

6X^{online} Introduction Part II

March 2022

Welcome

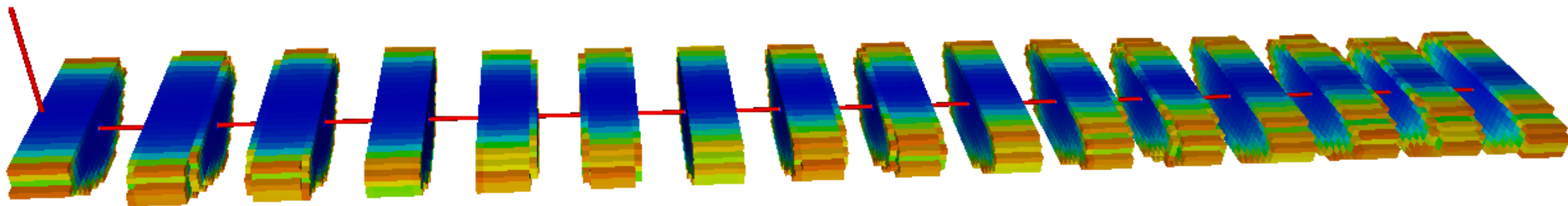
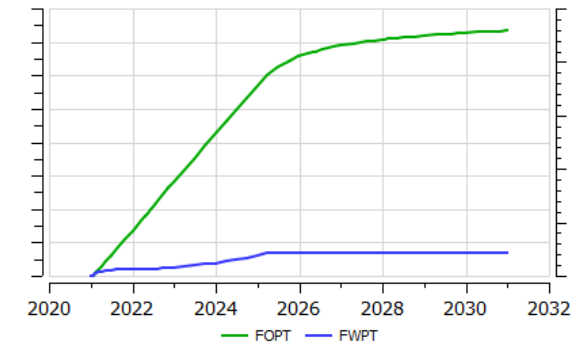
Presenter

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This presentation will be a combination of

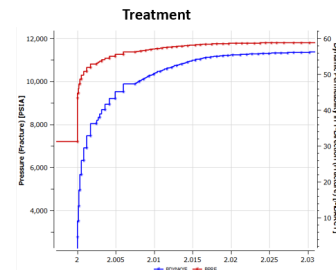
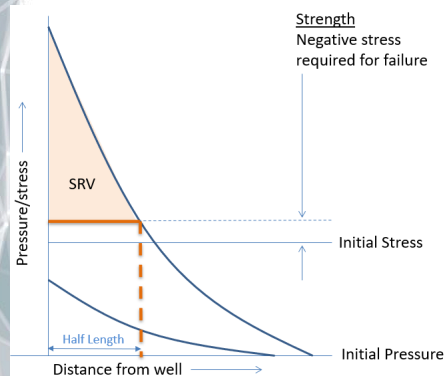
- Slides & Online Demo (60 minutes)
- Closing Discussion (30 minutes)

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



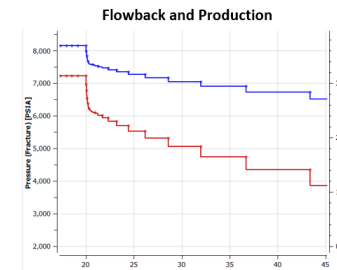
Introduction to 6X and 6X^{online}

- Previously (Feb 10th) we showed:
 - Single well – single stage
 - Changing the rock’s response
 - allows **CALIBRATION**
 - Single well – multiple stages
 - Changing design, i.e. stage count
 - allows **EXPERIMENTATION**
- Today we will show:
 - Single well – 24 stages
 - Changing design, i.e. pump rate
 - allows **EXPERIMENTATION**
 - Iteratively changing the rock characteristics
 - To illustrate **CALIBRATION** to match history



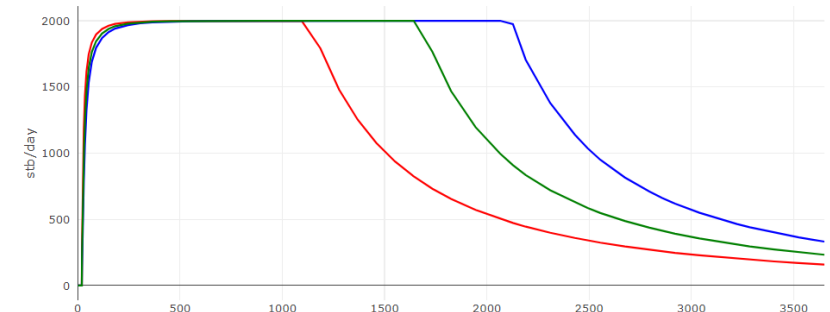
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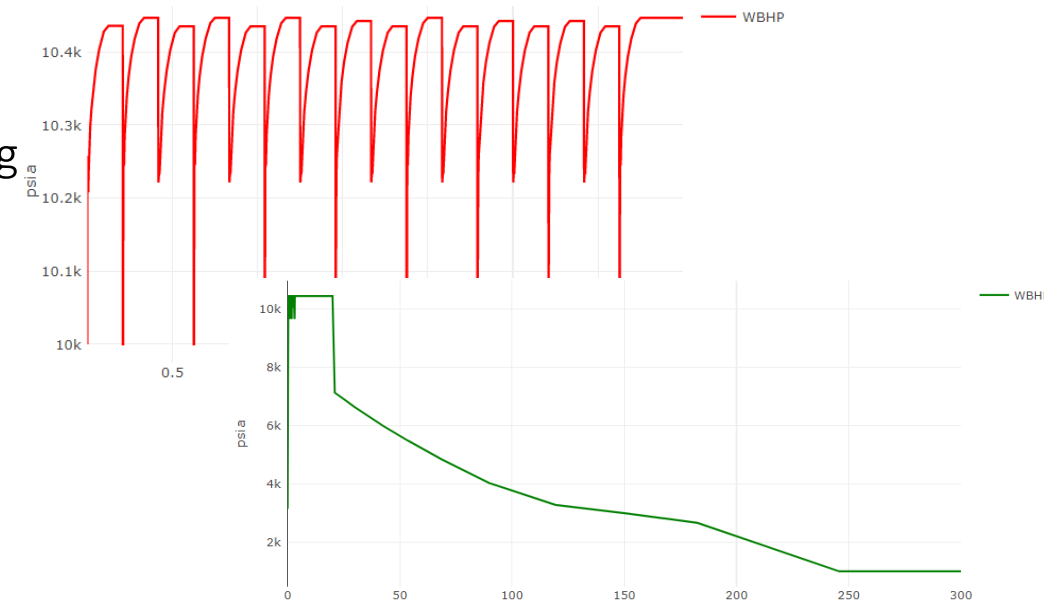
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Introduction – 6X Reservoir Simulator

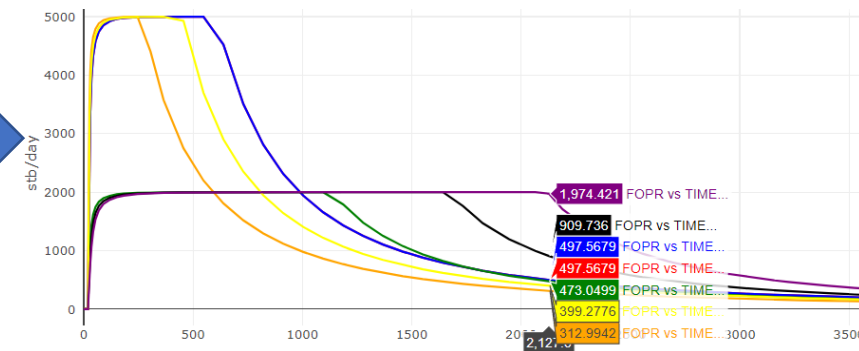
- Integrates flow, frac design and geomechanics in **one** model
 - Multi-well, black-oil, compositional
- Requires a definition of the geology, fluids and stress state
- Models pumping schedule, flowback and production
- Focuses on decisions that influence production performance
- Workflows:
 - Well 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

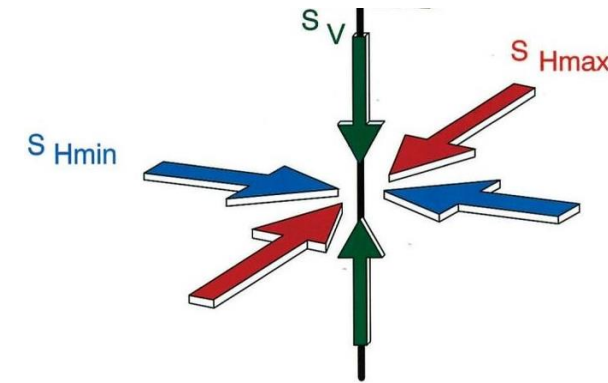


What do we mean “Integrates flow, frac design and geomechanics”?

6X Conceptual overview – Input initial state

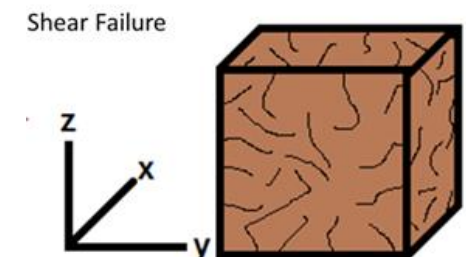
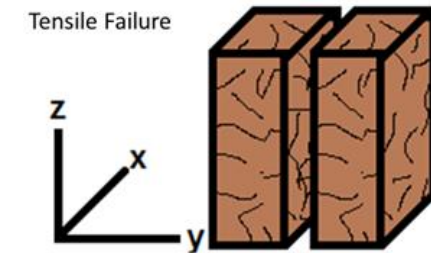
Stresses:

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



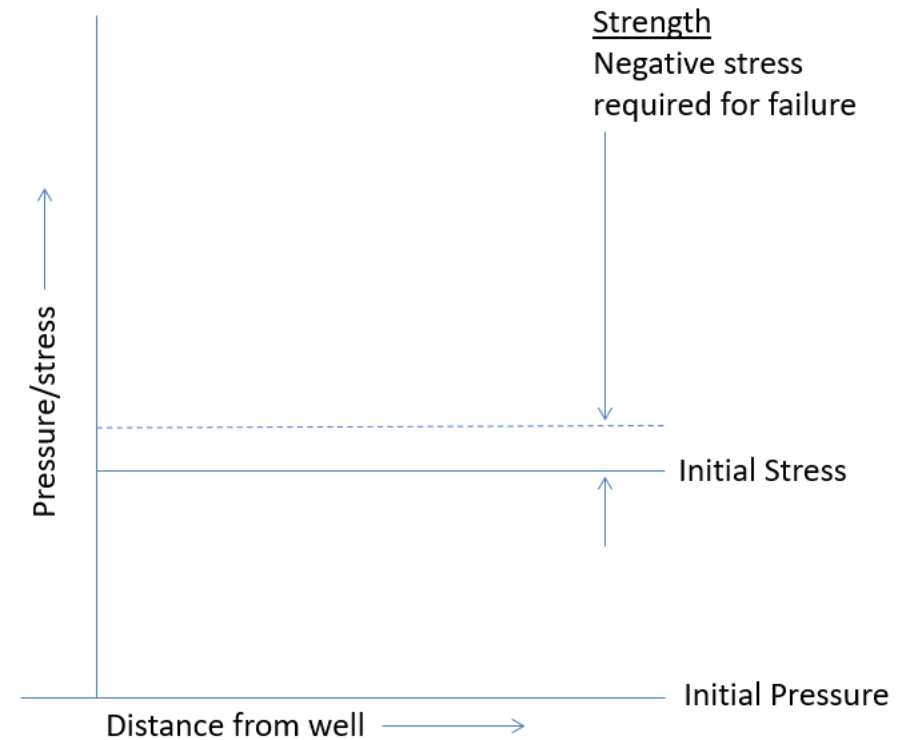
Fracture enhancement parameters

- 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



6X Conceptual overview

Model geomechanics of rock breakage



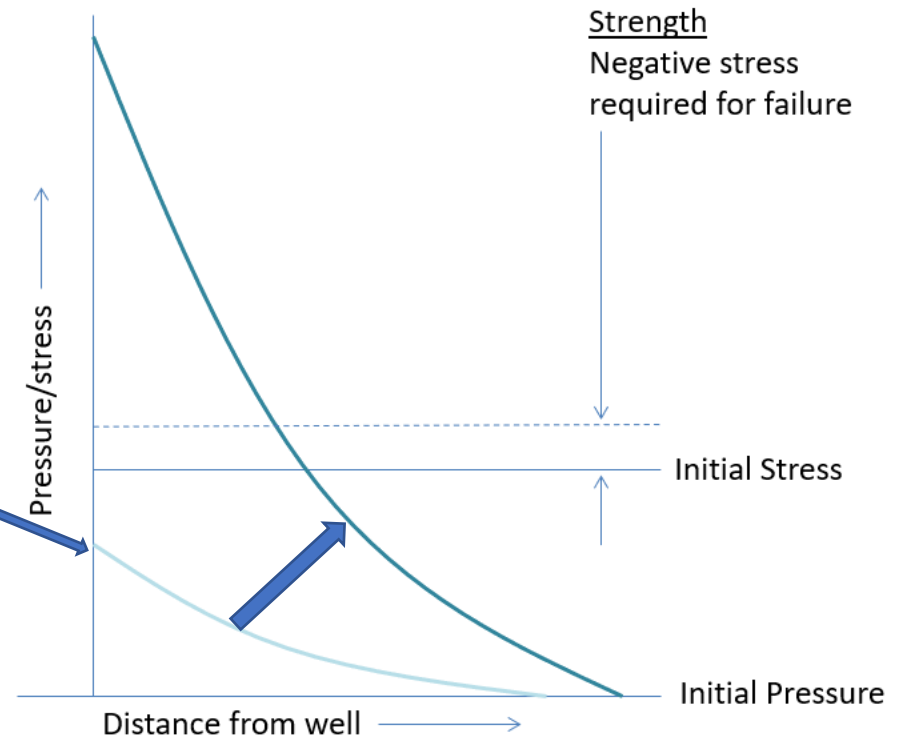
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As pumping initiates, the pressure

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



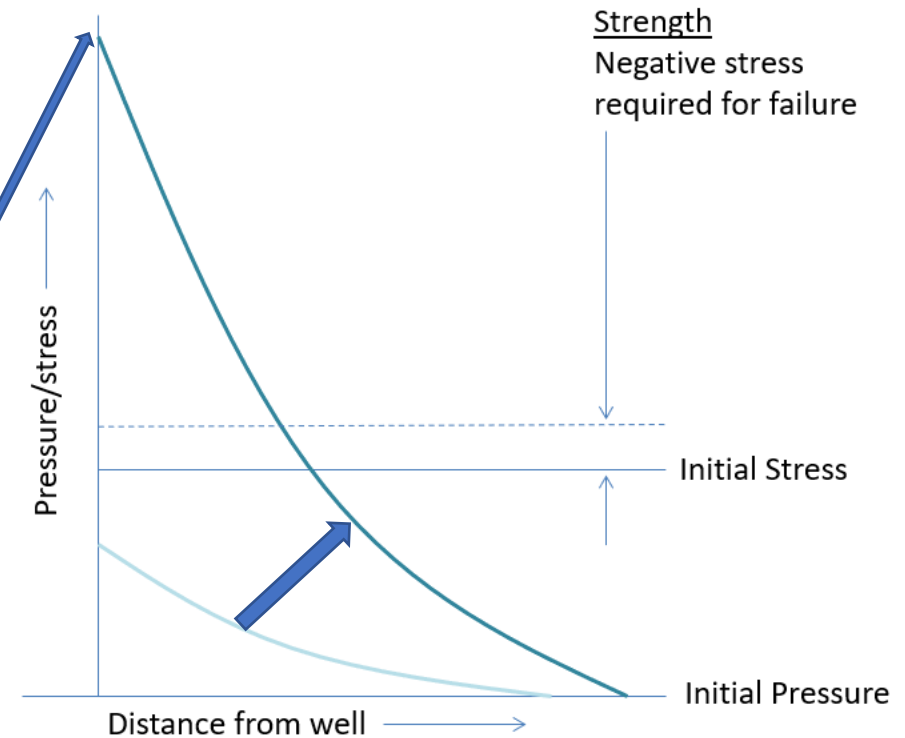
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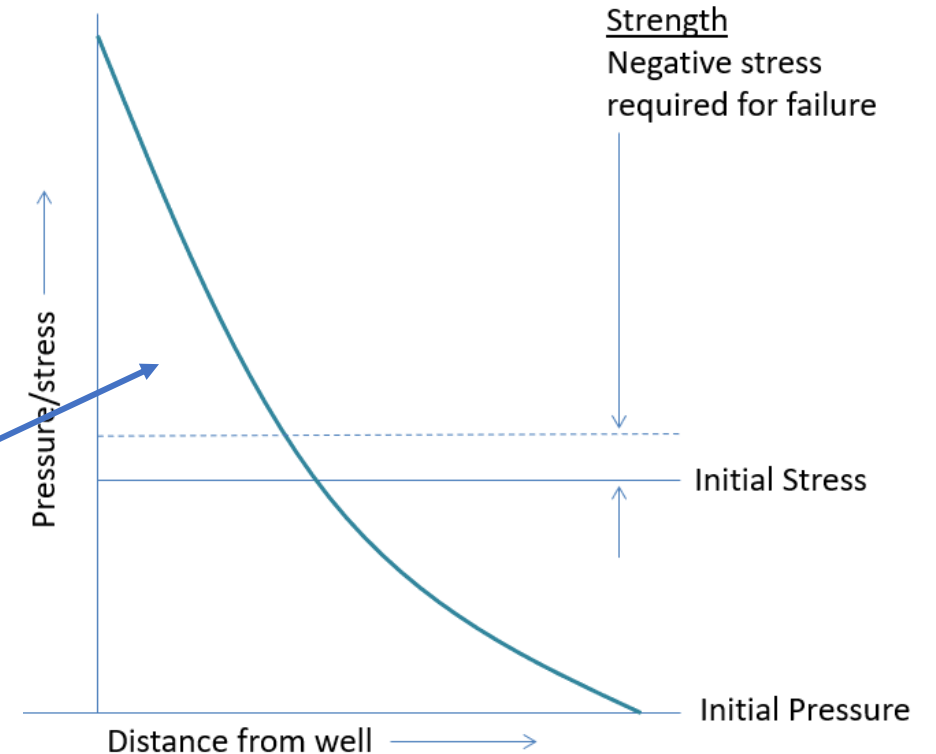
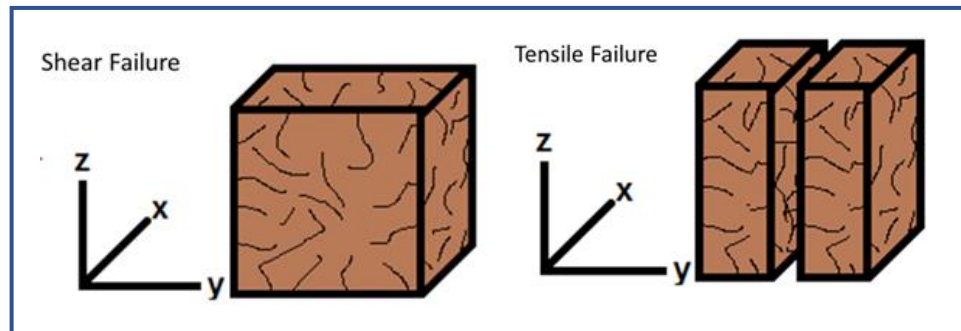
- Ultimately exceeds the initial stress
- Moves further out into the reservoir



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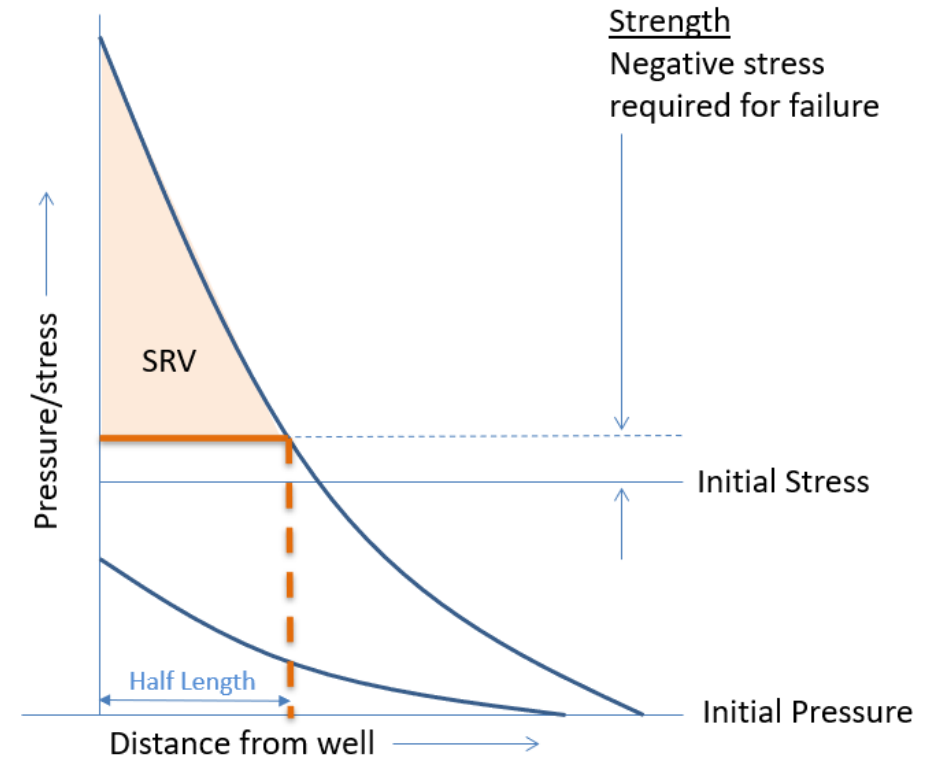
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- The SRV size is determined by how far from the well the "negative stress zone" has reached



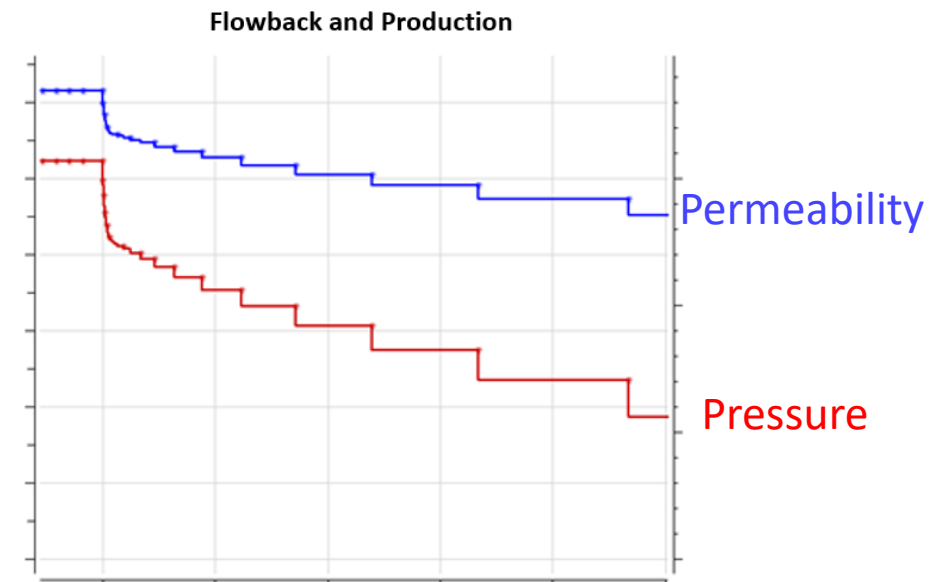
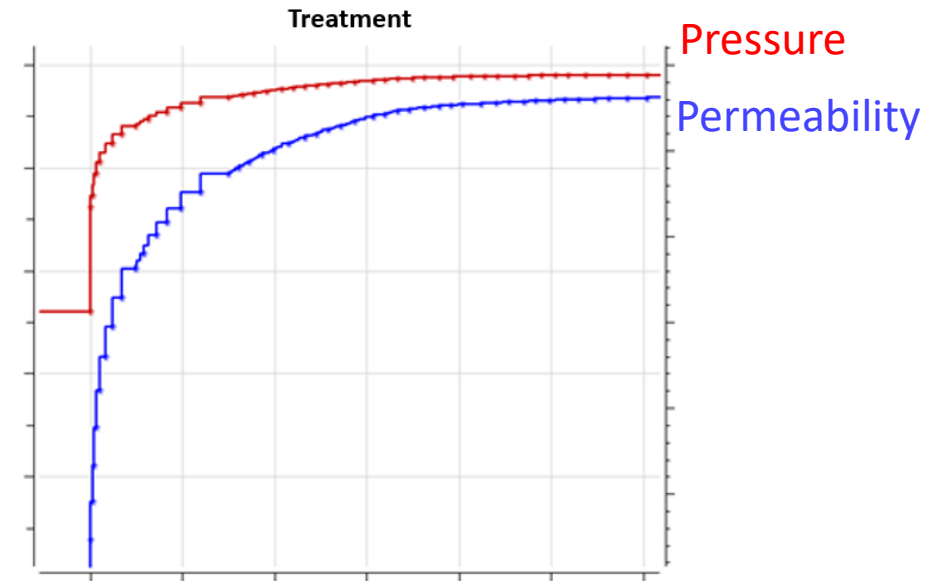
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As pressure decreases due to flowback and production

- Net stress increases
- Permeability declines to a defined residual value



Single well with multiple fracs – Examples

Example 3: Treatment Rate sensitivity

Example 4: History Match Well Performance

Example 3 – Injection Rate Sensitivity

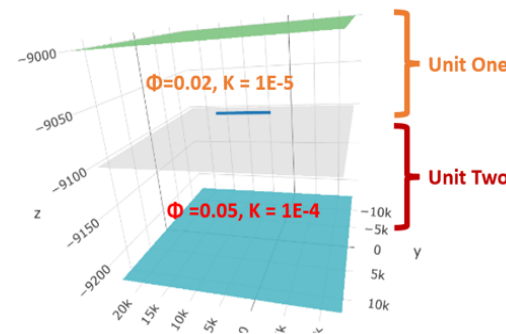
- We will use a 24 stage design similar to previous examples
- The service company can pump at a range of rates. We will keep the overall design, but vary the rate and therefore the total job size.
- **Objective: Assess the impact of the injection rate on oil recovery**

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
- Stresses:
 - σ_{Hmin} 9,200 psia, σ_{Hmax} 12,000 psia, SV 14,000 psia
- Fracture enhancement
 - Pore volume expansion 900 μ Sips, Tensile + 1000 mDarcy, Shear + 2 1/ft², Residual connectivity stim 0%, prop 25%

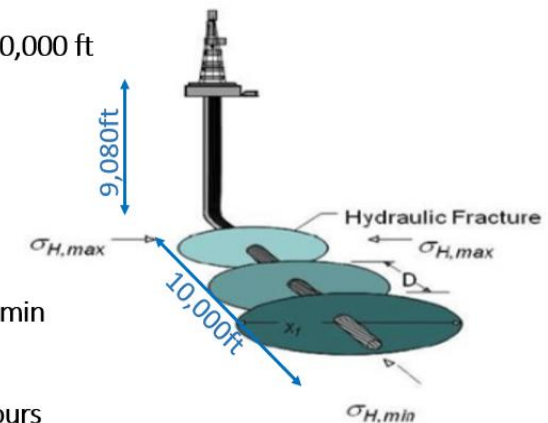


The well has

- Depth 9,080 ft, Length 10,000 ft
- Stages 24

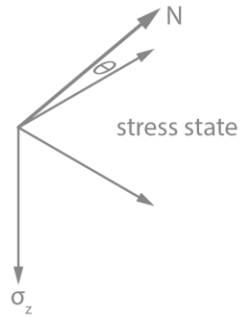
Each stage

- Length 300 ft
- Spacing 120ft
- Rate 30, 40, 50 barrels / min
- Pumping time 3 hours
- Wireline operations 2 hours



Production

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



well configuration:
• location
• geometry

layer thickness

layer properties:
• poroperm
• geomechanical
• rel perm

top reservoir depth

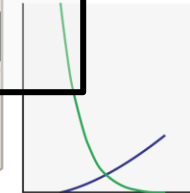
GOC depth

fluid properties

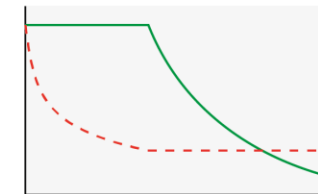
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OWC depth

Live app demo of a multi stage model



production controls:
• liquid rate
• BHP

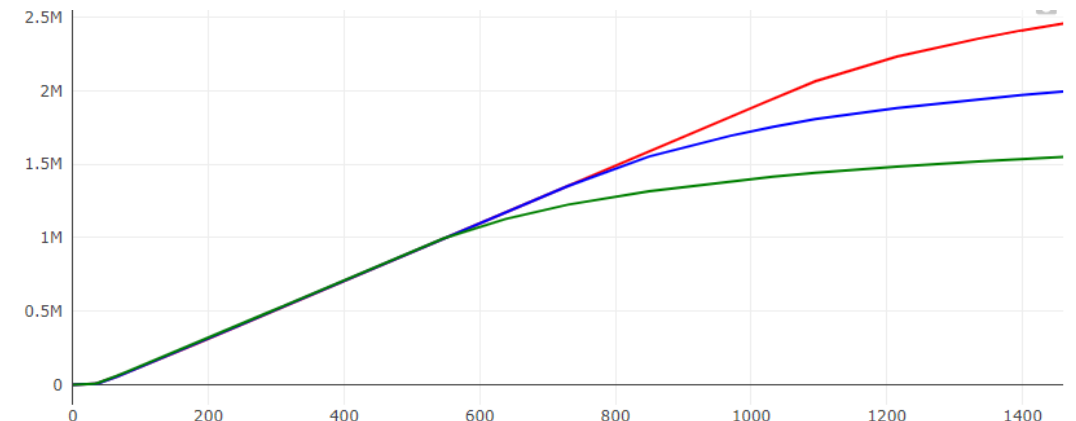
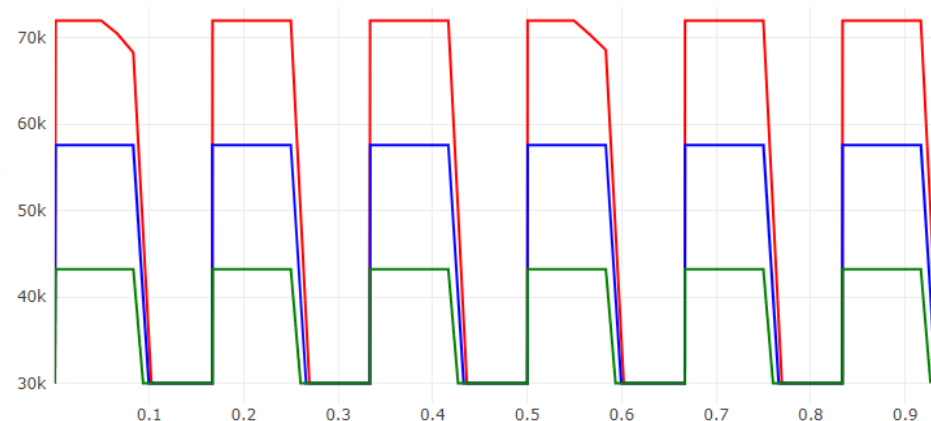


fracture design:
• # stages
• spacing
• pump schedule
• frac. fluid etc.



Example 3 – Results Analysis and Conclusions

- Oil recovery increases with higher injection rate / job size
- Injection rate of 50 bpm cannot be sustained as the fractures are unable to take the fluid.
- Illustrates the importance of having a realistic, calibrated model
 - If the model showed it was possible to inject at very high rates, we would be misleading ourselves
 - Next, we will see how we can tune the rock properties to match observed rates and pressures



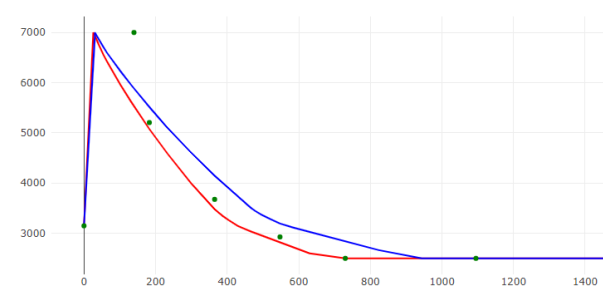
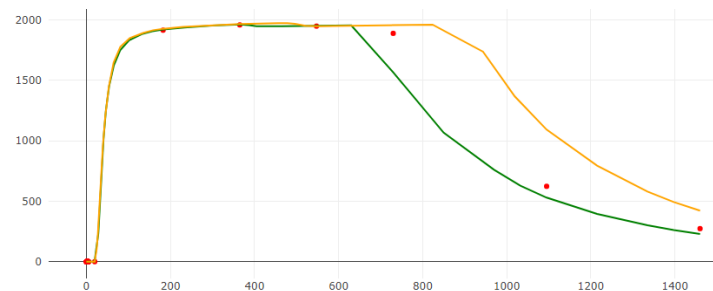
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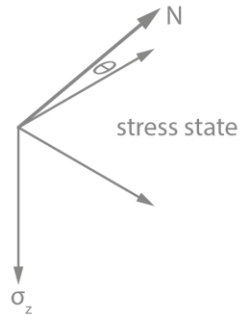
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Example 4 – History Match Well Performance

- The 24 stage stimulation program was started on day 0 at 45 BPM and then put on production.
- The well was produced over 3 years
 - Production plateau of 2000 STBD for 730 days
 - Initial flowing BHP 7,000 psi
 - BHP hits 2,500 psi limit at 730 days



- **Objective:** Revise the geomechanical parameters to history match the model to observed well performance



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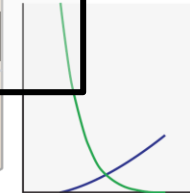
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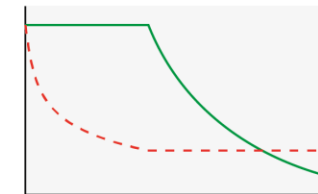
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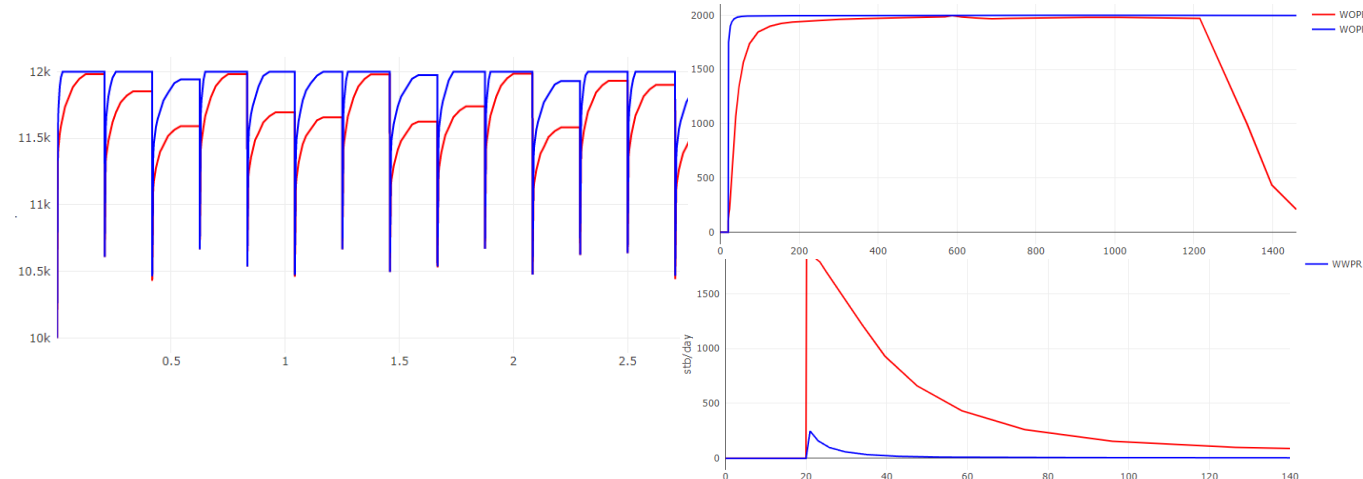


Example 4 – Results Analysis and Conclusions

“Geomech” can be calibrated to match observed performance

- Compressibility controls how rapidly the pore volume changes
 - Higher values allow the fracture space to expand in response to pumping – rock is “spongy”, fluid does not travel far
 - Lower values constrain the fracture space – rock is stiff, fluid passes along the fracture

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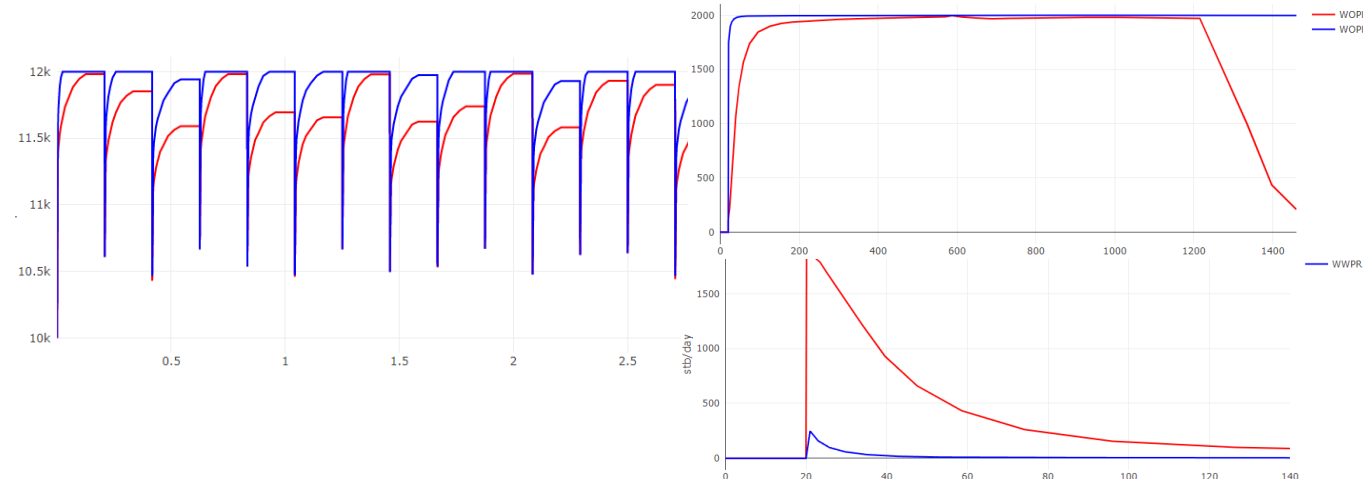


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 - Lower values may push fluid to the matrix
- BUT... “High” and “Low” are relative to the effects of ...

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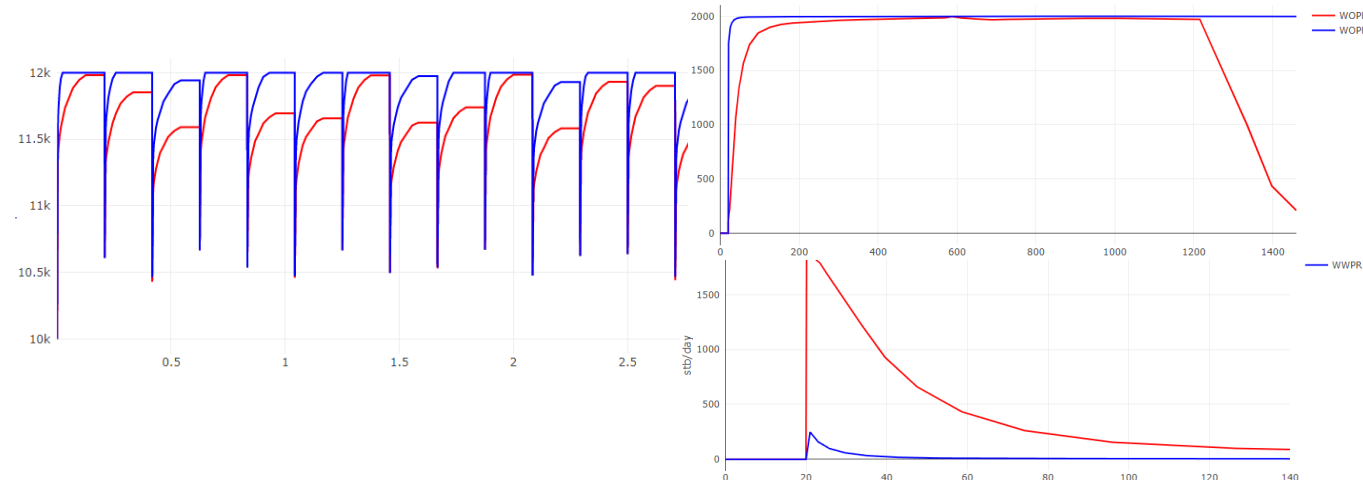


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 - More oil production (M -> F)
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 - Frac fluid that stays in the fractures

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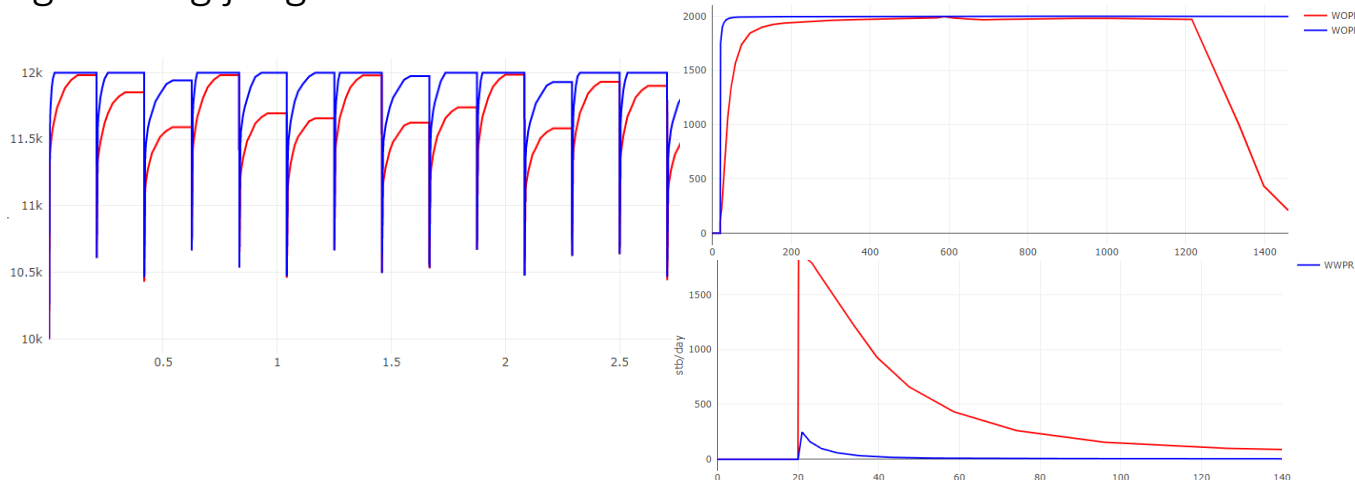
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- Non-uniqueness of solution requires engineering judgement to constrain parameters

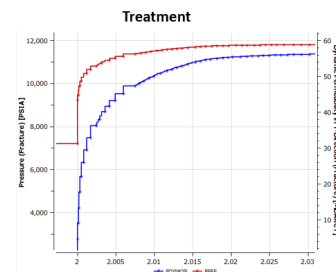
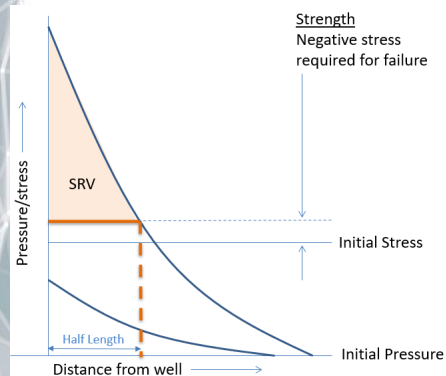
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A calibrated model allows the performance implications of operational decisions to be evaluated with confidence

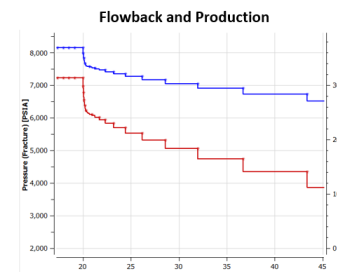


Summary – Introduction to 6X and 6X^{online}

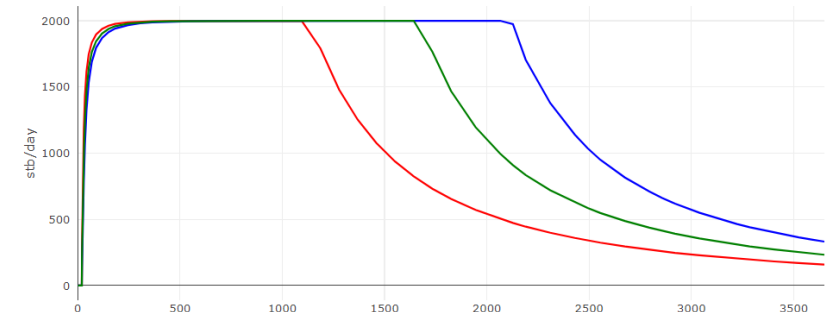
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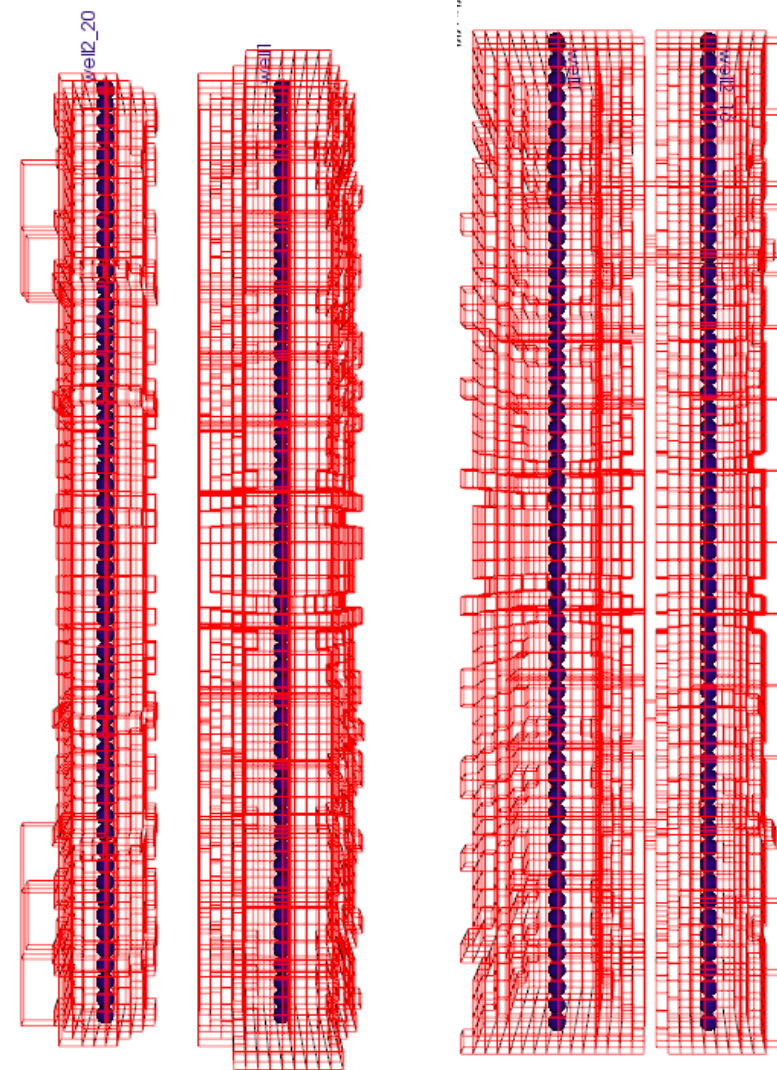


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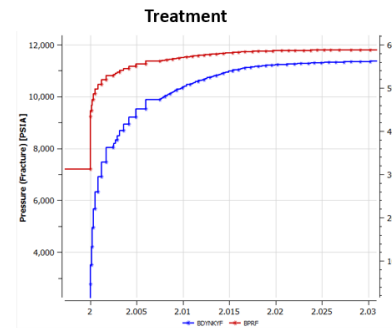
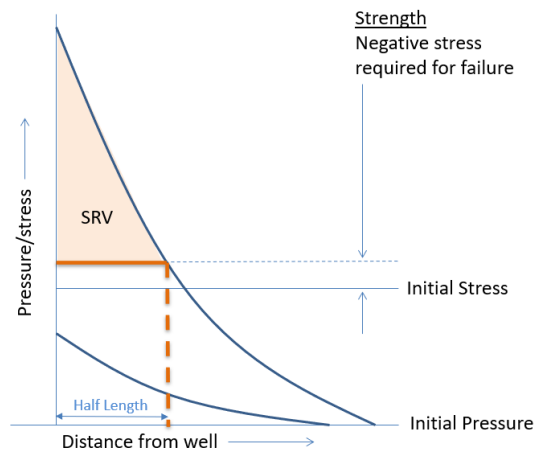
Next Presentation

- Scheduled for April
- Examples will include
 - Multi well
 - well spacing based on parent / child interaction



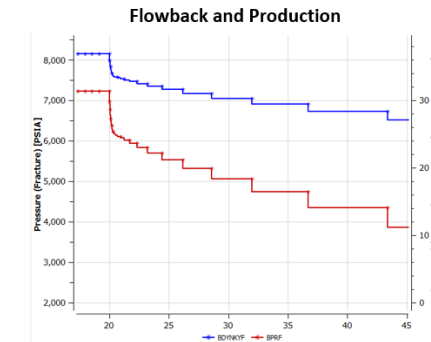
Questions?

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- We will be back with the next presentation in April
- We will discuss modelling Parent / Child interactions