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SPECIAL PGE358 HANDOUT

OBJECTIVE: Calculation of hydrocarbon saturation and hydrocarbon density in a sandstone-shale laminated sedimentary sequence.

WELL-LOG EXAMPLE: Page 1 of PGE358's Well-Log Compendium Part 2

PURE SHALE (5,780 ft MD, local maximum in GR log) PROPERTIES:

 GR_{sh} = 94 gAPI Density Porosity, sh = 26.5% ss Neutron Porosity, sh =45% ss R_{sh} = 0.9 ohm-m

WATER SANDSTONE (5,681 ft MD, local minimum in GR log) PROPERTIES:

Clean (shale free) because density porosity = neutron porosity Density Porosity, w = 34.5% ss Neutron Porosity, w = 34.5% ss $R_{t,w} = 0.45$ ohm-m

HYDROCARBON SANDSTONE I (5,522 ft MD) PROPERTIES:

GR = 46 gAPI Density Porosity = 39% ss Neutron Porosity = 23.5% ss R_t = 2.8 ohm-m

HYDROCARBON SANDSTONE II (5,478 ft MD) PROPERTIES:

GR = 62 gAPI Density Porosity = 26.5% ss Neutron Porosity = 32% ss R_t = 1.5 ohm-m

CLEAN SANDSTONE

Located at 5,550 ft MD $GR = 25 \text{ gAPI} = GR_s$

<u>Units:</u> density is in g/cc, resistivity in ohm-m, GR in gAPI and Csh – phi – saturation in fraction or percentage.

CALCULATIONS – WATER SANDSTONE

Clean sandstone

•
$$R_w = R_{t,w} * \frac{\phi^m}{a} = 0.45 * 0.345^2 = 0.0536 \text{ ohm} - \text{m}$$

CALCULATIONS - HYDROCARBON SANDSTONE I (5,522 ft MD)

•
$$C_{sh} = \frac{GR - GR_s}{GR_{sh} - GR_s} = \frac{46 - 25}{94 - 25} = 0.3043 = 30.43\%$$

• $\phi_D^c = \frac{\phi_D - C_{sh} * \phi_{D,sh}}{1 - C_{sh}} = \frac{0.39 - 0.3043 * 0.265}{1 - 0.3043} = 0.4447 = 44.47\%$
• $\phi_N^c = \frac{\phi_N - C_{sh} * \phi_{N,sh}}{1 - C_{sh}} = \frac{0.235 - 0.3043 * 0.45}{1 - 0.3043} = 0.1409 = 14.09\%$
• $\phi_N^c < \phi_D^c \Rightarrow HC$
• $\phi_S^c = \sqrt{\frac{\phi_D^{c^2} + \phi_N^{c^2}}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{0.4447^2 + 0.1409^2}{2}} = 0.3298 = 32.98\%$

Note that the difference between shale-corrected neutron and density porosity logs increases with respect to that of non-corrected neutron and density porosity logs.

$$\frac{1}{R_t} = \frac{C_{sh}}{R_{sh}} + \frac{1 - C_{sh}}{R_s}$$

$$\frac{1}{R_t} - \frac{C_{sh}}{R_{sh}} > 0 \Rightarrow R_{sh} - C_{sh}R_t > 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{C_{sh} < \frac{R_{sh}}{R_t}} \Rightarrow C_{sh} < \frac{0.9}{2.8} = 0.3214$$

$$\bullet \quad R_s = \frac{1 - C_{sh}}{\frac{1}{R_t} - \frac{C_{sh}}{R_{sh}}} = \frac{1 - 0.3043}{\frac{1}{2.8} - \frac{0.3043}{0.9}} = 36.55 \text{ ohm - m}$$

$$S_w = \left(\frac{R_w}{R_s} \frac{a}{\phi_s^m}\right)^{1/n} = \left(\frac{0.0536}{36.55} \frac{1}{0.3298^2}\right)^{1/2} = 0.1161 = 11.61\%$$

$$S_h = 1 - S_w = 0.8839 = 88.39\%$$

• Now calculate hydrocarbon pore volume per unit depth:

HPV= $\phi_s(1-C_{sh})(1-S_w) = 0.3298 \cdot (1-0.3043) \cdot 0.8839 = 0.2028$ (i.e. approx. 20% of every foot in this section of the reservoir is occupied by hydrocarbon!)

$$\rho_b = \phi_D \rho_f + (1 - \phi_D) \rho_m = (0.39)(1) + (1 - 0.39)(2.65) = 2.0065 \quad g / cc$$

$$\rho_{sh} = \phi_{D,sh} \rho_f + (1 - \phi_{D,sh}) \rho_m = (0.265)(1) + (1 - 0.265)(2.65) = 2.2127 \quad g / cc$$

$$\rho_b = \rho_{sh} C_{sh} + (1 - C_{sh}) \rho_s$$

•
$$\rho_s = \frac{1}{1 - C_{sh}} (\rho_b - \rho_{sh} C_{sh}) = \frac{1}{1 - 0.3043} (2.0065 - 2.2127 * 0.3043) = 1.916 \ g / cc$$

$$\rho_{s} = \phi_{s} \rho_{f} + (1 - \phi_{s}) \rho_{m}$$

$$\rho_{f} = \frac{1}{\phi_{s}} (\rho_{s} - (1 - \phi_{s}) \rho_{m}) = \frac{1}{0.3298} (1.916 - (1 - 0.3298) 2.65) = 0.4244 \ g / cc$$

$$\rho_{f} = S_{w} \rho_{w} + (1 - S_{w}) \rho_{h}$$

•
$$\rho_h = \frac{1}{1 - S_w} (\rho_f - S_w \rho_w) = \frac{1}{1 - 0.1161} (0.4244 - 0.1161*1) = 0.35 \ g / cc$$

Gas!!!

CALCULATIONS – HYDROCARBON SANDSTONE II (5,478 ft MD)

•
$$C_{sh} = \frac{GR - GR_s}{GR_{sh} - GR_s} = \frac{62 - 25}{94 - 25} = 0.5362 = 53.62\%$$

$$\phi_D^c = \frac{\phi_D - C_{sh} * \phi_{D,sh}}{1 - C_{sh}} = \frac{0.265 - 0.5362 * 0.265}{1 - 0.5362} = 0.265 = 26.5\%$$
• $\phi_N^c = \frac{\phi_N - C_{sh} * \phi_{N,sh}}{1 - C_{sh}} = \frac{0.32 - 0.5362 * 0.45}{1 - 0.5362} = 0.1697 = 16.97\%$
• $\phi_N^c < \phi_D^c \Rightarrow HC$

$$\phi_S^c = \sqrt{\frac{\phi_D^{c^2} + \phi_N^{c^2}}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{0.265^2 + 0.1697^2}{2}} = 0.2225 = 22.25\%$$

Notice that a neutron-density crossover suddenly arises after implementing the shale correction! In other words, the hydrocarbon effects on neutron-density logs is unmasked by the shale corrections.

$$\frac{1}{R_t} = \frac{C_{sh}}{R_{sh}} + \frac{1 - C_{sh}}{R_s}$$

$$\frac{1}{R_t} - \frac{C_{sh}}{R_{sh}} > 0 \Rightarrow R_{sh} - C_{sh}R_t > 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{C_{sh} < \frac{R_{sh}}{R_t}} \Rightarrow C_{sh} < \frac{0.9}{1.5} = 0.6$$
• $R_s = \frac{1 - C_{sh}}{\frac{1}{R_t} - \frac{C_{sh}}{R_{sh}}} = \frac{1 - 0.5362}{1.5 - \frac{0.5362}{0.9}} = 6.54 \text{ ohm - m}$

$$S_w = \left(\frac{R_w}{R_s} \frac{a}{\phi_s^m}\right)^{1/n} = \left(\frac{0.0536}{6.54} \frac{1}{0.2225^2}\right)^{1/2} = 0.4069 = 40.69\%$$

$$S_h = 1 - S_w = 0.5931 = 59.31\%$$

• Now calculate hydrocarbon pore volume per unit depth:

HPV=
$$\phi_s(1-C_{sh})(1-S_w) = 0.2225 \cdot (1-0.4069) \cdot 0.5362 = 0.0708$$
 (i.e. approx. 7% of every foot in this section of the reservoir is occupied by hydrocarbon!)

$$\rho_b = \phi_D \rho_f + (1 - \phi_D) \rho_m = (0.265)(1) + (1 - 0.265)(2.65) = 2.2127 \ g / cc$$

$$\rho_{sh} = \phi_{D,sh} \rho_f + (1 - \phi_{D,sh}) \rho_m = (0.265)(1) + (1 - 0.265)(2.65) = 2.2127 \ g / cc$$

$$\rho_b = \rho_{sh} C_{sh} + (1 - C_{sh}) \rho_s$$

•
$$\rho_s = \frac{1}{1 - C_{sh}} (\rho_b - \rho_{sh} C_{sh}) = \frac{1}{1 - 0.5362} (2.2127 - 2.2127 * 0.5362) = 2.2127 \ g / cc$$

$$\rho_s = \phi_s \rho_f + (1 - \phi_s) \rho_m$$

•
$$\rho_f = \frac{1}{\phi_s} (\rho_s - (1 - \phi_s) \rho_m) = \frac{1}{0.2225} (2.2127 - (1 - 0.2225) 2.65) = 0.6846 \ g / cc$$

$$\rho_f = S_w \rho_w + (1 - S_w) \rho_h$$

•
$$\rho_h = \frac{1}{1 - S_w} (\rho_f - S_w \rho_w) = \frac{1}{1 - 0.4069} (0.6846 - 0.4069 * 1) = 0.468 \ g / cc$$