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## FINAL EXAMINATION MAY 2024 SEMESTER

**COURSE : PEB2063/PFB2063 - PRODUCTION ENGINEERING I**  
**DATE : 5 AUGUST 2024 (MONDAY)**  
**TIME : 9:00 AM - 12:00 NOON (3 HOURS)**

### INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. Answer **ALL** questions in the Answer Booklet.
2. Begin **EACH** answer on a new page in the Answer Booklet.
3. Indicate clearly answers that are cancelled, if any.
4. Where applicable, show clearly steps taken in arriving at the solutions and indicate **ALL** assumptions, if any.
5. **DO NOT** open this Question Booklet until instructed.

**Note :**

- i. There are **FOURTEEN (14)** pages in this Question Booklet including the cover page and appendices.
- ii. **DOUBLE-SIDED** Question Booklet.
- iii. Graph paper (s) will be provided.

3. a. Onshore wells are likely to perform poorly or lower than expected due to low reservoir permeability and wellbore restriction because of formation damage or incomplete perforation. However, a well stimulation could improve its productivity.

- i. Explain the indicators of formation damage and discuss **TWO (2)** sources of formation damage during operations.

[10 marks]

- ii. Explain critically the working mechanism of matrix acidizing.

[5 marks]

- iii. Evaluate the consequences of incorrect choice of matrix stimulation fluids.

[5 marks]

- b. An offshore field is classified as a sandstone reservoir and supported by a strong water formation. It has an average reservoir pressure of 4,500 psi and a temperature of 150 °F. The well testing records showed a stabilized oil flow rate at a flowing bottomhole pressure of 1,550 psi with insignificant skin effect. As the production declines with time, the company have decided to perform an acidizing treatment by injecting mud acid. Before HF/HCl stage penetrates the formation, HCl pre-flush (15% wt.) is injected to dissolve all carbonate minerals within 1.25 ft from the wellbore.

**TABLE Q3:** Reservoir and hydrocarbon fluid data.

Reservoir type	Sandstone
Formation minerals	10% calcite, 15% quartz, 0.5% clay
Permeability	5 mD
Porosity	18%
Formation thickness	50 ft
Oil viscosity	1.2 cP
Drainage area	400 acres
Wellbore radius	0.428 ft
Formation volume factor	1.1 res bbl/stb
Formation compressibility	$3 \times 10^{-6} \text{ psia}^{-1}$
GOR	400 ft <sup>3</sup> /bbl

Design a successful acid treatment for an offshore reservoir. Show all detailed calculation steps and used equations clearly.

[20 marks]

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## APPENDIX I

### Radial Inflow Equations for Stabilised Steady-State Conditions ( $S = 0$ ) Vertical Well

$$PI = \frac{q}{(\bar{p} - p_{wf})} = \frac{0.007082 kh}{\mu B_o \left( \ln \frac{r_e}{r_w} - \frac{1}{2} \right)}$$

### Radial Inflow Equations for Stabilised Semi-Steady-State Conditions ( $S = 0$ ) for Vertical Well.

$$\bar{p} - p_{wf} = \frac{141.2 q \mu B_o}{kh} \left( \ln \frac{r_e}{r_w} - \frac{3}{4} \right)$$

### Vogel equations for vertical single oil well (EF=1)

$$q_o = q_{o,max} \left[ 1 - 0.2 \left( \frac{p_{wf}}{p_r} \right) - 0.8 \left( \frac{p_{wf}}{p_r} \right)^2 \right] \quad q_o = q_b + \frac{J p_b}{1.8} \left[ 1 - 0.2 \left( \frac{p_{wf}}{p_b} \right) - 0.8 \left( \frac{p_{wf}}{p_b} \right)^2 \right]$$

$$J = \frac{q_{oi}}{(p_r - p_b) + \frac{p_b}{1.8} \left[ 1 - 0.2 \left( \frac{p_{wf1}}{p_b} \right) - 0.8 \left( \frac{p_{wf1}}{p_b} \right)^2 \right]} \quad J = \frac{q_{oi}}{(p_r - p_{wf1})}$$

$$q_b = J(p_r - p_b) \quad q_{o,max} = AOF = q_b + \frac{J p_b}{1.8}$$

$$p_{wf} = 0.125 \bar{p} \left[ \sqrt{81 - 80 \left( \frac{q_o}{q_{max}} \right)} - 1 \right]$$

### Closing pressure of the subsurface safety valve:

$$P_{close} = 0.433 \times \rho_f \times H_{max} \times SF$$

$$P_g \text{ (psig/ft)} = \rho \left( \frac{lb}{gal} \right) \times 0.052$$

### Gas injection

$$(P_{inj})_{downhole} = (P_{inj})_{surface} \times \left[ 1 + \frac{D_{ov}}{40,000} \right]$$

$$p_{\text{upstream}} = \frac{b q_L R^c}{D_{64}^a}$$

Correlation	a	b	c
Ros	2.00	17.40	0.500
Gilbert	1.89	10.00	0.546
Achong	1.88	3.82	0.650
Ausseens	1.97	3.86	0.680
Baxendell	1.93	9.56	0.546

### Height of dead oil in the tubing

$$h = \frac{\text{reservoir pressure}}{\text{oil gradient}}$$

$$q_g = q_o (GLR_{\text{operating}} - GLR_{\text{formation}})$$

$$GOR_{\text{operating}} = \frac{\text{Lift Gas Injection Rate}}{\text{Required Oil Rate}} + \text{Initial GOR}$$

### Acid Injection

$$\beta = \frac{v_{\text{mineral}} MW_{\text{mineral}}}{v_{\text{acid}} MW_{\text{acid}}}$$

$$X = \beta \frac{\rho_{\text{acid solution}}}{\rho_{\text{mineral}}}$$

$$V_m = \pi (r_{HCl}^2 - r_w^2) (1 - \phi) x_{CaCO_3}$$

$$V_p = \pi (r_{HCl}^2 - r_w^2) \phi$$

$$V_d = \frac{V_m}{X}$$

$$V_{\text{acid}} = V_p + V_d + V_m$$













