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**UNIVERSITY OF PETROLEUM AND ENERGY STUDIES**  
**End Semester Examination, May 2018**

**Course:** Well Stimulation

**Semester:** 6<sup>th</sup>

**Program:** B.Tech (APE upstream)

**Time:** 03 hrs.

**Max. Marks:** 100

**No. of Pages:** 4

**Instructions:**

1. Neat diagrams must be drawn wherever necessary.
2. Use a non-programmable calculator
3. Assume suitable data, if necessary and clearly state it.

**SECTION A**

S. No.		Marks	CO
Q 1	Explain the insitu rock stresses acting on an underground formation: -	4	CO3
Q 2	Explain the procedure of step rate (up) test performed during hydraulic fracturing job.	4	CO5
Q 3	A shale gas reservoir has undergone hydraulic fracturing. Using the inflow equations, drainage area concept and fracture conductivity defined skin factor following data is given below. Wellbore radius = 0.35 ft Drainage radius = 1790 ft., Skin factor = -5.85 What would be the fold of increase in well productivity after fracturing job?	4	CO1
Q 4	Define perforation and briefly explain the procedure of determining the depth of perforation: -	4	CO4
Q 5	Explain various additives used during matrix acidization process of the formation: -	4	CO3

**SECTION B**

Q 6	Discuss in detail different types of fracturing fluids and additives added for a 40 ton fracturing job: -	8	CO6
Q 7	Explain in detail the 3 different stages involved in hydraulic fracturing job with equipment's used: -	8	CO5
Q 8	Explain the following terms/statements: - (a) Tree Saver (b) Shaped charge (c) Fracturing fluid rheology (d) Methods to evaluate formation damage	8	CO2
Q 9	Draw and explain in detail surface read out of pressure variation during hydraulic fracturing job on a pressure Vs time plot	8	CO5

Q 10	<p>Calculate the <b>skin factor</b> after hydraulic fracturing job from Cincoley Samaniego correlation. Also, calculate the <b>time (in days)</b> for pseudo radial flow to develop. Following data is given for the fractured well: -</p> <p>Reservoir permeability = 1mD  Fracture permeability = 100 Darcy  Fracture width = 0.25 in.  Fracture half-length = 300 ft  Wellbore radius = 4.25 in.  Fluid viscosity = 1 cP  Total compressibility (oil and rock) = <math>10^{-5}</math> psi<sup>-1</sup>  Rock porosity = 15 %  Dimensionless time from Gringarten Et Al type curve for vertically fractured well is 3</p>	8	C05
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**SECTION-C**

Q 11	<p>(a) A sandstone at a depth of 11,000 ft has a Poisson's ratio of 0.25 and a poro-elastic constant of 0.71. The average density of the overburden formation is 165 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>. The pore pressure gradient in the sandstone is 0.38 psi/ft. Assuming a tectonic stress of 2,000 psi and a tensile strength of the sandstone of 1,000 psi, predict the breakdown pressure for the sandstone.</p> <p>(b) Given the formation sand sieve analysis as shown in figure1. Determine <b>median sand size &amp; uniformity coefficient of sand</b>. Also <b>Select the proper gravel size</b> (i.e. gravel diameter) for a well that is expected to produce at a rate such that fluid velocity through half of open screen area is about 0.02 m/sec: - Use Schwartz gravel pack selection criteria and <b>mention the criteria</b>. (attach the figure 1 given in question paper with your answer sheet)</p>	10+10 =20	C05
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Q 12	<p>(a) It has been decided that a low-permeability formation, consisting of three separate producing zones, will have to be fractured to produce at economic rates. Before perforating, reasonable injection rates for fracturing (4 m<sup>3</sup>/min) and large pressure drops across all perforations (3.5 MPa) have been selected as being suitable. Calculate the <b>surface pressure</b> and the <b>number of perforations</b> required in each zone such that the proportion of fracture fluid entering each of the zones is proportional to the height of the zones</p> <p>Well data:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="203 1661 1292 1814"> <thead> <tr> <th>Zone</th> <th>Depth (m)</th> <th>Net pay thickness</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>A</td> <td>2,130</td> <td>9</td> </tr> <tr> <td>B</td> <td>2,225</td> <td>7.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>C</td> <td>2,255</td> <td>14</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Additional data:</p>	Zone	Depth (m)	Net pay thickness	A	2,130	9	B	2,225	7.5	C	2,255	14	10+10 =20	C06
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Fracture gradient = 15.8 kPa/m of depth

6.5 lb/ft tubing used

Perforation ID = 0.76 cm

Fracturing fluid density = 1042 kg/cm<sup>3</sup>

Water based fracturing fluid is used

Friction pressure losses = 8.2 kPa / m of depth

Perforation orifice coefficient = 0.9

**Calculate** fracturing fluid surface injection pressure in kPa

- (b) A sandstone with a porosity of 20 % containing 10 vol.% calcite (CaCO<sub>3</sub>) is to be acidized with HF/HCl mixture solution. A preflush of 15 wt.% HCl solution is to be injected ahead of the mixture to dissolve the carbonate minerals and establish a low pH environment. If the HCl preflush is to remove all carbonates in a region within 1 ft beyond a 0.328-ft radius wellbore before the HF/HCl stage enters the formation, what minimum preflush volume is required in terms of gallon per foot of pay zone?

Following data is given:

Molecular weight of calcite = 100.1 lb/mol

Molecular weight of HCl = 36.5 lb/mol

Density of calcite = 169 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>

Specific gravity of HCl = 1.07

CO4



