

CPHI

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Synonym: Pore Compressibility = CPHI

A measure of formation porosity ϕ change due to reservoir pressure p variation:

$$(1) \quad c_\phi = \frac{1}{\phi} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial p}$$

There is a statistical correlation between initial formation compressibility $c_\phi(\phi)$ and formation porosity which can be picked by various compressibility-porosity models.

Pore compressibility stays constant for small pressure variations but in a wide range of pressure variations the dependence on ambient pressure $c_\phi(p)$ can not be neglected and should be tabulated from laboratory core tests or estimated from compressibility-pressure correlations.

The typical values are:

$$c = 0.5 \div 1.5 \text{ GPa}^{-1}$$

but may go higher for poorly consolidated rocks.

In many practical cases the pore compressibility can be considered as poorly dependent on reservoir pressure variation: $c_\phi(p) = c_\phi = \text{const.}$

In this case porosity dependence on reservoir pressure can be simulated as:

$$(2) \quad \phi(p) = \phi_i \cdot [1 + c_\phi (p - p_i) + 0.5 c_\phi^2 (p - p_i)^2]$$

But in case the reservoir pressure is changing substantially one may need to account for the effect it takes on pore compressibility (see Pore compressibility @model) and then reservoir pressure - porosity model is going to take the following form:

$$(3) \quad \phi(p) = \phi_i \cdot \exp \left[\int_{p_i}^p c_\phi dp \right]$$

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