

# Self-Adaptive hp Finite-Element Simulation of Dual-Laterolog Measurements in Dipping, Invaded, and Anisotropic Formations

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# Overview

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  - Induction Instruments (D. Pardo + M. Paszynski).**
3. **Parallel Implementation (M. Paszynski).**
4. **Applications: Dual-Laterolog Instruments (M. J. Nam).**
5. **Multi-Physics: Sonic Instruments (Ch. Michler).**
6. **Conclusions and Future Work (Ch. Michler).**

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- **Embedded Post-Processing Method.**
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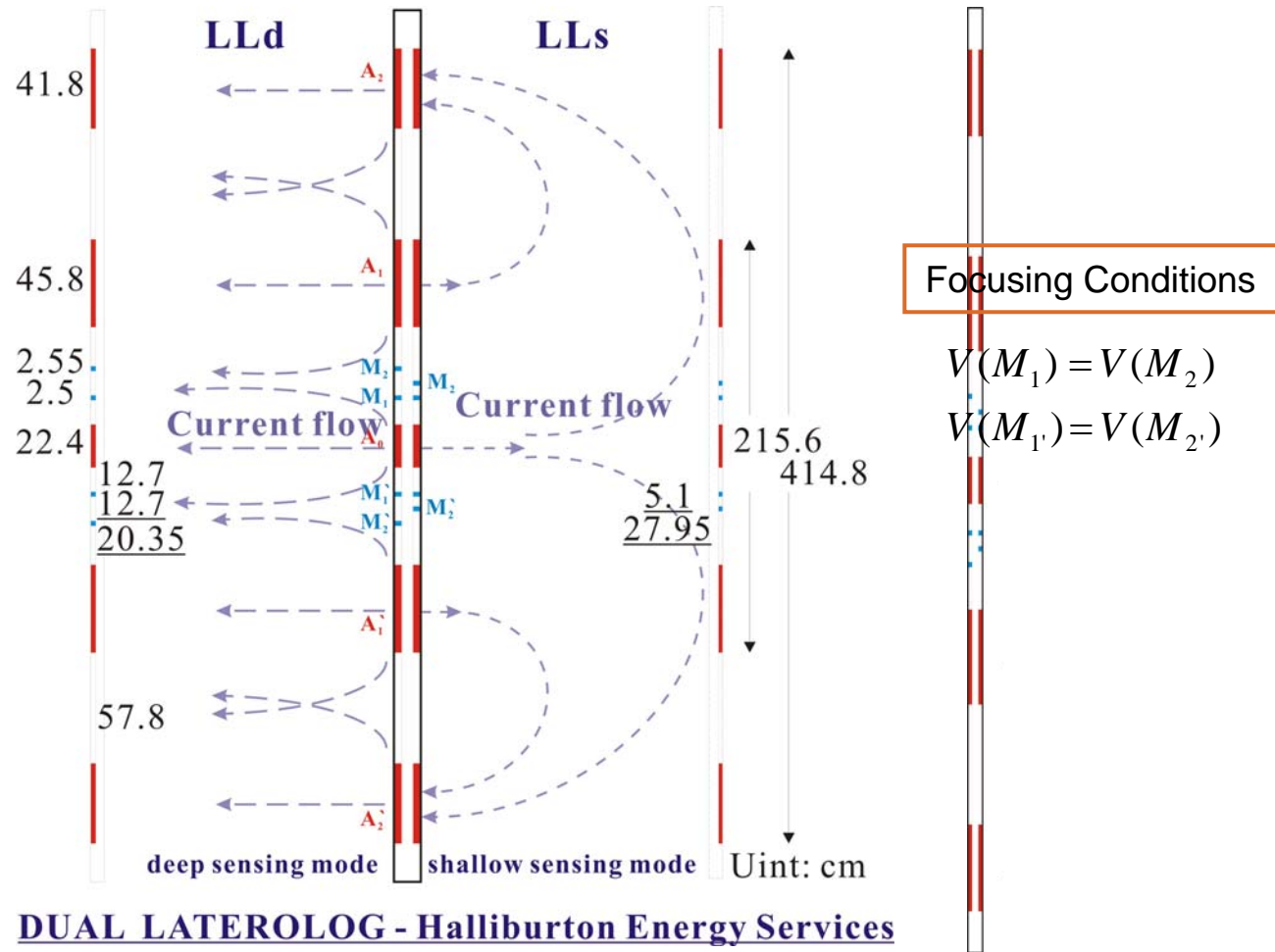
# Method

**Combination of:**

- 1. A Self-Adaptive Goal-Oriented hp-FEM for DC problems.**
- 2. A Fourier Series Expansion in a Non-Orthogonal System of Coordinates.**
- 3. Embedded Post-Processing Method (EPPM).**

# Dual-Laterolog

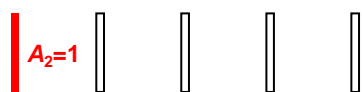
- Description and Determination of Intensities ( $W_j$ ) of Bucking Currents



DUAL LATEROLOG - Halliburton Energy Services

# Post-Processing Method

## Synthetic Focusing (Cozzolino et al, 2007)



(1) Focusing conditions

$$V(M_1) = V(M_2)$$

$$V(M_{1'}) = V(M_{2'})$$

(2) Total potential on  $M_j$

→ Superposition principle

$$V(M_2) = W_2 V_{2,2} + W_1 V_{2,1} + V_{2,0} + W_1' V_{2,1'} + W_2' V_{2,2'}$$

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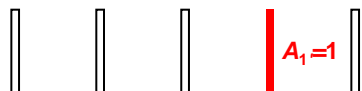


(3) Relationships between  $W_j$

$$W_2 = (W_1 + c), \quad W_2' = (W_1' + c) \text{ for LLd}$$

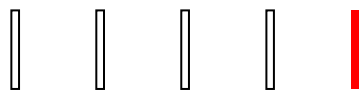
$$W_2 = -(W_1 + c), \quad W_2' = -(W_1' + c) \text{ for LLs}$$

with  $c = 0.5$



$W_j$  for LLd: < from (1) and (2) with the LLd relationship of (3) >

$$\begin{bmatrix} V_{1,2} + V_{1,1} - V_{2,2} - V_{2,1} & V_{1,1'} + V_{1,2'} - V_{2,1'} - V_{2,2'} \\ V_{2,2} + V_{2,1} - V_{1,2} - V_{1,1} & V_{2,1'} + V_{2,2'} - V_{1,1'} - V_{1,2'} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} W_1 \\ W_1' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} V_{2,0} - V_{1,0} + c(V_{2,2} + V_{2,2'} - V_{1,2} - V_{1,2'}) \\ V_{1',0} - V_{2',0} + c(V_{1',2} + V_{1',2'} - V_{2',2} - V_{2',2'}) \end{bmatrix}$$



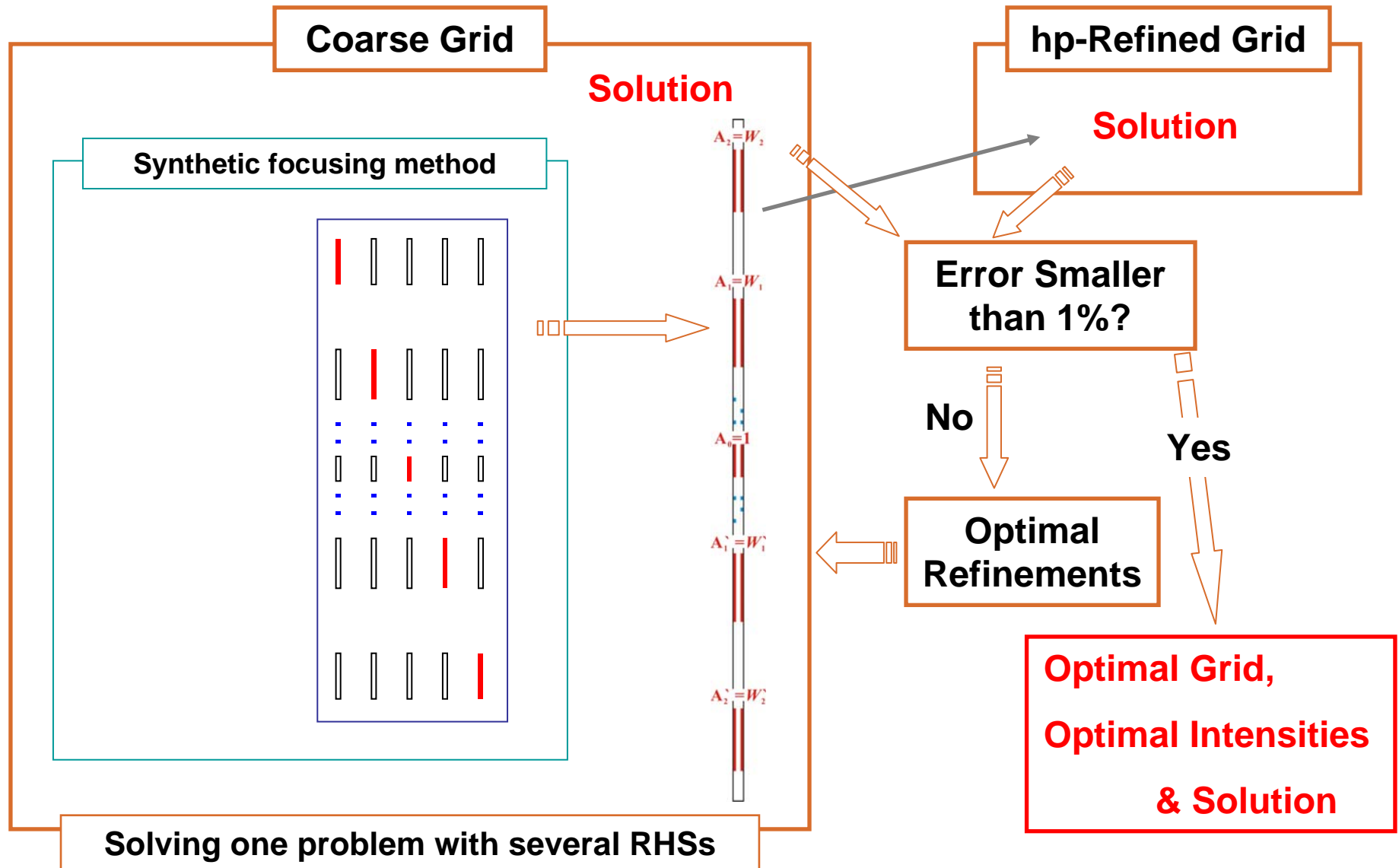
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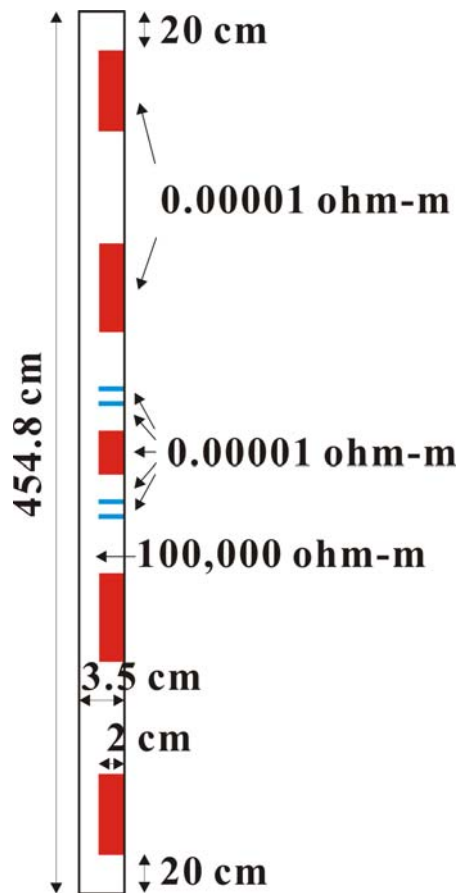
One problem with several RHSs

# Embedded Post-Processing Method (EPPM)

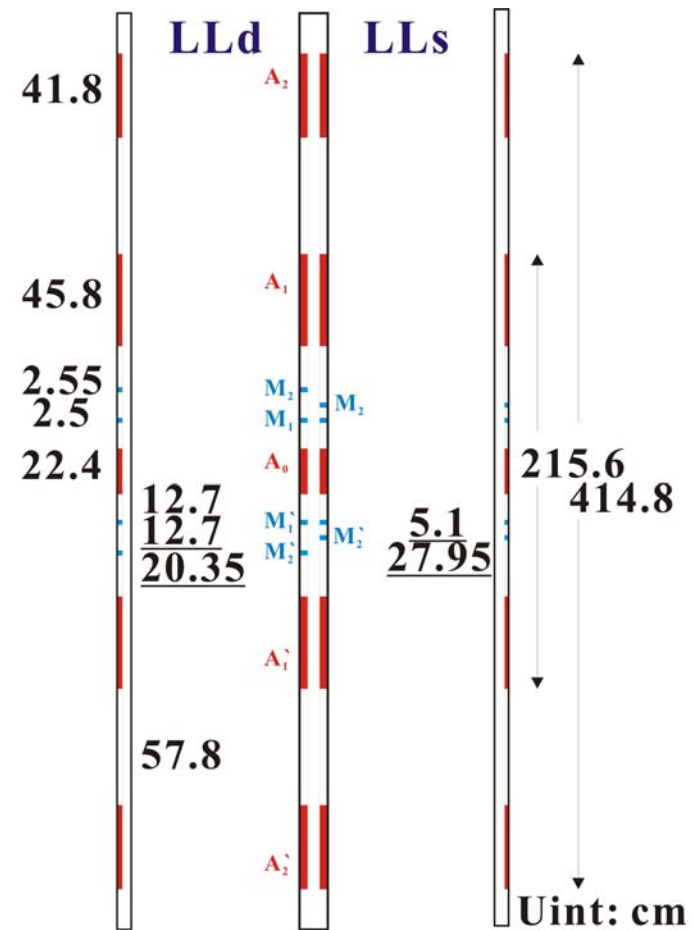


# Simulating the DLL tool

## Model



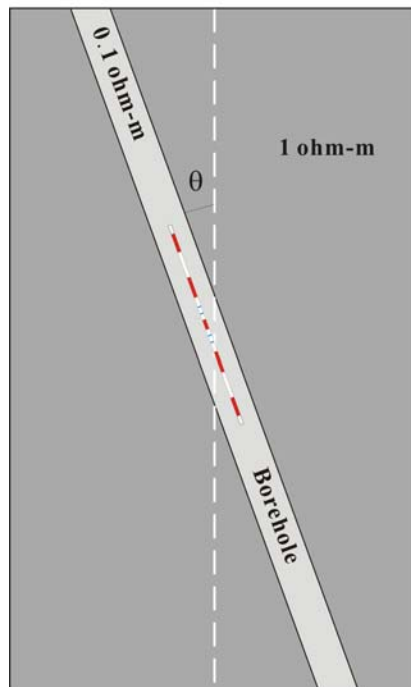
## Using the Tool Configuration of Halliburton Energy Services' DLL



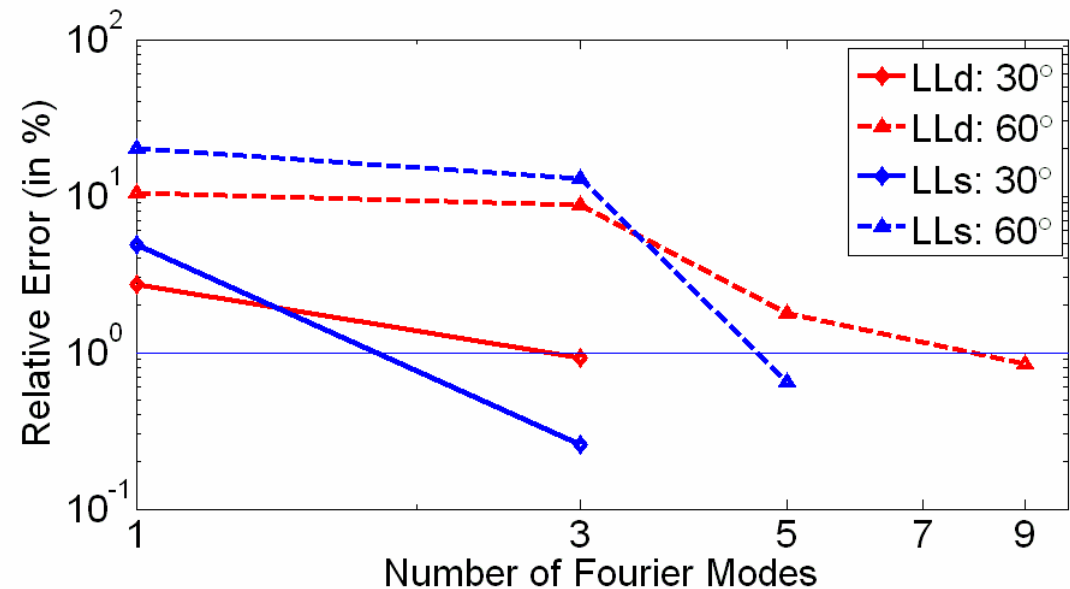


# Verification of 3D Simulation

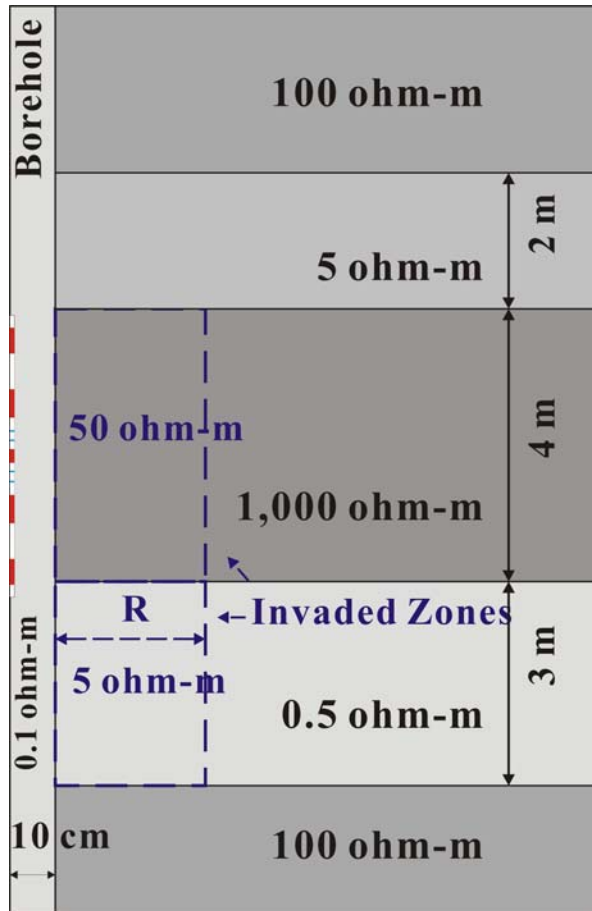
$\theta = 0, 30$  and  $60$  degrees



Relative errors of laterolog instruments  
in a homogeneous formation



# Model for Numerical Experiments



**Five layers: 100, 5, 1000, 0.5 and 100 ohm-m from top to bottom**

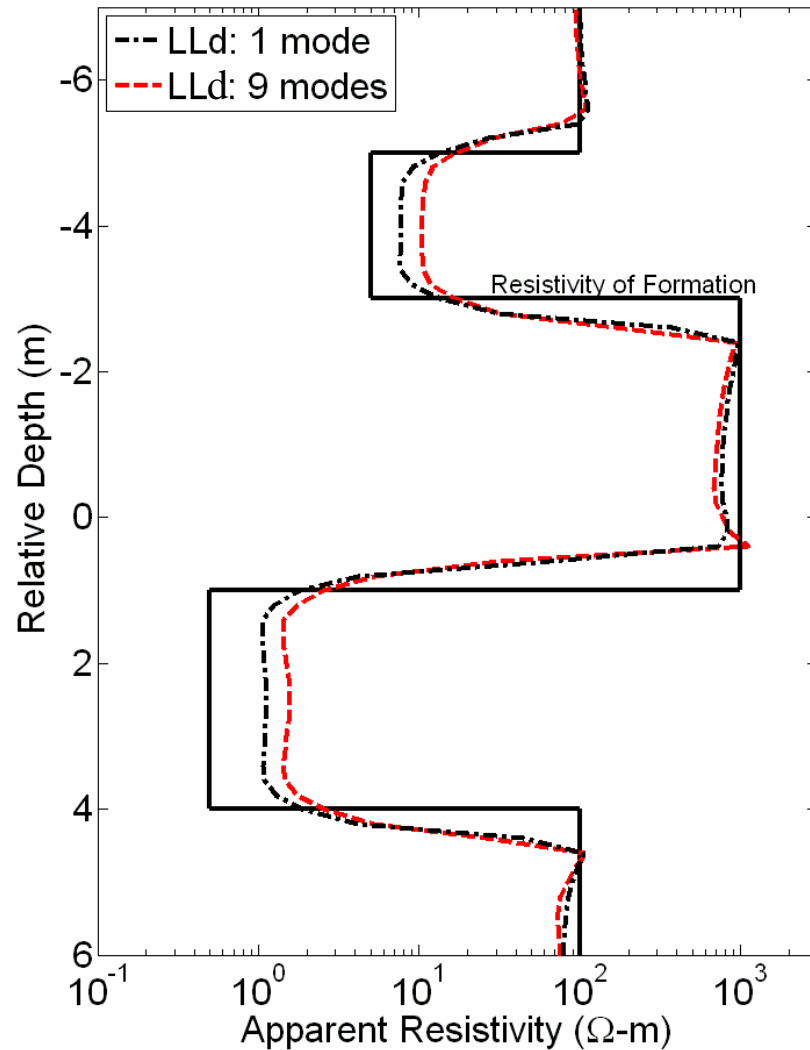
**Borehole: 0.1 m in radius  
0.1 ohm-m in resistivity**

**Invasion**

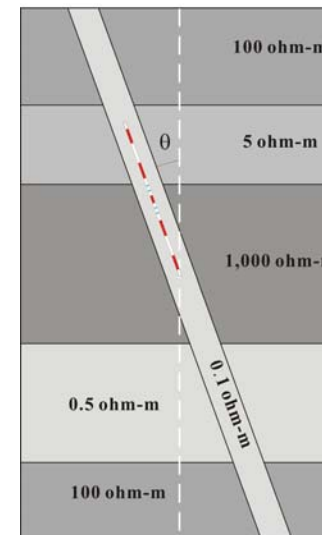
**Anisotropy**

# Convergence History of LLd Logs

Comparison of Solutions by 1 and 9 Fourier Modes

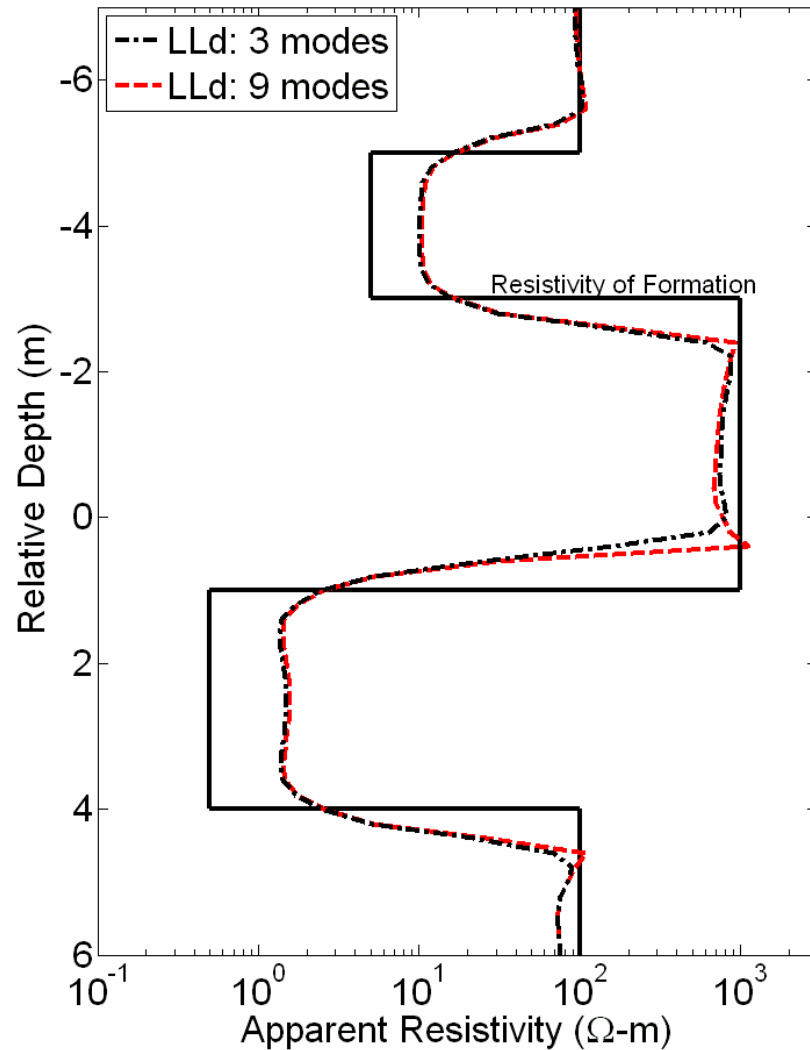


Dip angle: 45 degrees

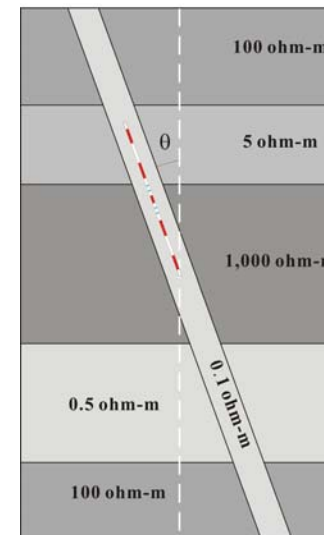


# Convergence History of LLd Logs

Comparison of Solutions by 3 and 9 Fourier Modes

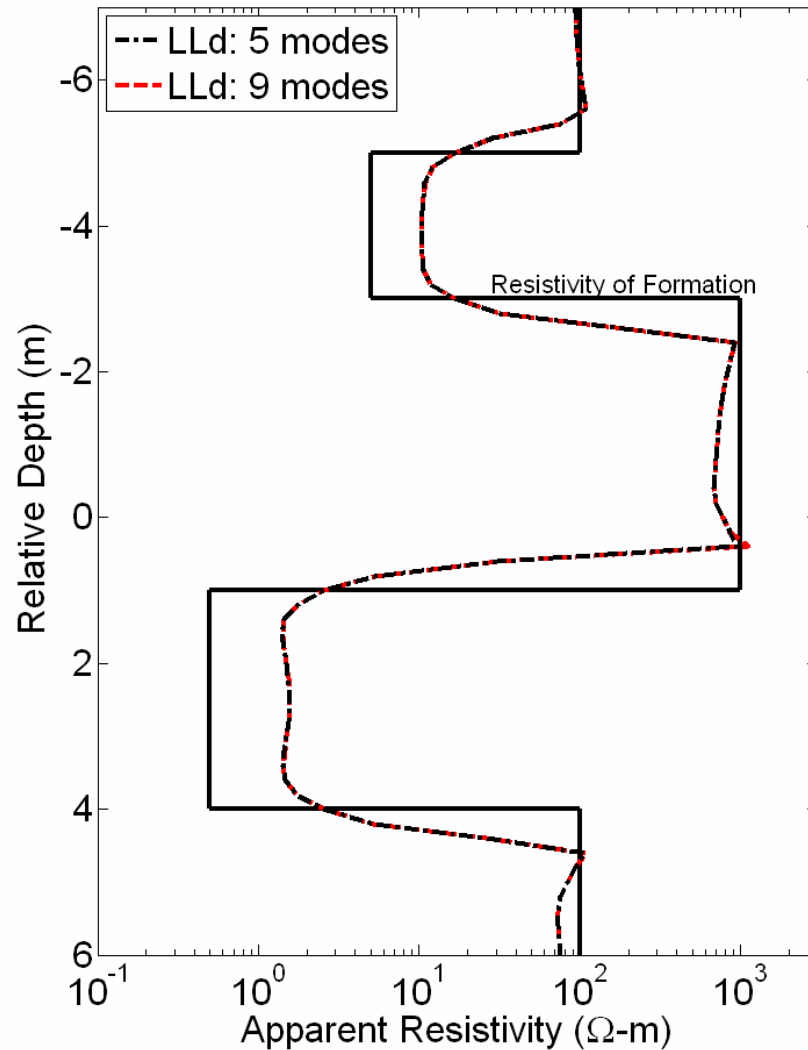


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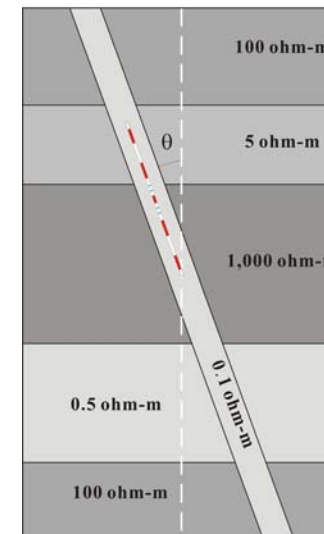


# Convergence History of LLd Logs

Comparison of Solutions by 5 and 9 Fourier Modes

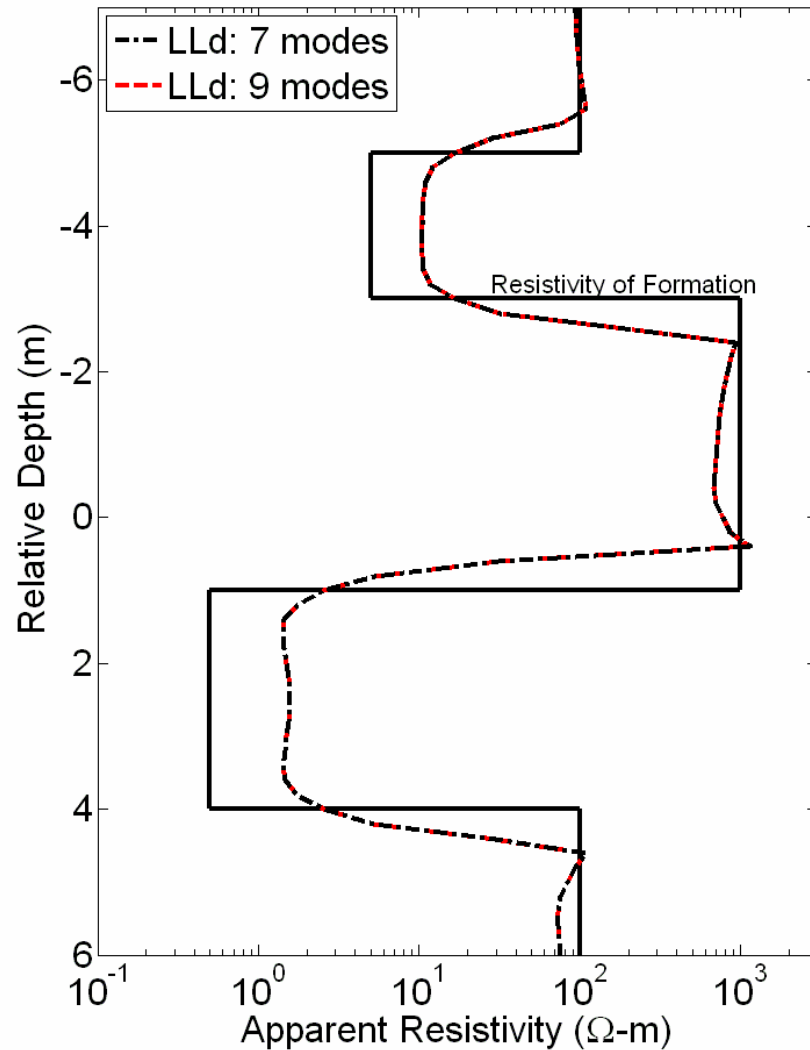


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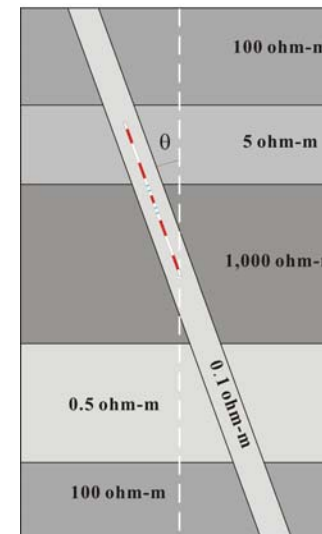


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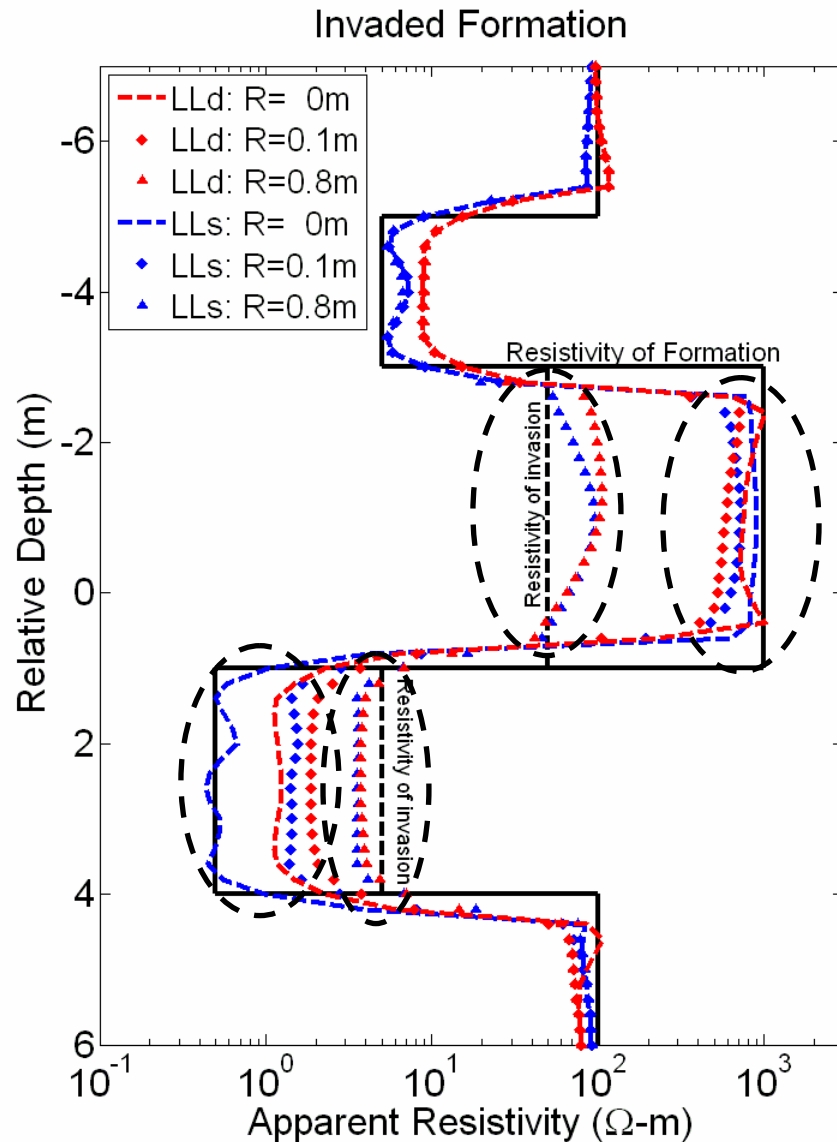
Comparison of Solutions by 7 and 9 Fourier Modes



Dip angle: 45 degrees



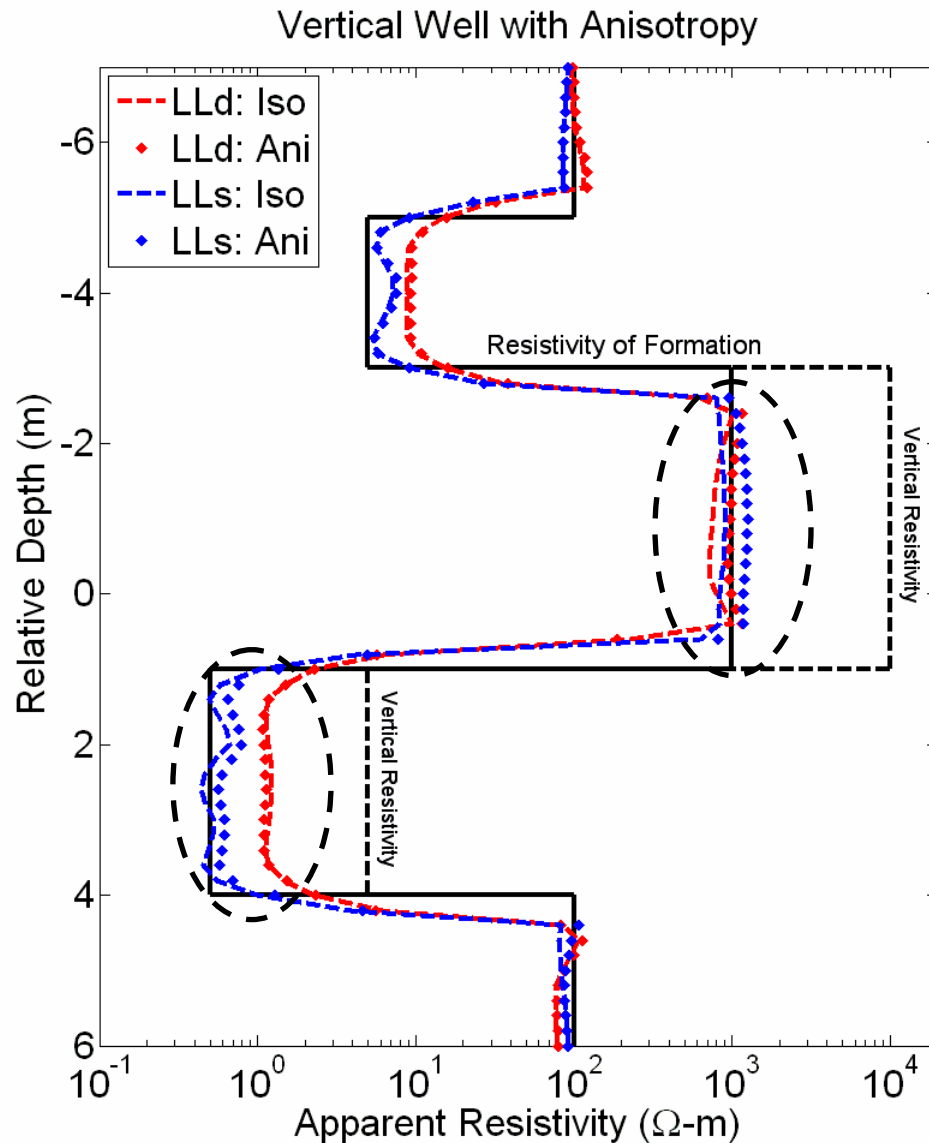
# Invaded Formation (Vertical Well)



**Effects of adjacent layers:**  
LLd  $\uparrow$  in resistive layers  
LLs  $\uparrow$  in conductive layers

**Effects of Invasion: LLs  $\uparrow$**

# Anisotropic Formation (Vertical Well)

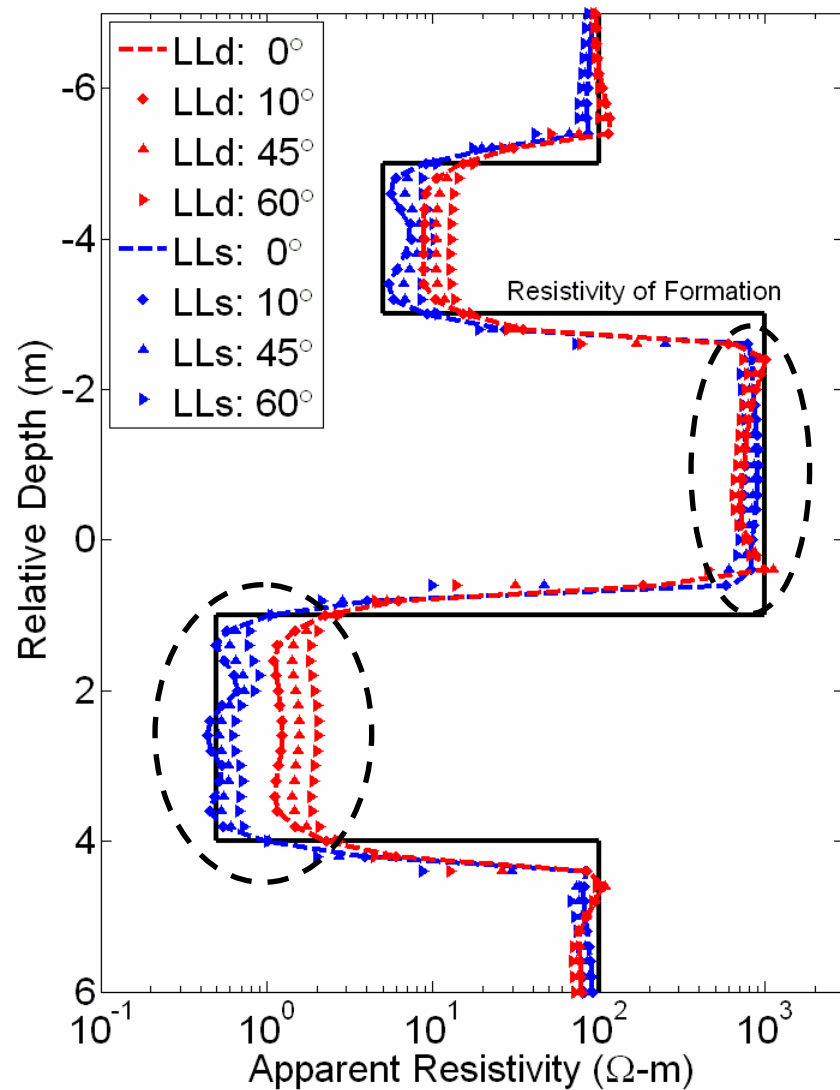


Effects of anisotropy: LLs  $\uparrow$

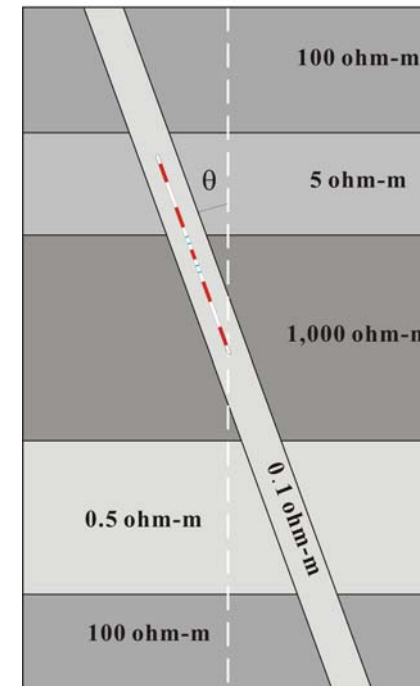
LLd: effects of anisotropy are negligible in conductive layer



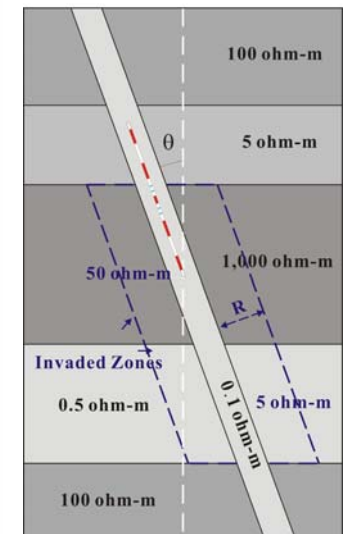
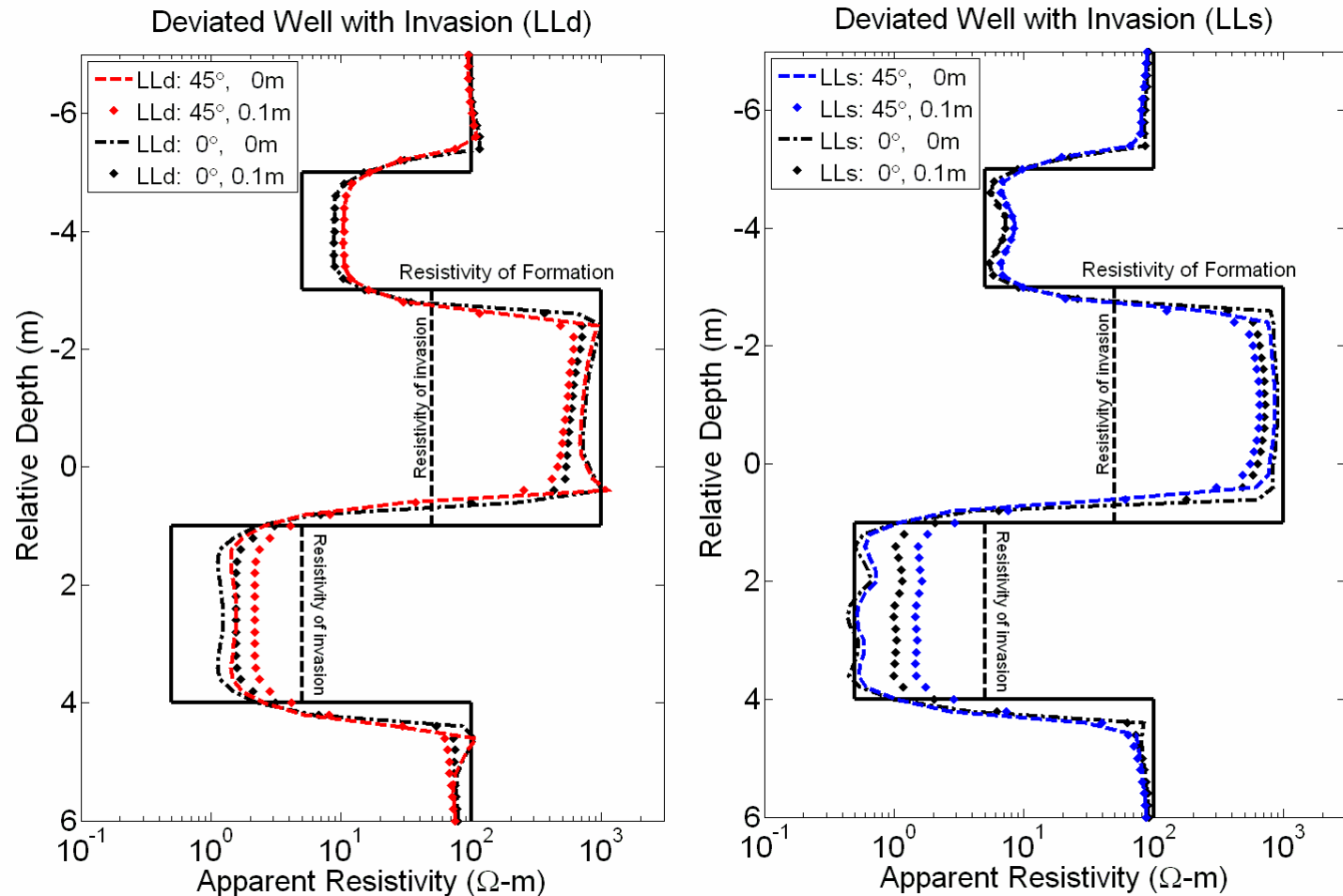
# Deviated Well (60, 45 and 10 degrees)



Effects of dip angle: Conductive layer  $\uparrow$

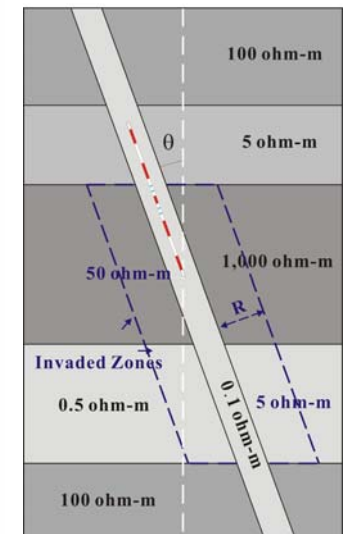
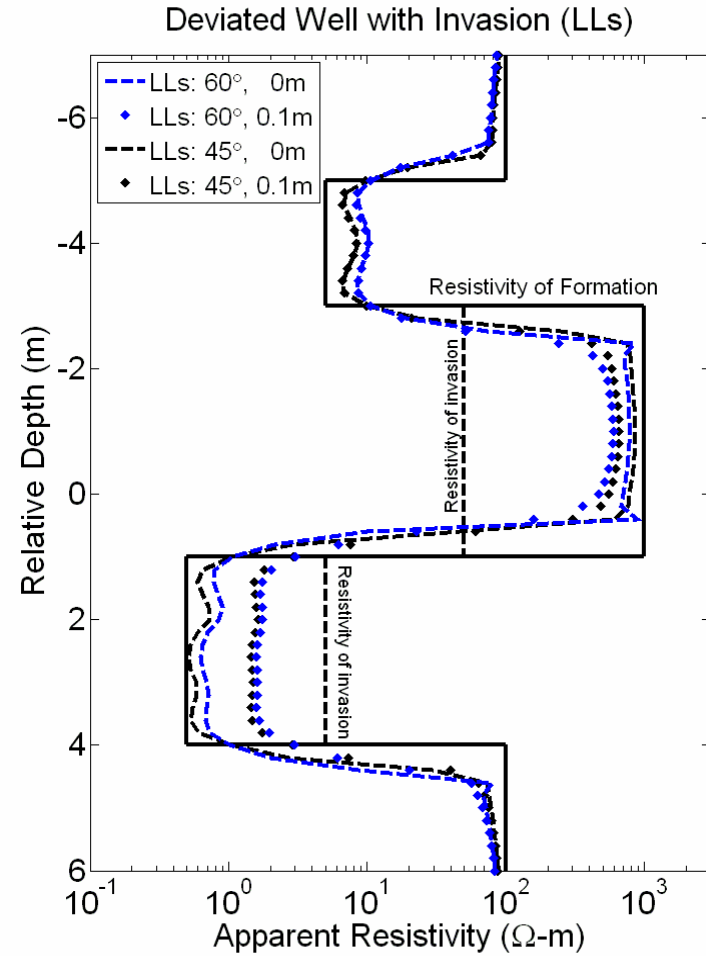
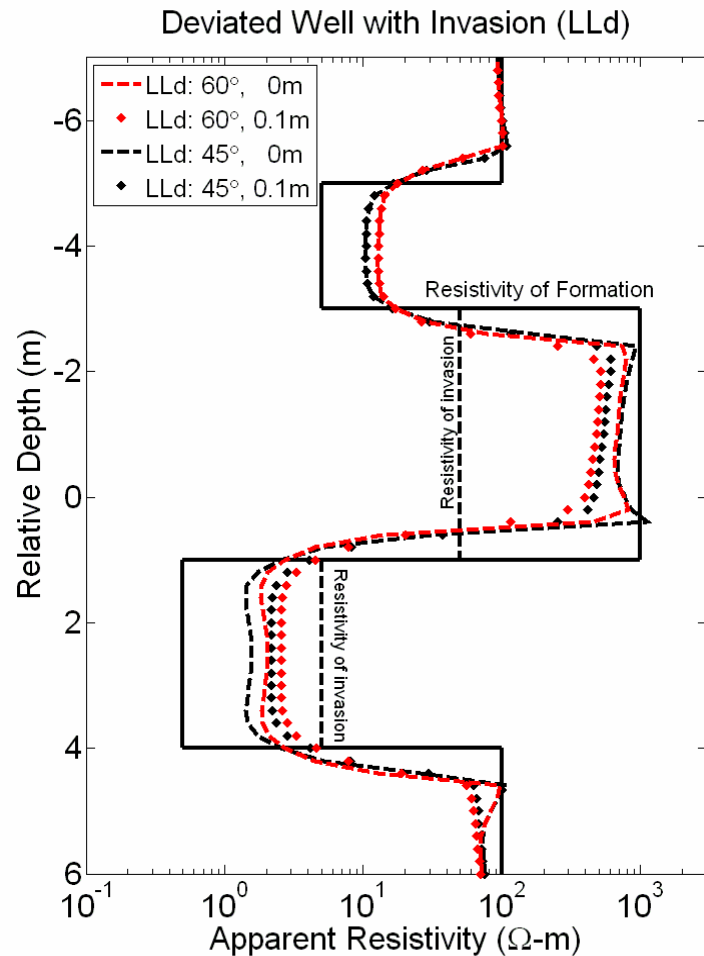


# Invaded Formation (45 degrees)



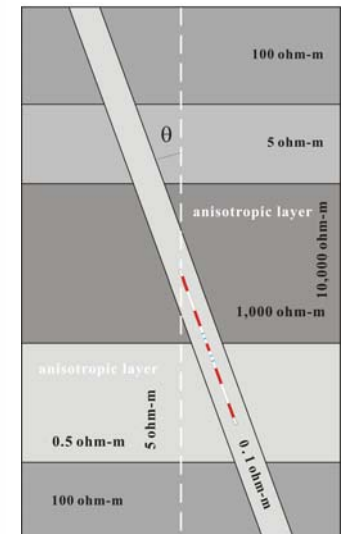
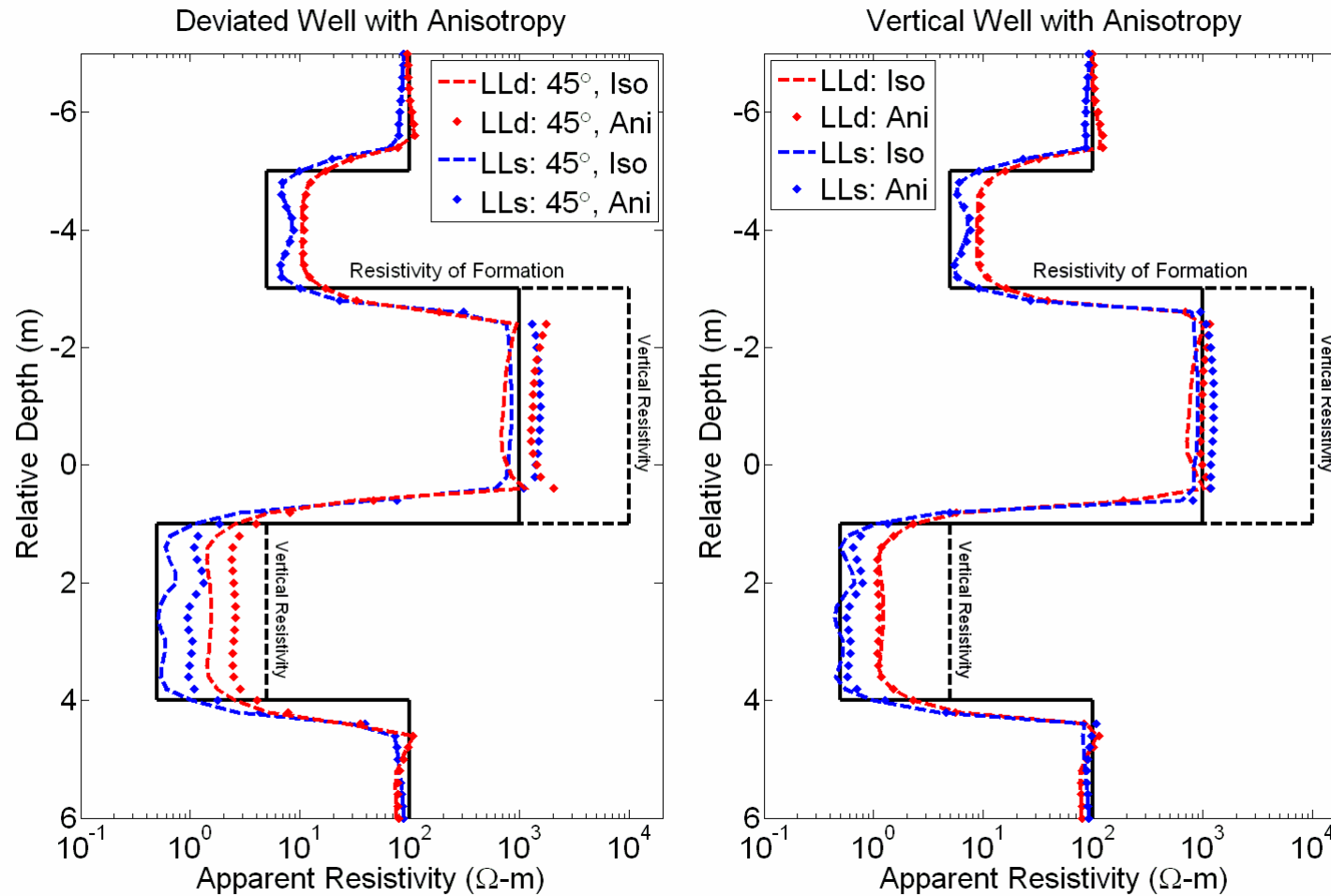
**Effects of invasion to LLs: larger in a 45-degree deviated well than in a vertical well in conductive layer**

# Invaded Formation (60 degrees)



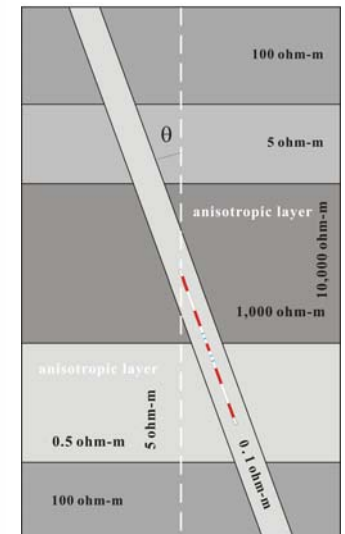
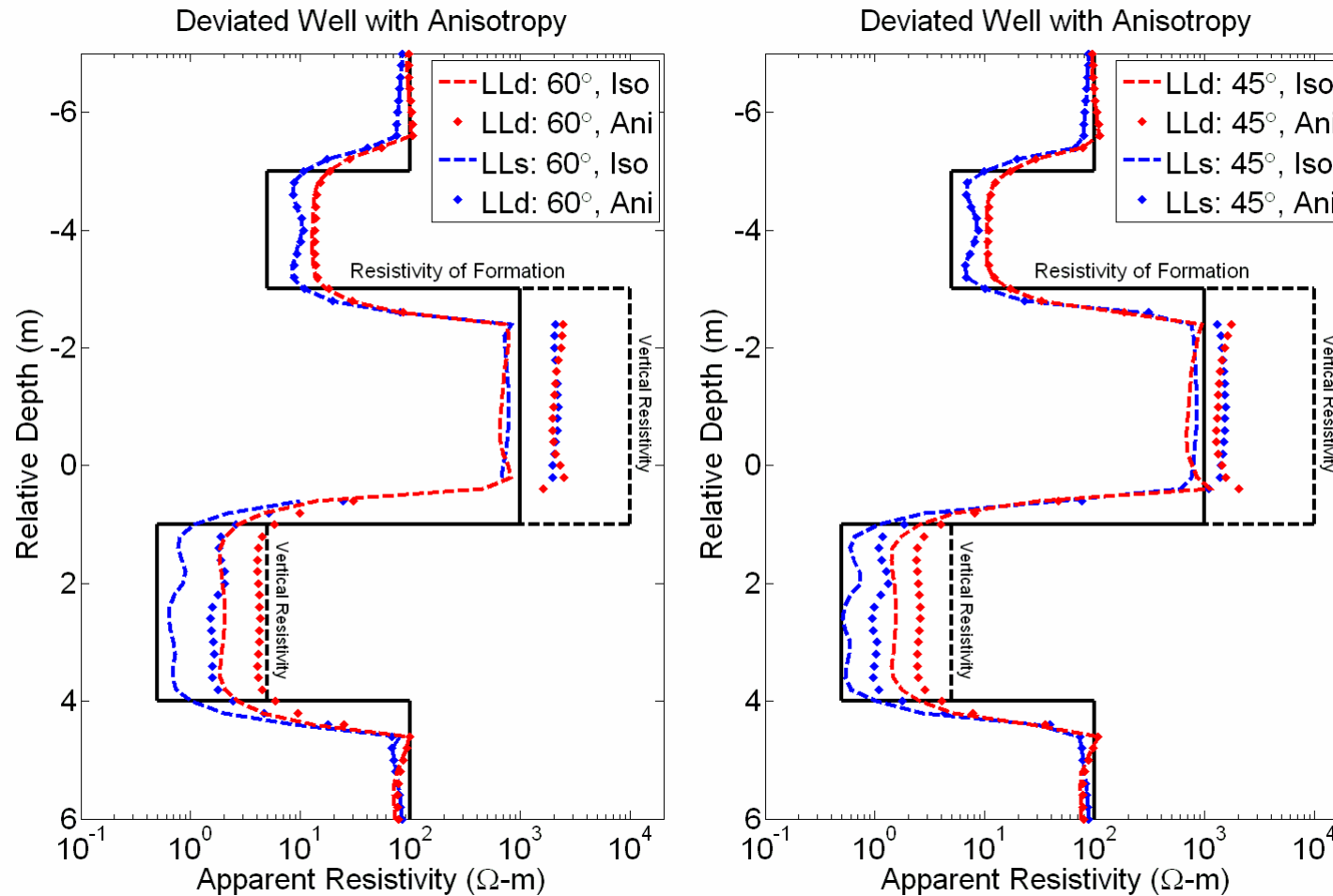
**Effects of invasion to LLs: slightly smaller in a 60-degree deviated well than in a 45-degree deviated well in conductive layer**

# 45-degree Deviated Well with Anisotropy



Effects of anisotropy: 45-degree deviated well ↑

# 60-degree Deviated Well with Anisotropy



**Effects of anisotropy: 60-degree deviated well ↑**

# Conclusions

- **We have successfully simulated 3D dual-laterolog measurements by combining the use of a Fourier series expansion in a non-orthogonal system of coordinates with a 2D higher-order self-adaptive hp finite element method.**
- **We have generated optimal hp finite element grids and optimal intensities of currents for simulation of dual-laterolog measurements using an embedded post-processing technique in the hp finite element method.**
- **Effects of dip angle are larger in conductive layers than in resistive layers.**
- **Effects of anisotropy increase as dip angle increases.**

# Future Work

- **3D Simulation of Non-Zero Frequency Dual-Laterolog Measurements.**
- **User-Friendly Interface.**
- **Development of an Iterative Solver.**
- **Modeling of Real Induction Logging Instruments.**

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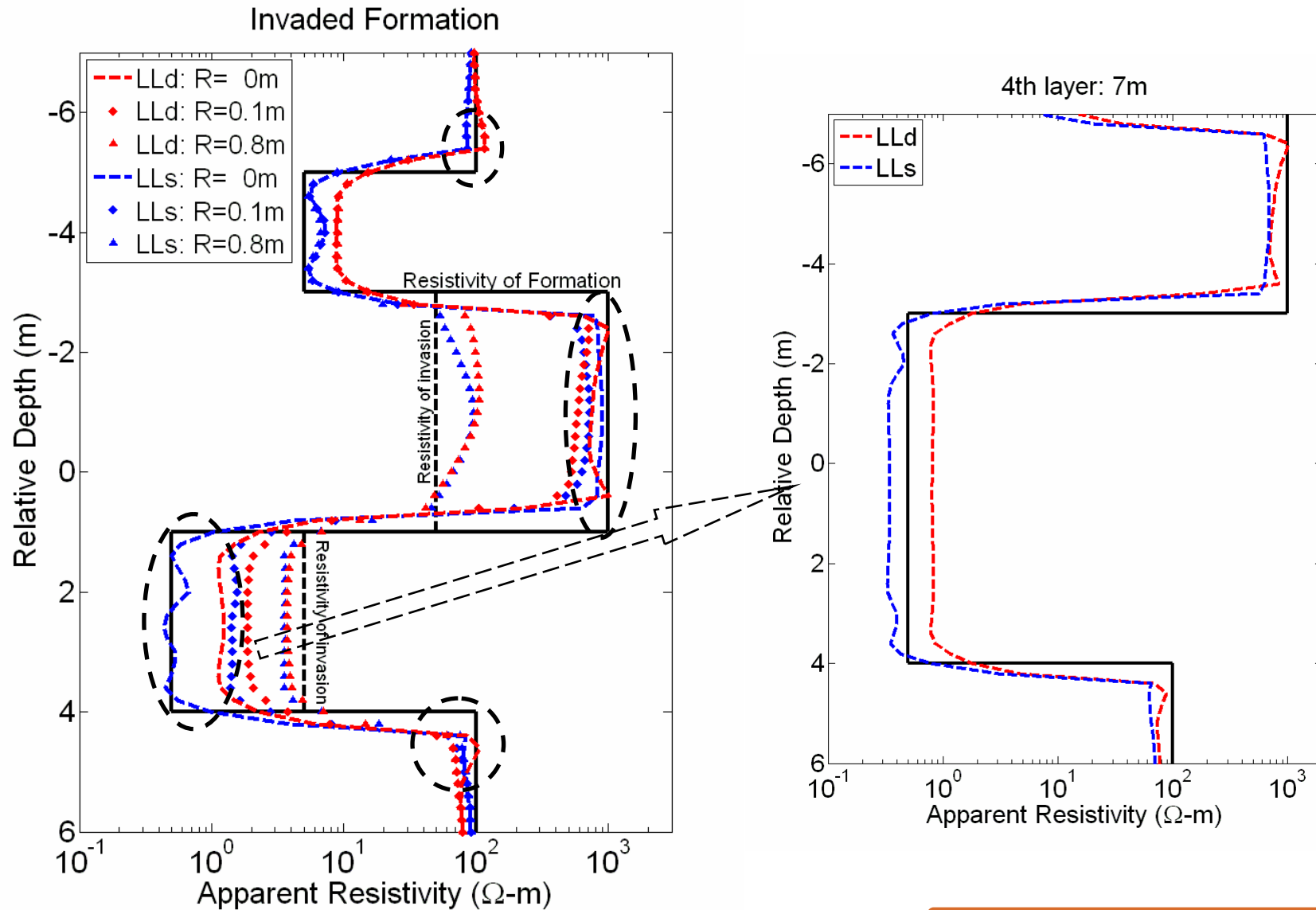
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# Invaded Formation (Vertical Well)



# Anisotropic Formation (Vertical Well)

