

## WATER INFLUX:

Encroachment of external water into the HC reservoir pore volume from "Aquifer" ( $AQ$ )

- (+)  $\Rightarrow$  Reduction of the HCPV  $\Rightarrow$  slows the average pressure decline during depletion
- (-)  $\Rightarrow$  Gas reservoirs, may lead to water production leading to the "death" of producers
- (+)  $\Rightarrow$  Oil reservoirs, displacement of oil that otherwise would not be recovered by SISD (expansion) depletion

"EOR" from mother nature

$$\text{SISD } 15\% \rightarrow 50 \rightarrow 9x \%$$

Pot Aquifer Model gives the MAXIMUM, FASTEST encroachment of water for a finite aquifer

$$p_{R(HC)}(t) = p_{AQ}(t) = "p_R"$$

$W_e$  = cumulative water volume encroachment from an aquifer into the HC reservoir

$$W_e^{\text{POT}} = V_{AQ} (c_f + c_w) (p_i - p_R) = W_{e,\text{max}}$$

$$G(B_s - B_{sw}) + \frac{GB_s}{1-S_{wi}} \left[ S_{wi} \left( \frac{B_{tw} - B_{twi}}{B_{twi}} \right) + \bar{c}_r(p_i - p) \right. \\ \left. + M \left( \frac{B_{tw} - B_{twi}}{B_{twi}} \right) + M \bar{c}_r(p_i - p) \right] \quad \dots \dots \quad (A25)$$

$$= (G_p - W_p R_{sw} - G_{sw}) B_s + 5.615 \left( W_p - W_{sw} - \frac{W}{B_s} \right) B_w$$

The  $p/z$ -cumulative plot including all terms would consider  $(p/z)[1 - \bar{c}_r(p_i - p)]$  versus the entire production/injection term  $Q$

$$(p/z)[1 - \bar{c}_r(p_i - p)] = (p/z)_i - \frac{(p/z)_i}{G} Q \quad \dots \dots \dots \quad (A31)$$

with

$$Q = G_p - G_{sw} + W_p R_{sw} + \frac{5.615}{B_s} (W_p B_w - W_{sw} B_w - W) \quad \dots \dots \quad (A32)$$

where the intercept is given by  $(p/z)_i$  and the slope equals  $(p/z)_i/G$ .

The water encroachment term calculated by superposition is expressed,

$$W_e = B \sum_j Q_D(\Delta t_j)_D \Delta p_j \quad \dots \dots \dots \quad (A36)$$

where  $Q_D(t_D)$  is the dimensionless cumulative influx given as a function of dimensionless time  $t_D$  and aquifer-to-reservoir radius  $r_D = r_{AQ}/r_R$ .  $\Delta p_j$  is given by  $p_j - p_{j-1}$  (in the limit for small time steps), and  $\Delta t_j = t_j - t_{j-1}$ .

### Radial Aquifers

The water influx equation for radial aquifers is:

$$W_e = 1.119 \phi ch r_w^2 \cdot \frac{\theta}{360} \sum_{o=1}^n \Delta p Q_D \quad (11)$$

where

$\theta$  = angle subtended by the reservoir circumference, degrees.

$r_w$  = radius of the aquifer inner boundary, ft.

$Q_D$  = radial efflux functions, dim.

$\phi ch$  = aquifer storage number, ft. · psi<sup>-1</sup>.

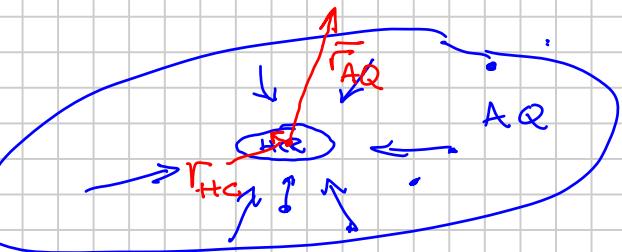
Values of  $Q_D$  for infinite and limited outer boundaries are available in equation, chart, and tabular form as a function of dimensionless wellbore time,  $t_{Dw}$ . Chart 48 in Volume 4 gives  $Q_D$  vs.  $t_{Dw}$  curves for several limited no-flow aquifers. Tabulated values can be found in Craft and Hawkin's, "Applied Petroleum Reservoir Engineering", pages 212-217.

## Estimation of $W_e(t)$

### ① GEOMETRY

- Radial Flow Geometries

- Linear Flow - " -



$$r_D = \frac{r_{AQ}}{r_{HC}} = 1 \cdot x - 10^{(+)}$$

Dimensionless Length  $L_D$



$$x_D = \frac{x_{AQ}}{x_{HC}}$$

### ② $k_{AQ} \propto v_w$ in $AQ$

### ③ $p_{RHC}(t)$



Pot Aquifer :  $p_{RHC}(t)$  only time dependency

$k_{AQ} \sim \infty$   
 $L_D \sim \text{"small"}$

} Instantaneous  
Encroachment

$$W_{e,\max}(t) = V_{AQ}(C_f + C_0) \left( p_{RHC} - \underbrace{p(t)}_{\text{How fast you empty the HC's}} \right)$$

How fast  
you empty  
the HC's

Water Encroachment is modeled EXACTLY as single phase fluid flow in "Well Testing" ("PTA" Pressure Transient Analysis and/or "RTA" Rate Transient Analysis)

Solves PDE using continuity Eq. (mass balance)  
 & Darcy's eq.

: Geometry (Radial, Cylindrical)  
 (Linear)

: Boundary Conditions:

PTA: Well Testing

$$r = r_w \quad q = \text{constant} = V$$

$$(a) \quad r = r_e \quad (dp/dr) = 0 \quad \text{No Flow } (q = 0)$$

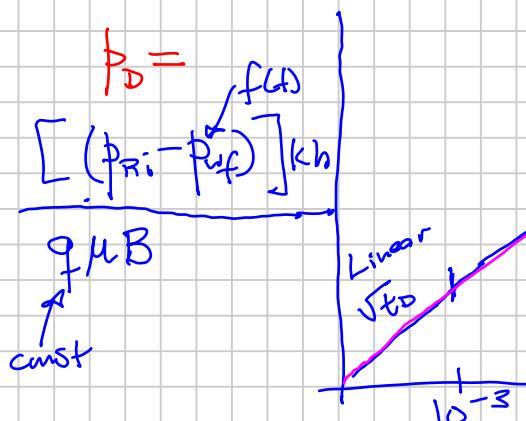
$$(b) \quad p = p_e = \text{const.}$$

(c) No outer boundary ("infinite"  $r_e = \infty$ )

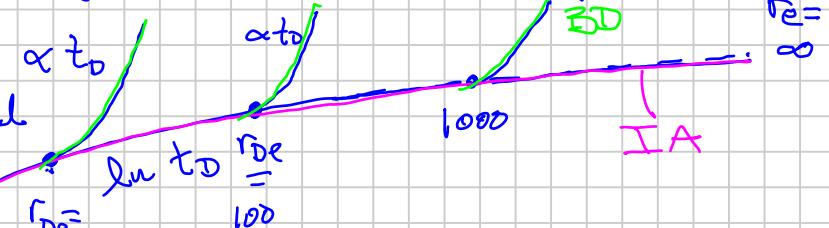
$$\Rightarrow p(t, r) \quad p_{wg}(t, r=r_w)$$

$p(t_D, r_D)$  General Dimensionless Solution

log-log plot:



Any  $r_w, r_e, k, c, h, q, \phi$



$$t_D = \frac{k}{\phi c_t r_w^2} t$$

$t_D$   
 (log)

# RTA (Rate Transient Analysis) "Time"

B.C.

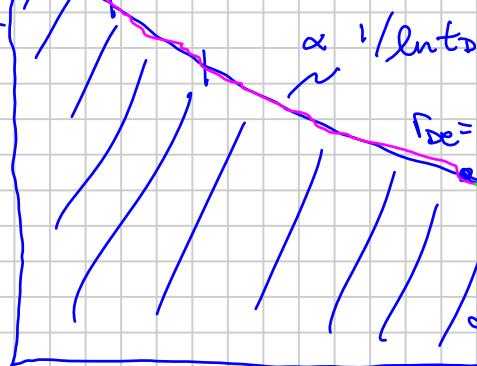
$$\Gamma = \Gamma_W : f = f_{wf} = \text{constant}$$

$$\Rightarrow q(t) \mid q_D(t_0)$$

B.C. Used for  
Water Influx  
Calculations  
 $W_e(t)$

$$f(t) = \frac{q_D}{(P_{ri} - P_{wf}) k h}$$

$$q_M B = \text{const}$$



$k$   
Geometry

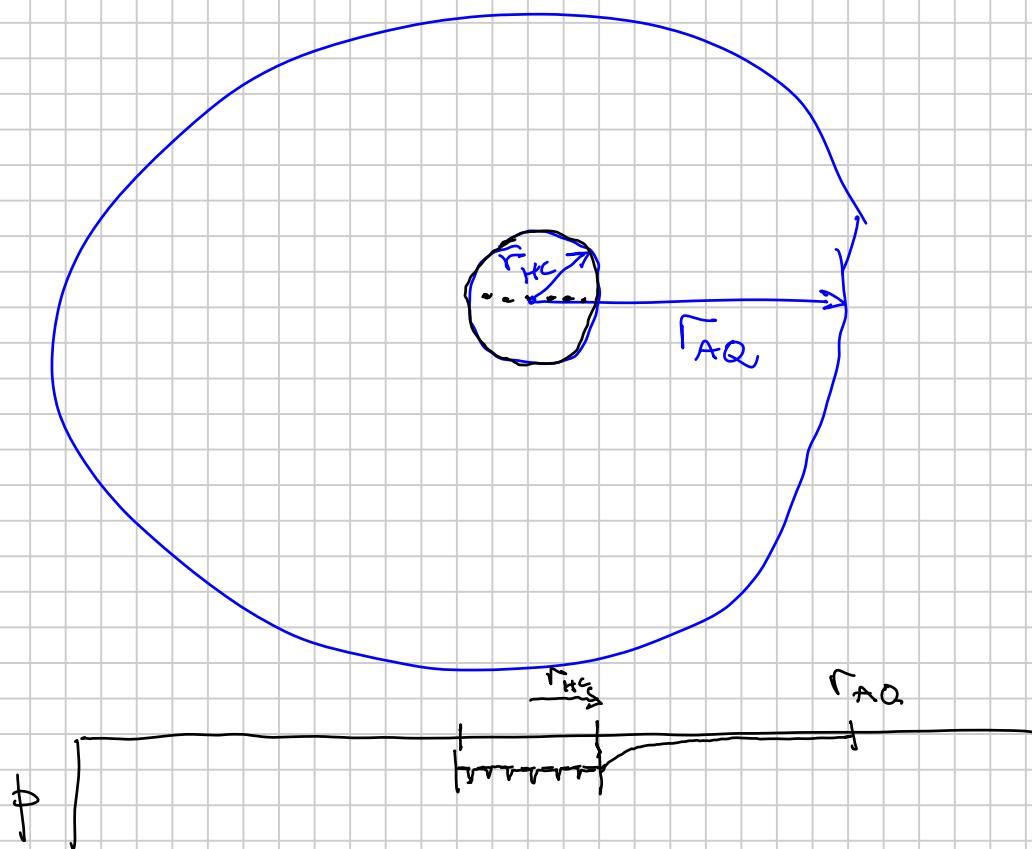
Infinite  
Acting

$$r_{de} = \infty$$

$$t_0 = \frac{k}{\phi n c_f} t$$

Aquifer Influx

$$P_{wf} = "P_{RT+C}(t)"$$



$$\frac{P_{ri}}{P_e} (5 \text{ yr})$$

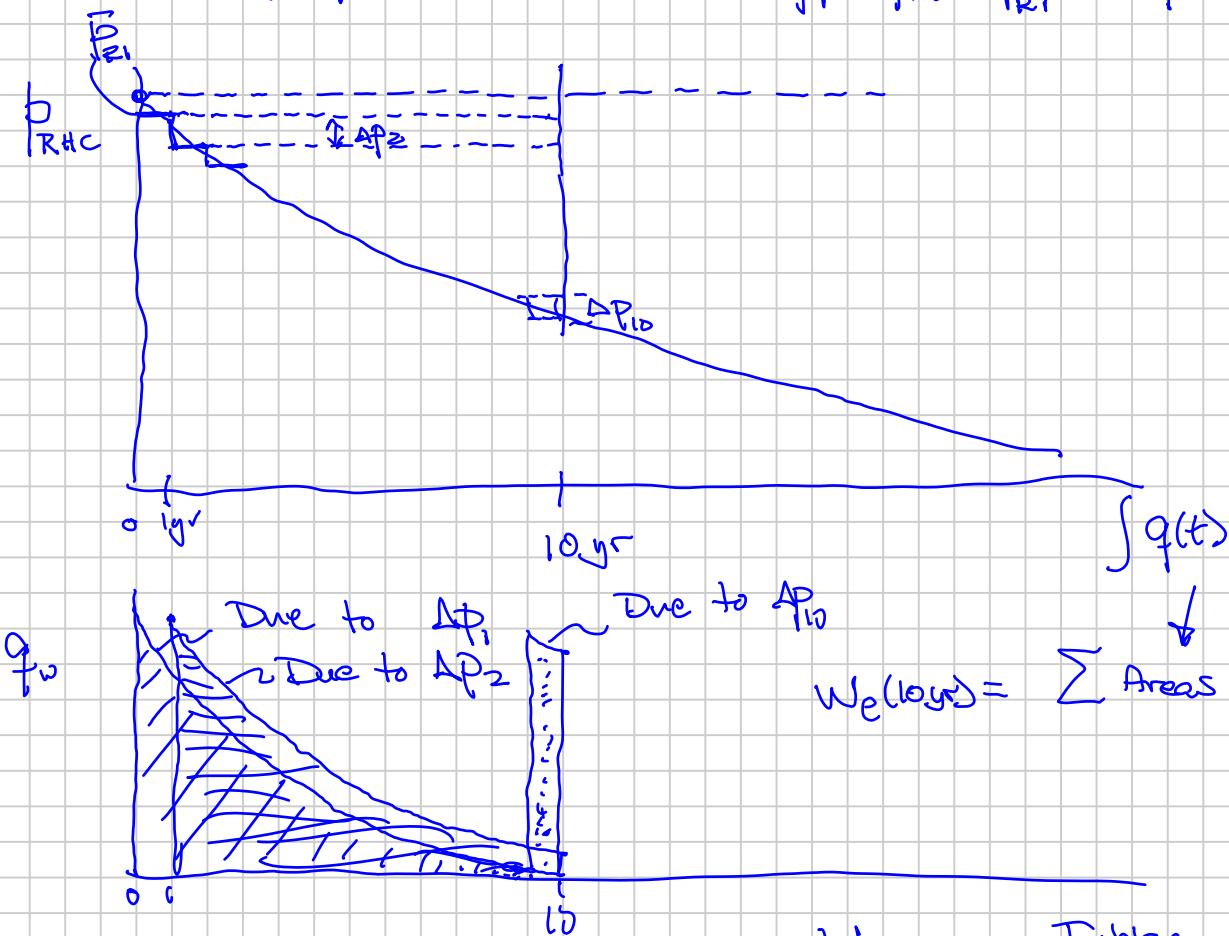
Analogy to Well Behavior  
Aquifer

$\Gamma_W$	$\Gamma_e$
$\Gamma_{HC}$	$\Gamma_{AQ}$
$\Gamma_R$	

Because under BC "Pwf" "P<sub>RHC</sub>" (t)

use "Superposition"

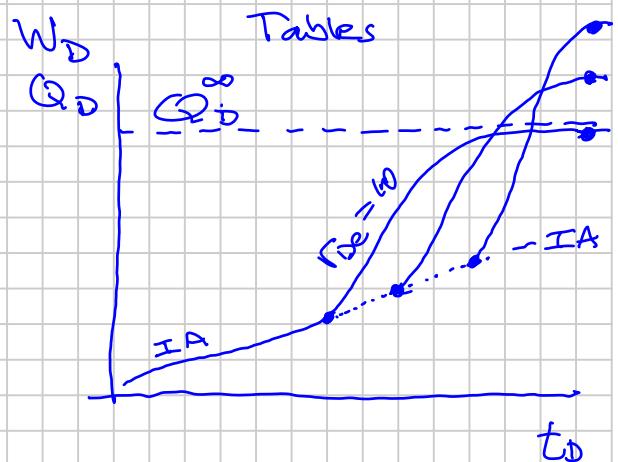
$$\Delta P_i = P_{Ri} - \bar{P}_{Ri} \Rightarrow q_w(t) \text{ for } 10 \text{ yrs}$$



Cumulative Volume =

$$W_D = Q_D = \int_0^{t_D} q_D(t_D) dt_D$$

$$W_e = u \sum \Delta p_k W_D(\Delta t_{Dk})$$



$$\Delta p_k = p_{k-1} - p_k$$

$$Q_D^\infty (r_D)$$

(log)

$$\Delta t_{Dk} = t_D - t_{Dk-1}$$

$$\Delta t_{D1} = 10 - 0$$

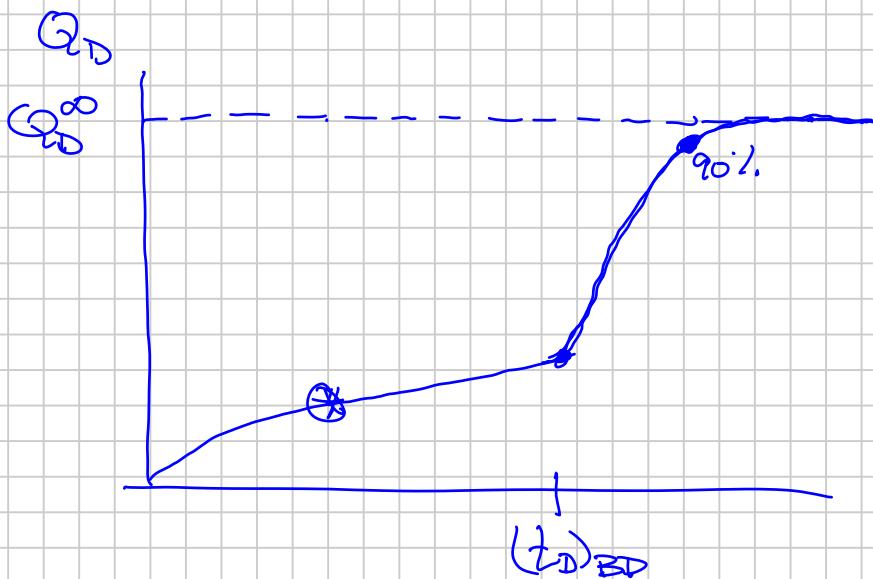
$$\Delta t_{D2} = 10 - 1$$

$$W_e = u \sum \Delta p_{RHC,k} Q_D (\Delta t_k)$$

$$\begin{aligned} W_{e,\max} &= u \sum \Delta p_{RHC,k} Q_D^\infty \\ &= u (P_{RHC,i} - P_{RHC,k}) Q_D^\infty \quad \text{Pot Ag.} \\ &= (C_w + C_f) V_{AQ} (P_{RHC,i} - P_{RHC,k}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow u = \frac{V_{AQ} (C_w + C_f)}{Q_D^\infty}$$

$$\Rightarrow W_e = V_{AQ} (C_w + C_f) \sum_{k=1}^N \Delta p_k \left[ \frac{Q_D (\Delta t_k)}{Q_D^\infty} \right]$$



fraction of the total inflow achieved in  $\Delta t_k$  for  $\Delta p_k$

$0 \rightarrow 1$

units

$$t_D = \frac{k (1 \text{ year})}{\phi M C_f r_{RHC}^2}$$

$C_f + C_w$

Invariantly

$$\frac{Q_D}{Q_D^\infty} > 90\% \text{ for "}\Delta t\text{" (e.g. 1 year)}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Pot Ag. assumption is valid

