

# P-wave and S-wave near-surface characterization in NEBC

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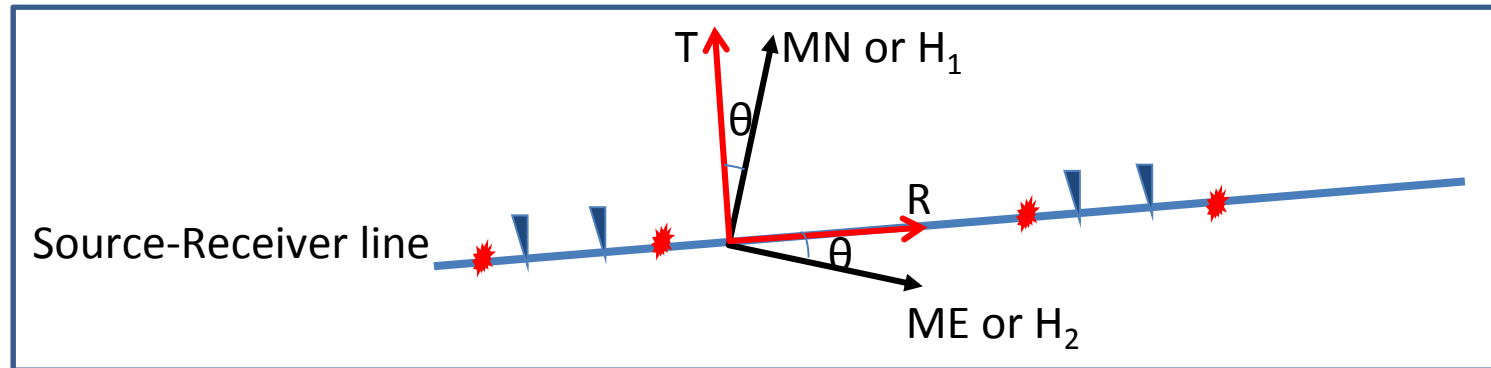
# Objectives

- Obtain precise P-wave and S-wave depth-velocity models for the near-surface.
- Compare  $V_p/V_s$  results with well log data.
- Derive S-wave statics as these are known to be much greater than P-wave statics and are difficult to obtain.
- Ultimately apply results of this work to the processing of a 3D/3C seismic survey that will be acquired in the same area, and to provide constraints on registration of PP and PS volumes.

# Procedure

- Two datasets: Vibrator sources in V and SH mode. Multi-component receivers.
- Rotate the horizontal component data, pick first break arrivals, apply the plus-minus analysis method and determine near-surface velocity and depth model.
- Calculate static corrections to datum for P and S data.
- Register PP and PS data for shallow horizons

# Data Rotation



$$R = H_2 * \cos \theta + H_1 * \sin \theta$$

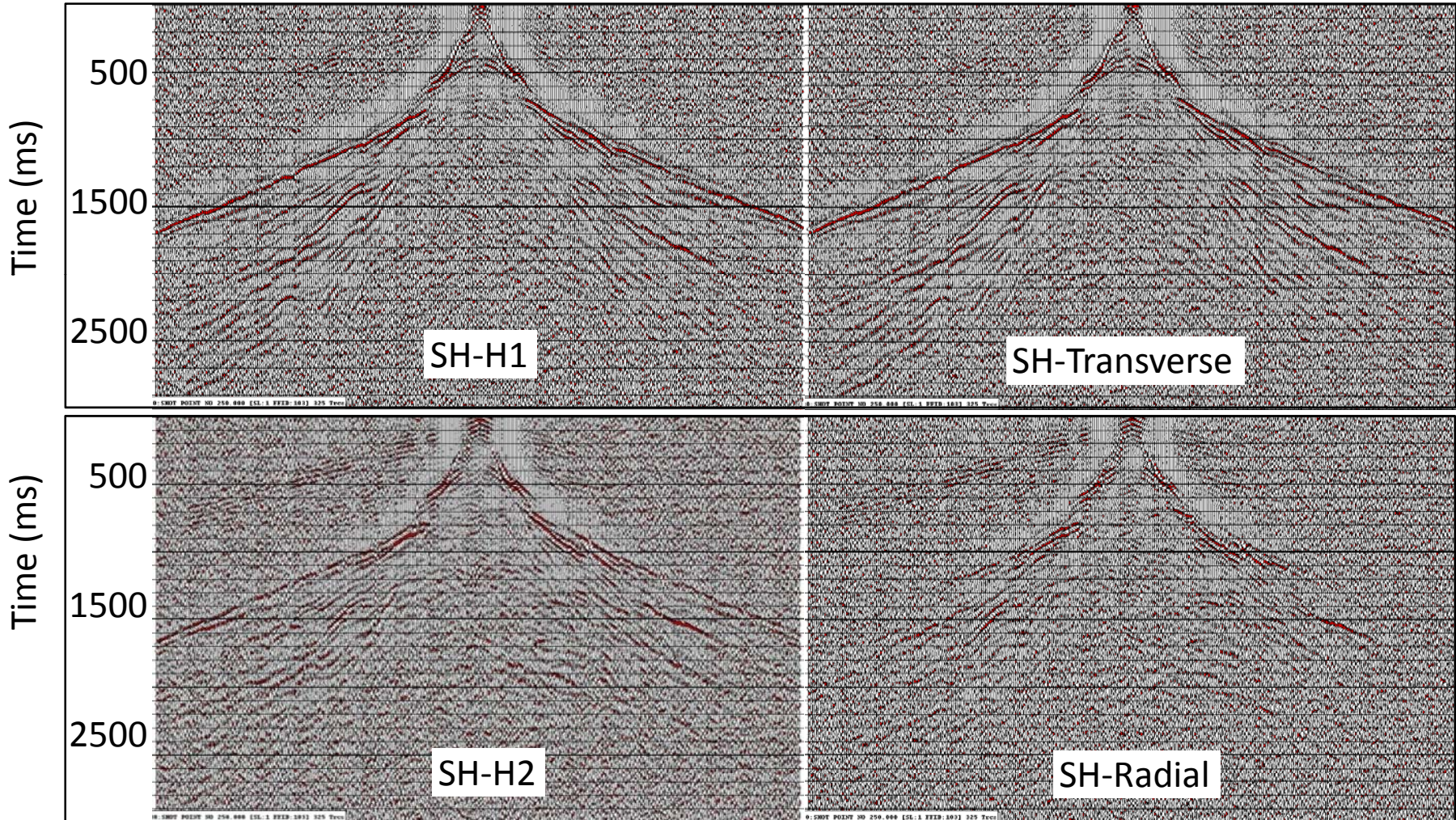
$$T = H_1 * \cos \theta - H_2 * \sin \theta$$

- Shear wave data processing requires the rotation of the data acquired.
- The radial component (R) contains predominantly SV and P-wave modes, while the transverse (T) data are predominantly SH.

# Field data and rotations

Before Rotation

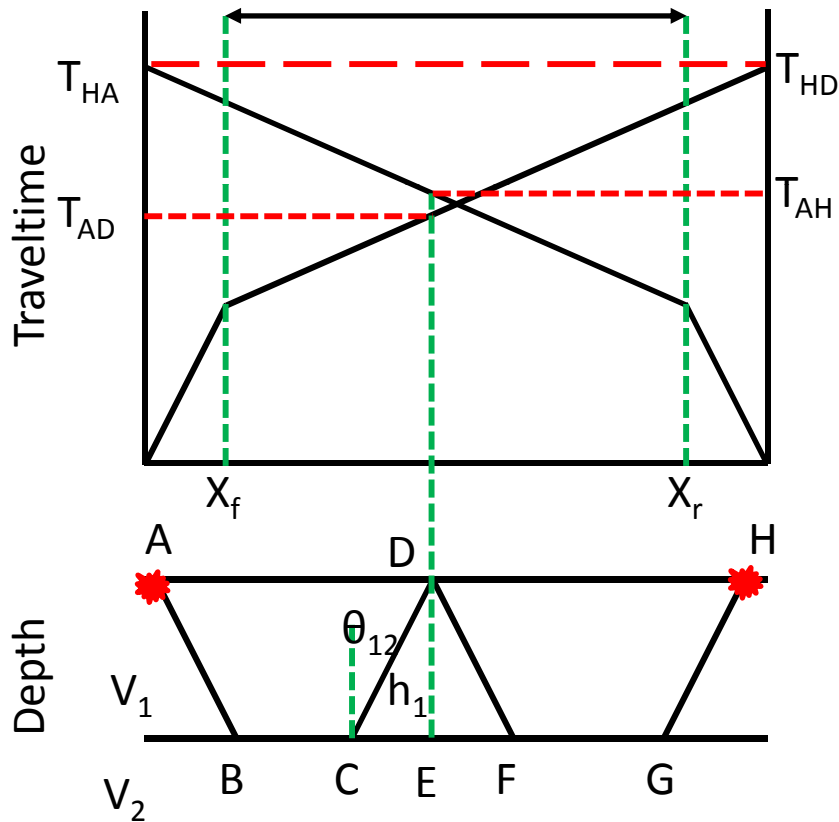
After Rotation



Maximum offset = 1500 m

# Plus-minus analysis

Plus-Minus Time analysis window



$$T_D^+ = T_{AD} + T_{HD} - T_{AH}$$

## 2-layer case

$$h_1 = \frac{T_D^+ * V_1}{2 \cos \theta_{12}}$$

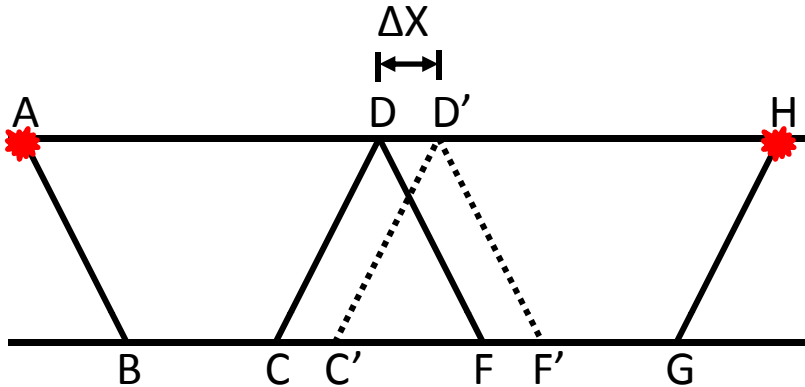
## 3-layer case

$$h_2 = \left[ T_D^+ - \frac{2 * h_1 * \cos \theta_{13}}{V_1} \right] * \frac{V_2}{2 \cos \theta_{23}}$$

Where

$$\theta_{ij} = \sin^{-1}(V_i / V_j)$$

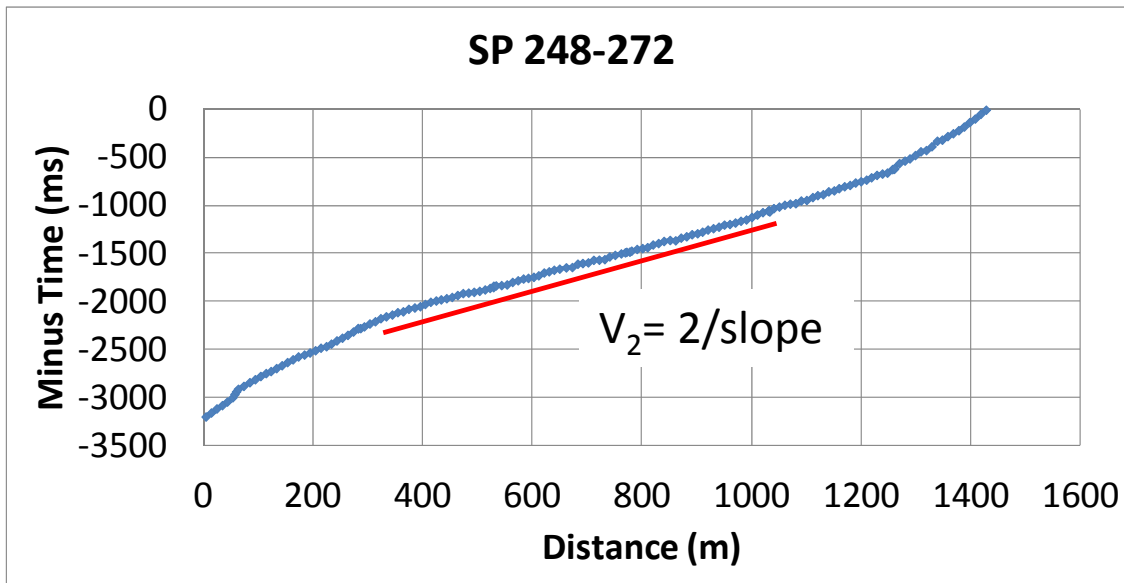
# Velocity analysis



$$T_D^- = T_{AD} - T_{HD} - T_{AH}$$

$$T_{D'}^- = T_{AD'} - T_{HD'} - T_{AH}$$

$$T_D^- = T_{D'}^- - \frac{2 * \Delta X}{V_2}$$

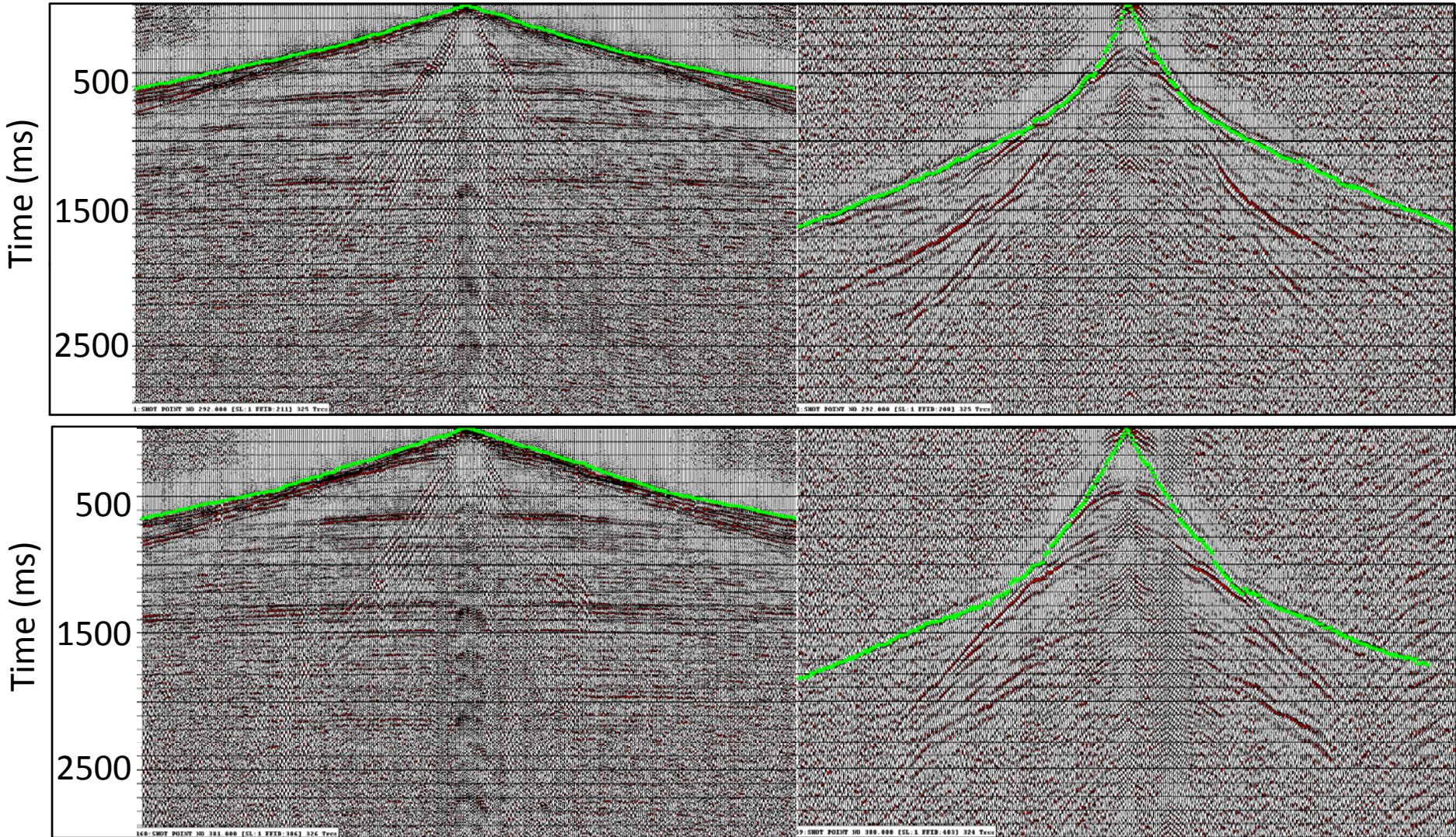




# Data & first-break picks

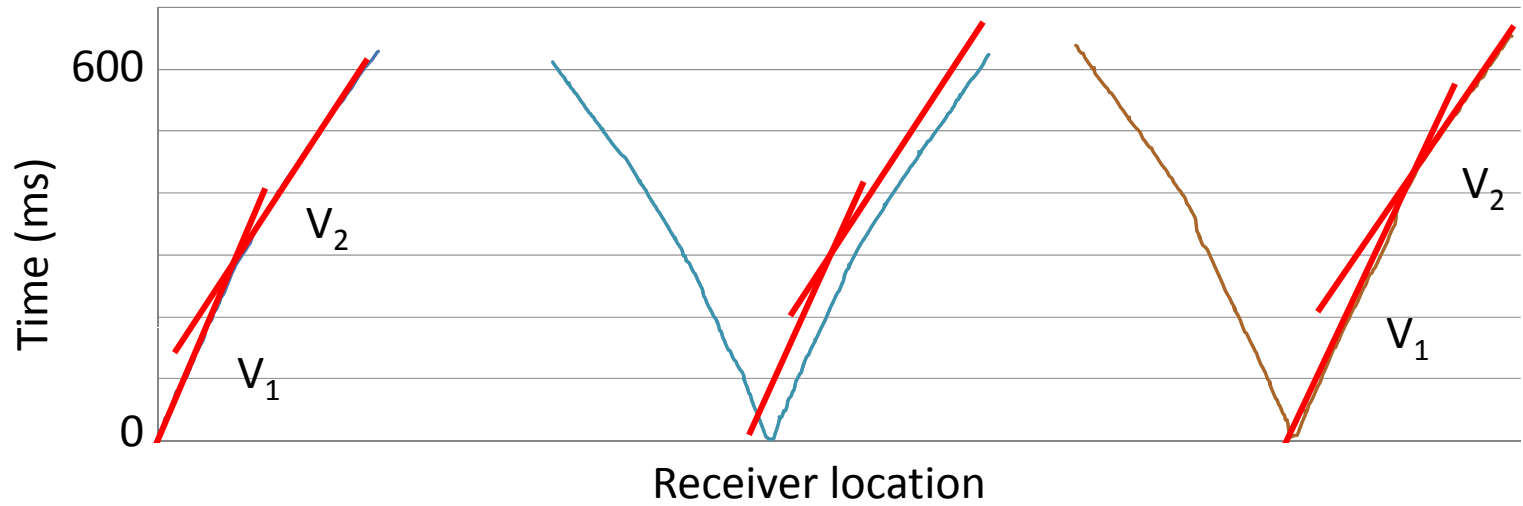
Vertical component

Transverse component

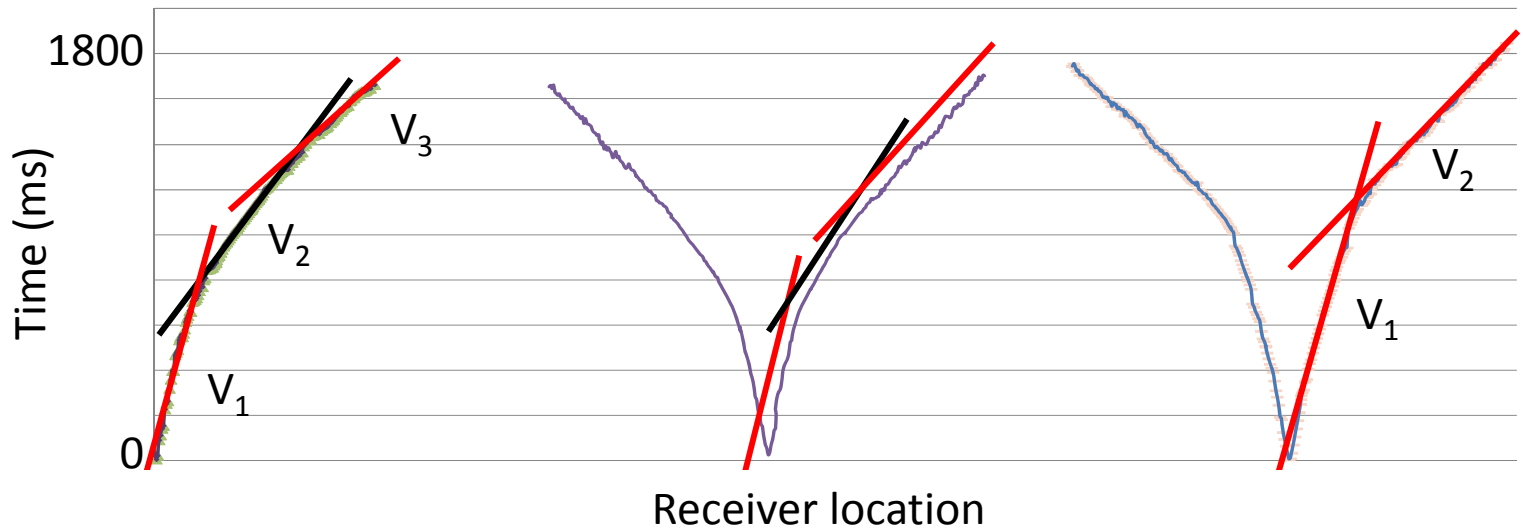


# First-break travel-time analysis

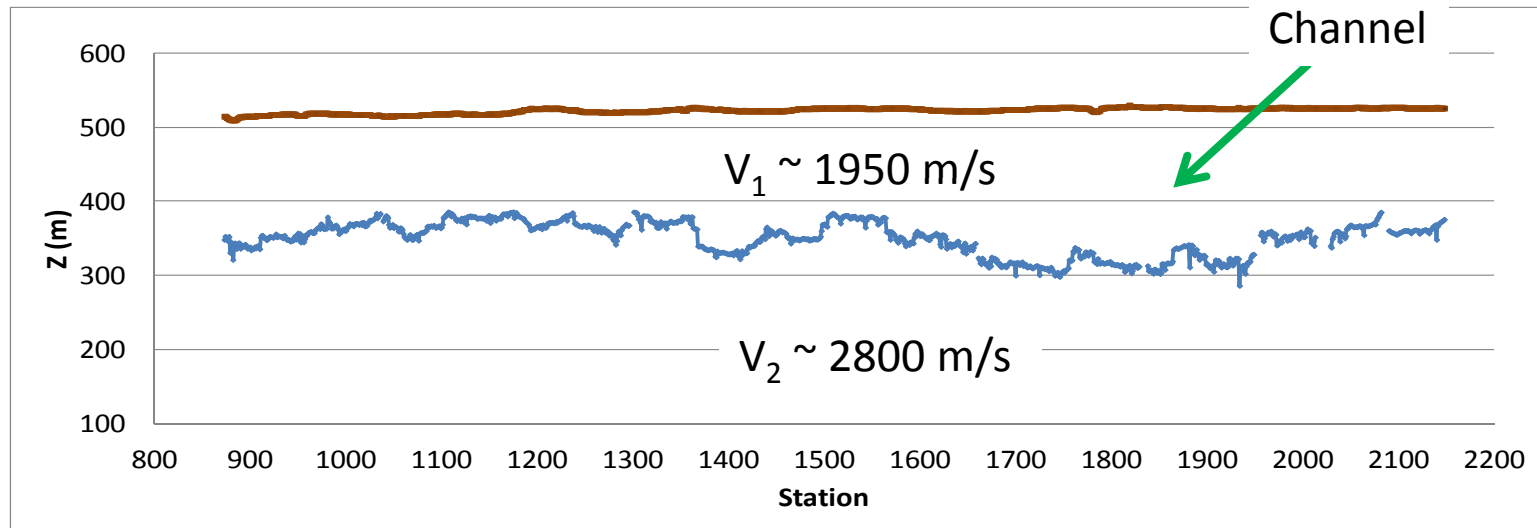
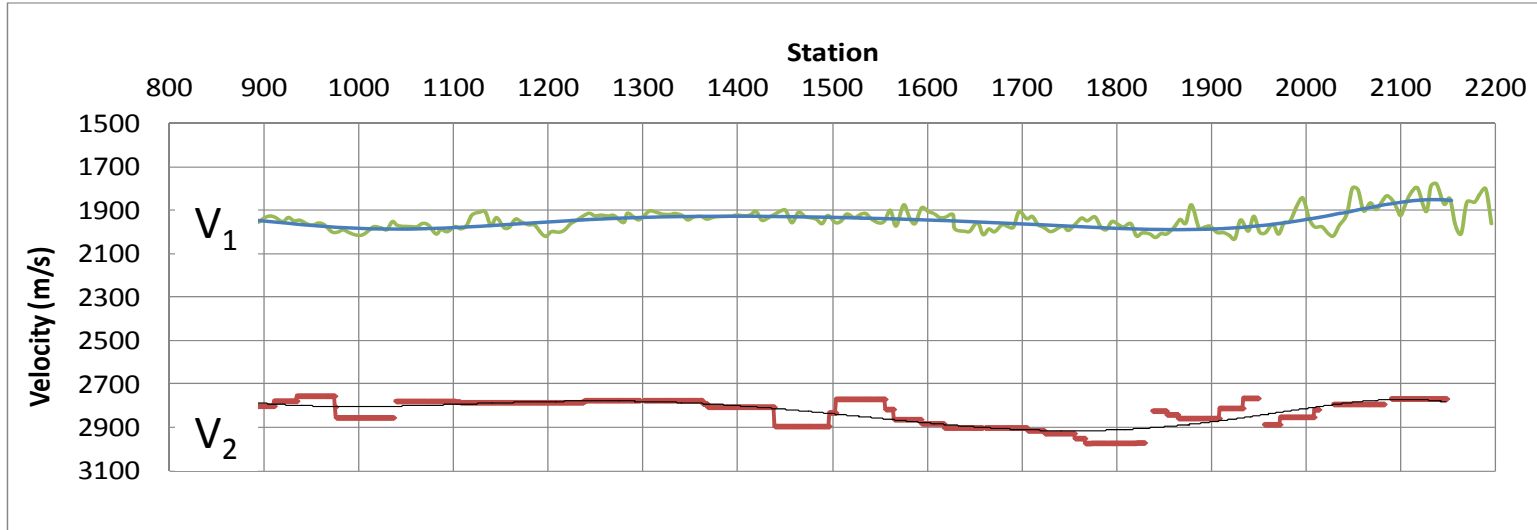
**P data**



**SH data**

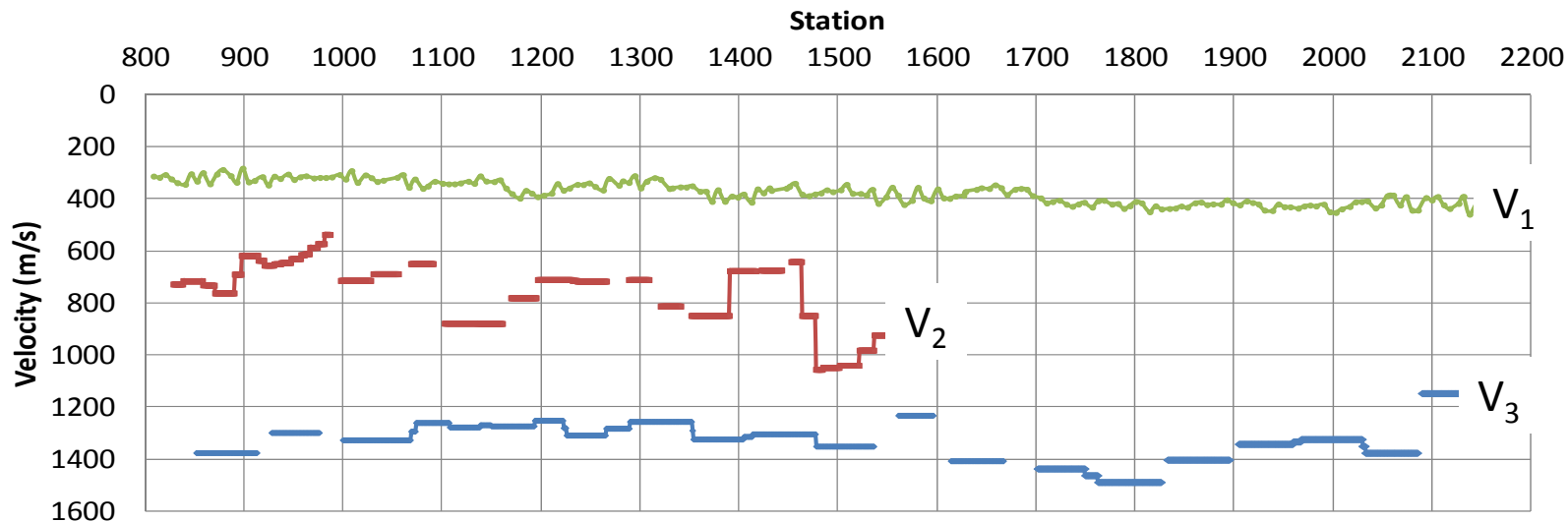


# P-wave velocity & depth profile

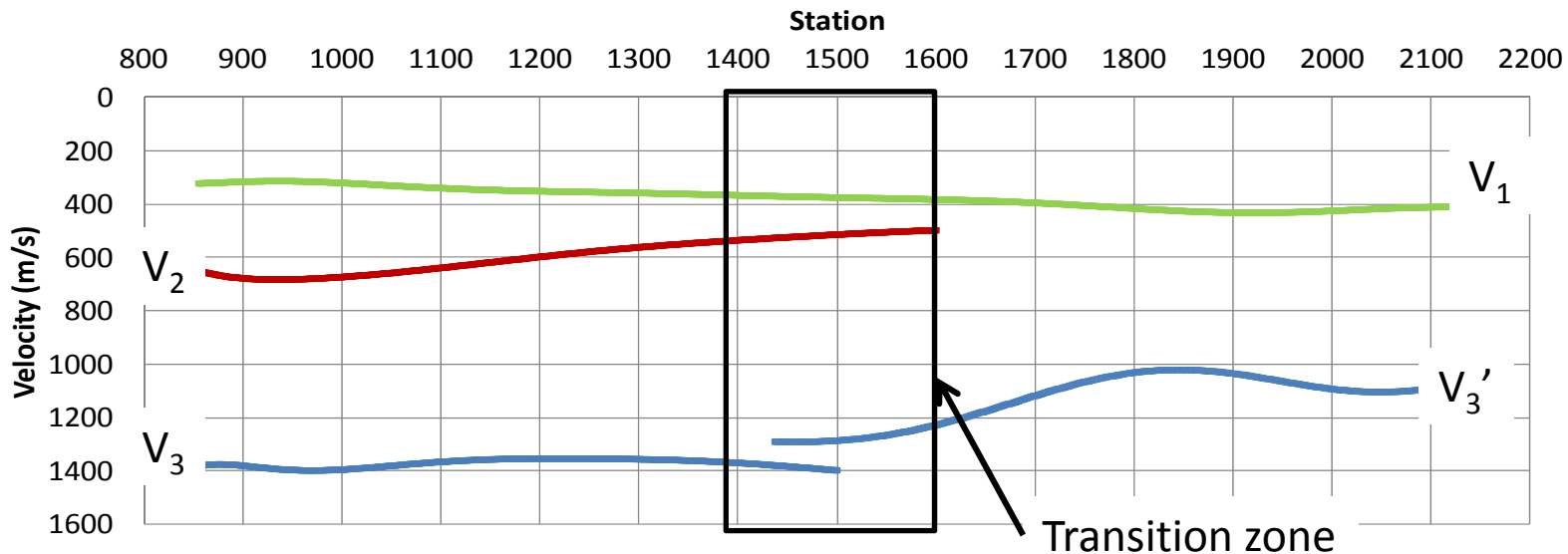


# SH-wave data - velocity analysis

Manual

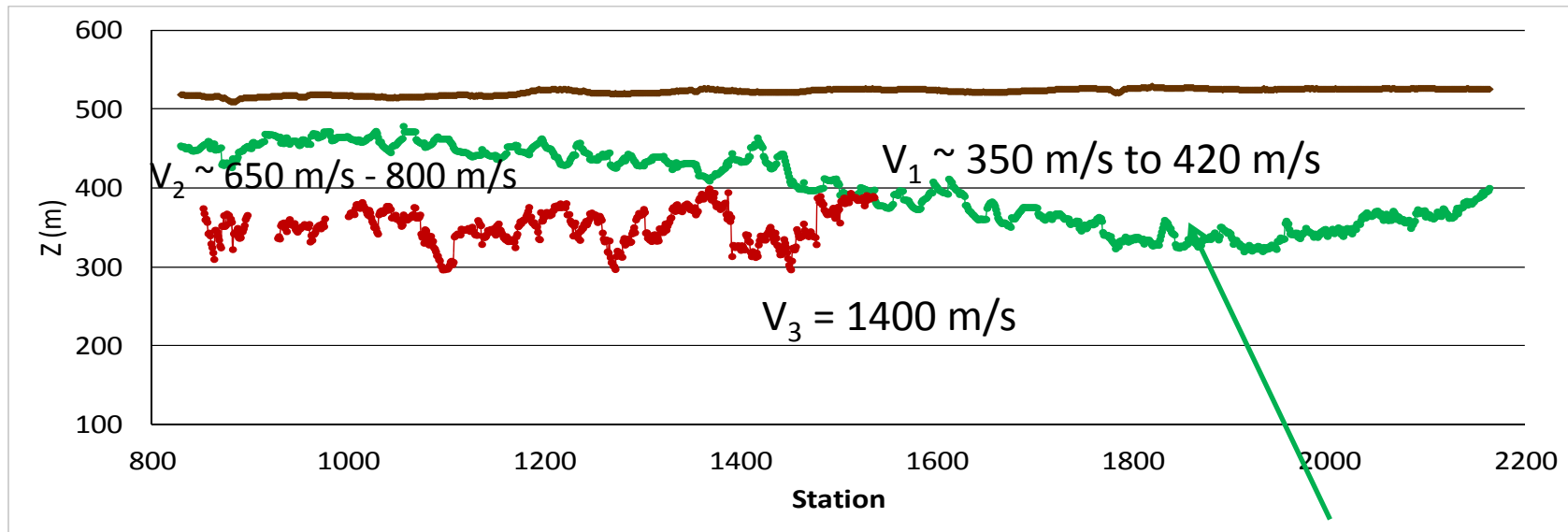


Automatic



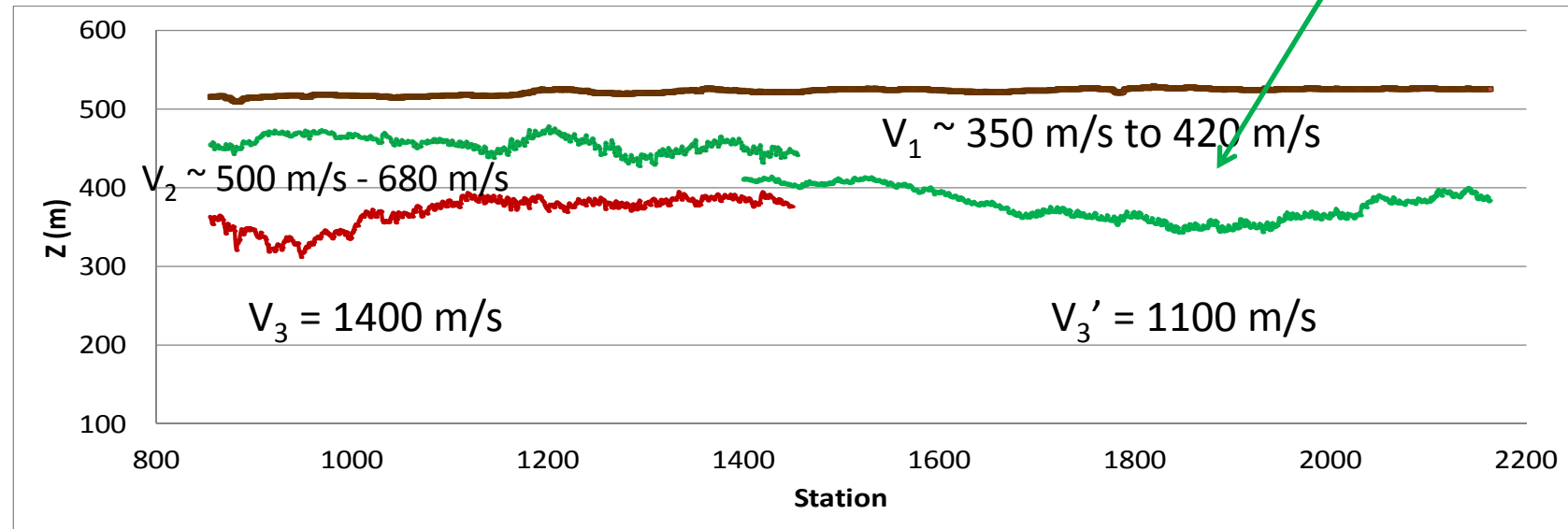
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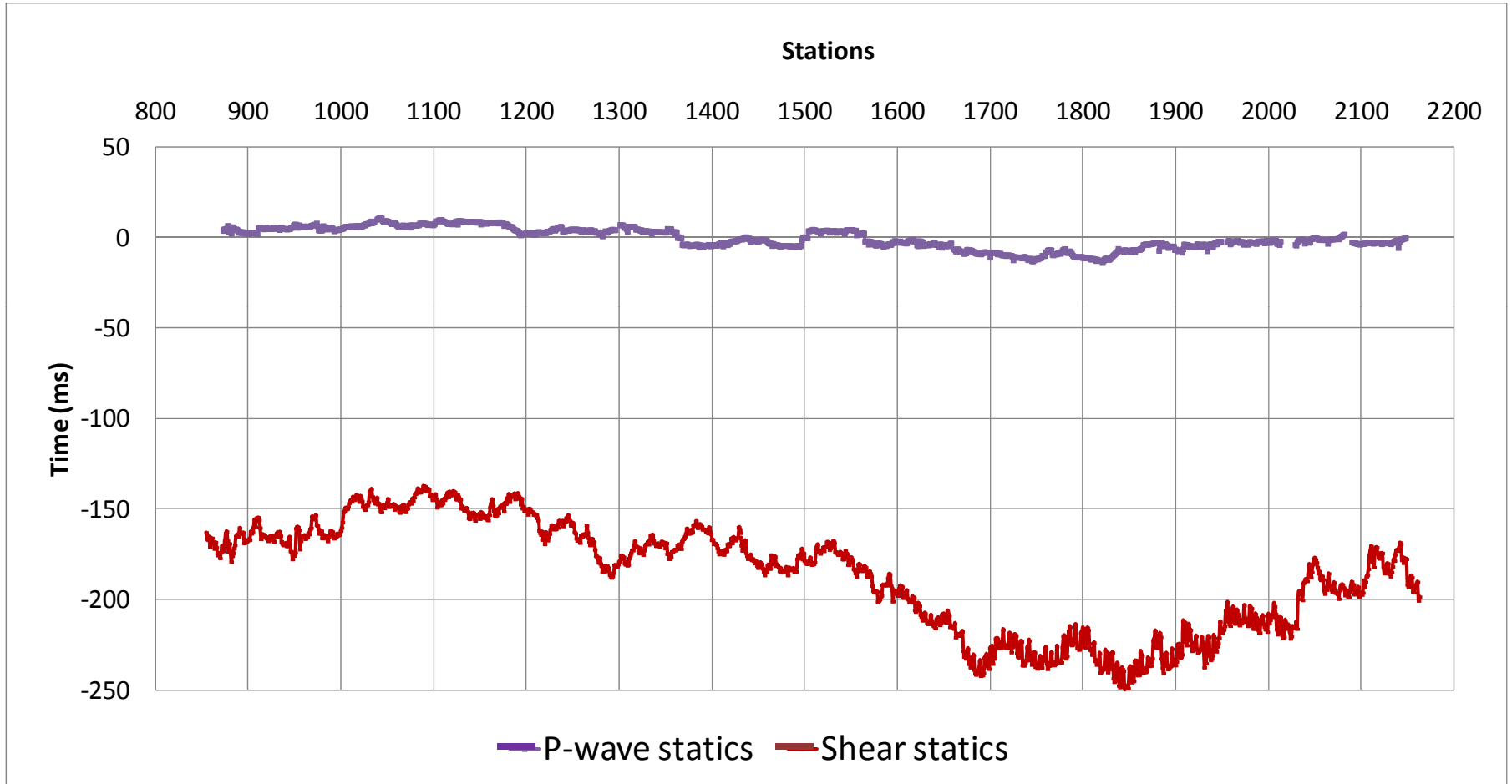


Channel

Automatic



# Receiver static corrections



**P wave data**

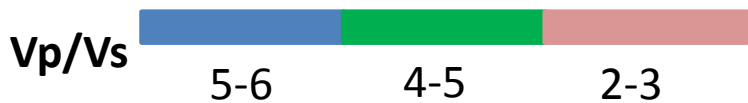
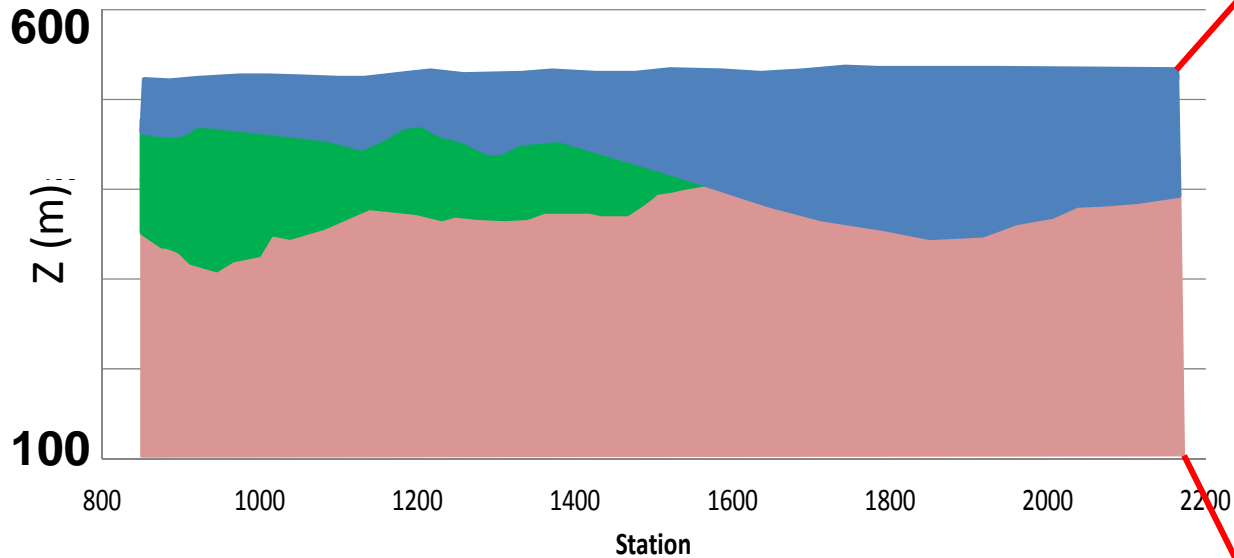
**Datum= 600 m**  
 **$V_r = 2800$  m/s**

**SH wave data**

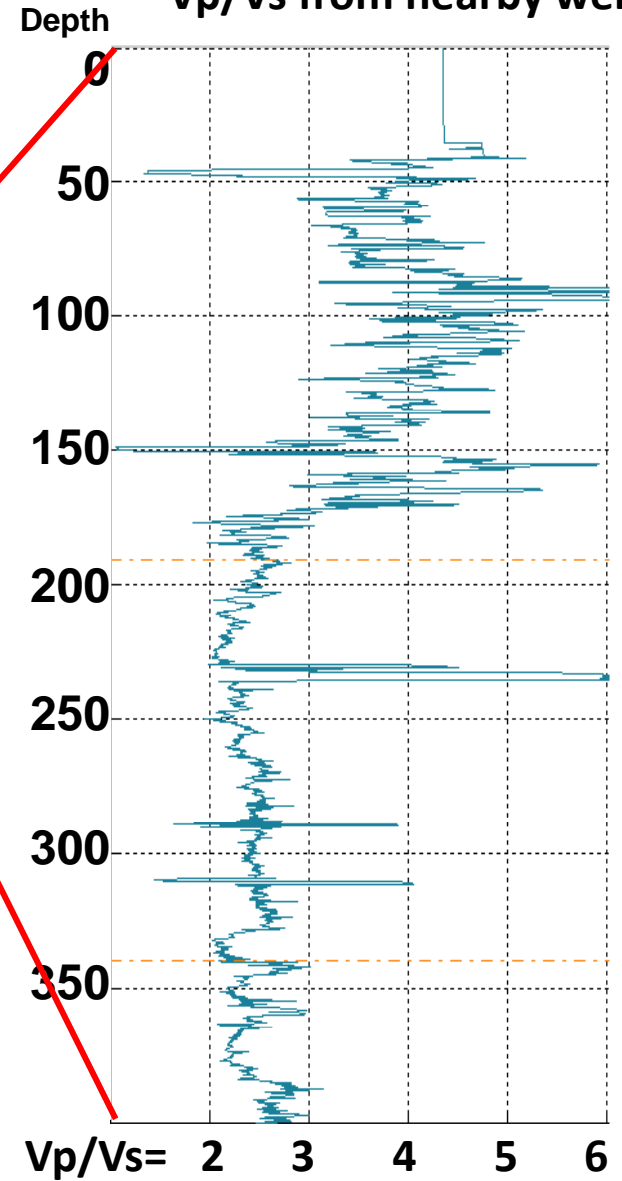
**Datum = 600 m**  
 **$V_r = 1400$  m/s**

# Vp/Vs analysis

Vp/Vs obtained from the plus-minus analysis

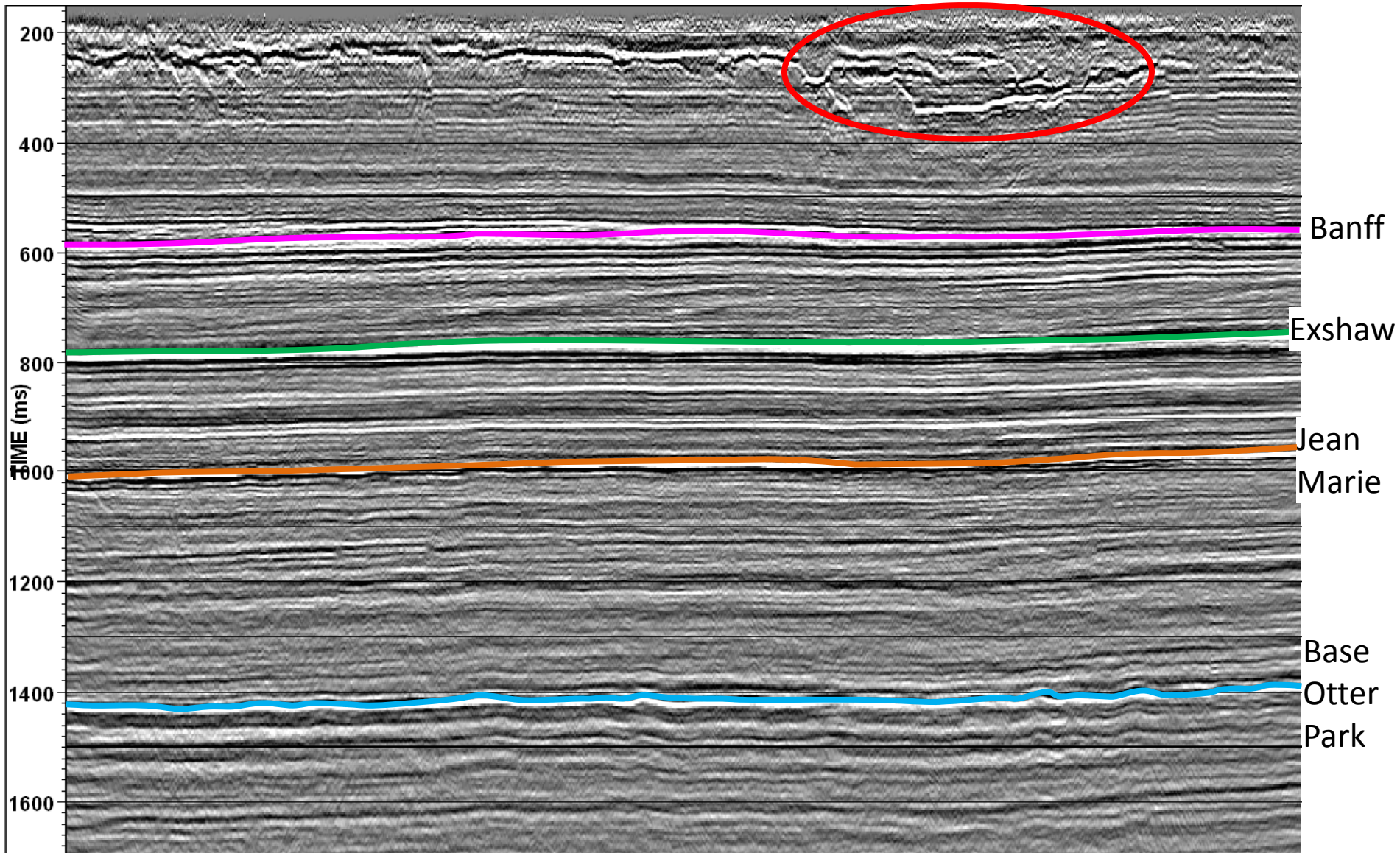


Vp/Vs from nearby well



# PP data

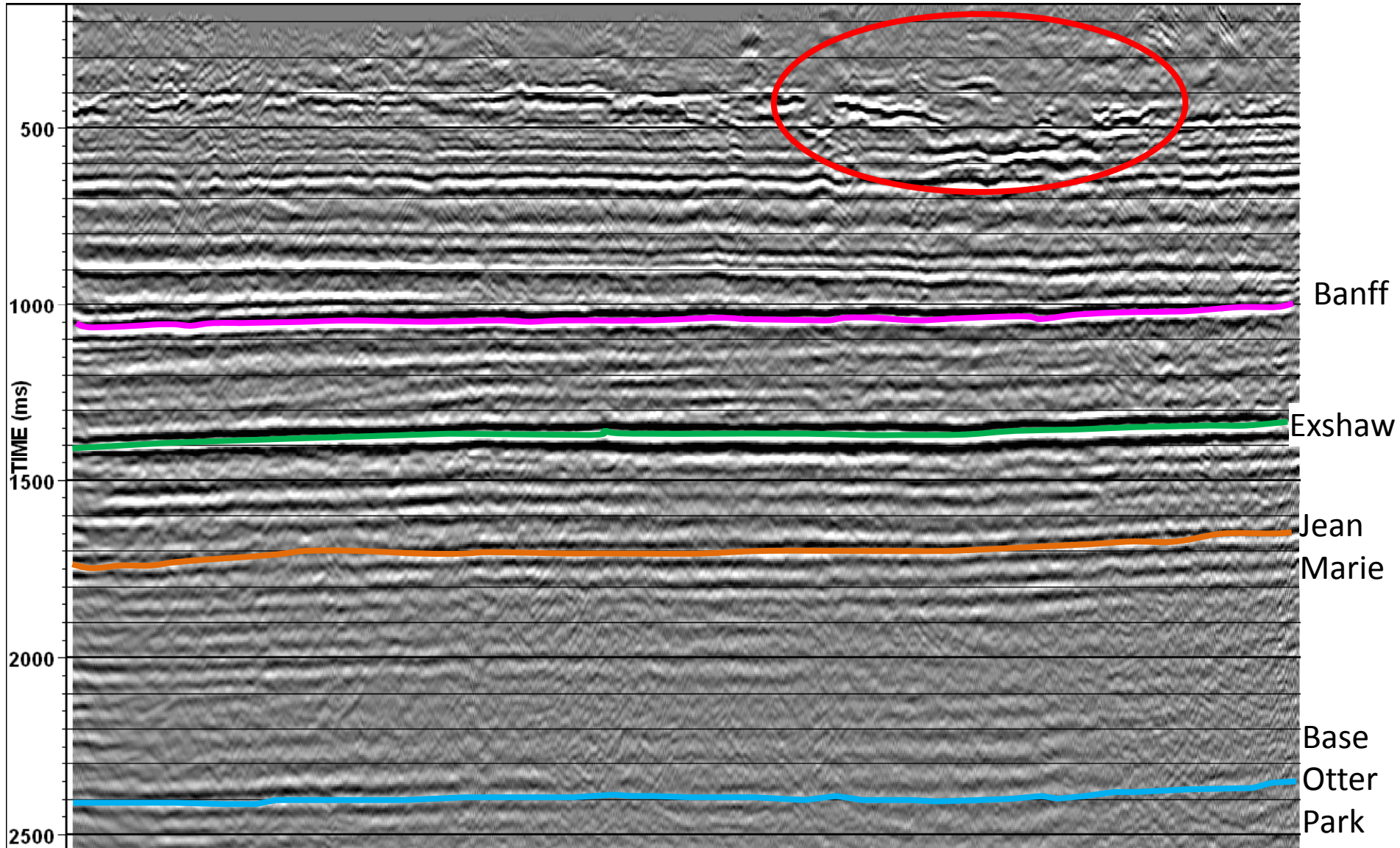
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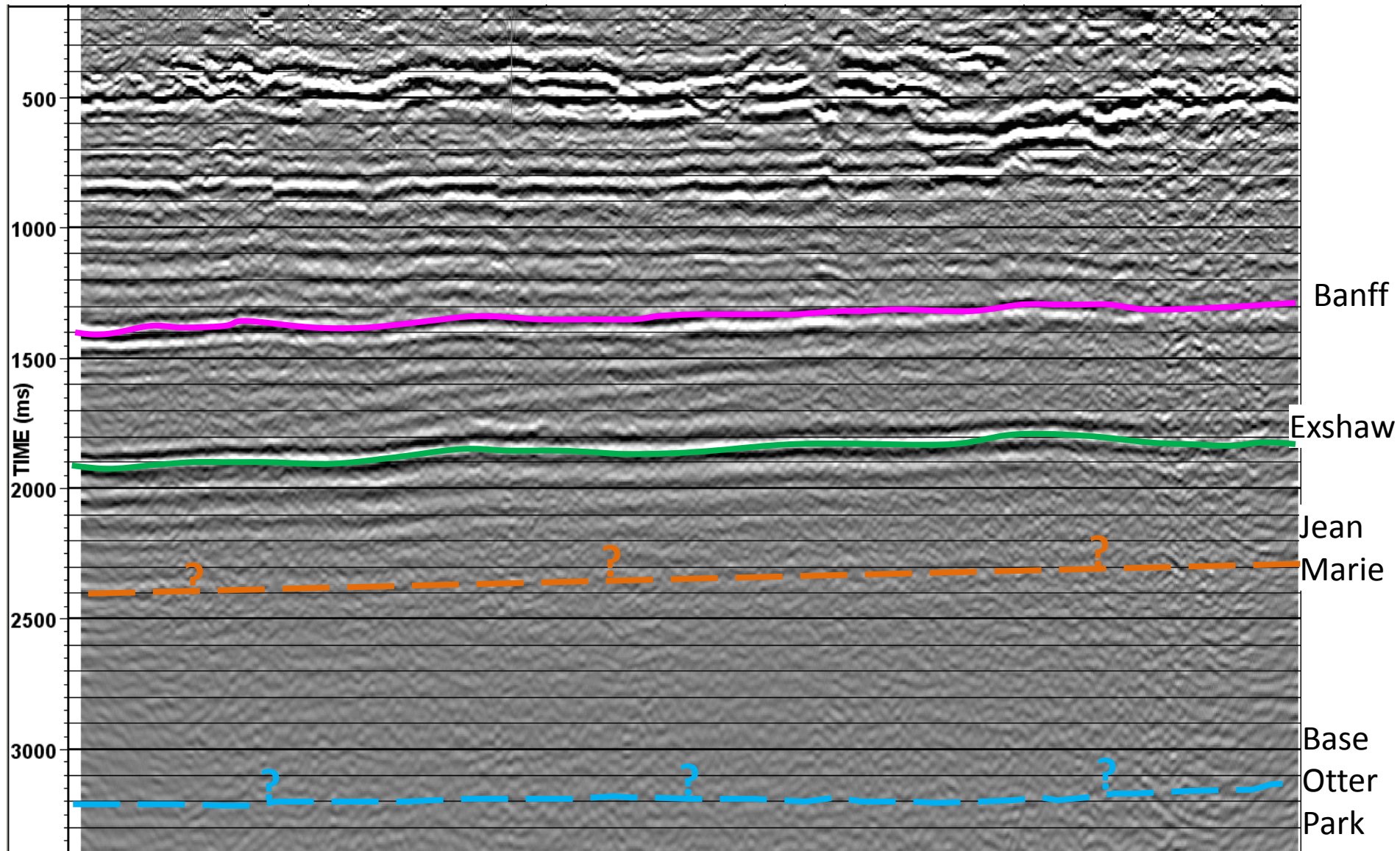


# PS data

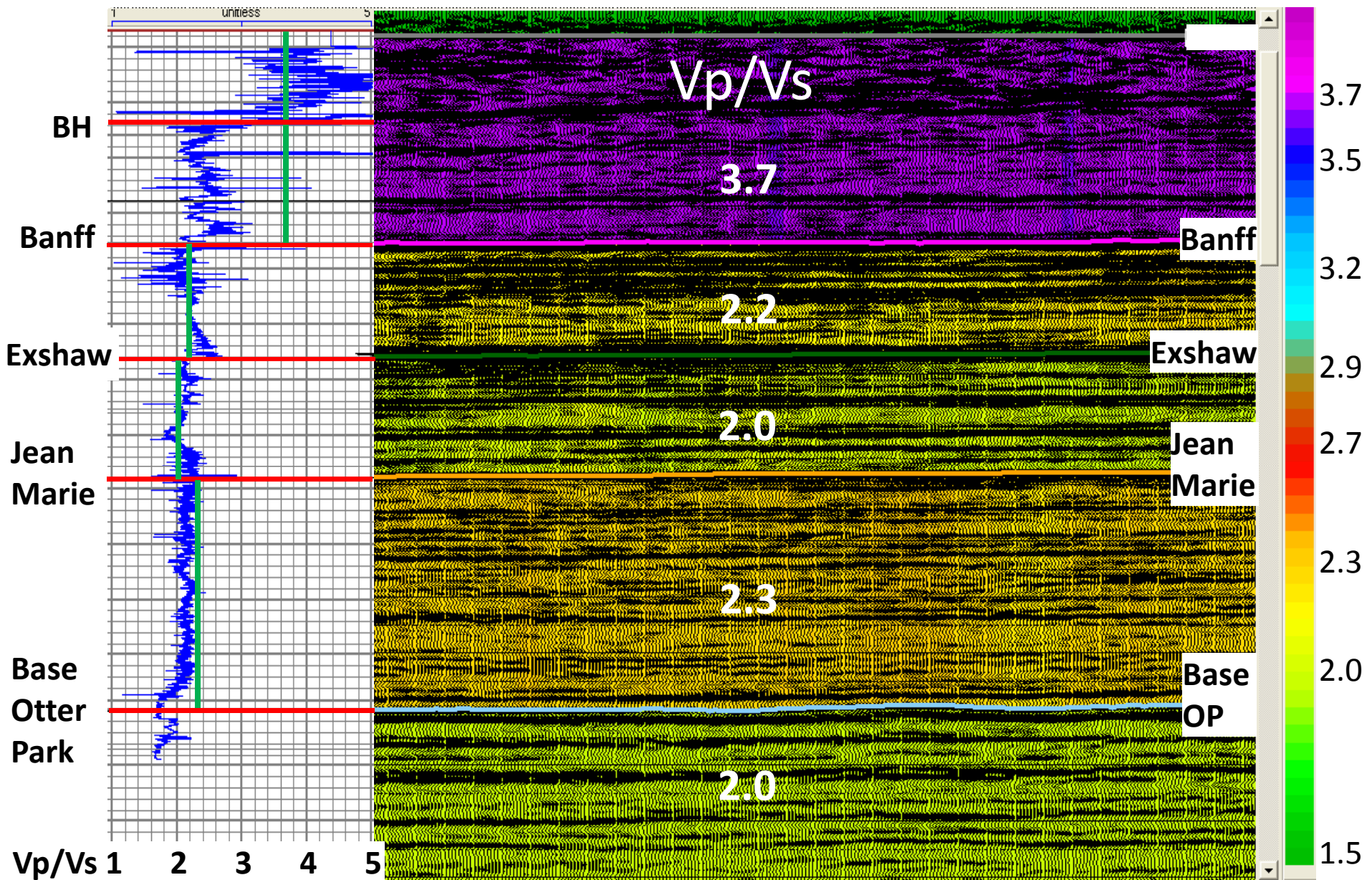
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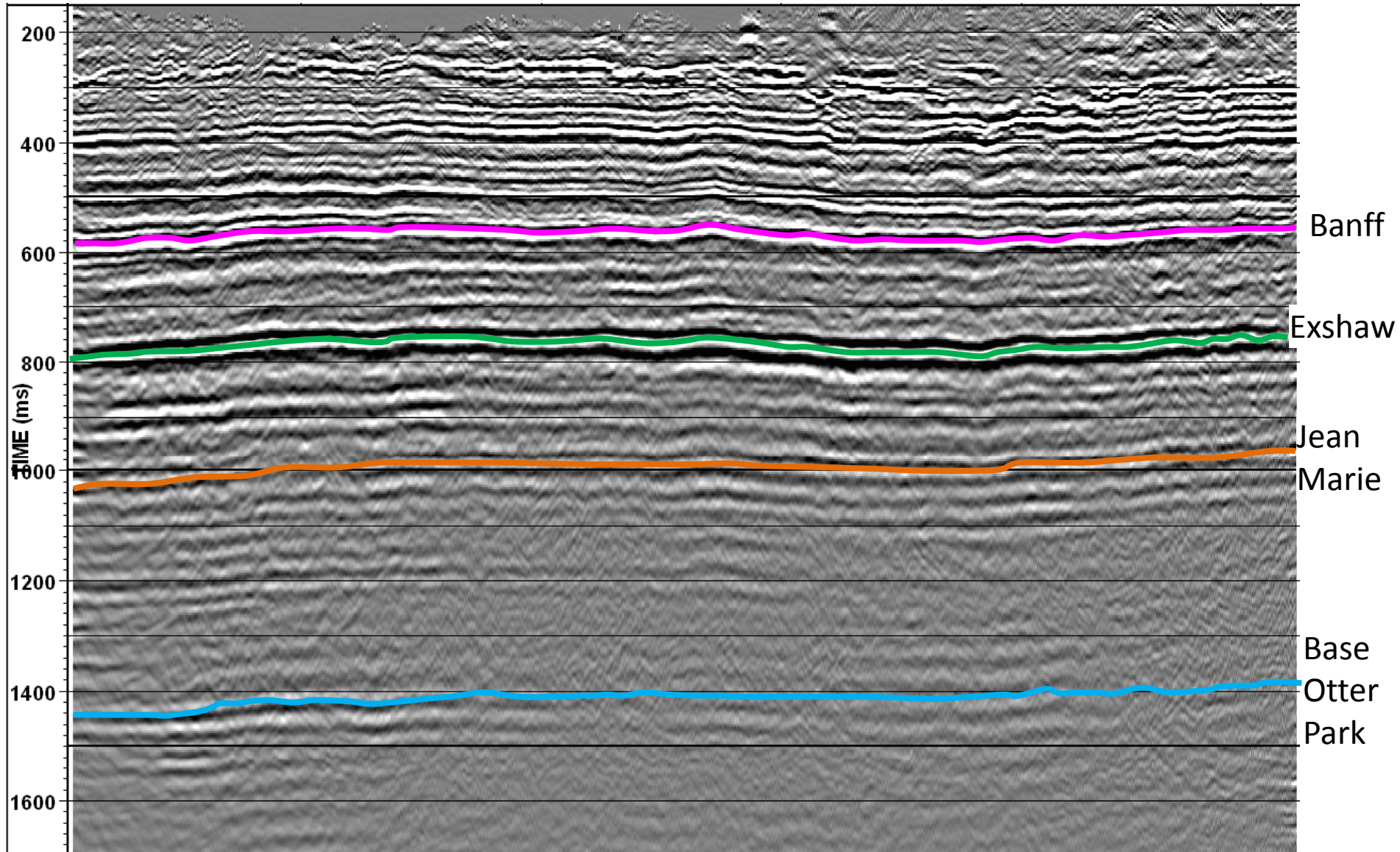
# SH data



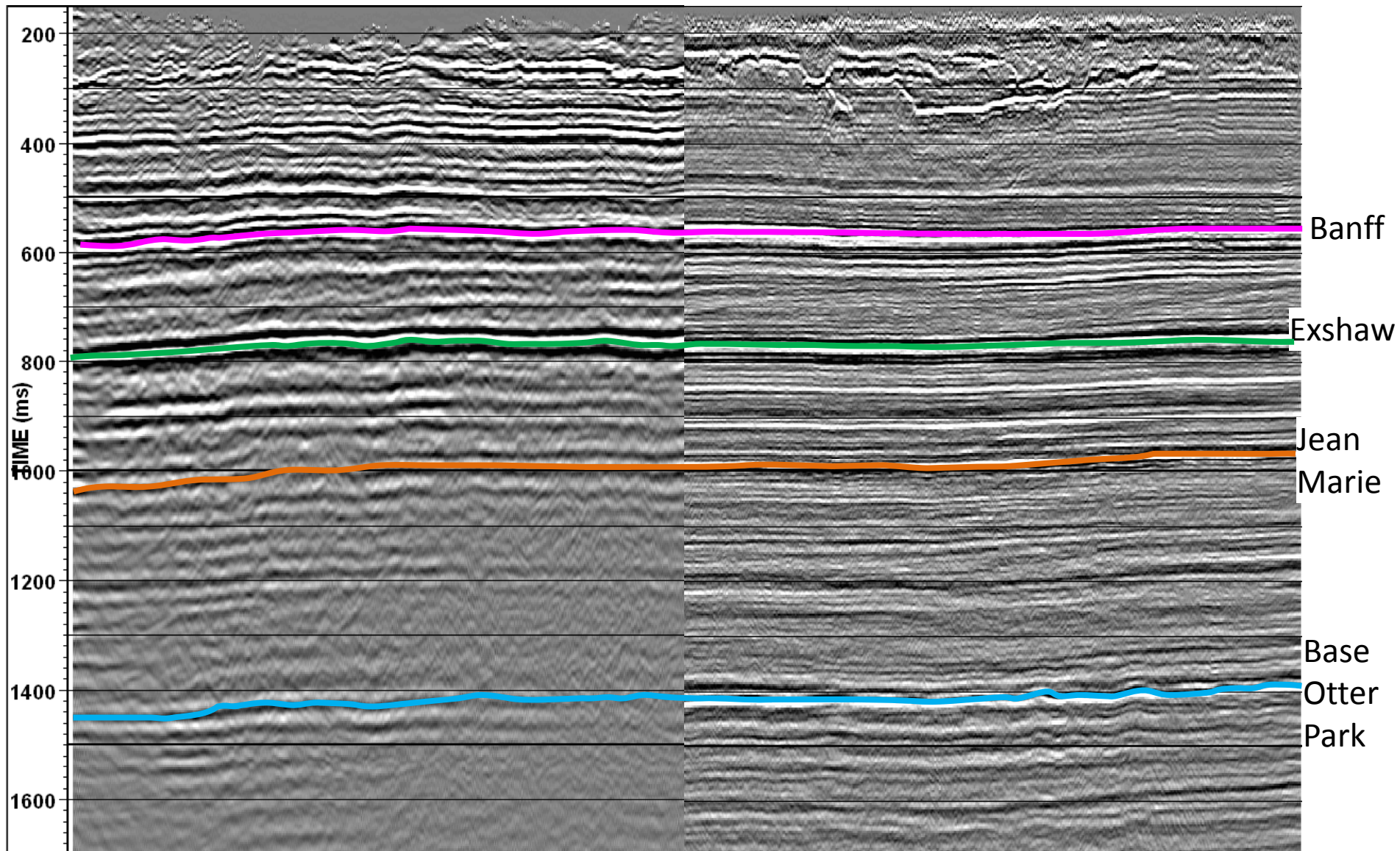
# Vp/Vs after event registration



# PS data in PP time



# PS data vs PP data



# Conclusions

- Different models were obtained from P-wave data and SH data due to more sensitivity of the shear data. For the P-wave, 1950 m/s and 2800 m/s were found for the first and second layer, respectively. For the SH-wave data, 350-420 m/s, 600-800 m/s and 1400 m/s for first, second and third layers, respectively
- The static correction times for SH-wave data are much greater than the static corrections times for P-wave data, as is expected. SH-wave statics range was -150 to -250 ms and P-wave statics varies from -15 ms to 15 ms.
- Well log information is very important in order to validate seismic reflectors on the data and to confirm PP and PS registration through comparison of  $V_p/V_s$ .

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