

6X^{online} Introduction

February 2022

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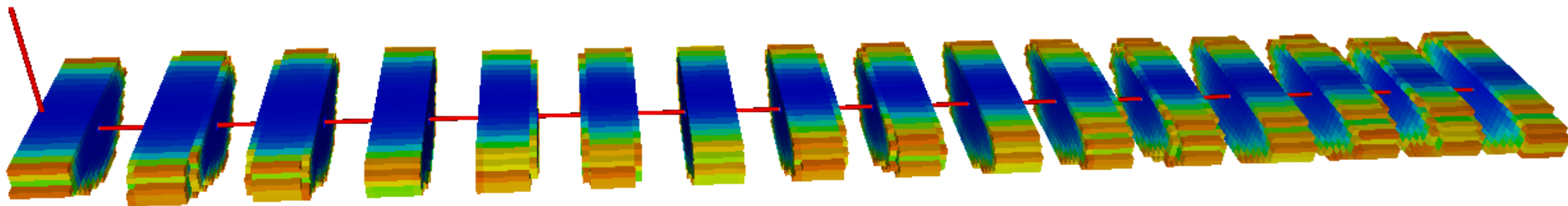
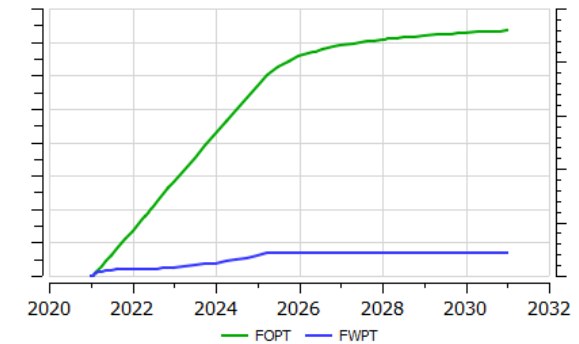
Presenter

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This presentation will be a combination of

- Slides & Online Demo (60 minutes)
- Closing Discussion (30 minutes)

Please submit questions on the “chat” panel. We will monitor it and incorporate them into the closing discussion



Introduction – why simulate?

Rate Transient Analysis

- Forecasts EUR using analytic models to generate production profiles
- Assumes single phase flow
- Assumes reservoir homogeneity
- Assumes fracture conductivity is constant

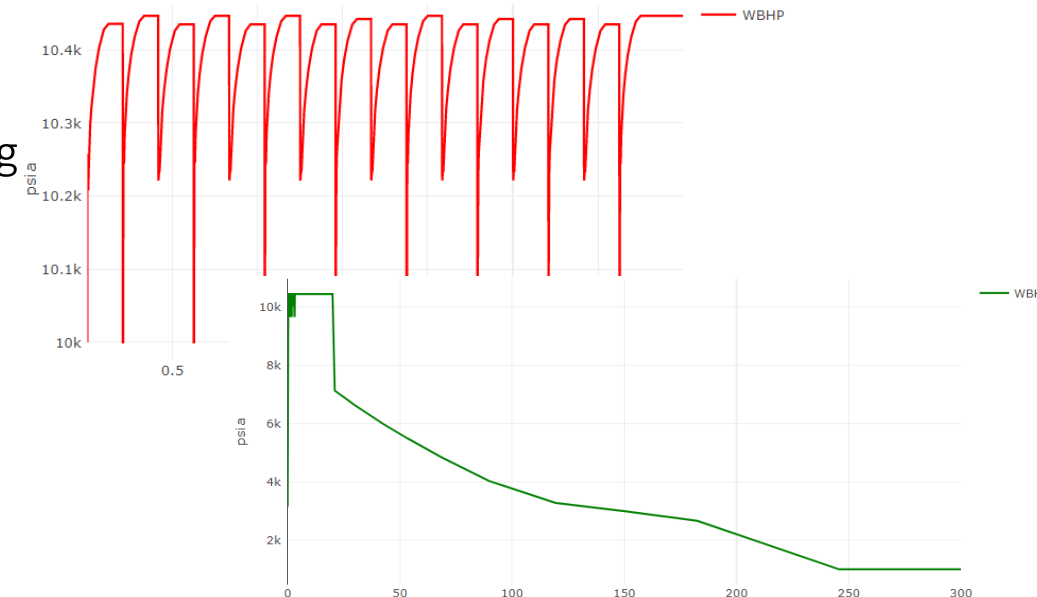
Numerical Simulation

- Predicts production using a finite difference simulator
- Allows for multi-phase black oil or compositional flow
- Is based on an earth model
- Fractures grow and close dynamically based on pumping schedule and depletion

Simulation is the only way to capture all the physical process that contribute to production performance

Introduction – 6X Reservoir Simulator

- Integrates flow, frac design and geomechanics in one model
 - Multi-well, black-oil, compositional
- Requires a definition of the geology, fluids and stress state
- Models pumping schedule, flowback and production
- Focuses on decisions that influence production performance
- Workflows:
 - Well placement & spacing
 - Including interference & stress shadowing
 - Completion design
 - Including details of stages and clusters
 - Cyclic gas injection EOR
 - Re-frac



Introduction – 6X^{online}

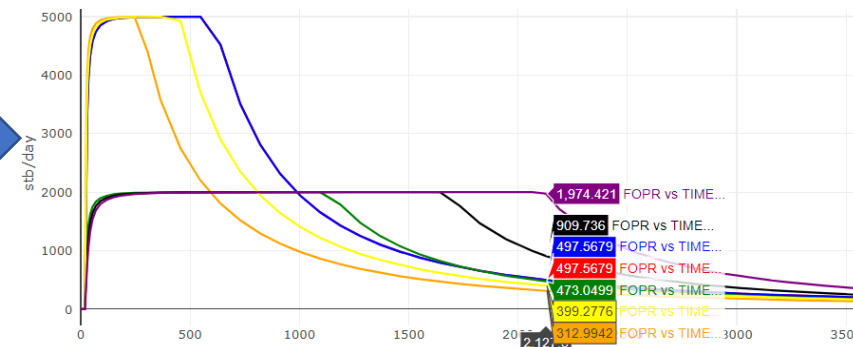
- A web application to enable routine workflows
 - Supports **limited functionality** on layer cake models
 - Collates data
 - Runs 6X simulator
 - Locally or on an external server or on the cloud
 - Cases can be exported and customized to access advanced functionality

Note:

6X^{online} does not access all of the 6X functionality



The screenshot shows the 'Reservoir collection' interface. On the left, a sidebar lists 'Reservoirs', 'Wells', 'FracJobs', 'Scenarios', 'build', 'save', 'load', and 'options'. The main area displays 'Res_A_01_F' as the selected reservoir. Below this, there are tabs for 'formation', 'fluid', 'stress', 'layer', 'rock', 'poroperm', 'geomech', and 'scal'. The 'formation' tab is active, showing fields for 'Name' (Formation (global)), 'top depth' (9000), 'pressure' (7200), 'horizontal refinement' (2), 'goe' (8900), 'woc' (9300), and 'extent' (1). At the bottom, there are buttons for 'import reservoirs', 'rename', 'copy', 'delete', and 'export'.

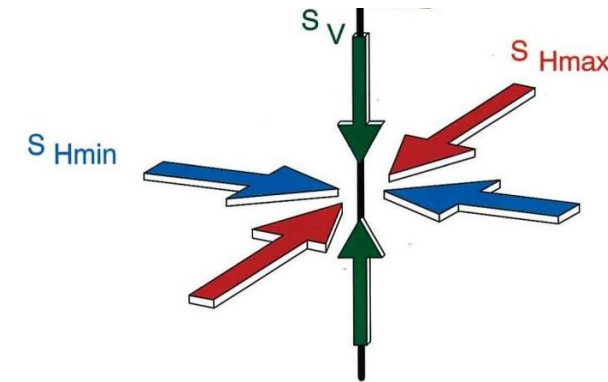


What do we mean “Integrates flow, frac design and geomechanics”?

6X Conceptual overview – Input initial state

Stresses:

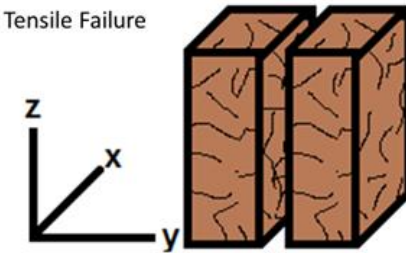
- S_{Hmin} , S_{Hmax} , S_v
- Strength
 - A measure of the extra force required to break the rock



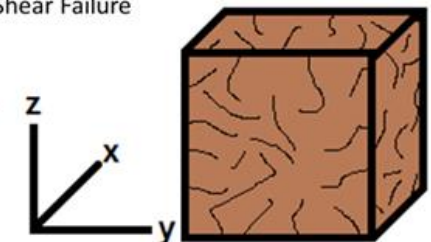
Fracture enhancement parameters

- Pore volume expansion
 - The expansion rate when the rock breaks and the fractures expand
- Tensile
 - The maximum amount of permeability to be added
- Shear
 - The maximum amount of matrix-fracture interface (surface area)
- Residual connectivity
 - The amount of permeability which will remain post-closure
 - For propped and unpropped volume

Tensile Failure

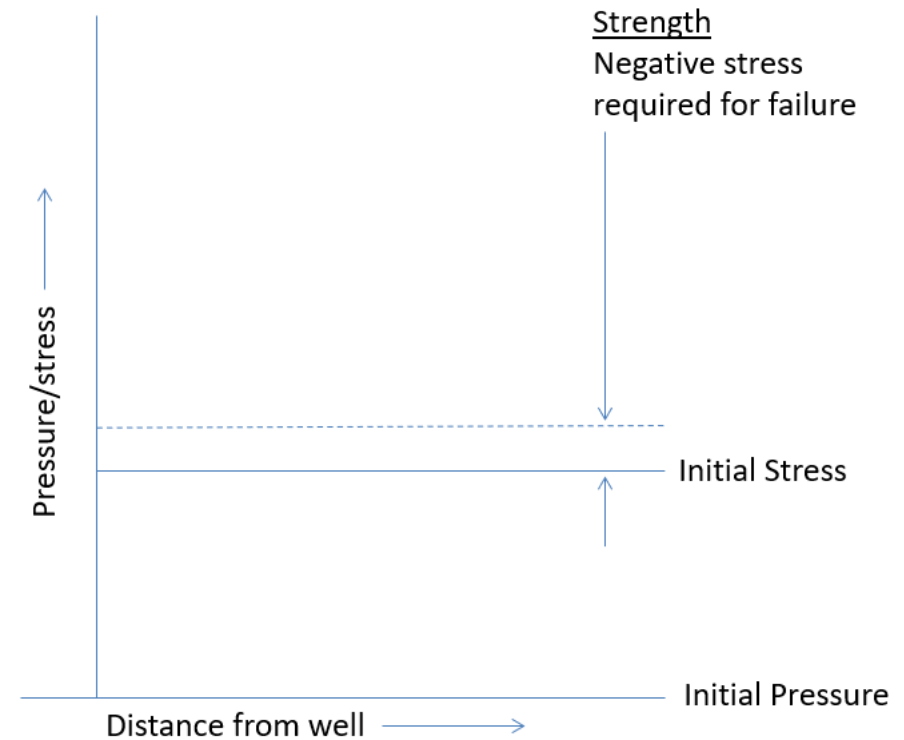


Shear Failure



6X Conceptual overview

Model geomechanics of rock breakage



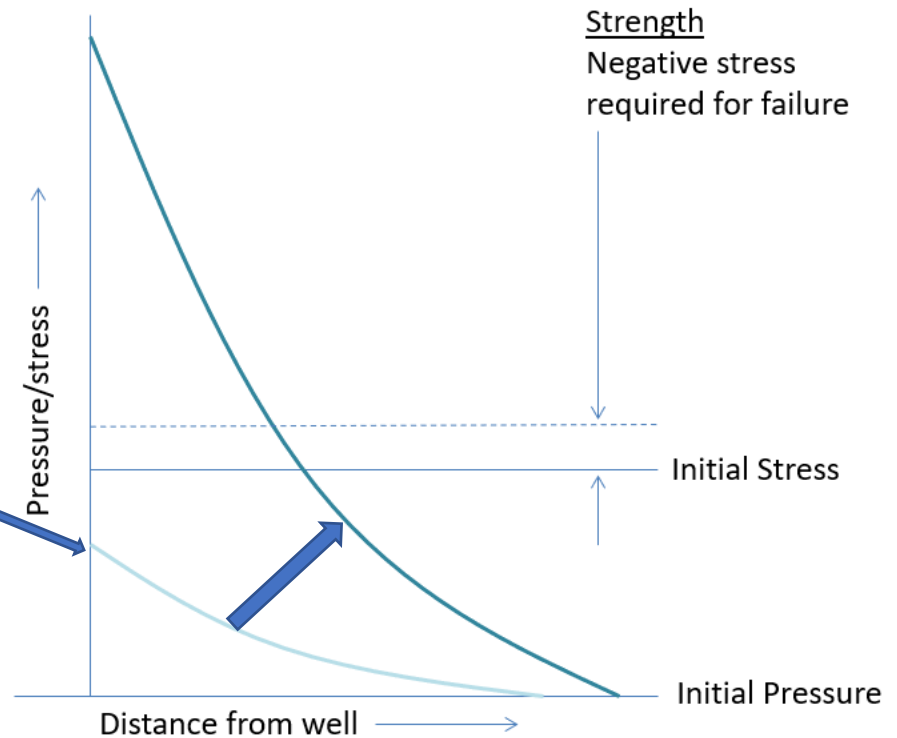
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Model geomechanics of rock breakage

- As pressure increases due to pumping
 - Pressure exceeds the minimum stress and net stress becomes negative

As pumping initiates, the pressure

- Gets higher at the well
- Moves out into the reservoir



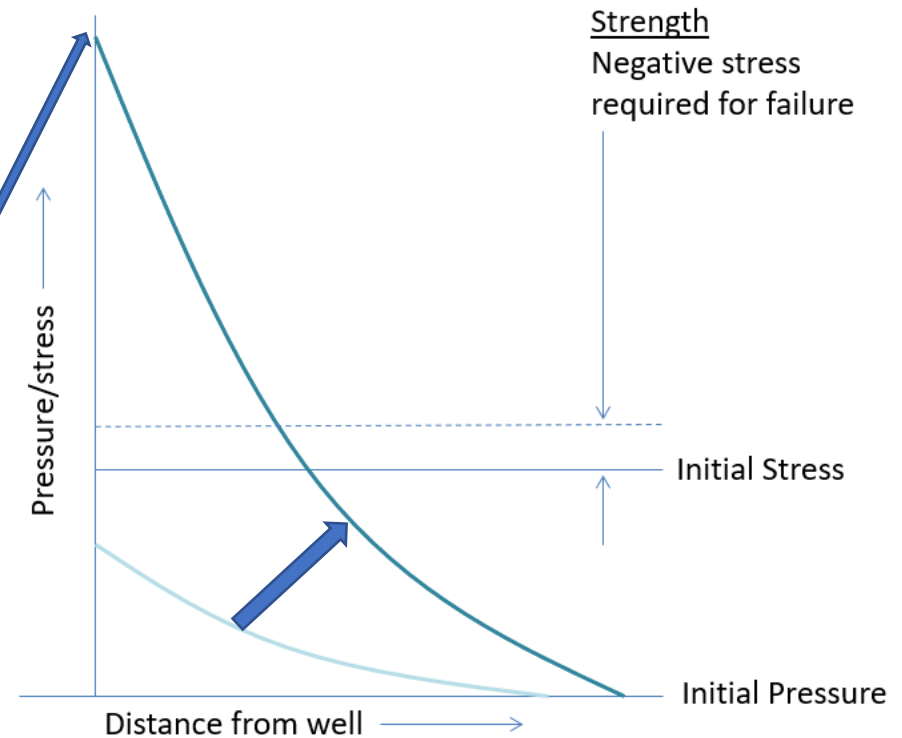
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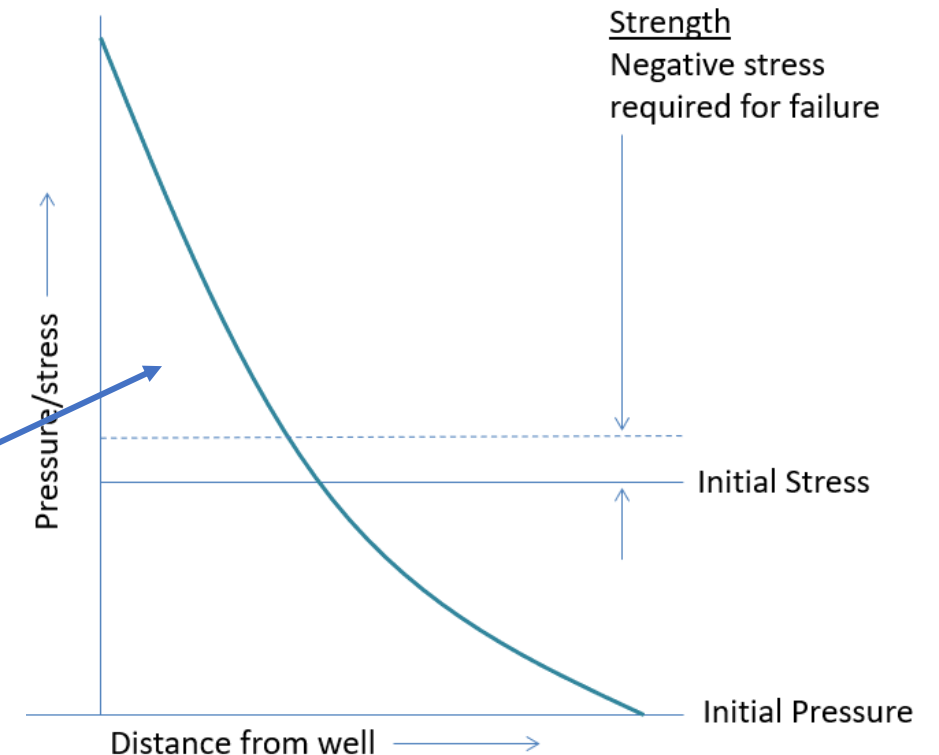
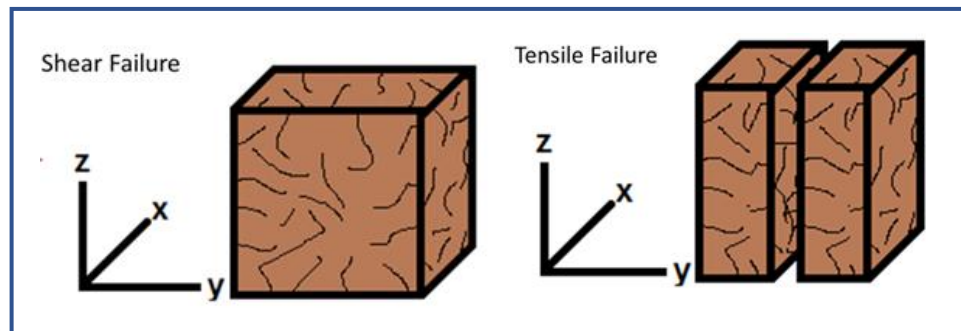
- Ultimately exceeds the initial stress
- Moves further out into the reservoir



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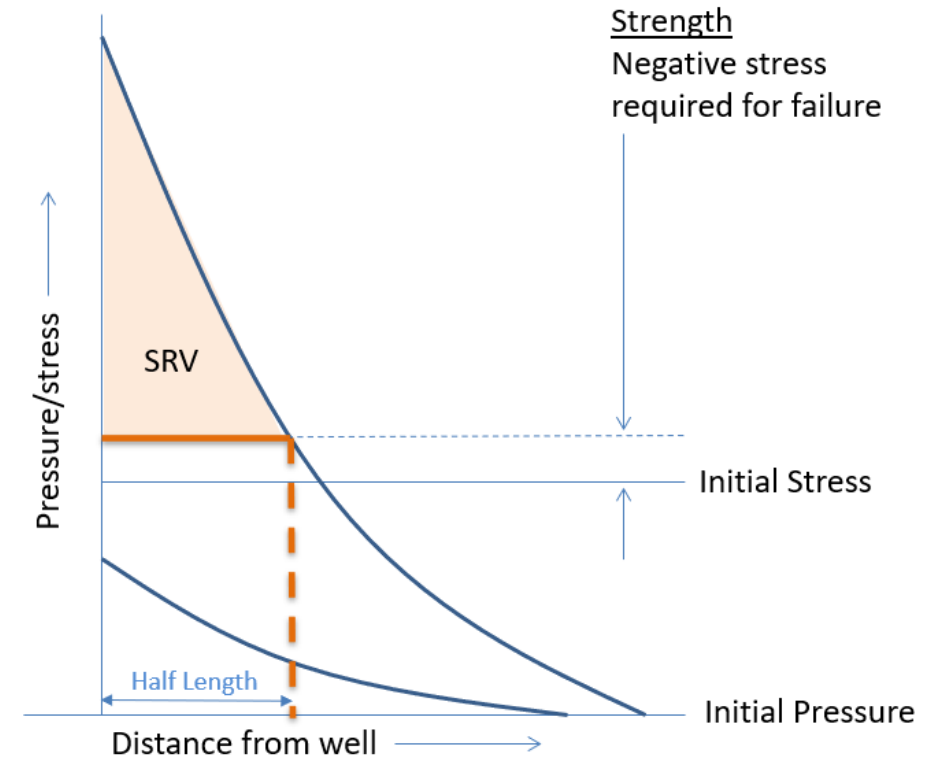
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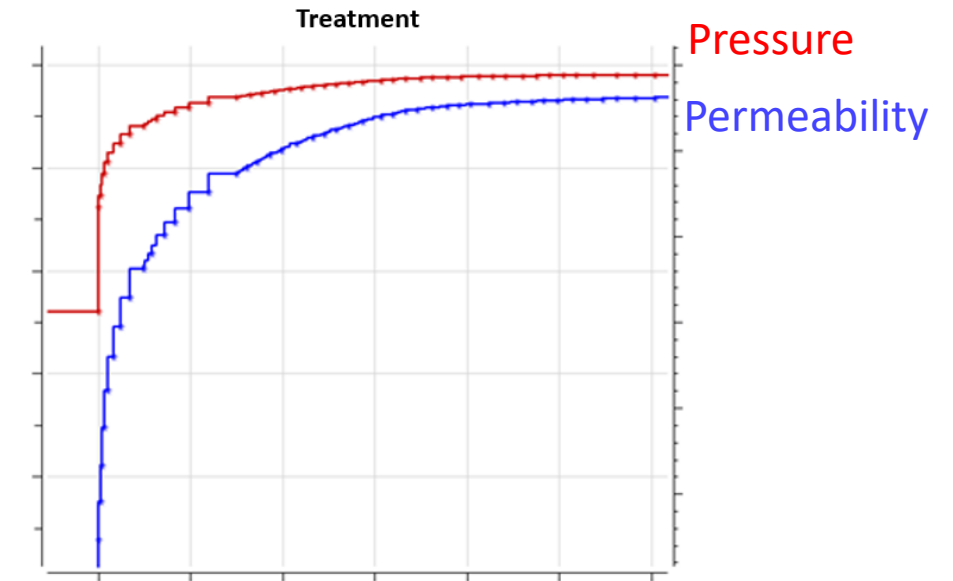
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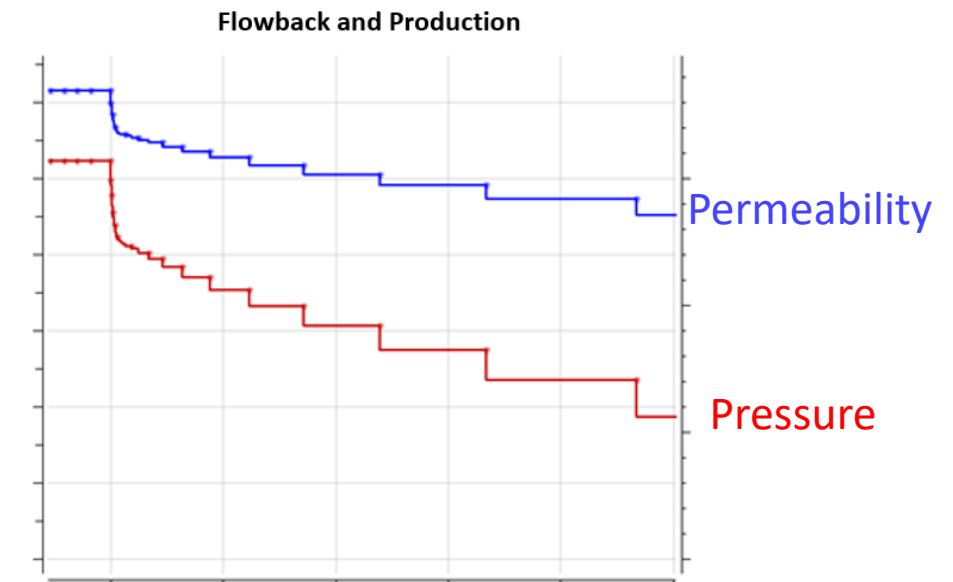
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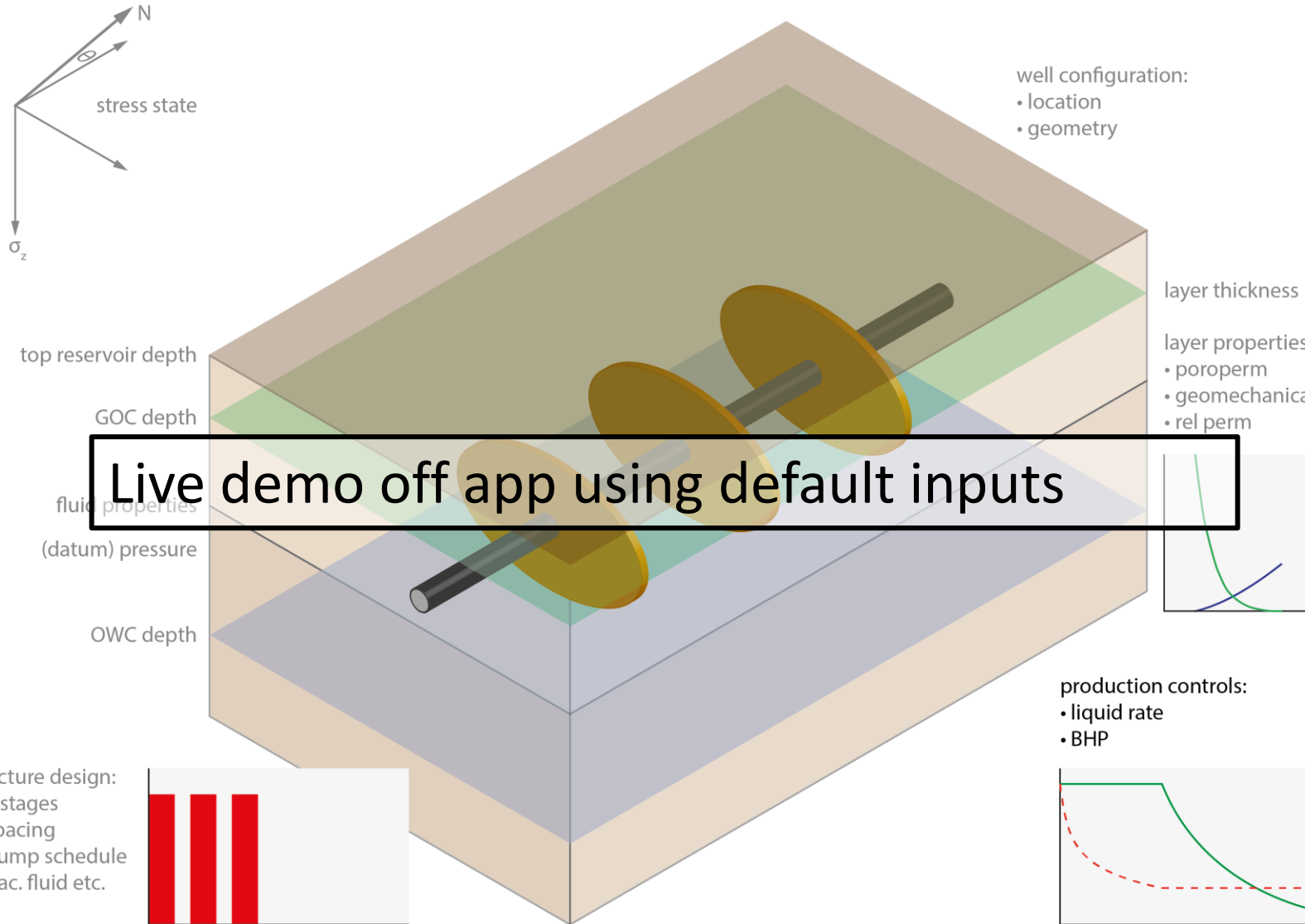
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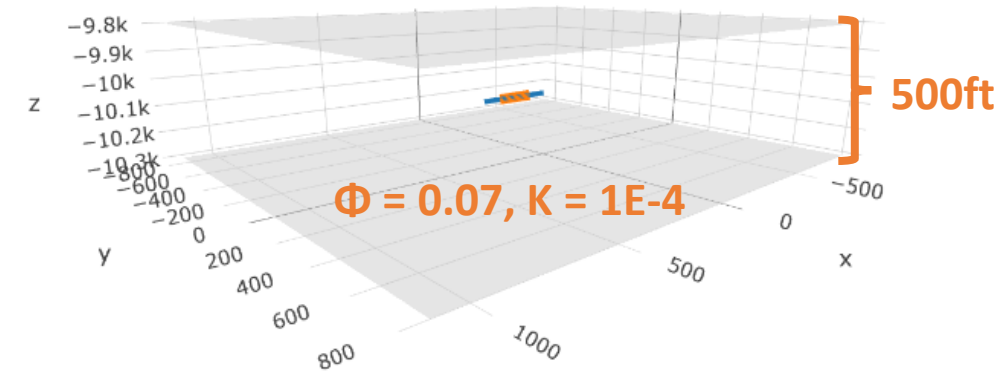
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Example 1

The reservoir has a top depth of **9,800 ft** and consists of a single unit:

- Properties
 - Permeability = 0.0001 mDarcy, Porosity = 7%, Thickness = 500 ft
- Fluid
 - Light oil, at **7,200 psia**, with a bubble point of **4,000 psia**
 - Gas Contact at **8,900 ft** TVDSS (above)
 - Water Contact at **12,000 ft** TVDSS (below)
- Stresses:
 - SHmin **9,000 psia**, SHmax **12,000 psia**, SV **14,000 psia**
- Fracture enhancement
 - Pore volume expansion **900 μSips**, Tensile + **1000 mDarcy**, Shear + **2 1/ft²**, Residual connectivity stim **0%**, prop **40%**



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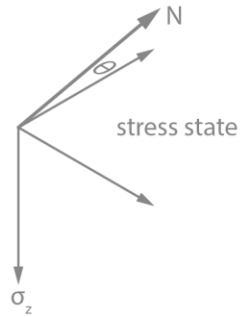
- Depth **10,070 ft**, Length **300 ft**

Stage

- Length **150 ft**, Spacing **75 ft**
- Rate **20 barrels / min** (28.8k/ day), pumping for 45 minutes, wireline operations **1 hour**

Production

- **250 barrels / day** of liquid for **0.25 years**
- Min BHP **1,000 psia**



top reservoir depth

GOC depth

fluid properties
(datum) pressure

OWC depth

fracture design:

- # stages
- spacing
- pump schedule
- frac. fluid etc.



Live app demo of single stage model Part One

well configuration:

- location
- geometry

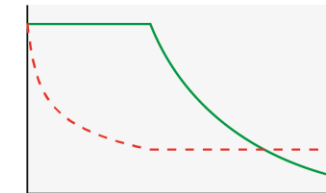
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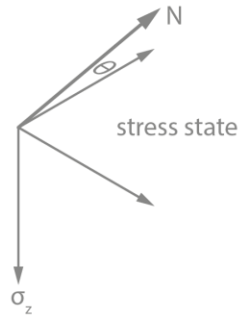
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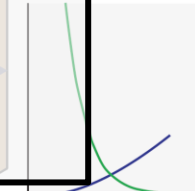
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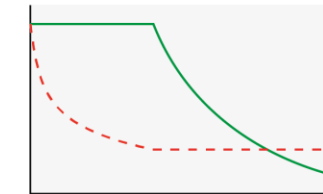
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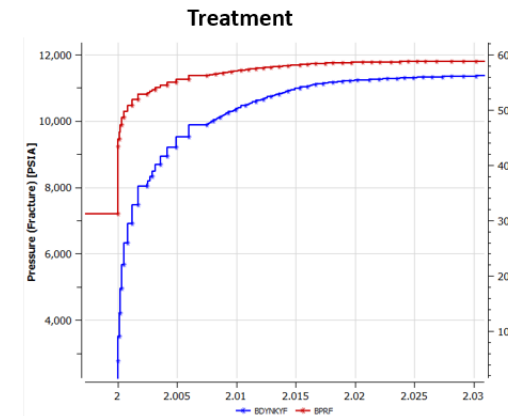
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We can CALIBRATE the model inputs to MATCH historical performance

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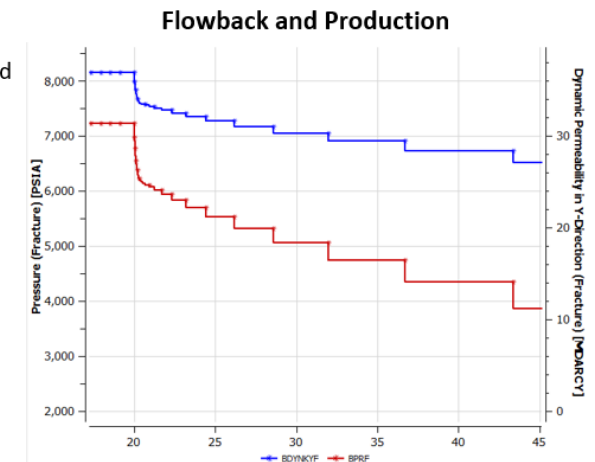
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As fluid is pumped:

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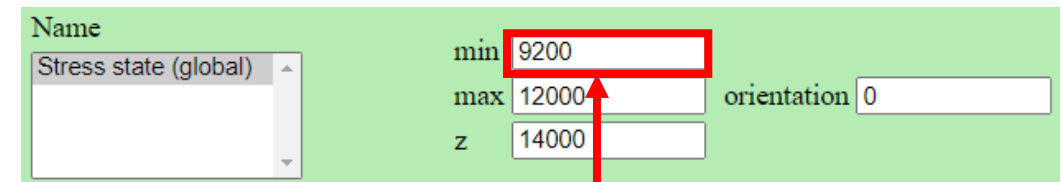
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F. Residual perm remaining during production (%)

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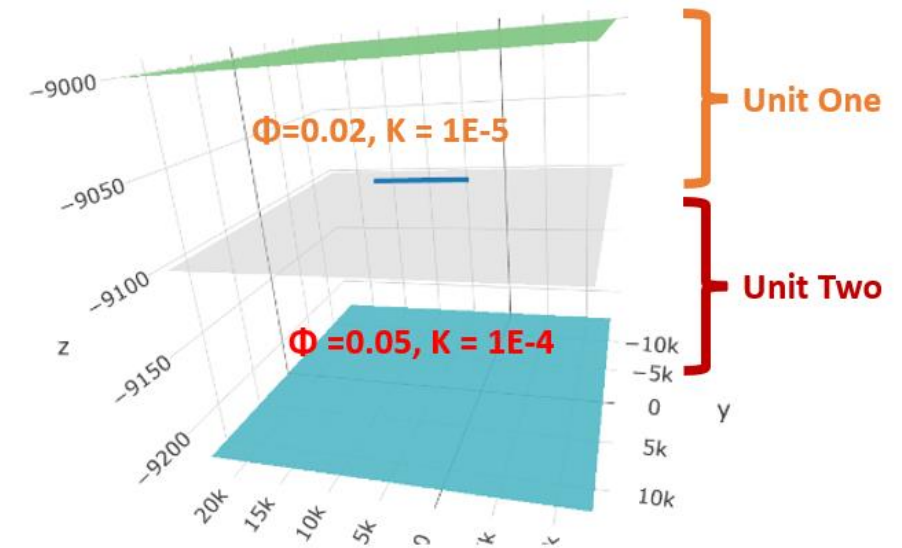
Example 2 – Reservoir and fluid properties

The reservoir has a top depth of **9,000 ft** and consists of TWO units:

- Unit One
 - Permeability = **1E-5 mDarcy**, Porosity = **2%**, Thickness = **100 ft**
- Unit Two
 - Permeability = **1E-4 mDarcy**, Porosity = **5%**, Thickness = **120 ft**

The units are in communication so have the same:

- Fluid
 - Light oil, with a bubble point of **3,500 psia**
 - Gas Contact at **8,900 ft TVDSS** (above unit One)
 - Water Contact at **12,000 ft TVDSS** (below unit Two)
- Pressure
 - Initial pressure **7,200 psia**
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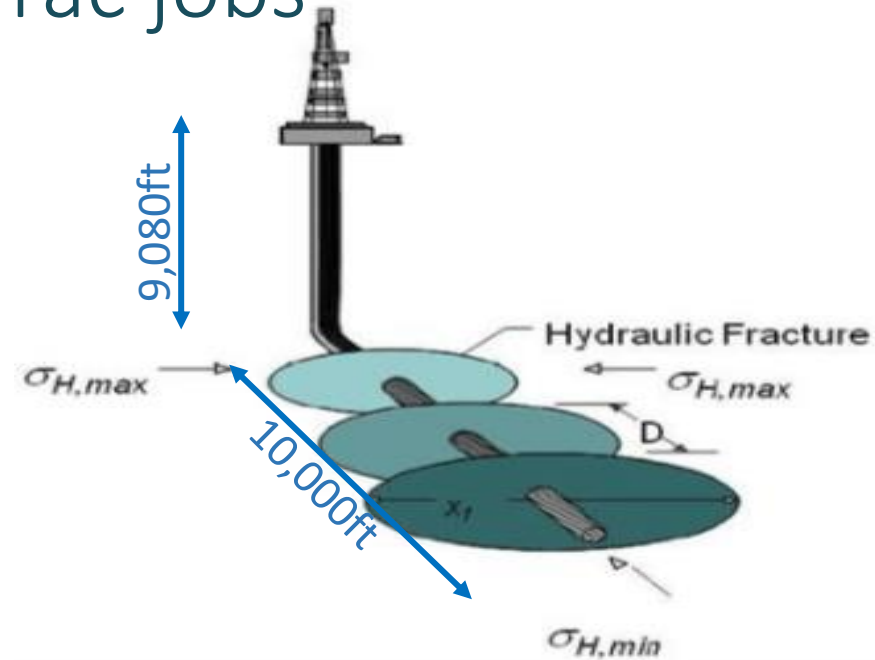
- Depth **9,080 ft**, Length **10,000 ft**
- Stages **24***

Each stage

- Length **300 ft**
- Spacing **120ft***
- Rate **20 barrels / min** (28.8k/ day)
- Pumping time **3 hours**
- Wireline operations **2 hours**

Production

- **2,000 barrels / day** of liquid
- **4 years**
- Min BHP **1,000 psia**



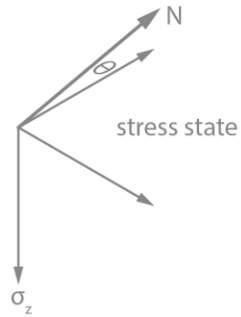
$$\text{Stage spacing} = \frac{\text{Hz Well Length} - \text{Stage Length} \times \text{N of stages}}{(\text{N of stages} - 1)}$$



EG, for 24 stages

$$\text{Spacing} = (10,000 - (300 \times 24)) / 23 \approx \mathbf{120 \text{ ft}}$$

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fluid properties
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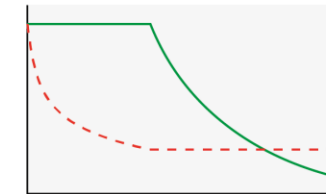
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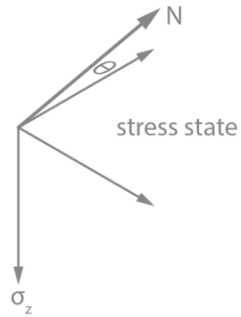
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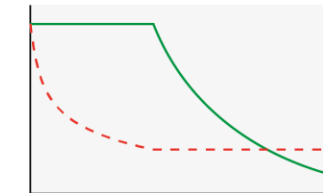
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Example 2 – Results Analysis and Conclusions

16 stages

- Produces the most per stage

24 stages

- Per stage contribution declines

32 stages

- Per stage contribution declines further
- Produces the largest amount of oil
- Is the maximum # that will fit

# Stages	Cum. oil	Per stage
	(K bbl)	(K bbl)
16	778	48
24	1,132	47
32	1,268	40

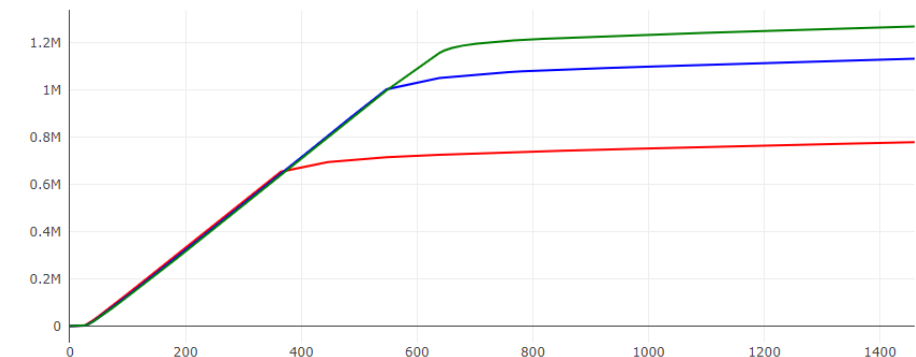
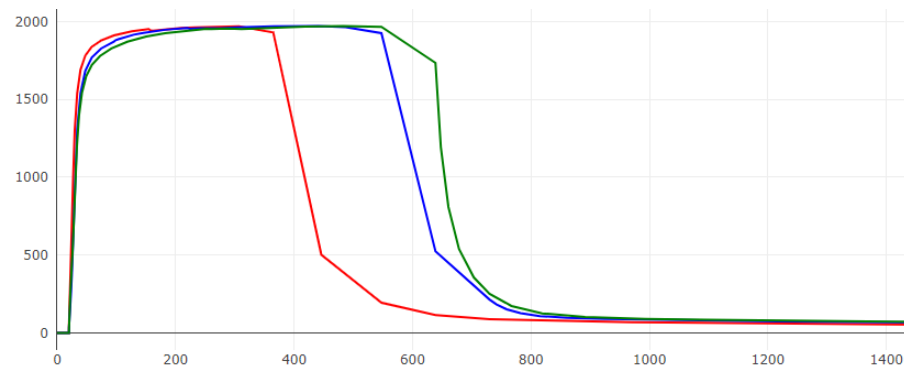
# Stages	Additional, Per stage*		
	Cost (\$K)	Oil (K bbl)	Revenue (\$K)
16	-	-	
24	180	44	2,200
32	180	28	850

*Based on

- \$600 per foot completion costs
- \$50 per barrel oil price

Considerations

1. More stages produce more oil by extending the plateau
2. Is the extra upfront investment justified?



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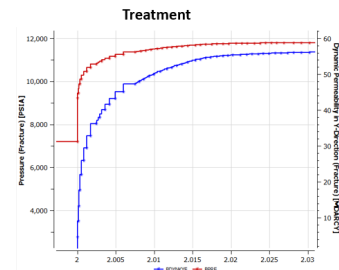
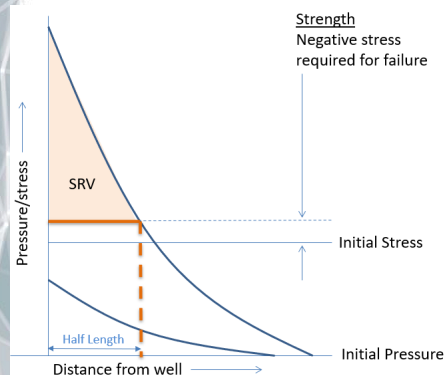
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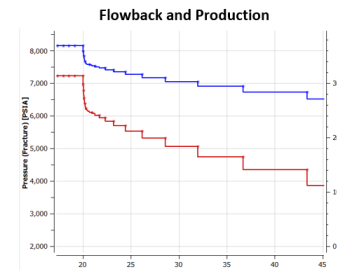
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Summary – Introduction to 6X and 6X^{online}

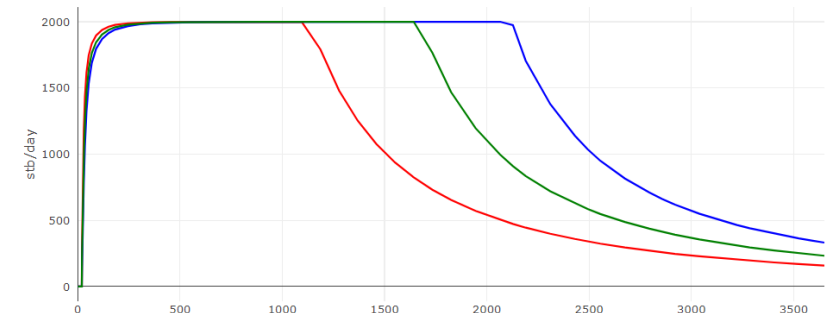
- We have shown:
 - Single well – single stage
 - Changing the rock's response
 - allows **CALIBRATION**
 - Single well – multiple stages
 - Changing design, e.g. stage count
 - allows **EXPERIMENTATION**
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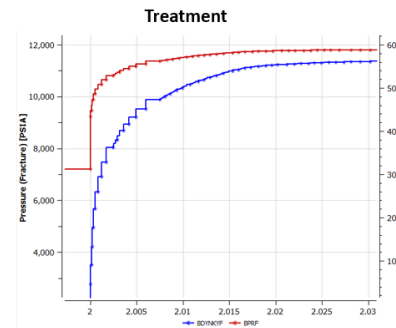
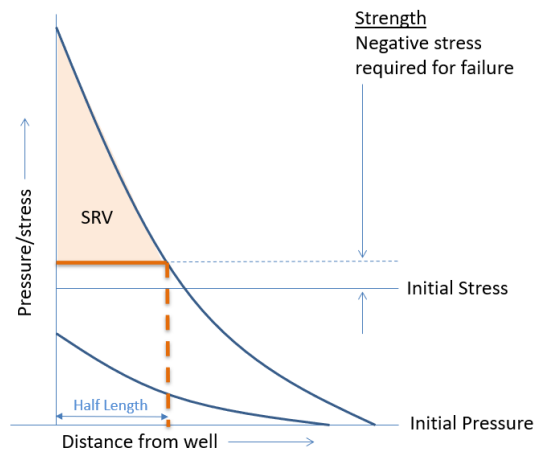


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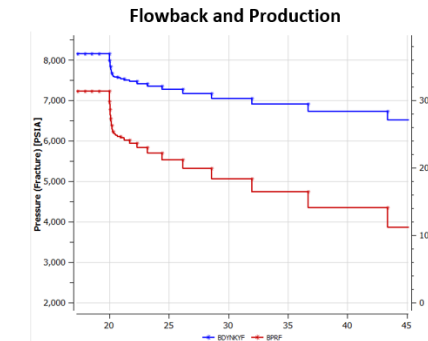
Questions?

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- We will be back with a second presentation soon

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