

National Exams December 2018
17-PET-A5-Petroleum Production Operations
(Duration 3 hrs)

NOTES:

1. If doubt exists as to the interpretation of any question, the candidate is urged to submit with the answer paper, a clear statement of any assumptions made.
2. This is an OPEN BOOK EXAM.
Any non-communicating calculator is permitted.
3. FOUR (4) questions constitute a complete exam paper.
The first four questions as they appear in the answer book will be marked.
4. Each question is of equal value.

Problem-1 (25 points)

A well was tested for 10 hours at a rate of about 120 STB/D while the wellbore flowing pressure was recorded as 600 psi. After shutting the well in for 24 hours, the bottomhole pressure reached a static value of 1200 psi. The rod pump used in this well is considered undersized, and a larger pump can be expected to reduce wellbore flowing pressure to a level near 350 psi (bubble point pressure is 300 psi). Calculate the following:

- a-) Productivity index J
- b-) Absolute open flow based on constant productivity index
- c-) Wellbore flowing pressure required to produce 150 STB/D
- d-) Oil production rate for a wellbore flowing pressure of 350 psi.
- e-) Draw the IPR curve and indicate the calculated quantities.

Problem-2 (25 points)

Average Reservoir Pressure :	P_R	= 4000 psig
Bubble Point Pressure	P_b	= 4200 psig
Wellbore Radius:	r_w	= 0.4 ft
Drainage Radius:	r_e	= 2000 ft
Skin Factor: .	S'	= 4.18

Stabilized Test Data

P_{WF} , psig	Q_{oil} , STB/Day
3000	1615

a-) (10 points) Construct the IPR curve for this reservoir under current conditions.

b-) (15 points) After performing hydraulic fracturing job, a production test was conducted and the following data were obtained:

P_{WF} , psig	Q_{oil} , STB/Day
3430	1100
2500	2470

Is this stimulation job successful? Explain!

Problem-3 (25 points)

It is hoped to flow a well at an oil production rate of 400 STBO/Day. The reservoir has a productivity index of 0.5 STBL/day/psi and the current static (average) reservoir pressure is 2800 psi. The well is equipped with a 4000 ft of 2 7/8 in (ID=2.441 in) tubing and the required wellhead pressure is 160 psi. The producing gas liquid ratio is 100 SCF/STBL and %50 water production is expected.

Other relevant information:

Bubble point pressure: 3000 psi

Gas Gravity: 0.65

Oil API Gravity: 35

Water Specific Gravity: 1.07

Average Flowing Temperature: 150 °F

a-) Will the well flow at the desired rate (i.e. 400 STBO/day)?

b-) If you would like to increase the oil production rate up to 500 STBO/Day. How much gas (SCF/Day) you would need to inject into the tubing? Assume reservoir pressure, productivity index, water cut, wellhead pressure, and the gas/liquid ratio provided by the reservoir are all the same as in part a.

4- (25) points

The following oil well will be completed in an unconsolidated formation by using gravel packing scheme. Determine the anticipated producing capacity of this well for perforating densities of 8 shots per foot. Assume that there is no compacted zone around the perforations. Production test data showed that the liquid production rate is 2200 STB/day when the flowing bottomhole pressure is 2400 psi.

From DST and PVT Analysis:

$$k_o = 100 \text{ md}$$

$$P_R = 2800 \text{ psig}$$

$$S' = 0$$

$$f_w = 0$$

$$\mu_o = 0.9 \quad \text{cp}$$

$$p_b = 3000 \text{ psig}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} B_o = 1.20 \text{ bbl / STB} \\ \rho_o = 50 \text{ lbm / ft}^3 \end{array} \right\} \text{ assume constant}$$

$$\text{GOR} = 1000 \text{ scf/STB}$$

$$T_R = 180^\circ\text{F}$$

$$\text{API} = 35^\circ$$

$$\gamma_g = 0.65$$

COMPLETION DATA

$$r_w = 4.25 \text{ in.}$$

$$r_e = 1200 \text{ ft.}$$

$$h = 40 \text{ ft}$$

$$\text{Screen diameter} = 4.5 \text{ in.}$$

$$\text{Depth} = 10000 \text{ ft.}$$

$$p_{wb} = 160 \text{ psig}$$

$$\text{Tubing I.D.} = 2.441 \text{ in.}$$

$$\text{Gravel permeability} = 40 \text{ darcies}$$

$$\text{Perforation diameter} = 0.5 \text{ in.}$$

$$\text{Casing I.D.} = 6.5 \text{ in.}$$

Problem-5 (25 points)

The following well is going to be equipped with Electrical Submersible Pump (ESP) set at 6,000 ft from the surface. Assume that 50% of the free gas is separated at the pump. Assume that producing fluid flowing pressure gradient (psi/ft) in the 7in (ID) casing is given by:

$$dP/dL = 0.0001 * q_L$$

q_L = the total liquid flow(production) rate, STBL/day

dP: Pressure drop, psi

dL: Unit length of casing, ft

Other relevant data:

Depth of Well : 7, 000 ft

Productivity Index, $J = 1$ bbl/day/psi

Average Reservoir Pressure= 1800 psi

Average Flowing Temperature: 200 °F

Desired Oil Production Rate: 1000 STBO/day

Oil Gravity = 35°API

$B_o = 1.1$ Bbl/STB

Gas Gravity = 0.65

$f_w = 0$

Gas Liquid Ratio = 400 SCF/STBL

Tubing Wellhead Pressure: 160 psi

Tubing ID = 2.441 in.

Determine the required pump horsepower.

NOMENCLATURE

Q_L = Liquid production rate, STB/Day

P_{wf} = Flowing Bottomhole pressure, psig

P_R = Average Reservoir Pressure, psig

P_b = Bubble point pressure

f_w = Water cut, fraction

GLR = Gas liquid ratio, SCF/STBL





