



Another way of looking at an Alkaline Province

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ABSTRACT

The Mesozoic Alkaline Magmatism on the South American Platform is related to the Gondwana breakup and the opening of the South Atlantic Ocean. This event, known as the Mesozoic Activation phase, was responsible for five magmatic pulses, among them the Late Cretaceous-Eocene Alkaline Magmatism, which implemented ten alkaline provinces, eight of which are in the south-central portion of Brazil. Some authors claim that the reactivation of old zones of weakness from the Precambrian basement, Brasiliano orogeny, may have been responsible for the structuring of few bodies in these provinces. This work used geophysical processing techniques to interpret magnetic and gravity data and 2.5 D forward modeling to contribute with the knowledge on the tectonic control over the Goiás Alkaline Province. The geophysical data processing show a tectonic control over the Goiás Alkaline Province, along the Brasiliano and Mesozoic structures, and there was no predominance of alkaline bodies along the Azimuth 125. We find that the Brasiliano orogeny structures limited the crustal block that contains this Province and Gondwana breakup possibly created and reactivated these structures. We discuss the continuity of large structures, at different depths, related to the Tocantins Province, mainly in the Brasília belt, and some of them can be observed down to approximately 20 km depth. The forward gravity modeling beneath the Goiás Alkaline Province shows a thicker crust and we propose that the primitive lithospheric mantle below this province was not altered during the Brasiliano orogeny stages, as in the adjacent crustal blocks, thus allowing for generation of alkaline rocks. Along the modelled section the Arenópolis Magmatic Arc was separated into two different crustal blocks; the western arc within the Goiás Alkaline Province, and the eastern arc where the mantle was altered due to its collision with the São Francisco Palecontinent.

1. Introduction

The Tocantins Province (TP) (Fig. 1) is a Neoproterozoic Orogen formed by the collision of the Amazonian, São Francisco, Paranapanema paleocontinents and small allochthonous blocks (Brasiliano orogeny). This collision generated the Araguaia, Paraguay and Brasília Mobile Belts. The Brasília Belt (Fig. 2), the target of this work, is formed by External Domain, Passive Margin, Internal Domain and Goiás Magmatic Arc, where is located the Goiás Alkaline Province (GAP), a Mesozoic Alkaline Province, the focus of this work (Fig. 2) (Fuck et al., 2014, 2017; Pimentel and Fuck, 1992, 1994; Pimentel et al., 2000a, 2000b; Pimentel, 2016; Valeriano et al., 2008).

The External Domain comprises Araí, Paranoá and Bambuí groups (Fuck et al., 2014; Pimentel, 2016) (Fig. 2). Cordeiro and Oliveira (2017) observed that the geological units of the Cavalcante-Natividade Block are similar to the units of the Goiás Massif, showing no evidence of syn-collisional magmatism. According to the authors, this block is

part of the Goiás Massif, being classified as Cavalcante-Arraias Domain, whose amalgamation occurred in the Paleoproterozoic. The Passive Margin is formed by Vazante, Paranoá, Canastra, Andrelândia, and Ibiá Groups (Fuck et al., 2014; Pimentel, 2016; Pimentel et al., 2004; Valeriano et al., 2004, 2008) (Fig. 2). The Internal Domain comprises the Metamorphic Core and the Goiás Massif (Fuck et al., 2014; Pimentel, 2016). Cordeiro and Oliveira (2017) subdivided the Goiás Massif into the Crixás-Goiás, Campinorte and Cavalcante-Arraias Domains (Fig. 2). The Goiás Magmatic Arc is divided into Mara Rosa (northern) and Arenópolis (south-southeastern) Magmatic Arcs (Cordeiro and Oliveira, 2017; Fuck et al., 2008, 2014; Laux et al., 2005; Pimentel and Fuck, 1994; Pimentel et al., 2000a, 2000b; 2004; Pimentel, 2016; Valeriano et al., 2008) (Fig. 2).

The GAP is located on the western edge of the Arenópolis Magmatic Arc, NNE of the Paraná basin (Fig. 2, blue dashed polygon), represented by dunites, clinopyroxenites, peridotites, alkali gabbro, trachyte, among others, dated between 88–90 Ma (Almeida, 1983; Brod et al., 2005;

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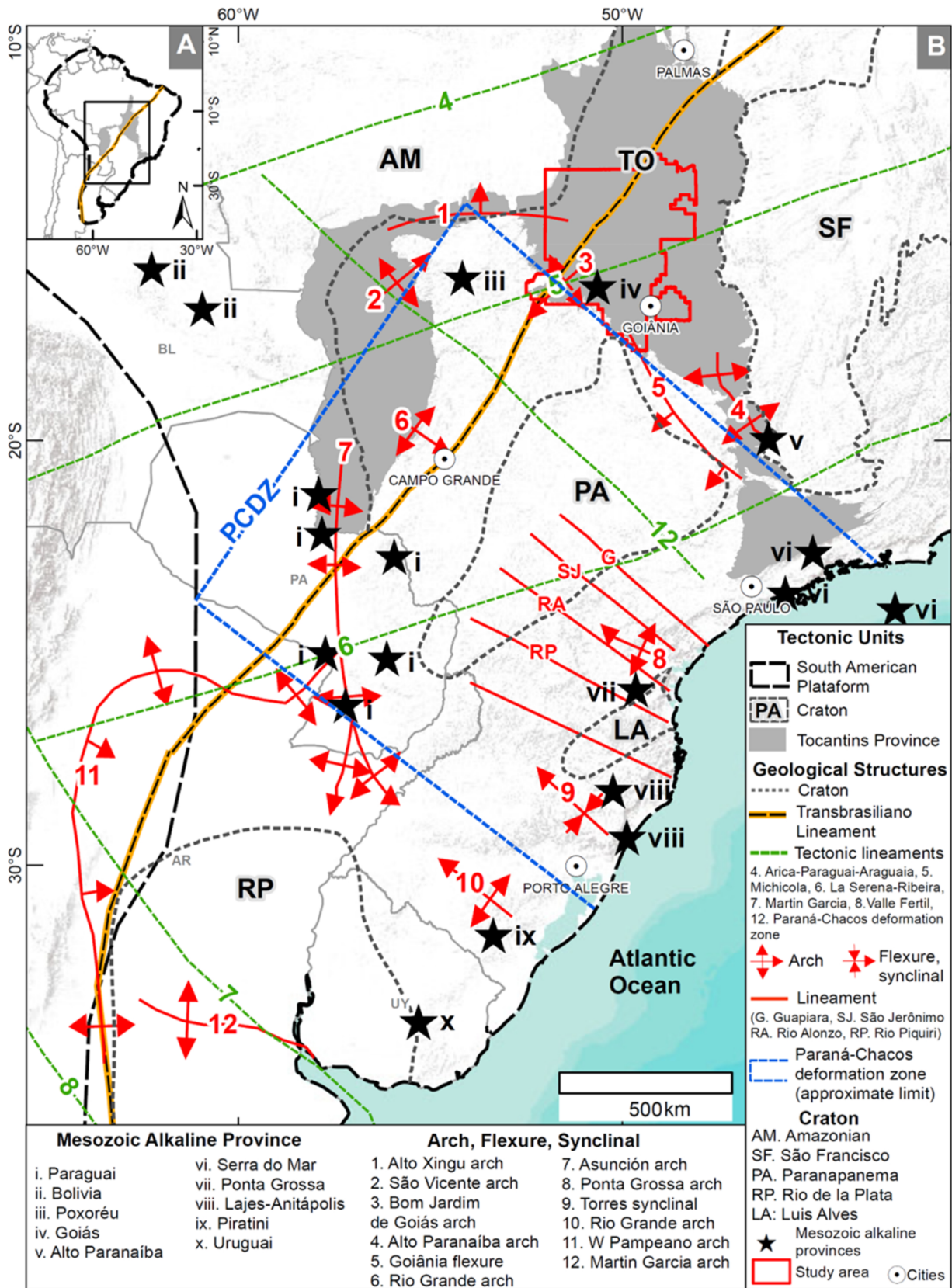


Fig. 1. Map showing the Tocantins Province in the South American Platform (A). Mesozoic alkaline provinces map and associated tectonic structures (B). PCDZ Paraná-Chacos Deformation Zone (blue dashed line) (adapted from Almeida et al., 1981; Almeida, 1983, 1986; Bizzi et al., 2003; Brod et al., 2005; Cernuschi et al., 2015; Comin-Chiaromonti and Gomes, 1996; Comin-Chiaromonti et al., 2005; Cordani et al., 2016; Gibson et al., 1995, 1997, 1999; Gomes et al., 1990; Jacques, 2003a, 2003b; 2004; Kirstein et al., 2000; Lagorio, 2008; Lustrino et al., 2005; Matton and Jébrak, 2009; Peyve, 2010; Riccomini et al., 2005; Thompson et al., 1998; Ulbrich and Gomes, 1981; Velázquez et al., 1996) (For interpretation of the references to colour in this figure legend, the reader is referred to the web version of this article.).

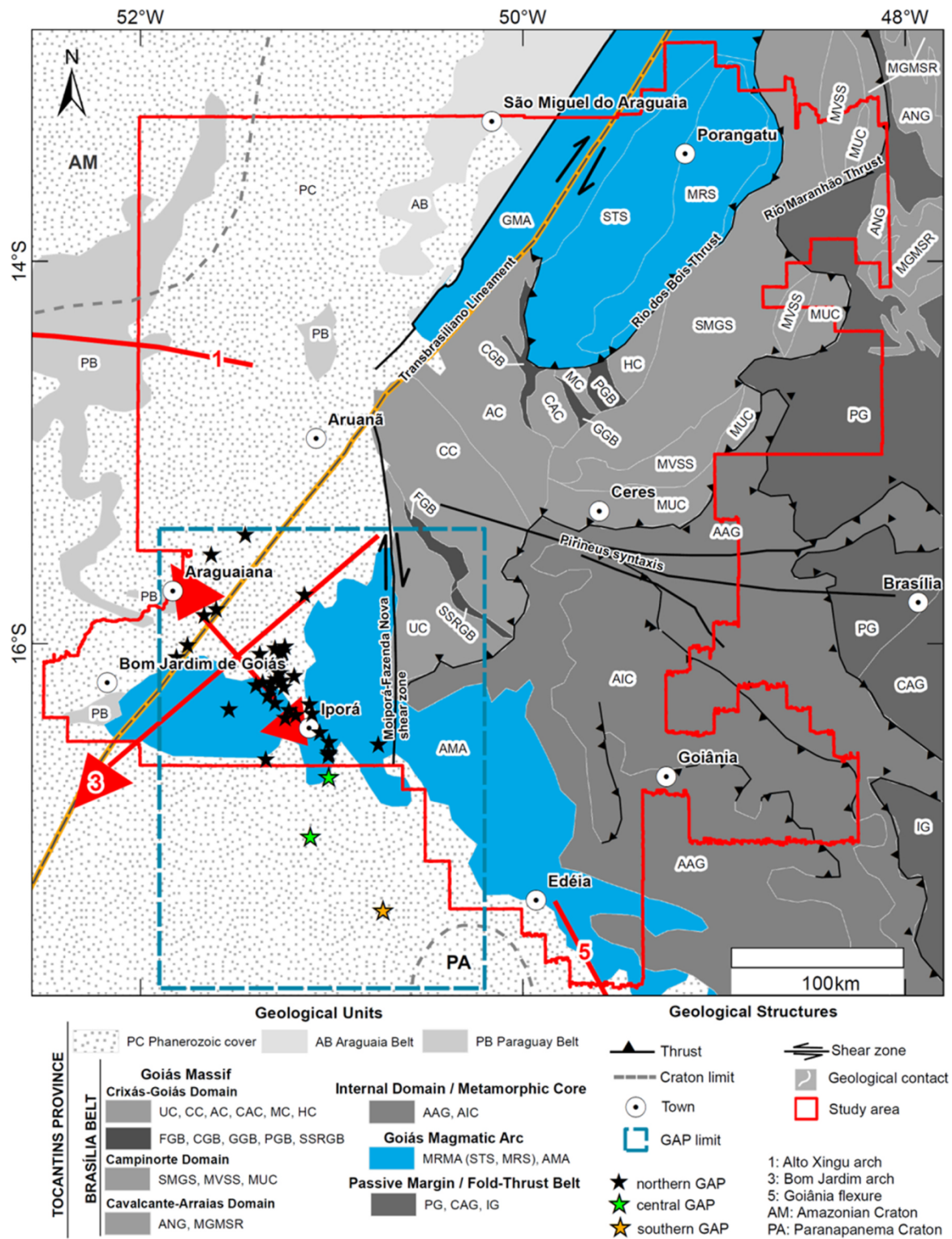


Fig. 2. Geological units of the Tocantins Province highlighting the Goiás Magmatic Arc (GMA) (blue polygon) and Goiás Alkaline Province (GAP) (blue dashed polygon). Brasília Belt: UC Uvã Complex, CC Caiçara Complex, AC Anta Complex, CAC Caiamar Complex, MC Moquem Complex, HC Hidrolina Complex, FGB Faina Greenstone Belt, CGB Crixás Greenstone Belt, GGB Guarinos Greenstone Belt, PGB Pilar Greenstone Belt, SSRGB Serra de Santa Rita Greenstone Belt, SMGS Serra da Mesa Group/Suite, MVSS Metavulcano Sedimentary Sequence, MUC Mafic Ultramafic Complex, ANG Araiá/Natividade Groups, MGMSR Metagranite and Meta-sedimentary Rocks. AAG Araxá/Andrelândia Groups, AIC Anápolis-Itaúcu Complex. MRMA Mara Rosa Magmatic Arc (STS Santa Terezinha Sequence, MRS Mara Rosa Sequence), AMA Arenópolis Magmatic Arc. PG Paranoá Group, CAG Canastra/Andrelândia Groups, IG Ibiá Group (adapted from [Bizzi et al., 2003](#); [Brod et al., 2005](#); [Cordeiro and Oliveira, 2017](#); [Fuck et al., 2014, 2017](#); [Fuck et al., 2008](#); [Jost et al., 2013](#); [Lacerda Filho et al., 2018](#); [Oliveira et al., 2000](#); [Pimentel et al., 2000a, 2000b, 2004](#); [Pimentel, 2016](#); [Valeriano et al., 2008](#)) (For interpretation of the references to colour in this figure legend, the reader is referred to the web version of this article.).

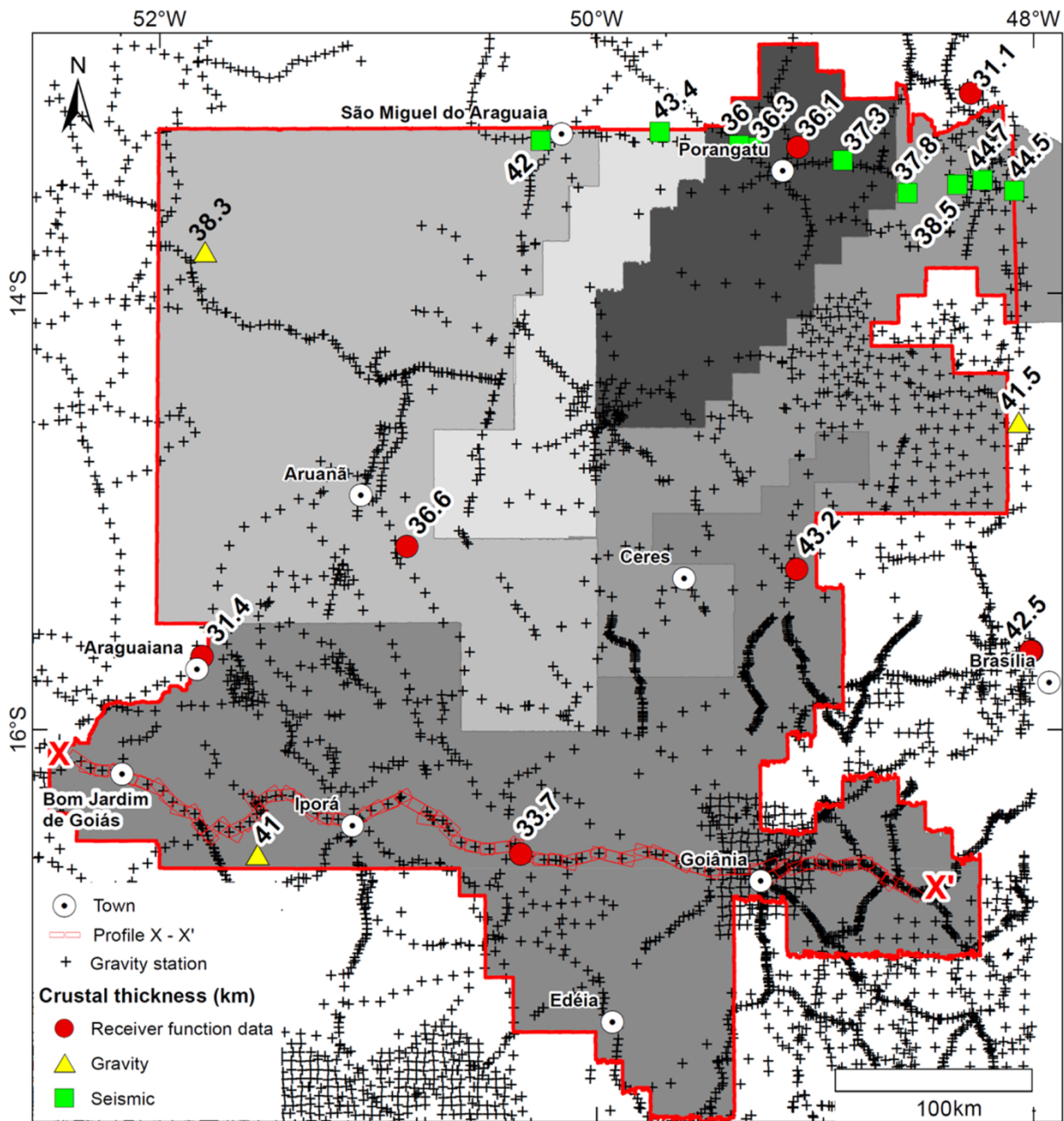


Fig. 3. Map showing the magnetic surveys in gray polygons (compiled from CPRM, 2004a, 2004b, 2005, 2012; LASA, 2006), study area (red polygon), gravity stations in black crosses (compiled from BNDG-ANP), crustal thickness (compiled from Assumpção et al., 2013; Bernardes, 2015; Pavão, 2014) and X-X' localization of the gravity profile forward modeled (red line) (For interpretation of the references to colour in this figure legend, the reader is referred to the web version of this article.).

Danni et al., 1990, 1994; Danni and Gaspar, 1994; Junqueira-Brod et al., 2005a, 2005b; Morbidelli et al., 1995; Ulbrich and Gomes, 1981).

The tectonic structures that limit the Geological Units of the Brasília Belt (Fig. 2) are still much discussed, such as the Rio Maranhão Fault, which represents the suture zone between the Goiás Massif and the São Francisco Paleocontinent (Soares et al., 2006). However, a more recent study by Cordeiro and Oliveira (2017) states that the Goiás Massif represents the western border of the São Francisco Paleocontinent while the Rio Maranhão Fault represents an intracontinental structure and not a suture zone (D'el-Rey Silva et al., 2008). In a recent work, Reis et al. (2020) affirm, from the analysis of magnetic and gravity data, that Rio Maranhão and Rio Paranã faults represent intracontinental structures agreeing with previous interpretations (D'el-Rey Silva et al., 2008; Cordeiro and Oliveira, 2017). A more detailed study of the relationship

of these structures with the GAP is necessary, and gravity and magnetic data can be used to verify this relationship.

The GAP and others Mesozoic Alkaline Provinces are concentrated in the south-central portion of the South American Platform, in the region named the Paraná-Chacos Deformation Zone - PCDZ, associated with arcs, flexures and tectonic lineaments (Jacques, 2003a, 2003b; 2004; Matton and Jébrak, 2009) (Fig. 1). The PCDZ is an intracontinental deformation zone formed by pre-existing basement faults that have been reactivated and accumulated stress during the Gondwana break up. In this period intra-plate reorganizations changed the intensity and direction of oceanic spreading, deep crustal movements, changing pole rotation and reactivations of ancient structures causing the alkaline magmatism that was named Paraná-Etendeka Igneous Province or Peri-Atlantic Alkaline Pulse (PAAP) (Almeida, 1971, 1966, 1983;

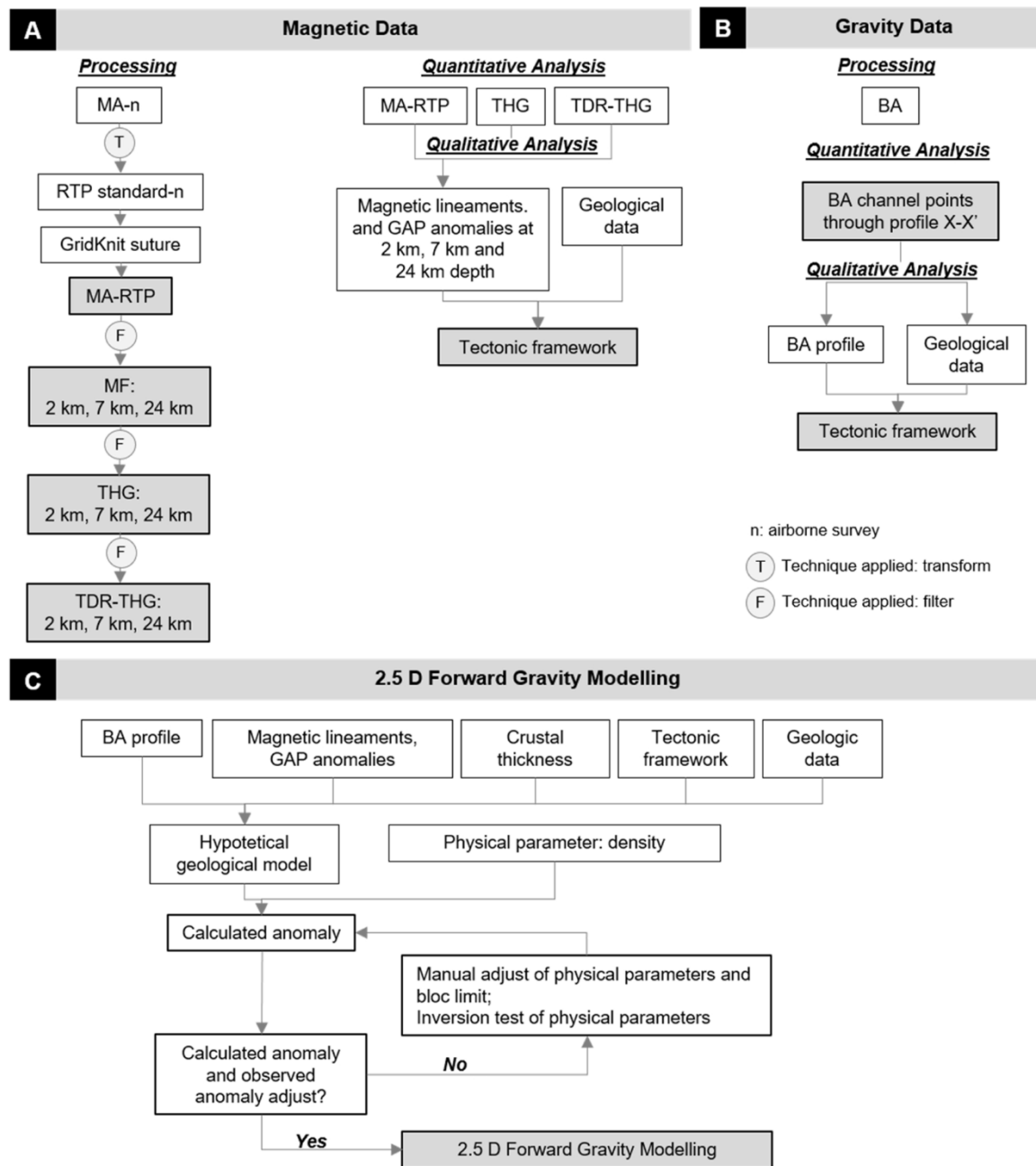


Fig. 4. Workflow chart (based on Blakely, 1996; Pinto and Vidotti, 2019; Reeves, 2005). MA: magnetic anomaly, RTP: reduction to pole, MA-RTP: magnetic anomaly reduced to pole, MF: matched filter, THG: total horizontal gradient, TDR-THG: tilt derivative of the total horizontal gradient, GAP: Goiás Alkaline Province, BA: Bouguer Anomaly.

Comin-Chiaramonti et al., 1999, 2005; Gomes et al., 2018; Jacques, 2003a, 2003b; 2004; Matton and Jébrak, 2009; Riccomini et al., 2005; Sadowski, 1987). Changes in plate kinematics and seafloor spreading, opening of the Bay of Biscay – West Iberian Margin, culminated in alkaline intrusions between 105 Ma and 85 Ma in the west coast of Portugal (Miranda et al., 2009). Intracontinental rifting is also a tectono-magmatic event responsible for alkaline rocks generation, like Kola Alkaline and Carbonatite Province (380 Ma), northwestern Russia (Burke et al., 2007). On the other hand, the alkaline rocks can be generated by mantle plumes, as stated by Gibson et al. (1995, 1997, 1999) that affirm that the GAP origin is related to the Trindade Mantellic Plume.

Studies on the Brazilian Mesozoic Alkaline Provinces are mostly based on geochemical and geochronological data (Brod et al., 2005;

Comin-Chiaramoti et al., 2007; Gibson et al., 1995, 1997, 1999; Junqueira-Brod et al., 2005a, 2005b; Matton and Jébrak, 2009). Although there are also works based on geophysical data (Dutra and Marangoni, 2009; Dutra et al., 2012, 2014; Feitoza, 2011; Marangoni and Mantovani, 2013; Mantovani et al., 2015; Marangoni et al., 2015; Oliveira et al., 2015; Rocha et al., 2014, 2015, 2019a, 2019b), but, there is no specific work on the tectonic structure generated during the Brasiliano orogeny and the possible relationship of the Arenópolis Magmatic Arc and GAP.

The Arenópolis Magmatic Arc is the result of the crustal accretion of two arcs, the older arc is located in the west portion, is represented by orthogneisses and granitoids with emplacement ages between ca. 821 Ma and 782 Ma and the younger arc is located in the east portion of the Arenópolis Magmatic Arc and records the crystallization of

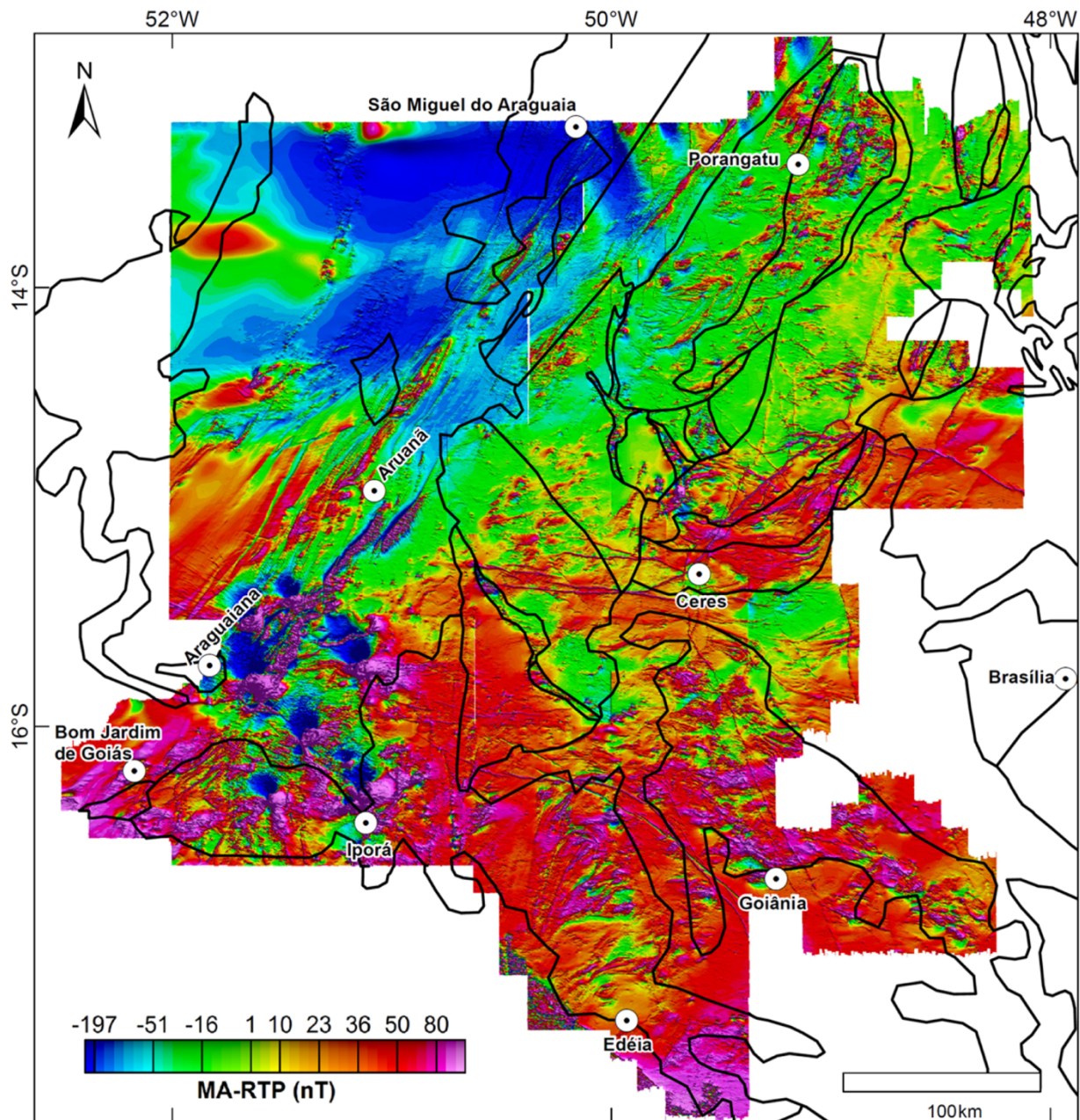


Fig. 5. Magnetic Anomaly-Reduced-to-pole map (MA-RTP). Black polygons represent the limits of the Geological Units according to Fig. 2.

metatonalites and metagranitic rocks between ca. 669 Ma and 630 Ma. However, the suture zone between these two arcs is unknown (Laux et al., 2004, 2005, 2010; Rodrigues et al., 1999). Therefore, this work proposes, based on magnetic and gravity data processing, and 2.5 D forward gravity modeling, of an E–W section, along the Arenópolis Magmatic Arc, to understand the tectonic framework of the Brasília Belt and Arenópolis Magmatic Arc, in the context of Brasiliano Orogeny and Gondwana break up, and its relationship with the GAP.

2. Data and methods

Was used the magnetic data from five high-resolution aerial surveys (CPRM, 2004a, 2004b, 2005, 2012; LASA, 2006) provided by the Geological Survey of Brazil (CPRM) and ground gravity data provided by the Banco Nacional de Dados Gravimétricos (BNDG) - Agência Nacional do Petróleo, Gás Natural e Biocombustíveis (ANP) (Fig. 3). The gravity data used came from different surveys and different campaigns made

available by various institutions, including the Instituto Brasileiro de Geografia e Estatística (IBGE), Observatório Nacional (ON), Instituto de Astronomia, Geofísica e Ciências (IAG-USP), Instituto de Geociências (IGC-USP), Universidade de Brasília (UnB) and Petróleo Brasileiro S.A. (Petrobras). These data were processed using the Oasis Montaj® (Seequent) and ArcGIS® (Esri).

The magnetic data were acquired between 2004 and 2012, have N–S flight lines with 500 m spacing, 100 m flight height, 0.1 s sampling rate for magnetometers with 0.001 nT resolution. The 2.5 D gravity forward modeling was performed using GM-SYS Profile Modeling, the crustal thickness was compiled from Assumpção et al. (2013); Bernardes (2015) and Pavão (2014). Rock physical parameters (density and magnetic susceptibility) were based on Telford et al. (1990); Reynolds (1997) and Revees (2005). Seismicity and intraplate stress was acquired from Assumpção et al. (2004, 2013), Soares et al. (2006) and Rocha et al. (2011, 2016). Geological Units used are according to Alvarenga and Trompette (1993); Bizzi et al. (2003); Fuck et al. (2014); Pimentel et al.

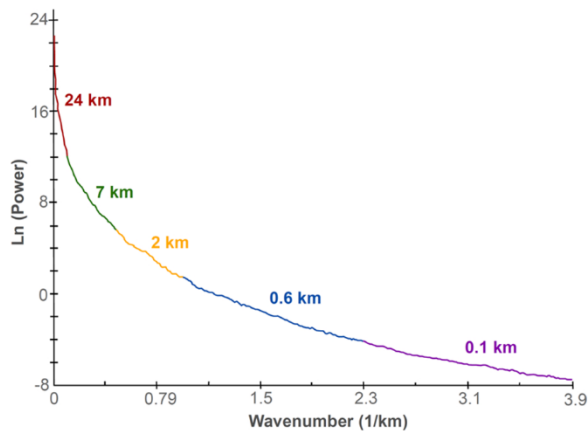


Fig. 6. Radial power spectrum from Reduced-to-pole Magnetic Anomaly, each different colored segment represents the depth to the top of different sources and its respective values.

(2000a) and Pimentel (2016), in addition to other information.

The Reduced to Pole transform (RTP) (Baranov and Naudy, 1964), the Matched Filter (MF) (Phillips, 2001), the Total Horizontal Gradient (THG) (Cordell and Grauch, 1985; Grauch and Cordell, 1987) and the Tilt Derivative of Total Horizontal Gradient (TDR - THG) (Ferreira et al., 2013) filters were used in this work (Fig. 4).

Initially, the Magnetic Anomaly (MA) was generated (MA-n), using the Bidirectional Interpolation method and 125 m cell size (Hinze et al., 2013; Isles and Rankin, 2013) (Fig. 4A). The intermediate latitude of the study area is -13°S while the displaced from the source magnetic anomalies behave in a dipolar manner. This anomaly is common in intermediate to low latitudes ($<90^{\circ}$) and RTP is recommended to centralize the anomalies by positioning them on the causative source (Baranov, 1957; Baranov and Naudy, 1964; Hinze et al., 2013). The MA grids reduced to the pole (RTP-n) were generated by applying RTP standard, and the magnetic field inclination (I) and declination (D), as well as inclination amplitudes, were calculated from the central coordinate and the average date of each survey (Curto et al., 2014; Hinze et al., 2013; Revees, 2005).

Only the magnetic anomalies referring to GAP were not totally centralized in this processing, which can be explained by the remnant magnetization present in these bodies (Dutra et al., 2012, 2014). This characteristic did not affect the interpretation of the referred anomalies because the work objective was to identify the number of anomalies observed at each analyzed depth. Subsequently, the RTP-n grids were joined, by the suture to each other method (Figs. 4A and 5), so the MF was applied. The MF was applied to observe the shape and continuity of magnetic anomalies, at different crustal depths, within the power spectrum (Cowan and Cowan, 1993; Hinze et al., 2013; Isles and Rankin, 2013; Phillips, 2001; Revees, 2005; Spector and Grant, 1970; Spector and Parker, 1979; Syberg, 1972). This work focus on anomalies from the deepest sources, 2 km, 7 km and 24 km depths, while the 0.1 km and 0.6 km were discarded for being related to noisy, highlighting high frequency and low depth anomalies (Fig. 6). All the depths intervals were obtained from band-pass filtering of the RTP magnetic anomaly and for the 2 km depth the wavelength intervals were 3800 m–20093 m. For the 7 km depth the wavelength intervals were 20093 m–252000 m and for the 24 km depth the wavelength greater than 252,000 m. Then THG and TDR-THG were applied (Fig. 4A).

In the qualitative analysis, the magnetic lineaments were interpreted from the MA-RTP, THG, and TDR-THG, in the three depth intervals (Fig. 4A). The magnetic lineaments may represent faults, fractures, geological contact, shear zones or dikes, and were interpreted in the 1: 2,000,000 scale, in the magnetic highs and lows, observing their continuity, following the stratigraphic principle of cross-cutting relationship. The few high-frequency N-S structures were considered as data

noise and were not interpreted. Several magnetic lineaments were correlated to previously mapped geological structures, however, those that did not correlate with already mapped structures were named and are this work contribution.

The predominantly dipolar, circular, semicircular or elliptical magnetic anomalies were associated with the GAP (Fig. 4A) and interpreted in the magnetic highs of the CMA and in the center of the THG and TDR-THG (Fig. 4A). As previously mentioned, the THG and TDR-THG filters enhance the anomaly edges whereas the anomaly position in the GAP was interpreted, in this case, in the center of the circular anomalies.

The Bouguer Anomaly (BA) was interpolated from the minimum curvature, using 2000 m cell size and 5487 gravity stations (Figs. 4B and 7). In the quantitative analysis, BA values were extracted along the X-X' section and this information, together with the geological data, were used in the 2.5 D forward gravity modeling (Fig. 4B). Most of the anomalies interpreted in the work area are 2D, however, the anomalies related to the GAP have a three-dimensional (3D) character, are finite and approximately elliptical (length at least twice the width) when observed in plan. Hinze et al. (2013) stated that such characteristics allow classifying these anomalies as 2.5 D and, thus, to facilitate data interpretation and minimize the data ambiguity problem, the 2.5 D forward modeling technique was used in this work. In the 2.5D modeling, the BA information along the X-X' section, the magnetic lineaments, crustal thickness, geological database and other geological were used as input data (Fig. 4C).

A hypothetical geological model was elaborated with the possible limits of the crustal blocks while a spreadsheet was created with the physical (density) and geological parameters to feed this model and support the modeling. Geological and geophysical data (Gravity, Receive Function, Seismic Refraction data and Telesismic P and S wave tomography) from Tocantins Province and adjacent regions were also compiled from Alvarenga and Trompette (1993); Assumpção et al. (2004, 2013); Azevedo et al. (2015); Bernardes (2015); Berrocal et al. (2004); Brod et al. (2005); Curto et al. (2014, 2015); Fuck et al. (2014); Laux et al. (2010); Macedo et al. (2018); Pavão (2014); Pimentel (2016); Pinto and Vidotti (2019); Rocha et al. (2011, 2016, 2019a, 2019b), Soares et al. (2006); Ussami and Molina (1999).

3. Results

3.1. Magnetic and gravity data

The magnetic (Figs. 5 and 8) and the Bouguer gravity (Fig. 7) anomalies were described separately for each Geological Unit (Table 1), then the magnetic lineaments were interpreted for each analyzed depth (Fig. 9).

The MA-RTP product at 2 km (Fig. 8A, D, G) shows intermediate intensity anomalies, except for the high-intensity anomalies, in the SW portion of the area, that refer to the GAP (black circle). The predominant NE-SW magnetic lineaments (Fig. 9A), have secondary NW-SE, WNW-ESE, ENE-WSW and E-W directions. Between the 15°S and $16^{\circ}30'\text{S}$ parallels, the NW-SE lineaments are predominant and secondarily, the NE-SW, NNW-SSE and E-W. In the area southern edge, the NE-SW lineaments predominate, followed by the NW-SE, NNW-SSE and E-W lineaments. At this depth 38 anomalies were associated with GAP (Fig. 8A, D, G).

The MA-RTP product at 7 km (Fig. 8B, E, H) show anomaly intensities vary from medium to low, while the greatest intensity contrast and highest gradients predominate in the GAP. The predominant NE-SW magnetic lineaments (Fig. 9B) have secondary NW-SE and E-W directions. At this depth 18 anomalies were associated with GAP (Fig. 8B, E, H).

The MA-RTP product at 24 km (Fig. 8C, F, I) show anomalies of low-intensity in the NW portion of the area, intermediate to low intensity in the NE portion, intermediate in the SE portion, and high in the SW portion. The high-intensity anomalies are due to the GAP, indicating the

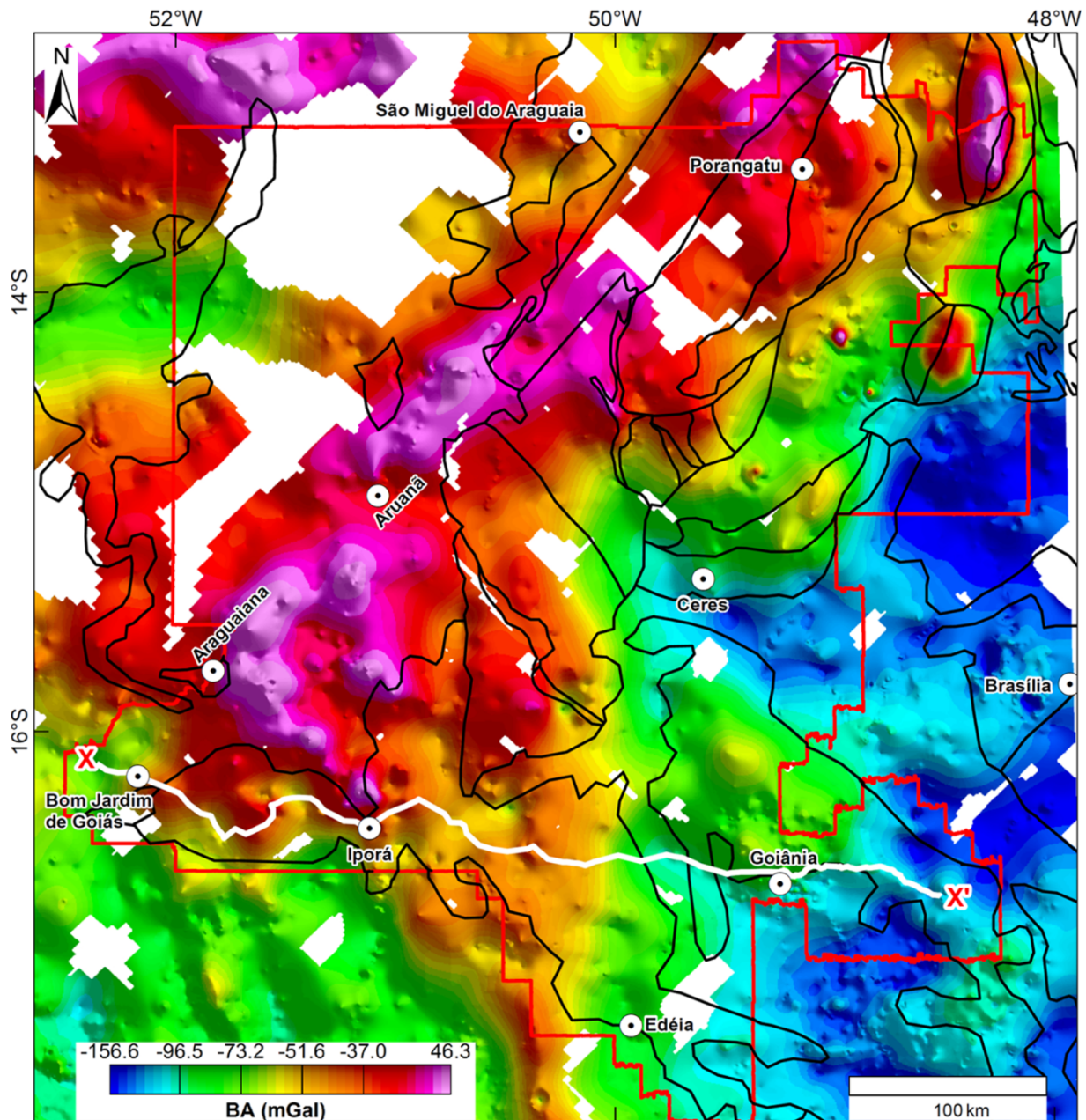


Fig. 7. Bouguer Anomaly map (BA) with gravity profile localization (X-X', white line) and study area limit (red polygon). Black polygons represent the limits of the Geological Units according to Fig. 2 (For interpretation of the references to colour in this figure legend, the reader is referred to the web version of this article.).

body responses in the analyzed depth. The magnetic lineaments (Fig. 9C) have predominant NE-SW direction, while NW-SE lineaments are observed in the central and SE portion of the area. At this depth 11 anomalies were associated with GAP (Fig. 8C, F, D).

A map of the main lineaments was generated from the joint analysis of the lineaments at the three depths (Fig. 9D) and correlated with magnetic anomaly reduced to pole map (Fig. 9E). The longest and shortest magnetic lineaments were interpreted as Major and Minor Lineaments, respectively. The Main Lineaments were numbered from 1 to 15 and correlated to mapped geological structures (Fig. 9D). In the Table 2 it is possible to identify the nomenclature and references for each structure. Furthermore, the lineaments from 16 to 54 were not identified in the bibliography and are this work contribution. The Major Lineaments were named based on their location (Fig. 9D, Table 2), the town-town lineament assigned nomenclature indicates the town closest to the beginning of the lineament and the town close to the end of the

lineament, within the interpreted area.

3.2. 2.5 D forward gravity modeling

The modeling resulted in 78 crustal blocks (Fig. 10), separated by fault, shear zone or other discontinuity, according to the identified lineaments and geological structures. The Bouguer Anomaly (Fig. 10A) varies between -25 mGal and -120 mGal along the X-X' section, defining the five predominant patterns that generated the hypothetical model. The hypothetical model used information from the magnetic lineaments (Fig. 9D) assuming they represent the limits between the different crustal blocks, while the Bouguer Anomaly (Fig. 7), was associated with information on the Geological Units. The crustal thicknesses represented by the red stars (Fig. 10B) were compiled by Assumpção et al. (2013); Pavão (2014) and Bernardes (2015), whereas the crustal thicknesses of the other blocks were estimated in the modeling and compared with

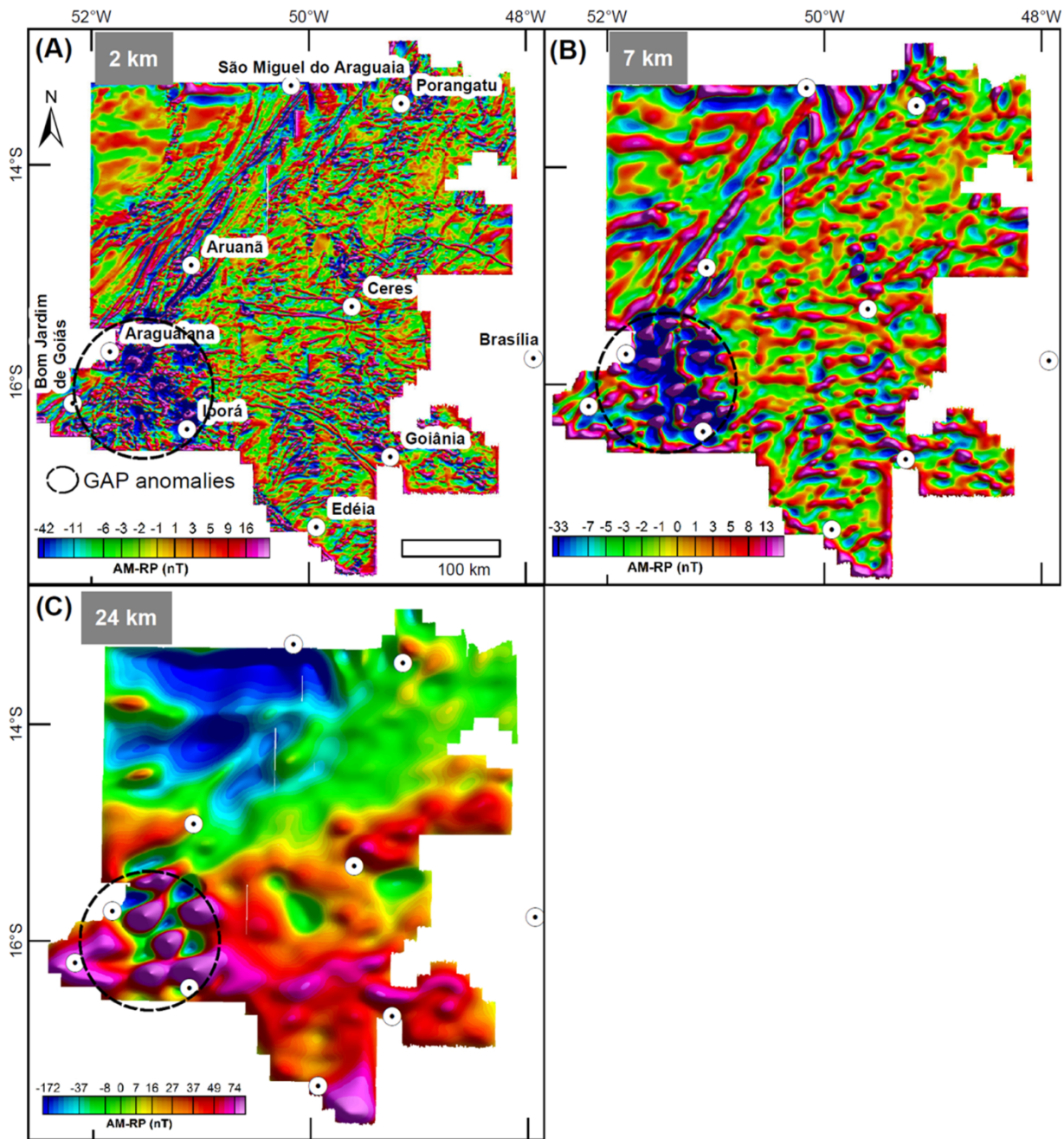


Fig. 8. Matched filter products from Reduced-to-pole Magnetic Anomaly (MA-RTP) at 2 km, 4 km and 24 km depths. Total Horizontal Gradient at 2 km, 4 km and 24 km depths. Tilt derivative from Total Horizontal Gradient at 2 km, 4 km and 24 km depths.

crustal thickness calculated in adjacent areas (Curto et al., 2015; Berrocal et al., 2004; Soares et al., 2006; Ussami and Molina, 1999).

For each Bouguer Anomaly pattern, the columns 1–5 (Fig. 10B) generated were divided into layers (A, B, C, and D), based on the varying vertical density. Column 1 was divided into three layers (A1, B1, and C1), with Bouguer Anomaly starting at -70 mGal and increasing up to approximately -30 mGal. Column 2 was divided into two layers (B2 and C2), with a predominantly constant Bouguer Anomaly pattern at -50 mGal and -25 mGal (M) peaks. Similarly, column 3 was divided into two layers (B3 and C3), with a constant Bouguer Anomaly pattern at about -60 mGal. Column 4 was divided into three layers (B4–1, B4–2, and C4), with the high Bouguer Anomaly gradient varying from -58 mGal to -100 mGal. Column 5 was divided into three layers (A5, B5 and C5), with low Bouguer Anomaly values varying between -100 mGal and -120

mGal and local high-intensity peaks (Fig. 10B).

The mean density of each block, the associated Geological Unit and the associated rock (Table 3) was used to generate the interpreted geological model (Fig. 11). Blocks A1 reach 7 km and B1 10 km depths and correspond to the upper crust. The C1 block reach 35 km depth and represent the lower crust (Fig. 10B). Block A1 was associated with Phanerozoic Cover and Paraguay Belt, and Blocks B1 and C1 were associated with the Goiás Magmatic Arc (GMA), and limited by the Serra Negra Fault to the east (Fig. 11). Block B2 has 24 km thick, represent the upper crust and locally is cut by high density blocks M. Block C2 reach 42 km depth and represent the lower crust (Fig. 10B).

Blocks B2 and C2 were associated with the Arenópolis Magmatic Arc - West (AMA-W), and was differentiated from the GMA by the Bouguer anomaly pattern, different crustal thickness, density and magnetic

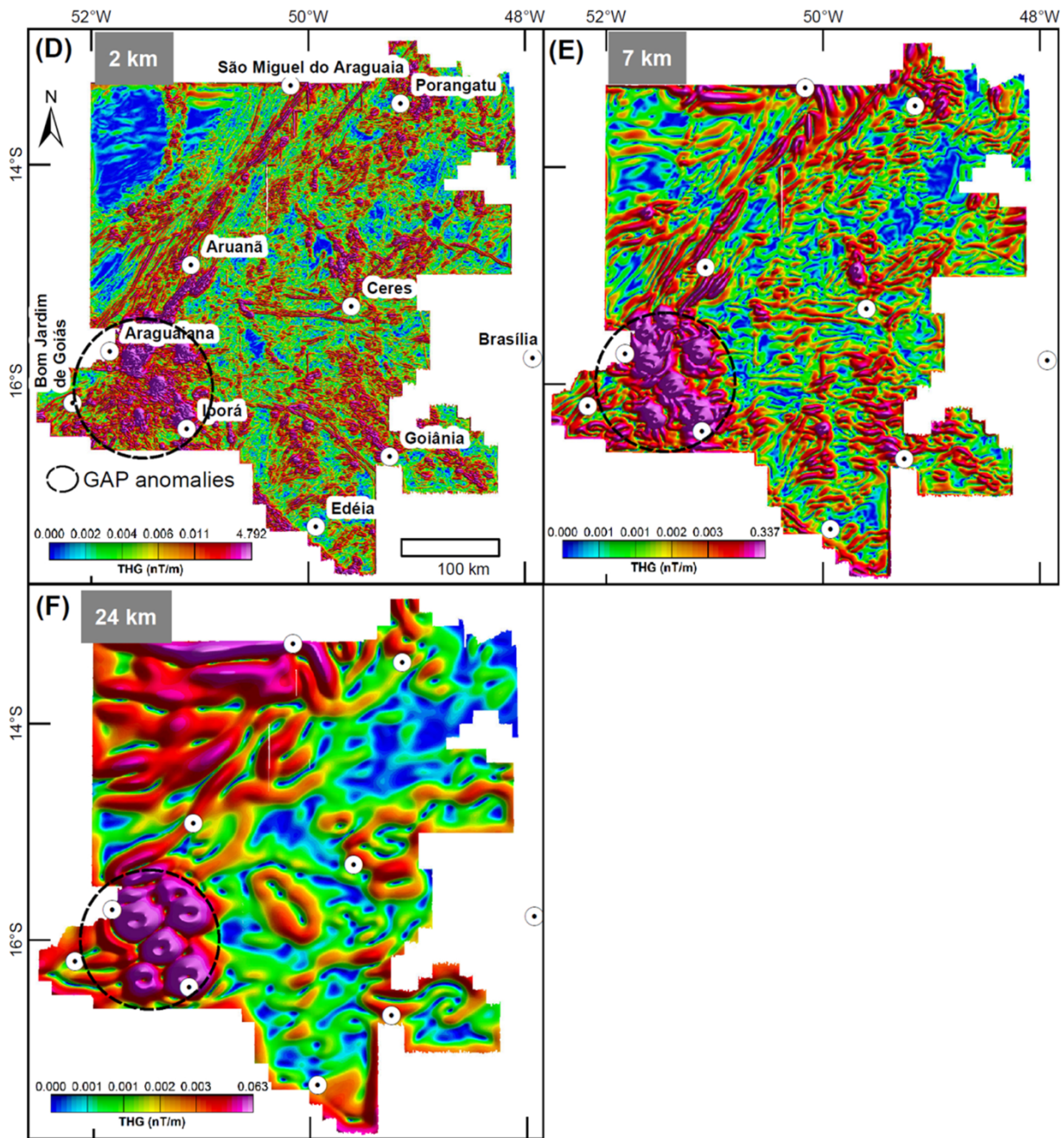


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anomaly. Additionally, the alkaline bodies, with high Bouguer anomaly and magnetic intensities, only occur in the AMA-W (Figs. 10 and 11). High density Blocks M were associated with the Goiás Alkaline Province (GAP) and due to the proximity to mapped complexes were associated with the Arenópolis Complex (Fig. 11: 1 and 2), Fazenda Buriti Complex (Fig. 11: 3) and Morro do Macaco Complex (Fig. 11: 4). According to our modeling, a large volume of this high-density rock is located in the lower crust and may have been the source of the complex 1–4. The AMA-W eastern edge is marked by the Moiporá-Fazenda Nova Shear Zone (Fig. 11).

Block B3 has about 24 km thick and represent the upper crust. C3 block reach 34 km depth, represent the lower crust (Fig. 10B) and has crustal thickness lower than the AMA-W. Also, unlike the AMA-W, the AMA-E does not exhibit high-intensity Bouguer anomaly peaks and high magnetic anomaly. The AMA-E eastern limit is the Anicuns-Palmeiras Lineament, which represents, in the subsurface, the suture zone

between AMA-E and the São Francisco Paleocontinent (SFPC) (Fig. 11).

Blocks B4–1 and B4–2 reach about 23 km thick and represent the upper crust. Block C4 reach 38 km depth and represent the lower crust (Fig. 10B). Based on the density values and geological information, Block B4–1 was also correlated to AMA-E, but as the block thickness and extension decreased to the east, we hypothesized that this block is partially covered by Block A5. The Block B4–2 may represent portions of Araxá/Andrelândia Groups (AAG) and Anápolis-Itaçu Complex (AIC) that were partially covered by AMA-E. In addition, a large part of block B4–2 and Block C4 were associated with SFPC due to the lower average densities compared to AMA-E. These geological units of different densities and thicknesses, together with the suture zone between AMA-E and SFPC, in-depth, caused a strong gradient in the Bouguer anomaly pattern over this region of the X-X' section (Figs. 10 and 11).

Blocks A5 has 7 km thick, B5 has 17 km thick and represent the upper

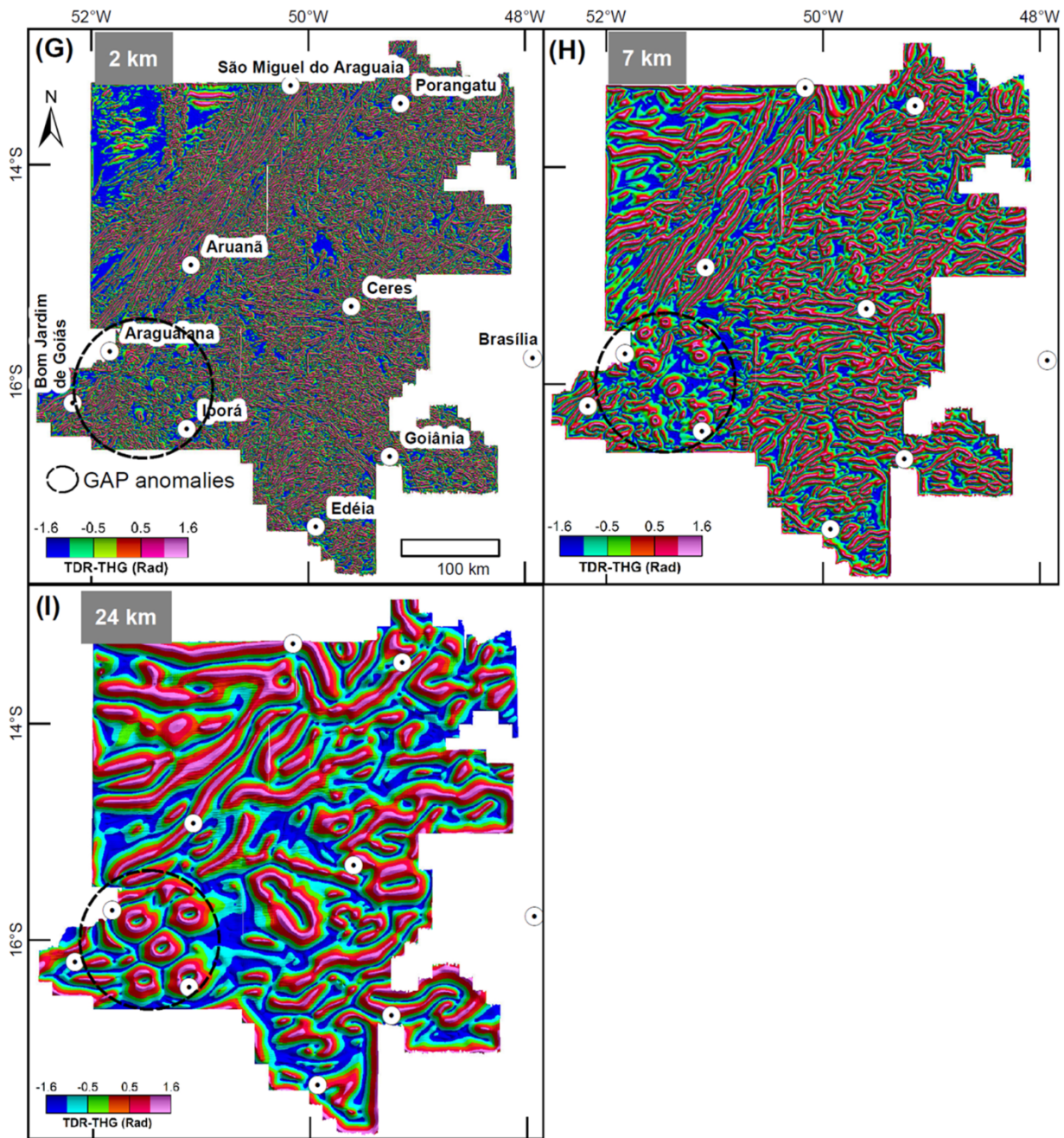


Fig. 8. (continued).

crust. Block C5 reach 38 km depth and represent the lower crust (Fig. 10B). Block A5 was correlated to AAG and AIC, while the varying rock density of these units caused the Bouguer Anomaly to vary greatly over this region and, possibly, the lower Bouguer anomaly values reflect the lower density rocks of the AAG, while the Bouguer anomaly peaks reflect the high-grade metamorphic rocks of the AIC. The B5 and C5 blocks were associated with the SFPC (Fig. 11). Block D has a variable thickness and corresponds to the mantle (Fig. 10B).

4. Discussion

4.1. Magnetic lineaments and GAP relationship

The structures were separated into eight possible formation phases (Fig. 12A through H) based on the cross-cutting relationship and in the evolution of the Tocantins Province. This allowed to verify the

relationship of the structures with the GAP (Fig. 9D).

The initial phase (Fig. 12A) affected the Crixás-Goiás Domain and formed Lineaments (41) (NW-SE) and (51) (NE-SW). Lineament (41) is parallel to the Faina and Serra de Santa Rita Greenstone Belts, marking the boundary between the Uvã and Caiçara Complexes (Figs. 12A and 2), and may represent the structure that gave rise to these Greenstone Belts or the suture between the Complex Uvã (Archean) and the other Archean complexes to the north. The collage between the terrains of the Crixás-Goiás Domain occurred before the Brasiliano orogeny (Cordeiro et al., 2014; Jost et al., 2005, 2013). The Uvã Complex represents a terrain formed independently of the terrains in the northern portion of the Crixás-Goiás Domain and, possibly, comes from fragments of the Amazonian or Paranapanema Palecontinent (Jost et al., 2013).

Later (Fig. 12B) the NE-SW GPL (19), CML (20) and RMF (13) structures were generated during the formation of the Campinorte Domain, being later cut by the WNW-trending GMGL (24), which

Table 1
Magnetic and Gravity anomaly interpreted in the Geological Units of the study area (Geological Units detail see Fig. 2.

Geological Unit	Magnetic anomaly response	Gravity anomaly response
External domain	*This work assumes that the Cavalcante Natividade block is part of the Goiás Massif outside the study area.	
Passive Margin	Fold-thrust belt: outside the study area. Metamorphic core AAG: intermediate to high-intensity anomalies (- 4 to 50 nT). AIC: high-intensity anomalies (50 to 1000 nT). Goiás Massif CGD: intermediate intensity anomalies predominate (7 to -33 nT), high-intensity anomalies observed at UC (30 a 100 nT), greenstone belts and MUC. CD: intermediate intensity anomalies (- 30 to 10 mGal), high-intensity anomalies observed at MUC (10 a 30 nT). CAD: outside the study area. MRMA: intermediate to low-intensity anomalies (7 to - 200 nT). AMA: intermediate to high-intensity anomalies (> 17 nT).	Fold-thrust belt: low-intensity anomalies are predominant (< -100 mGal). Metamorphic core AAG: intermediate to low-intensity anomalies (-63 to -100 mGal). AIC: intermediate intensity anomalies are predominant (-63 to -100 mGal). Goiás Massif CGD: intermediate intensity anomalies are predominant (10 to -63 mGal). CD: intermediate intensity anomalies (-80 to -50 mGal), high-intensity anomalies observed at some MUC (> 10 mGal). CAD: outside the study area. MRMA: intermediate to high-intensity anomalies (> -40 mGal). AMA: intermediate to high-intensity anomalies (> -40 mGal).
Internal Domain		
Goiás Magmatic Arc		

extends to the vicinity of Ceres city, following almost parallel to the eastern limit of the Crixas-Goiás Domain. The Campinorte Domain was affected by two deformational events (Cordeiro et al., 2014; Cordeiro and Oliveira, 2017) and because these structures, as well as the structures observed in the Crixás-Goiás Domain, were identified only in the Goiás Massif, we believe that they may be related to these events that occurred between 3.10 Ga to 1.25 Ga (Cordeiro and Oliveira, 2017).

The Goiás Massif were amalgamated before the Brasiliano orogeny and represent a peripheral portion of the SFPC (Cordeiro et al., 2014; Cordeiro and Oliveira, 2017) whereas the RMF (13), assigned as a suture zone between GM and SFPC, represents an intracontinental structure (D'el-Rey Silva et al., 2008). The structures in Fig. 12A and B were interpreted as representing Pre-Brasiliano features and when associated with the anomalies of the alkaline complexes, indicate no relationship among them.

Between 0.8 Ga and 0.5 Ga, Brasiliano orogeny, four orogenic pulses affected the Tocantins Province and in the final phase of this Orogeny, the extensive NE and NW shear zones developed (Almeida et al., 2000; Araújo Filho and Kuyumjian, 1996; Brito Neves et al., 2014; Brito Neves and Fuck, 2013; Pimentel et al., 2000a; Pimentel, 2016; Viana et al., 1995) may have been responsible for the structures identified in Fig. 12C, D, E and F.

We believe that the collision between the GMA and the GM formed the NE-SW XL (7), GCF (3), SNF (6), TBL (8), UPL (27), RBF (12), AML (16), APL (15), PIL (44) structures, and lineament (35) (Fig. 12C), and since these structures only affected the GMA, they were, therefore, associated with this collision event between 0.8 Ga to 0.77 Ga (Brito Neves and Fuck, 2013; Cordeiro and Oliveira, 2017; Pimentel et al., 2000b).

After this phase, HAL (18) was formed intercepting the structures observed in the northern portion of GMA (numbers 12, 27, 8 - Fig. 12C) and the eastern edge of the Crixás-Goiás Domain (number 24 - Fig. 12B).

Subsequently, the BHF (4) and SLMBSZ (14) structures were formed and limited by HAL (18), and MFNSZ (10a) and MNBSZ (10b) were formed as well, limited by BHF (4) (Fig. 12D). Possibly, in this same phase, the NE-SW structure NXNPL (28) (Fig. 12E) was formed, intercepting the structures in the northern portion of the GMA (numbers 6, 8, 12, 27 - Fig. 12C).

Rodrigues et al. (1999) believed that MFNSZ (10a) and MNBSZ (10b) could represent an extension of TBL (8) however, based on the data analysis (Fig. 8) these structures are limited by BHF (4) to the north and do not connect to the TBL (8). MFNSZ represents an important discontinuity within GMA and between GMA and GM (Motta-Araújo and Pimentel, 2003).

The predominantly NW-SE structures highlighted in Fig. 12F intersect or are limited by the structures identified in Fig. 12C and D, related to the initial orogenic pulses of the Brasiliano orogeny, being, therefore, associated with its final event (Brito Neves et al., 2014; Brito Neves and Fuck, 2013). At the end of the Brasiliano orogeny extensive tectonics was predominant in Western Gondwana due to the stabilization and collapse of the orogenic belts, and also due to the reflex of the compressive tectonics of Pampeana Orogeny (Cordani et al., 2013). In this period tectonic conditions favored the formation of dike systems, such as Azimuth125 (11), which intercepts the southern portion of the study area (Fig. 12F).

Azimuth 125 represents dike systems dated between 790 Ma and 118 Ma (Rocha et al., 2014, 2019a, 2019b) and possibly was responsible for the tectonic control of alkaline magmatism in the Goiás Alkaline Province and in the others Brazilian Mesozoic alkaline provinces (Dutra et al., 2014; Marangoni and Mantovani, 2013; Rocha et al., 2014, 2015, 2019a, 2019b). After interpreting the magnetic data Rocha et al. (2019a, 2019b) reported that Azimuth 125 was not observed in the Mato Grosso and Rondônia states and concluded that this structure does not extend much west of the TBL, however, they were unable to detail the reason for its non-continuity.

As interpreted in this study it was noticed that part of Azimuth 125 (11) and FNAL (23) were partially displaced from the NW-SE to the NE-SW direction, and possibly continue under the Paraná Basin. The Azimuth 125, in the west of the TBL, occurs up to the vicinity of Campinápolis (Mato Grosso state), represents second and third-order shallow magnetic lineaments (Silva, 2018). However, this structure continuity into the Paraná Basin domain was not observed in the works by Pinto and Vidotti (2019) and Curto et al. (2015).

We believe that these structures were displaced due to reactivations of MFNSZ (10A) or HAL (18) (Fig. 12F). RMF (13) also displaces part of Azimuth 125 (11) such characteristics clarify the reason for the whole non-continuity of Azimuth 125 (11) in the west of TBL (8) (Figs. 9D and 12 F). Based on the cross-cutting relationship the Azimuth 125 were probably formed at the end of the Neoproterozoic and beginning of the Phanerozoic (Fig. 12F), and has estimated depth between 2 km and 7 km in the study area (Fig. 9A and B).

In the Mesozoic, during the Activation phase of the South American Platform, vertical movements predominated forming flexures and arcs (Almeida et al., 2000), such as the Alto Paranaíba, Rio Grande and Bom Jardim de Goiás Arcs, which is located in the SW portion of the work area. The arcs, as well as the reactivations of the TBL and other structures, played an important role in the emplacement of the alkaline intrusions (Almeida et al., 2000; Brito Neves and Cordani, 1991; Pena and Figueiredo, 1972).

The structures identified in Fig. 12G were associated with the Mesozoic (newly formed or reactivated) because they occur in the vicinity of the TBL and Bom Jardim de Goiás Arc, intersecting the lineaments PAL (26), (39), (38) and Azimuth 125 (11) (Fig. 12F). These are located predominantly in the AMA western edge with prevalent NE-SW direction while a large part is bounded by the BHF (4) to the north.

Several authors reported a high concentration of alkaline bodies throughout Azimuth 125 (Biondi, 2005; Bizzi and Araújo, 2005; Dutra et al., 2014; Marangoni and Mantovani, 2013; Mantovani et al., 2015;

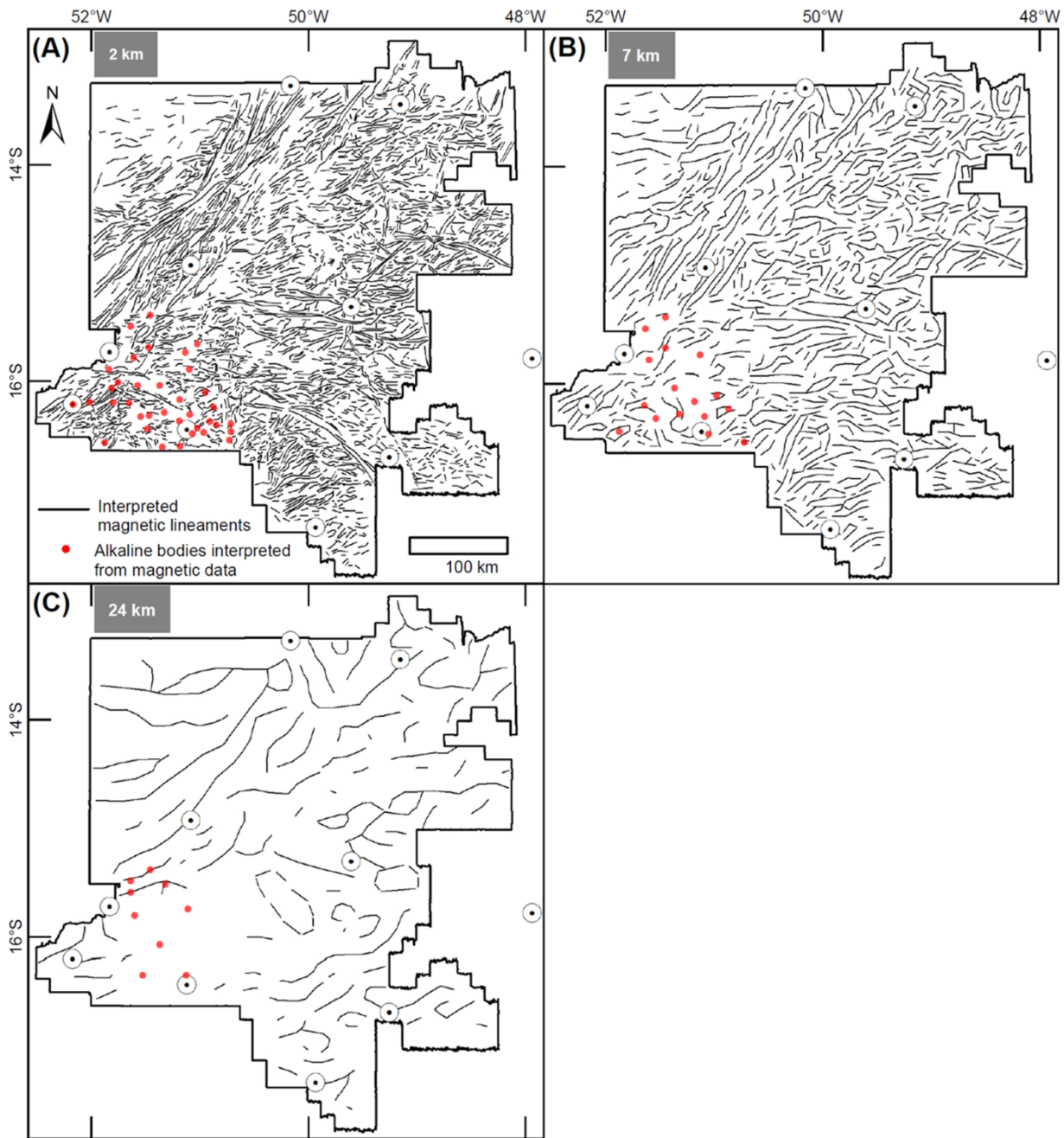


Fig. 9. Magnetic lineaments and alkaline bodies interpreted at 2 km (A), 4 km (B) and 24 km (C) depths. Map of major (numbered 1 to 54) and minor magnetic lineaments (not numbered) with kinematic interpretation, including all alkaline bodies interpreted at all depths (D). X-X' represent the profile modeled. Magnetic anomaly reduced to pole map and major lineaments (E). See [Table 2](#) for magnetic lineament nomenclature details.

[Rocha et al., 2014, 2015, 2019a, 2019b](#)), however, our analysis indicated no preferable concentration of the GAP along the Azimuth 125 trend.

Furthermore, in the western edge of the AMA, limited by structures formed during the Brasiliano orogeny ([Fig. 12C and D](#)), a large concentration of alkaline bodies has been mapped and interpreted in the NW-SE and NE-SW structures generated in F and G phases, so we believe that the emplacement of GAP occurred preferably in the vicinity of structures generated at the end of the Brasiliano orogeny and the Mesozoic structures.

In the Cretaceous, [Pena and Figueiredo \(1972\)](#) state that the SW portion of the study area was affected by N50W gravity faults, forming a sequence of horsts and grabens, over 120 km long and 50 km wide.

Pre-Cambrian structures were reactivated, and the emplacement of the alkaline magma occurred preferentially at the crossing of these structures ([CPRM, 1974; Ohofugi et al., 1976; Pena and Figueiredo, 1972; Pena, 1975](#)). Subsequently, the NE structures were reactivated and displaced some bodies of the GAP.

In the last phase ([Fig. 12H](#)), the formed E-W structures cross-cutting all the previously formed structures NXML (22), UAL (46), AJL (21), and SVL (5). These structures, of which many are seismogenic, were associated with Neotectonic activities ([Hasui, 2010; Riccomini and Assumpção, 1999](#)) ([Fig. 13](#)).

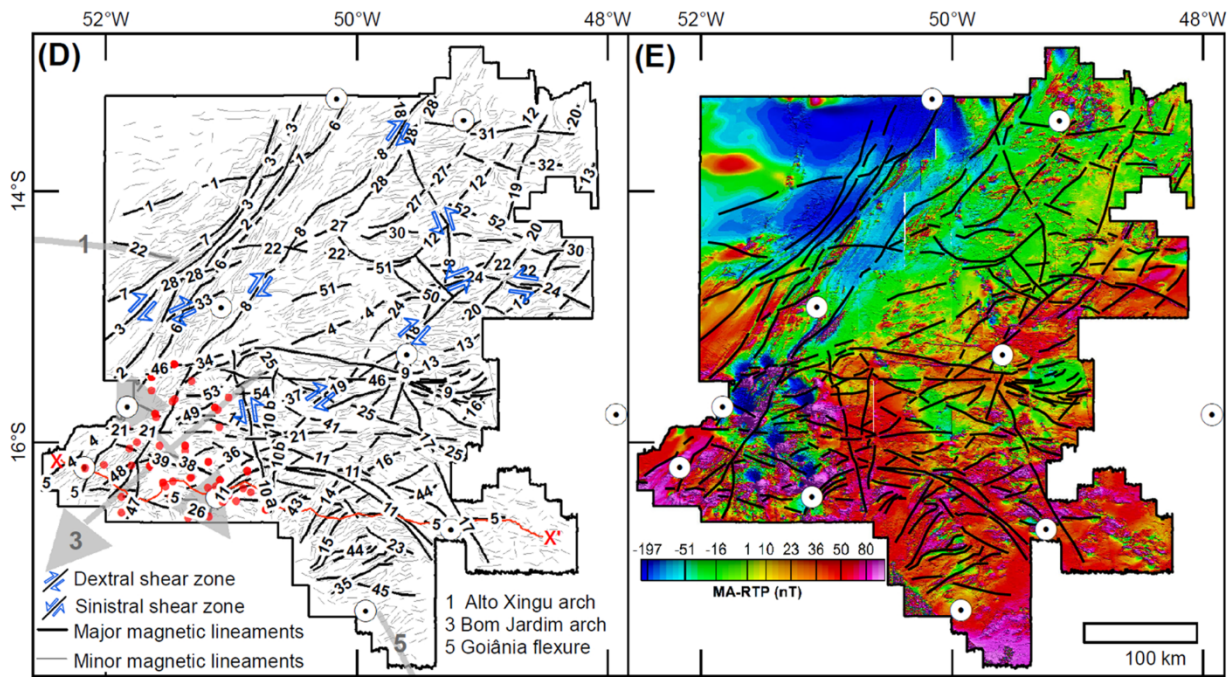


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4.2. 2.5 D forward gravity modeling, arenópolis magnetic arc and GAP relationship

Along the X-X' section (Fig. 11) we identified the Paraguay Belt (PB), Phanerozoic Cover (PC), Goiás Magmatic Arc (GMA), Arenópolis Magmatic Arc - West (AMA-W), Goiás Alkaline Province (GAP), Arenópolis Magmatic Arc - East (AMA-E), Araxá and Andrelândia Groups (AAG), Anápolis Itauçu Complex (AIC) and São Francisco Palecontinent (SFPC).

The PB and PC (Fig. 11) were modeled within the same block because well data were not available to be used in this modeling. The gravity (Fig. 7) and magnetic (Fig. 5) data, as well as the geological model (Fig. 11), indicate that the geological unit under PB and PC, west of TBL (8), and west of SNF (6) until to the GCF (3) vicinity, represents the continuity of the GMA, while the GCF (3) represents the suture between the GMA and the Amazonian Palecontinent (APC) (Fig. 13).

GMA (Fig. 11) extends to NE and SW (Pimentel, 2016) and represents the gravity low parallel to the TBL, under the Paraná Basin (Pinto and Vidotti, 2019). The intermediate to low intensity magnetic anomalies (Fig. 5) probably reflect the less magnetic rocks occurring above the GMA (Paraguai and Araguaia Belts, and PC). The Bouguer anomaly varies from intermediate to high (Fig. 7) in the GMA outcropping portion (near Porangatu), while the high values observed in the non-outcropping along NE-SW can be the response of rocks with higher density contrast. The GAP were not identified in the GMA. The predominantly NE-SW magnetic lineaments are observed up to 24 km (Fig. 8: G, H, I), partially coinciding with the occurrence of earthquakes (Fig. 13). On the other hand, seismic tomography data reflect low-speed anomalies of S and P waves (Assumpção et al., 2004; Rocha et al., 2011, 2016, 2019a, 2019b).

The GMA was identified west of the TBL in the São Miguel do Araguaia (Goiás state) vicinity marking the contact with the Amazonian Palecontinent (Berrocal et al., 2004; Soares et al., 2006). This region was individualized in the Bom Jardim and Rondonópolis Domains separated by Baliza Fault (Curto et al., 2014). The U-Pb, Sm-Nd and Lu-Hf isotopic data of Aruanã (Goiás state) and Bom Jardim de Goiás (Goiás state) show T_{DM} model ages varying between 0.86 Ga and 1.03 Ga, that indicate a isotopic signature of juvenile Neoproterozoic arc, confirm the continuity of the GMA to the west of the TBL (Ferreira, 2009). The

SNF (6) is the main fault of the TBL (Curto et al., 2014, 2015) being interpreted as the suture zone between GMA and AMA-W (Fig. 13).

The AMA-W is approximately 135 km long, has the largest crustal thickness, 42 km, and is limited by the MFNSZ (10a) to the east (Fig. 11), exhibiting high intensity magnetic (Fig. 5), high gravity anomalies (Fig. 7) and circular magnetic anomalies attributed to GAP (Fig. 5).

The GAP in the section were assigned to the Arenópolis, Fazenda Buriti and Morro do Macaco Complex (Fig. 11: 1–4). The Arenópolis Complex can be represented by gabbros, nepheline syenites, clinopyroxenites, and subordinate shonkinites (Brod et al., 2005). These bodies are located near the intersection of TBL (8) and lineaments (47) and (48) (Fig. 9). The Fazenda Buriti Complex can be represented by clinopyroxenite, melagabbro, essexites, syenogabbros and syenites (Brod et al., 2005) and are located close to the PJJ (36) and Lineament (38) intersection (Fig. 9). The Morro do Macaco Complex can be formed by dunites, wehrlites, olivine pyroxenites and clinopyroxenites (Brod et al., 2005) and are located close to the Azimuth 125 (11), FNAL (23) and Lineament (38) intersection (Fig. 9).

The AMA-W northern limit is marked by BHF (4) which was interpreted as the suture between AMA-W and GM (Fig. 13). This portion is marked by earthquakes (Fig. 13) and to the north of BHF (4) the magnetic data presents the predominantly intermediate anomalies (Fig. 5) characteristic of the GM. It is believed that this arc southern limit occurs underlying the Paraná basin, corresponding to the D4 and D5 geophysical domains (Pinto and Vidotti, 2019), where the gravity anomaly is predominantly low, while the magnetic anomalies are intermediate to high with anomalies characteristic of the GAP.

The MFNSZ (10a) marks the eastern limit of the AMA-W (Fig. 13) and continues toward the south, turning SE where it connects with the Flexura de Goiânia (Pinto and Vidotti, 2019). Some lineaments are not observed in AMA-E, such as PJJ (36), PAL (26) and lineaments (38), (39), (48) (Fig. 9).

Currie depth is predominantly greater than 49 km (Rocha et al., 2019a, 2019b) in agreement with the greater crustal thickness of this block (Assumpção et al., 2013; Bernardes, 2015; Pavão, 2014). There are few heat flow stations in the area, however, in general, the heat flow is lower over AMA-W and increase to the east of the X-X' profile modeled (Alexandrino and Hamza, 2007; Hamza et al., 2005, 2020). The anomalies of S and P waves have relatively lower speeds than those observed

Table 2
Nomenclature of major magnetic lineaments. The bold numbers and nomenclature are contribution of this study.

Lineament number	Nomenclature (Prefix)	Source
1	Campinápolis Lineament (CL)	Silva (2018)
2	Barra do Garças Lineament (BGL)	Sousa (2017)
3	General Carneiro Fault (GCF)	Curto et al. (2014, 2015)
4	Baliza-Hidrolina Fault (BHF)	Adapted from Curto et al. (2014, 2015)
5	São Vicente Lineament (SVL)	
6	Serra Negra Fault (SNF) (main TBL fault)	Curto et al. (2014, 2015)
7	Xambioá Lineament (XL)	Sousa (2017)
8	Transbrasiliano Lineament (TBL)	Schobbenhaus et al. (2004)
9	Pirineus Syntaxis (PS)	Araújo Filho (2000)
10a	Moiporá-Fazenda Nova Shear Zone (MFNSZ)	Adapted from Araújo (2012) ;
10b	Messianópolis-Novo Brasil Shear Zone (MNBSZ)	Macedo et al. (2018) ; Pimentel and Fuck (1992)
11	Azimuth 125	Bardet (1977) ; Rocha et al. (2014, 2019a, 2019b)
12	Rio dos Bois Fault (RBF)	
13	Rio Maranhão Fault (RMF)	Fuck et al. (2014)
14	São Luís dos Montes Belos-Ceres Shear Zone (SLMBSZ)	Adapted from Araújo (2012) ;
15	Anicuns Palmeiras Lineament (APL)	Macedo et al. (2018)
16	Adelândia-Moquém Lineament (AML)	Lacerda Filho et al. (2018)
17	Itapuranga-Bela Vista de Goiás Lineament (IBVL)	
18	Heitoraf-Araguaçu Lineament (HAL)	
19	Guaraíta-Palmeirópolis Lineament (GPL)	
20	Ceres-Minaçu Lineament (CML)	
21	Aragarças-Jesúpolis Lineament (AJL)	
22	Nova Xavantina-Moquém Lineament (NXML)	
23	Fazenda Nova-Aragoiânia Lineament (FNAL)	
24	Guaraíta-Mimoso de Goiás Lineament (GMGL)	
25	Matrinchá-Ouro Verde de Goiás Lineament (MOVGL)	
26	Piranhas-Amorinópolis Lineament (PAL)	This study
27	Uirapuru-Porangatu Lineament (UPL)	
28	Nova Xavantina-Novo Planalto Lineament (NXNPL)	
29	Itapaci-Santa Terezinha de Goiás Lineament (ISTL)	
30	Uirapuru-Niquelândia Lineament (UNL)	
31	Porangatu-Minaçu Lineament (PML)	
32	Mutunópolis-Campinaçu Lineament (MCL)	
36	Piranhas-Jussara Lineament (PJJL)	
44	Paraúna-Inhumas Lineament (PIL)	
46	Uruana-Araguaiana Lineament (UAL)	
50	Guarino-Barro Alto Lineament (GBAL)	

in the GMA, indicating thinner lithosphere under AMA-W, about 150 km, and a possible relationship with the Trindade Plume. The lithosphere thickness increases to the east of the X-X' profile modeled, reaching about 175 km ([Assumpção et al., 2002](#); [Rocha et al., 2011, 2016, 2019a, 2019b](#); [Gibson et al., 1995, 1997, 1999](#)). We believe that the AMA-W thinner lithosphere may have facilitated the partial melting of the mantle and generation of the GAP due to the impact of the Trindade Plume in the Mesozoic.

The AMA-E is approximately 125 km long extending to the APL (15) vicinity to the east, and representing, in-depth, the suture between AMA-E and SFPC ([Fig. 11](#)). Geochemical and geochronological data from the Anicuns (Goiás state) suggest that the Araxá/Andrelândia Groups ([Fig. 2](#)) represent a fore-arc sequence and mark the tectonic boundary between the GMA eastern edge and the SFPC ([Laux et al., 2005, 2010](#)). In the magnetic data, the same magnetic arc response was observed in the region to the east of APL (15) and south of the MOVGL (25), to the vicinity of Goiânia (Goiás state) and Edéia (Goiás state) ([Fig. 8](#)). However, the geological data marks the GMA continuity, following only towards Edéia ([Pimentel, 2016](#)). The arc eastern boundary, in this portion of the study area, was inconclusive in our modeling, and additional work is needed to verify whether this portion south and southeastern edge of the GMA, is part of the AMA-E or if there is another magmatic arc separated by the APL.

The AMA-E boundary with the southern portion of the GM occurs through the MOVGL (25), MNBSZ (10b) ([Pimentel et al., 1996](#)) and HAL (18) ([Fig. 13](#)). We believe that the NE limit, south of Ceres (Goiás state) is marked by the MOVGL (25) since, to the north of this structure the PJJL (36) and lineaments (37), (49) and (53), occurring in AMA-W and AMA-E are not observed, just like HAL (18) does not occur in GMA ([Fig. 12D](#)), being bounded by MOVGL (25).

Magnetic anomalies and lineaments north of MOVGL (25) have a different pattern from that observed in AMA-E ([Figs. 8 and 9](#)), which continues towards the south, covered by the Paraná Basin, and the magnetic, gravity and crustal thickness characteristics representing the Geophysical Domain 6 identified by [Pinto and Vidotti \(2019\)](#). The AMA-E has intermediate magnetic ([Fig. 5](#)) and gravity anomalies ([Fig. 7](#)), crustal thickness of 34 km, less than the AMA-W, and Currie depth between 43 km and 48 km ([Rocha et al., 2019a, 2019b](#)), in agreement with the lower crustal thickness of the block ([Assumpção et al., 2013](#); [Bernardes, 2015](#); [Pavão, 2014](#)). The lithosphere thickness varies about 150–160 km ([Rocha et al., 2019a, 2019b](#)) and the anomalies of S and P waves have high speed, characteristic of a cooler lithosphere ([Rocha et al., 2011, 2016, 2019a, 2019b](#)), unlike that observed in GMA and AMA-W. These features allowed us to interpret that the lithosphere under the AMA-E may have been altered during the collision with the SFPC.

The Arenópolis Magmatic Arc was formed by two accretion events between 821 Ma to 782 Ma ([Laux et al., 2005](#)) and was responsible for forming the AMA-W. Whereas the second accretion event that formed AMA-E, took place between 669 Ma to 639 Ma, and generated rocks with an Nd isotopic signature indicating ancient sialic material, confirming the SFPC proximity or participation ([Laux et al., 2005](#); [Rodrigues et al., 1999](#)).

Our geological model ([Fig. 11](#)) shows that in the collision with the SFPC, part of the AMA-E was raised and possibly delamination of the arc root was exhumed, being represented by the AIC. The exhumation of high-grade metamorphic rocks has also been reported in other parts of the Tocantins Province ([Della Giustina et al., 2009a, 2009b](#); [Gorayeb et al., 2017](#)). The development of thrust systems with a vergence towards the São Francisco craton may have caused the exhumation of part of the root of the AMA-E ([D'el-Rey Silva et al., 2008](#); [Moreira et al., 2008](#)), exposing the AIC, which is formed by high-grade metamorphic rocks, dating from the Neoproterozoic ([Fischel et al., 1998](#); [Piuzeana et al., 2003a, 2003b, Pimentel et al., 1999](#)).

High grade metamorphic rocks are formed by collisional orogeny ([Zhang et al., 2018](#)), examples of these exposure are

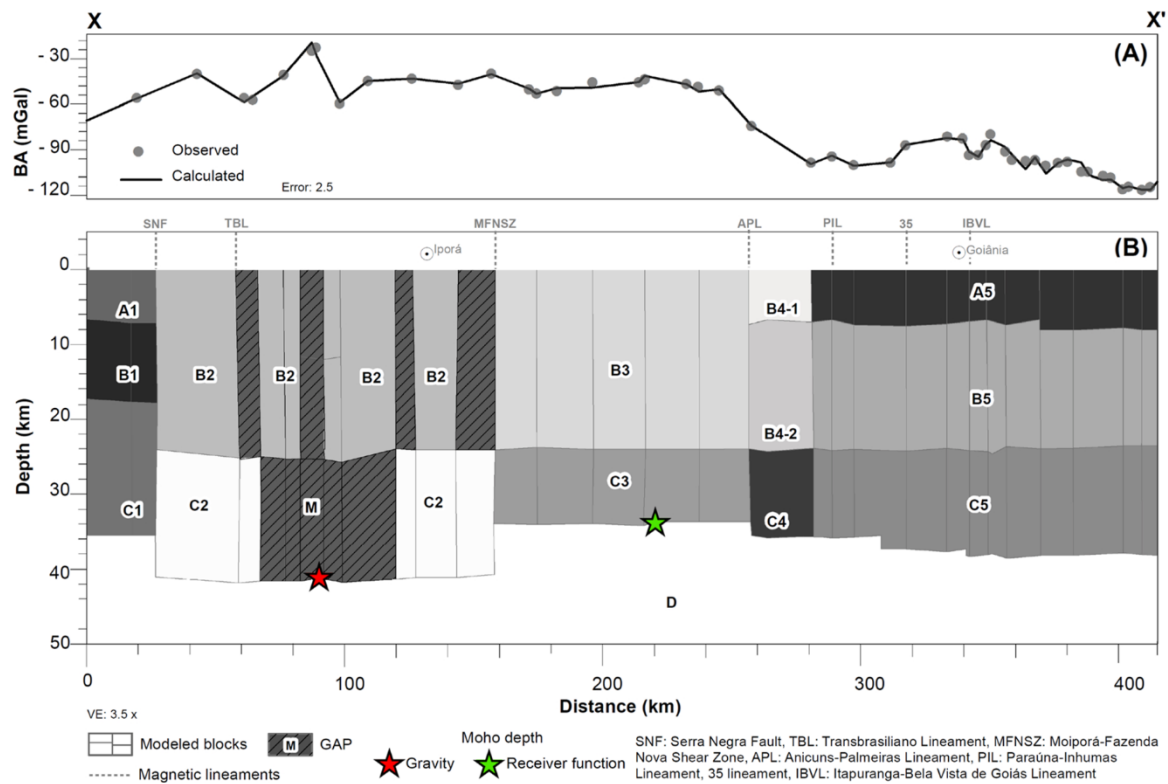


Fig. 10. Bouguer Anomaly profile showing observed anomaly (grey circle) and calculated anomaly (black line) (A). Geophysical model X-X' with modeled block (B), for details of the blocks see Table 3. Moho depth from gravity and receiver function are according to Assumpção et al. (2013); Bernardes (2015) and Pavão (2014). VE: vertical exaggeration.

Table 3
Physical and geological parameters of forward gravity modeling.

Lithospheric Domain	Block	Geological Unit	Associate Rock ^a	Density (kg/m ³) ^b		
				Min	Max	Mean
Upper Crust	A1	PB + PC	metasedimentary, granite	2663.8	2823.4	2743.6
	A5	AAG + AIC	quartzite, schist, paragneiss, marble, granulite	2664.8	2856.6	2769.6
	B2	AMA-W	calc alkaline orthogneiss, granite, volcanosedimentary	2975.6	2899.5.0	2858.3
	M	GAP ^c	dunite, pyroxenite, peridotite, nepheline syenite, alkaligrabbro, melanephelinite, olivine analcimite, basanite, etc.	2914.1	2996.9	2946.3
	B3	AMA-E	calc alkaline orthogneiss, granite, volcanosedimentary	2787.6	2812.4	2804.1
	B4-1	AMA-E	calc alkaline orthogneiss, granite, volcanosedimentary	2753.8		2753.8
	B1	GMA	orthogneiss, supracrustal	2708.3	2827.1	2767.7
	B4-2	SFPC	granodiorite, diorite	2683.5		2683.5
Lower Crust ^d	B5	SFPC	granodiorite, diorite	2611.5	2770.6	2716.4
	M	GAP	dunite, pyroxenite, peridotite, nepheline syenite, alkaligrabbro, melanephelinite, olivine analcimite, basanite, etc.	2915.3	2945.8	2926.5
	C1	GMA	granodiorite, diorite	2909.2	2937.4	2923.3
	C2	AMA-W	gabbro, mafic-ultramafic	2860.9	2892.5	2867.5
	C3	AMA-E	gabbro, mafic-ultramafic	2876.0	2981.4	2920.7
Mantle ^d	C4	SFPC	granodiorite, diorite			2876.9
	C5	SFPC	granodiorite, diorite	2852.0	2962.1	2903
	D		harzburgite, lherzolite			3368

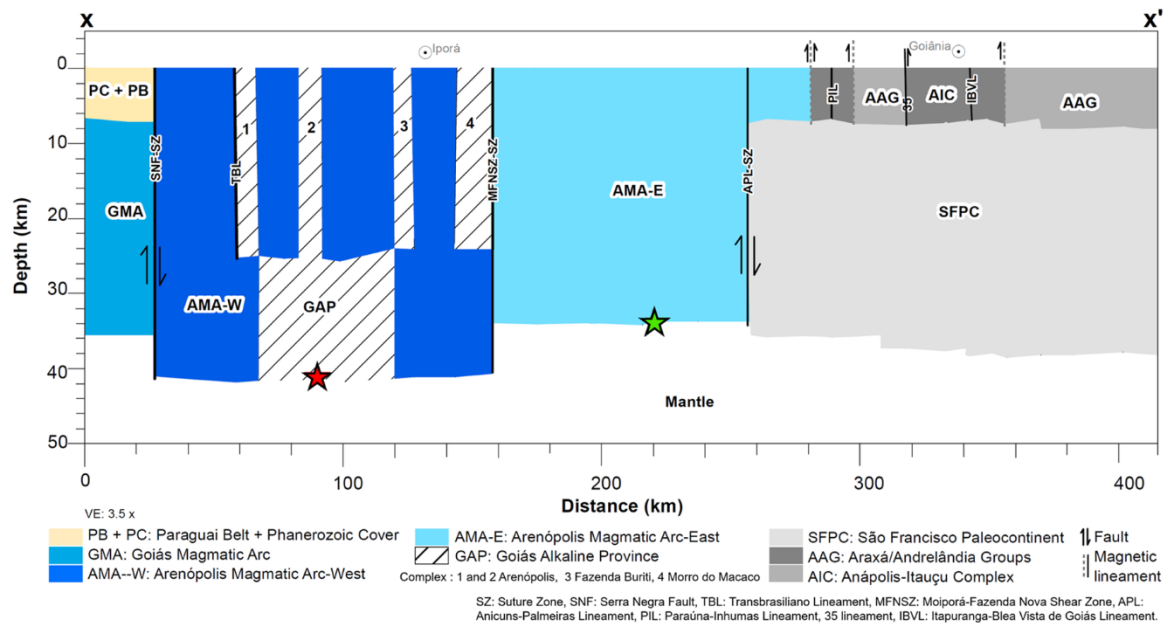
PB: Paraguay Belt, PC: Phanerozoic Cover, AAG: Araxá/Andrelândia Groups, AIC: Anápolis Itauçu Complex, AMA: Arenópolis Magmatic Arc (W: West, E: East), GAP: Goiás Alkaline Province, GMA: Goiás Magmatic Arc, SFPC: São Francisco Paleoccontinent.

^a Alvarenga and Trompette (1993); Fuck et al. (2014); Pimentel et al. (2000a, 2000b, 2004); Pimentel (2016).

^b Telford et al. (1990).

^c Brod et al. (2005).

^d Kearey et al. (2009).



Anápolis-Itaçu-Complex (AIC), in the study area (Moraes et al., 2002, 2007; Piuzana et al., 2003a, 2003b), Altun-Qilian-North Qaidam, NW China orogenic system (Zhang et al., 2018) and the Dabie-Sulu orogenic belt, NE China (Zheng et al., 2020). It indicates metamorphism between 100–150 km depth and surface exposure represents an extreme case of exhumation of root orogen (Ring et al., 1999), that can occur in the early stages of a continental subduction or may be related to a continental collision (Teysier, 2011). The collisional orogeny evolves from a sin collisional phase with crustal shortening to a post collisional phase with crustal thinning. This transition is marked by transtensional structures formation, such as ductile shear zones, which can be subject to the exhumation of high grade metamorphic rocks, as reported in Altun-Qilian-North Qaidam orogenic system (Zhang et al., 2018). Structures like these may have been responsible for the exhumation of the AIC (Moraes et al., 2002, 2007) which has as protoliths the Goiás Alkaline Province Neoproterozoic rocks (Piuzana et al., 2003a, 2003b).

There are still many doubts about the origin of the AIC, however, it is known that it does not represent the exposure of an Archean sialic basement as stated by Lacerda Filho et al. (1999). The replacement of the lithospheric mantle by the asthenospheric one, and the displacement of the orogenic root or the slab break-off may have been the possible mechanisms responsible for forming the AIC (Moraes et al., 2002).

During the collision of the Arenópolis Magmatic Arc (AMA) with the São Francisco Paleocentiment (SFPC) part of the lithosphere of the Arenópolis Magmatic Arc-East (AMA-E) may have been removed by convective forces and exhumed to the surface. The exhumed rocks, AIC, occur interlayered with the Anápolis-Itaçu complex (Fig. 11). After exhumation the AMA lithospheric mantle may have been replaced by asthenospheric mantle and this change in mantle characteristics affected only the AMA-E which is closer to SFPC (Laux et al., 2005; Rodrigues et al., 1999). We believe that the exhumation process changed the original characteristics of the primitive mantle over AMA-E, not allowing the formation of alkaline provinces.

5. Conclusions

The geophysical data analysis revealed the tectonic structures of the Tocantins Province, one of the most complete Neoproterozoic

(Brasiliano – Pan African) Orogen in Western Gondwana, and their relationship with Goiás Alkaline Province.

We interpret the continuity of large tectonic structures in-depth, up to approximately 20 km, such as Rio Maranhão Fault, Baliza-Hidrolina Fault and Guaraitá-Palmeirópolis Lineament.

The GMA was divided into GMA, AMA-W and AMA-E crustal blocks, delimited by Serra Negra Fault, Moiporá-Fazenda Nova Shear Zone and Anicuns Palmeiras Lineament.

The GMA has a smaller crustal thickness than AMA-W, concentrates a large part of the earthquakes and is bounded by the Baliza-Hidrolina Fault to the east and by General Carneiro Fault to the west.

The AMA-W is bounded by the Baliza-Hidrolina Fault and Lineament 34 to the north, Serra Negra Fault to the west, Moiporá-Fazenda Nova Shear Zone to the east, and by the geophysical domains 4 and 5 to the south-southeast (Pinto and Vidotti, 2019). GAP occurs only in AMA-W that has the more primitive mantle and has not changed due to collision processes with the adjacent blocks, allowing the formation of alkaline rocks. In the AMA-W block the modeled section intercepted Arenópolis, Fazenda Buriti and Morro do Macaco complex, indicating a possible common magmatic source for the alkaline complexes located in the lower crust of this block.

The emplacement of the GAP occurred during the Gondwana breakup, preferably in the vicinity of NW-SE and NE-SW structures, generated at the end of Brasiliano orogeny and Mesozoic structures. From our analysis the GAP were not preferably concentrated along the Azimuth 125 trend. We believe that the Gondwana breakup possibly created and/or reactivated the structures related to Goiás Alkaline Province.

Locally the Azimuth 125 is displaced from the NW to the SE direction by the Moiporá-Fazenda Nova Shear Zone, Heitorai-Araguaçu Lineament and Rio Maranhão Fault. Moiporá-Fazenda Nova Shear Zone does not extend up to the LTB since it is limited by the Baliza-Hidrolina Fault to the north.

AMA-E is bounded by the Matrinchã-Ouro Verde de Goiás Lineament to the northeast, by the Anicuns Palmeiras Lineament to the east, and continues under the Paraná Basin to the south. This arc mantle has anomalous characteristics due to collision with the São Francisco Paleocentiment that avoid the formation of alkaline provinces.

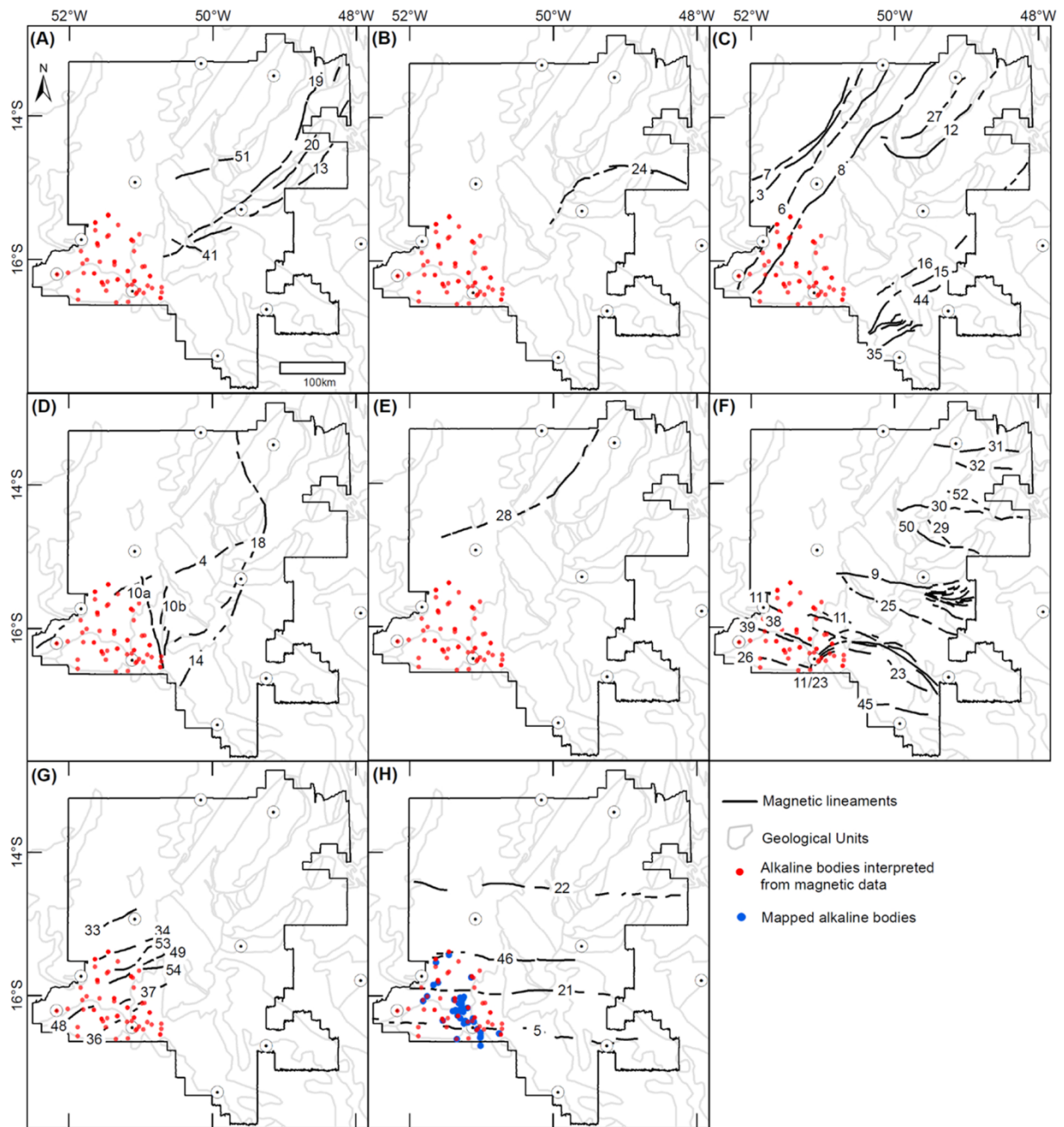


Fig. 12. Major magnetic lineaments associated with the evolution of the Tocantins Province (A, B: Archean/Paleoproterozoic age. C, D, E: Neoproterozoic age. F: Neoproterozoic to early Phanerozoic age. G: Mesozoic age. H: Cenozoic age). Blue circles represent mapped alkaline bodies (Lacerda Filho et al., 2018), Geological Units limits (according to Fig. 2) and magnetic lineament numbers (according to Table 2) (For interpretation of the references to colour in this figure legend, the reader is referred to the web version of this article.).

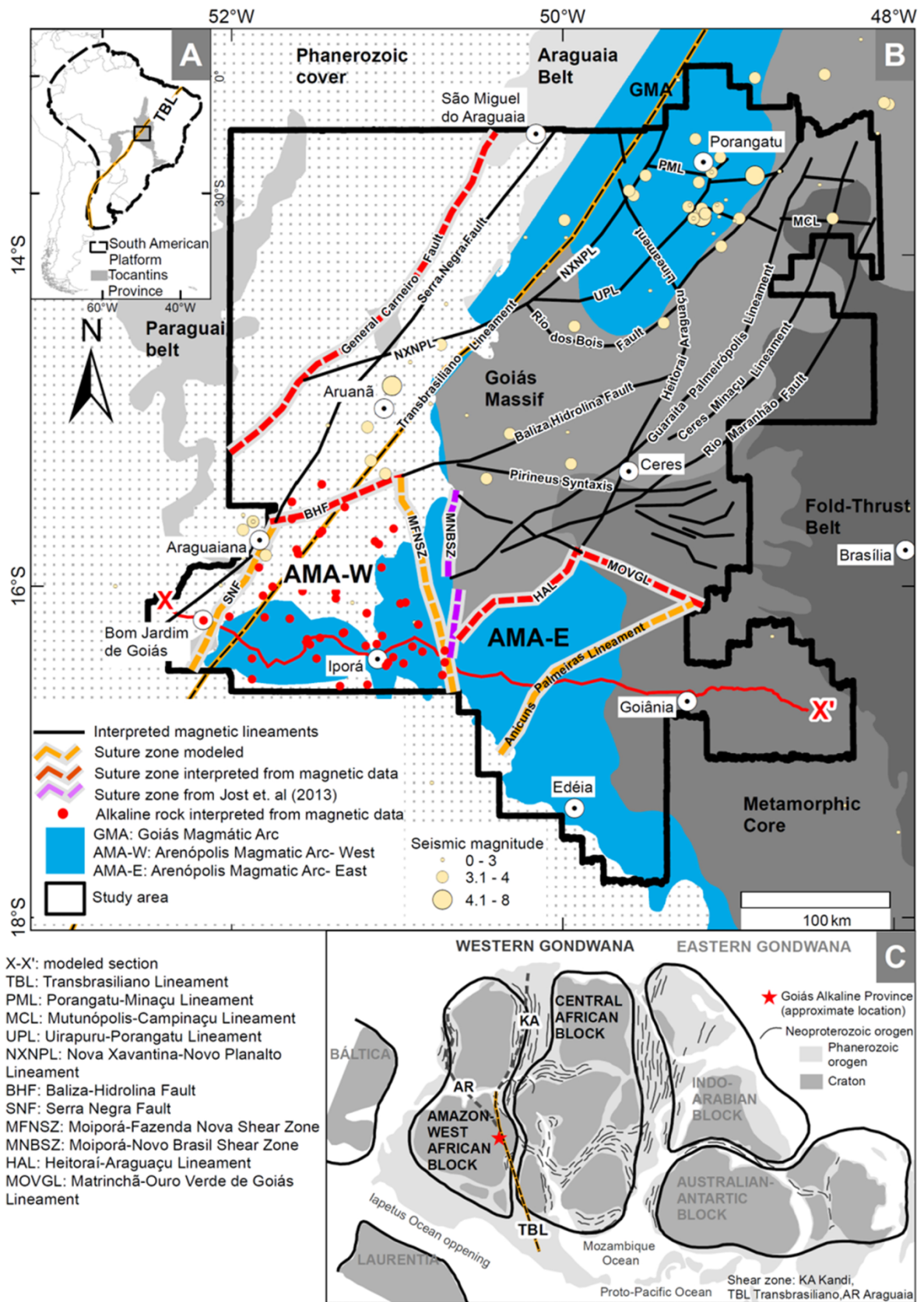


Fig. 13. Geophysical compartmentation of the Goiás Magmatic Arc. Seismic magnitude according to Assumpção et al. (2004, 2013); Cordani et al. (2013); Rocha et al. (2011, 2016); Soares et al. (2006).

The forward gravity modeling highlights a thick crust and a relative thin mantle (Rocha et al., 2019a, 2019b) below the AMA-W. We believe that the primitive mantle lithospheric in this block was not altered during the Brasiliano orogen stages like the adjacent crustal blocks allowing the generation of alkaline rocks.

Finally, the geophysical data processing proved to be another way to study tectonic structures and alkaline provinces.

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