

# Statistical Characterisation of Porous Media at the Pore Scale

Covariance, Minkowski Tensors and Permeability

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# Summary of Results

- 1. Attempt at correlating Minkowski Tensors to Permeability
  - For most samples:
    - Magnitude of permeability in Cartesian directions decreases with increase in Minkowski Tensor Components
      - Direction K highest > Direction W102 lowest
      - Direction K lowest -> Direction W102 highest
    - Individual Cases:
      - Weak Discrepancy:
        - Permeability values on 2 axis very similar
          - -> W102 very similar
        - Samples S6, S7, S8
      - Strong discrepancy: Completely different orientation of W102
        - Sample S3: Possibly wrong computation of K Tensor?
        - Sample C1
- 2. Most Sandstone Samples S1-S9 show anisotropy from Minkowski Tensor
  - Only Berea close to isotropic
- 3. REV estimation:
  - Sandstone Sample S6 and Carbonate C2:
  - Upwards trend of MT Plot -> REV not reached
- 4. Comparison Covariance and Minkowski Tensor Plot
  - Sample S4: X and Y Covariance very similar trend, Z direction different
  - Minkowski Tensor indicates Anisotropy in Z direction

# Sandstone Samples S1-S5

	$\overline{\overline{k}}$ $(md)$	$ \widehat{W}_1^{0,2} $	$\widehat{W}_{2}^{0,2}$
S1	$\begin{bmatrix} 1969 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1752 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1312 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.286 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.294 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.419 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.312 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.350 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.337 \end{bmatrix}$
S2	$\begin{bmatrix} 4318 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3983 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3394 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.298 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.302 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.398 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.314 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.305 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.379 \end{bmatrix}$
S3	$\begin{bmatrix} 143 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 420 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 109 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.2761 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.2762 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.447 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.309 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.307 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.383 \end{bmatrix}$
S4	$\begin{bmatrix} 273 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 289 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 215 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.283 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.269 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.446 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.313 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.306 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.379 \end{bmatrix}$
S5	$\begin{bmatrix} 4638 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4874 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4440 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.303 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.301 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.395 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.310 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.315 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.374 \end{bmatrix}$

Strong correlation

Weak correlation

# Permeability - Sandstone Samples S6-S9

	$\overline{\overline{k}}$ $(md)$	$\widehat{W}_{\!1}^{0,2}$	$\widehat{W}_{2}^{0,2}$
S6	$\begin{bmatrix} 11289 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 10683 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 10951 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.296 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.306 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.397 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.322 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.329 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.347 \end{bmatrix}$
S7	$\begin{bmatrix} 7268 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 7594 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 6037 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.300 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.302 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.396 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.303 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.322 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.374 \end{bmatrix}$
S8	$\begin{bmatrix} 13063 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 13507 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 12936 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.287 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.288 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.423 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.259 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.289 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.451 \end{bmatrix}$
<b>S</b> 9	$\begin{bmatrix} 2735 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2093 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1844 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.300 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.359 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.339 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.312 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.350 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.337 \end{bmatrix}$

Strong correlation

Weak correlation

# Permeability - Samples C1, C2, Berea

$\overline{\overline{k}}$ $(md)$	$\widehat{W}_{1}^{0,2}$ $\widehat{W}_{2}^{0,2}$
$ \begin{array}{c cccc} \mathbf{C1} & \begin{bmatrix} 785 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1469 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1053 \end{bmatrix} \end{array} $	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.284 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.263 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.452 \end{bmatrix}  \begin{bmatrix} 0.305 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.329 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.347 \end{bmatrix}$
$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.291 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.285 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.423 \end{bmatrix}  \begin{bmatrix} 0.310 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.290 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.403 \end{bmatrix}$
Berea $\begin{bmatrix} 1360 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1304 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1193 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.320 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.335 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.344 \end{bmatrix}  \begin{bmatrix} 0.322 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.328 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.348 \end{bmatrix}$

Strong correlation

Weak correlation



# Formation Factors - Sandstone Samples S1-S5

	FF	$\widehat{W}_1^{0,2}$	$\widehat{W}_{2}^{0,2}$
S1	$\begin{bmatrix} 36.3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 37.9 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 53.5 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.286 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.294 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.419 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.312 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.350 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.337 \end{bmatrix}$
S2	$\begin{bmatrix} 10.9 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 11.3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 12.6 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.298 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.302 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.398 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.314 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.305 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.379 \end{bmatrix}$
S3	$\begin{bmatrix} 52.2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 41.9 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 70.3 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.2761 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.2762 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.447 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.309 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.307 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.383 \end{bmatrix}$
S4	$\begin{bmatrix} 74.5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 71.0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 114.4 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.283 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.269 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.446 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.313 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.306 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.379 \end{bmatrix}$
S5	$\begin{bmatrix} 14.1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 14.6 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 15.9 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.303 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.301 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.395 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.310 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.315 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.374 \end{bmatrix}$

Strong correlation

Weak correlation

# Formation Factors - Sandstone Samples S6-S9

	FF	$\widehat{W}_{\!\scriptscriptstyle 1}^{0,2}$	$\widehat{W}_{2}^{0,2}$
S6	$\begin{bmatrix} 10.3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 11.2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 12.9 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.296 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.306 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.397 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.322 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.329 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.347 \end{bmatrix}$
S7	$\begin{bmatrix} 9.6 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9.3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 11.2 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.300 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.302 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.396 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.303 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.322 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.374 \end{bmatrix}$
S8	$\begin{bmatrix} 6.02 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 5.97 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 6.53 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.287 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.288 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.423 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.259 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.289 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.451 \end{bmatrix}$
S9	$\begin{bmatrix} 16.4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 19.9 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 18.1 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.300 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.359 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.339 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.312 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.350 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.337 \end{bmatrix}$

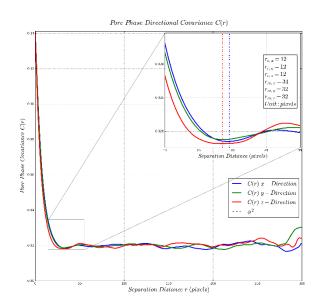
# Formation Factors - Samples C1, C2, Berea

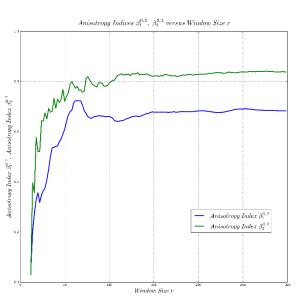
	FF	$\widehat{W}_{\!\scriptscriptstyle 1}^{0,2}$	$\widehat{W}_2^{0,2}$
C1	$\begin{bmatrix} 33.7 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 21.9 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 27.2 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.284 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.263 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.452 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.305 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.329 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.347 \end{bmatrix}$
C2	$\begin{bmatrix} 18 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 121 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 249 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.291 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.285 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.423 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.310 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.290 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.403 \end{bmatrix}$
Berea	$\begin{bmatrix} 23.1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 24.0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 25.2 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.320 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.335 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.344 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.322 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.328 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.348 \end{bmatrix}$





#### Covariance



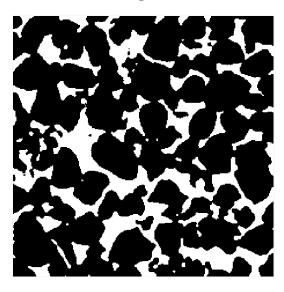


$$\phi_{cov} = 0.141 \begin{bmatrix} 1969 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1752 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1312 \end{bmatrix}$$

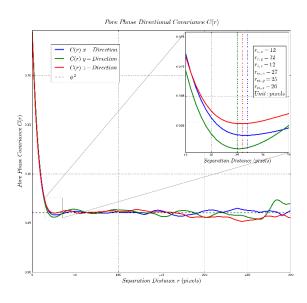
$$\begin{bmatrix}
 0.286 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0.294 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0.419
 \end{bmatrix}$$

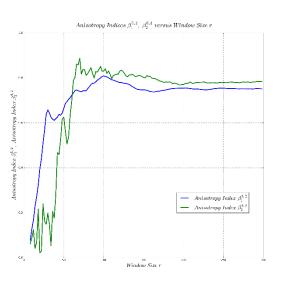
$$\begin{bmatrix}
 0.312 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0.350 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0.337
 \end{bmatrix}$$





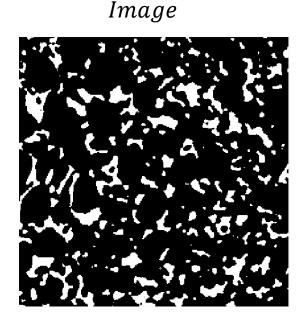
#### Covariance



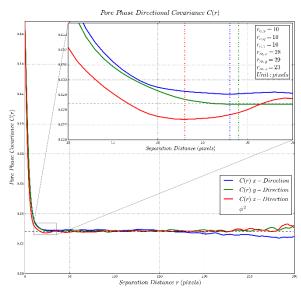


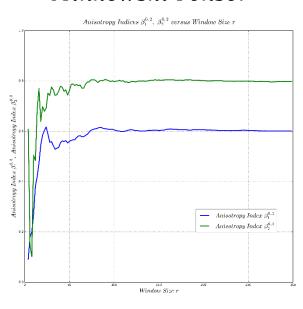
$$\phi_{cov} = 0.246 \begin{bmatrix} 4318 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3983 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3394 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.298 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.302 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.398 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.314 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.305 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.379 \end{bmatrix}$$





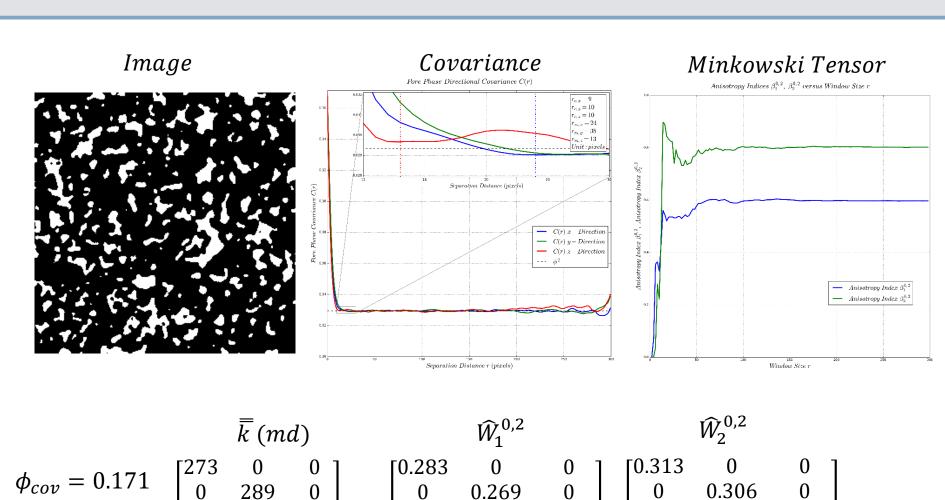
#### Covariance





$$\phi_{cov} = 0.169 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 143 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 420 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 109 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0.2761 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.2762 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.447 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix}
 0.309 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0.307 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0.383
 \end{bmatrix}$$



0.269

0.306

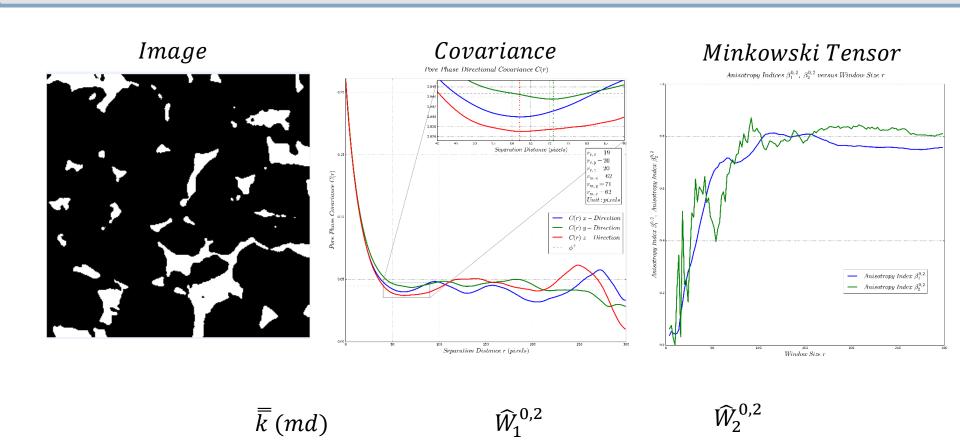
# Sandstone Sample – S5

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 $\phi_{cov} = 0.211$ 



[0.303

0.301

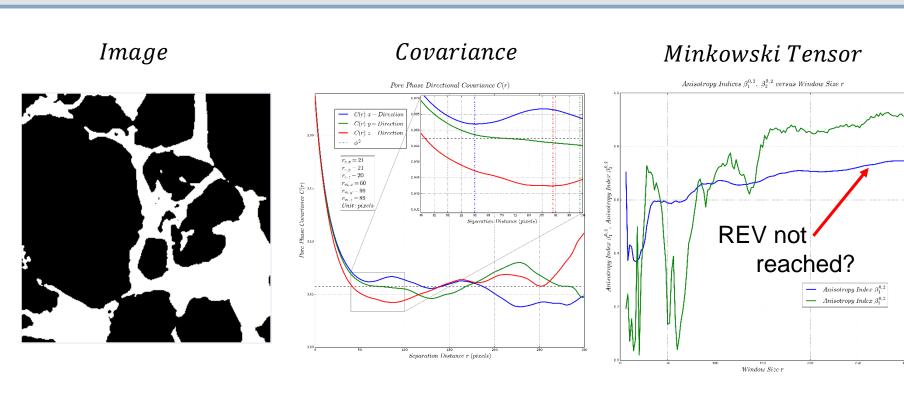
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[0.310]

0.315

0.374

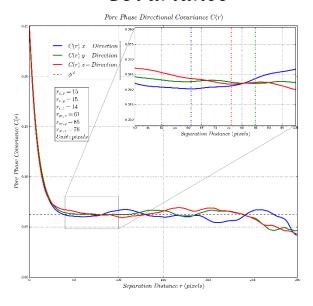


$$\phi_{cov} = 0.240 \begin{bmatrix} 11289 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 10683 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 10951 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0.296 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.306 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.397 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0.322 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.329 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.347 \end{bmatrix}$$





#### Covariance

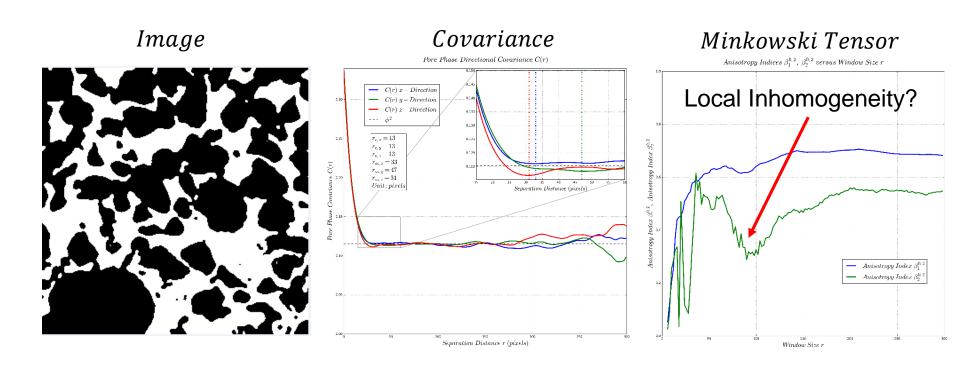


#### Minkowski Tensor

Anisotropy Indices  $\beta_1^{0,2}$ ,  $\beta_2^{0,2}$  versus Window Size  $\tau$ Anisotropy Indices  $\beta_1^{0,2}$ ,  $\beta_2^{0,2}$  versus Window Size  $\tau$ Anisotropy Index  $\beta_1^{0,2}$ Anisotropy Index  $\beta_1^{0,2}$ Anisotropy Index  $\beta_1^{0,2}$ Anisotropy Index  $\beta_1^{0,2}$ 

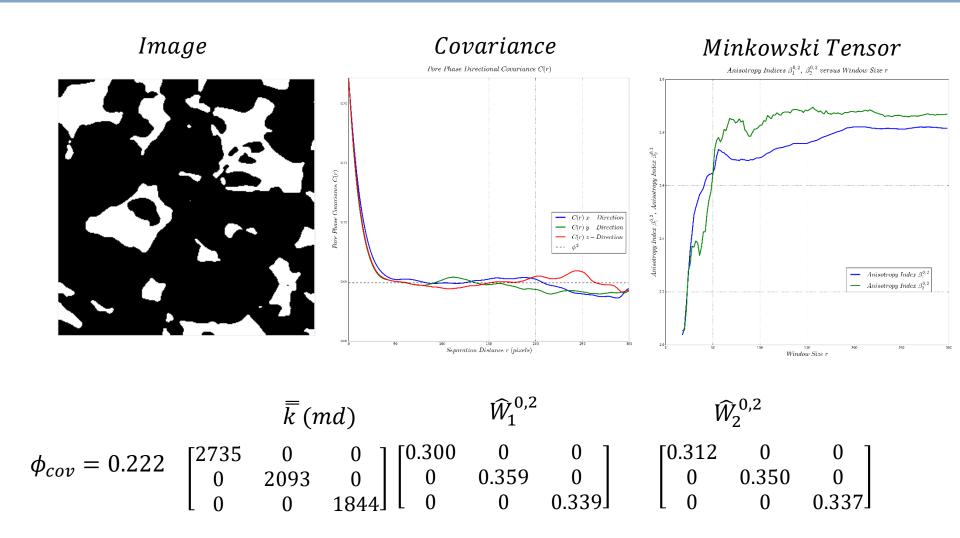
$$\phi_{cov} = 0.250 \begin{bmatrix} 7268 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 7594 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 6037 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
\widehat{W}_{2}^{0,2} \\
0.303 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0.322 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0.374
\end{array}$$

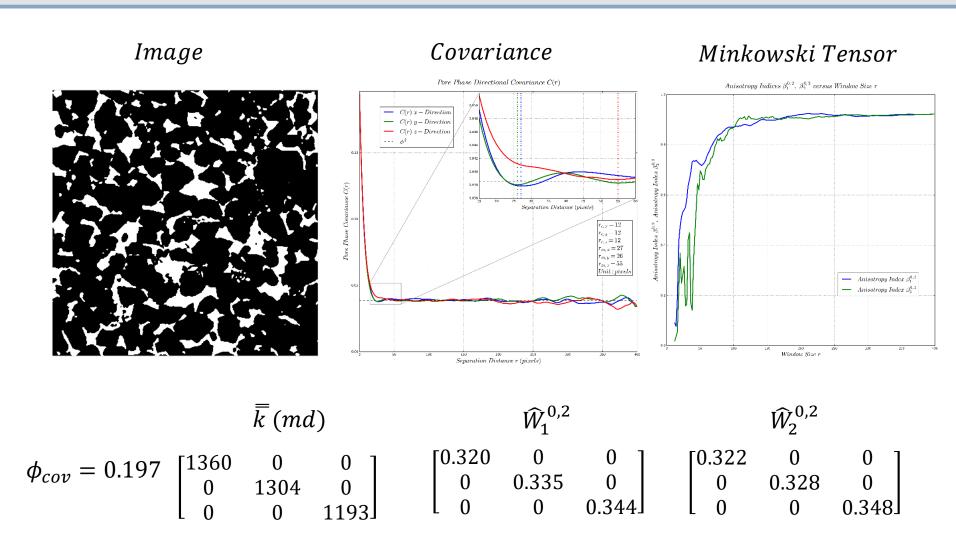


$$\bar{k} (md) \qquad \qquad \widehat{W}_1^{0,2} \qquad \qquad \widehat{W}_2^{0,2}$$
 
$$\phi_{cov} = 0.340 \begin{bmatrix} 13063 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 13507 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 12936 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} 0.287 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.288 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.423 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} 0.259 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.289 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.451 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Sandstone Sample – S9



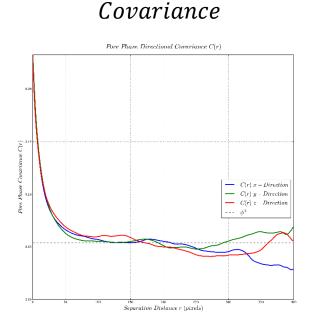
# Sandstone Sample – Berea

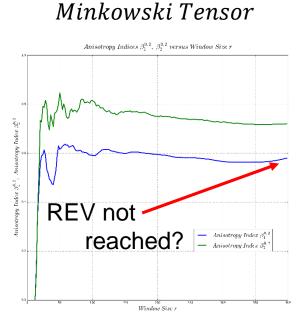


# Carbonate Sample – C1



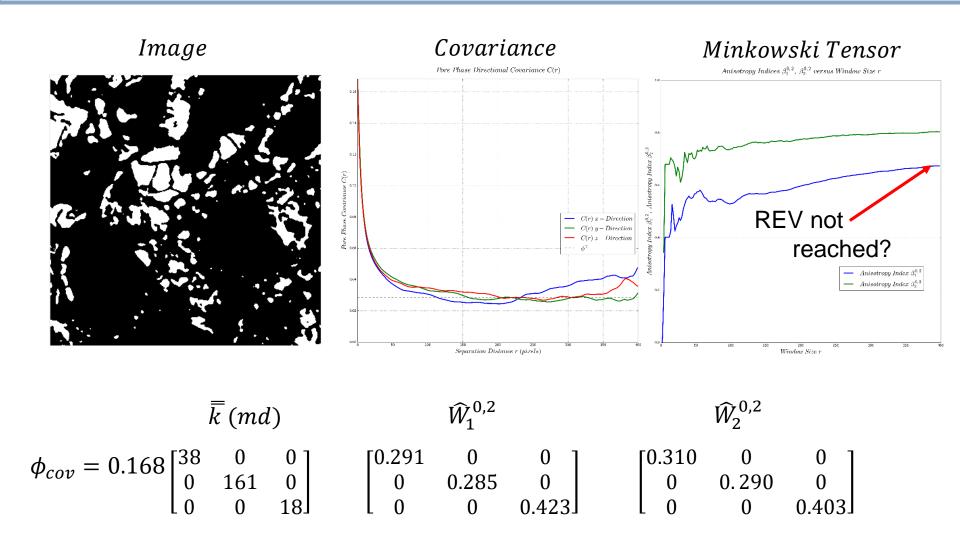




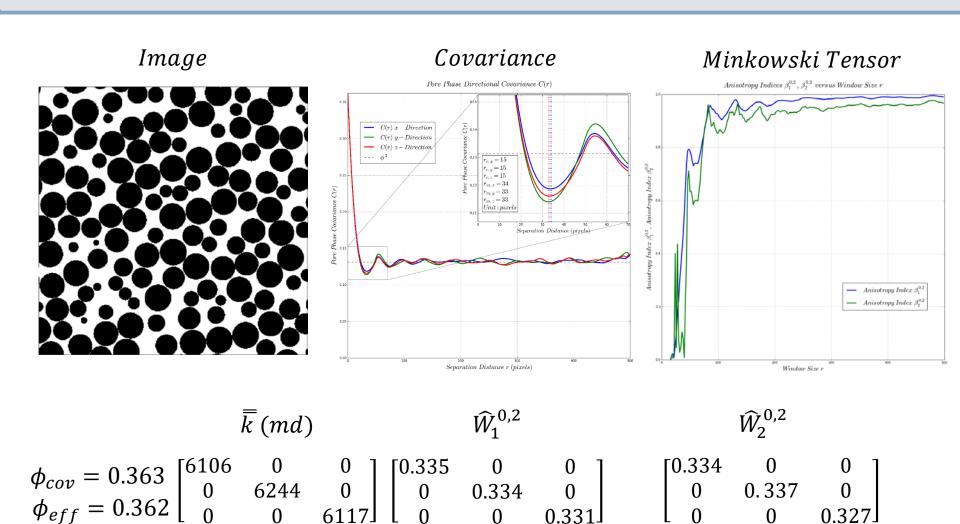


$$\overline{k} \ (md) \qquad \qquad \widehat{W}_1^{0,2} \qquad \qquad \widehat{W}_2^{0,2}$$
 
$$\phi_{cov} = 0.233 \qquad \begin{bmatrix} 785 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1469 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1053 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.284 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.263 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.452 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.305 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.329 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.347 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Carbonate Sample – C2

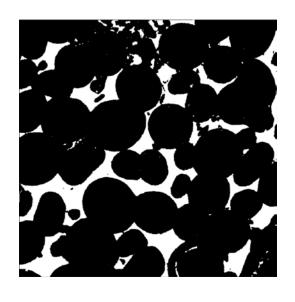


# Beadpack

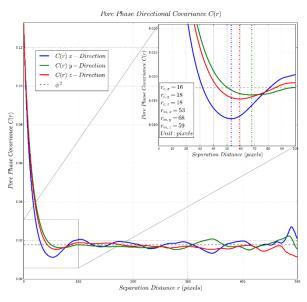


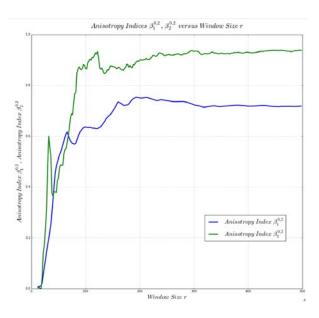
### Ketton

### Image



#### Covariance





$$\overline{\overline{k}}$$
  $(md)$ 

$$\phi_{cov} = 0.133 \begin{bmatrix} 829 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 629 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 20 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\phi_{eff} = 0.128 \begin{bmatrix} 829 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 629 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 20 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\widehat{W}_{1}^{0,2}$$

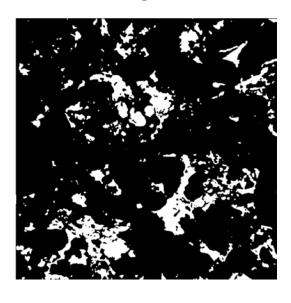
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.300 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.321 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.378 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\widehat{W}_{2}^{0,2}$$

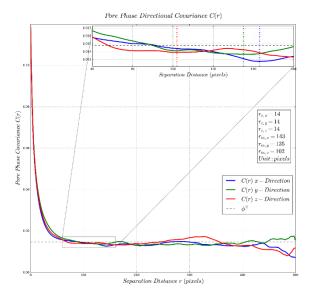
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.327 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.336 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.342 \end{bmatrix}$$

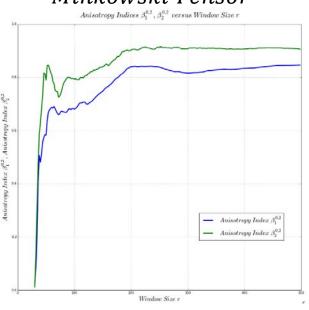
## Estaillades





#### Covariance





$$\overline{\overline{k}}$$
  $(md)$ 

$$\phi_{cov} = 0.122 \begin{bmatrix} 52 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 240 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\phi_{eff} = 0.085 \begin{bmatrix} 52 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 240 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

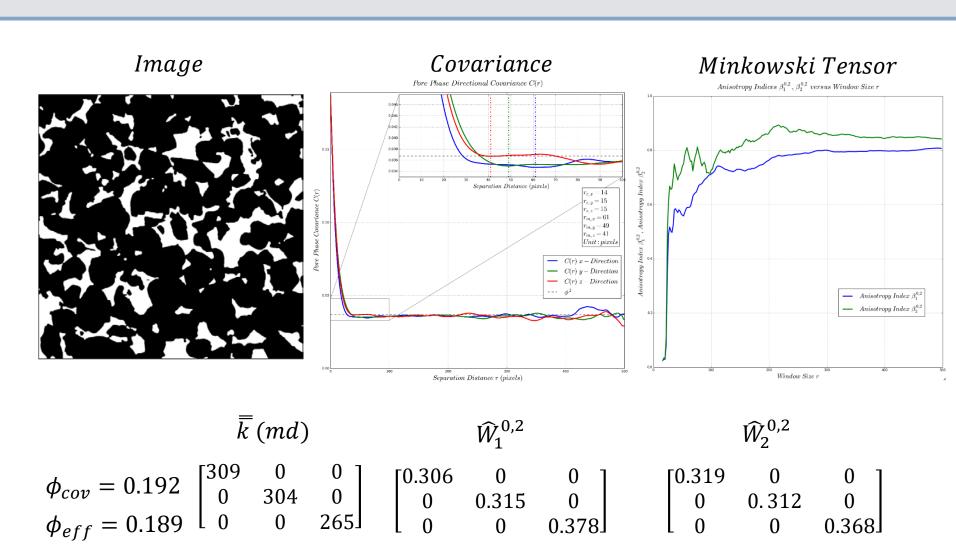
$$\widehat{W}_1^{0,2}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.310 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.326 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.362 \end{bmatrix}$$

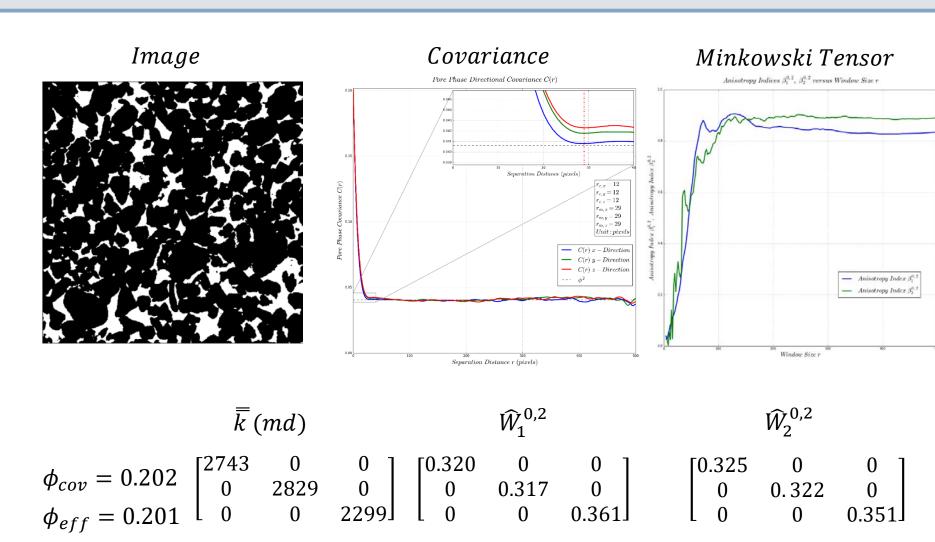
$$\widehat{W}_{2}^{0,2}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.320 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.329 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.350 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Doddington



### Bentheimer



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0.317

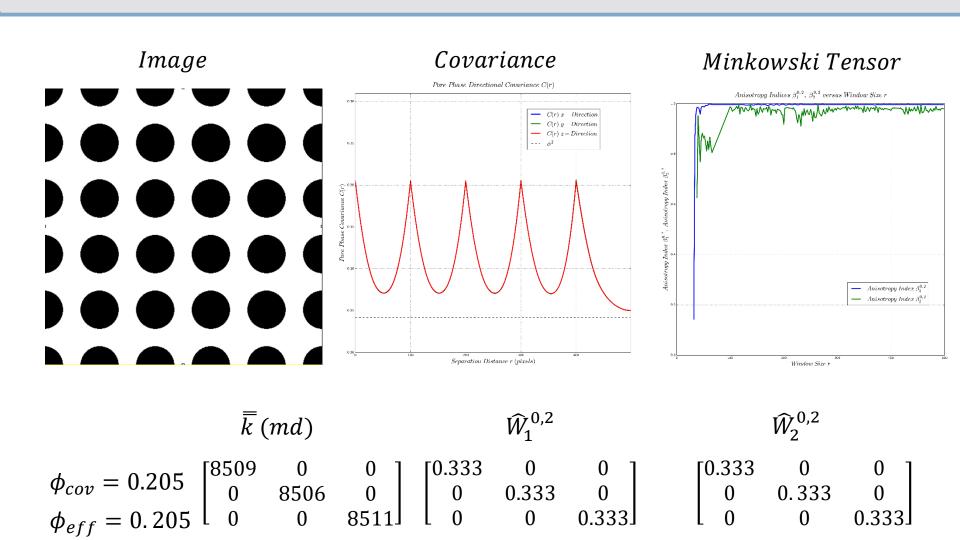
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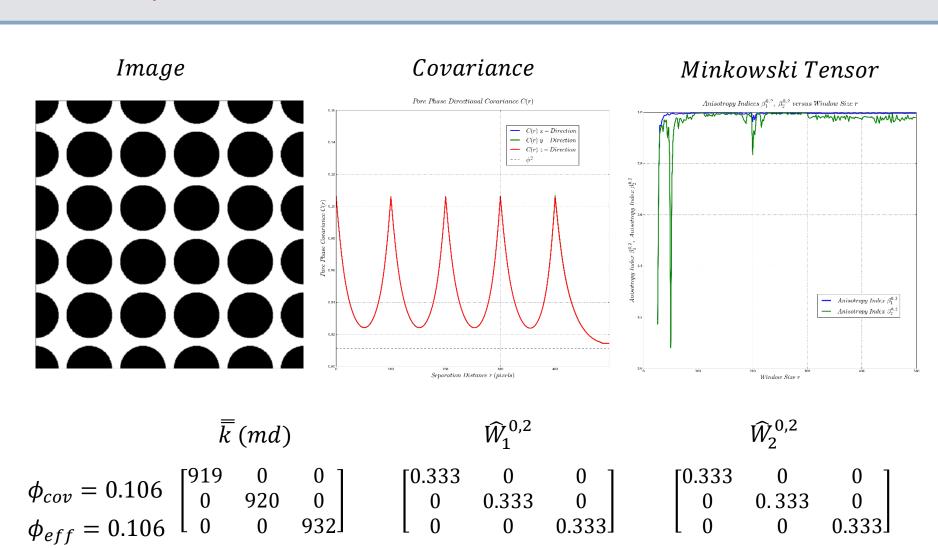
0.322

0.351

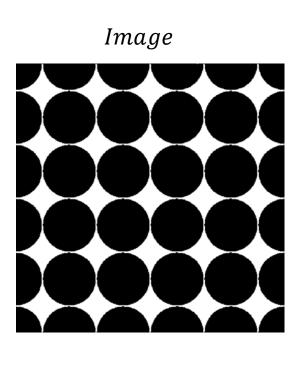
# Isotropic R=1.2

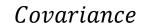


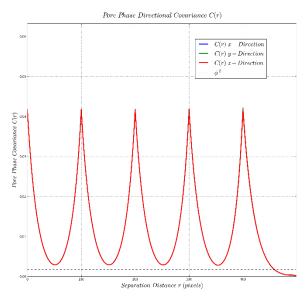
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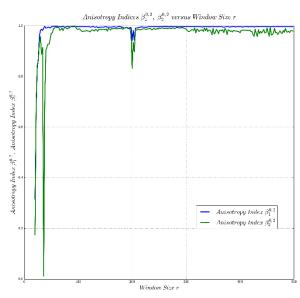


# Isotropic R=1.4









$$\overline{\overline{k}}$$
  $(md)$ 

$$\phi_{cov} = 0.042 \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\phi_{eff} = 0.042 \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix}$$

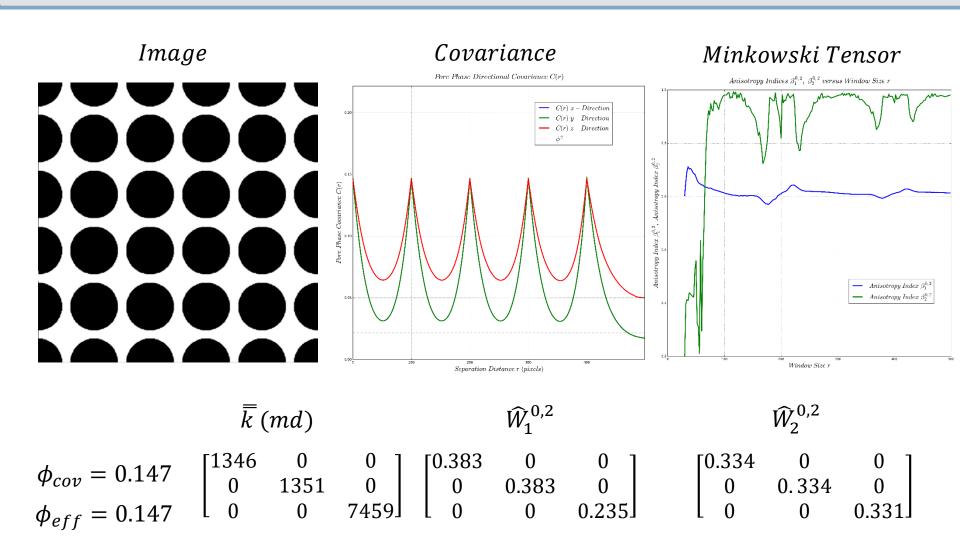
$$\widehat{W}_1^{0,2}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.333 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.333 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.333 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\widehat{W}_{2}^{0,2}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.333 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.333 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.333 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Isotropic R1=R2=1.2 R3=1.4



# Isotropic R1=R2=1.3 R3=1.4

