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Numerical modeling of stresses and deformation in the Zagros–Iranian Plateau region

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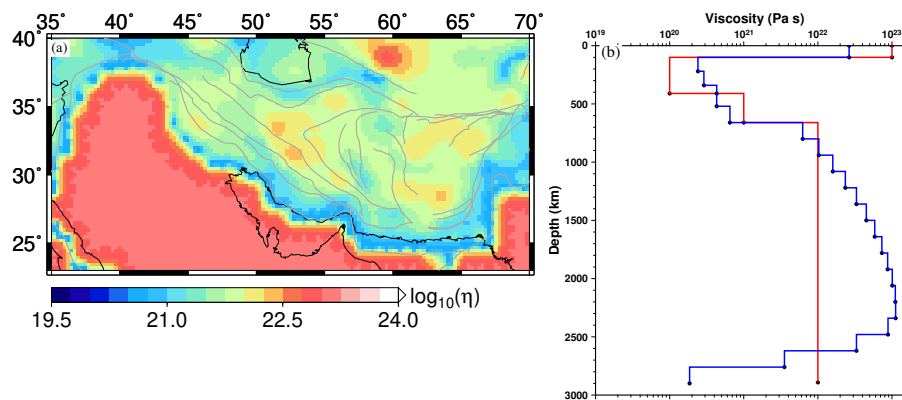


Figure S1. (Left) Plot of lithospheric viscosity in the study region that is used in finite element models. Right panel shows GHW13(red) (Ghosh et al., 2013) and SH08 (blue) (Steinberger and Holme, 2008) viscosity structures used in mantle convection models.

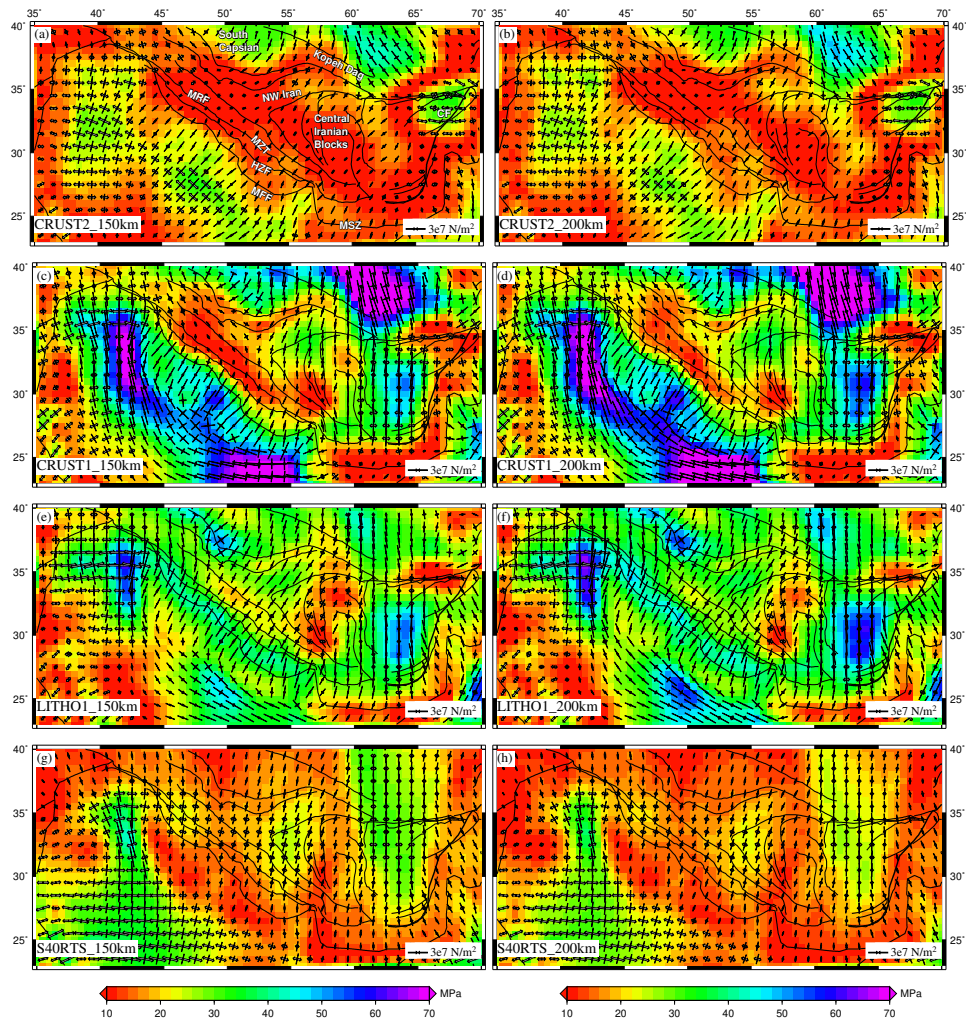


Figure S2. (a-f) Deviatoric stresses predicted using GPE models for lithosphere base at 150 km (left) and 200 km (right). (g-h) Mantle derived stresses from S4ORTS tomography model for GHW13 viscosity structures, when LAB is at 150 km (left) and 200 km (right). The background plot shows the second invariant of deviatoric stresses. The white arrows denote tensional stresses, and black arrows indicate compressional stresses.

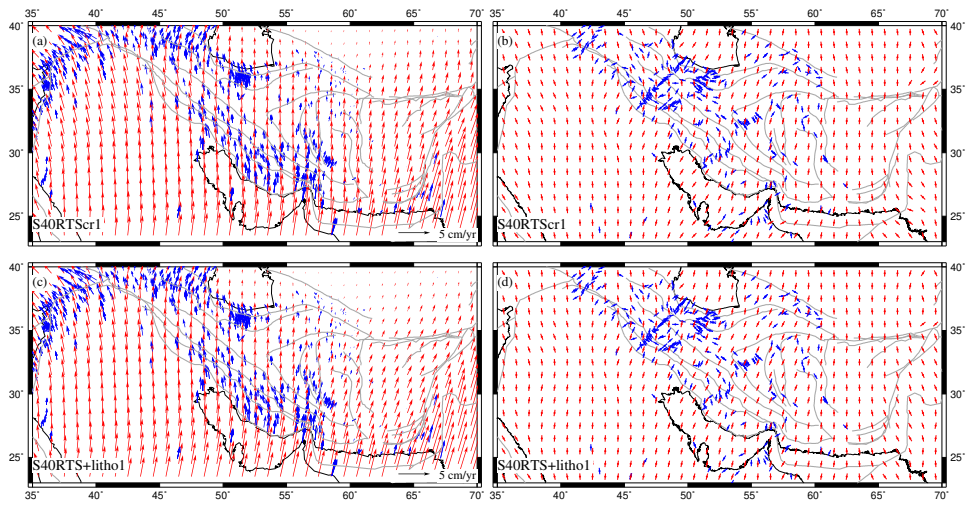


Figure S3. (Left Panel) GPS (blue) and predicted (red) plate velocities with respect to a fixed Eurasian plate. Right Panel shows plot of FPDs in blue and S_{Hmax} in red.

Table S1. Summary of quantitative comparison of predicted results of various models with observed data for SH08 viscosity model (Steinberger and Holme, 2008).

Model	S_{Hmax}	misfit	Strain rate correlation	RMS error (mm/yr)	Angular misfit	Total error
S40RTS+SH08	0.58		0.90	5.68	6.00	2.42
SAW642AN+SH08	0.58		0.88	17.41	22.00	3.56
3D2018_S40RTS+SH08	0.58		0.88	8.68	9.20	2.86
S2.9_S363+SH08	0.54		0.89	10.38	14.00	2.99
S40RTS+SH08cr2	0.52		0.91	3.81	3.30	1.95
SAW642AN+SH08cr2	0.56		0.89	5.38	5.10	2.35
3D2018_S40RTS+SH08cr2	0.54		0.89	4.15	3.30	2.07
S2.9_S362+SH08cr2	0.52		0.92	5.14	5.80	2.24
S40RTS+SH08cr1	0.54		0.92	4.80	6.10	2.19
SAW642AN+SH08cr1	0.54		0.91	8.61	10.70	2.78
3D2018_S40RTS+SH08cr1	0.56		0.91	6.30	7.90	2.49
S2.9_S362+SH08cr1	0.55		0.91	5.82	7.60	2.40
S40RTS+SH08+litho	0.52		0.94	5.79	7.40	2.34
SAW642AN+SH08+litho	0.51		0.94	8.05	8.70	2.66
3D2018_S40RTS+SH08+litho	0.53		0.94	6.61	8.20	2.48
S2.9_S362+SH08+litho	0.53		0.94	7.61	10.10	2.62

Model/LAB Depth	S_{Hmax} error			Strain Rates Correlation			Velocity rms error		
	100 km	150 km	200 km	100 km	150 km	200 km	100 km	150 km	200 km
CRUST2	0.77	0.64	0.60	0.69	0.83	0.87	7.32	5.85	5.69
CRUST1	0.64	0.61	0.60	0.87	0.9	0.9	7.44	8.59	9.28
LITHO1	0.59	0.56	0.56	0.92	0.93	0.93	8.51	9.03	9.45
S40RTS	0.57	0.56	0.54	0.88	0.89	0.90	6.20	5.90	6.06
S40RTScr2	0.48	0.48	0.49	0.92	0.92	0.93	3.28	5.24	3.82
S40RTScr1	0.51	0.52	0.53	0.92	0.92	0.92	4.29	9.60	9.28
S40RTS+litho1	0.49	0.50	0.51	0.93	0.93	0.94	4.52	9.03	9.45

Table S2. Quantitative comparison of fit to the observed data for varying LAB depths.

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