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INTRODUCTION

The present report presents the results of a room condition oil and water flooding test on a core sample from well no. 31/2-6.

The results are presented at saturations after displacement of gas with oil and saturations after breakthrough, one, two and three pore volumes of brine injected.

Figure 1 shows produced gas as fraction of pore volume vs. pore volumes of oil injected. Figure 2 shows produced gas and oil as a fraction of pore volumes vs. pore volumes of water injected.

Injection rate: 7.2 cc/hour

Viscosity rate: 2.53

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Table 1. Formation water analysis

|                  |            |
|------------------|------------|
| Na <sup>+</sup>  | 15700 mg/l |
| Ca <sup>++</sup> | 12000 "    |
| Mg <sup>++</sup> | 370 "      |
| Sr <sup>+</sup>  | 520 "      |
| Ba <sup>++</sup> | 35 "       |
| Fe <sup>++</sup> | 60 "       |
| Cl <sup>-</sup>  | 47000 "    |

Total dissolved salts: 75685 mg/l  
Resistivity at 59<sup>0</sup>F : 0.116  $\Omega$ m  
Specific gravity at 59<sup>0</sup>F: 1.056  
PH : 3.9

Water viscosity at reservoir  
conditions : 0.5 (mPas) <sup>CP</sup>

Remarks

The above formation water is the same as the syntethic formation water used in the experiment, except that Fe<sup>++</sup> was excluded, due to precipitation problems.

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EXPERIMENTAL VALUES

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1. Rock Properties

|                                     |                    |        |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|--------|
| Porosity                            | 36.8 %             | 0,368  |
| Permeability to brine ( $K_{abs}$ ) | $K_{WR} = 2030$ mD |        |
| Diameter                            | 3.89 cm            | 0.0389 |
| Length                              | 8.00 cm            | 0.080  |

2. Initial Conditions

|   |      |               |
|---|------|---------------|
| Irreducible water saturation ( $S_{wi}$ ) | 10 % | ✓             |
| Gas saturation ( $S_g$ )                  | 90 % | $\frac{0}{0}$ |

3. Saturations after oil displacement of gas

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|   |        |                         |
|---|--------|-------------------------|
| Irreducible water saturation ( $S_{wi}$ ) | ✓ 10 % | <i>/S<sub>wi</sub>E</i> |
| Oil saturation ( $S_o$ )                  | 66 %   |                         |
| Residual gas saturation ( $S_{gr(1)}$ )   | ✓ 24 % | <i>/S<sub>gr</sub>R</i> |

4. Saturations after brine displacement of oil and gas.

4.1 Saturation at break through:

|   |      |                 |
|---|------|-----------------|
| Water saturation ( $S_{wi}+S_w$ )       | 51 % | } $\frac{0}{0}$ |
| Residual oil saturation ( $S_{or}$ )    | 27 % |                 |
| Residual gas saturation ( $S_{gr(2)}$ ) | 22 % |                 |

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4.2 Saturations at 1 pore volume brine injected:

|   |      |
|---|------|
| Water saturation ( $S_{wi} + S_w$ )     | 52 % |
| Residual oil saturation ( $S_{or}$ )    | 26 % |
| Residual gas saturation ( $S_{gr(2)}$ ) | 22 % |

}  $\frac{0}{0}$

4.3 Saturations at 2 pore volumes of brine injected:

|   |      |
|---|------|
| Water saturation ( $S_{wi} + S_w$ )     | 54 % |
| Residual oil saturation ( $S_{or}$ )    | 24 % |
| Residual gas saturation ( $S_{gr(2)}$ ) | 22 % |

}  $\frac{0}{0}$

4.4 Final saturations at 3 pore volumes of brine injected:

|   |      |
|---|------|
| Water saturation ( $S_{wi} + S_w$ )     | 55 % |
| Residual oil saturation ( $S_{or}$ )    | 23 % |
| Residual gas saturation ( $S_{gr(2)}$ ) | 22 % |

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5. Endpoint relative permeabilities

|                                |                      |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| Relative permeability to oil   | 0.266 $\checkmark$ * |
| Relative permeability to brine | 0.187 $\frac{0}{0}$  |

$$* K_{oe} = k_{ro} \cdot 2030$$

$$\begin{aligned} / KOSGR &= 0.266 \times 2030 \\ &= 539,98 \text{ mD} \end{aligned}$$

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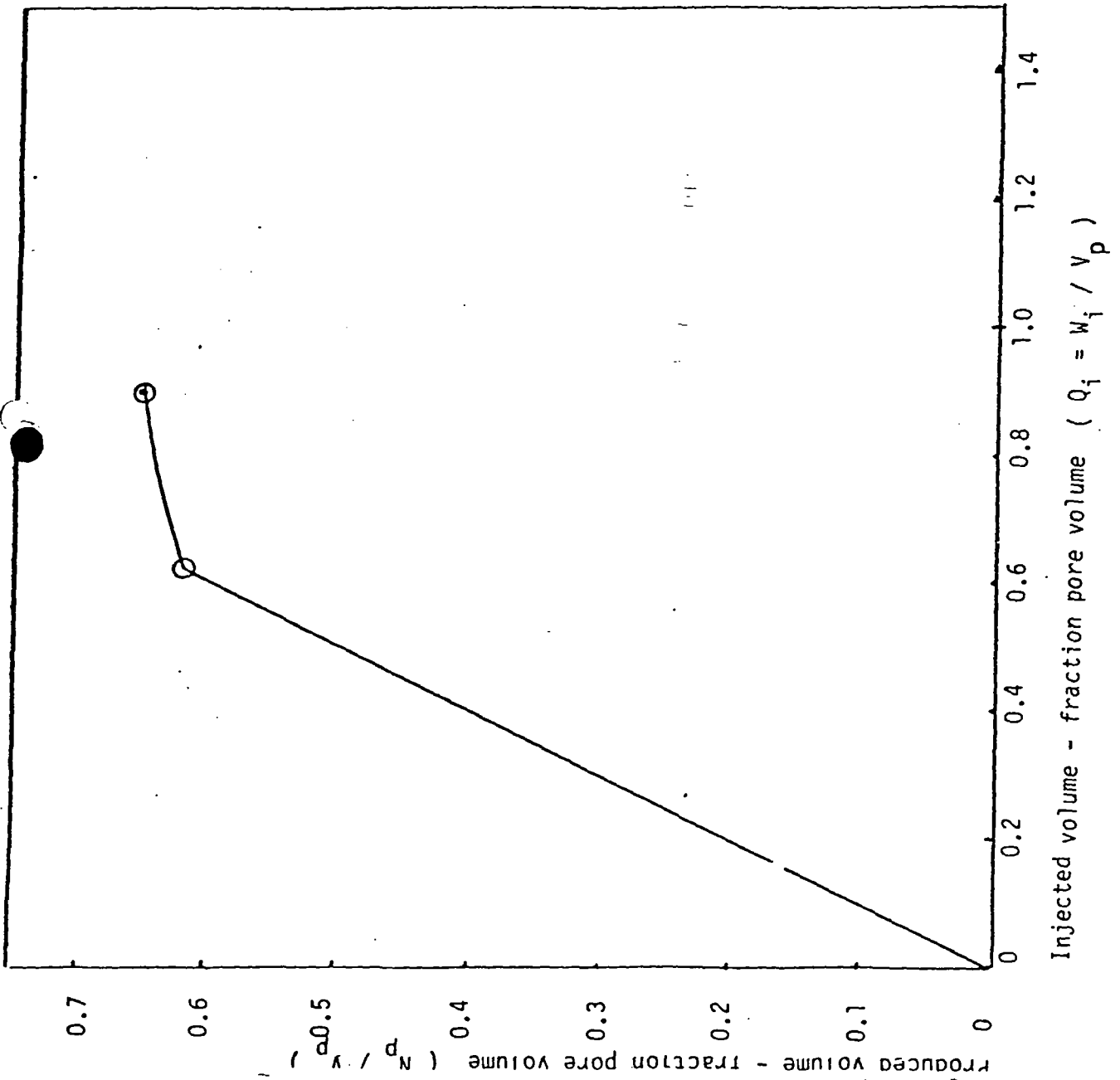


Fig. 1 . Produced gas volume (fraction of pore volume) vs. injected oil volume ( fraction of pore volume)



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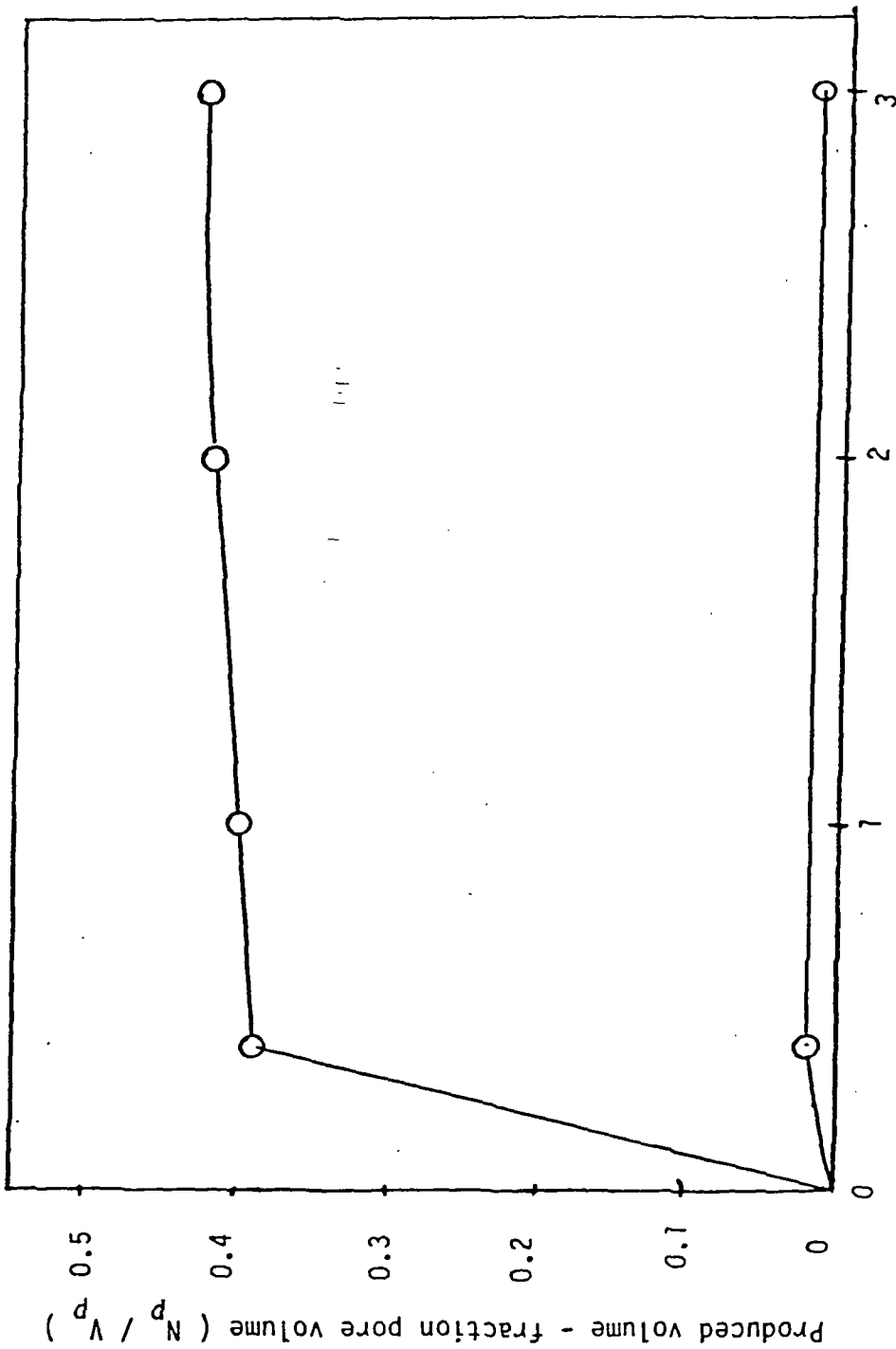


Fig. 2 . Produced gas and oil as a fraction of pore volume vs. injected water ( fraction of pore volume )

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DISCUSSION

Accuracy of experimental procedure and results.

The process of establishing irreducible water saturation ( $S_{wi}$ ) caused some problems. Shortly, the process which is a drainage process, can be described as methane displacement of brine followed by a diffusion process where the brine diffuses into the hot methane. At the outlet the hot methane is cooled and the vapour condenses into traps in series where the volume or weight is measured. This part of the process demands very efficient cooling. The efficiency of the cooling process may be estimated by the amount of liquid condensed in the first part of the systems compared to the amount in the latter part. In the actual experiment most of the vapour condensed into the first trap and nothing in the last one. The cooling process was therefore assumed to be sufficient. In addition the methane used in the experiment was checked for vapour content. No vapour condensed at the actual experimental conditions.

The accuracy of the irreducible water saturation is therefore estimated to be within one percent

To avoid possible sand production from the core sample into the apparatus, a sand filter was placed at the outlet end of the core.

Trapping of displaced fluids in this filter is possible. A small amount of the residual gas left the core after oil displacement was observed to become mobilized during the waterflooding before breakthrough of water. This gas is assumed to be trapped in the filter. If this is correct, the residual gas saturation after oil displacement is reported to be too high, and the oil saturation too low. During the water displacement of oil, a similar trapping of oil is possible. Produced oil volume reported after water breakthrough may be too high, and produced oil volume before breakthrough consequently too low.

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In summary it is concluded in this part of the discussion that the residual gas saturation after oil displacement may be reported too high, and consequently oil saturation two percent too low. As a consequence, residual oil saturation after waterflooding may be reported two percent too low and water saturation two percent too high.

A Validyne pressure transducer with a range of  $\pm 1$  psi was used for measuring the differential pressures. Accuracy given from the factory is 0.5%.

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NOMENCLATURE LIST

|           |   |                              |
|-----------|---|------------------------------|
| $V_p$     | = | Pore volume (cc)             |
| $N_p$     | = | Produced volume (cc)         |
| $W_i$     | = | Injected volume (cc)         |
| $Q_i$     | = | Fraction of pore volume      |
| PV        | = | Pore volume                  |
| $S_w$     | = | Water saturation             |
| $S_{wi}$  | = | Irreducible water saturation |
| $S_o$     | = | Oil saturation               |
| $S_{or}$  | = | Redusable oil saturation     |
| $S_g$     | = | Gas saturation               |
| $S_{gr}$  | = | Redusable gas saturation     |
| $K_{abs}$ | = | Absolute permeability        |
| $k_{eft}$ | = | Effective permeability       |
| $K_{rel}$ | = | $\frac{k_{eft}}{k_{abs}}$    |

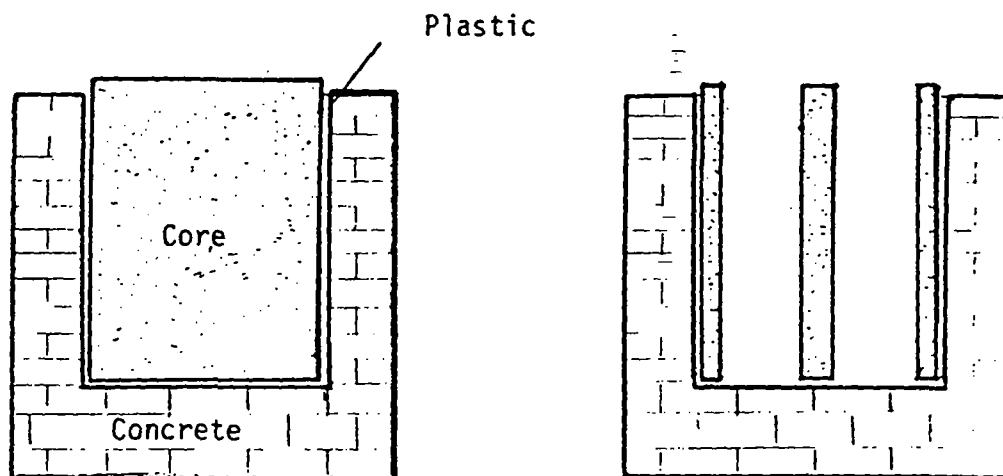
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Appendix

1. EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURE

1. The received full size core was unpacked. The matrix of the core was very poorly consolidated.
2. The core was wrapped in thin plastic and casted in concrete , see figure.
3. Two plugs of 9 centimeters and 7 centimeters were drilled out using air as cutting fluid.



4. The longest core plug was sealed in a coreholder by melting a tin-bismuth alloy between the plug and the coreholder. The dimensions of the mounted plug were:  $D=3.89$  cm,  $L=8.00$  cm.
5. The plug was cleaned by flushing methanol and toluen, respectively. No sign of oil in the toluen was observed.

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6. The plug mounted in the coreholder was dried at 60°C and 40 % relative humidity for 1 week.
7. Porosity was measured by using helium porosimeter and controlled by saturation of formation water.
8. Absolute permeability to formation water at  $S_w = 100\%$ .
9. Irreducible water saturation.  $S_{wi}$ , was established by injection of hot methane (50°C). Produced brine volume was controlled by weight.
10. Displacement of methane with refined oil. One hydrocarbon volume was injected.
11. Effective permeability to oil was measured.
12. Displacement of refined oil and gas with formation water. 3 pore volumes of brine was injected.
13. Measurement of effective permeability to formation water.