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SUBJECT: PET 535: MODERN WELL DESIGN

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AID: CALCULATOR

THE EXAM CONSISTS OF 5 PROBLEMS AND 5 PAGES

REMARKS: PLEASE STATE ASSUMPTIONS

Problem 1. Casing Design

You are asked to design a surface casing. The design parameters are as follows:

Depth of casing:	1100 m
Depth to seabed:	225 m
Depth to sea level:	25 m
Depth to top of tail cement:	1000 m
Depth to top lead cement:	225 m
Depth next open hole section:	1820 m
Design fracture gradient at casing shoe:	1.57 s.g.
Pore pressure gradient, casing shoe:	1.03 s.g.
Pore pressure gradient, next section:	1.40 s.g.
Formation fluid density:	0.76 s.g.
Mud density:	1.20 s.g.
Mud density, next open hole section:	1.50 s.g.
Lead cement density:	1.45 s.g.
Tail cement density:	1.90 s.g.

The casing data are:

18-5/8 in. grade X-70, 84.5 lb/ft. casing	
Weight:	186 kg/m
Crosssectional inner area:	1527 cm ² .
Burst strength:	197 bar
Collapse resistance:	43 bar
Pipe body yield strength:	800 x 10 ³ daN

Remember to define the important assumptions.

- Prepare a drawing of the situation: the casing during installation. Define two criteria for casing collapse . Compute the design factor for these scenario.
- Prepare a drawing of the situation: the burst design. Define a burst scenario. Compute the design factor for burst.
- Define two scenarios for tension design. Compute the design factors.
- Compute the casing test pressure.
- Compute the kick margin of the casing section.
- Define the weak point in the well.

Problem 2: Casing strength

The following casing types are available:

Size(in):	Grade, weight(lb/ft):	Outer diam.(mm):	Inner diam.(mm)
20	P110, 133	508	475,7
13-3/8	K55,88.2	346.1	314.3
10-3/4	N80, 60.7	273	245.4
7	L80, 20	177.8	164

- Compute the burst strength of each casing. List the casings from strongest to weakest in burst.
- Are these casings suitable for use in the same well? Explain which of the casings could be replaced, and indicate if it should be stronger or weaker.
- A closed pipe is pressurized from the inside. Define two failure modes, and show which failure mode is dominating.

Problem 3. Rock Mechanics

The following principal stresses are given: 3, 5 and 7

- Define the cubic stress equation
- Determine the 2nd deviatoric invariant.
- Rank the principal stresses above and define which of them lead to collapse failure.
- What are the three invariants?

Problem 4: Mud weight optimization

- Define the two classical limits for the mud weight. What are the failure mechanisms?
- Using a simple fracturing equation, define the new optimization criterion presented in this course. What is this criterion called?
- Define two advantages of using this criterion. Also define two concerns.
- ~~In the figure on the following page propose a mud weight schedule.~~

Problem 5: Fundamentals

Please identify the most correct answer below. Just write answer number, f.eks. a1, b1, and so on.

- Which equilibrium condition dominate geomechanics:
 - Stress equilibrium
 - Newton's 2nd law
 - Maxwell equations
 - Conservation of mass
- Which statement is correct:
 - The dog leg is the vertical angle
 - The DLS act in the vertical plane
 - The DLS is a 3 dimensional parameter
 - The DL is the derivative of the angle
- Stresses transforms in space according to:
 - Linearly
 - Squared trigonometric law
 - Cubic trigonometric law
 - None of the above
- Replacing the mud in the drill string with sea water leads to:
 - Reduction in surface pipe tension

$$\sigma_x - I_1 \sigma_1 + I_2 \sigma_2 - I_3 = 0$$
$$\sigma_1 = \sigma_2$$

$$130 \times \left(1 - \frac{1,03}{7,8} \right) = 12$$

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- 2) Increase in surface pipe tension
 - 3) No change in surface pipe tension
 - 4) Differential sticking
- e) Surface casing is installed:
- 1) Through the marine riser
 - 2) Before riser is installed
 - 3) Through the BOP
 - 4) After riser is installed
- f) On jack-up rigs
- 1) Always implement riser margin
 - 2) New rigs uses dynamic positioning
 - 3) Have the weight of the well on mud line suspension system
 - 4) Can work in 200 m of water
- g) Wellhead systems
- 1) Horizontal X-mas trees are mostly used subsea
 - 2) Vertical X-mas trees are mostly used subsea
 - 3) BOP is mainly used during production of the well
 - 4) One well barrier is sufficient for low pressure wells

Some Formulas

$$P(\text{bar}) = 0.098 \times d(\text{s.g.}) \times D(\text{m})$$

$$P_3 = Cq^m$$

$$P_2 = \rho q^2 / 2A^2 0.95^2$$

Index:	Equation:	Criterion:	Fraction parasitic pressure loss:	Flow rate:
1	qP_2	Max. HP	$1/(m+1)$	$P_1/C(m+1)$
2	$q\sqrt{P_2}$	Max. jet impact	$2/(m+2)$	$2P_1/C(m+2)$
3	$q^{3/2}\sqrt{P_2}$	New A	$3/(m+3)$	$3P_1/C(m+3)$
4	$q^2\sqrt{P_2}$	New B	$4/(m+4)$	$4P_1/C(m+4)$
5	$q^{5/2}\sqrt{P_2}$	New C	$5/(m+5)$	$5P_1/C(m+5)$

$$A = q\{\rho/2P_2\}^{1/2}/0.95$$

Using the units of: density(kg/l), flowrate (l/min) and pressure (bar), the nozzle area in in² can be obtained by dividing the equation above with 122.4.

$$d_{RKB1} = d_{RKB2}D/(D-\delta h)$$

$$LOT = 2\sigma_a - P_o$$

$$P_{wf}(\gamma) = P_{wf}(0) + 1/3 (P_o - P_o^*) \sin^2 \gamma$$

$$P_{wf}(0) = \{P_{wf}(\gamma) + (\sigma_o - 1/2 P_o) \sin^2 \gamma\} / \{1 + 1/2 \sin^2 \gamma\}$$

$$\Delta \sigma_a = \Delta P_o (1 - 2\nu) / (1 - \nu)$$

$$\Delta P_{wf} = \Delta P_o (1 - 3\nu) / (1 - \nu)$$

$$P_{burst} = 2 \sigma_{tensile} t / D_o$$

$$P_{collapse} = \{2CE / (1 - \nu^2)\} \{1 / (D_o/t - 1)^2 D_o / t\}$$

$$(\sigma_t / \sigma_{yield}) = 1/2 (\sigma_a / \sigma_{yield}) + / - \{1 - 3/4 (\sigma_a / \sigma_{yield})^2\}^{1/2}$$

$$\rho = (d_p D - 1.03 h_w) / (D - h_f - h_w)$$

$$d_{wf2} = d_{wf1} \frac{D_1}{D_2} + d_{sw} \frac{D_{w2} - D_{w1}}{D_2}$$

$$D_2 = D_1 + (D_{w2} - D_{w1}) + (D_{f2} - D_{f1})$$

$$D_2 = D_1 + (D_{w2} - D_{w1}) + (D_{f2} - D_{f1}) + \left(\frac{d_{ob1}}{d_{ob2}} - 1 \right) (D_1 - D_{w1} - D_{f1})$$

$$\frac{\Delta V}{V} = \frac{1}{2} \alpha \Delta T$$

$$\Delta P = \left(\frac{-1}{c} \right) \frac{\Delta V}{V}$$

$$I_1 = \sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z$$

$$I_2 = \tau_{xy}^2 + \tau_{xz}^2 + \tau_{yz}^2 - \sigma_x \sigma_y - \sigma_x \sigma_z - \sigma_y \sigma_z$$

$$I_3 = \sigma_x (\sigma_y \sigma_z - \tau_{yz}^2) - \tau_{xy} (\tau_{xy} \sigma_z - \tau_{xz} \tau_{yz}) + \tau_{xz} (\tau_{xy} \tau_{yz} - \tau_{xz} \sigma_y)$$

$$J_1 = 0$$

$$J_2 = \frac{1}{6} [(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_1 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2]$$

$$J_3 = I_3 + \frac{1}{3} I_1 I_2 + \frac{2}{27} I_1^3$$

Units

$$1 \text{ bar} = 14.5 \text{ psi} = 10^5 \text{ Pa}$$

$$1 \text{ ft} = 0.3048 \text{ m} = 12 \text{ in}$$

$$1 \text{ lb}_f = 0.454 \text{ kp} = 4.45$$

