



KENYATTA UNIVERSITY
EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
IN PETROLEUM ENGINEERING

EPL 504: WELL & RESERVOIR SIMULATION

3RD TRIMESTER 2022/2023

TIME: 2 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS:

The examination consists of **TWO** sections (A and B). Answer **SECTION A (COMPULSORY)** and **ANY TWO QUESTIONS** from **SECTION B**.

Section A- Compulsory (30marks)

QUESTION 1

There are three (3) basic engineering principles/concepts or equations used in the derivation of a flow equation in reservoir simulation.

Explain these concepts using applicable equations or diagrams.

Section B –Answer any Two Questions (Each question 20 marks)

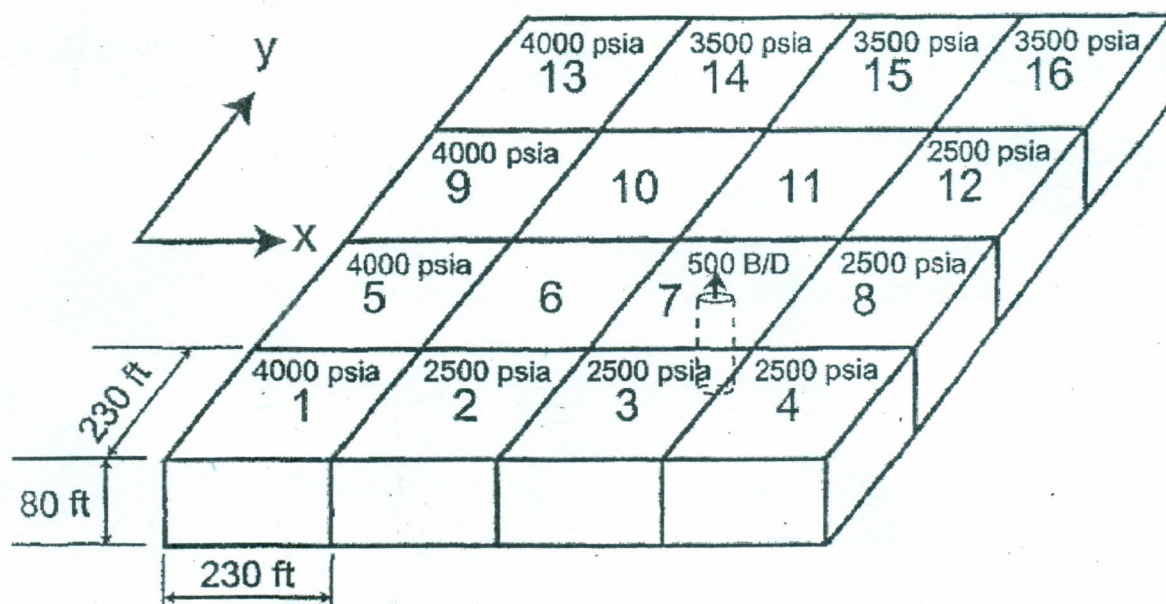
QUESTION 2

- a. Explain the principles of gridding system. (7 marks) (7 marks)
- b. How can the grid system be used to estimate unknown parameters in grid blocks. (7 marks) (7 marks)
- c. Why is fining done near the wellbore? (6 marks) (6 marks)

QUESTION 3

Consider single-phase flow of water in a 2D horizontal reservoir. The reservoir is discretized using 4x4 equal blocks as shown in the figure below. Block 7 hosts a well that produces 500 B/D of water. All blocks have $A_x = A_y = 230$ ft, $h = 80$ ft, and $k_x = k_y = 65$ mD. The water FVF and viscosity are 1.0 rB/STB and 0.5 cp, respectively. The pressure of reservoir boundary blocks is specified as $P_2 = P_3 = P_4 = P_8 = P_{12} = 2500$ psia, $P_1 = P_5 = P_9 = P_{13} = 4000$ psia, and $P_{14} = P_{15} = P_{16} = 3500$ psia.

Assuming that the reservoir water and rock are incompressible, calculate the pressure of the grid block with the well.



QUESTION 4

- Explain the stages of reservoir modelling. (10 marks)
- Briefly explain 4 types of reservoir simulations. (10 marks)

QUESTION 5

Material balance analysis is a method of reservoir simulation. For a reservoir above bubble point pressure and with a closed boundary, explain how the simulation equation changes with production.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & N_p [B_o + B_g(R_p - R_s)] + W_p B_w - W_{inj} B_{winj} - G_{inj} B_{ginj} \\
 & = N \left\{ [B_o - B_{oi} + B_g(R_{si} - R_s)] + \frac{B_{oi}}{B_{gi}} m (B_g - B_{gi}) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + B_{oi}(1 + m) \left(\frac{c_f + c_w S_w}{1 - S_w} \Delta p \right) \right\} + W_e B_w
 \end{aligned}$$

EPL 504 – Formula Sheet

$a = -\ln(1-d)$	$a_i = \frac{1}{b} [(1-d_i)^{-b} - 1]$	$a_i = \frac{d_i}{1-d_i}$
$d = 1 - e^{-a}$	$d_i = 1 - (1 + b a_i)^{-\frac{1}{b}}$	$d_i = \frac{a_i}{1 + a_i}$
$a = a_i$	$a = a_i (1 + b a_i \Delta t)^{-1}$	$a = a_i (1 + a_i \Delta t)^{-1}$
$q = q_i e^{(-a \Delta t)}$	$q = \frac{q_i}{(1 + b a_i \Delta t)^{\frac{1}{b}}}$	$q = \frac{q_i}{(1 + a_i \Delta t)}$
$Q = \frac{q_i - q}{a}$ $q = q_i - Q a$	$Q = \frac{q_i^b}{a_i(1-b)} (q_i^{(1-b)} - q^{(1-b)})$ $q^{(1-b)} = q_i^{(1-b)} - \frac{Q a_i(1-b)}{q_i^b}$	$Q = \frac{q_i}{a_i} \ln\left(\frac{q_i}{q}\right)$ $q = q_i e^{-\frac{Q a_i}{q_i}}$

$$u_x|_{x_{i-1/2}} = \beta_c \frac{k_x|_{x_{i-1/2}}}{\mu|_{x_{i-1/2}}} \left[\frac{(\Phi_{i-1} - \Phi_i)}{\Delta x_{i-1/2}} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& T_{z_{i,j,k-1/2}}^m [(p_{i,j,k-1}^m - p_{i,j,k}^m) - \gamma_{i,j,k-1/2}^m (Z_{i,j,k-1} - Z_{i,j,k})] \\
& + T_{\gamma_{i,j-1/2,k}}^m [(p_{i,j-1,k}^m - p_{i,j,k}^m) - \gamma_{i,j-1/2,k}^m (Z_{i,j-1,k} - Z_{i,j,k})] \\
& + T_{x_{i-1/2,j,k}}^m [(p_{i-1,j,k}^m - p_{i,j,k}^m) - \gamma_{i-1/2,j,k}^m (Z_{i-1,j,k} - Z_{i,j,k})] \\
& + T_{x_{i+1/2,j,k}}^m [(p_{i+1,j,k}^m - p_{i,j,k}^m) - \gamma_{i+1/2,j,k}^m (Z_{i+1,j,k} - Z_{i,j,k})] \\
& + T_{\gamma_{i,j+1/2,k}}^m [(p_{i,j+1,k}^m - p_{i,j,k}^m) - \gamma_{i,j+1/2,k}^m (Z_{i,j+1,k} - Z_{i,j,k})] \\
& + T_{z_{i,j,k+1/2}}^m [(p_{i,j,k+1}^m - p_{i,j,k}^m) - \gamma_{i,j,k+1/2}^m (Z_{i,j,k+1} - Z_{i,j,k})] \\
& + q_{sc_{i,j,k}}^m = \frac{V_{b_{i,j,k}}}{\alpha_c \Delta t} \left[\left(\frac{\phi}{B} \right)_{i,j,k}^{n+1} - \left(\frac{\phi}{B} \right)_{i,j,k}^n \right],
\end{aligned}$$