Field Development

Production Optimization

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- What is our **Challenge**?
- ➢ how to produce our oil and gas wells without flow restrictions
- What is our **Objective**?
- ➢ how to maximize the value of our asset / Wells
- What is our **<u>Vision</u>**?
- > To achieve an integrated and valuable Upstream Oil & Gas system
- What is our **<u>Mission</u>**?
- > To produce hydrocarbons in safe manner

What is the Solution?

- Understand / Through monitoring, surveillance
- Translate / Vision / Target
- Reproduce / Using Appropriate Models / Reality
- ➢ Integrate / All the field elements to be linked all together
- > Optimize / Extract maximum value from the field
- Forecast / Using IPM / Integrated Production Modelli

- Well Value Assurance
- Variables Affecting Optimum Production Rate:
- Well Parameters:
- Well Head Flowing Press (WHFP)
- Water Cut WC%
- Gas Oil Ratio GOR%
- Inflow Performance IPR
- Tubing Size
- Well Head Choke Performance

- Well Value Assurance
- Variables Affecting Optimum Production Rate:
- **Reservoir Parameters:**
- ≻ Gas Break Through
- ➢ Water Break Through
- ➤ Sand Production
- **Scales Precipitation**
- ≻ Gas Hydrate
- Behind Casing Zonal Communication / Cross Flow / Dump Flow

Well Value Assurance

Skin Factor and Flow Efficiency

- Skin is a Measure of Damage around a Wellbore
- Skin caused by:
- ➤ Drilling
- ➤ Completion
- Stimulation / Frac
- ➢ Injection
- Production
- Scale around the Wellbore

Well Value Assurance

- Skin Factor and Flow Efficiency
- +ve Skin----- High Press Drop ----- Damaged Wellbore ----- Lower PI
- ve Skin ----- Low Press Drop ----- Undamaged Wellbore ---- Higher PI
- Skin Affects Flow Efficiency Defined As:
 Flow Efficiency = Q with Skin / Q without Skin

Well Value Assurance

Skin Factor and Flow Efficiency

• Affect of Skin on Flow Efficiency is shown as below:

SKIN	FLOW EFFICIENCY
- 02	133%
0.0	100%
+ 02	80%
+ 06	57%
+ 12	40%
+ 20	29%
+ 30	21%
+ 100	08%

Well Flow Assurance, Agenda

- Inorganic Scale Deposition
- Downhole Corrosion
- Waxes and Asphaltenes
- Gas Hydrates

Inorganic Scale Content:

- Inorganic Scales Deposition
- ➤ Causes of Scale Deposition
- ➤ Where Scale Occurrences
- ≻ Types Of Scales
- ➤ Scale Monitoring
- Scale Prevention
- ≻ How to solve / Well Intervention

Scales Problems

Inorganic Scales Deposition

- Inorganic salts precipitated within production System
- Composition of scale varies widely, most common
- Calcium Carbonates / Calcium Sulphate
- Sodium Sulphate
- Barium Sulphate / Strontium Sulphate
- Speed of deposition can effect the appearance and properties of the scale

Scales Problems

Causes of Scale Deposition

- Main causes of scaling are:
- Pressure Drop
- Temperature Change
- Mixing of two incompatible waters
- Exceeding the solubility / fluid viscosity
- Flow Velocity

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Causes of Scale Deposition

- Other factors are involved:
- > Evaporation
- > Agitation
- Long exposure time
- ➢ Change of PH

Scales Problems

Types Of Scales

- Sodium Chloride
- Calcium Carbonate
- Calcium Sulphate
- Barium Sulphate
- Strontium Sulphate
- Iron Compounds **
 (** Need to be milled out)

- = NaCl
- = CaCo3
- = CaSo4
- = BaSo4
- = SrSO4
- = FeCo3 / FeSo4

- **Where Scale Occurrences**
- Generated in a variety of Locations:
- Up Stream
- Formation matrix and Fracture
- ≻ Well Bore
- ➤ Well Completion
- Downhole Pumps
- Protected Casing
- ➢ Well Heads, X-Trees And Production Chokes

- **Where Scale Occurrences**
- Generated in a variety of Locations:
- Down Stream
- ➤ Separators and Heaters
- Storage Tanks
- > Pumps
- ➢ Flow Lines
- Waterflood and Salt water disposal Systems

- Cont'd Types Of Scale
- Sodium Chloride
- Simplest type of scale
- Builds up in wellbore
- > Caused by super-saturation , due to evaporation or decrease in BHT
- Readily dissolved by backwashing with fresh water

- Cont'd Types Of Scale
- Calcium Carbonate (CaCo3)
- One of the most frequently encountered $C_2 + HCO_2 - C_2(CHO_2) - C_2C_2$
 - $Ca + HCO3 \longrightarrow Ca(CHO3) \longrightarrow CaCo3 + H2O + CO2$
- Causes of CaCo3 Scale include:
- Increased in BHT
- Increased in PH

- Cont'd Types Of Scale
- Cont'd Calcium Carbonate (CaCo3)
- Increased in contact time / scale also becomes harder
- Increased in the total salt content
- Increased the flow turbulently

- Cont'd Types Of Scale
- Calcium Sulphate
- Various forms, including:
- ➢ Gypsum (CaSo4.Nh2o)
- ➢ Anhydrite (CaSo4)

- Cont'd Types Of Scale
- Calcium Sulphate
- Causes of Calcium Sulphate scale include:
- Reduction in pressure
- Mixing of two waters
- Increase in Magnesium ions

- Cont'd Types Of Scale
- Calcium Sulphate
- Causes of Calcium Sulphate scale include:
- > Agitation
- Evaporation of water due to evolution of free gas
- > Hydrates in gas wells

- Cont'd Types Of Scale
- Barium Sulphate (BaSo4)
- Heavy, dense, non acid soluble
- Inhibition Program is essential
- Causes of Barium Sulphate scale include:
- Mixing of incompatible waters
- Decreases in BHT and reduction in BHP

Well Value Assurance

- Cont'd Types Of Scale
- Strontium Sulphate (SrSo4)
- Closely related to (BaSo4)
- Occurs in minor component in other scale type

Well Value Assurance

- Cont'd Types Of Scale
- Iron Carbonate (FeCo3)and
- Iron Sulphate (FeSo4)
- Concentration low in seawater and in connate water
- Unlikely to be source of sever plugging
- Rust inside tubing / flow lines may be a source of iron scale

- Cont'd Types Of Scale
- Radioactive NORM
- Occurs in minor component in other scale type
- Difficult in removal and disposal
- Well is to be shut in immediately HSSE
- Mercury Liquid
- It has a poison affect on human being HSSE
- Well is to be shut in immediately

Scales Problems

Scale Monitoring

- Water and gas samples to be taken collected during well tests for further analysis
- Scale Coupons to be installed upstream choke in donwhole nipple & down stream choke after sample point.
- Computer based Scale prediction programme to be available / Scale Module / Scalechem

Scales Problems

Scale Removal

- Removal Methods
- Mechanical
- Chemical Water Soluble
- Chemical Acid Soluble
- Chemical Acid Insoluble

Scales Problems

Scale Removal

Mechanical Methods:

- Reperforating to bypass the plugged perforations intervals
- String shot Sonic tools, drilling, reaming, tubing, casing, open hole
- Scrappers of reaming Surface flow lines

- Scale Removal
- Chemical Methods:
- Chemical Removal Water Soluble Scale
- ➢ Sodium Chloride NaCl
- ➢ Newly formed Gypsum CaSo4.Nh2o
- \succ Readily dissolved with fresh water

- Scale Removal
- Chemical Methods:
- Chemical Removal Acid Soluble Scale
- Calcium Carbonate CaCo3
- ➢ Iron Carbonate FeCo3
- HCI or Acetic acid most commonly used

- Scale Removal
- Chemical Methods:
- Chemical Removal Acid Insoluble Scale
- Calcium Sulphate CaSo4
- Chemicals convert to acid soluble compound (e.g. CaCo3)

Production Optimization Well Flow Assurance

- Scale Removal
- Chemical Methods:
- Chemical Removal –Acid Insoluble Scale
- ➢ Barium Sulphate CaSo4
- Strontium Sulphate SrSO4, Chemical methods are being developed
- Generally considered as Inert mechanical methods

Scales Problems

Scale Prevention

- Scale could be prevented by two ways:
- > Inhibiting and distorting the crystal growth
- Preventing crystal from adhering and forming deposits
- Scale can be prevented with 10 ppm inhibitor
- Continuous Injection system is the most economical and effective dosing methods.

- <u>Scales Problems</u>
- How to solve / Well Intervention
- Inhibition Technique
- Acid / Other Dissolver to dissolve the scale
- Rigless / Coiled Tubing with the impact tool
- Other new intervention / Clean Well Weatherford System
- Rig / Workover





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