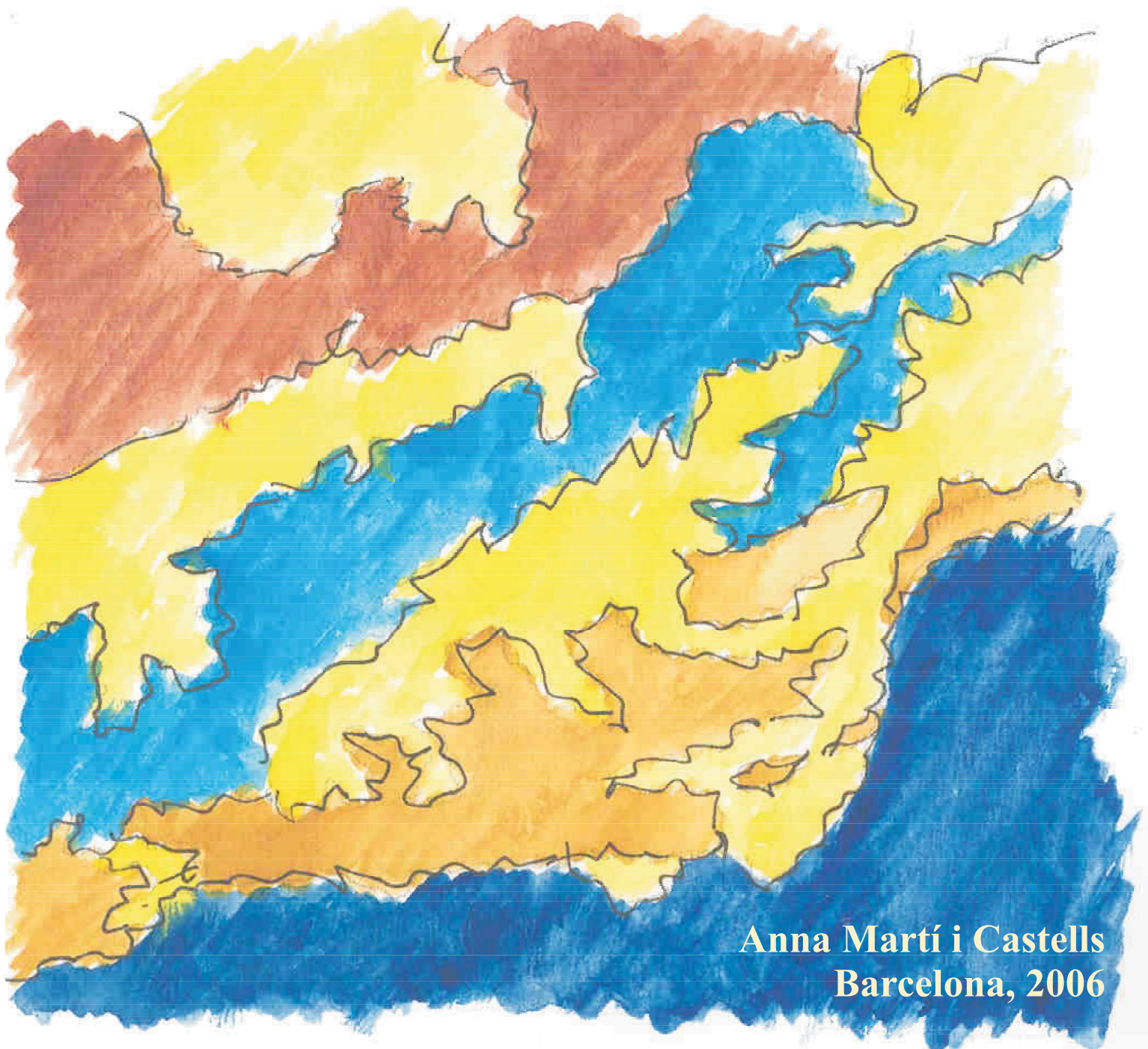


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**A Magnetotelluric Investigation of Geoelectrical
Dimensionality and Study of the
Central Betic Crustal Structure**



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Appendix A: Expressions of the Errors of WAL Invariants and Strike Angles using Classical Error Propagation

To obtain the analytical expression of the errors (δI_k) of each invariant (I_k), classical error propagation was applied to equations (2.10 to 2.18), regarding the errors of the tensor components M_{ij} as statistically independent. The expressions are shown in terms of ξ_i and η_i (see eq. 2.8) and their errors:

$$\zeta_1 = \xi_1 + \eta_1 i = \frac{M_{xx} + M_{yy}}{2}, \quad (\text{A.1a})$$

$$\zeta_2 = \xi_2 + \eta_2 i = \frac{M_{xy} + M_{yx}}{2}, \quad (\text{A.1b})$$

$$\zeta_3 = \xi_3 + \eta_3 i = \frac{M_{xx} - M_{yy}}{2}, \quad (\text{A.1c})$$

$$\zeta_4 = \xi_4 + \eta_4 i = \frac{M_{xy} - M_{yx}}{2}. \quad (\text{A.1d})$$

Since $\delta(\text{Re } M_{ij}) = \delta(\text{Im } M_{ij}) = \delta(M_{ij}) = (\text{var}(M_{ij}))^{1/2}$ (eq. 3.1):

$$\delta\xi_1 = \delta\xi_3 = \delta\eta_1 = \delta\eta_3 = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{(\delta M_{xx})^2 + (\delta M_{yy})^2}, \quad (\text{A.2a})$$

$$\delta\xi_2 = \delta\xi_4 = \delta\eta_2 = \delta\eta_4 = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{(\delta M_{xx})^2 + (\delta M_{yy})^2}. \quad (\text{A.2b})$$

Errors of invariants I_1 - I_7 and Q :

$$\delta I_k = \sum_{i=1}^4 \left(\left(\frac{\partial I_k}{\partial \xi_i} \right)^2 (\delta \xi_i)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial I_k}{\partial \eta_i} \right)^2 (\delta \eta_i)^2 \right)^{1/2}, \quad (\text{A.3})$$

then,

$$\delta I_1 = \frac{1}{I_1} \sqrt{\xi_1^2 \delta \xi_1^2 + \xi_4^2 \delta \xi_4^2}, \quad (\text{A.3})$$

$$\delta I_2 = \frac{1}{I_2} \sqrt{\eta_1^2 \delta \eta_1^2 + \eta_4^2 \delta \eta_4^2}, \quad (\text{A.4})$$

$$\delta I_3 = \frac{1}{I_1^2 I_3} \sqrt{\xi_2^2 \delta \xi_2^2 + \xi_3^2 \delta \xi_3^2} + \frac{I_3}{I_1^2} \sqrt{\xi_1^2 \delta \xi_1^2 + \xi_4^2 \delta \xi_4^2}, \quad (\text{A.5})$$

$$\delta I_4 = \frac{1}{I_2^2 I_4} \sqrt{\eta_2^2 \delta \eta_2^2 + \eta_3^2 \delta \eta_3^2} + \frac{I_4}{I_2^2} \sqrt{\eta_1^2 \delta \eta_1^2 + \eta_4^2 \delta \eta_4^2}, \quad (\text{A.6})$$

$$\delta I_5 = \delta s_{41} = \frac{1}{I_1 I_2} \sqrt{\left(\eta_4 - I_5 \xi_1 \frac{I_2}{I_1} \right)^2 \delta \xi_1^2 + \left(\eta_1 - I_5 \xi_4 \frac{I_2}{I_1} \right)^2 \delta \xi_4^2 + \left(\xi_4 - I_5 \eta_1 \frac{I_1}{I_2} \right)^2 \delta \eta_1^2 + \left(\xi_1 - I_5 \eta_4 \frac{I_1}{I_2} \right)^2 \delta \eta_4^2}, \quad (\text{A.7})$$

$$\delta d_{ij} = \frac{1}{I_1 I_2} \sqrt{\left(\eta_j - d_{ij} \xi_i \frac{I_2}{I_1} \right)^2 \delta \xi_i^2 + \left(-\eta_i - d_{ij} \xi_j \frac{I_2}{I_1} \right)^2 \delta \xi_j^2 + \left(-\xi_j - d_{ij} \eta_i \frac{I_1}{I_2} \right)^2 \delta \eta_i^2 + \left(\xi_i - d_{ij} \eta_j \frac{I_1}{I_2} \right)^2 \delta \eta_j^2}, \quad (\text{A.8})$$

$$\delta I_6 = \delta d_{41} = \frac{1}{I_1 I_2} \sqrt{\left(\eta_1 - I_6 \xi_4 \frac{I_2}{I_1} \right)^2 \delta \xi_4^2 + \left(-\eta_4 - I_6 \xi_1 \frac{I_2}{I_1} \right)^2 \delta \xi_1^2 + \left(-\xi_1 - I_6 \eta_4 \frac{I_1}{I_2} \right)^2 \delta \eta_4^2 + \left(\xi_4 - I_6 \eta_1 \frac{I_1}{I_2} \right)^2 \delta \eta_1^2}, \quad (\text{A.9})$$

$$\delta Q = \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^4 \left[\left(\sum_{\substack{ij=12, \\ 13,24,34}} \frac{\partial Q}{\partial d_{ij}} \frac{\partial d_{ij}}{\partial \xi_k} \right)^2 \delta \xi_k^2 + \left(\sum_{\substack{ij=12, \\ 13,24,34}} \frac{\partial Q}{\partial d_{ij}} \frac{\partial d_{ij}}{\partial \eta_k} \right)^2 \delta \eta_k^2 \right]}, \quad (\text{A.10})$$

and

$$\delta I_7 = \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^4 \left[\left(\frac{\partial I_7}{\partial Q} \sum_{\substack{ij=12, \\ 13,24,34}} \frac{\partial Q}{\partial d_{ij}} \frac{\partial d_{ij}}{\partial \xi_k} + \frac{\partial I_7}{\partial d_{41}} \frac{\partial d_{41}}{\partial \xi_k} + \frac{\partial I_7}{\partial d_{23}} \frac{\partial d_{23}}{\partial \xi_k} \right)^2 \delta \xi_k^2 + \left(\frac{\partial I_7}{\partial Q} \sum_{\substack{ij=12, \\ 13,24,34}} \frac{\partial Q}{\partial d_{ij}} \frac{\partial d_{ij}}{\partial \eta_k} + \frac{\partial I_7}{\partial d_{41}} \frac{\partial d_{41}}{\partial \eta_k} + \frac{\partial I_7}{\partial d_{23}} \frac{\partial d_{23}}{\partial \eta_k} \right)^2 \delta \eta_k^2 \right]}, \quad (\text{A.11})$$

with:

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial d_{12}} = \frac{1}{Q} (d_{12} - d_{34}) \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial Q}{\partial d_{34}} = -\frac{1}{Q} (d_{12} - d_{34}), \quad (\text{A.12})$$

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial d_{13}} = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial d_{24}} = \frac{1}{Q} (d_{13} + d_{24}), \quad (\text{A.13})$$

$$\frac{\partial d_{ij}}{\partial \xi_k} = \frac{1}{I_1 I_2} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \eta_j, k=i \\ -\eta_i, k=j \\ 0, k \neq i \neq j \end{array} \right\} - d_{ij} \frac{1}{I_1} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \xi_k / I_1, k=1,4 \\ 0, k=2,3 \end{array} \right\}, \quad (\text{A.14})$$

$$\frac{\partial d_{ij}}{\partial \eta_k} = \frac{1}{I_1 I_2} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} -\xi_j, k=i \\ \xi_i, k=j \\ 0, k \neq i \neq j \end{array} \right\} - d_{ij} \frac{1}{I_2} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \eta_k / I_2, k=1,4 \\ 0, k=2,3 \end{array} \right\}, \quad (\text{A.15})$$

$$\frac{\partial I_7}{\partial Q} = -\frac{1}{Q^2} (d_{41} - d_{23}), \quad (\text{A.16})$$

$$\frac{\partial I_7}{\partial d_{41}} = \frac{1}{Q} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial I_7}{\partial d_{23}} = \frac{-1}{Q}. \quad (\text{A.17})$$

Strike angles, θ_1 and θ_2 , θ_D and θ_3 and their errors, using classical error propagation as well:

$$\theta_1 = \frac{1}{2} \arctan\left(\frac{-\xi_3}{\xi_2}\right) \quad (\text{A.18})$$

$$\delta\theta_1 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{1 + (-\xi_3/\xi_2)^2} \sqrt{\left(\frac{\xi_3}{\xi_2}\right)^2 \delta\xi_2^2 + \left(\frac{-1}{\xi_2}\right)^2 \delta\xi_3^2}, \quad (\text{A.19})$$

$$\theta_2 = \frac{1}{2} \arctan\left(\frac{-\eta_3}{\eta_2}\right), \quad (\text{A.20})$$

$$\delta\theta_2 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{1 + (-\eta_3/\eta_2)^2} \sqrt{\left(\frac{\eta_3}{\eta_2}\right)^2 \delta\eta_2^2 + \left(\frac{-1}{\eta_2}\right)^2 \delta\eta_3^2}, \quad (\text{A.21})$$

$$\theta_D = \frac{1}{2} \arctan\left(\frac{\xi_2}{\xi_3}\right), \quad (\text{or using imaginary components } \eta_2 \text{ and } \eta_3) \quad (\text{A.22})$$

$$\delta\theta_D = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{1 + (\xi_2/\xi_3)^2} \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{\xi_3}\right)^2 \delta\xi_2^2 + \left(\frac{-\xi_2}{\xi_3}\right)^2 \delta\xi_3^2}, \quad (\text{A.23})$$

$$\theta_3 = \frac{1}{2} \arctan\left(\frac{d_{12} - d_{34}}{d_{13} + d_{24}}\right), \quad (\text{A.24})$$

$$\delta\theta_3 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{d_{12} - d_{34}}{d_{13} + d_{24}}\right)^2} \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{d_{13} + d_{24}}\right)^2 (\delta d_{12}^2 + \delta d_{34}^2) + \left(\frac{-(d_{12} - d_{34})}{(d_{13} + d_{24})^2}\right)^2 (\delta d_{13}^2 + \delta d_{24}^2)}, \quad (\text{A.25})$$

where errors of d_{ij} are those of equation A.8.

The errors of distortion parameters ϕ_1 and ϕ_2 are not shown, given their complex dependence on all the magnetotelluric components and the strike angle (e.g. $\phi_1 = f(M_{xx}, M_{xy}, M_{yx}, M_{yy}, \theta_3)$), and the fact that these errors are better resolved using random gaussian noise generation.

Appendix B: The COPROD2 Dataset: Geological Setting and Responses from Site 85_314

The COPROD2 is an MT dataset collected along a 400 km EW profile in southern Saskatchewan and Manitoba (Canada), at 49°N, and from 106°W to 100°W, crossing the thick Paleozoic sediments of the Willingston basin. Within the basement beneath the sediments lies one of the world's longest and most enigmatic crustal conductivity features: the North American Central Plains (NACP) conductivity anomaly. At the eastern extreme of the profile there is a second basement anomaly (TOBE) interpreted as being associated with the Thompson Nickel Belt at the Superior-Churchill boundary (Figure B.1).

Data have a wide bandwidth (2.6ms to 1820s) and are of high quality (impedance errors typically <2%) (Jones, 1993). These data were made available to the MT community and are commonly used to test and compare 2D inversion codes, as in general these have a 2D behaviour. Presently, these data can be downloaded from the MTNET web page (<http://www.mtnet.info>).

Site 85_314, which has been used through this thesis to test different methodologies, is located in the central part of the COPROD2 profile. Figures B.2 and B.3 display the MT tensor components, apparent resistivities and phases, with the corresponding error bars, computed at this site.

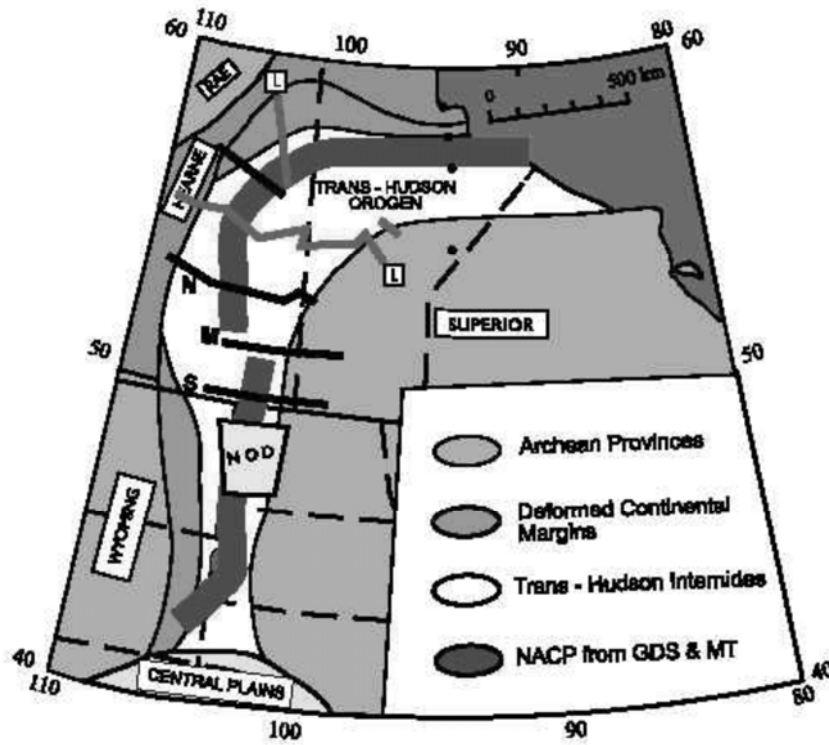


Figure B.1: The North American Central Plains (NACP) anomaly within the Trans-Hudson orogen. Also shown, the locations of the MT surveys. S: Coprod2 profile. (From Jones *et al.*, 2005).

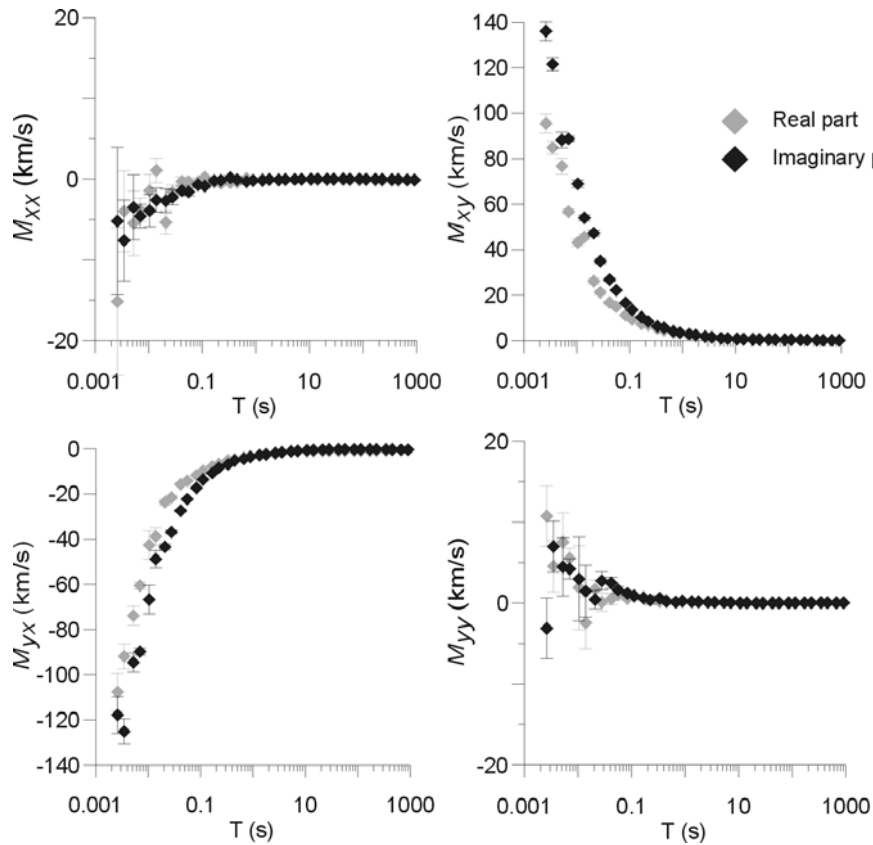


Figure B.2: Magnetotelluric tensor components of site 85_314 from the COPROD2 dataset.

Apparent resistivities and phases

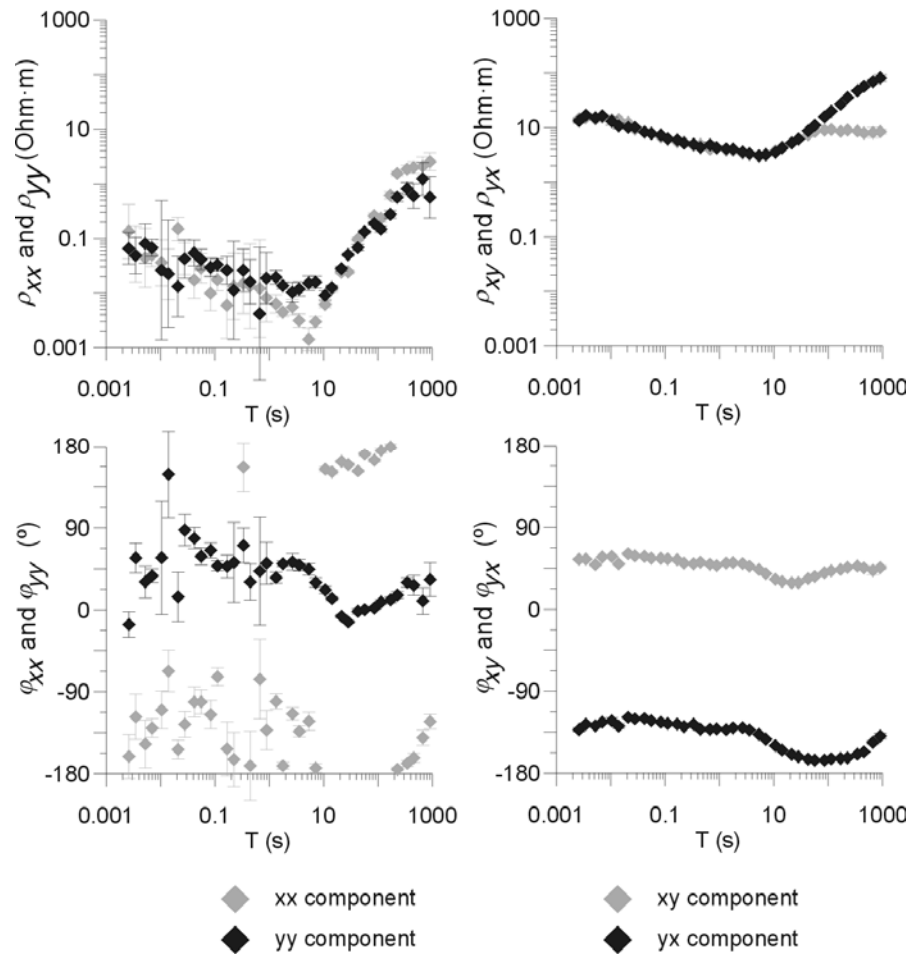


Figure B.3:
 Apparent resistivity and phase computed from MT tensor components of the COPROD2 site
 85_314

Appendix C: The BC87 dataset: Geological Setting and Main Features of the MT Responses

The BC87 dataset was acquired in southeastern British Columbia as part of the LITHOPROBE project. This dataset is commonly used too to test and compare new methods in analysis and interpretation of MT data (Jones *et al.*, 1993), and especially to show the limitations of 2D interpretation of MT data (Chave and Jones, 1997). It consists of 27 sites along an approximate E-W profile (Figure C.1).

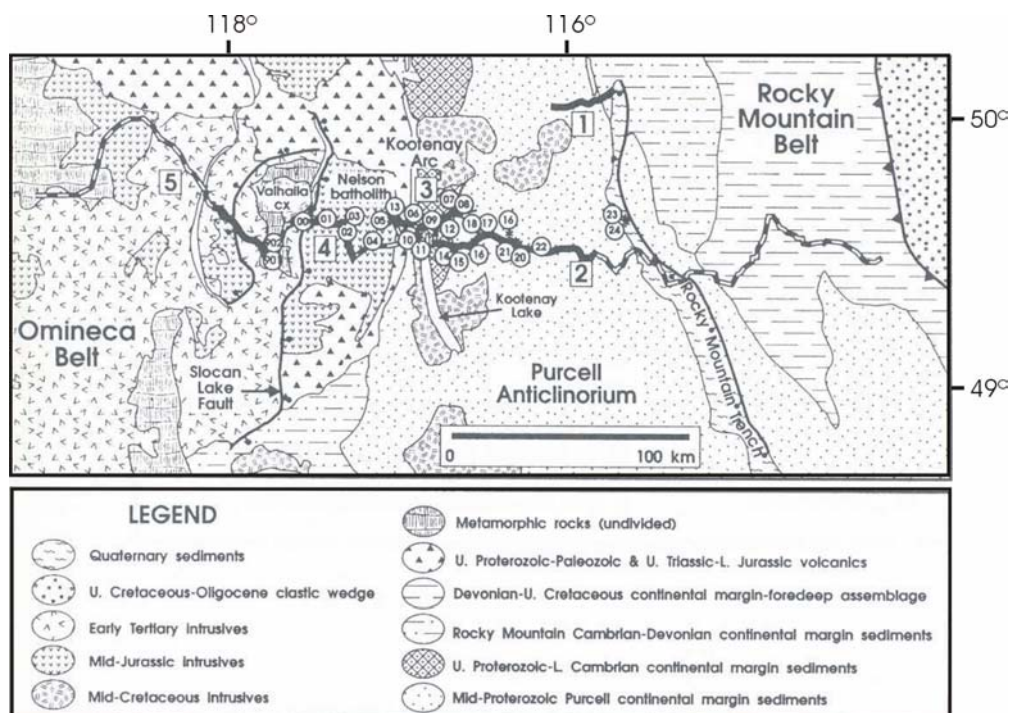


Figure C.1: BC87 geological setting and location of MT sites. Site 4 is located above Nelson Batholith.

Data display complex 3D effects, due both to local effects and the presence of the Nelson Batholith body (western part of profile). Site 4 is located above this body. The responses at this site (magnetotelluric tensor components and apparent resistivities and phases) are shown in Figures C.1 and C.2. Presently, these data are available from the MTNET web page.

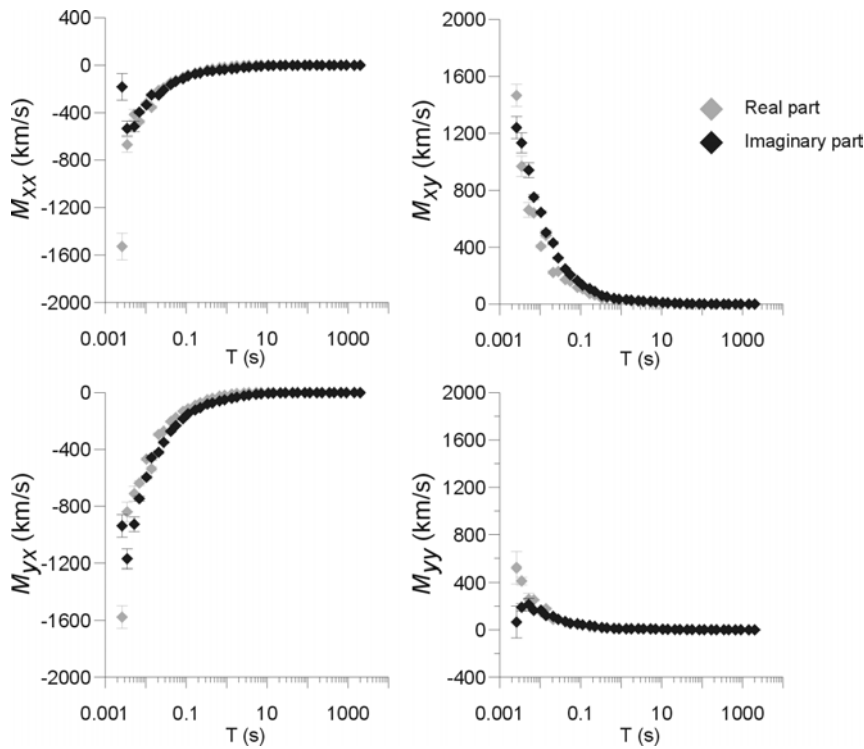


Figure C.2: Magnetotelluric tensor components of site 4 from the BC87 dataset.

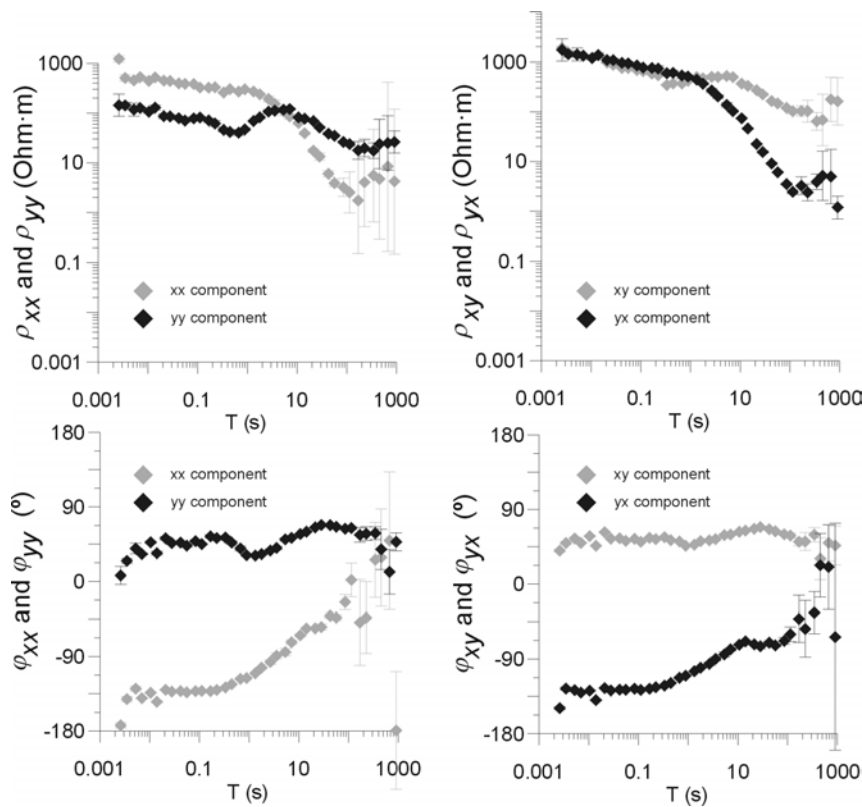


Figure C.3: Apparent resistivity and phases computed from MT tensor components of site 4 from the BC87 dataset.

Appendix D: Betics Dataset Locations and Responses

Site id	Zone	Geographical coordinates		Alt. (m)	Tipper?	# or estimated periods and range	Data quality	% of periods used in modelling
		Latitude	Longitude					
b01	Guadix-Baza Basin - S ^a de Baza	+37:26:31	-2:52:07	1240	yes	40 4ms-4000s	GOOD	83
b02	Guadix-Baza Basin - S ^a de Baza	+37:28:35	-2:54:13	1050		39 4ms-4000s	POOR	82
b03	Subbetic - Guadix-Baza Basin	+37:37:37	-3:02:14	620	yes	38 4ms-2000s	GOOD	92
b04	Subbetic - Guadix-Baza Basin	+37:37:43	-3:07:57	840				
b05	Subbetic - Guadalquivir Basin	+37:50:09	-3:09:49	520	yes	40 4ms-4000s	GOOD	90
b06	Subbetic - Guadalquivir Basin	+37:52:38	-3:12:16	420		34 4ms-500s	MEDIUM	94
b07	Iberian Massif	+38:08:37	-3:23:20	420	yes	40 4ms-4000s	MEDIUM	75
b08	Iberian Massif - Guadalquivir Basin	+38:05:58	-3:21:25	500		34 4ms-500s	MEDIUM	44
b09	Iberian Massif	+38:13:34	-3:14:03	650		39 4ms-4000s	VERY POOR	0
b11	Iberian Massif	+38:16:15	-3:21:56	550	yes	34 4ms-500s	GOOD	91
b13	Iberian Massif	+38:26:25	-3:43:39	850		34 4ms-500s	GOOD	85

b14	Iberian Massif	+38:30:16	-3:57:06	650		32 4ms-500s	MEDIUM	81
b15	S ^a de la Contraviesa (Alpujárride)	+36:54:37	-3:07:24	1160		41 4ms-4000s	GOOD	85
b16	S ^a Nevada	+37:03:32	-3:03:10	2160	yes			
b17	S ^a de los Filabres	+37:14:04	-2:43:46	1920	yes	34 4ms-500s	VERY GOOD	97
b18	S ^a de Baza (nevado)	+37:20:44	-2:51:40	1740	yes	40 4ms-4000s	GOOD	100
b19	S ^a de las Estancias (Alpujárride)	+37:30:54	-2:20:17	1360	yes	40 4ms-4000s	GOOD	98
b20	S ^a de María (Prebetic)	+37:38:51	-2:20:25	1340	yes	32 4ms-300s	MEDIUM	81
b21	Guadix-Baza Basin	+37:45:39	-2:18:27	1100	yes	32 4ms-200s	GOOD	88
b22	S ^a de la Sagra	+37:55:56	-2:31:19	1450				
b23	Guadix-Baza Basin	+37:42:59	-2:36:10	860	yes	40 4ms-4000s	GOOD	95
b24	S ^a de Segura (Prebetic)	+38:00:34	-2:42:01	1660	yes	40 4ms-4000s	GOOD	98
b26	S ^a de Cazorla (Prebetic)	+38:07:05	-2:55:53	1340	yes	40 4ms-4000s	VERY GOOD	93
b27	Guadix-Baza Basin	+37:31:05	-3:23:45	1200	yes	40 4ms-4000s	GOOD	93
b28	S ^a Mágina (Subbetic)	+37:44:52	-3:25:52	1640				
b29	S ^a de los Filabres	+37:16:31	-2:18:35	1080	yes	32 4ms-300s	MEDIUM	72
b30	S ^a de los Filabres	+37:08:56	-2:15:06	700	yes	40 4ms-4000s	VERY GOOD	95
b31	S ^a de Alhamilla (Nevado-Filábride)	+36:59:50	-2:14:41	920	yes	29 4ms-300s	GOOD	97
b32	Tabernas Basin - S ^a de los Filabres	+37:04:02	-2:25:24	420	yes	32 4ms-300s	MEDIUM	81
b33	S ^a de Gádor (Alpujárride)	+37:03:36	-2:15:11	1050		40 4ms-4000s	MEDIUM	80
b34	S ^a de los Filabres	+37:04:54	-2:47:53	2000				
b35	S ^a de los Filabres	+37:05:42	-2:44:10	1080	yes	35 4ms-500s	GOOD	80
b36	Guadix-Baza - Almanzora Basin (North of S ^a de los Filabres)	+37:18:45	-2:35:43	1320		41 4ms-4000s	MEDIUM	88
b37	S ^a de las Estancias (Alpujárride)	+37:27:12	-2:25:42	1220	yes	40 4ms-4000s	MEDIUM	93
b38	S ^a Arana (Alpujárride)	+37:21:15	-3:25:45	1050	yes	40 4ms-4000s	POOR	73
b39	S ^a Nevada	+37:13:10	-3:13:30	1150	yes	41 4ms-4000s	MEDIUM	95
b40	S ^a Mágina (Subbetic)	+37:53:36	-3:28:48	440	yes	41 4ms-4000s	MEDIUM	95

b41	S ^a Mágina (Subbetic)	+37:36:17	-3:26:12	1100		32 4ms-4000s	GOOD	66
b51	Guadix-Baza Basin	+37:22:30	-2:42:47	1150	yes	51 1ms-4000s	GOOD	82
b52	S ^a de Baza (Alpujárride)	+37:17:04	-2:46:48	1950		48 1ms-1000s	MEDIUM	92
b53	Guadix-Baza Basin	+37:28:15	-2:34:51	1100	yes	51 1ms-4000s	GOOD	76
b54	S ^a de Baza (Alpujárride)	+37:17:41	-2:55:38	1700	yes	49 1ms-4000s	MEDIUM	90
b55	S ^a Nevada	+37:03:27	-3:03:17	2230	yes	39 1ms-100s	MEDIUM	77
b56	S ^a de Gádor (Alpujárride)	+36:55:16	-2:54:01	1680	yes	50 1ms-2000s	MEDIUM	88
b57	S ^a de los Filabres	+37:12:42	-2:36:39	2000	yes (LF1 and LF2)	50 1ms-2000s	MEDIUM	100
b58	S ^a de los Filabres	+37:11:19	-2:22:15	900	yes	49 1ms-2000s	MEDIUM	90
b59	Tabernas Basin - S ^a de los Filabres	+37:11:38	-2:08:53	650	yes	50 1ms-2000s	GOOD	90
b60	Almanzora Basin (East of S ^a de los Filabres)	+37:25:24	-2:05:48	610	yes	48 1ms-1000s	MEDIUM	81

Table D.1: Betics MT dataset site information: Site identification, geographic and geologic location, geographical coordinates, altitude and whether tipper was recorded or not. Evaluated responses: # of periods estimated and period range used in the dimensionality analysis; data quality (see forthcoming text) and % of periods used in modelling. Grey: sites rejected due to the impossibility of doing adequate data processing (not enough long time series, highly contaminated segments or extremely low coherence values).

Sites	Band names and sampling frequencies (or periods)					
	b01-b41		band1 (1kHz)		band2 (32Hz)	band3 (1s)
b51-b60	HF (40960 Hz)	LF1 (4096 Hz)	Free (512 Hz)	LF2 (64 Hz)	LF3 (2 Hz)	LF4 (T=16s, from LF3 resampling)

Table D.2: Band names and sampling frequencies of periods employed in data acquisition using Metronix MS-03 (sites b01 to b41) and Metronix MS-06 (sites b51 to b60) systems. Bands from both systems are aligned according to their sampling frequencies proximity.

A quality parameter of the data was evaluated based on the average coherence values and relative errors at each site:

$$Q_D = \frac{\overline{coh} + (1 - \overline{\varepsilon_M})}{2}, \quad (D.1)$$

where \overline{coh} is the average of bivariate coherences of one site,

$$\overline{coh} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{nfreq} (coh(E_x)_i + coh(E_y)_i)}{2 \cdot nfreq}, \quad (D.2)$$

and $\overline{\varepsilon}$ is the average of the relative errors of all MT tensor components of one site:

$$\overline{\varepsilon} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{nfreq} (\varepsilon_{rel}(M_{xx}) + \varepsilon_{rel}(M_{xy}) + \varepsilon_{rel}(M_{yx}) + \varepsilon_{rel}(M_{yy}))}{4 \cdot nfreq}. \quad (D.3)$$

The quality is then classified according to the criterion displayed in Table D.3, which was established from a comparison between Q_D values and a visual inspection of Betics dataset data.

$Q_D > 0.9$	VERY GOOD
$0.8 < Q_D < 0.9$	GOOD
$0.6 < Q_D < 0.8$	MEDIUM
$0.5 < Q_D < 0.6$	POOR
$Q_D < 0.5$	VERY POOR

Table D.3: Quality data criterion according to Q_D , which considers coherence values and data errors.

The following figures present all the magnetotelluric responses, resistivities, phases and tipper components, with their error bars, and induction arrows corresponding to the tipper real part, obtained at all sites. These are raw curves, referenced to NS-EW orientation axes. With the exception of the induction arrows, all estimated periods are displayed.

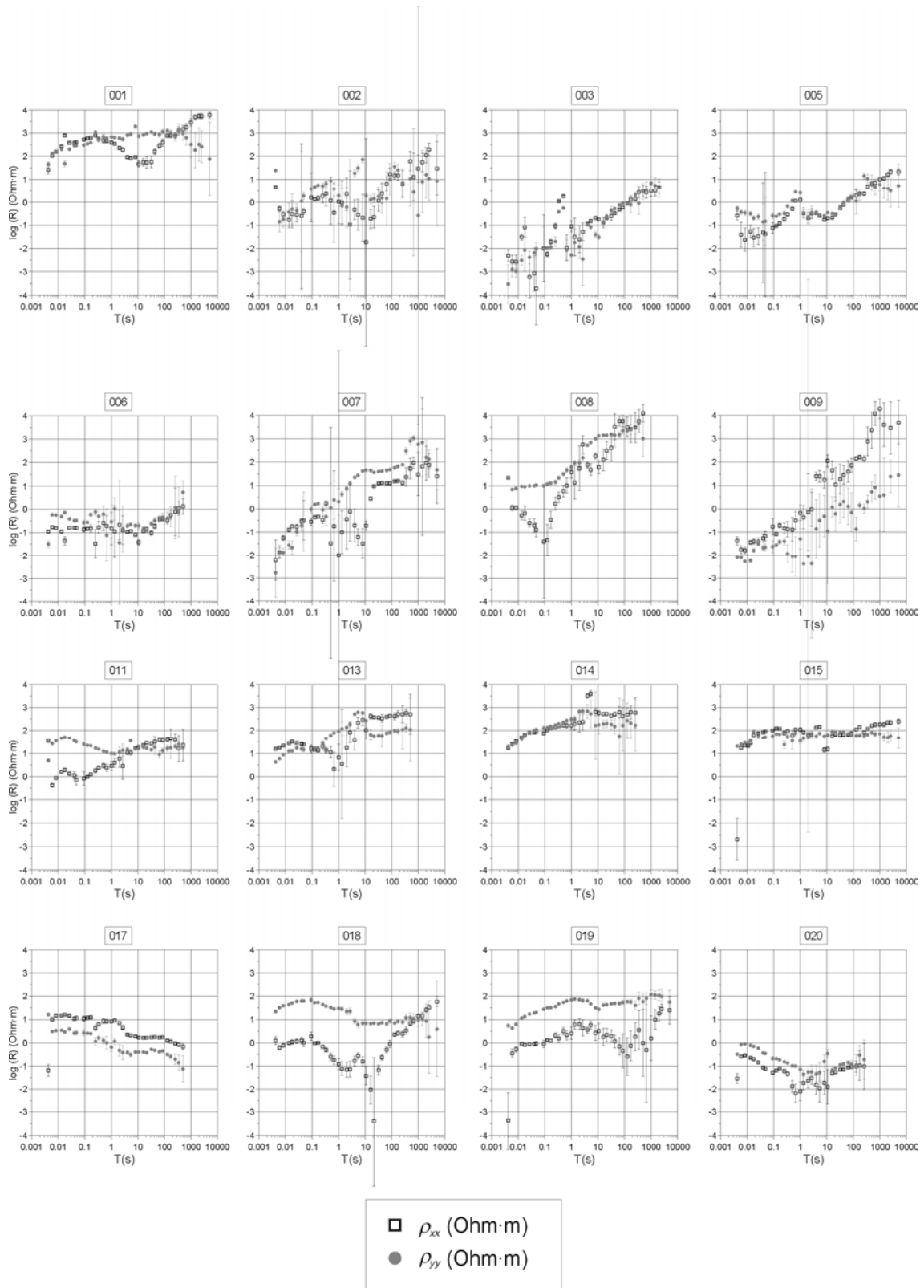


Figure D.1: Resistivity responses (ρ_{xx} , ρ_{yy} , ρ_{yx} and ρ_{xy}) with error bars for sites 001 to 020 from the Betics MT dataset.

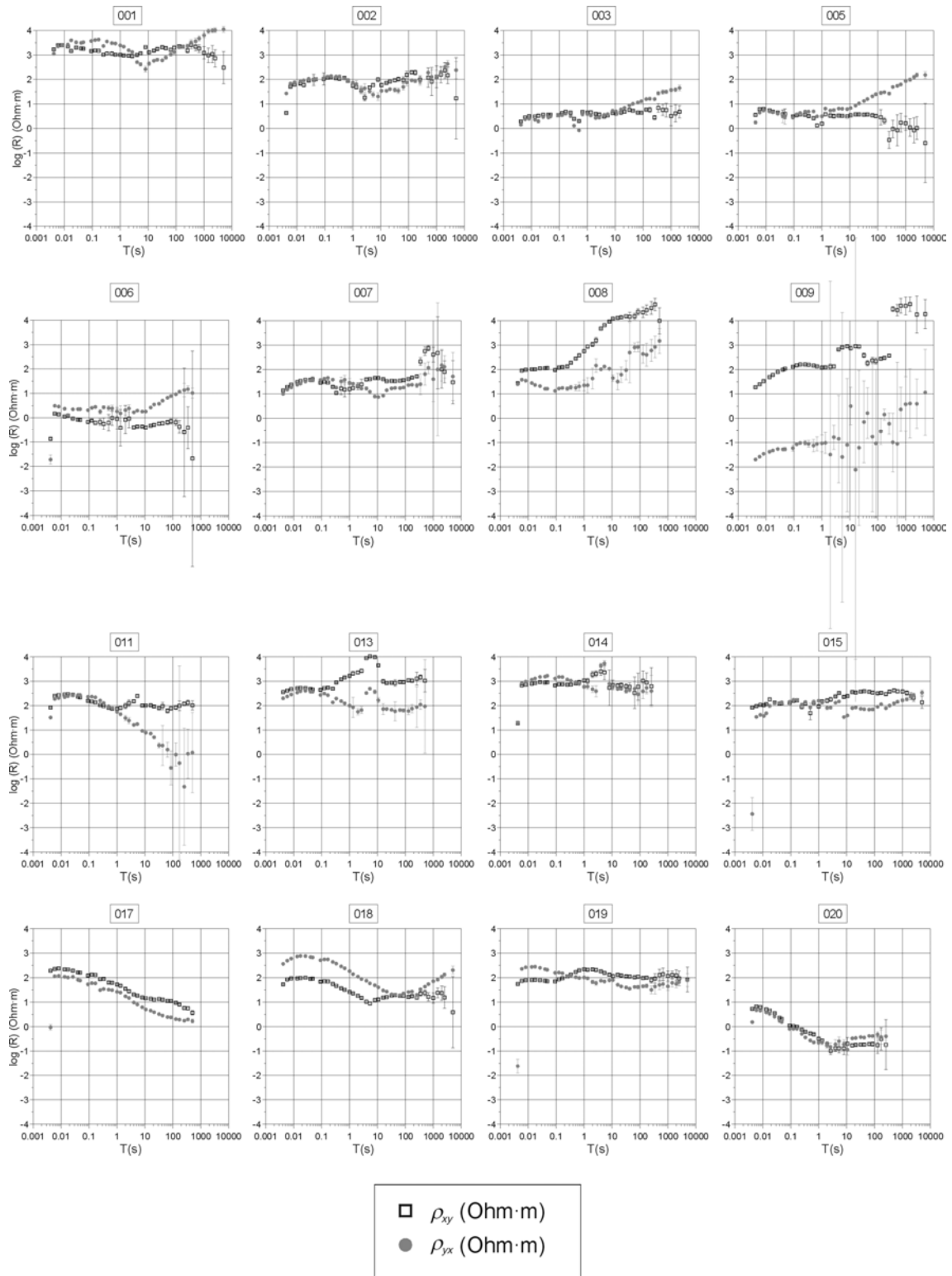


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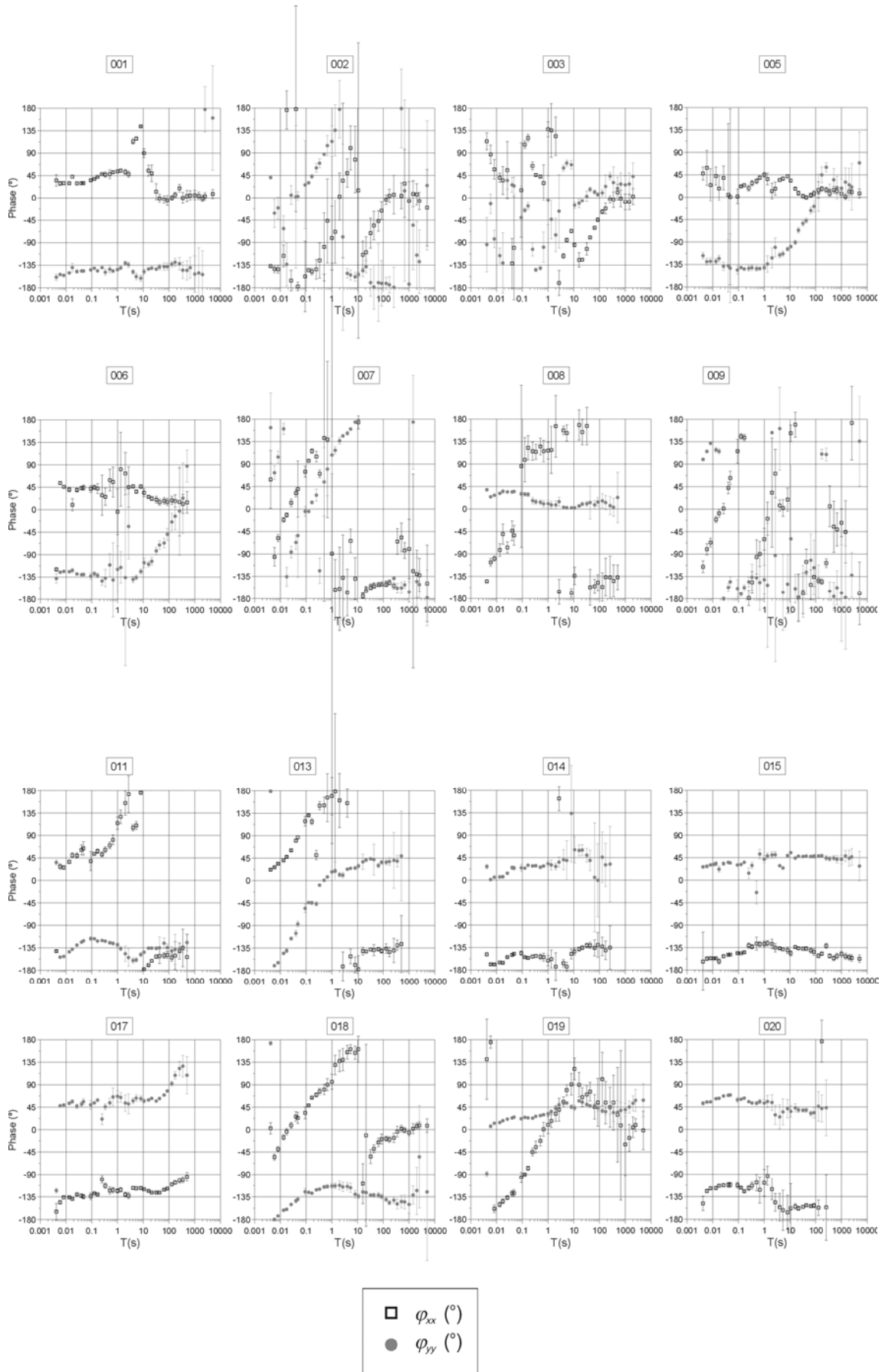


Figure D.2: Phase responses (φ_{xx} , φ_{yy} , φ_{yx} and φ_{xy}) with error bars for sites 001 to 020 from the Betics MT dataset.

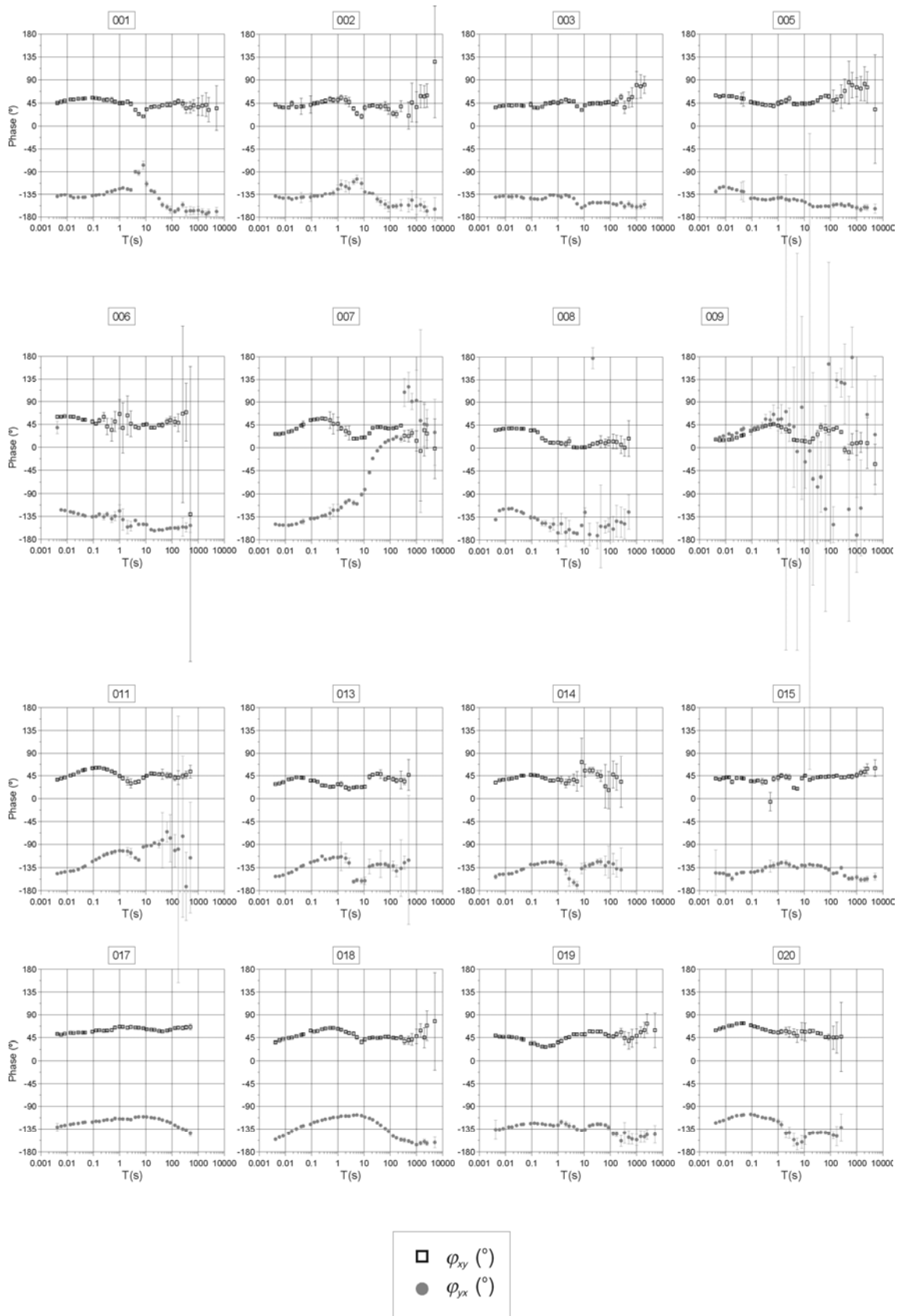


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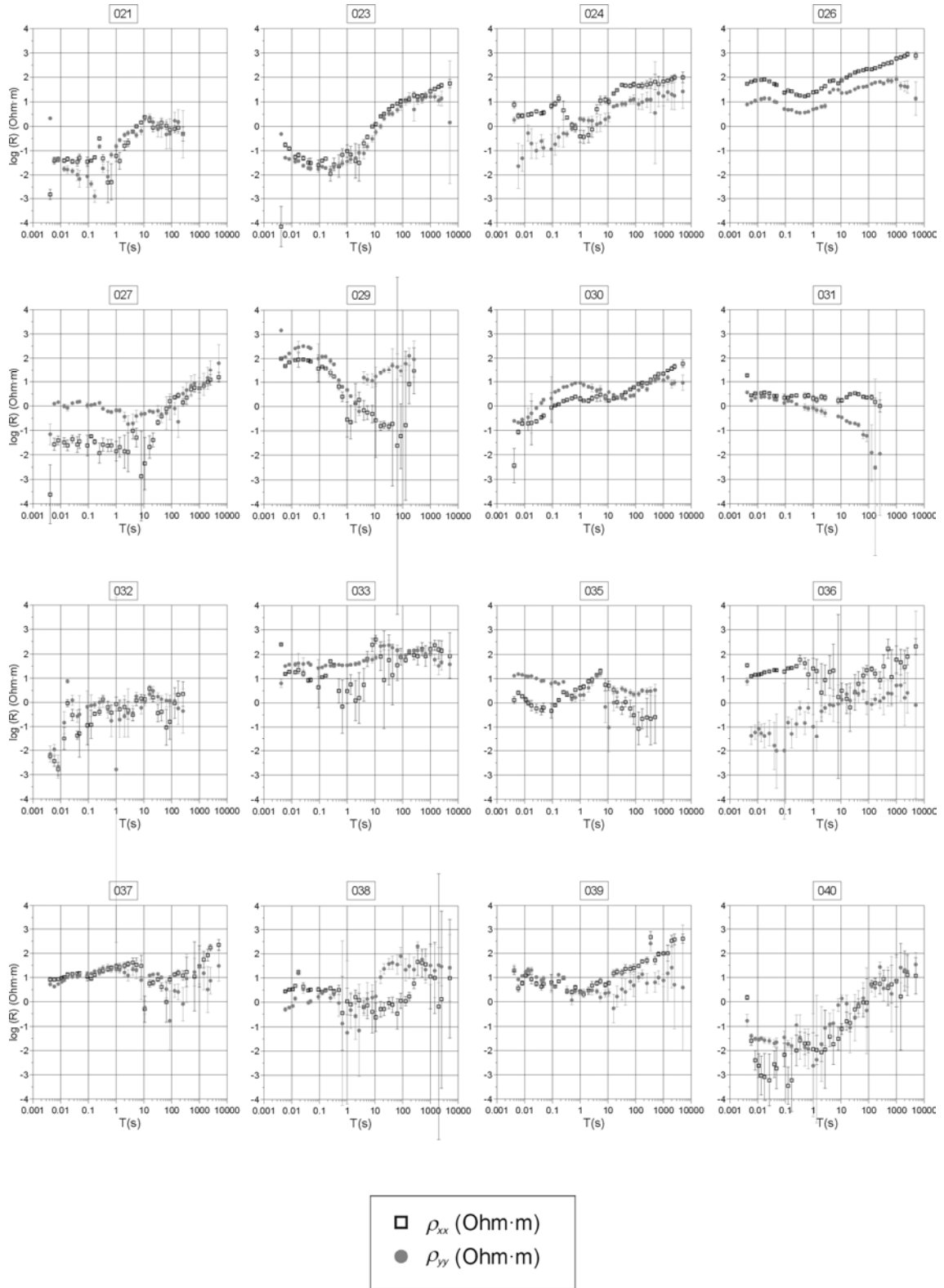


Figure D.3: Resistivity responses (ρ_{xx} , ρ_{yy} , ρ_{yx} and ρ_{xy}) with error bars for sites 021 to 040 from the Betics MT dataset.

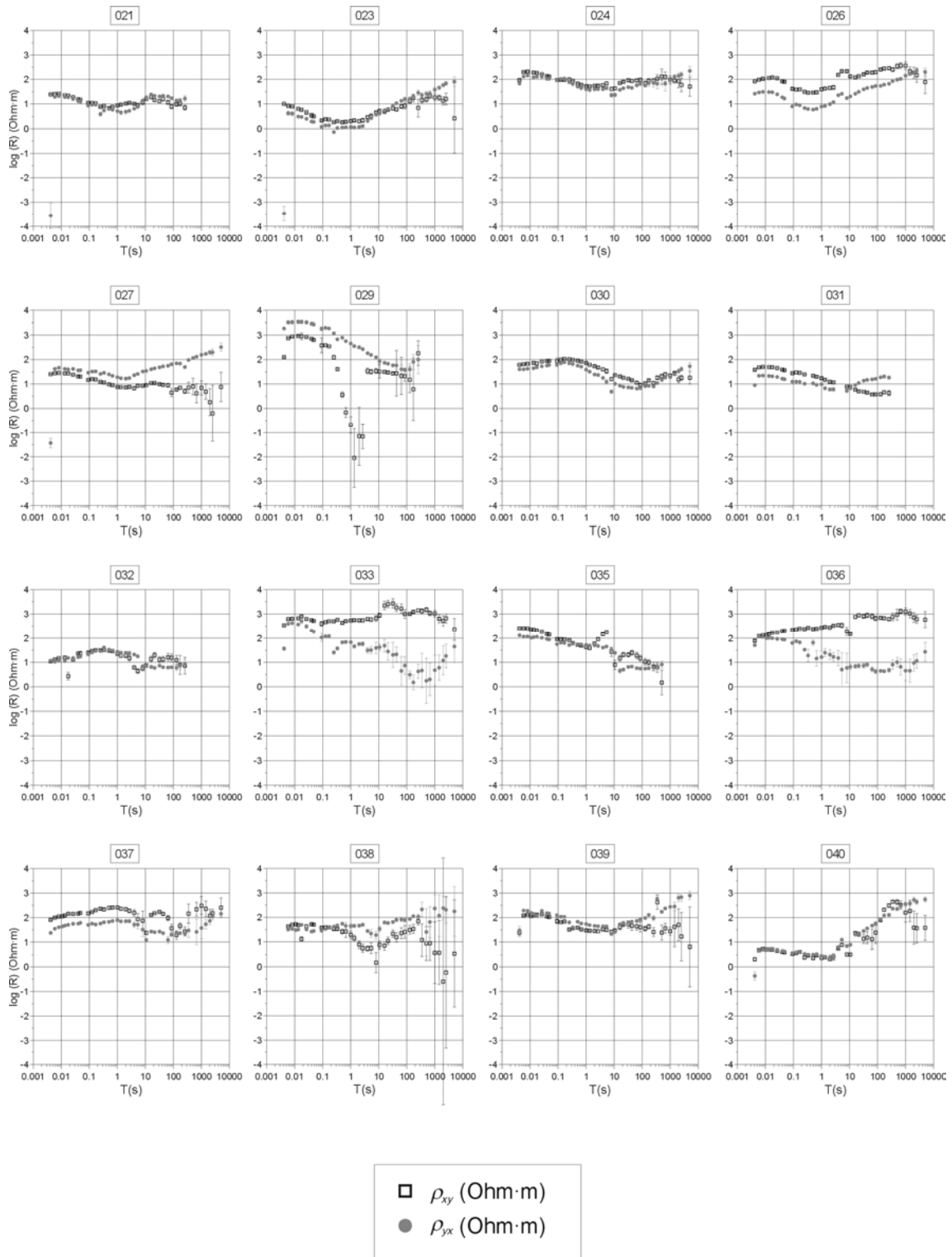


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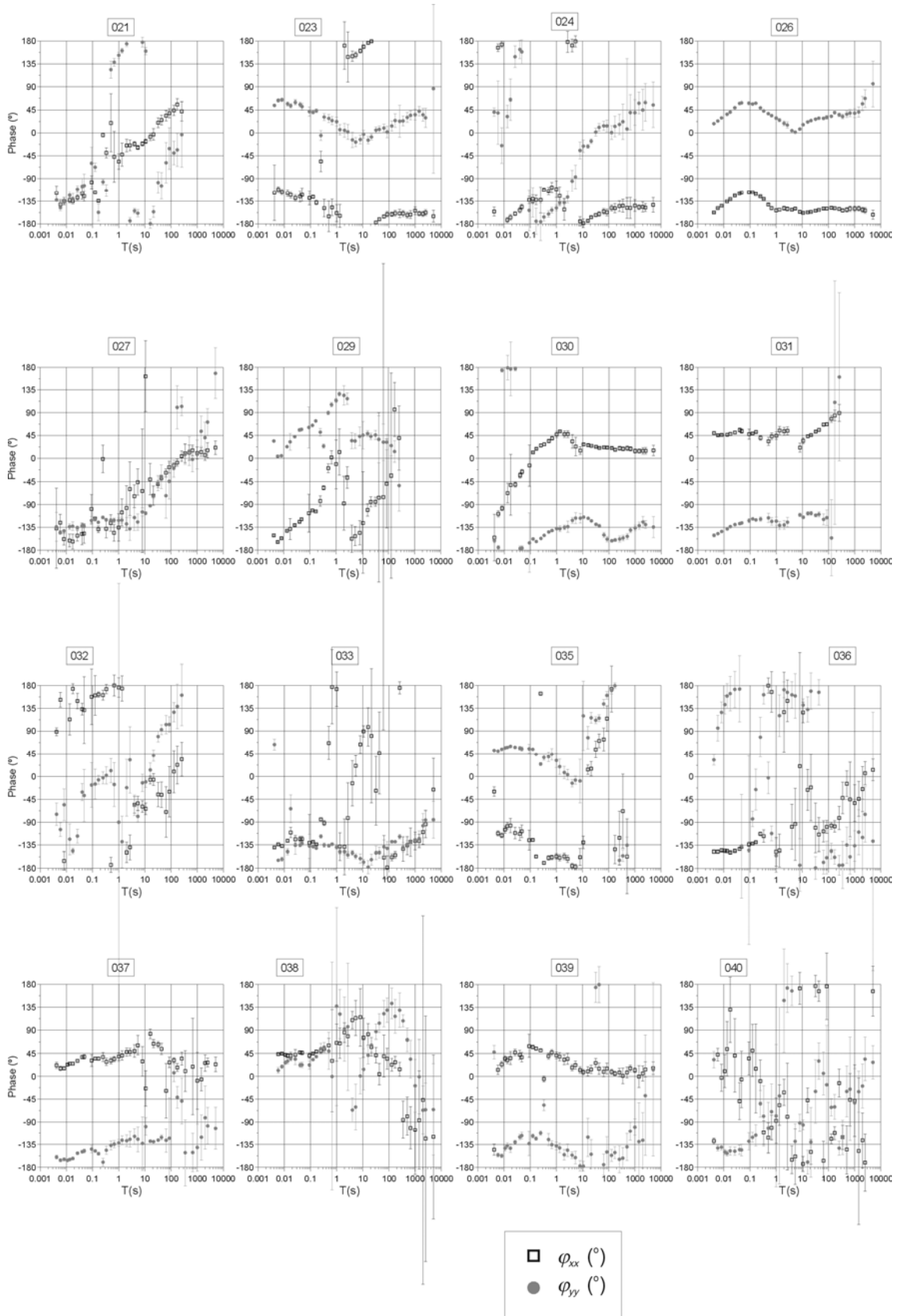


Figure D.4: Phase responses (φ_{xx} , φ_{xy} , φ_{yx} and φ_{yy}) with error bars for sites 021 to 040 from the Betics MT dataset.

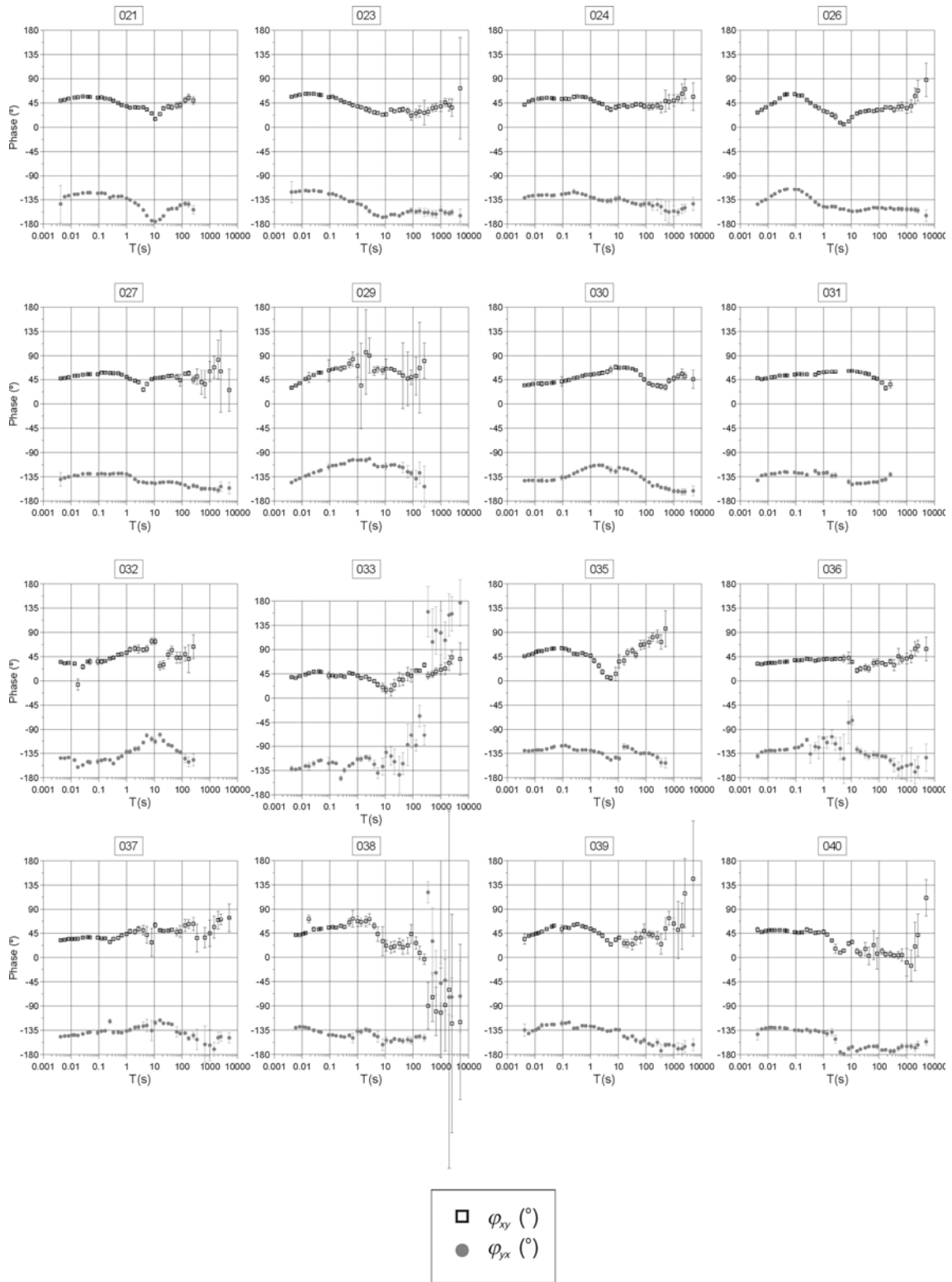


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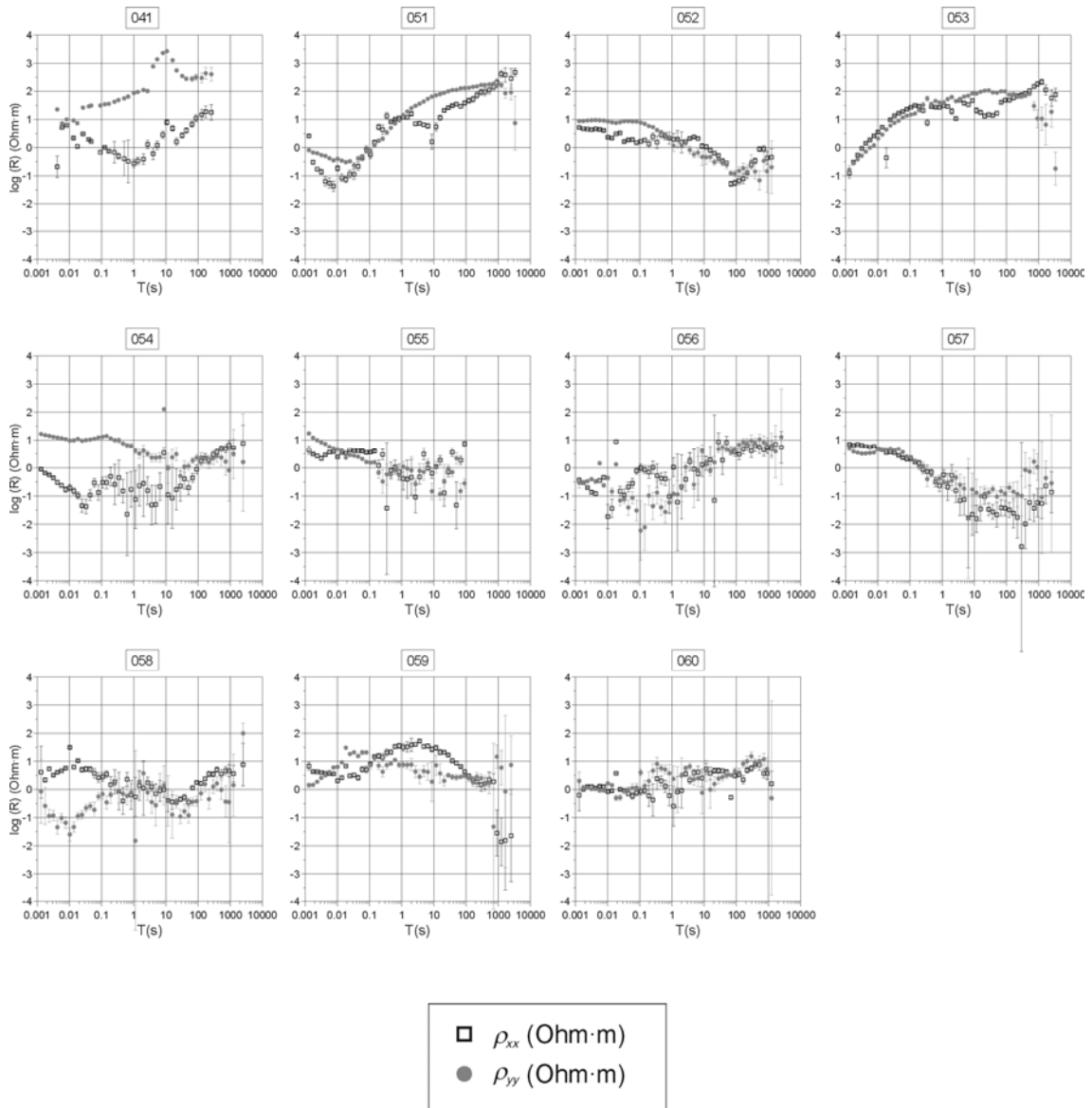


Figure D.5: Resistivity responses (ρ_{xx} , ρ_{yy} , ρ_{yx} and ρ_{xy}) with error bars for sites 041 to 060 from the Betics MT dataset.

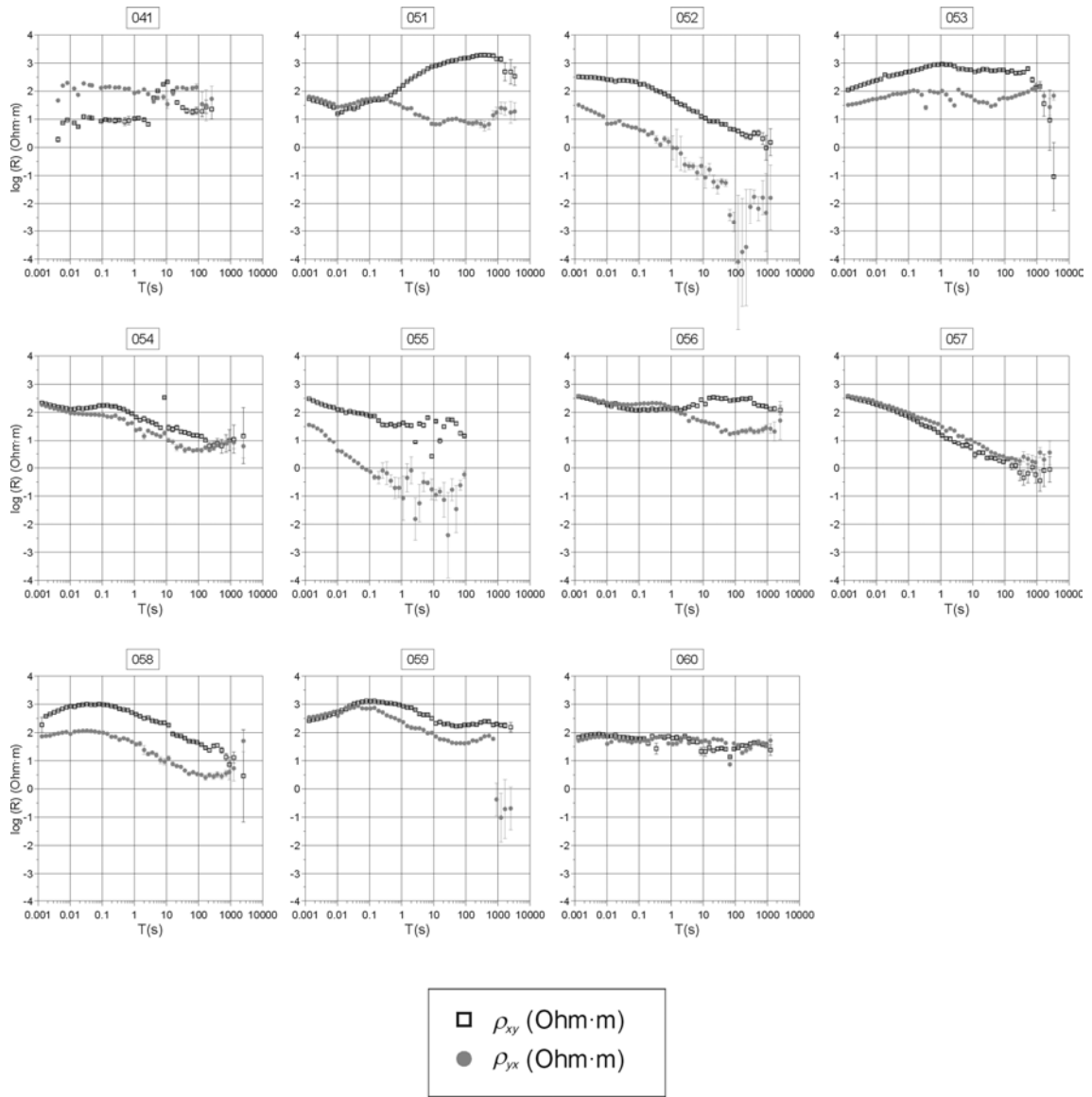


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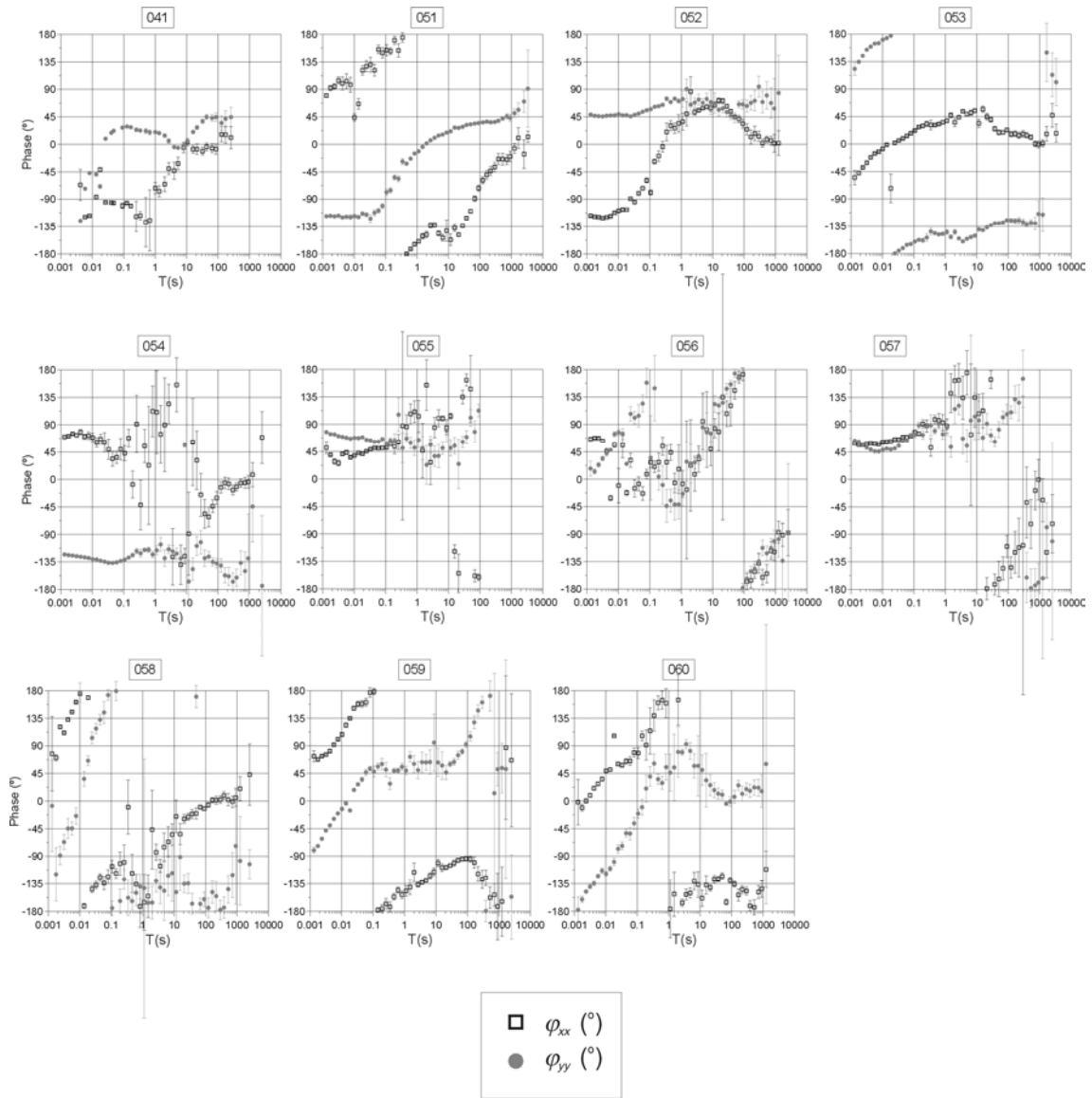


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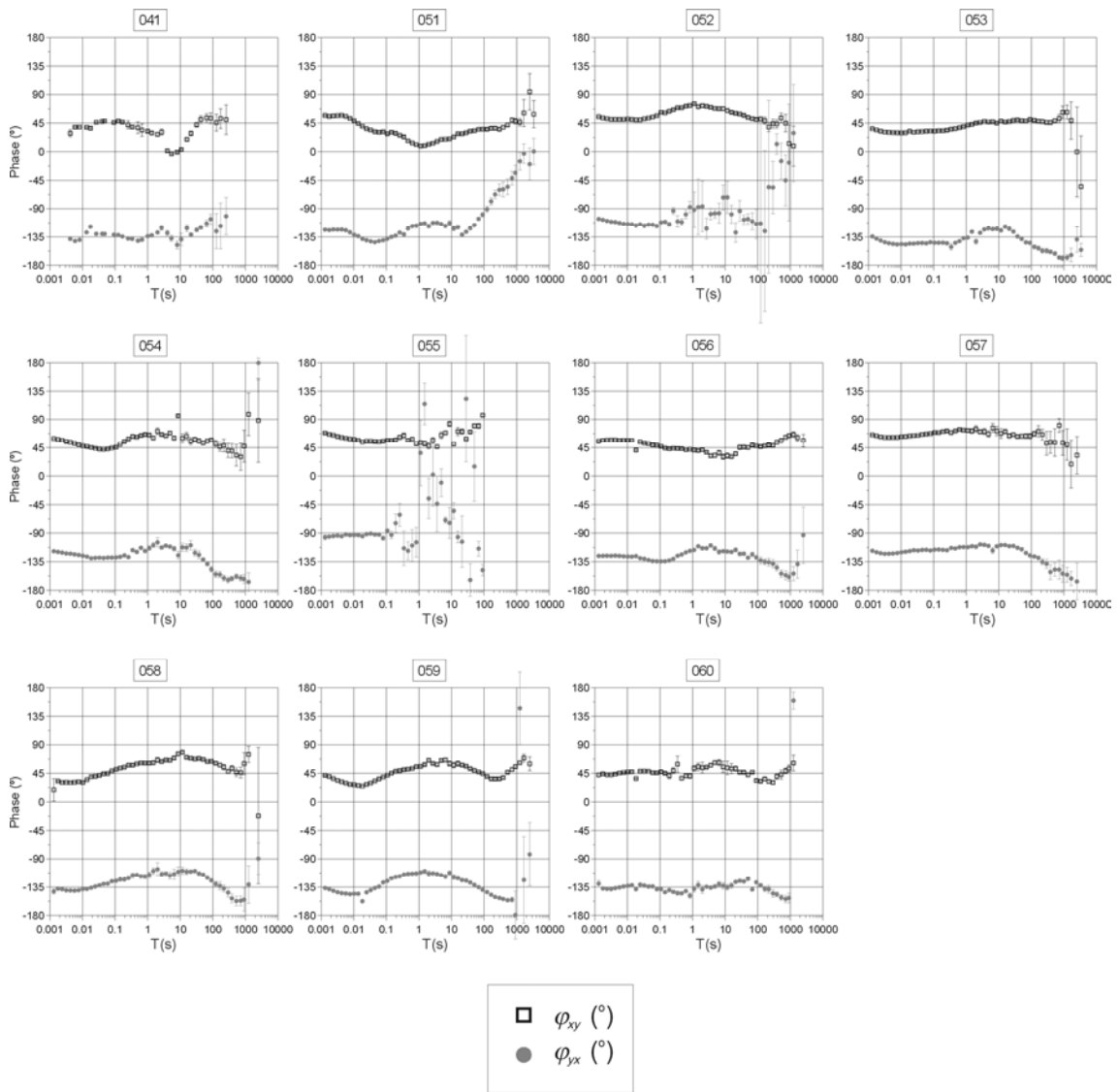


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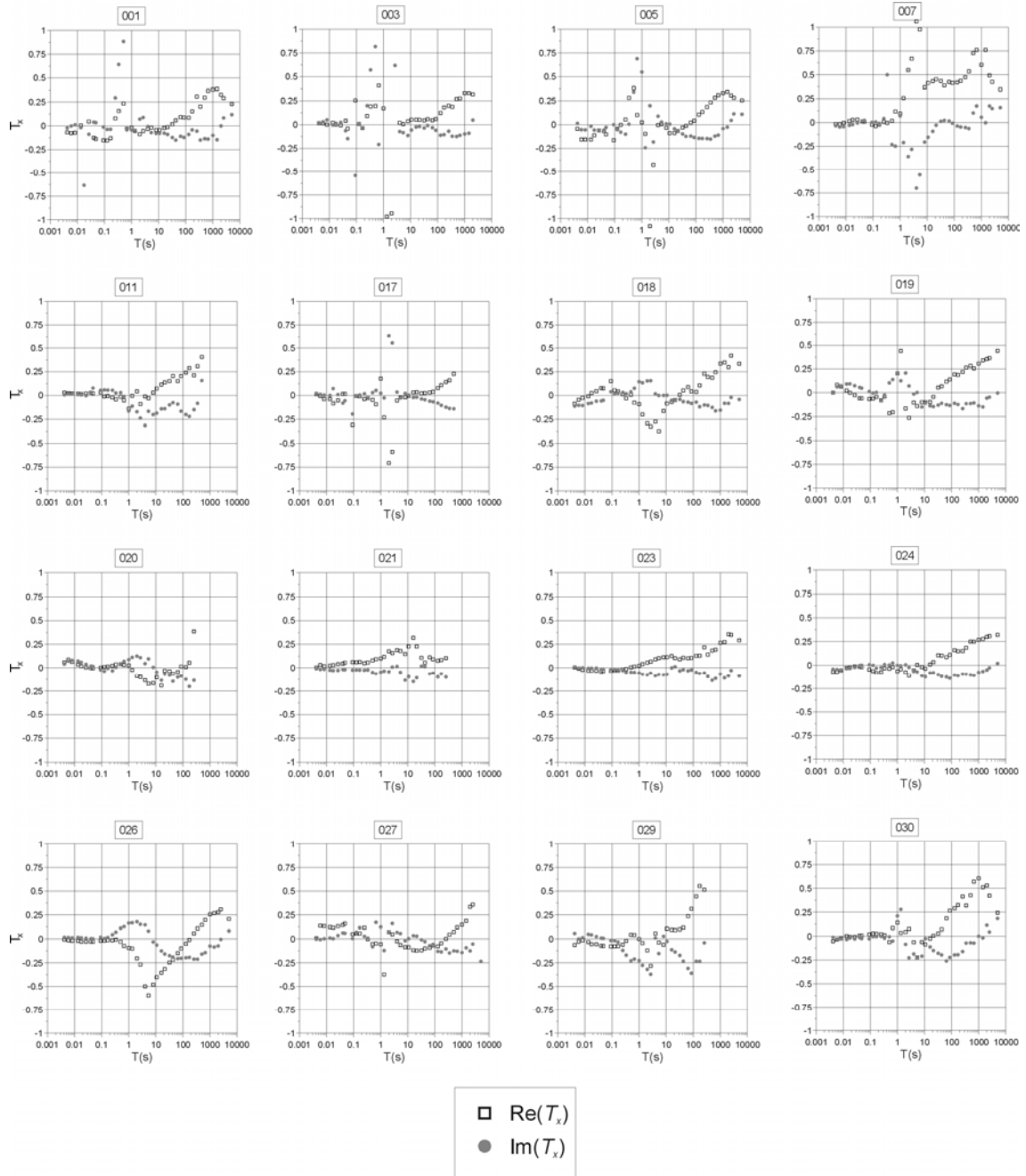


Figure D.7: Real and imaginary parts of x and y tipper components ($\text{Re}(T_x)$, $\text{Im}(T_x)$ and $\text{Re}(T_y)$, $\text{Im}(T_y)$) for sites 001 to 030 from the Betics MT dataset in which the vertical magnetic component was registered.

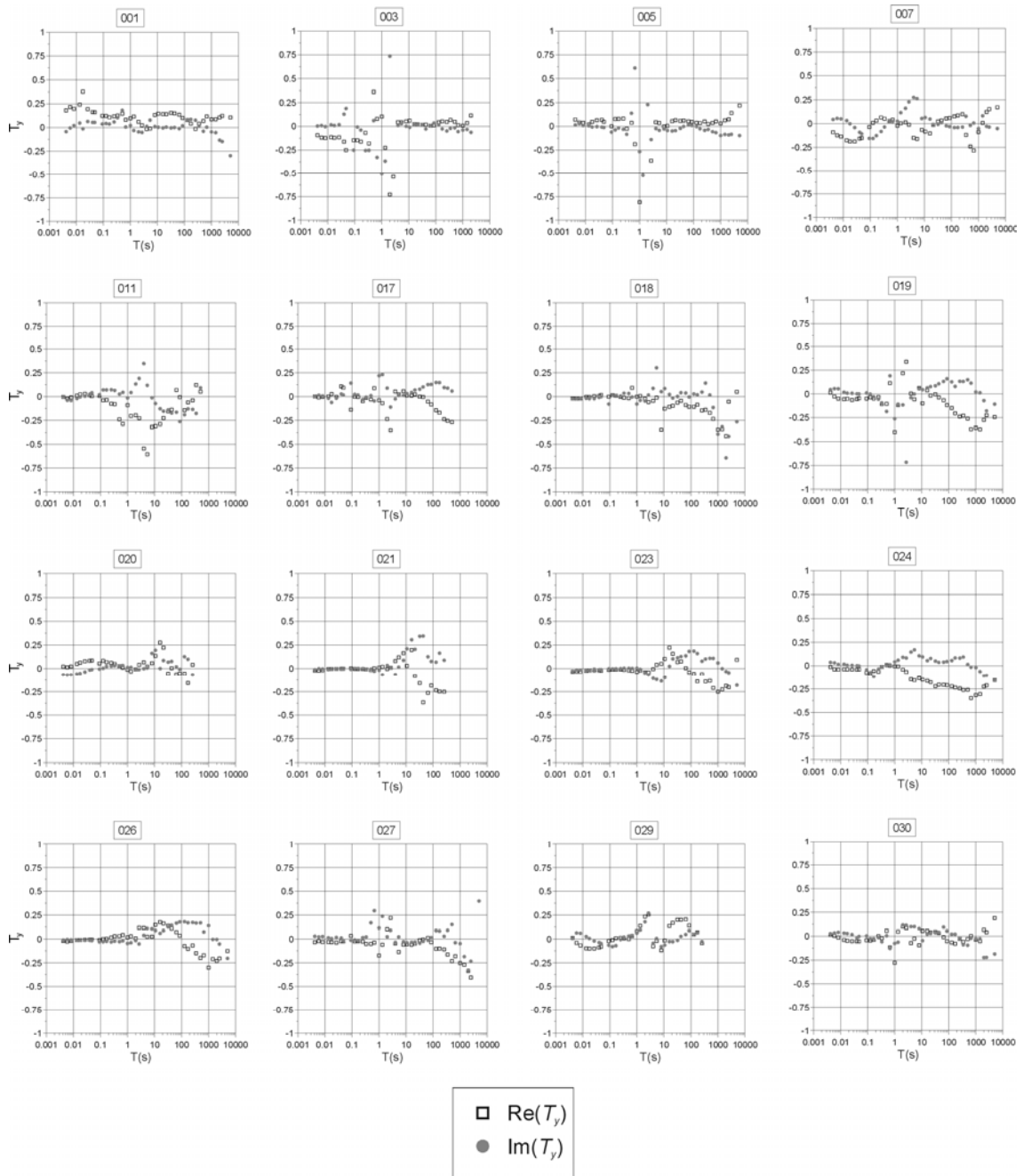


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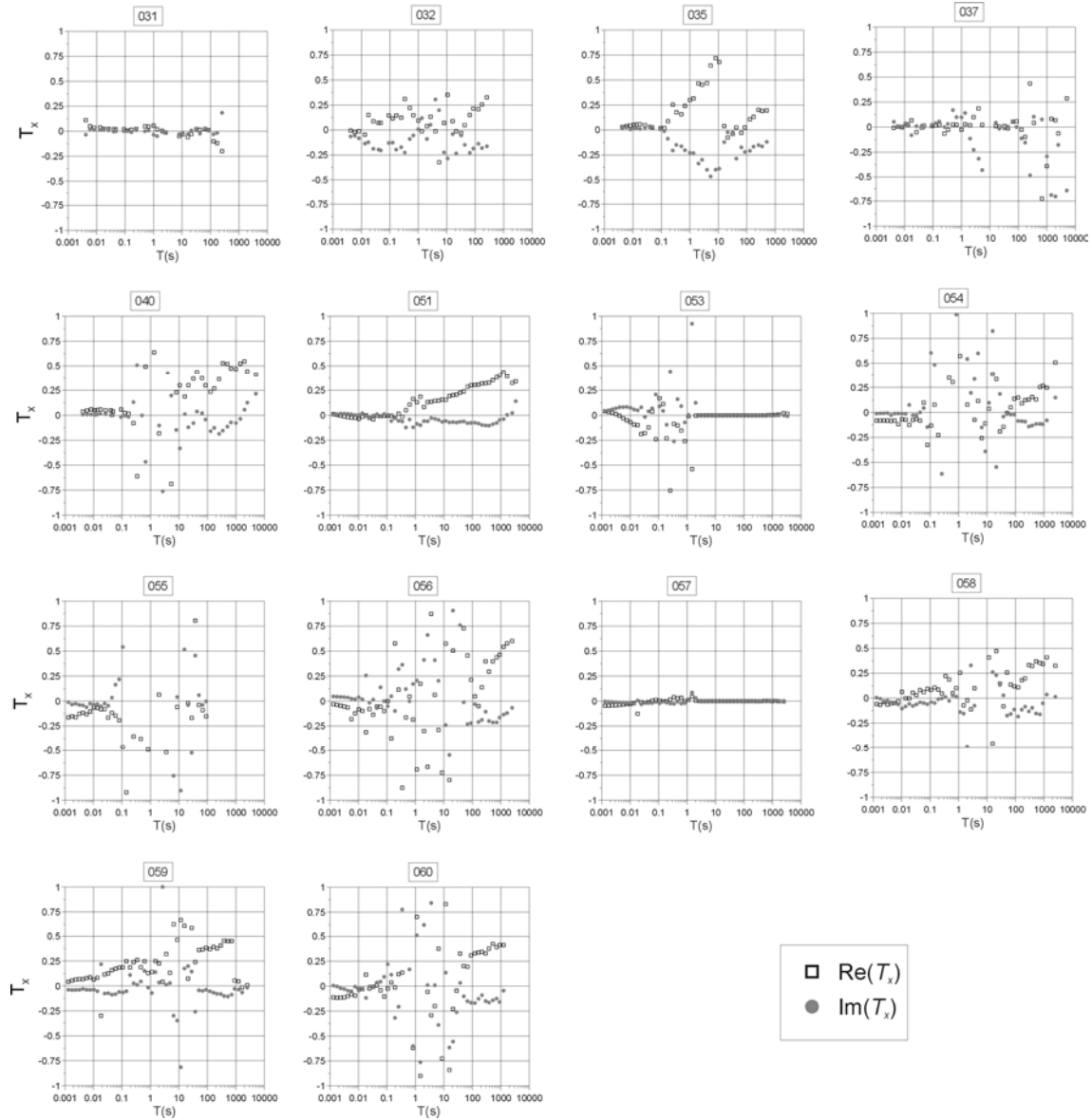


Figure D.8: Real and imaginary parts of x and y tipper components ($\text{Re}(T_x)$, $\text{Im}(T_x)$ and $\text{Re}(T_y)$, $\text{Im}(T_y)$) for sites 031 to 060 from the Betics MT dataset in which the vertical magnetic component was registered.

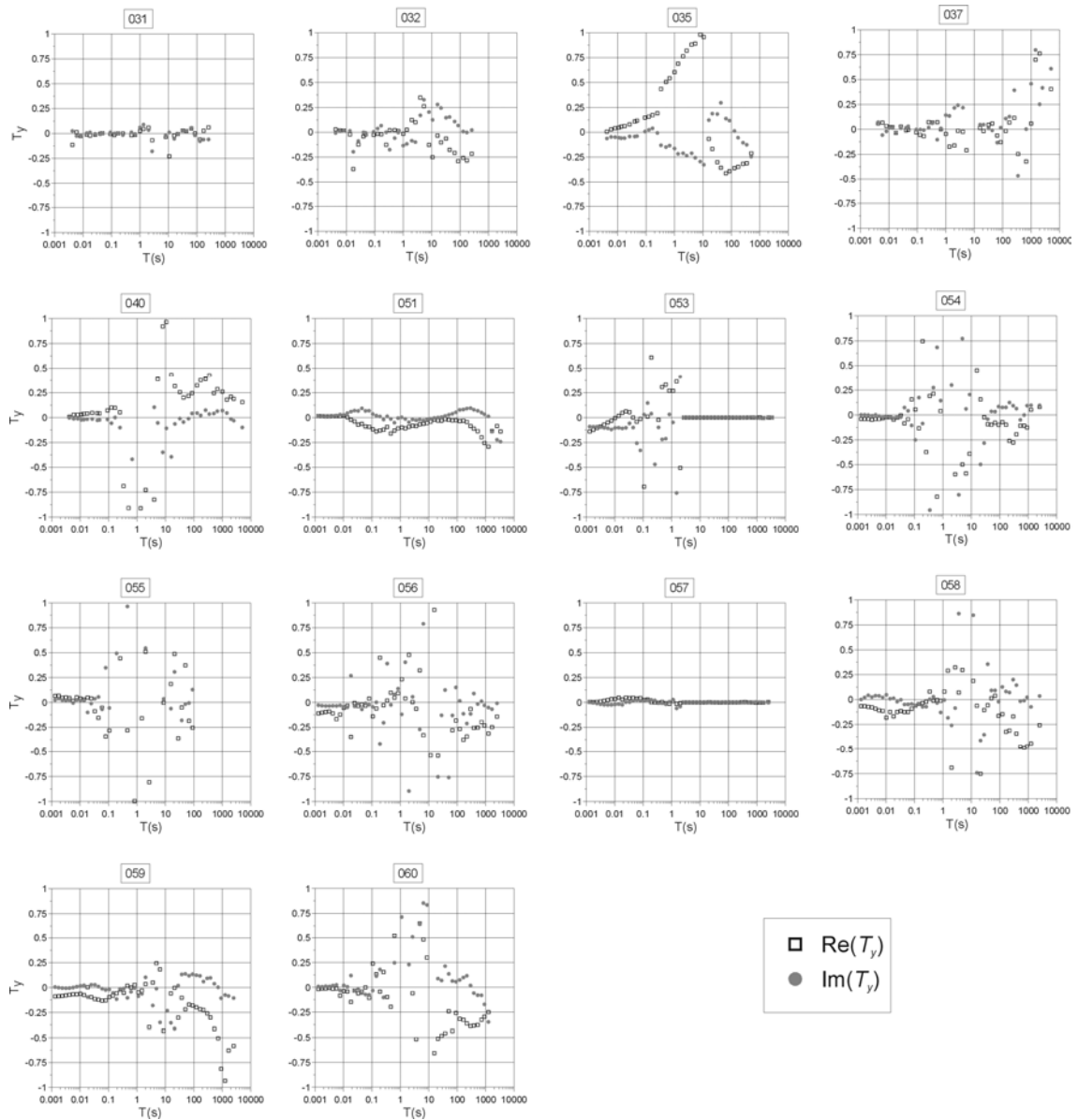


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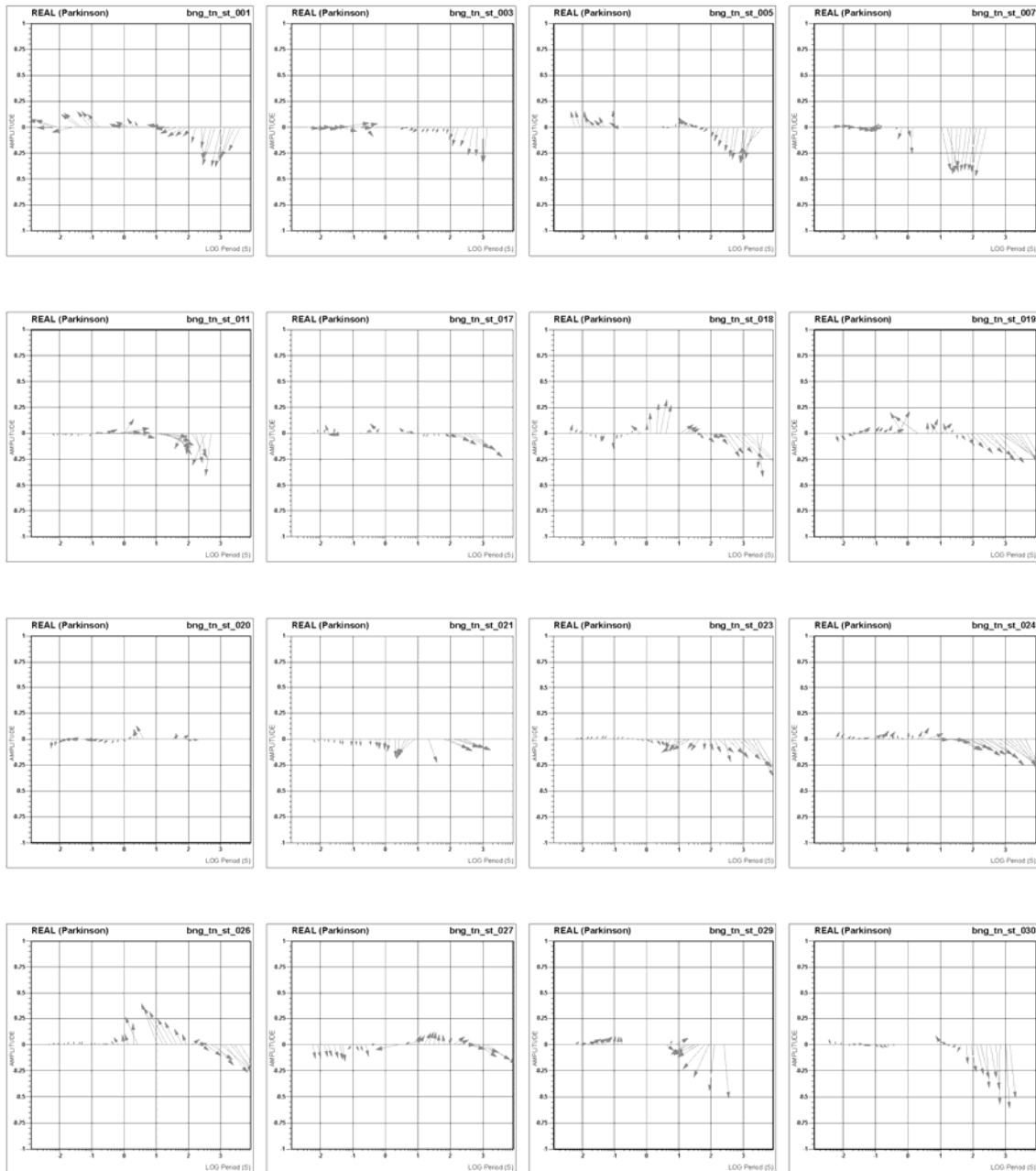


Figure D.9: Real induction arrows following Parkinson convention (inverted, i.e. pointing at conductive regions) plotted for all sites from the Betics MT dataset.

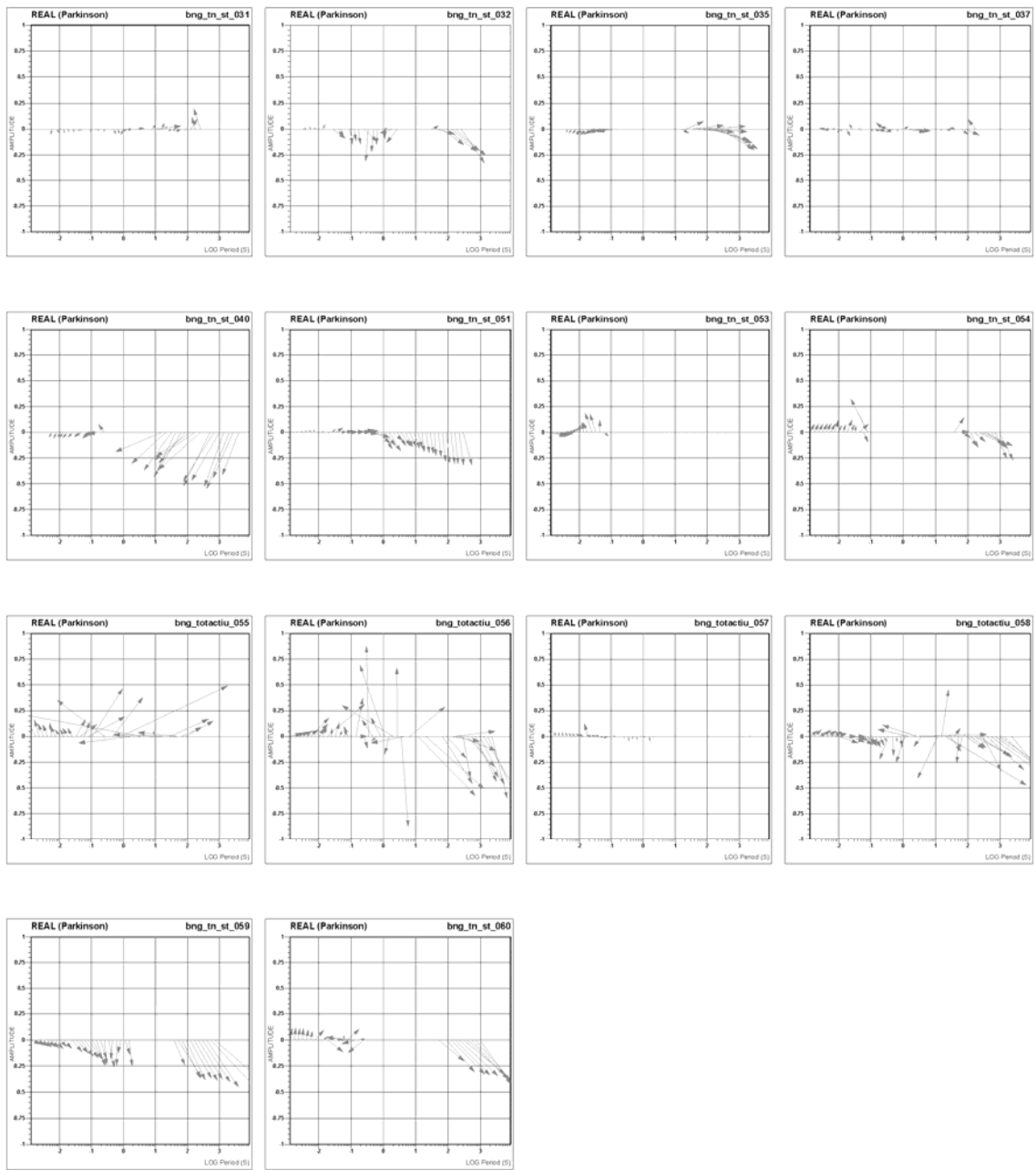


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Appendix E: Data and Model bet3D-140 Responses

The following plots display the MT responses corresponding to the Betics MT dataset, with the exception of b09, and the 3D model bet3D-140. These responses are determinant resistivity and phases (Figures E.1 to E.6) and the non-diagonal components, xy and yx , apparent resistivities and phases (Figures E.7 to E.12).

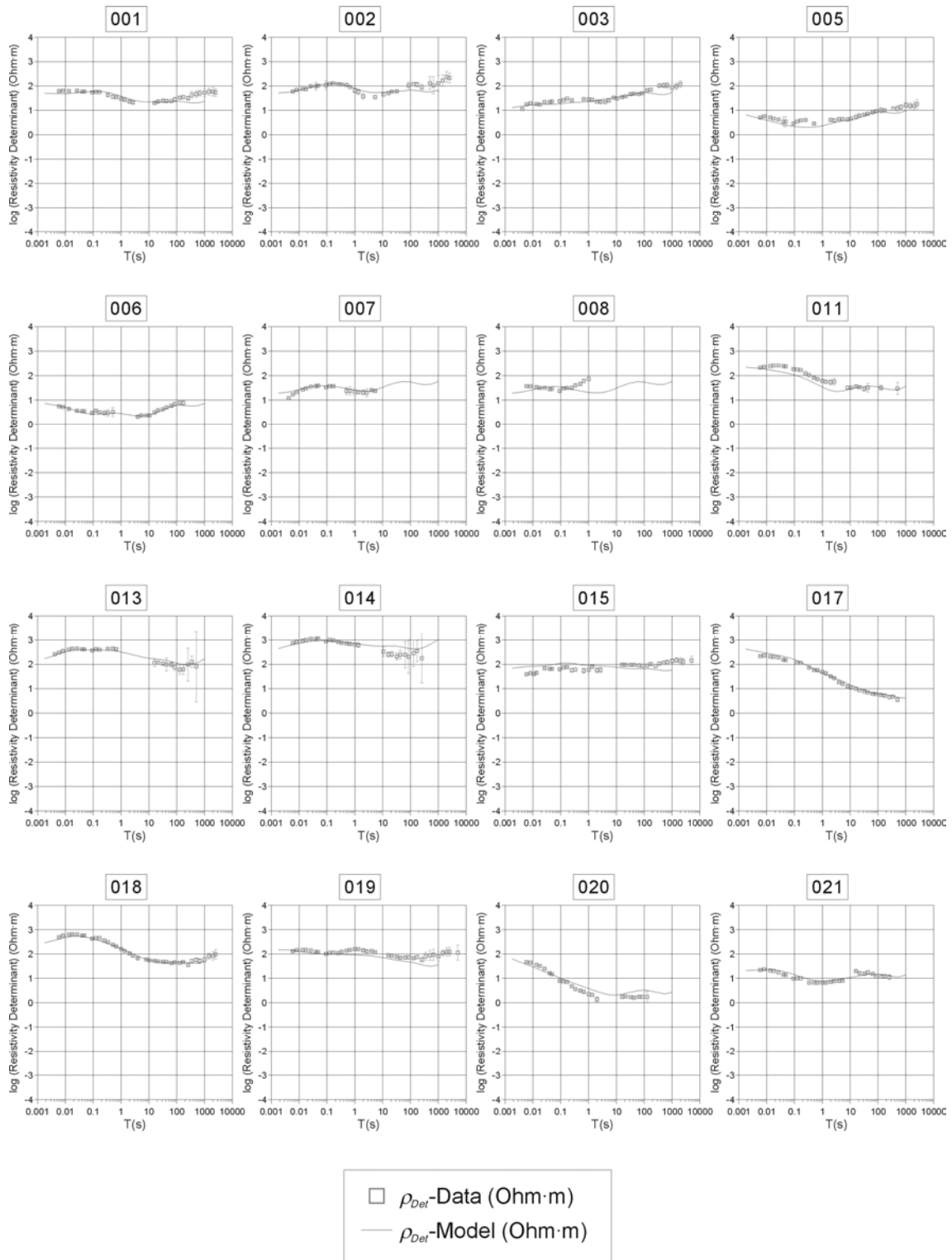


Figure E.1: Determinant resistivity data and model responses. Sites 1 to 21.

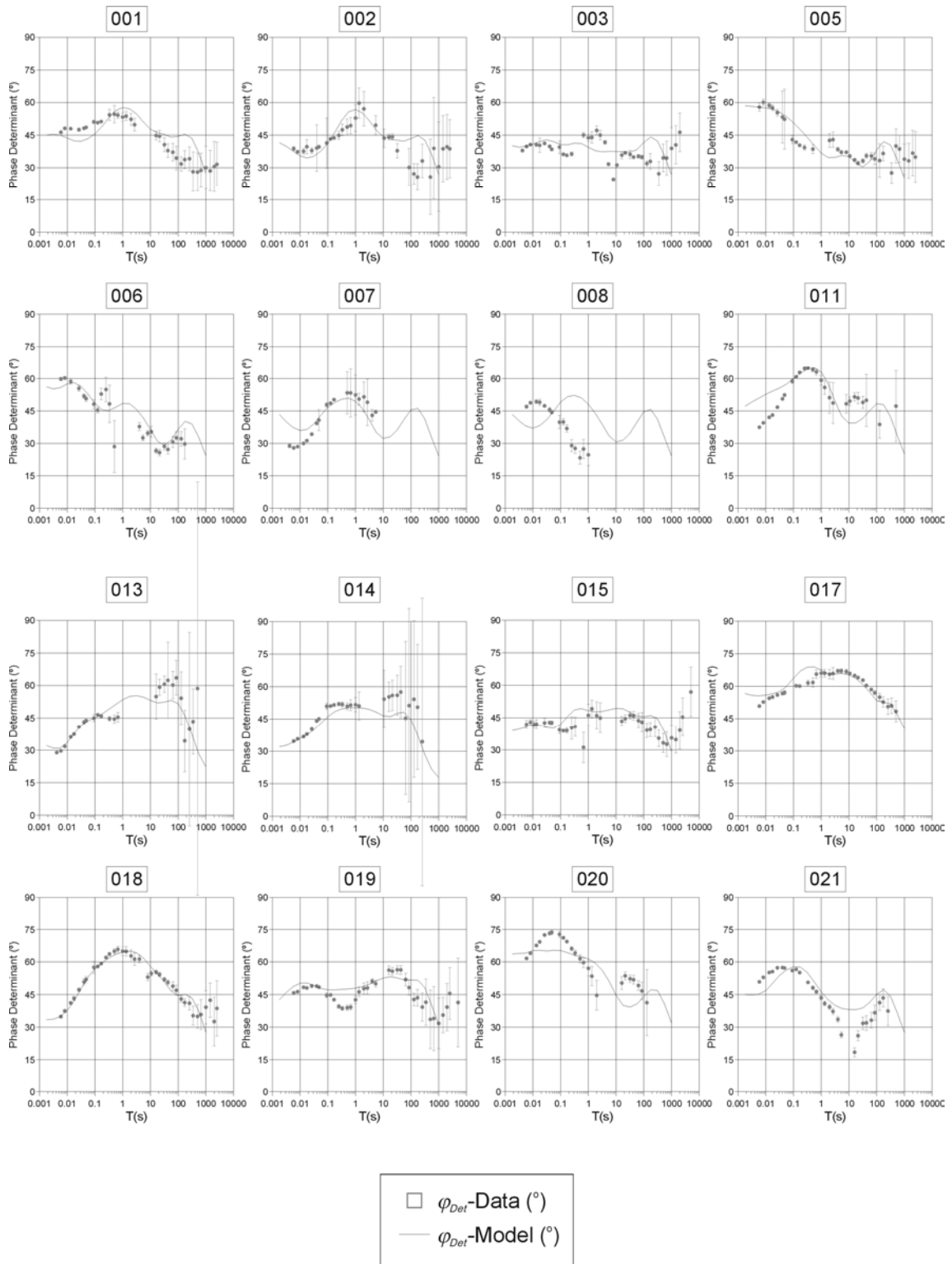


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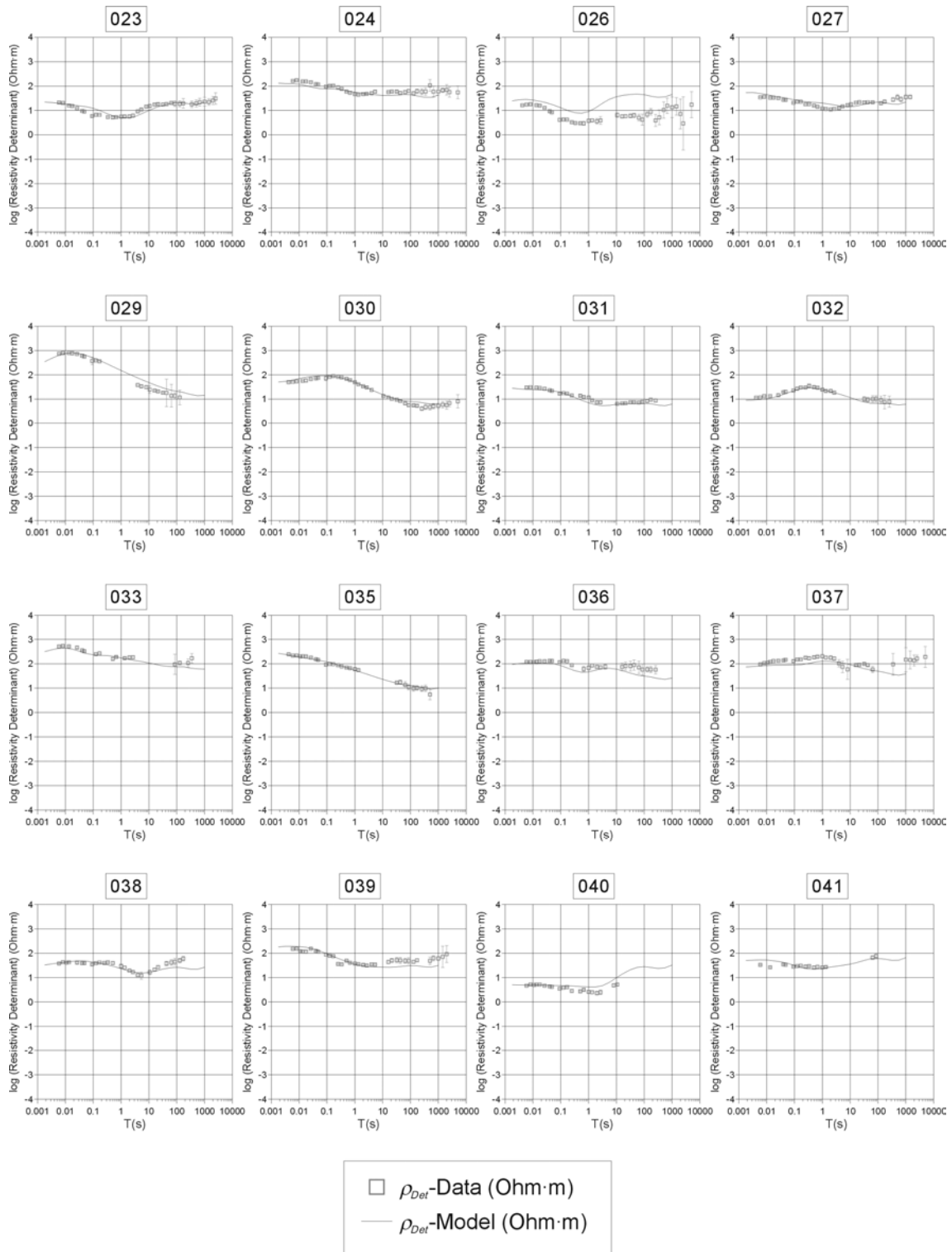


Figure E.3: Determinant resistivity data and model responses. Sites 23 to 41.

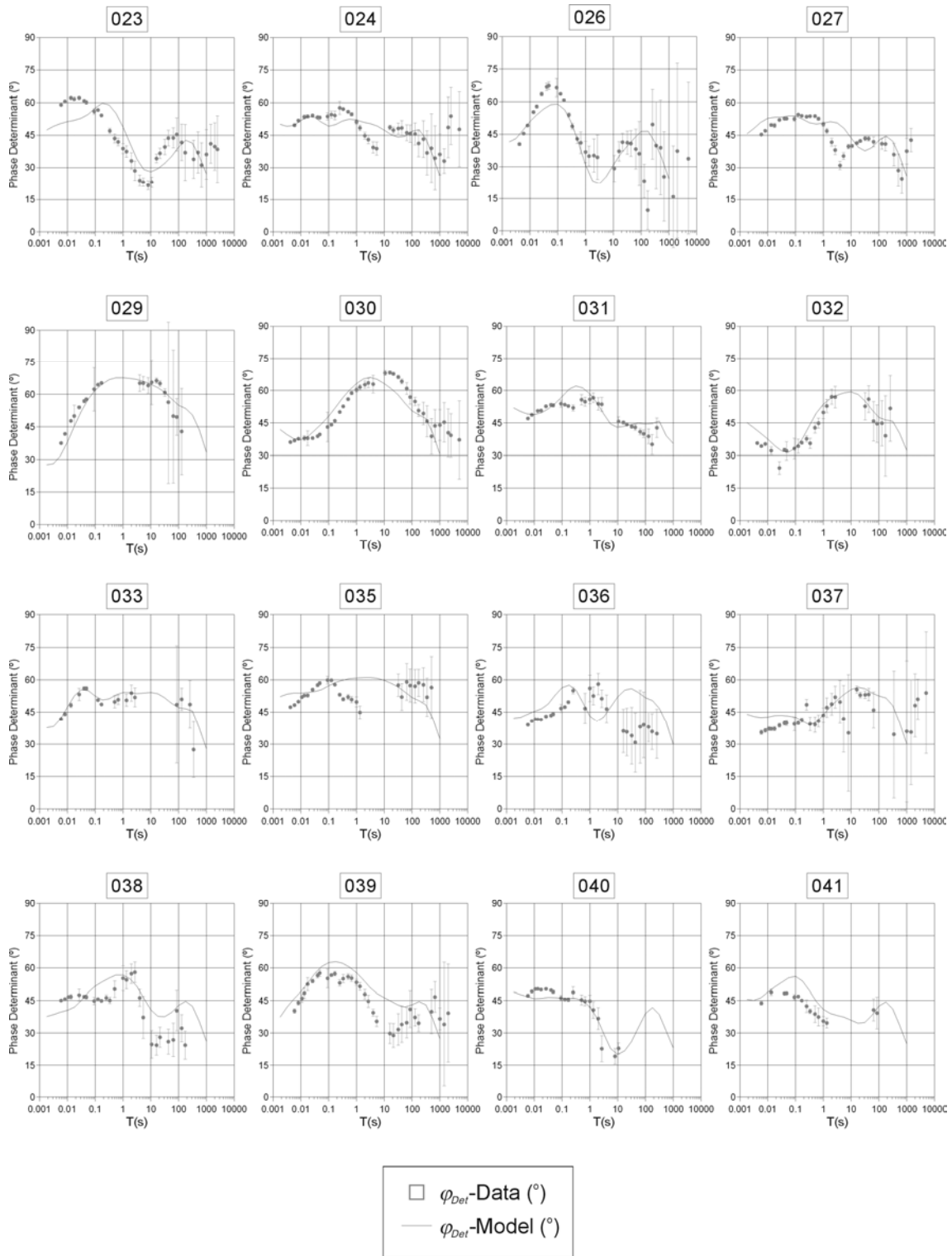


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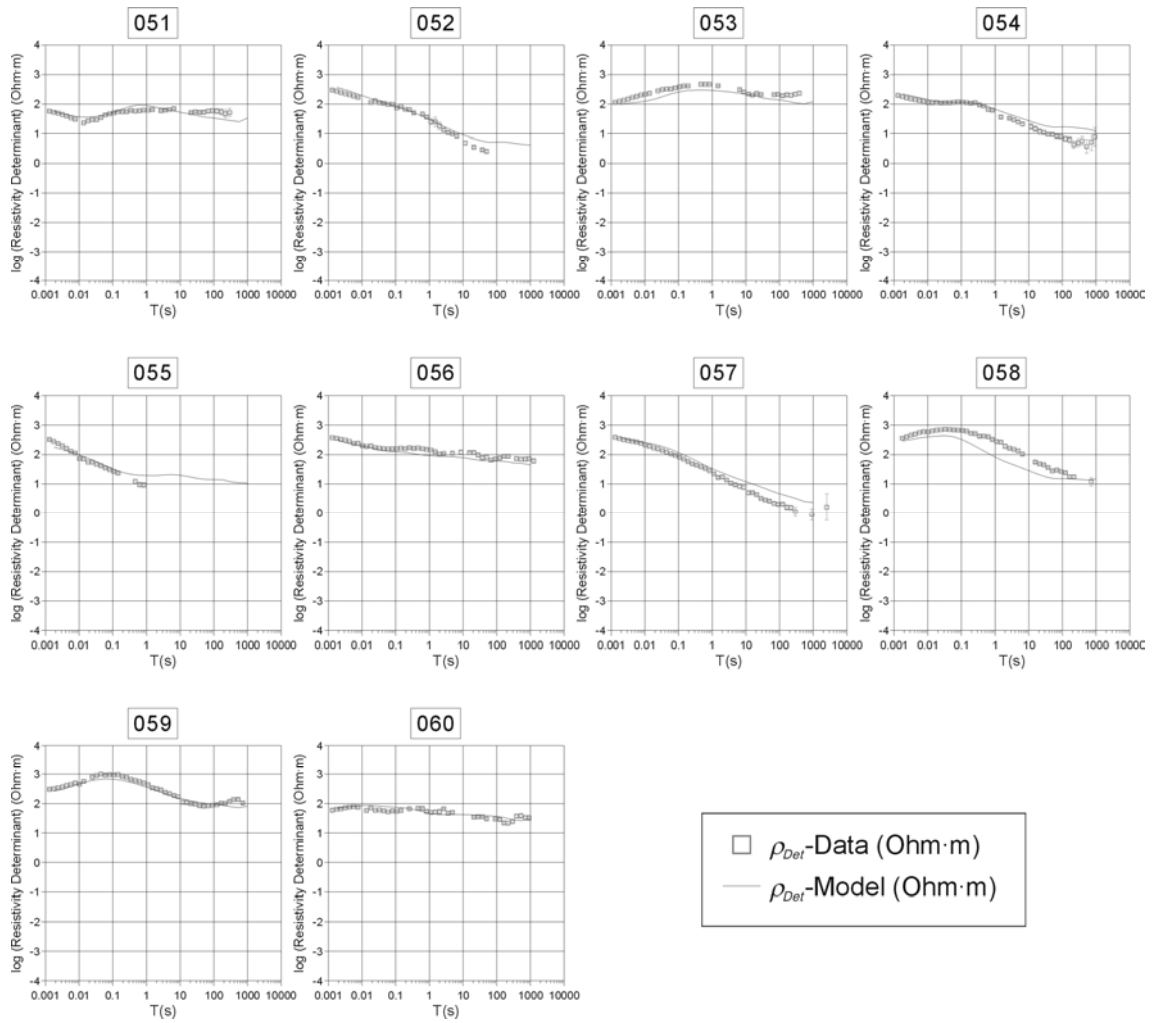


Figure E.5: Determinant resistivity data and model responses. Sites 51 to 60.

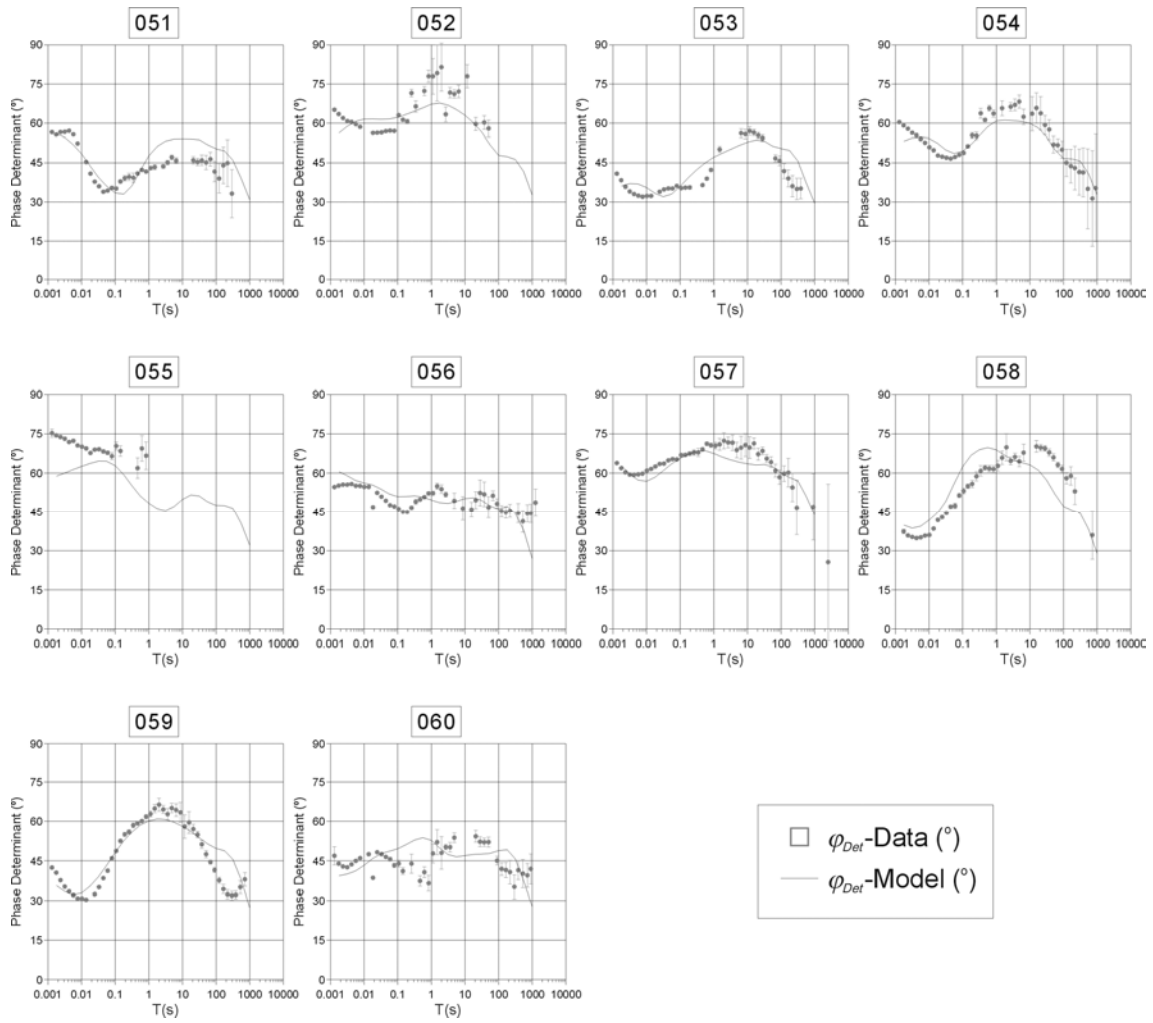


Figure E.6: Determinant phase data and model responses. Sites 51 to 60.

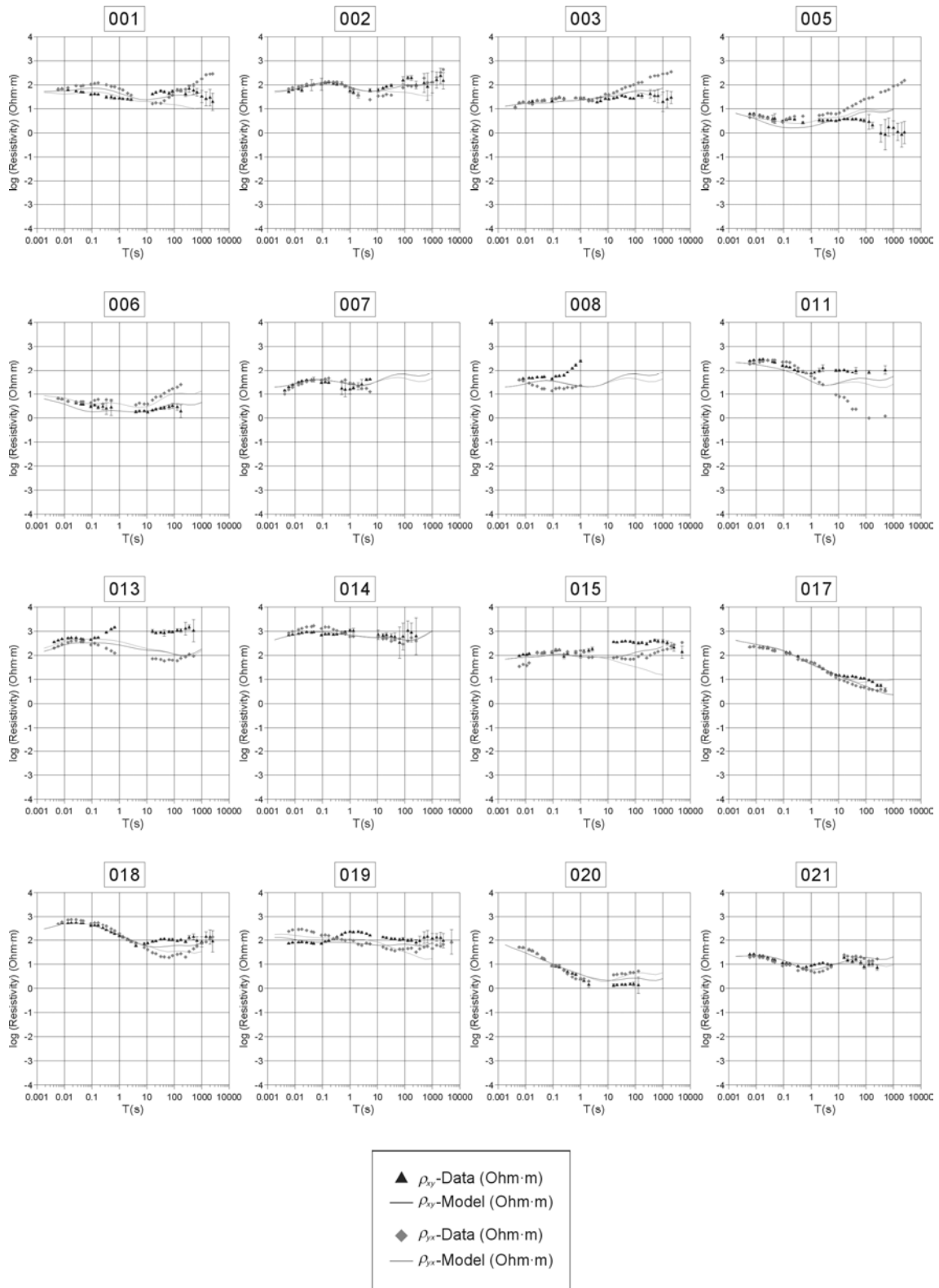


Figure E.7: xy and yx resistivity data and model responses. Sites 1 to 21.

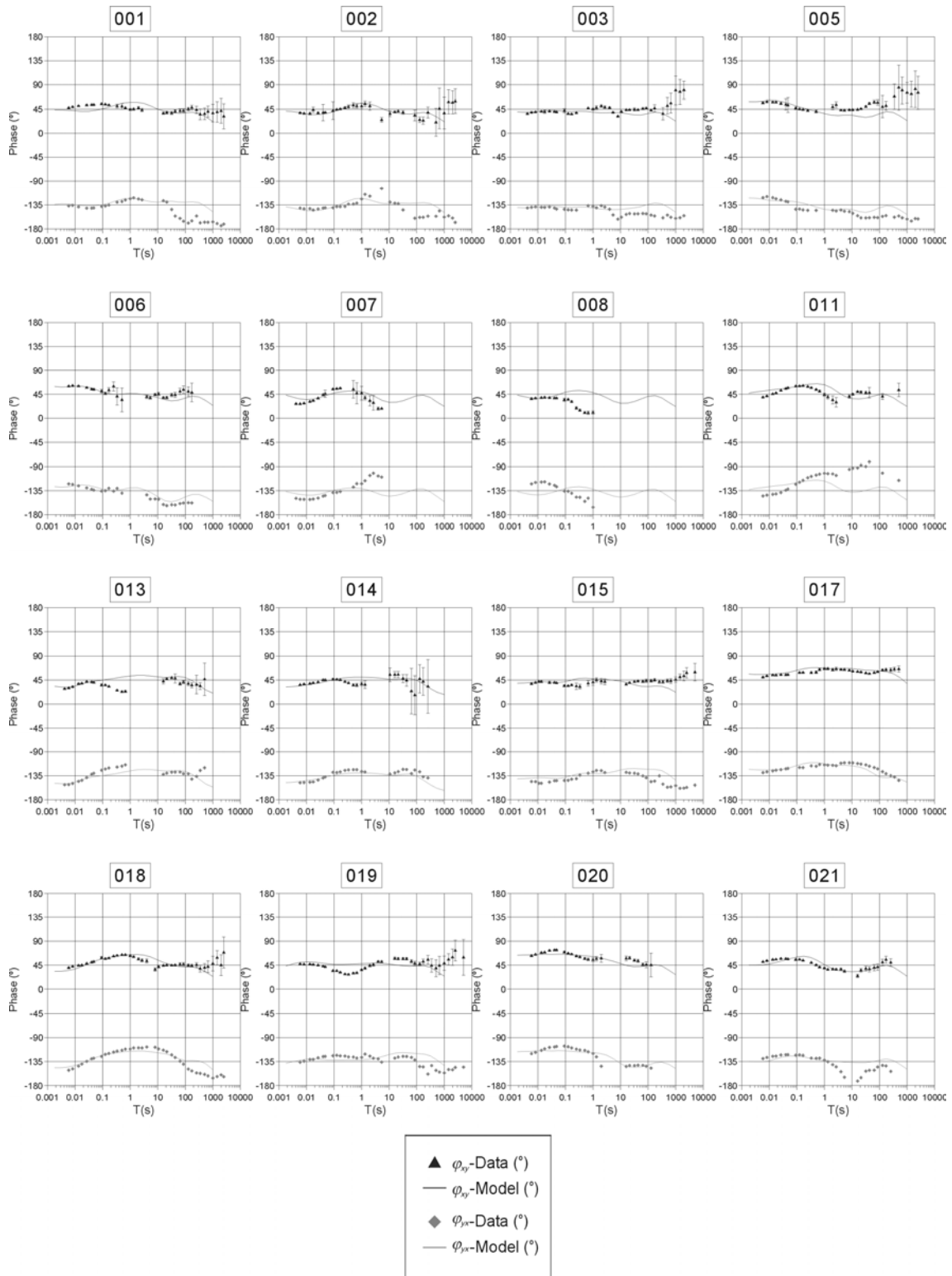


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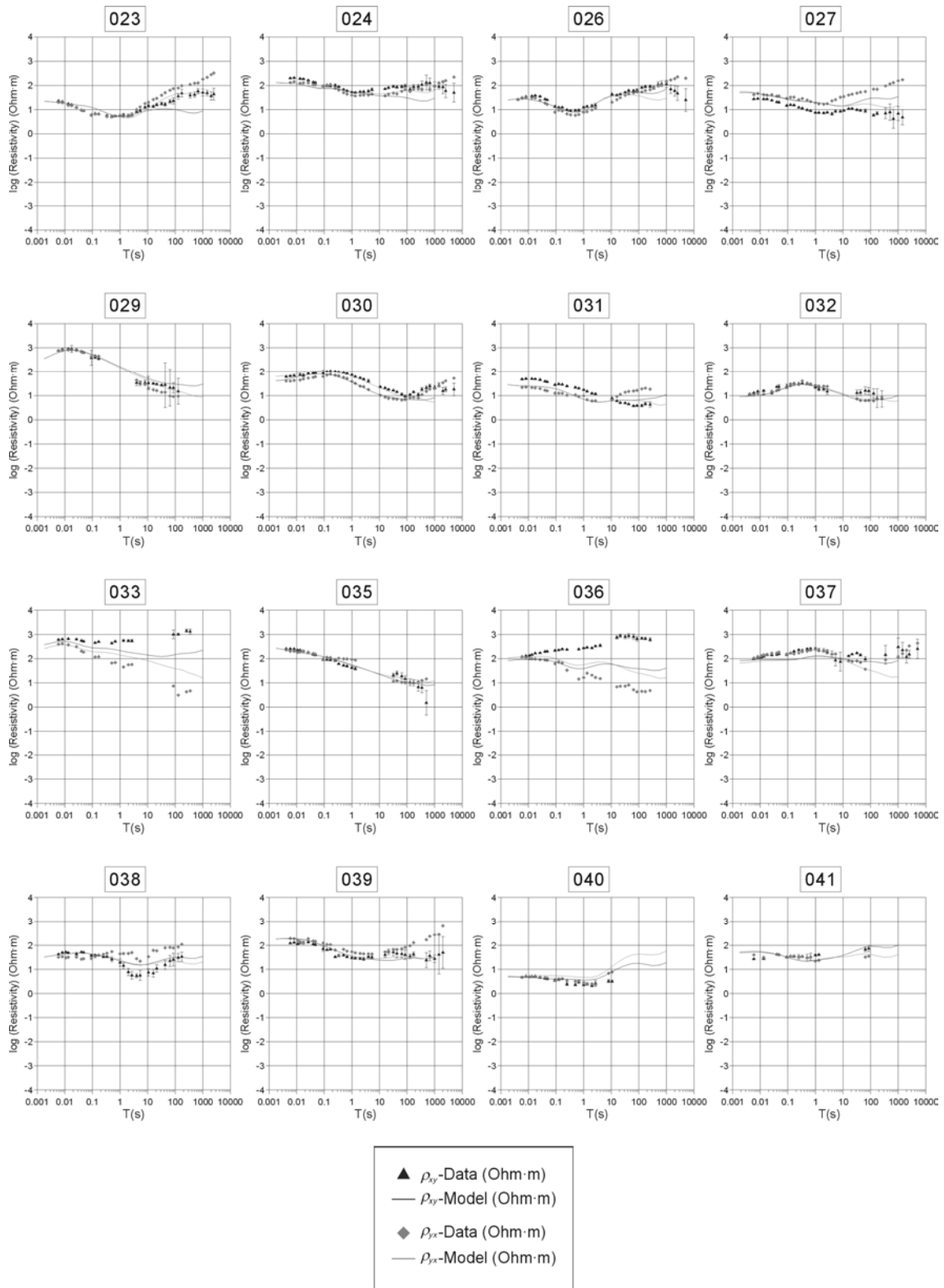


Figure E.9: xy and yx resistivity data and model responses. Sites 23 to 41.

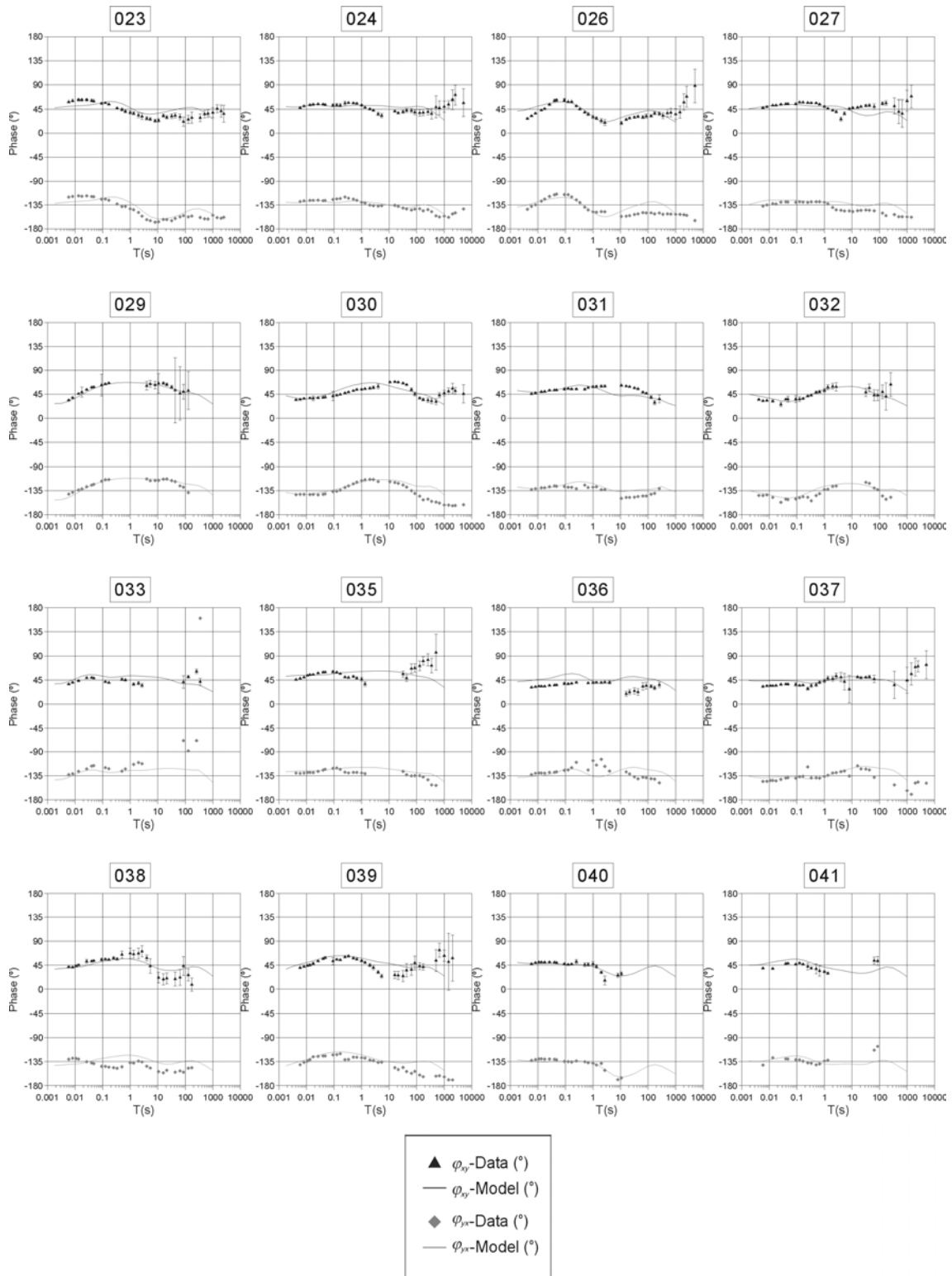


Figure E.10: xy and yx phase data and model responses. Sites 23 to 41.

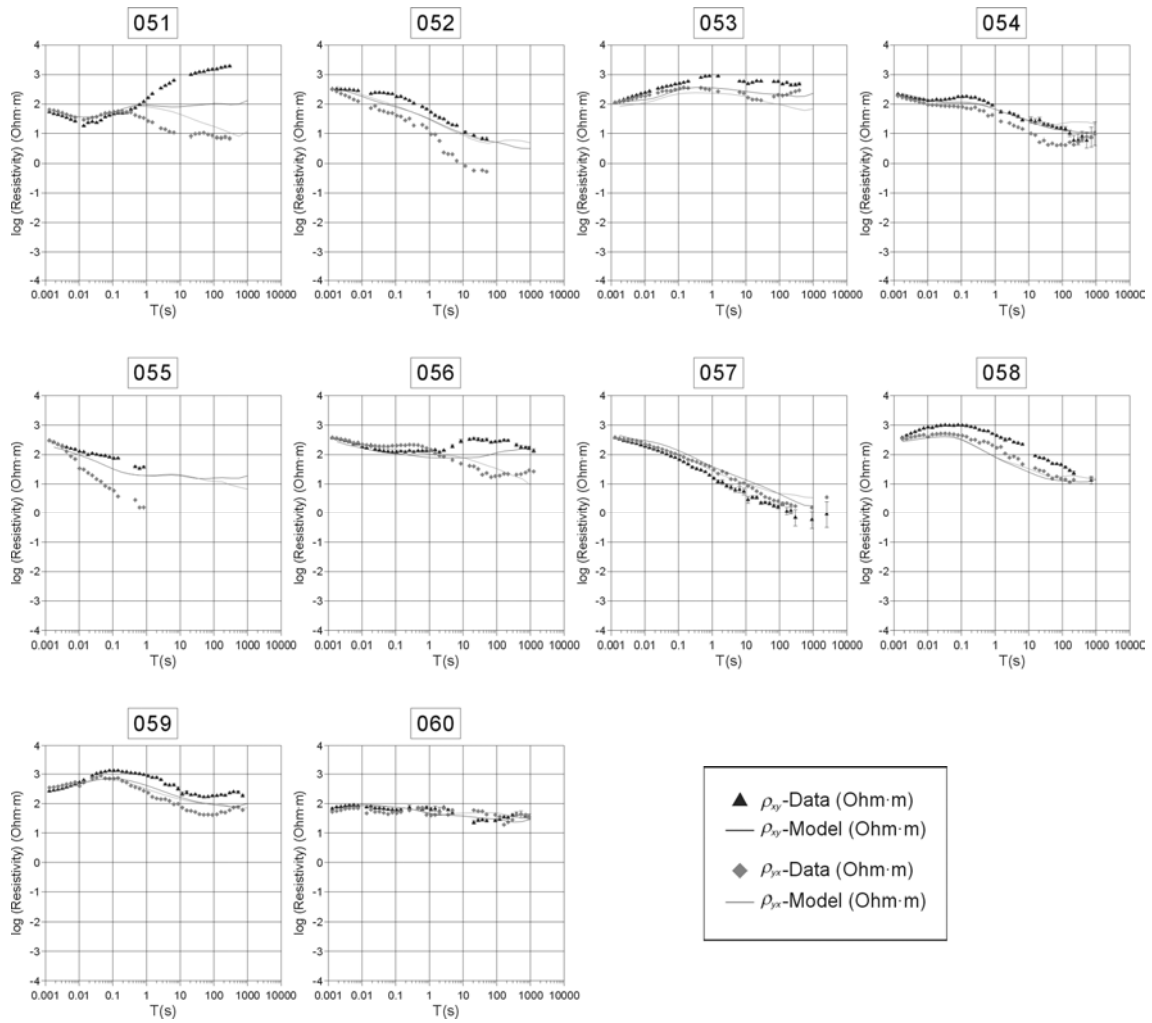


Figure E.11: xy and yx resistivity data and model responses. Sites 51 to 60.

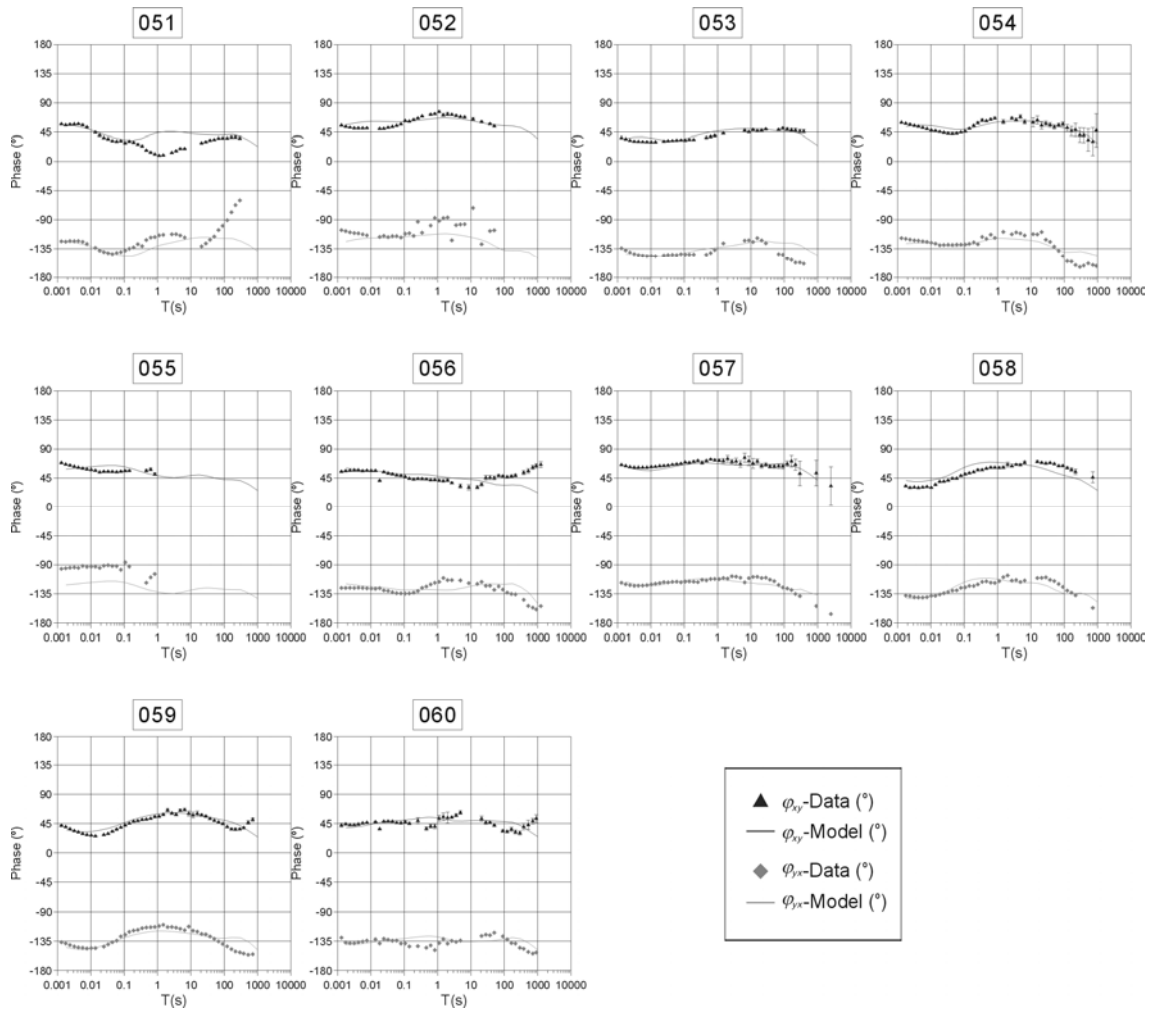


Figure E.12: xy and yx phase data and model responses. Sites 51 to 60.

Appendix F: Single Value Decomposition (SVD) of Distortion Matrix C

A Single Value Decomposition (SVD) of the distortion matrix was proposed by Caldwell *et al.* (2004) (equation F.2). In this work, the general expressions of this decomposition along with some particular cases were developed. The particular cases were obtained from the distortion parameters defined by Groom and Bailey (1989).

Distortion matrix:

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} C_1 & C_2 \\ C_3 & C_4 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{g}{\sqrt{1+t^2}\sqrt{1+e^2}\sqrt{1+s^2}} \begin{bmatrix} (1+s)(1-te) & (1+s)(e-t) \\ (1+s)(e+t) & (1-s)(1+te) \end{bmatrix}. \quad (\text{F.1})$$

SVD:

$$C = R^T(\alpha_D - \beta_D) \begin{bmatrix} c_{Max} & 0 \\ 0 & c_{min} \end{bmatrix} R(\alpha_D + \beta_D), \quad (\text{F.2})$$

where:

$$c_{min}^2 = \frac{\text{Tr}(DD^T) \pm \sqrt{\text{Tr}(DD^T)^2 - 4\det(DD^T)}}{2} = \frac{C_1^2 + C_2^2 + C_3^2 + C_4^2 \pm \sqrt{(C_1^2 + C_2^2 + C_3^2 + C_4^2)^2 - 4(C_1C_4 - C_2C_3)^2}}{2}, \quad (\text{F.3})$$

$$\alpha_D = \arctan\left(\frac{e+st}{-te+s}\right)/2, \quad (\text{F.4})$$

$$\beta_D = \arctan\left(\frac{-t-se}{1-ste}\right)/2. \quad (\text{F.5})$$

Particular cases, depending on the values of t, e and s parameters:

Only twist and shear (absence of anisotropy, s=0):

$$c_{Max} = \frac{g\sqrt{1+2e+e^2+t^2+t^2e^2+2et^2}}{\sqrt{1+t^2}\sqrt{1+e^2}}, \quad (F.6)$$

$$c_{min} = \frac{g\sqrt{1-2e+e^2+t^2+t^2e^2-2et^2}}{\sqrt{1+t^2}\sqrt{1+e^2}}, \quad (F.7)$$

$$\alpha_D = \arctan\left(\frac{e}{-te}\right) / 2, \quad (F.8)$$

$$\beta_D = \arctan(-t) / 2. \quad (F.9)$$

Only twist (e=0, s=0):

$$c_{Max} = c_{min} = g, \quad (F.10)$$

$$\alpha_D = \arctan\left(\frac{0}{0}\right) / 2 = \text{undefined}; \beta_D = \arctan(-t) / 2. \quad (F.11)$$

The representation in this case is a circle.

Only shear (t=0, s=0):

$$c_{Max} = \frac{g(1+e)}{\sqrt{1+e^2}} \quad (F.12)$$

$$c_{Min} = \frac{g(1-e)}{\sqrt{1+e^2}} \quad (F.13)$$

$$\alpha_D = \arctan\left(\frac{1}{0}\right) / 2 = 45 \text{ deg}; \beta_D = \arctan(0) / 2 = 0 \text{ deg}. \quad (F.14)$$

The graphical representation corresponds to an ellipse with an azimuth of 45°.

Only anisotropy (t=0, e=0):

$$c_{Max} = \frac{g(1+s)}{\sqrt{1+s^2}} \quad (F.15)$$

$$c_{Min} = \frac{g(1-s)}{\sqrt{1+s^2}} \quad (F.16)$$

$$\alpha_D = \arctan\left(\frac{0}{0}\right) / 2 = \text{undefined}; \beta_D = \arctan(0) / 2 = 0 \text{ deg}. \quad (F.17)$$

It can be represented by an ellipse aligned along x and y-axes.

These graphical descriptions obviously lead to the same used in Groom and Bailey (1989).

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	$\delta\theta$				3D			Q
1D			I				θ	3D
		Q		θ	1D			
		3D		Q				θ
	Q			I	$\delta\theta$		1D	
2D			θ					
		1D		3D	3D/ 2D			
I						Q		2D
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