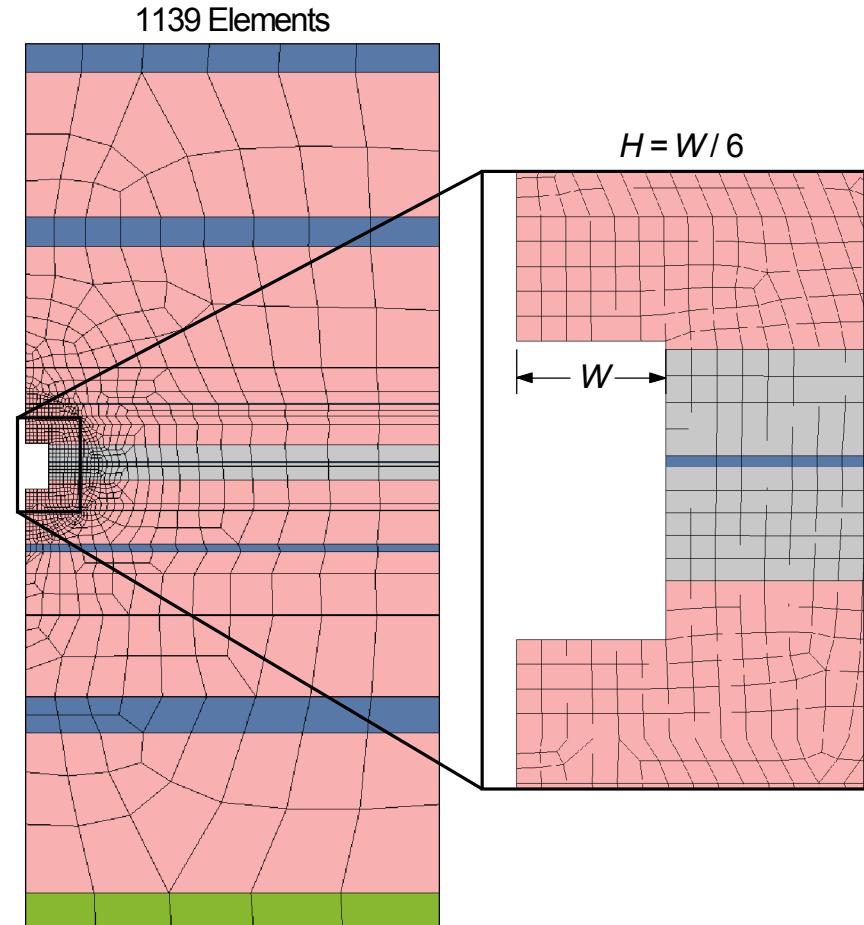
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Changed the Mesh

Legacy Coarse Mesh

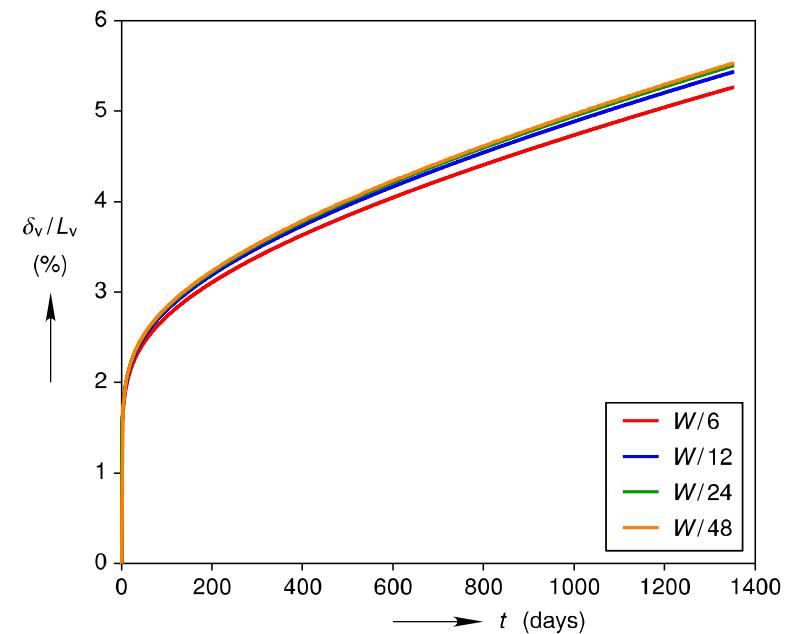
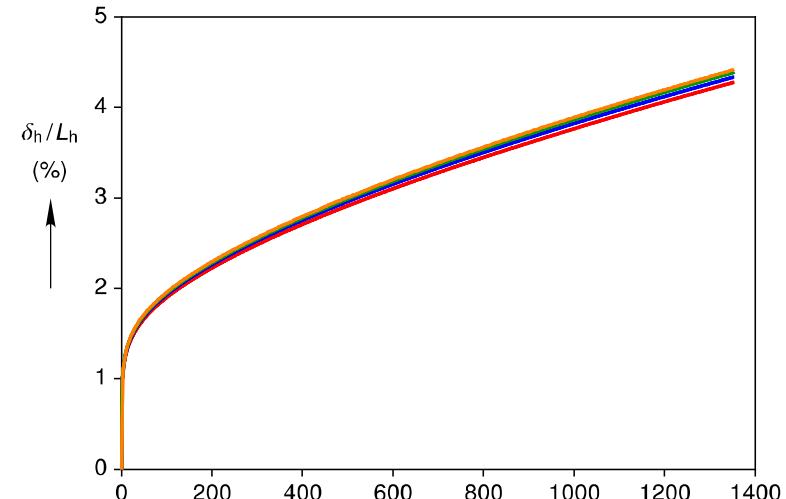


New Coarse Mesh

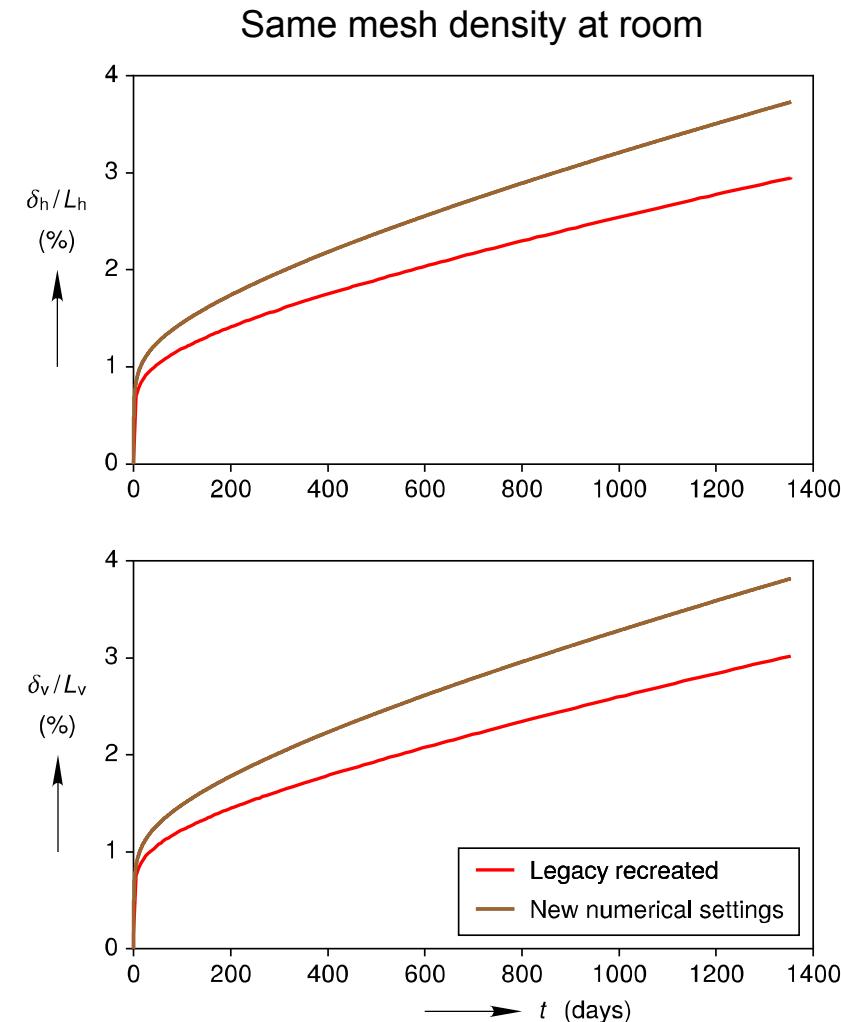
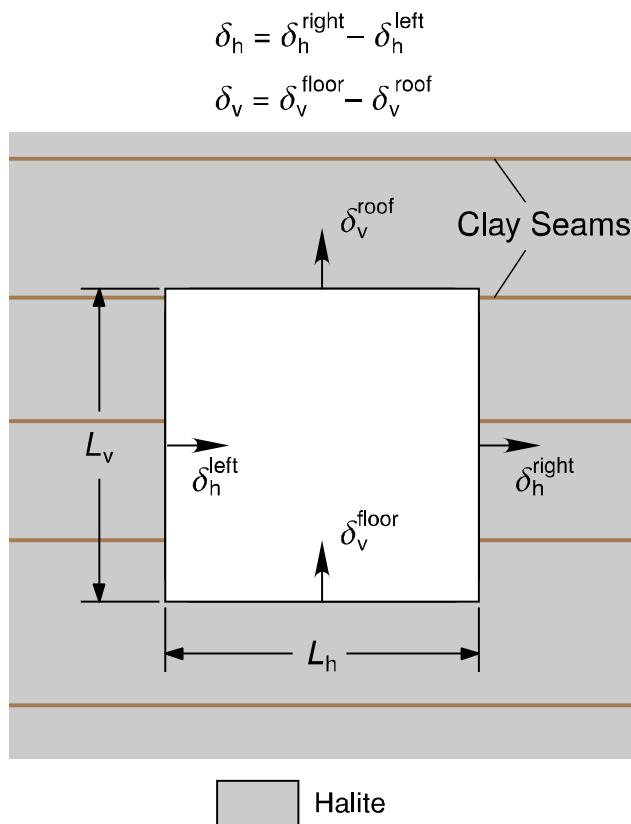


New Mesh Convergence Study

- Changed the mesh
- Changed $R_{\text{tol}} = 10^{-3}$ to $R_{\text{tol}} = 10^{-5}$
- Switched from MQ to SD element
- Switched from Kinematic Contact to Augmented Lagrange Contact enforcement
- Added a pressure ramp down
- Switched to an associative flow rule for the anhydrite

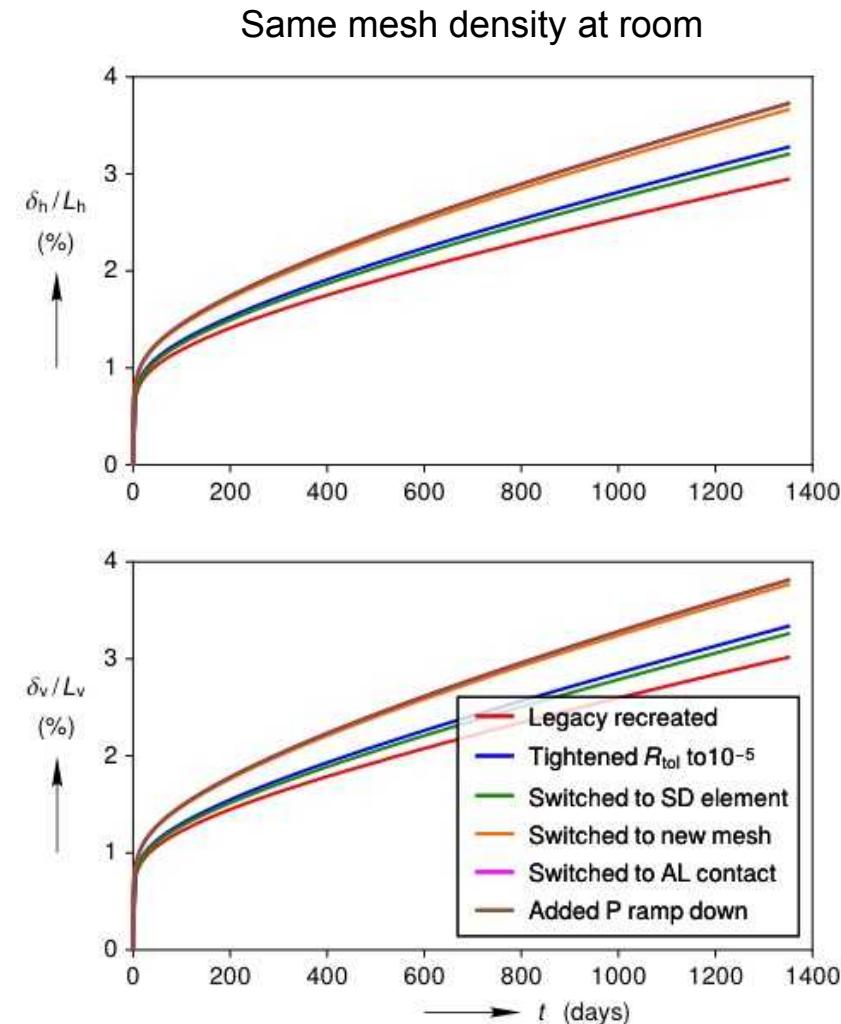


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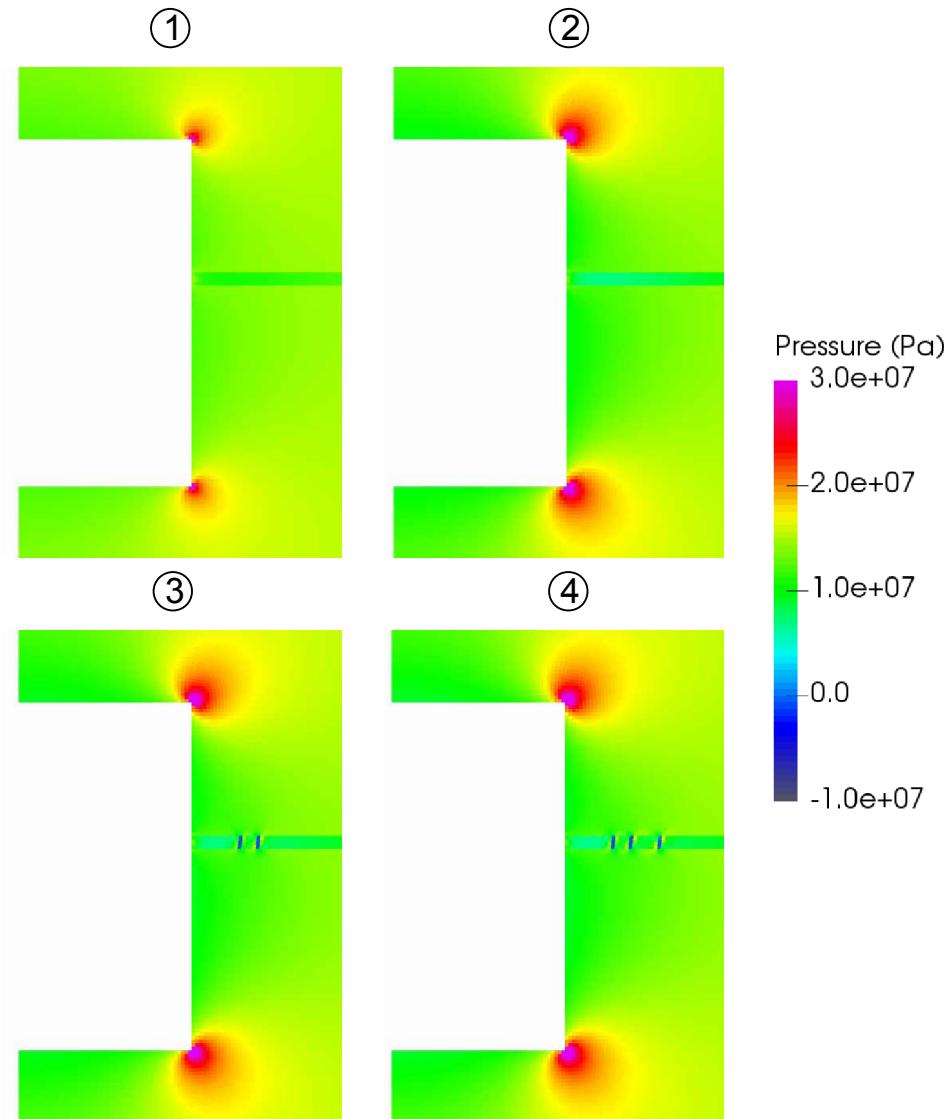
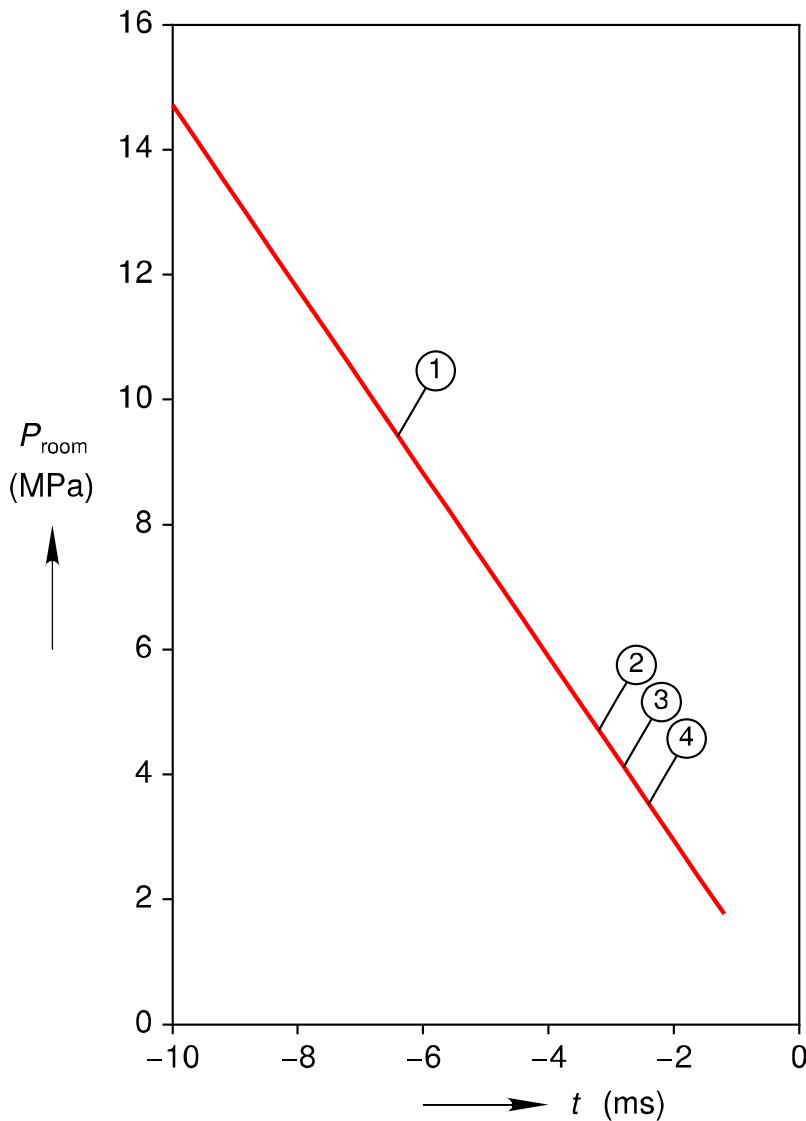


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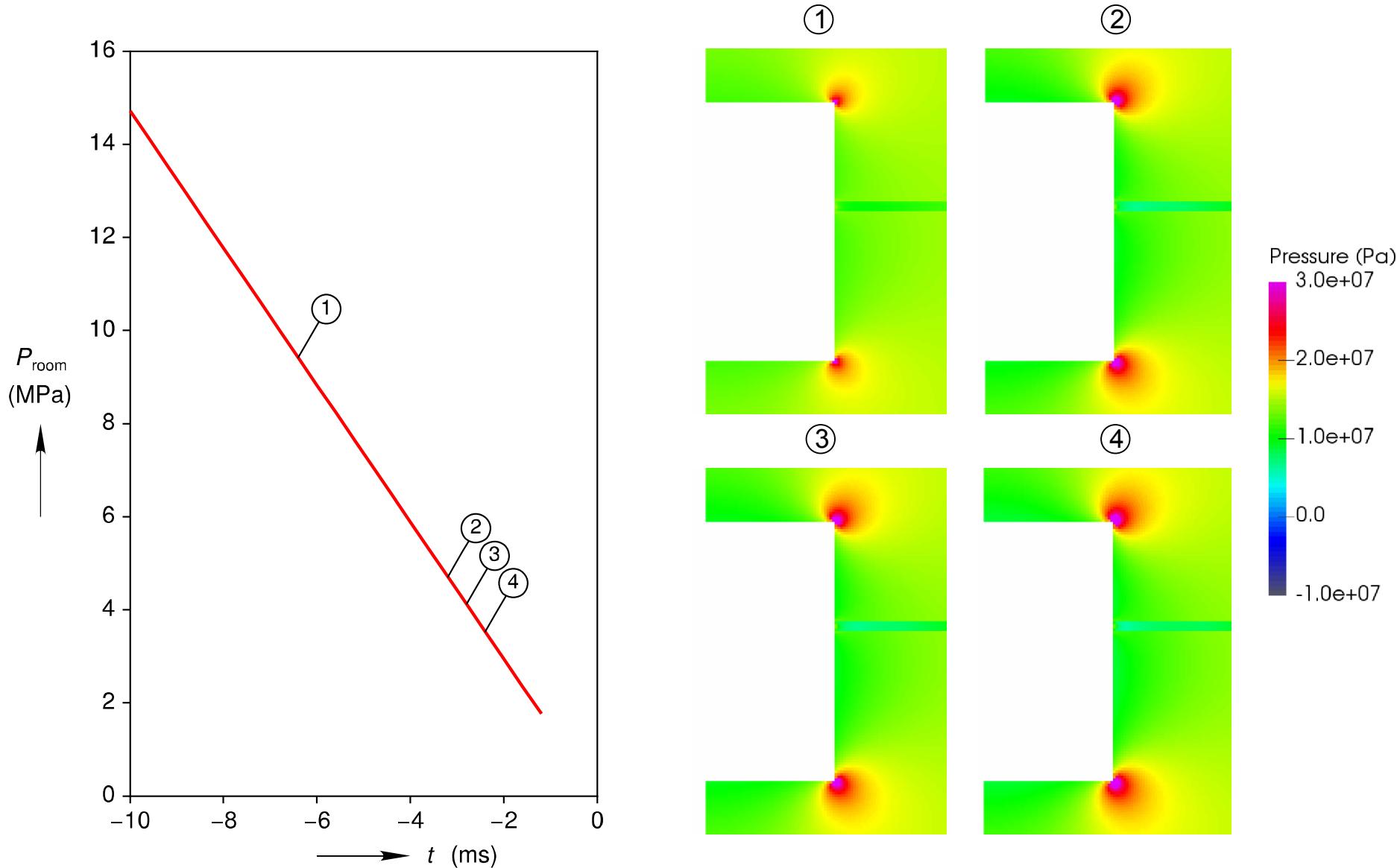
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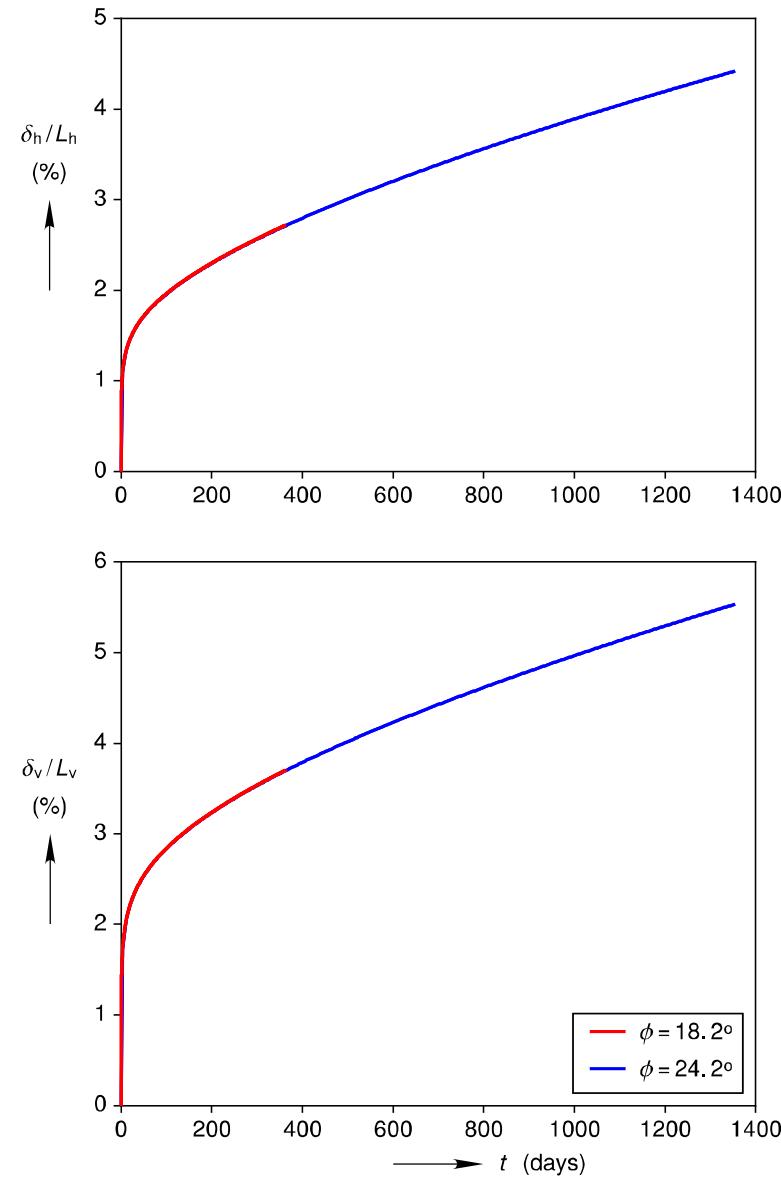
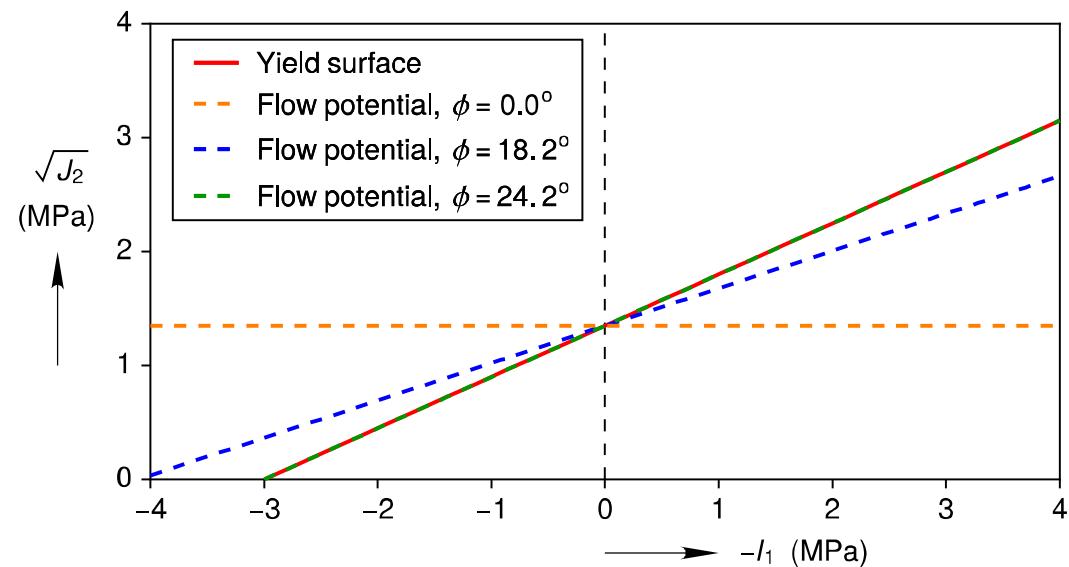
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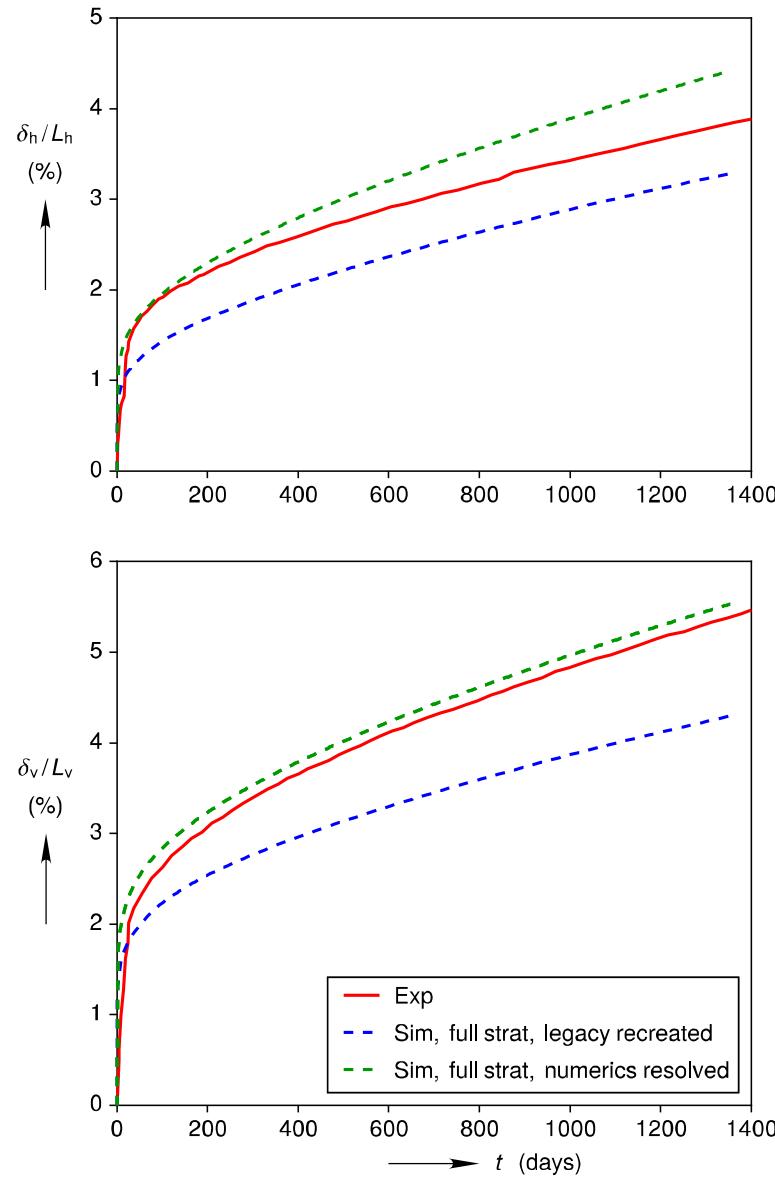
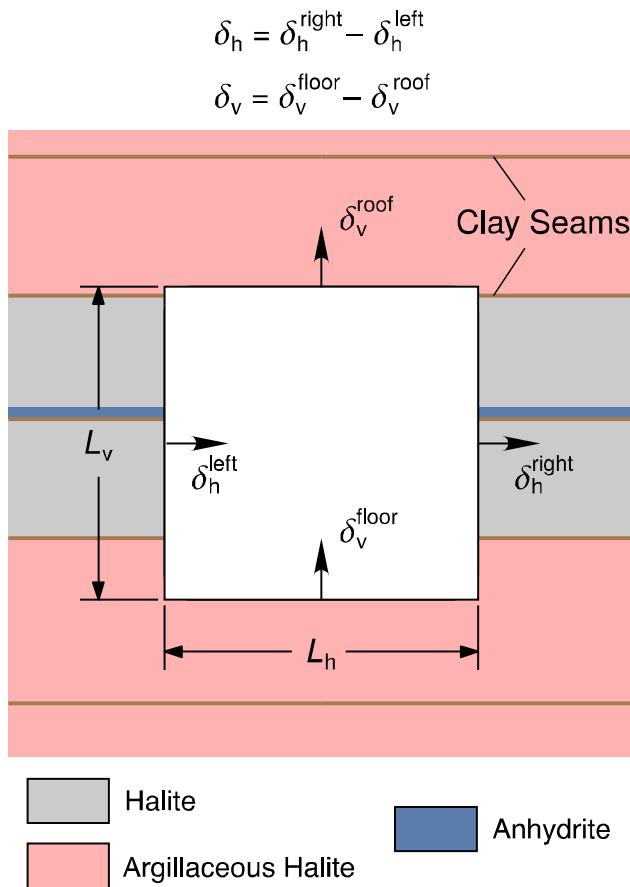
Anhydrite Issue Resolved



Anhydrite Dilatation Angle Sensitivity

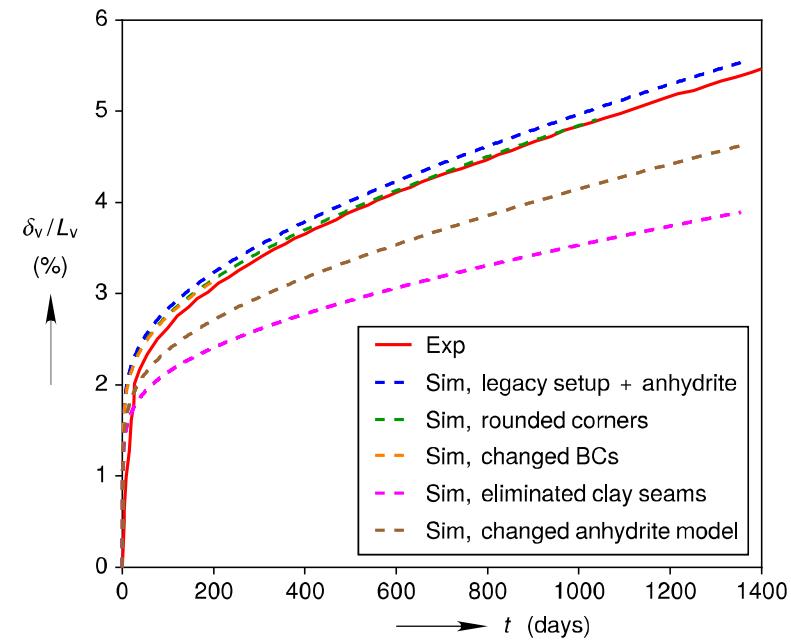
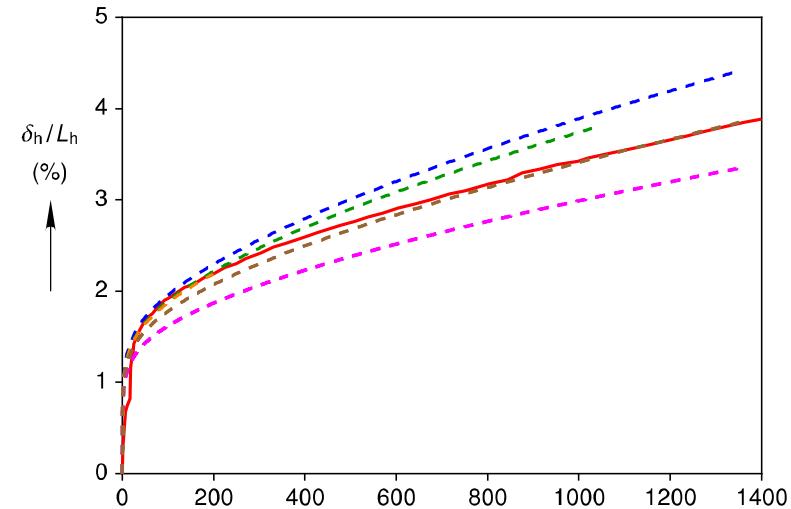
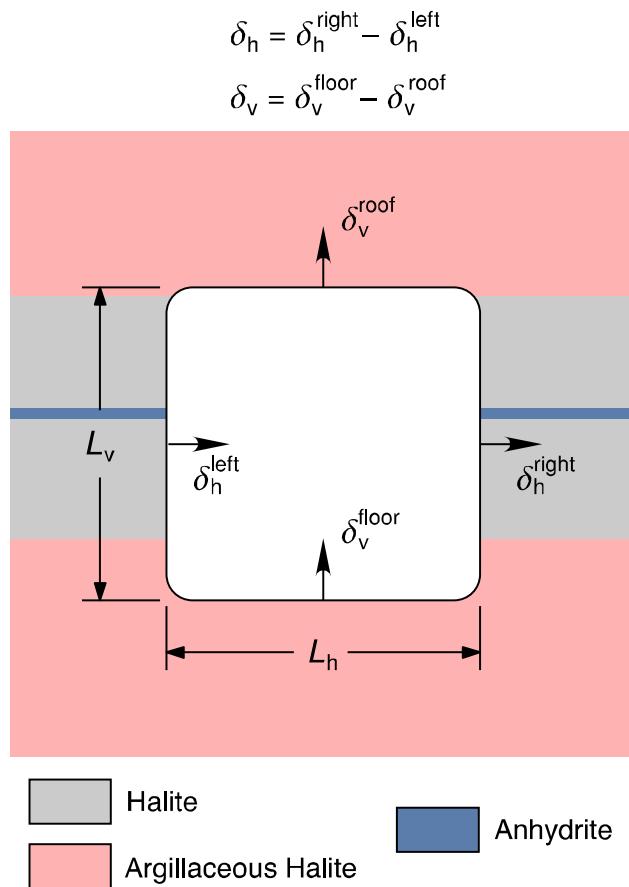


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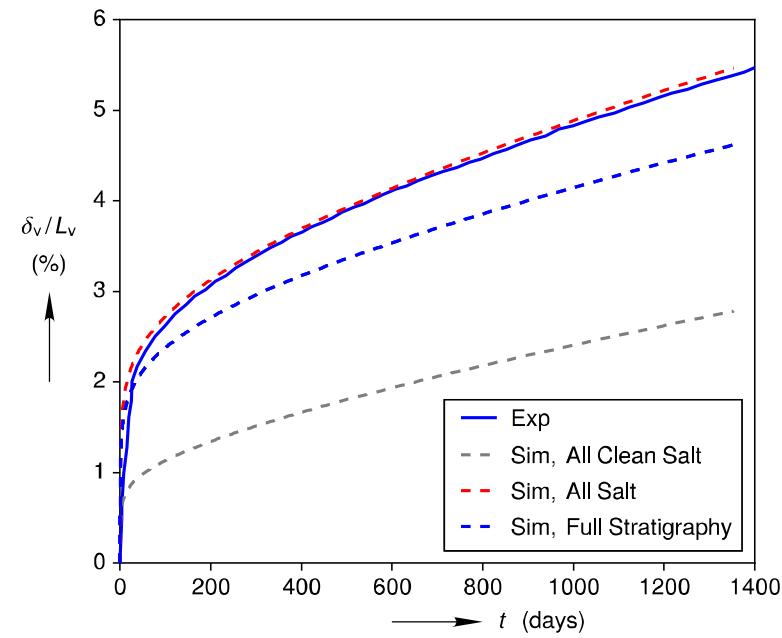
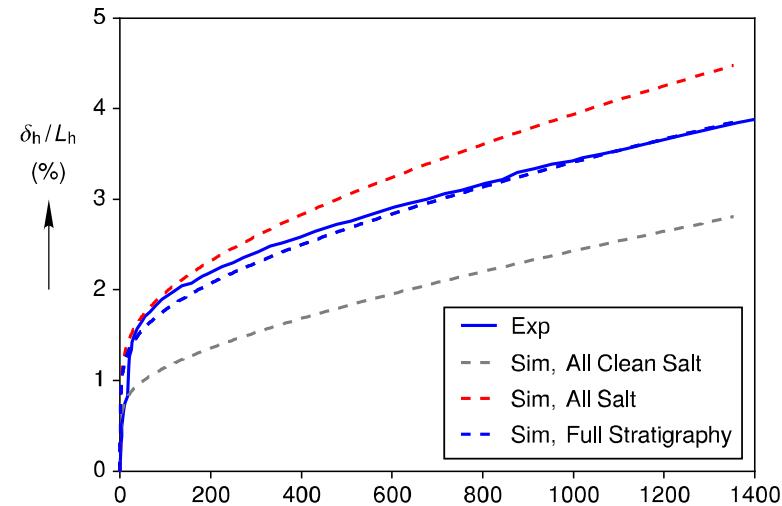
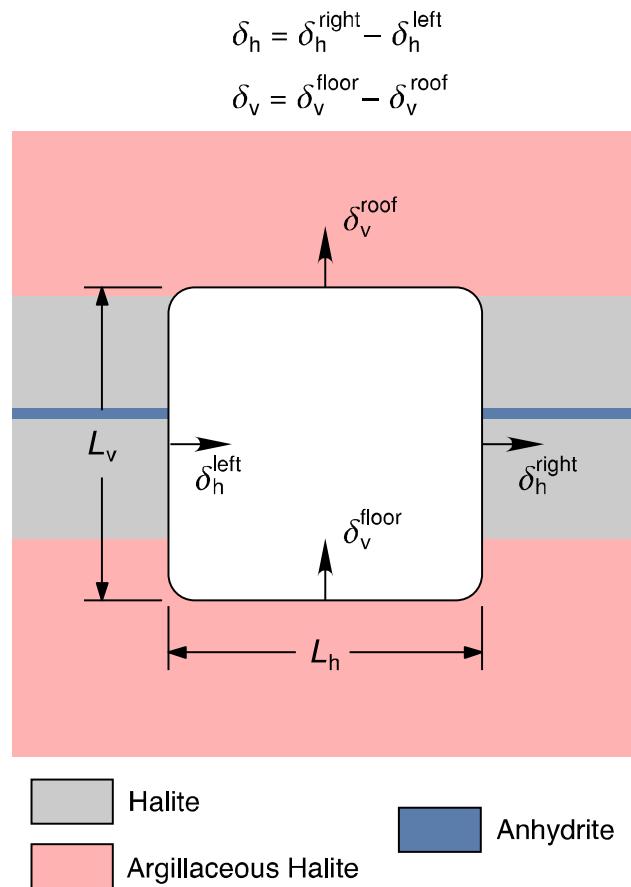


Joint Project III Simulations

Transition to Joint Project III Setup



Joint Project III Simulations



Legacy Munson-Dawson Calibration

Triaxial Creep Exp

Additive Decomposition

$$\dot{\varepsilon}_{zz} = \dot{\varepsilon}_{zz}^e + \dot{\varepsilon}_{zz}^{ss} + \dot{\varepsilon}_{zz}^{tr}$$

Strain Definitions

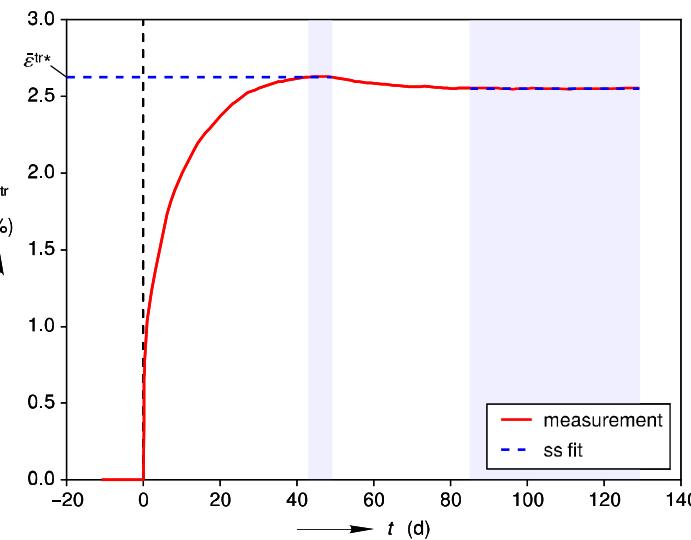
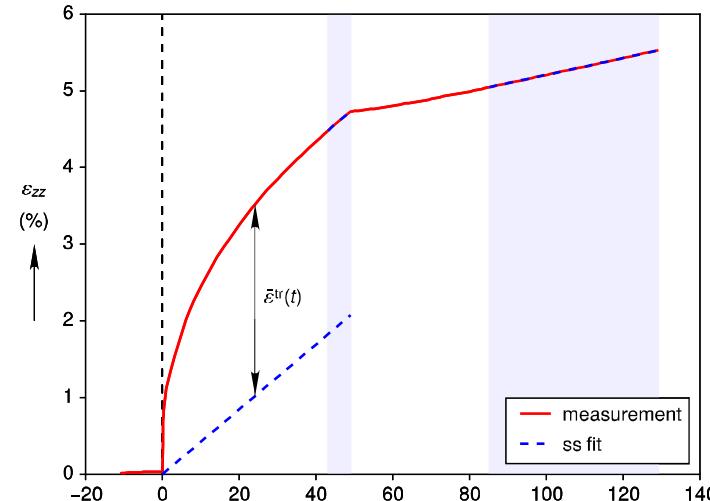
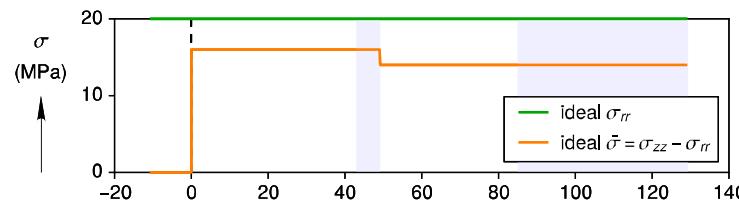
ε_{zz} = total axial strain

ε_{zz}^e = axial elastic strain

$\bar{\varepsilon}_{zz}^{ss}$ = steady state equivalent creep strain

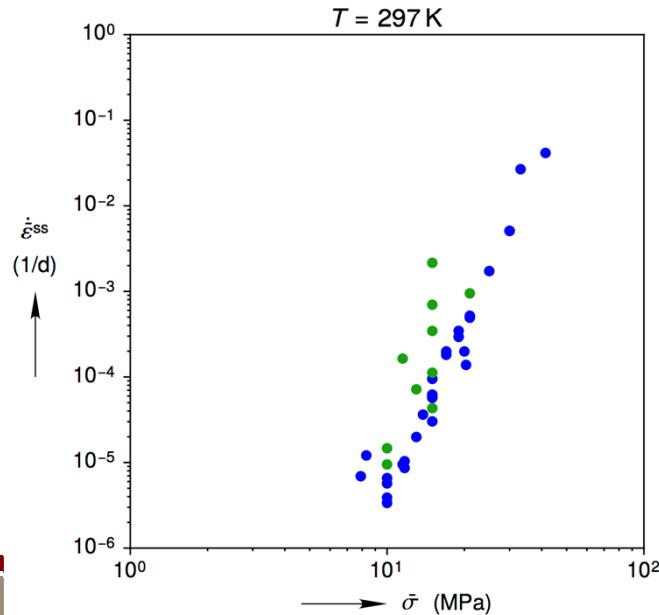
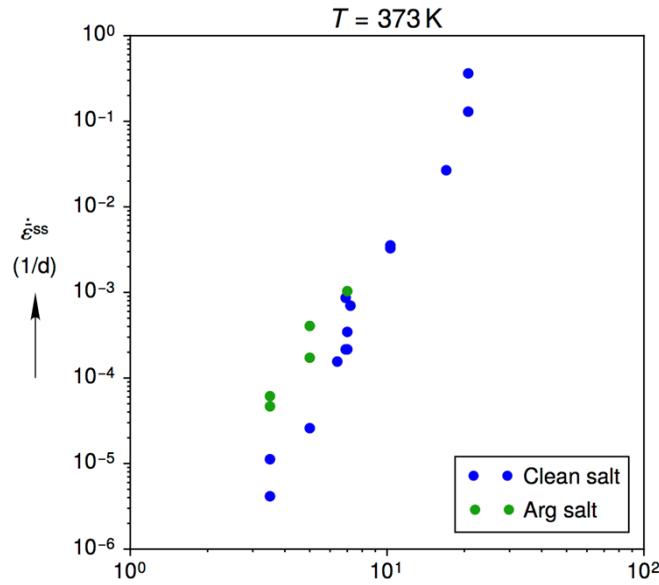
$\bar{\varepsilon}_{zz}^{tr}$ = transient equivalent creep strain

$\bar{\varepsilon}_{zz}^{tr*}$ = transient equivalent creep strain limit

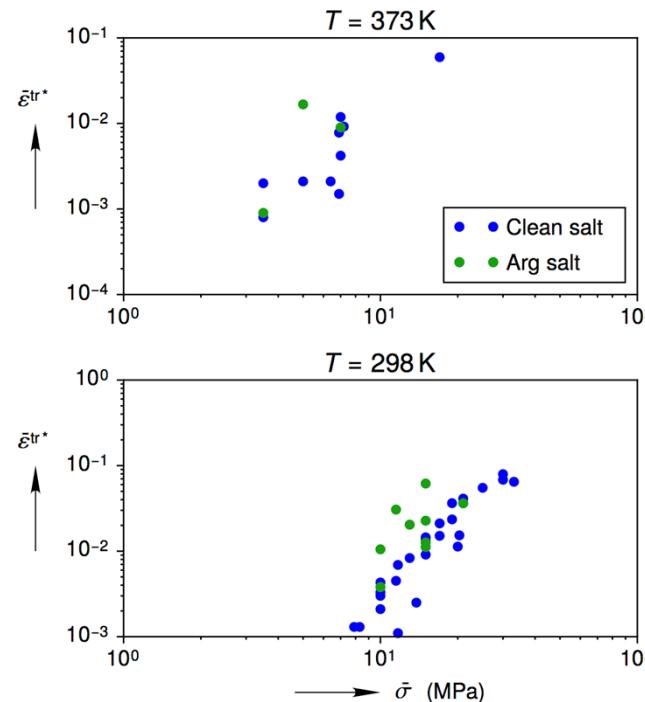


Clean vs. Argillaceous: Legacy Experiments

Steady State Rate



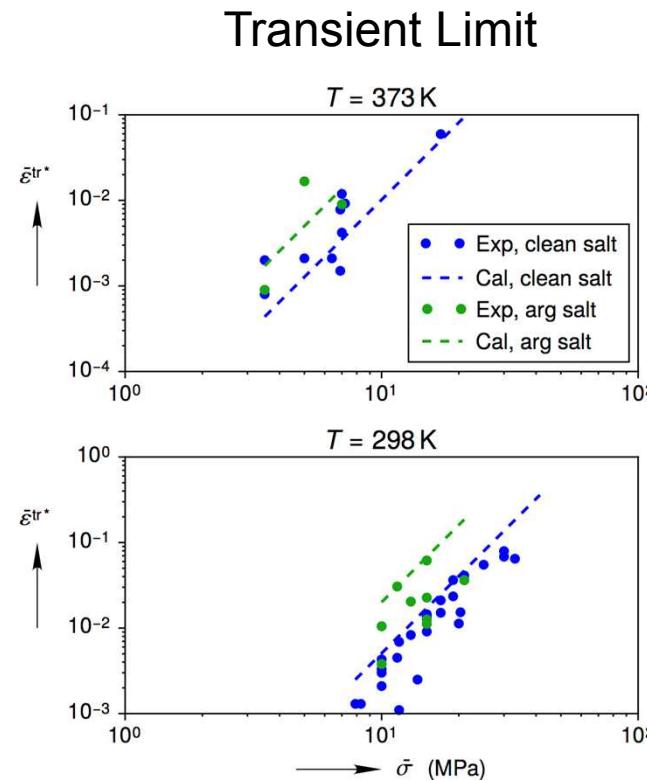
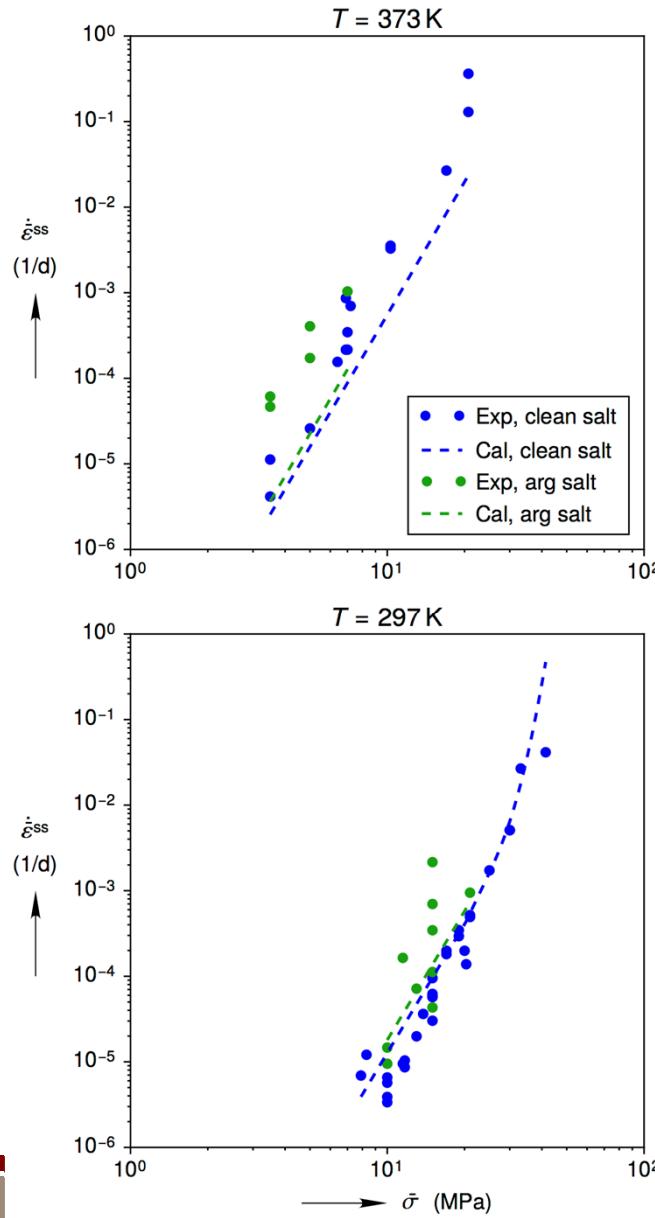
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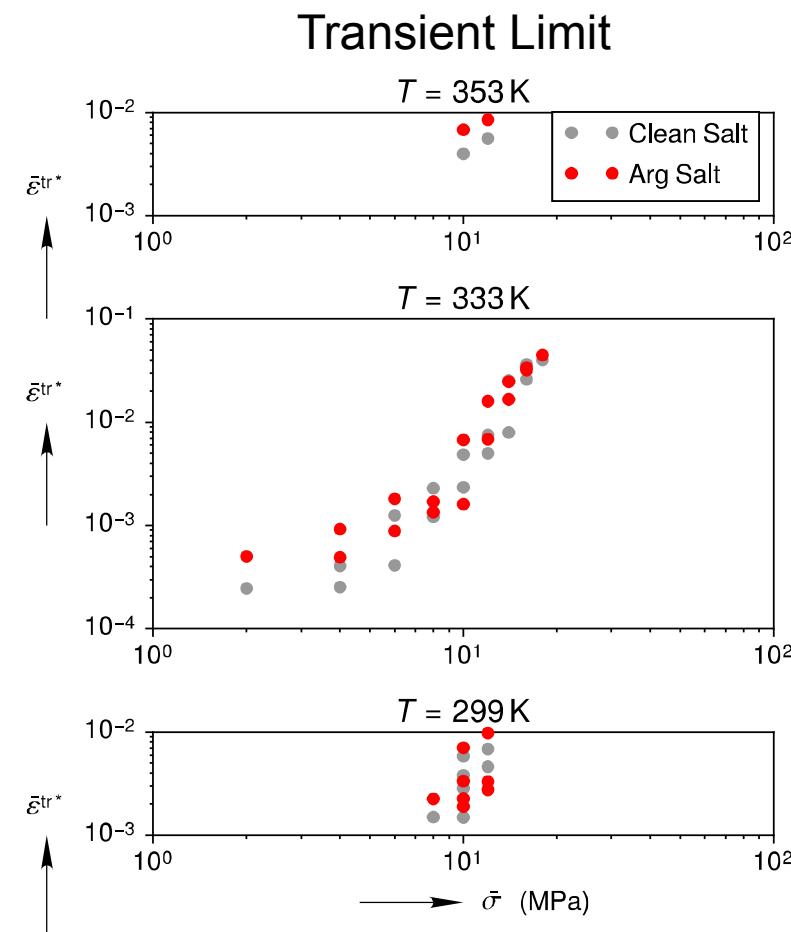
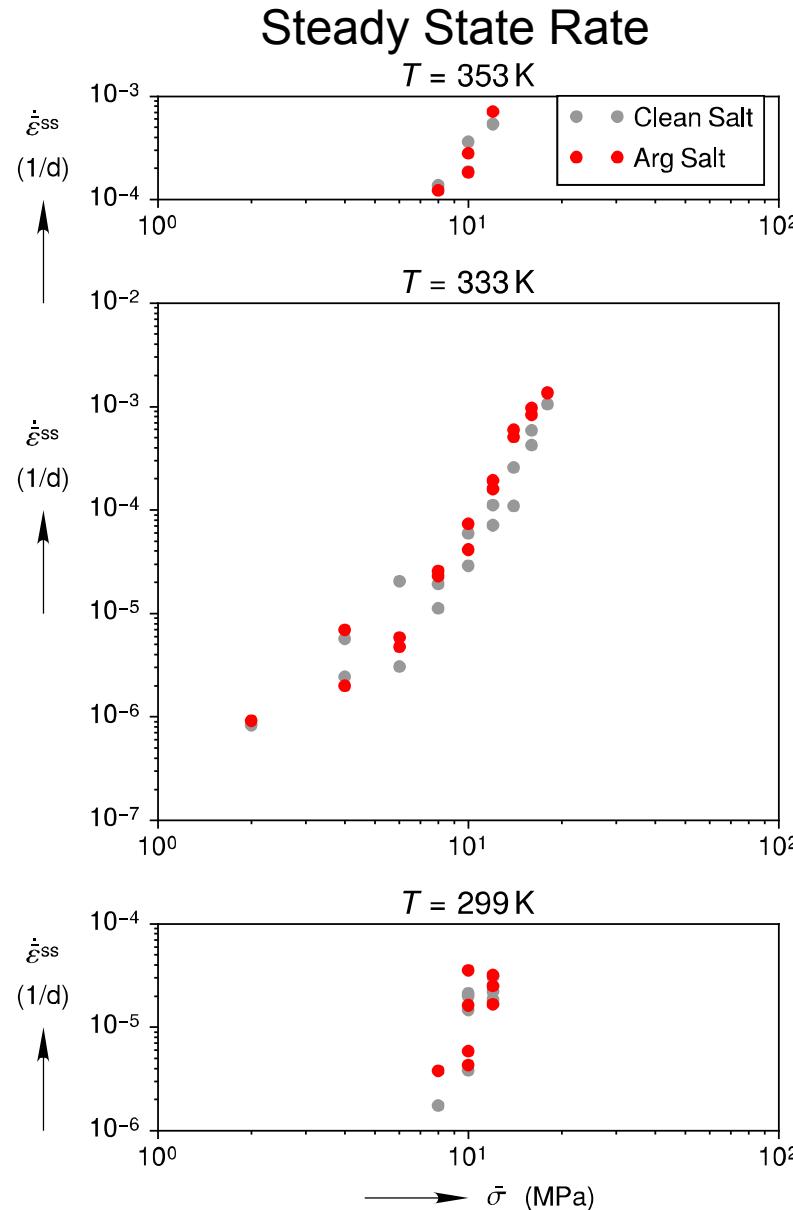
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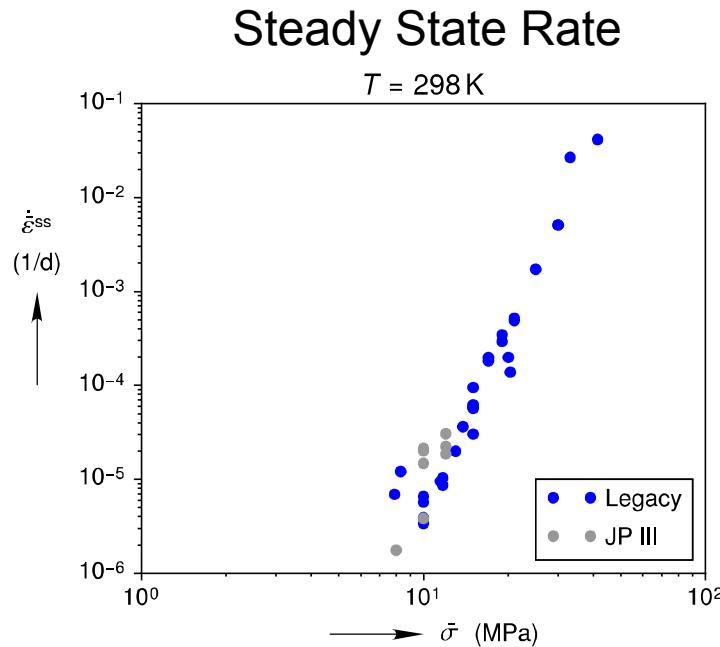
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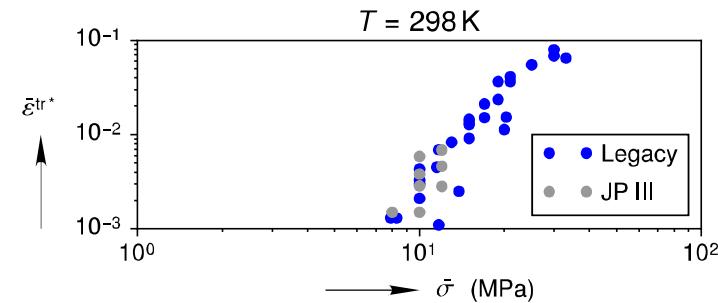


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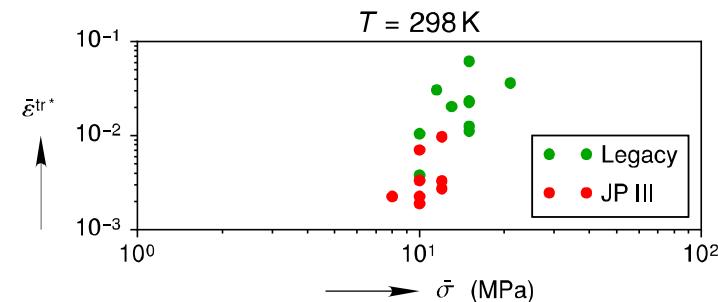
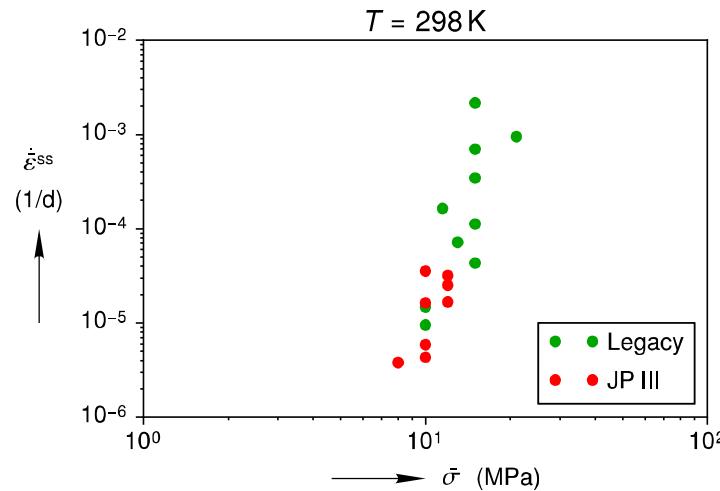
Clean Salt



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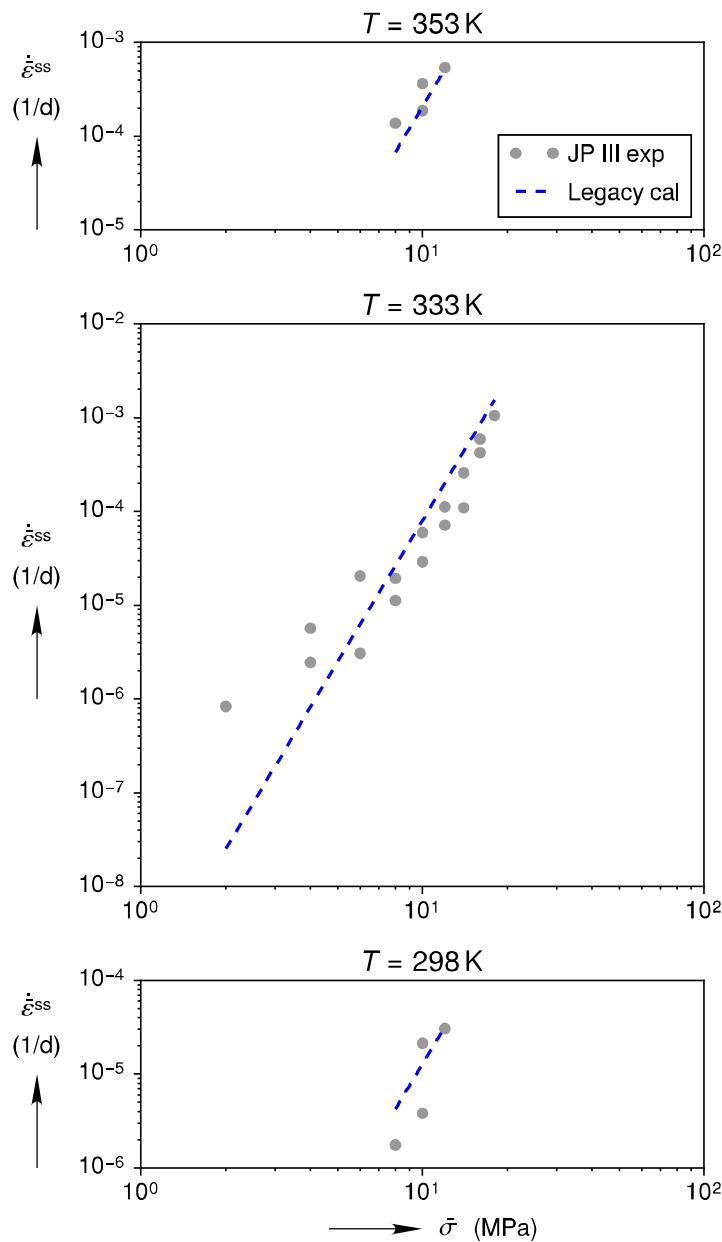


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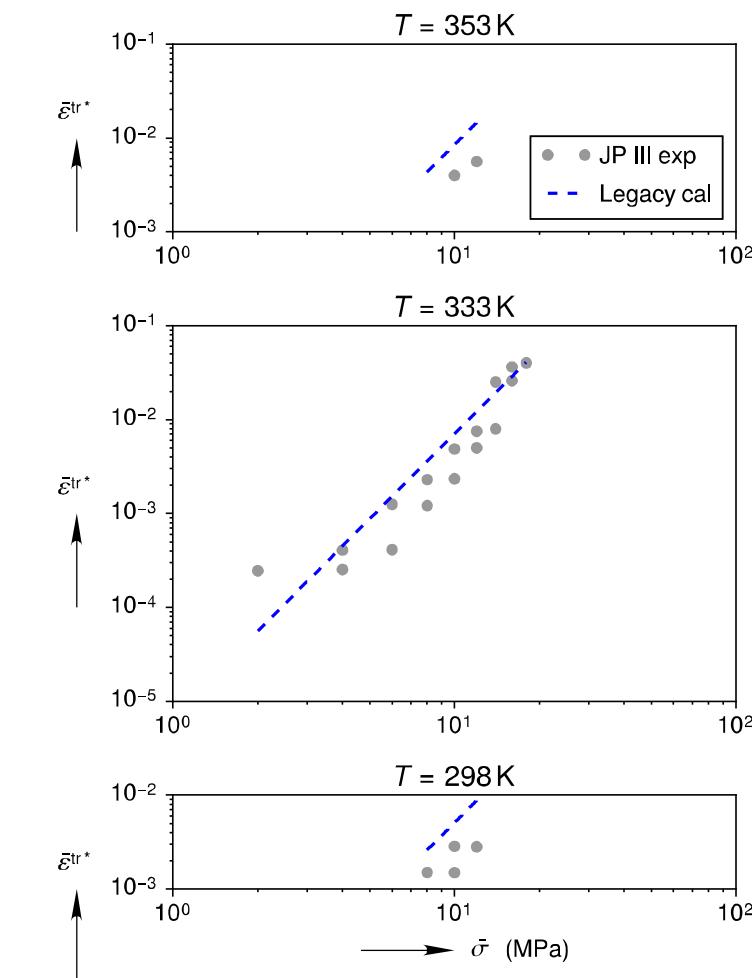


Clean Salt: JPIII Exp vs. Legacy Cal

Steady State Rate

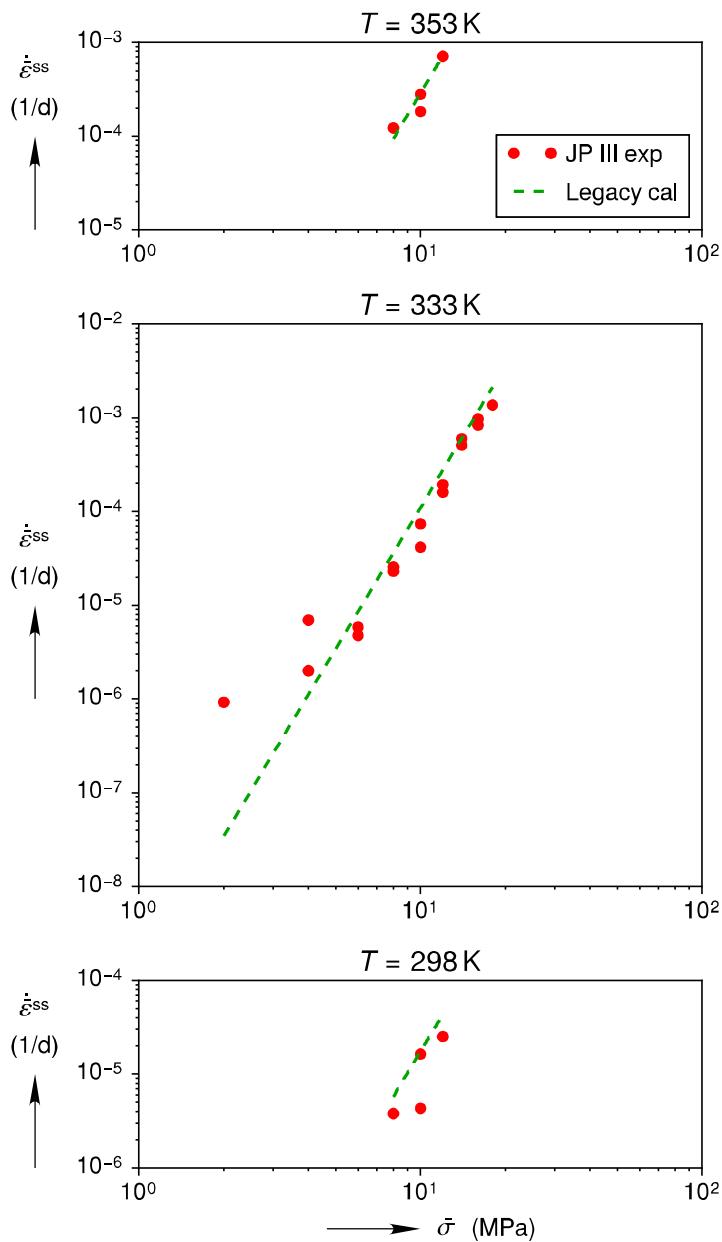


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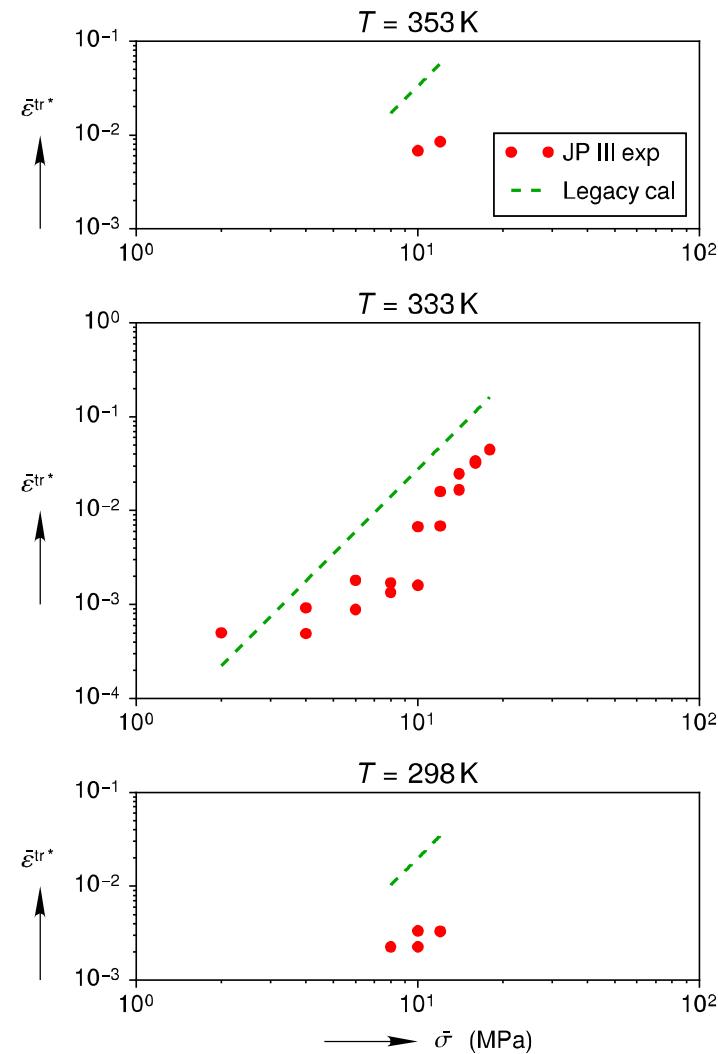


Argillaceous Salt: JPIII Exp vs. Legacy Cal

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Transient Limit



Preliminary Munson-Dawson Re-Calibration

Munson Dawson Model

Transient Limit

Steady State Rate

$$\dot{\varepsilon}^{\text{ss}} = \sum_{i=1}^3 \dot{\varepsilon}_i^{\text{ss}}$$

$$\dot{\varepsilon}_1^{\text{ss}} = A_1 \exp\left(-\frac{Q_1}{R T}\right) \left(\frac{\bar{\sigma}}{\mu}\right)^{n_1}$$

$$\dot{\varepsilon}_2^{\text{ss}} = A_2 \exp\left(-\frac{Q_2}{R T}\right) \left(\frac{\bar{\sigma}}{\mu}\right)^{n_2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\varepsilon}_3^{\text{ss}} = & H(\bar{\sigma} - \bar{\sigma}_0) \left[B_1 \exp\left(-\frac{Q_1}{R T}\right) + \right. \\ & \left. B_2 \exp\left(-\frac{Q_2}{R T}\right) \right] \sinh\left(q \frac{(\bar{\sigma} - \bar{\sigma}_0)}{\mu}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\bar{\varepsilon}^{\text{tr*}} = K_0 \exp(c T) \left(\frac{\bar{\sigma}}{\mu}\right)^m$$

Transient Creep ODE

$$\dot{\varepsilon}^{\text{tr}} = (F - 1) \dot{\varepsilon}^{\text{ss}}$$

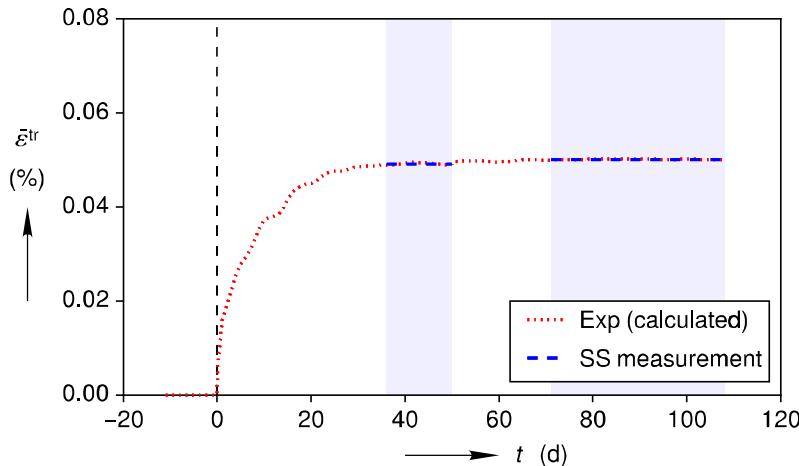
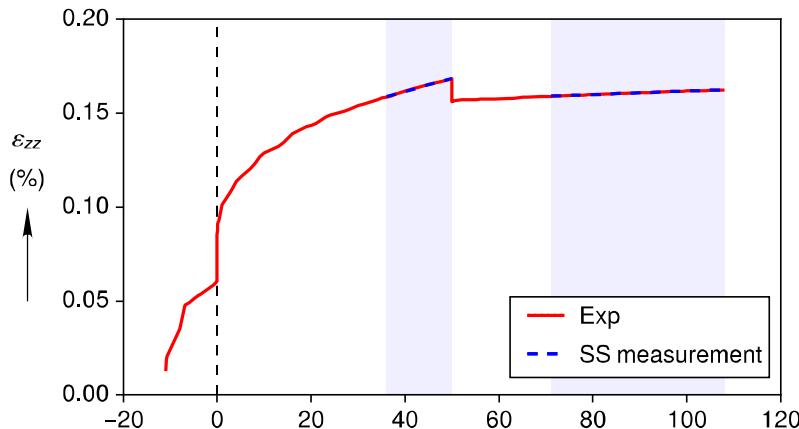
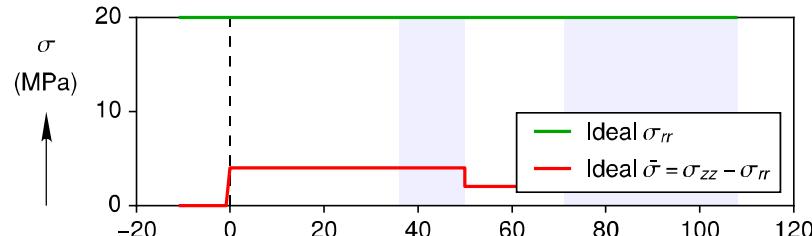
$$F = \begin{cases} \exp\left[\delta_h \left(1 - \frac{\bar{\varepsilon}^{\text{tr}}}{\bar{\varepsilon}^{\text{tr*}}}\right)^2\right] & \bar{\varepsilon}^{\text{tr}} \leq \bar{\varepsilon}^{\text{tr*}} \\ \exp\left[-\delta_r \left(1 - \frac{\bar{\varepsilon}^{\text{tr}}}{\bar{\varepsilon}^{\text{tr*}}}\right)^2\right] & \bar{\varepsilon}^{\text{tr}} > \bar{\varepsilon}^{\text{tr*}} \end{cases}$$

$$\delta_h = \alpha_h + \beta_h \log_{10}\left(\frac{\bar{\sigma}}{\mu}\right)$$

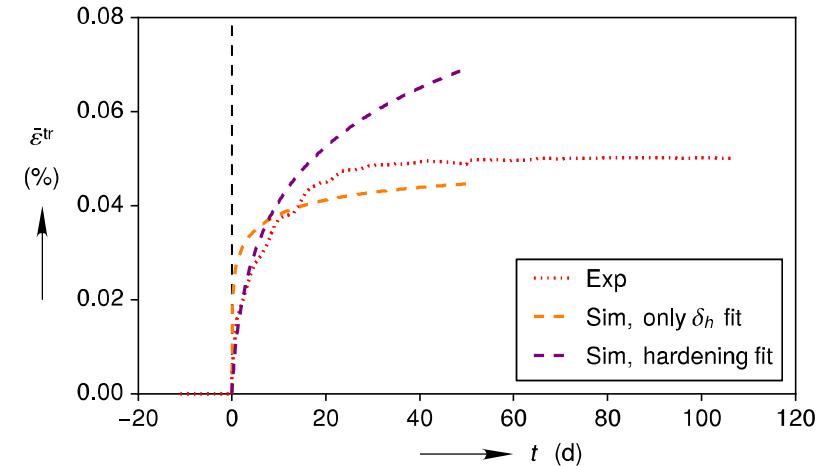
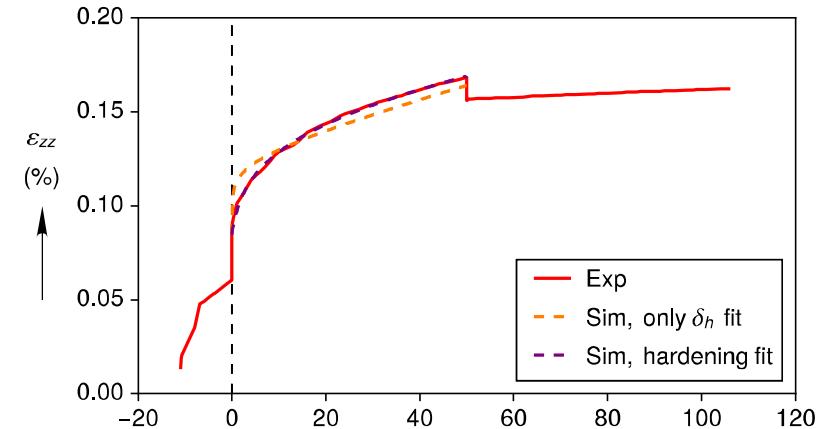
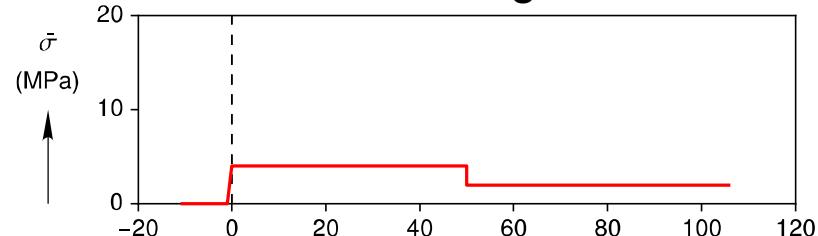
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Calibration Techniques Compared

Measurements

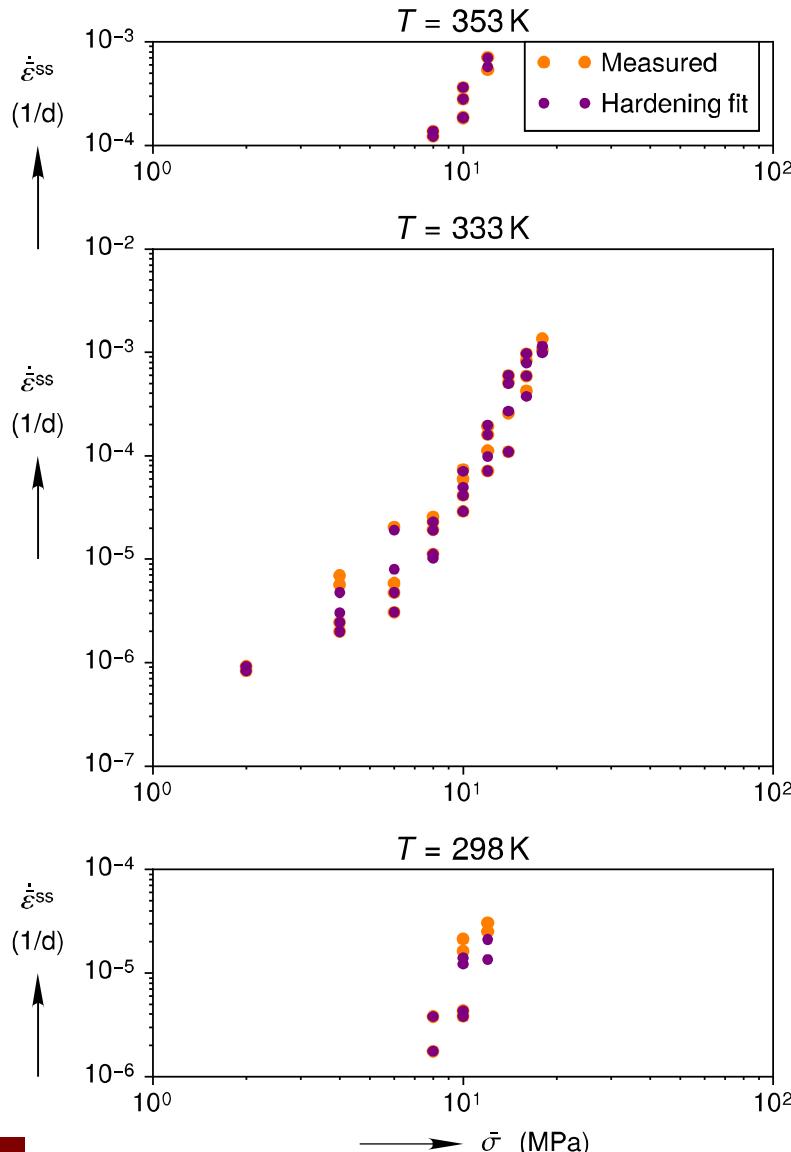


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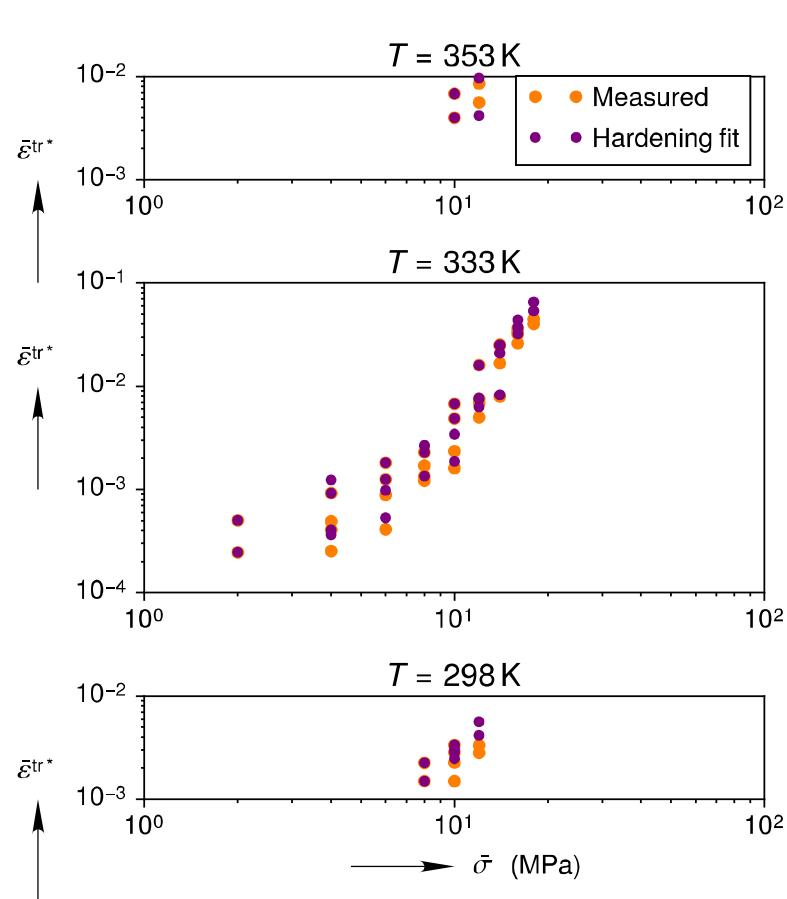


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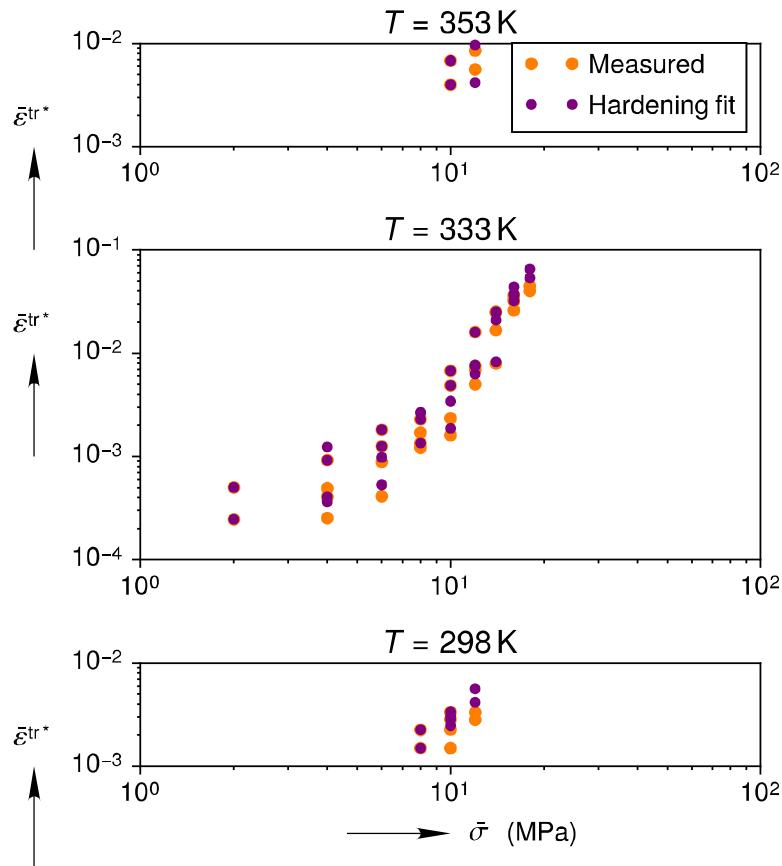


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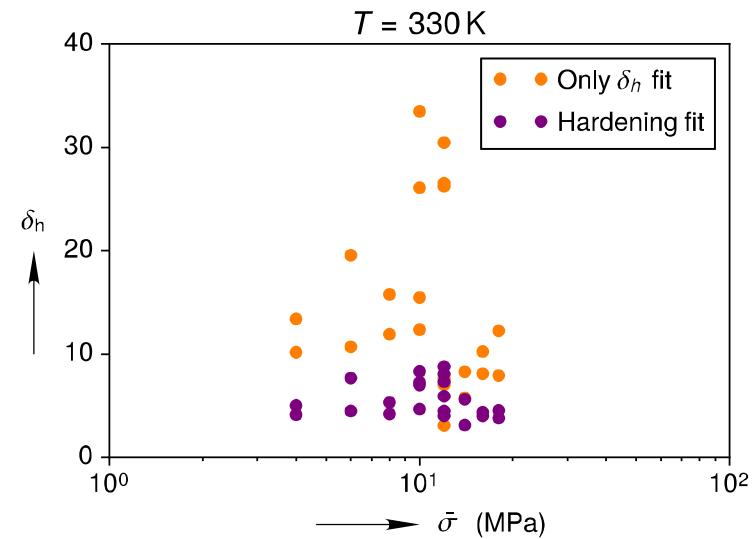


Extraction Techniques Compared

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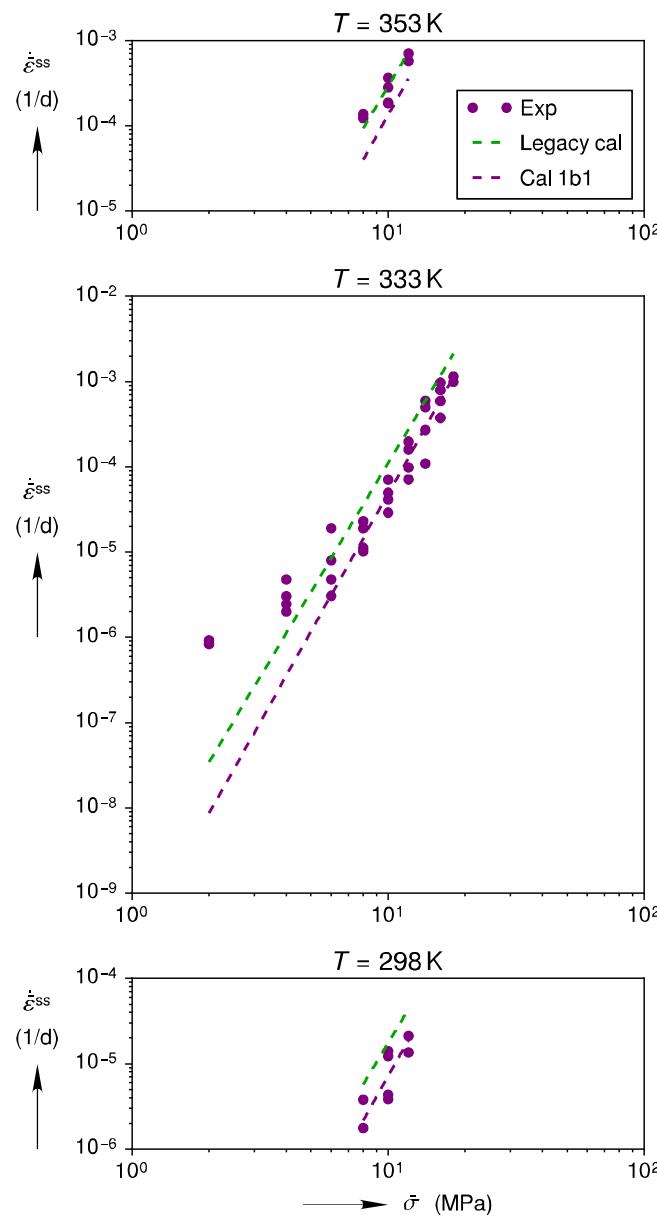


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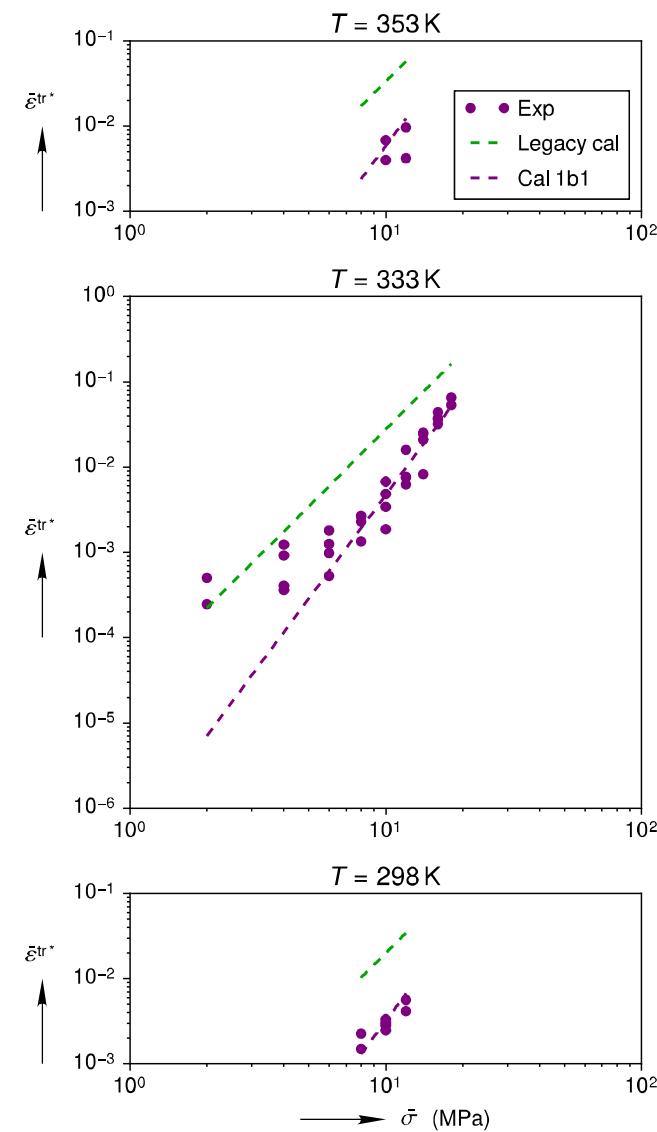


Preliminary New Calibration

Steady State Rate

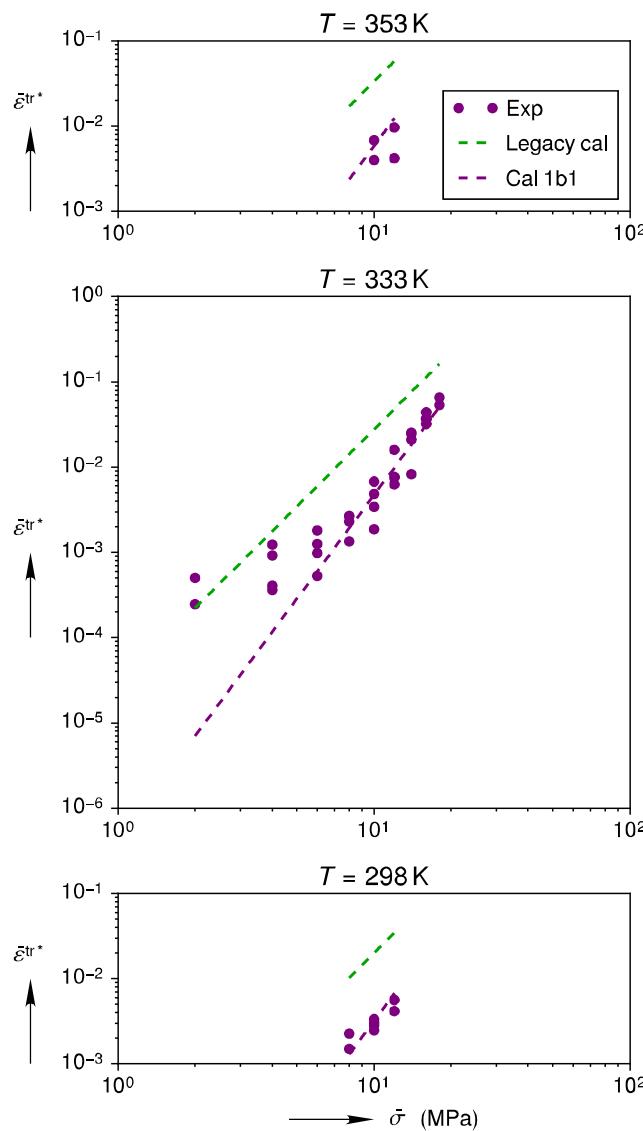


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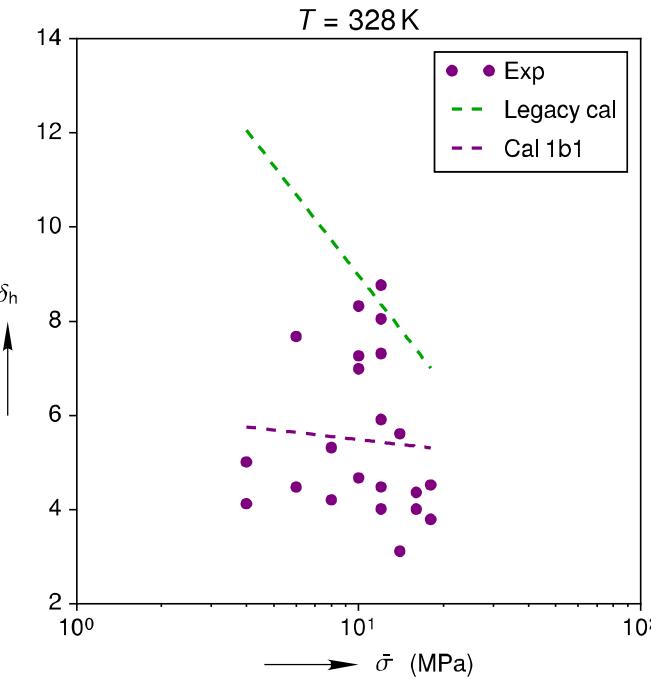


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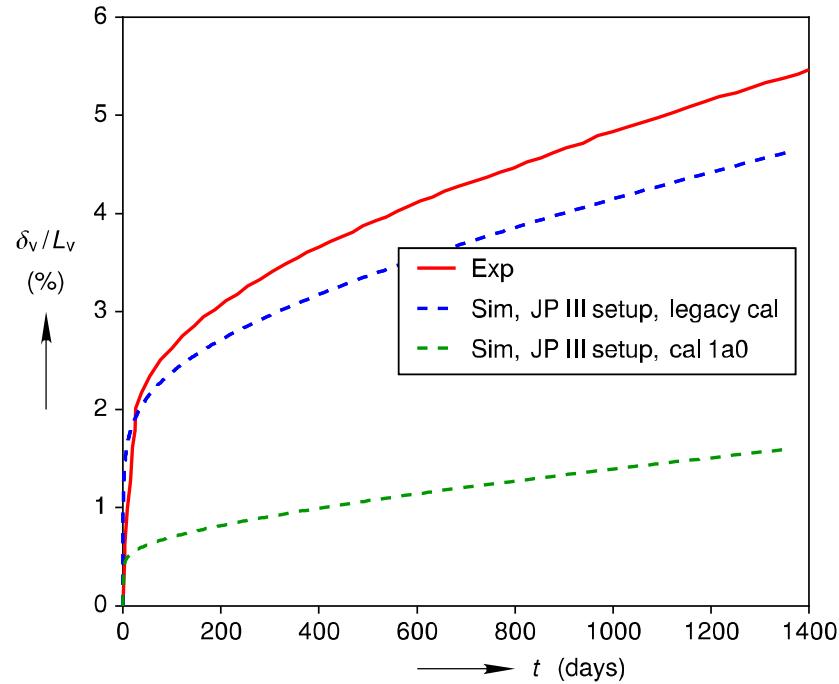
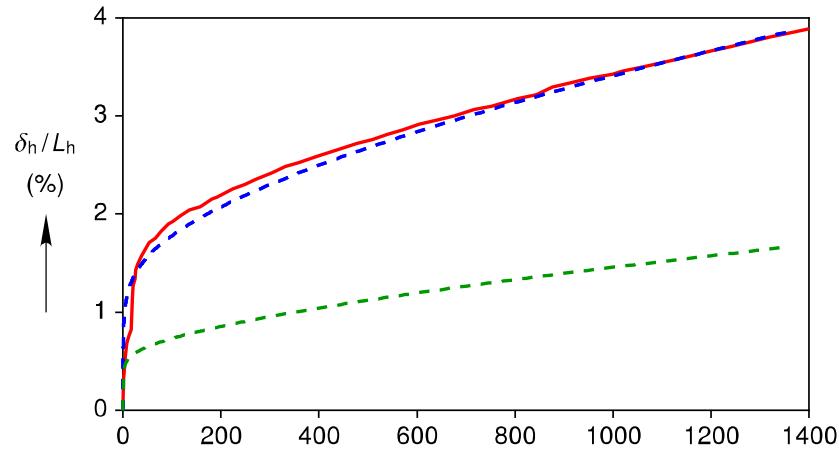
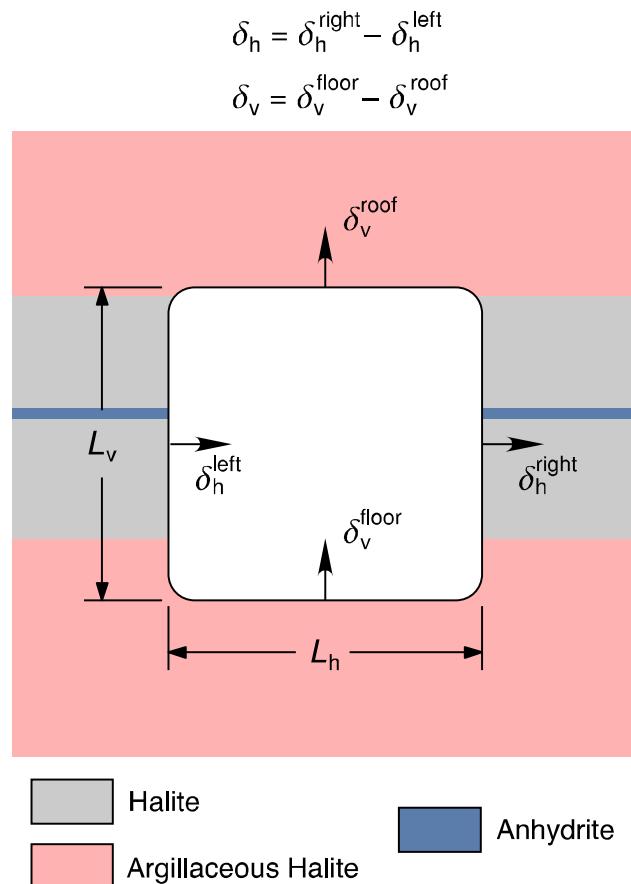
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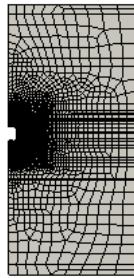
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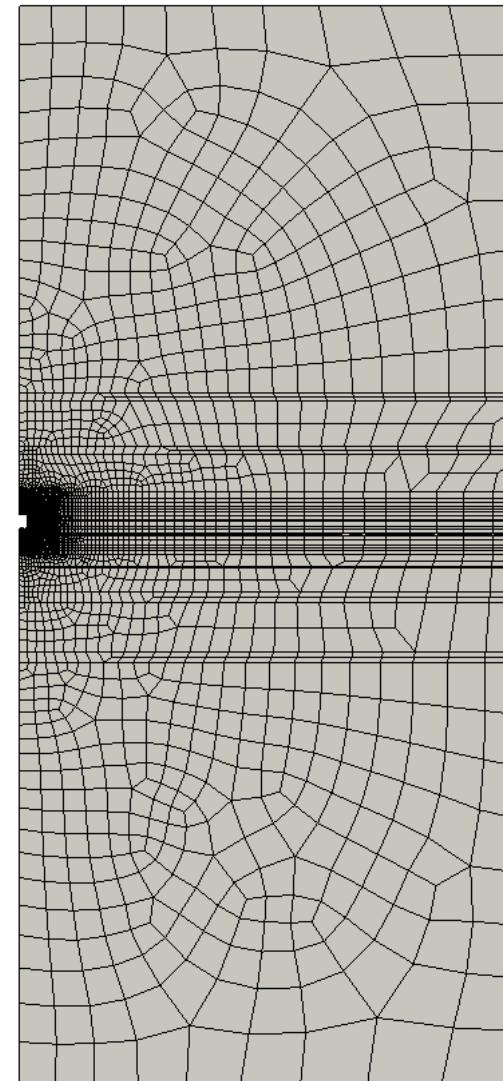
Future Work: Simulation Boundary

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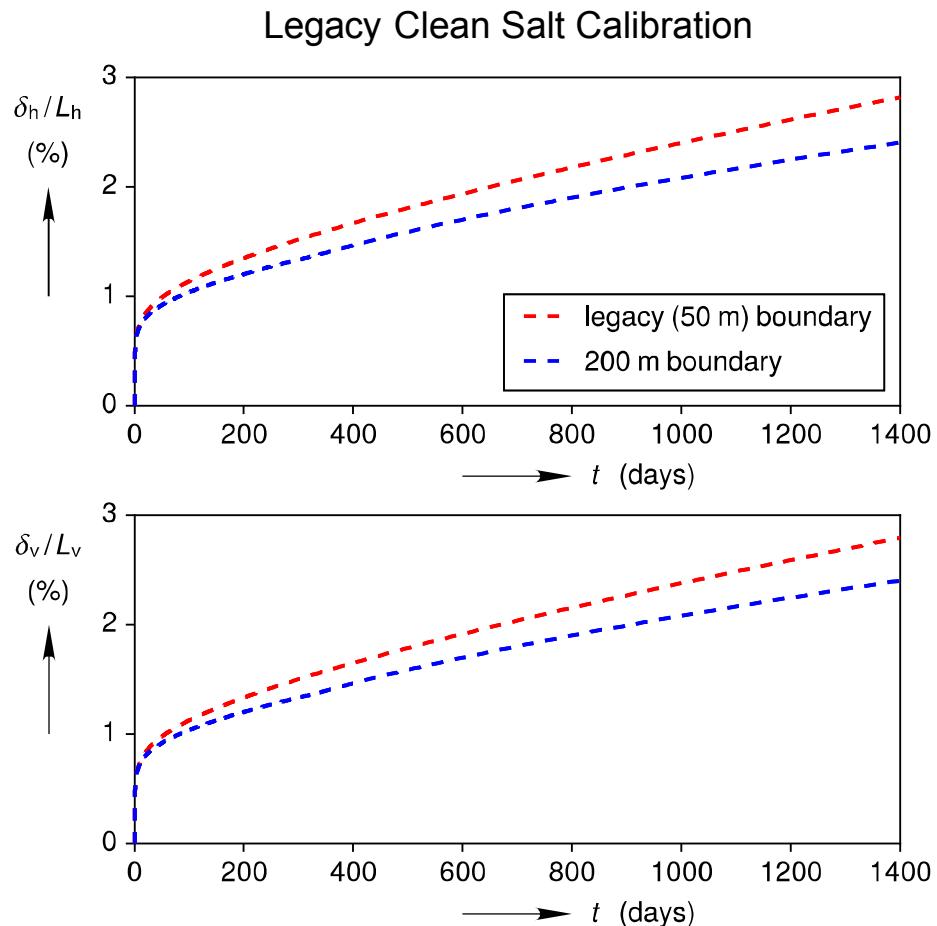
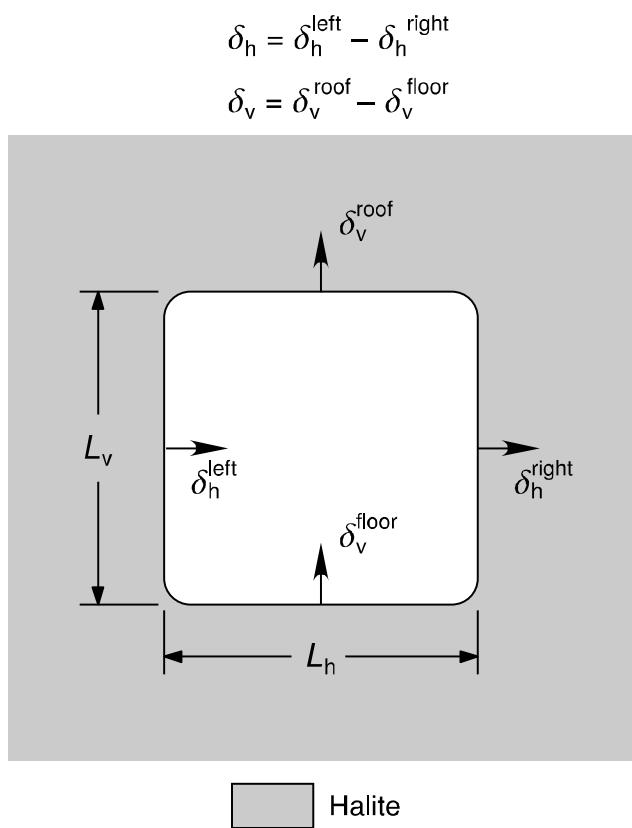
Legacy (50 m)
Boundary



200 m Boundary

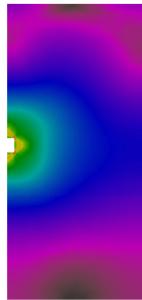


Impact of Simulation Boundary on Room Closure

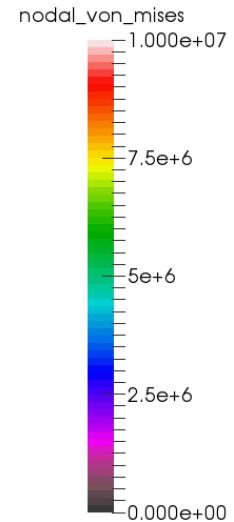
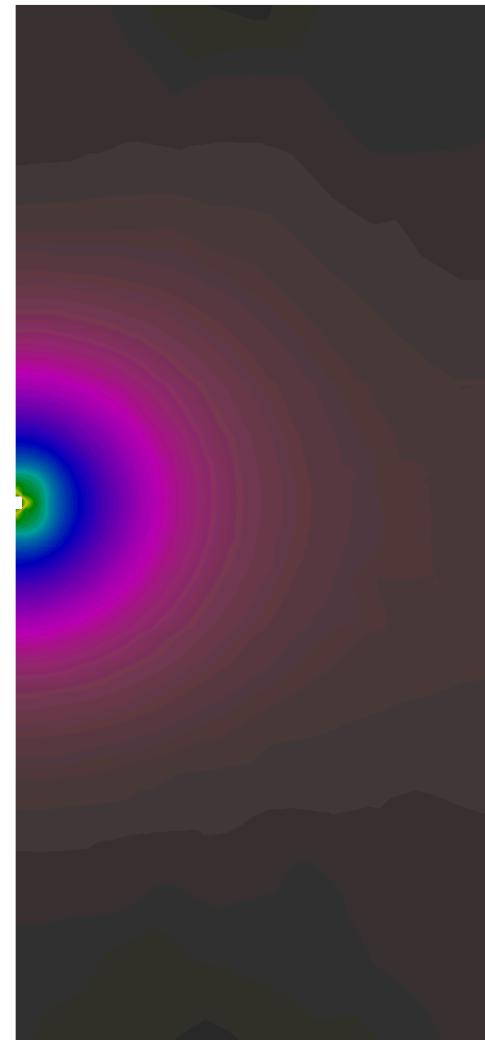


Compare von Mises Stress Fields

Legacy (50 m)
Boundary

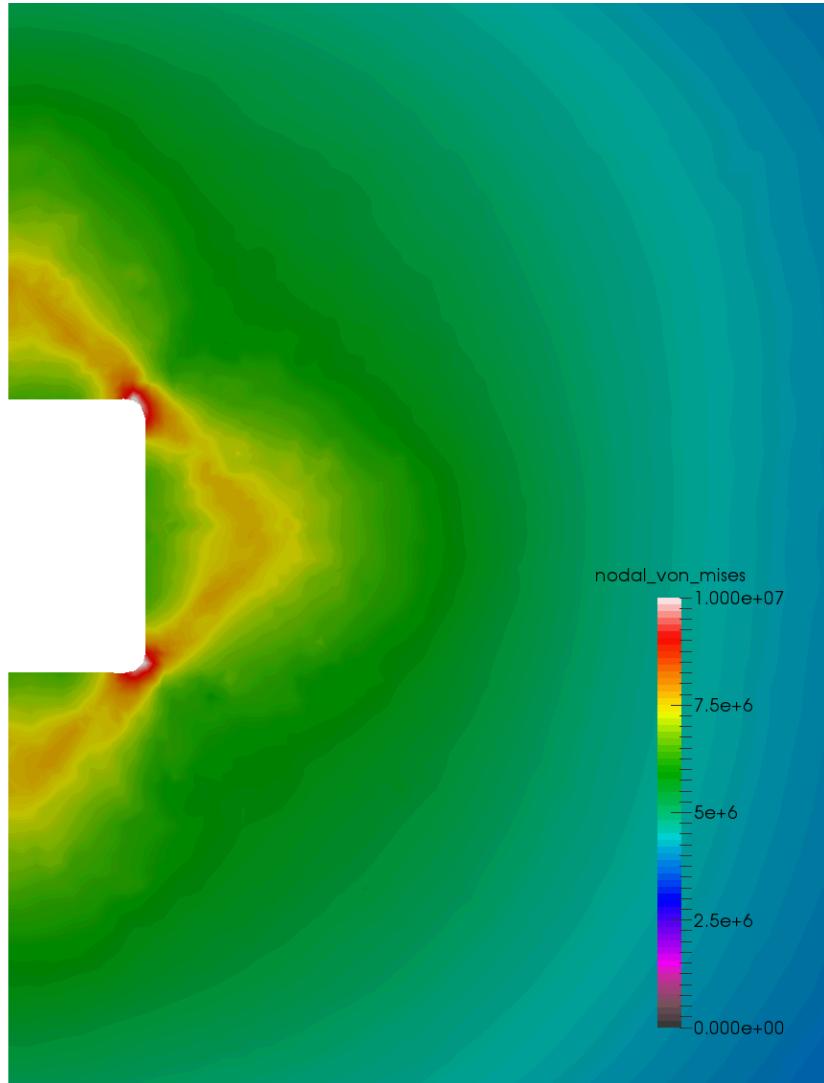


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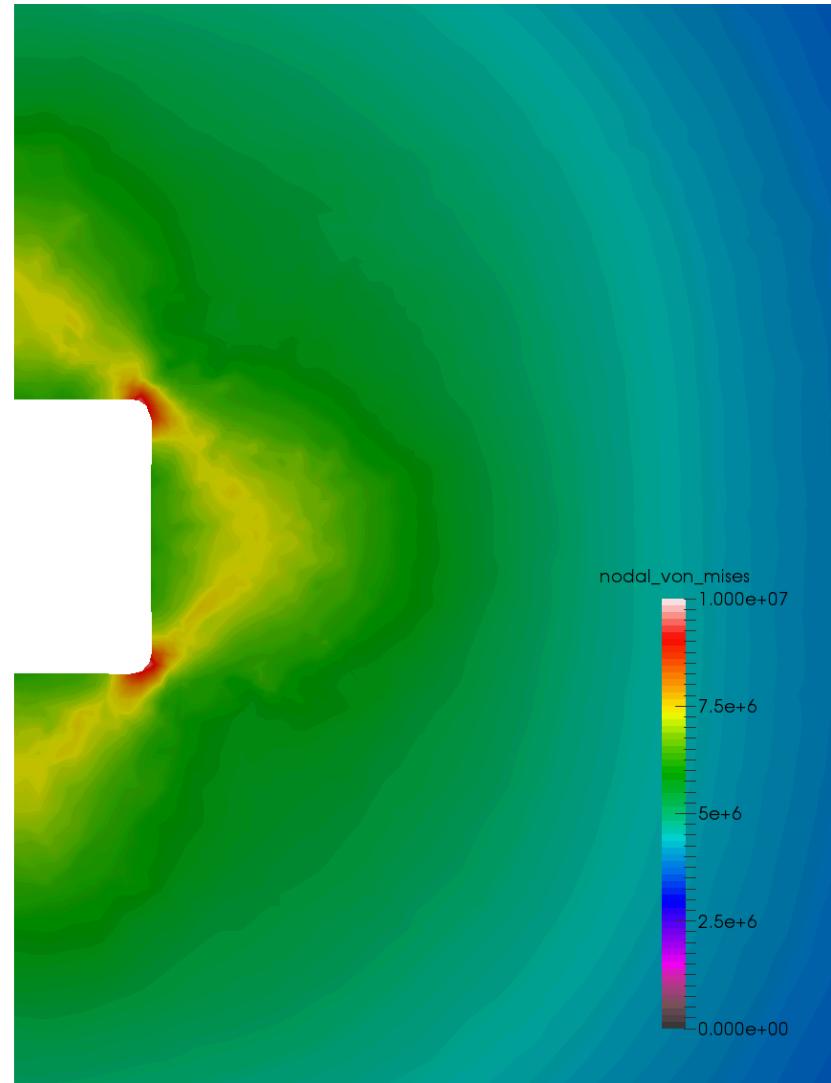


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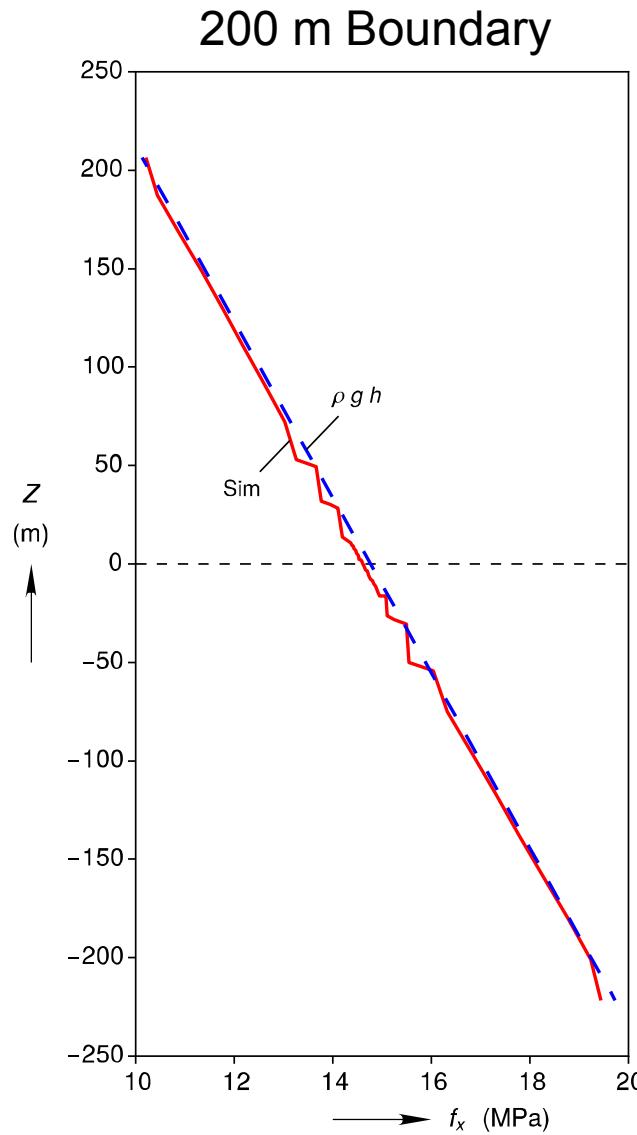
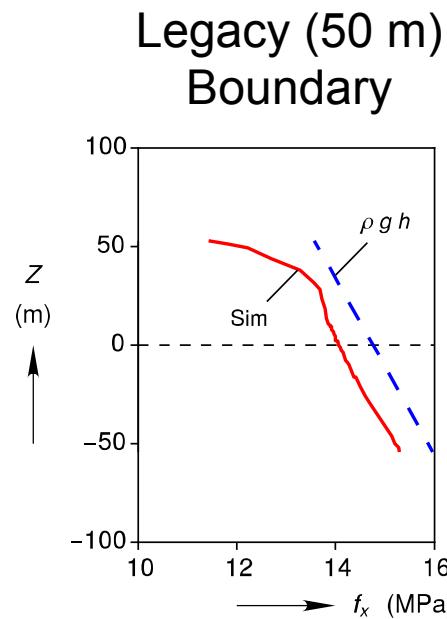
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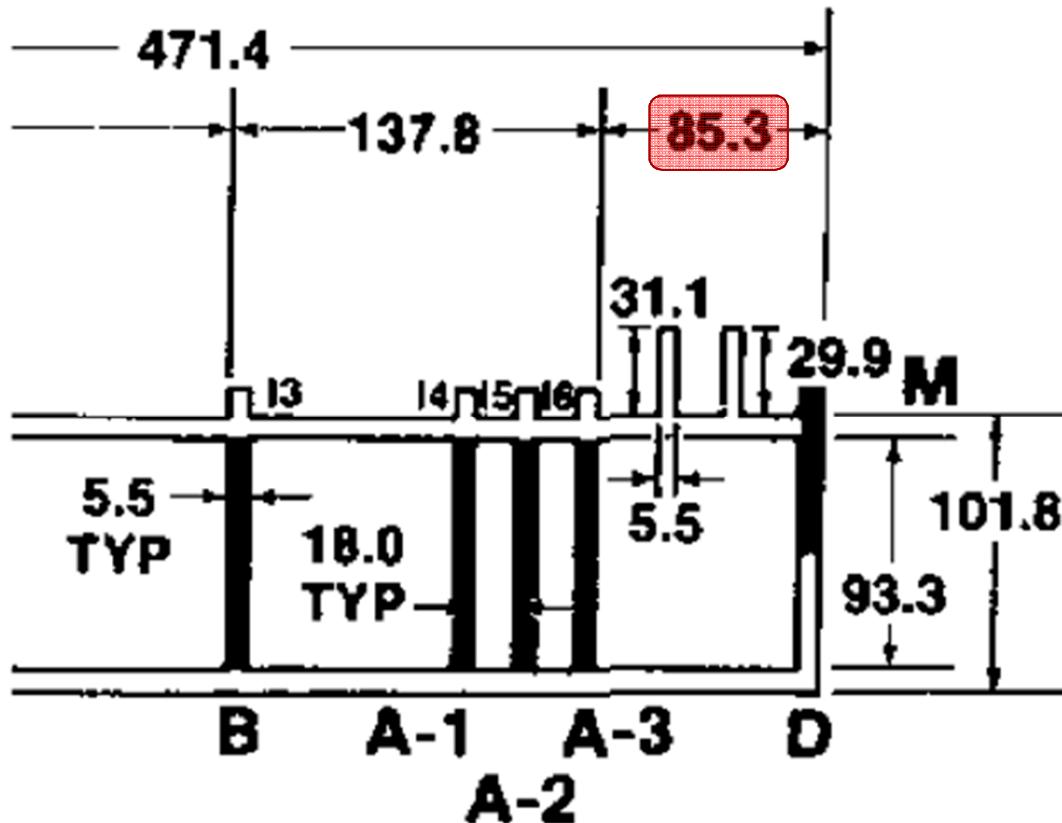
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Traction distribution on the right boundary



Room Spacing

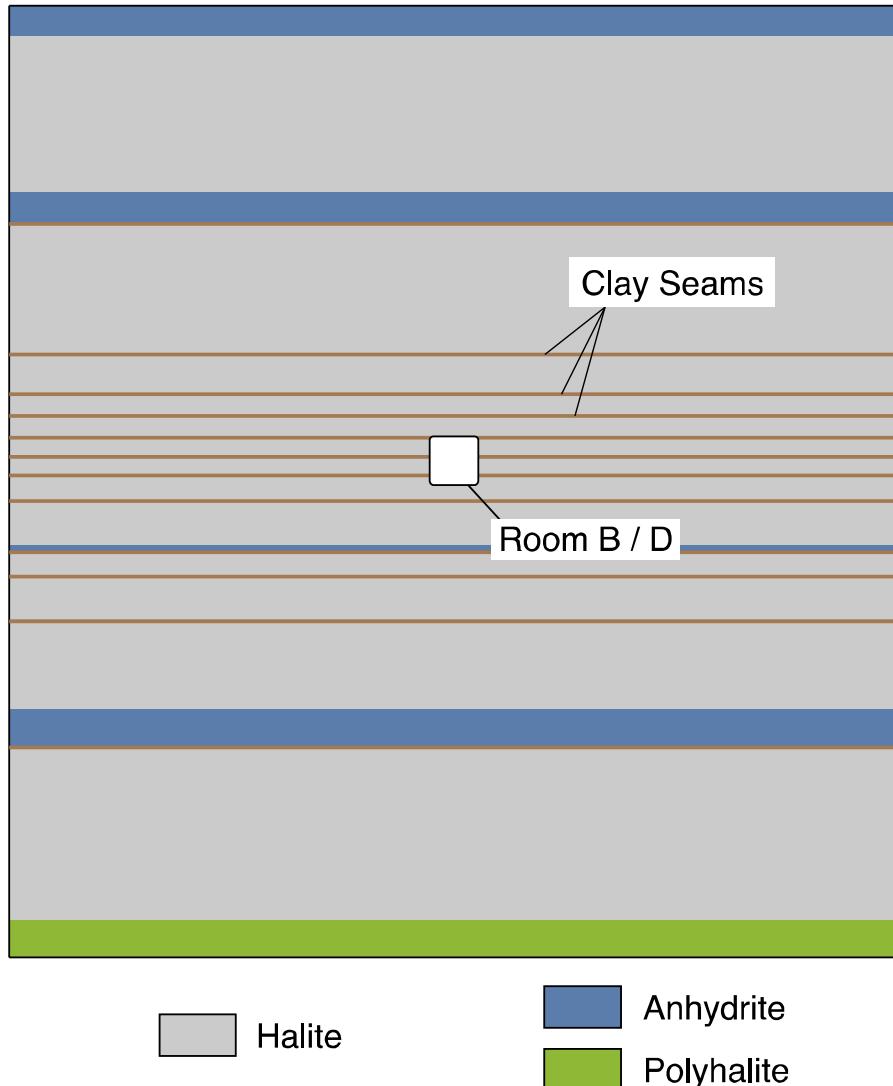


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Future Work

- Salt material model
 - Low deviatoric stresses
 - Flow potential
 - Calibrate high temp behavior
- Simulation boundary
- Anhydrite material model
- Size effects
- Friction in triaxial experiment

Room B / D Stratigraphy



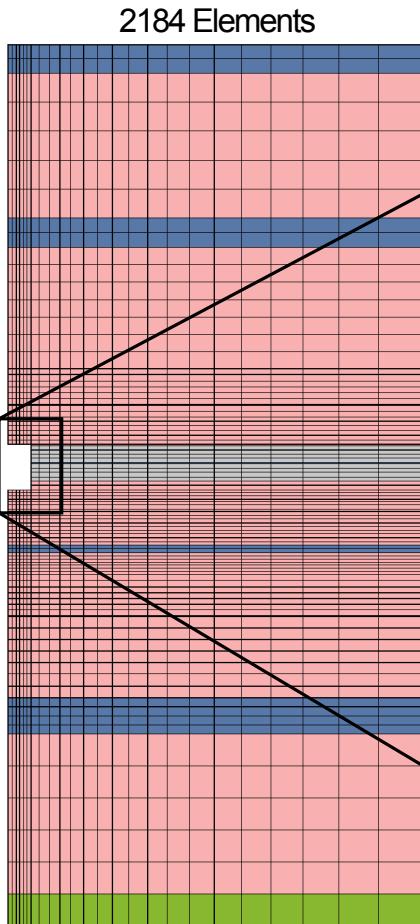
Summary

- Quite difficult to resolve the legacy simulation numerics
 - New mesh
 - Tighter residual tolerance
 - Switched contact algorithm
 - Changed to associated flow for anhydrite material model
- Completed Room D simulations with the legacy Munson-Dawson model calibration
- Recalibration of the Munson-Dawson model is in process
 - The legacy transient limit does not match the JPIII experiments
 - The argillaceous and clean salt are virtually identical, so only one calibration will be pursued
 - The simulation of room D with the preliminary calibration roughly agrees with the partners
- Simulation boundary may be too close

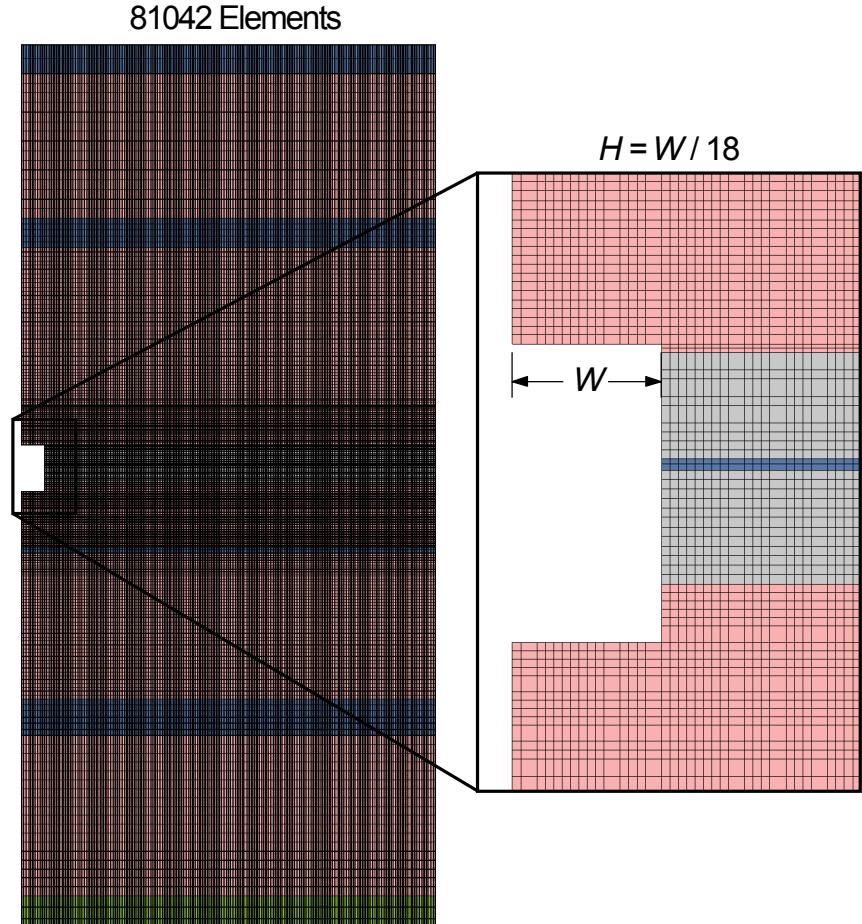
Extra Slides

Initial Mesh Convergence Study

Coarsest Mesh

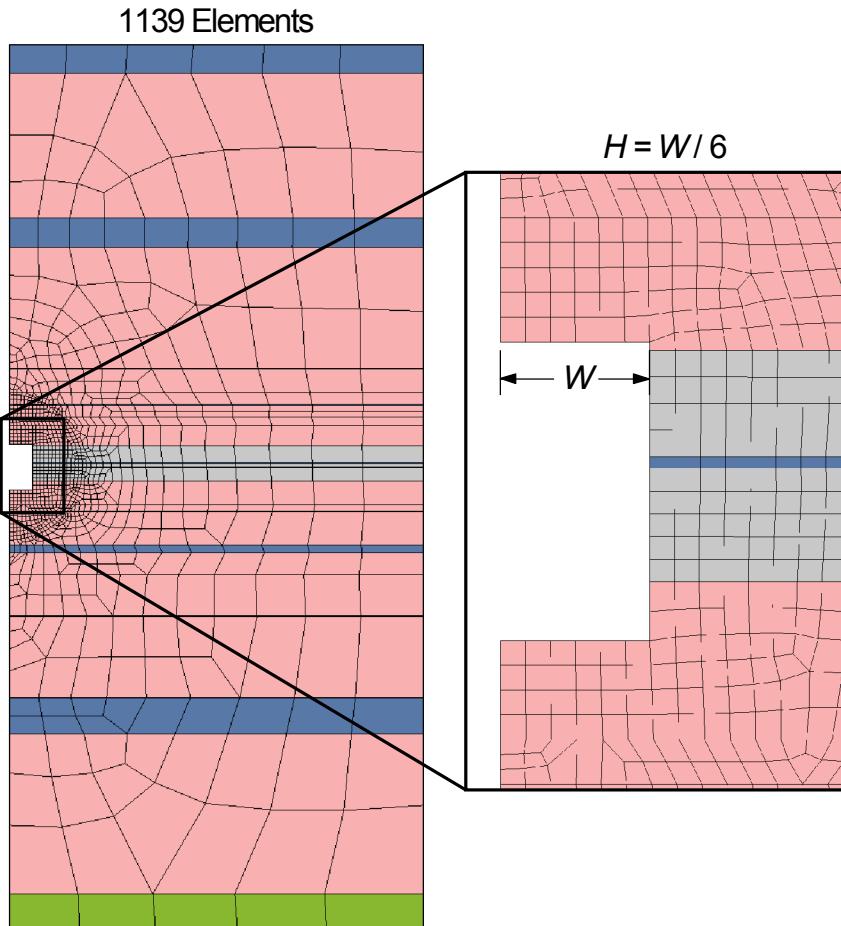


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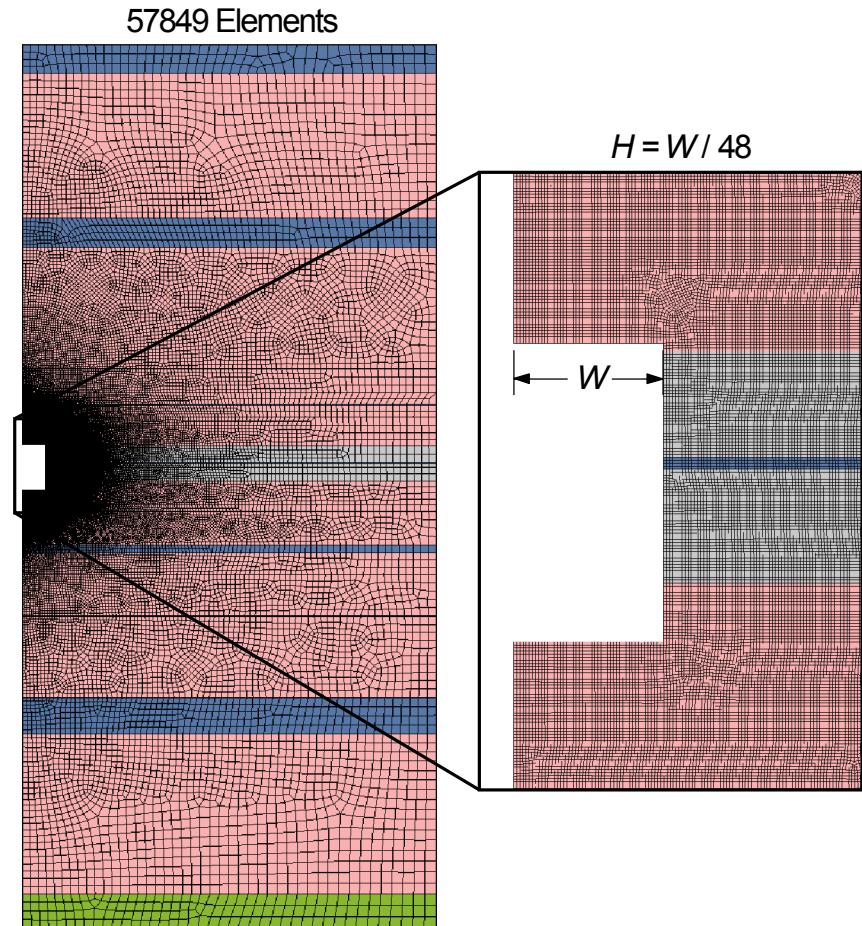


New Meshes

Coarsest Mesh



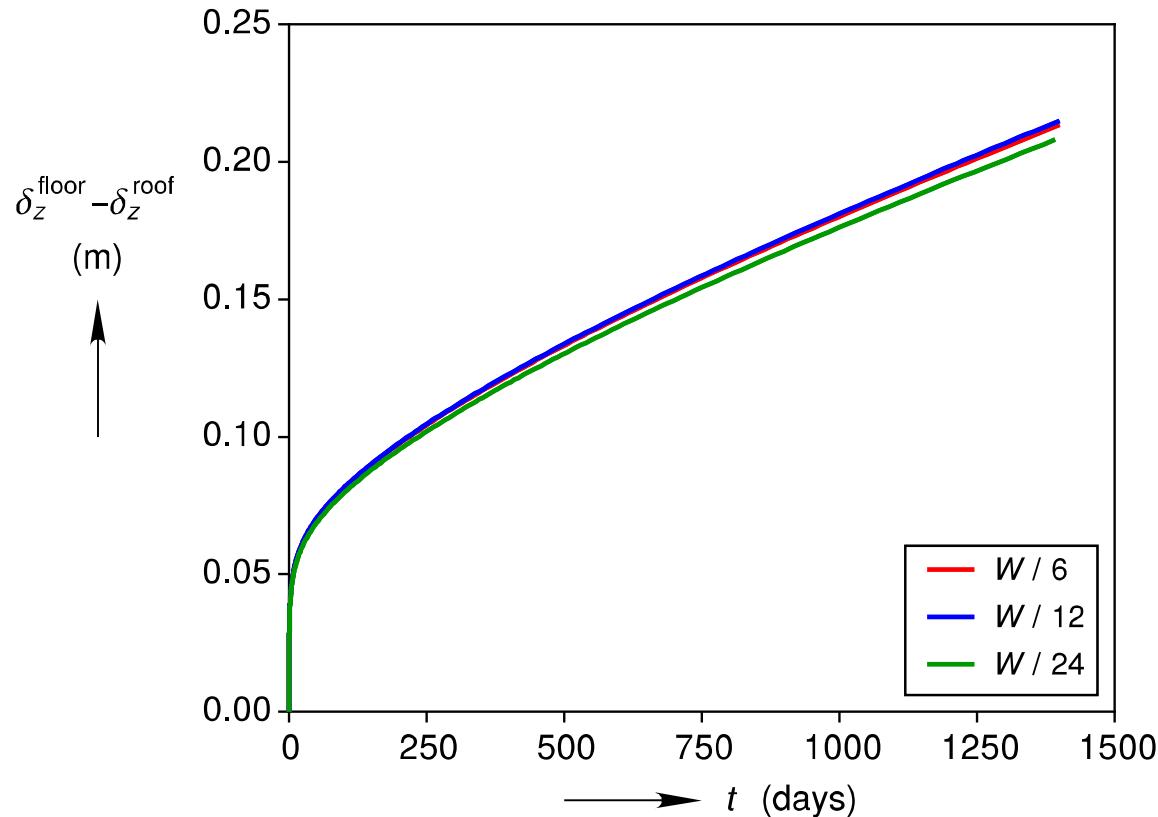
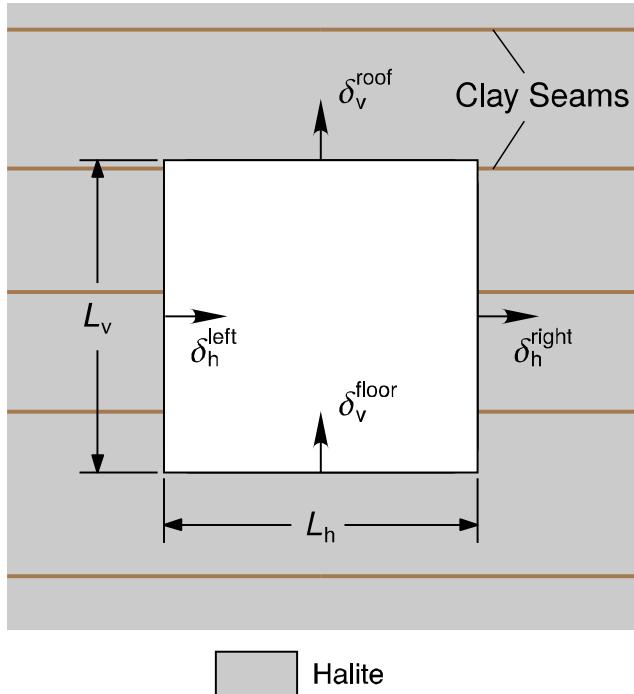
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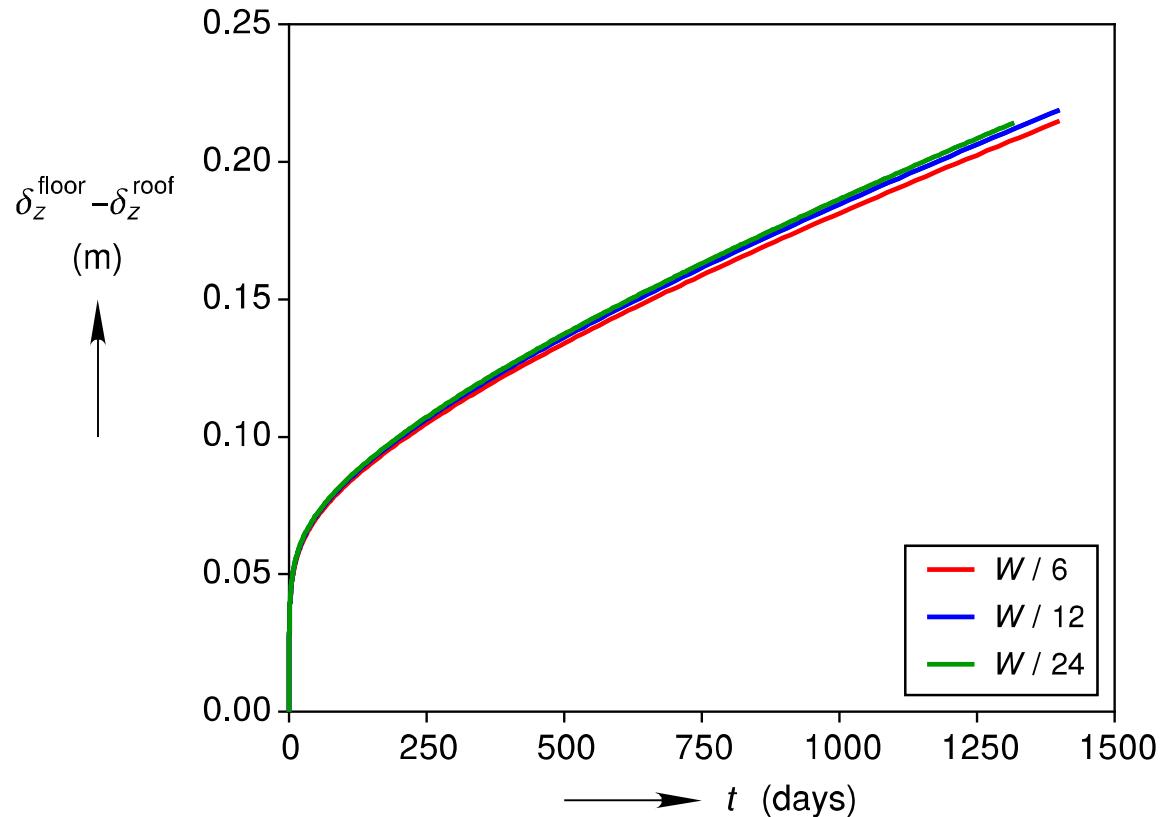
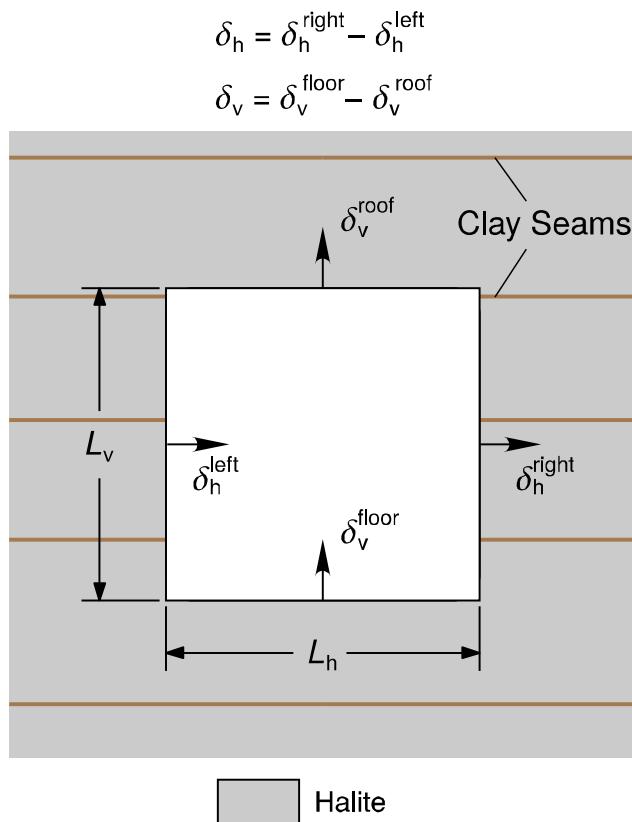
Kinematic Contact Enforcement Issue

$$\delta_h = \delta_h^{\text{right}} - \delta_h^{\text{left}}$$

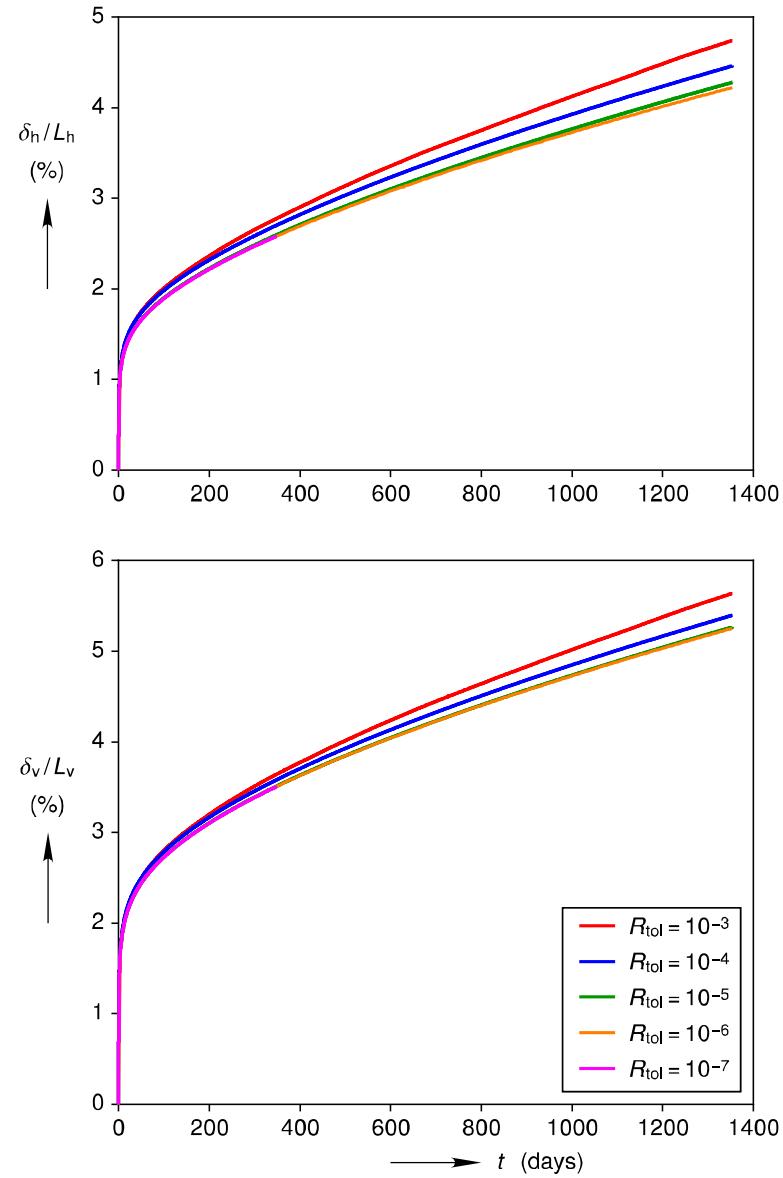
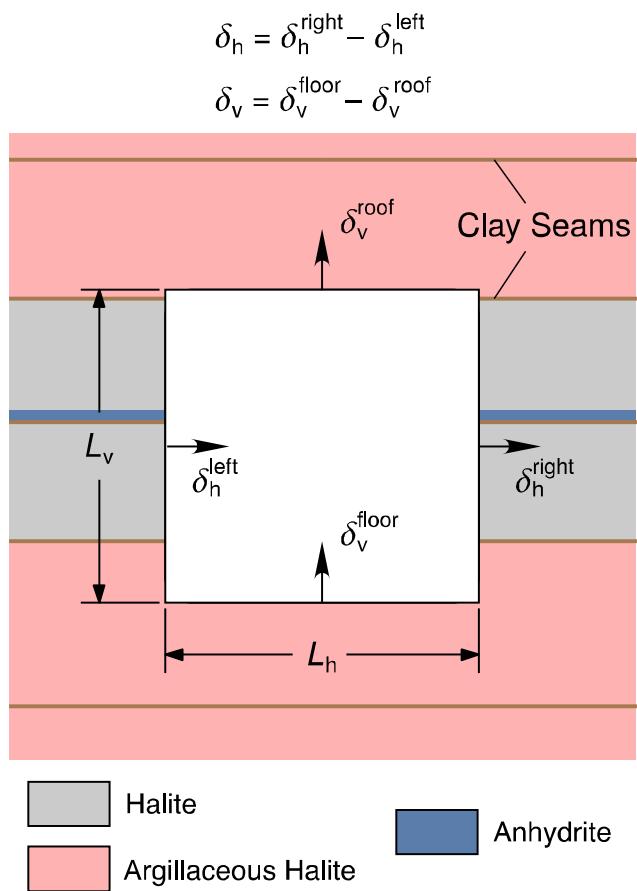
$$\delta_v = \delta_v^{\text{floor}} - \delta_v^{\text{roof}}$$



Augmented Lagrange Contact Enforcement

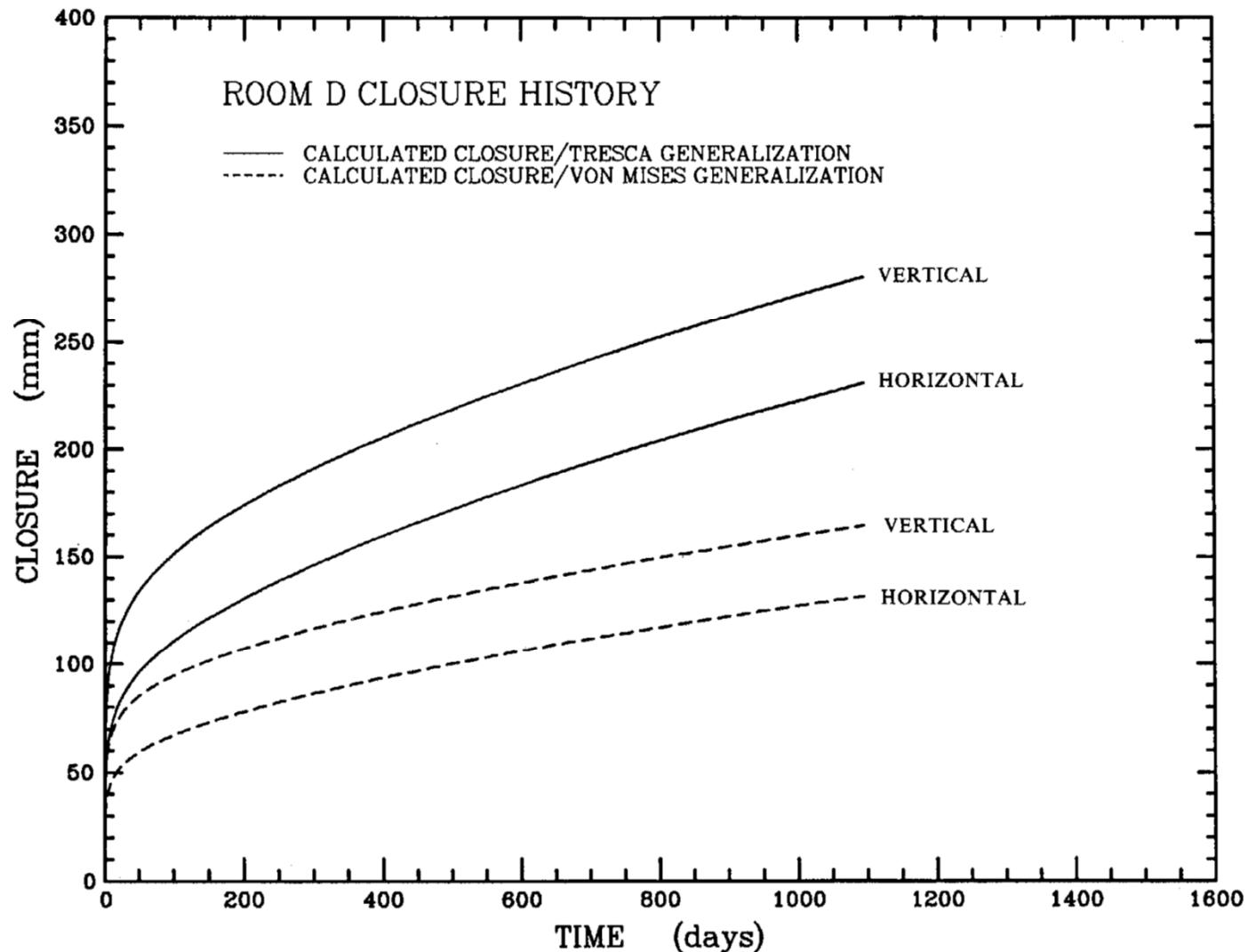


Residual Tolerance



Future Work: Flow Potential

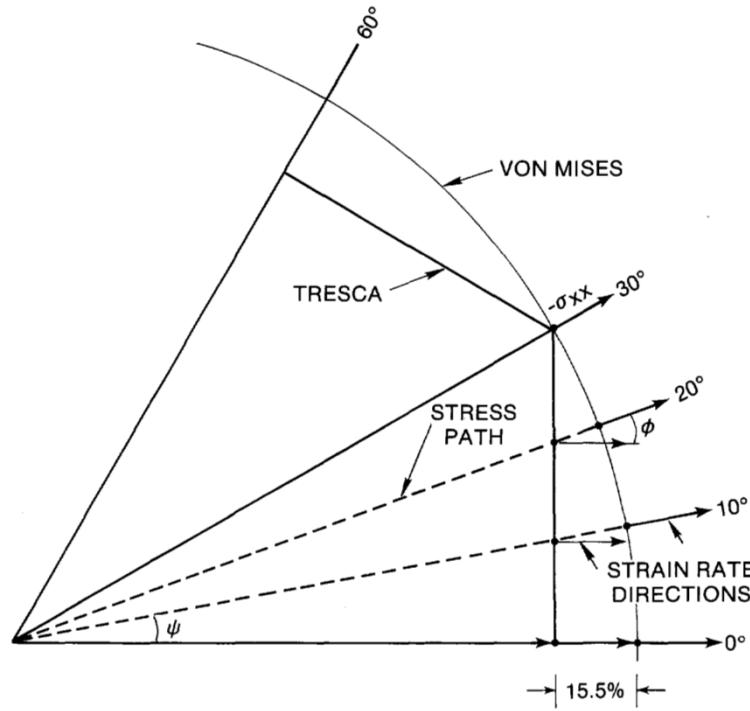
Flow Potential



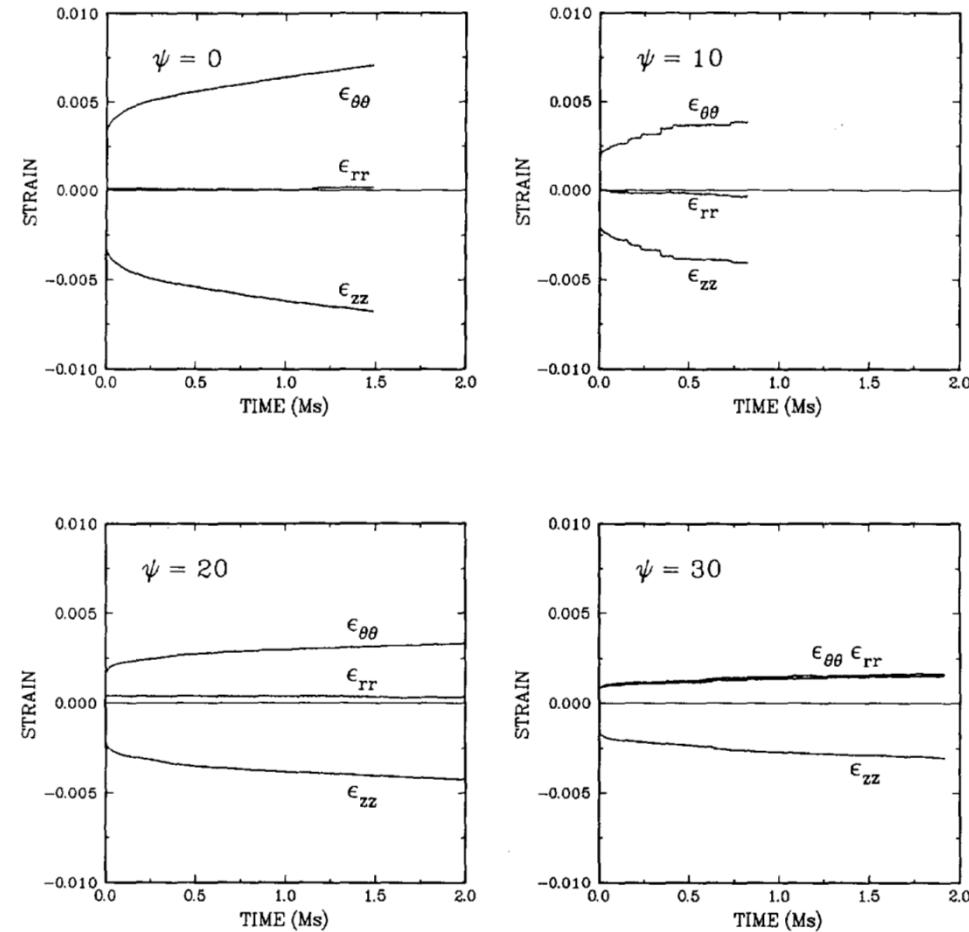
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Flow Potential

π -Plane



Thin Walled Tube Results



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Hosford (1972):
$$f = \left(\frac{1}{2} |s_1 - s_2|^\eta + \frac{1}{2} |s_2 - s_3|^\eta + \frac{1}{2} |s_3 - s_1|^\eta \right)^{1/\eta}$$