



# Discrimination between pressure and fluid saturation using direct non-linear inversion method: *an application to time-lapse seismic data*

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# Statement of the problem

- Distinguishing pressure changes from reservoir fluid changes is difficult with conventional seismic time-lapse attributes.
- Pressure changes or fluid changes?
  - shear modulus *sensitive to* **pressure** changes
  - $V_p/V_s$  *sensitive to* **fluid** changes
- A direct non-linear inversion method may be useful for accomplishing this goal.

# Introduction of the method

## Inverse scattering series

## Time-lapse seismic monitoring

<b>Reference medium <math>L_0</math></b>	<b>Initial reservoir condition</b>
<b>Actual medium <math>L</math></b>	<b>Current reservoir condition</b>
<b>Earth property changes in space <math>V=L_0-L</math></b>	<b>Reservoir property changes in time</b>
<b>Reference wave field <math>G_0</math></b>	<b>Baseline survey</b>
<b>Actual wave field <math>G</math></b>	<b>Monitor survey</b>
<b>Scattered wave field <math>D=G-G_0</math></b>	<b>Monitor-Baseline</b>

# Outline

- Comparing the first and second order algorithms in estimating shear modulus and Vp/Vs contrasts.
  - Core data tests (A. R. Gregory, 1976)
  - Heidrun well log data tests
- Conclusions and Plan
- Acknowledgements

# Core data tests

Fixing the **fluid** as 100% water saturation, while the pressure changes from 1000 to 9000psi.

- Baseline: pressure = 5000psi
- Monitor: other different pressures

Fixing the **pressure** at 5000psi, while the fluid changes from 0 to 100 percent.

- Baseline: 100% saturation
- Monitor: other different water saturations

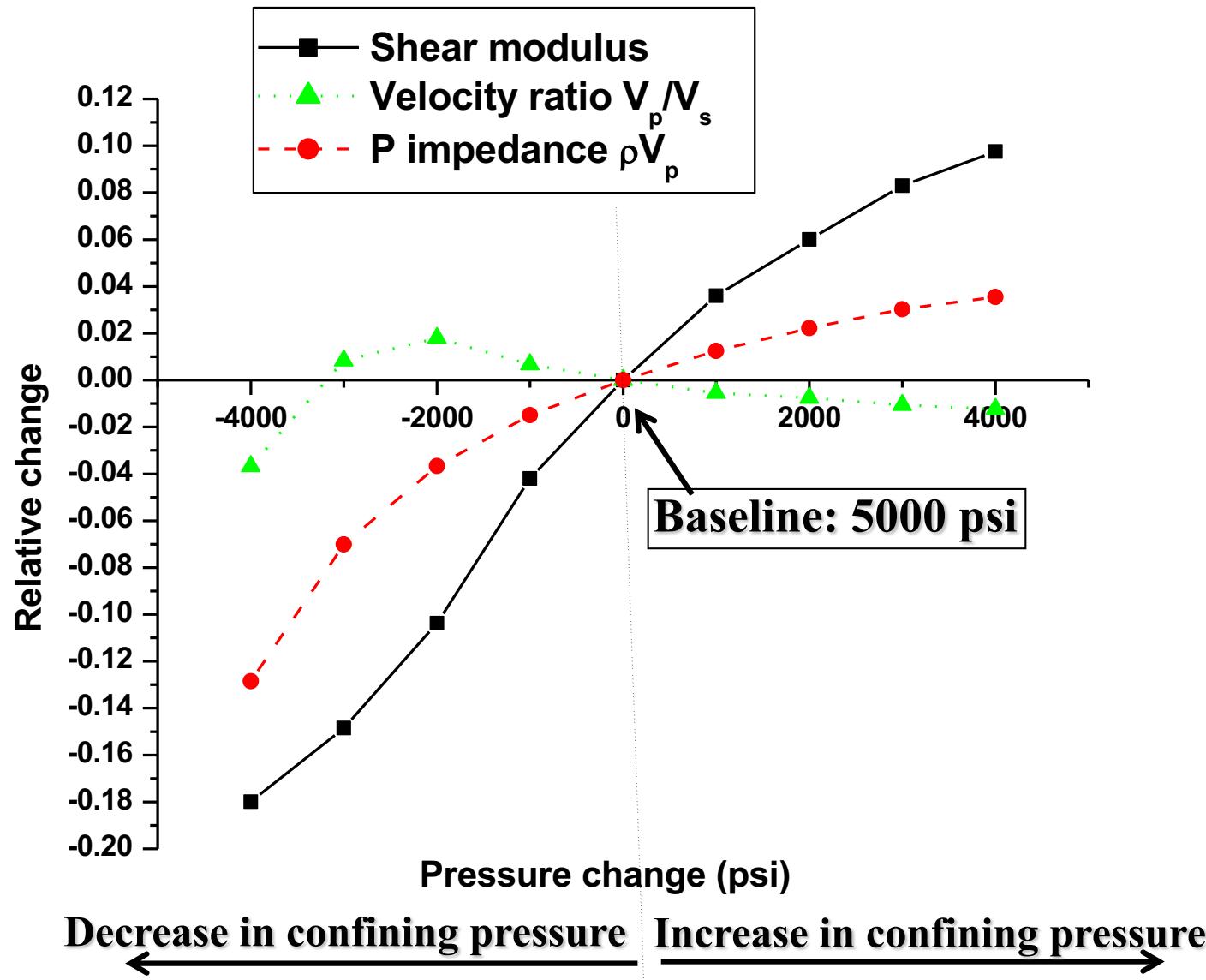
# Core data tests

- Compare effects of pressure and fluid changes on the elastic properties.
- Compare first order and second order approximations.

# Effects of pressure changes on the elastic properties

Fluid fixed (100% water saturation)

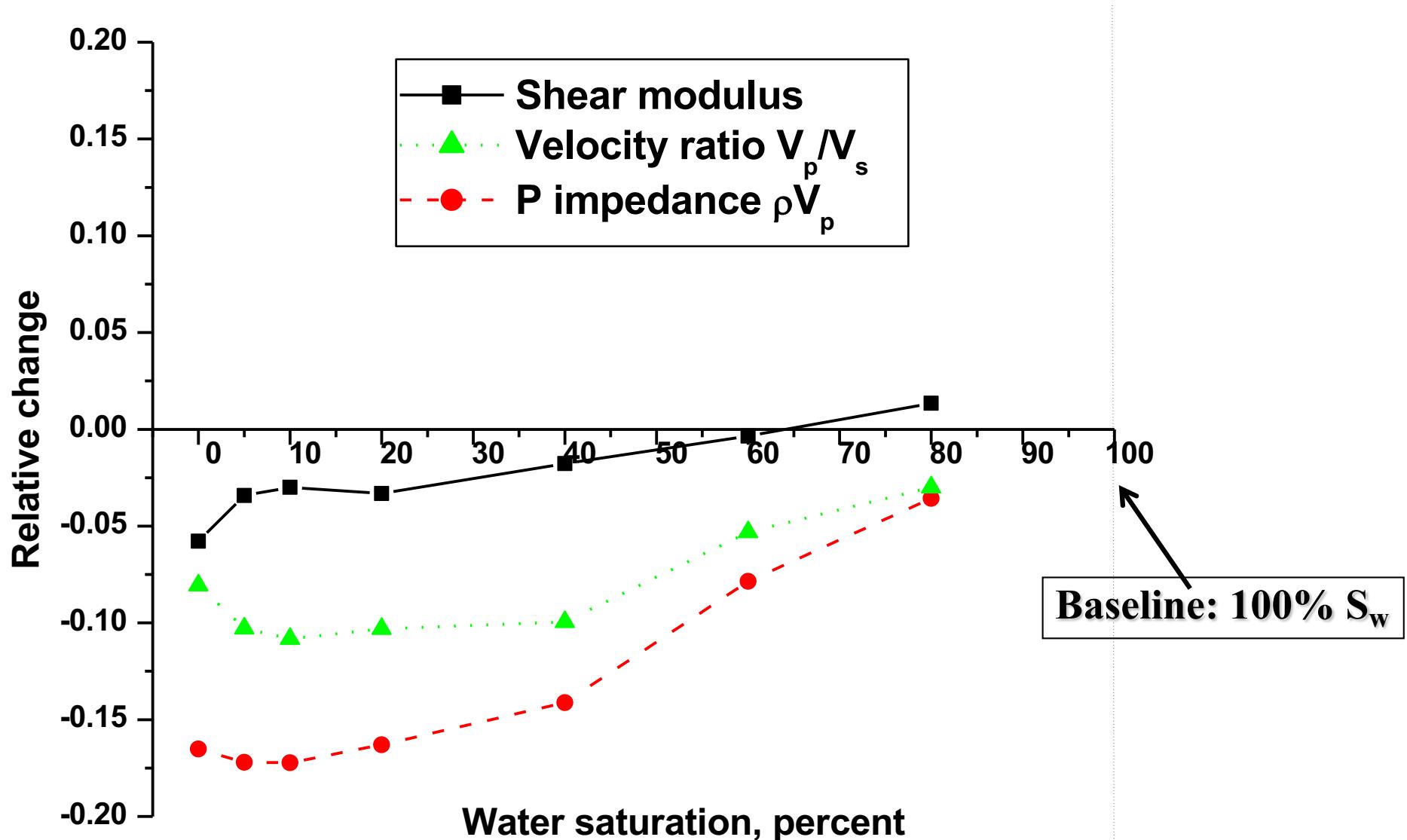
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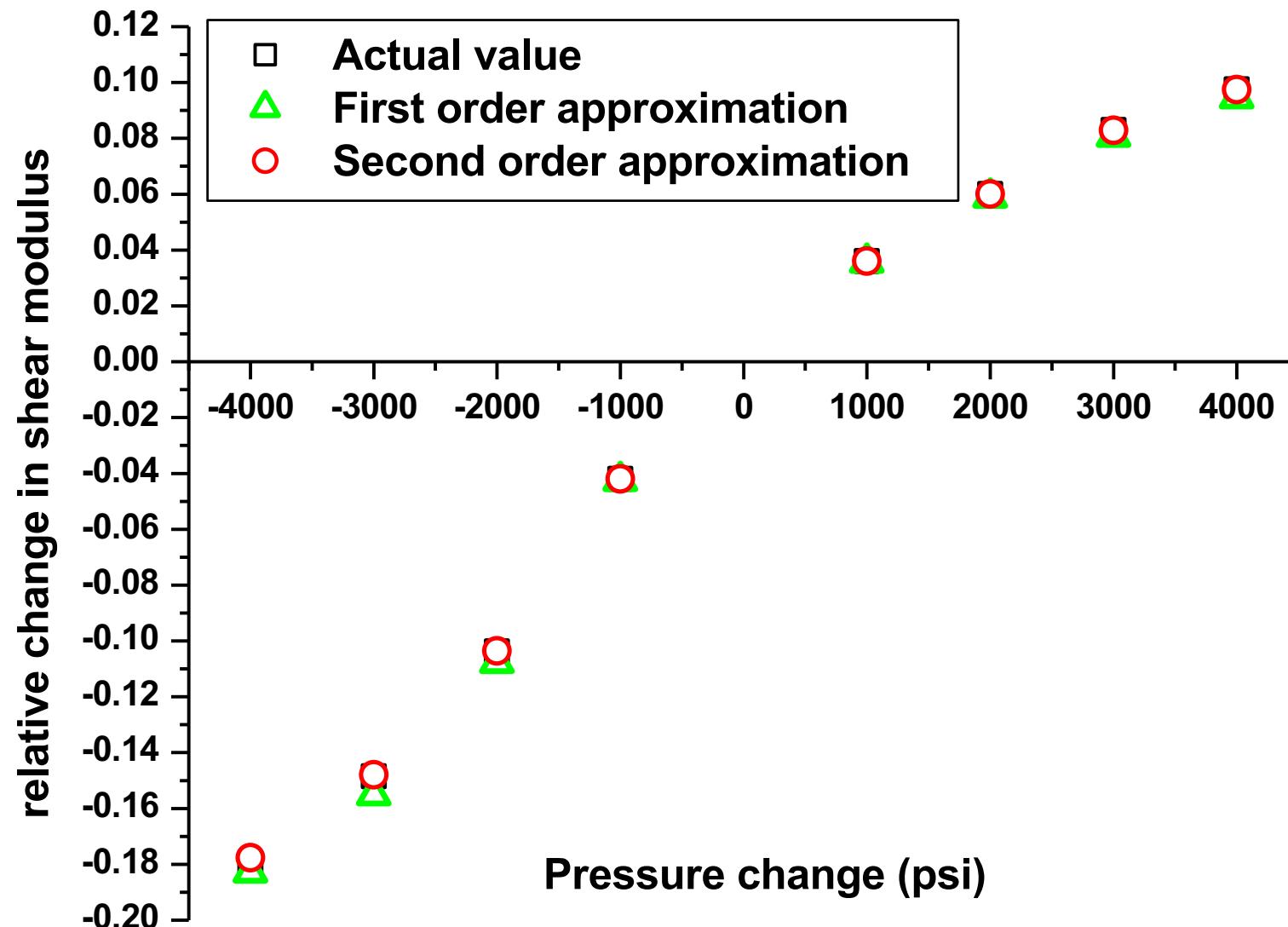
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# Comparison of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> order approximation for pressure changes

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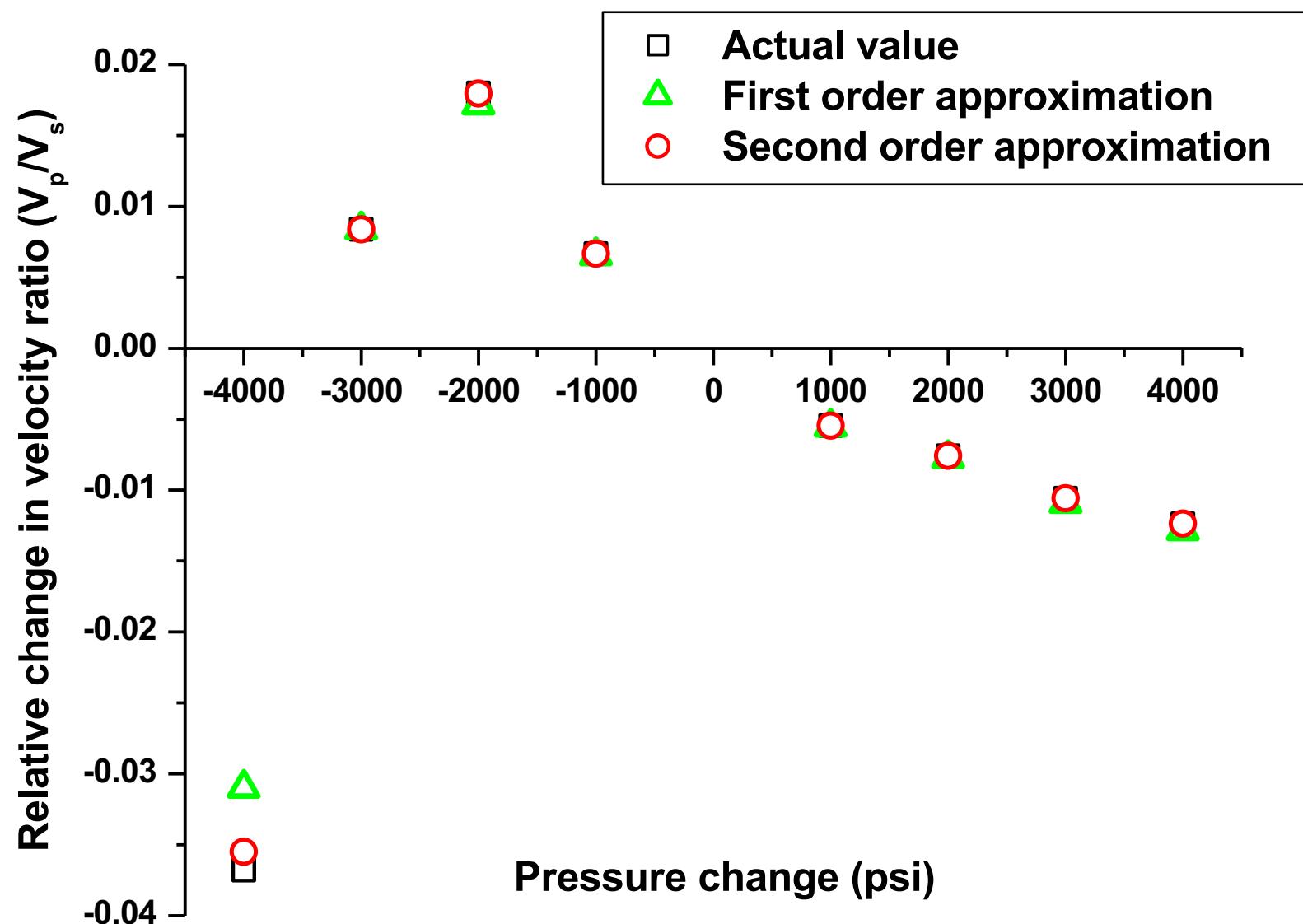
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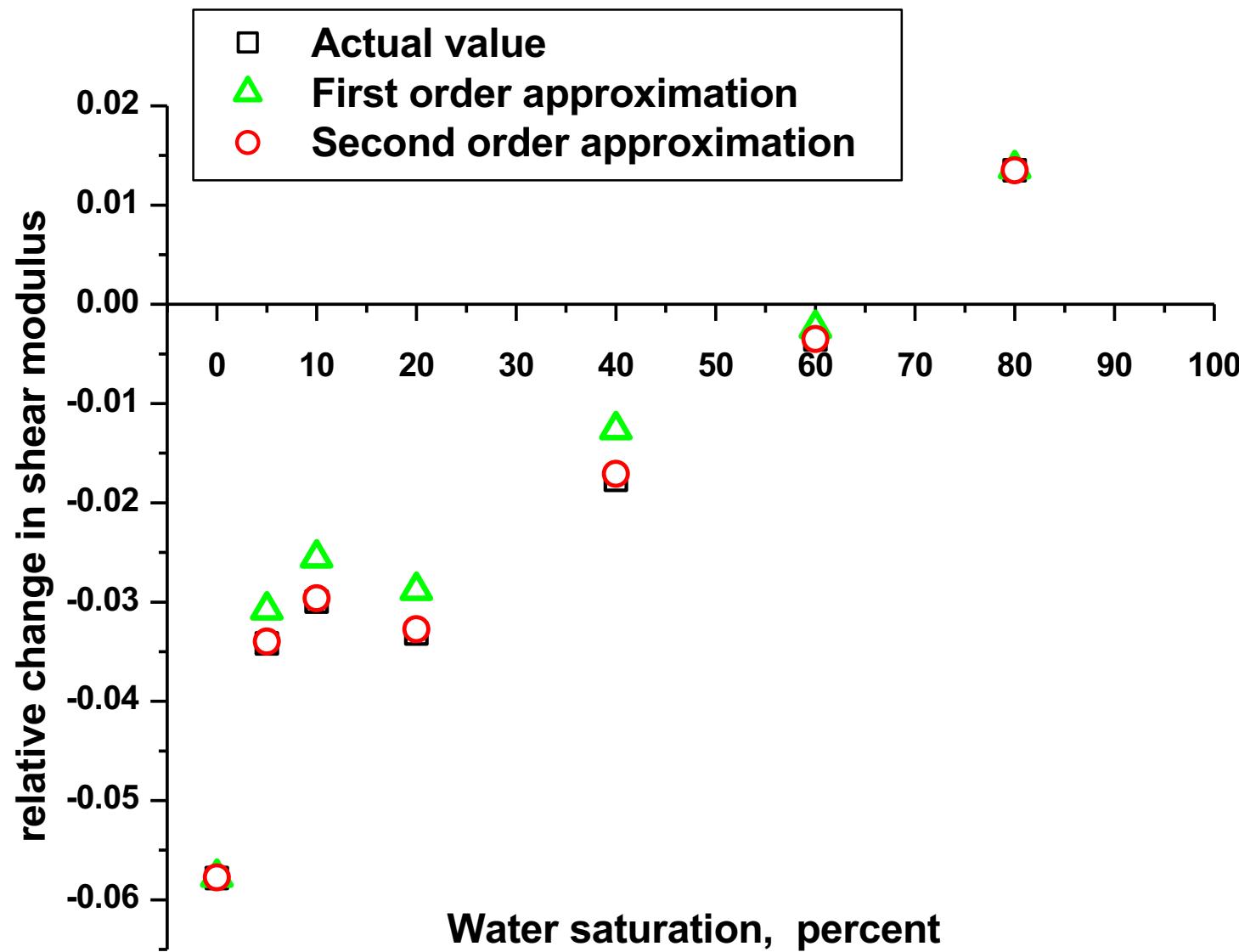
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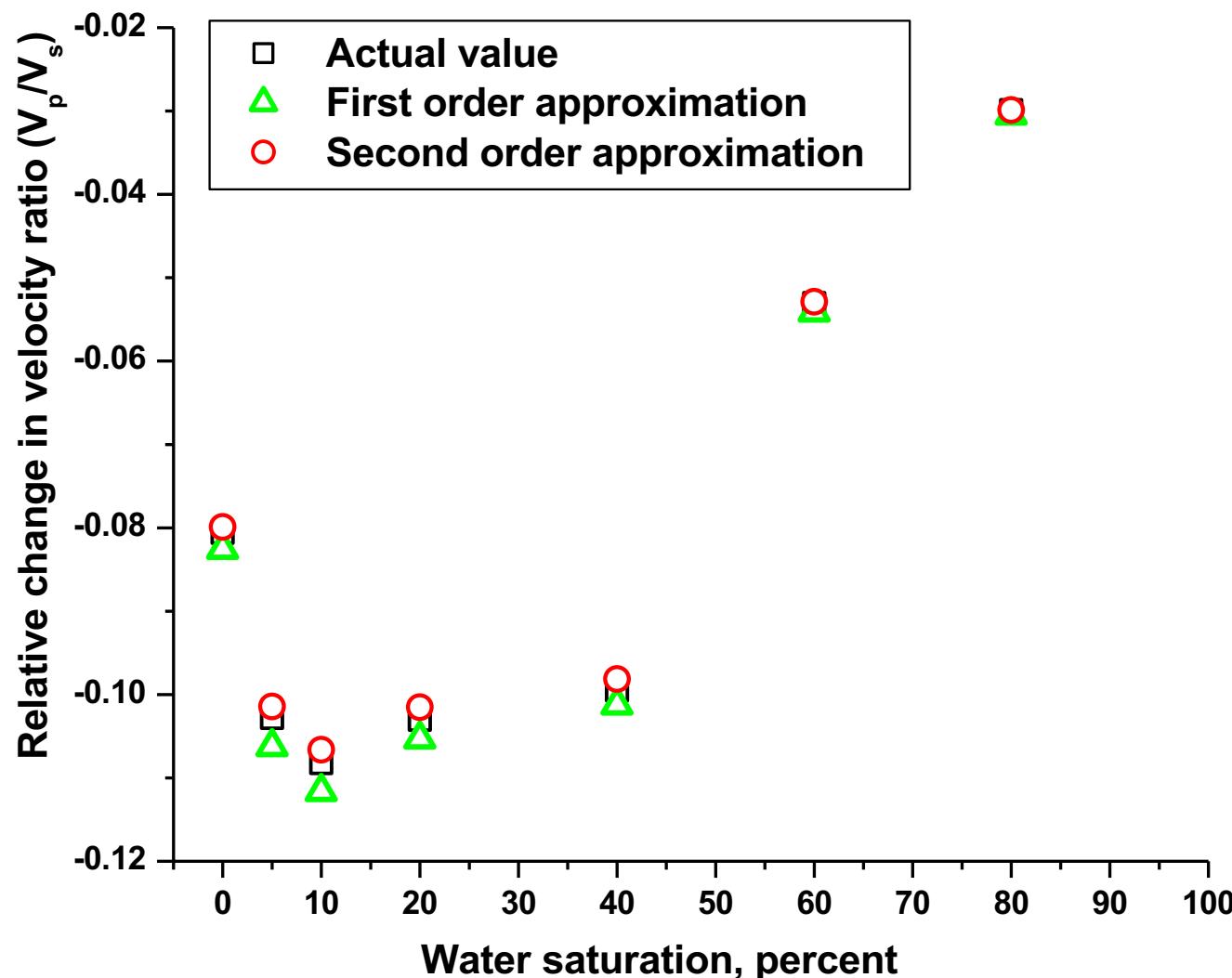
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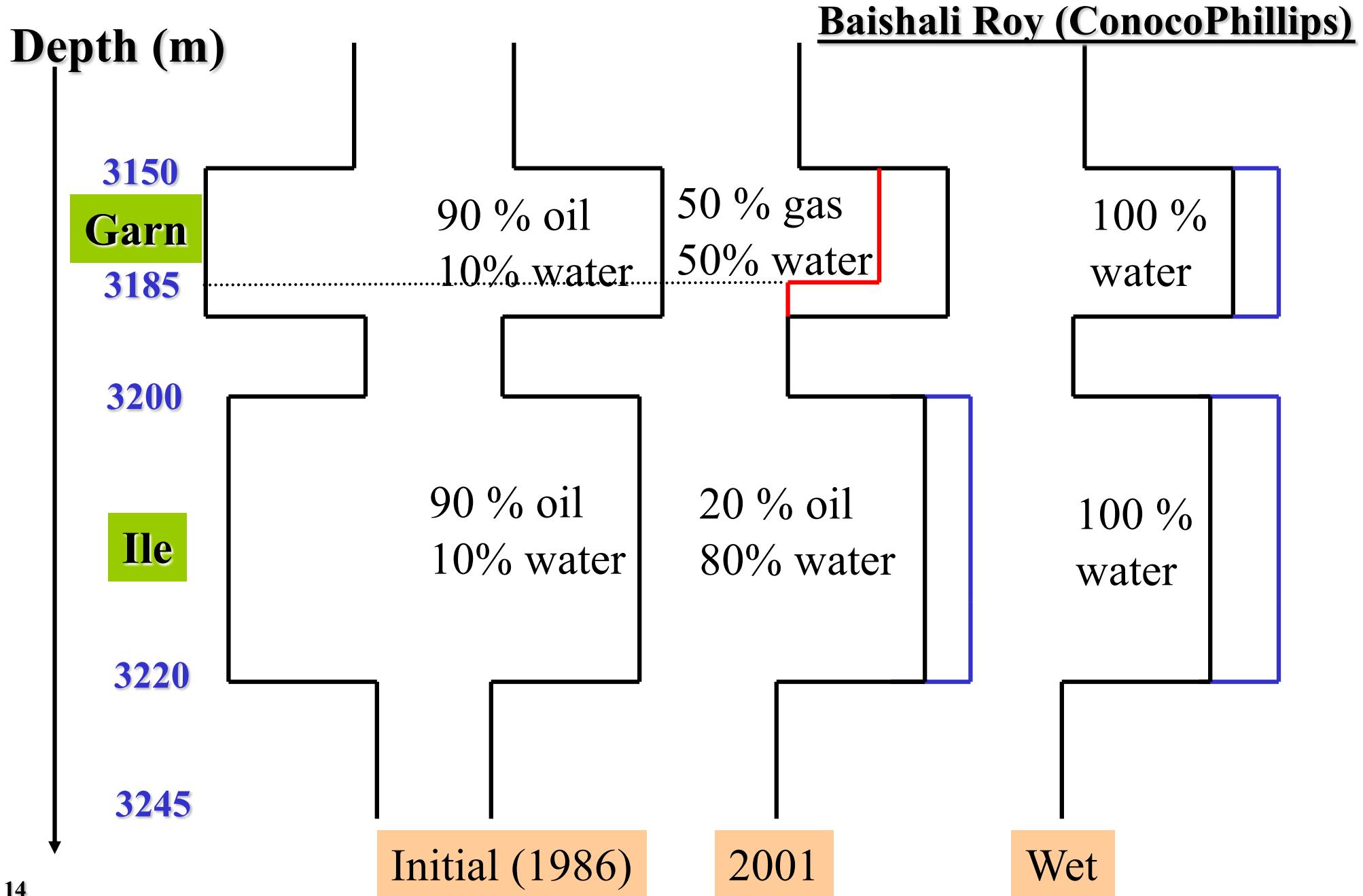
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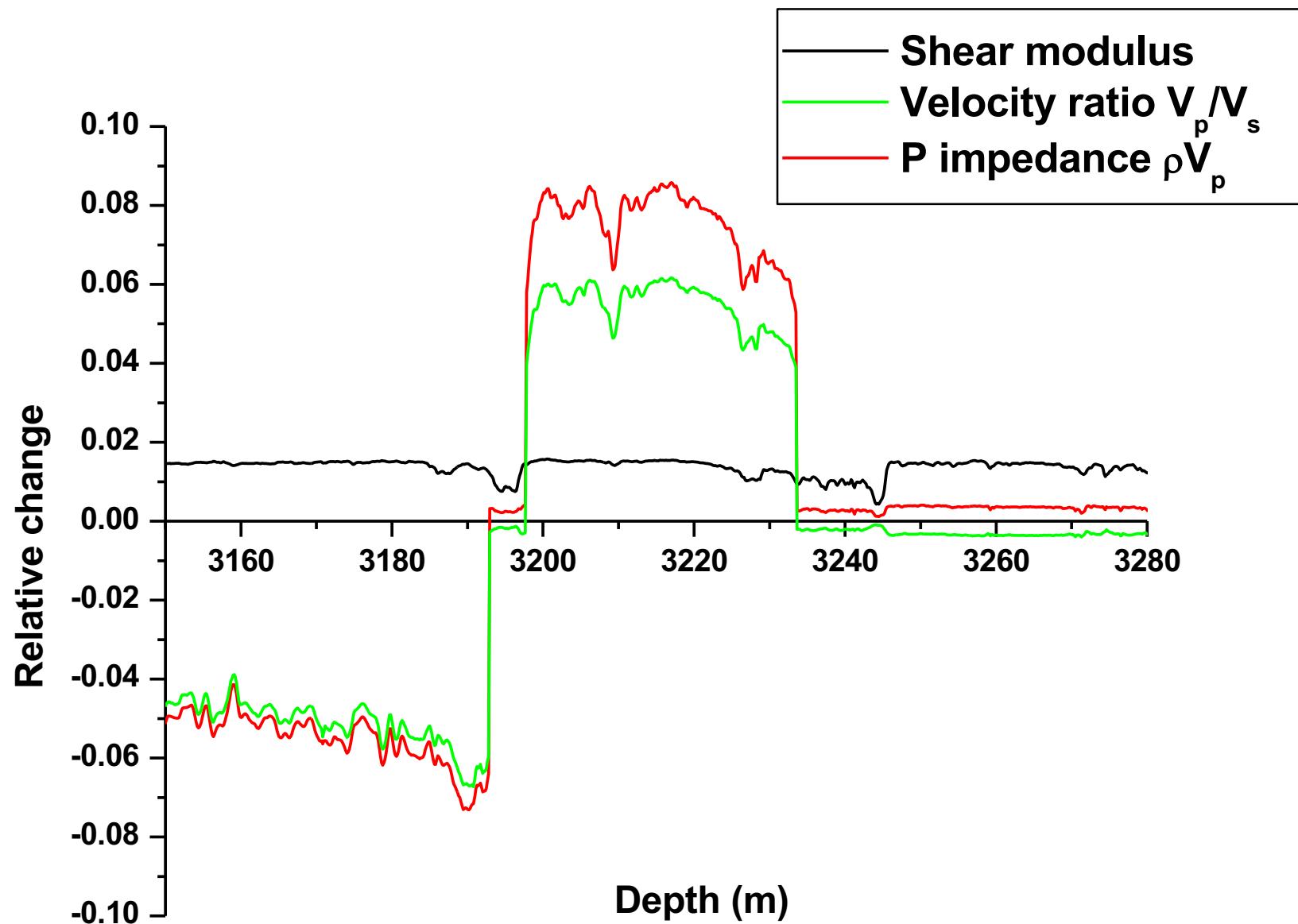
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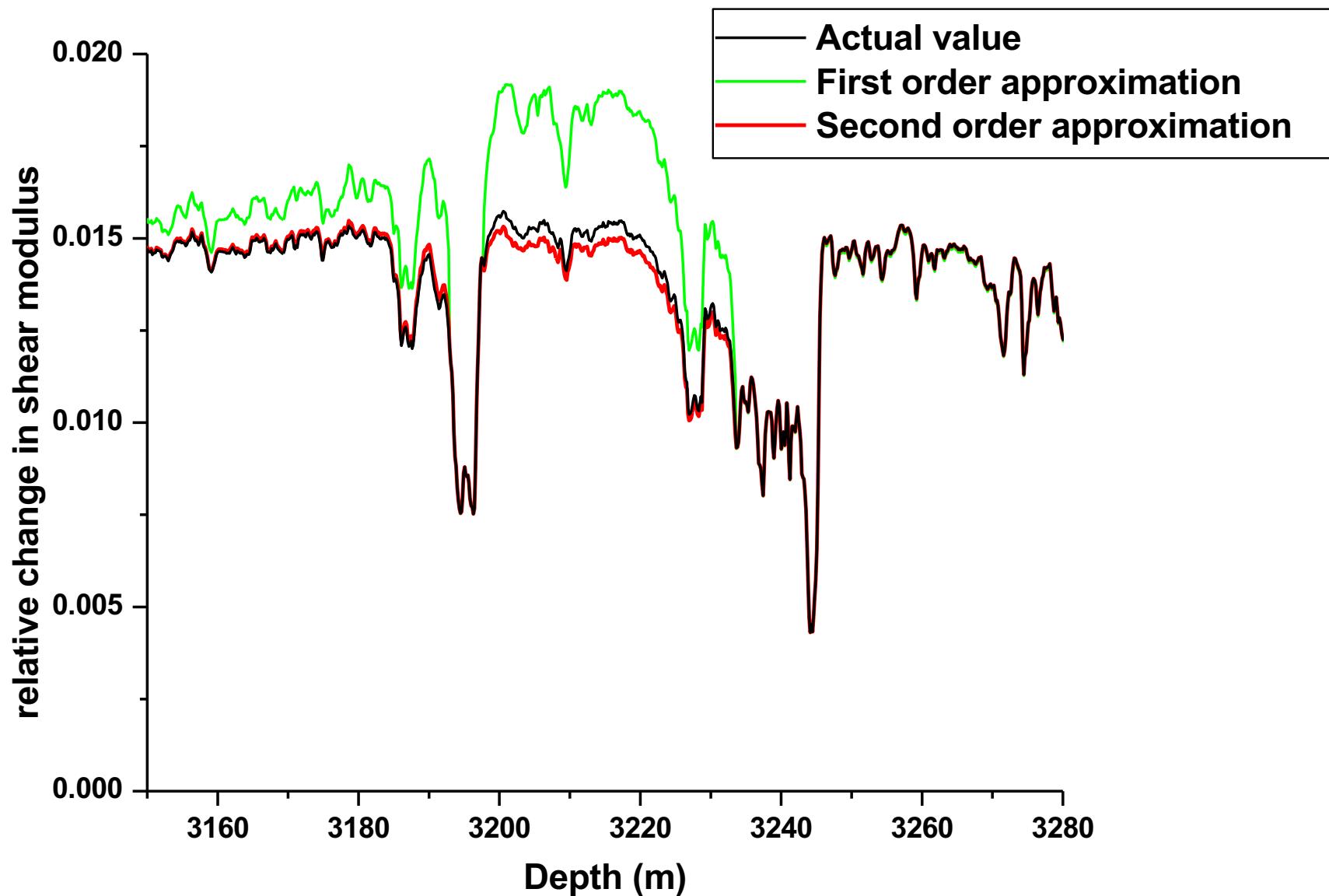
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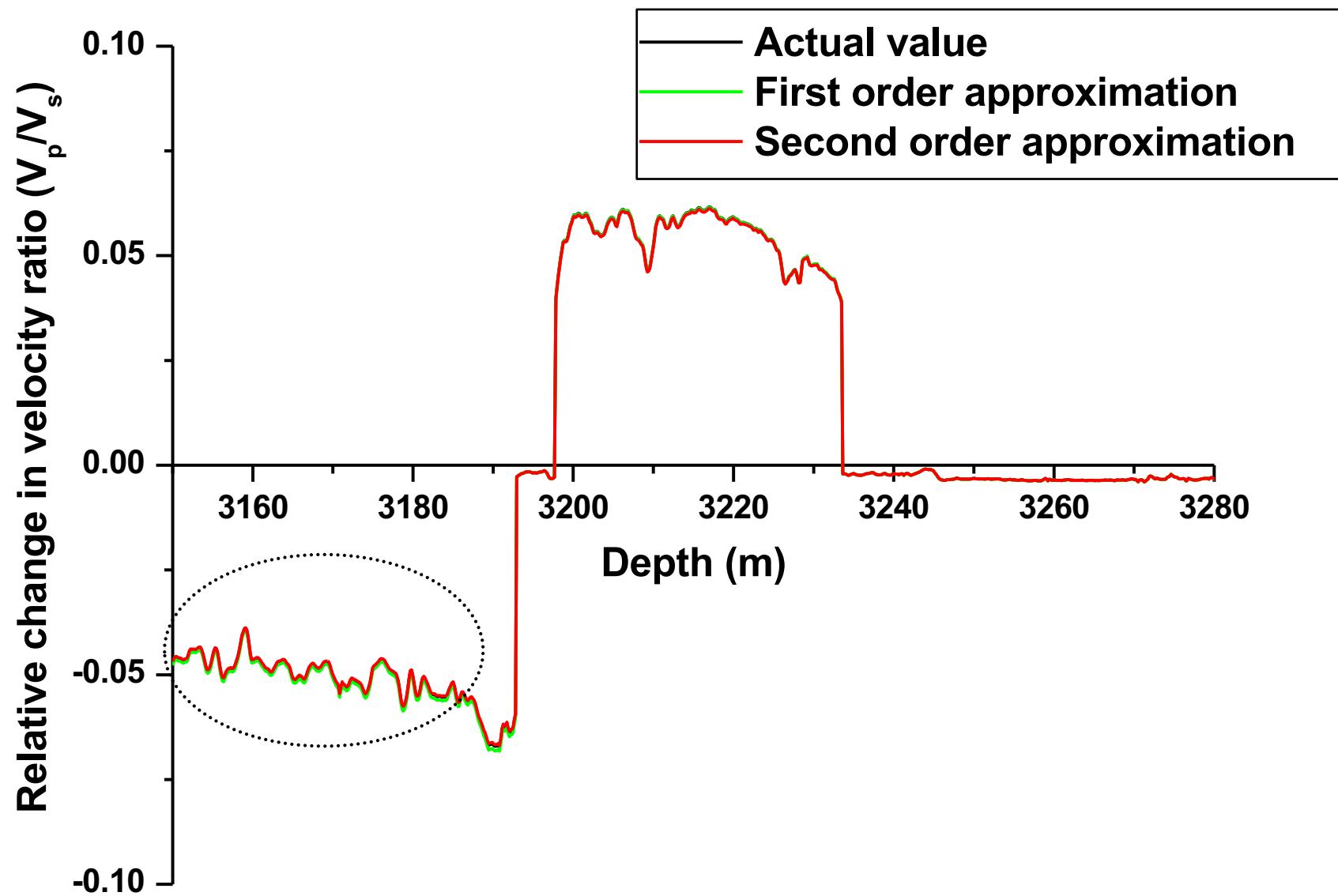
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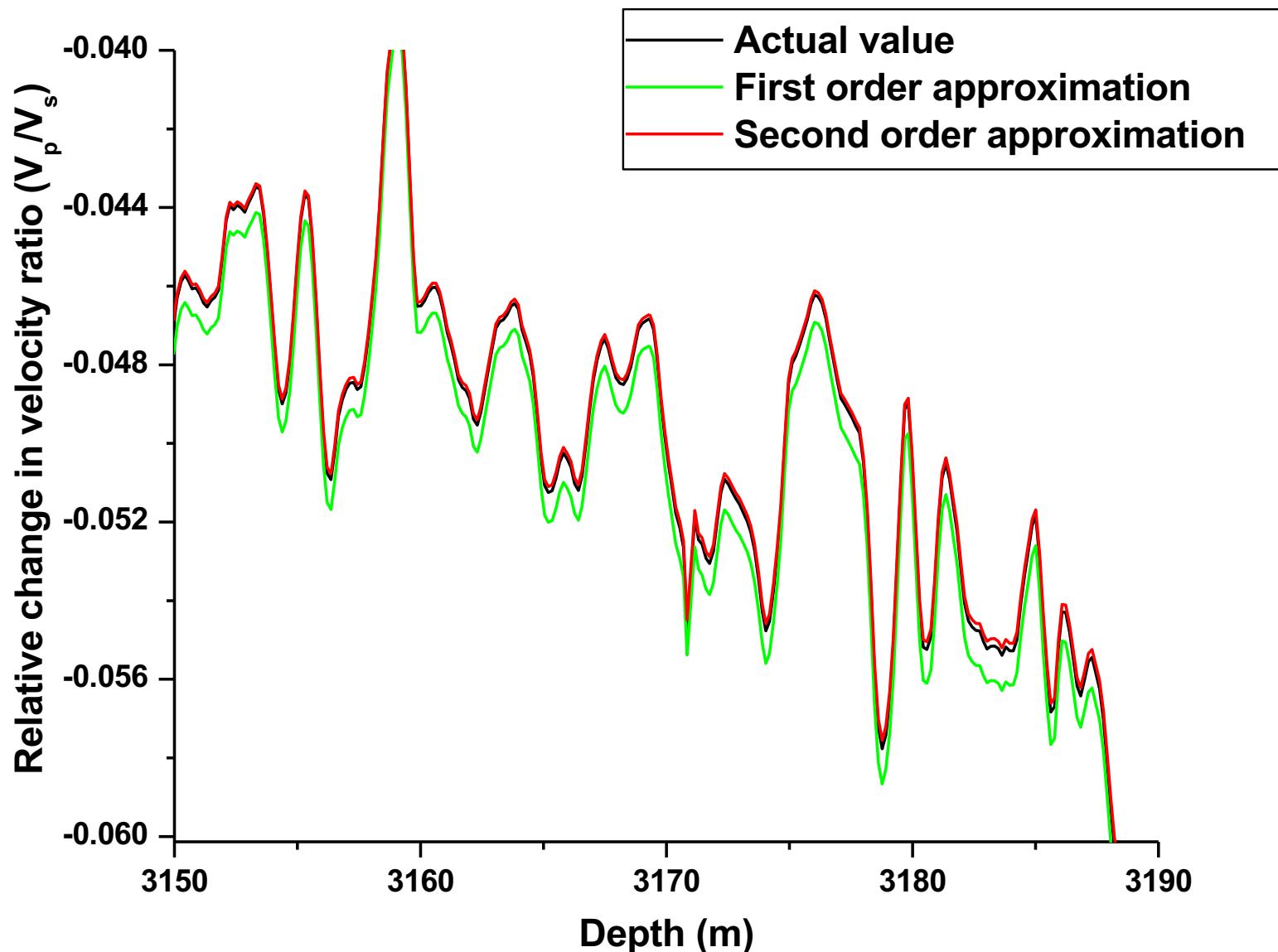
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# Observations

- The second order approximation provides improvements in the earth property predictions.
- In this well log data case, the second order approximation is more helpful for predicting shear modulus compared to  $V_p/V_s$ .

# Plan

- Comparing the first and second order algorithms in estimating shear modulus and Vp/Vs contrasts.
  - Heidrun synthetic data
  - Real seismic data tests (Heidrun)

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