



360° Engineering Analysis for Managing Well Integrity

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Speakers' Introduction



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Poll Question

Are you a _____ SPE member?



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Which Geographical area are you from?


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What is your affiliation?


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What is your area of expertise?


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What Will We Cover!



- Why is Well Integrity Important?
- Three Areas for Evaluating Well Integrity:
 - *Inside the Wellbore*
 - *Outside the Wellbore*
 - *Beyond the Wellbore*
- Importance of Engineering Analyses
- Best Practices
- Wrap up and Q&A



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Movie Clip



Several Things have to happen before this!



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What is Well Integrity?



NORSOK D-010 engineering,
“Application of technical, operational and organizational solutions to reduce risk of uncontrolled release of formation fluids throughout the life cycle of a well”

API RP-96 Deepwater Well Design Considerations engineering,
Well integrity is the application of technical, operational, and organizational solutions to reduce the risk of uncontrolled release of formation fluids throughout the life cycle of the deepwater well.



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Well Integrity Vocabulary



- **Well Barrier Element:** one or several dependent components that are combined to form a barrier envelope that prevents uncontrolled flow of fluids within or from a well
- **Well Integrity Management:** A combination of technical, operational and organizational processes ensuring a well's integrity during the operating life cycle
- **Well Integrity Management System (WIMS):** An operator's internally agreed upon system that is applied to all wells



Source: ISO/TS 16530-2 Well Integrity – Part 2: "Well Integrity for the Operational Phase", 1st Edition 2013.

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Well Integrity Vocabulary



- **Well Assurance:** Assurance that wells are designed with proper engineering standards with risks quantified and minimized, reliability and safety of the well maximized.
- **Well Reliability:** Probability that the well will perform as intended under known conditions for a specified time providing the dependability of expected results over and over. Provides insight into the failure mechanism of a well.

Reliability is theoretically defined as the probability of success (Reliability=1-Probability of Failure).

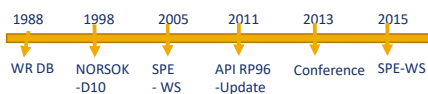


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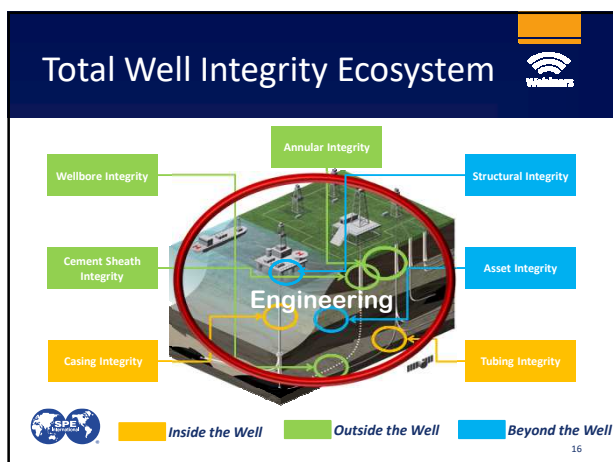


- Uptick in the number of well drilled in the coming years compared to the number of wells drilled in the last 50 years.
- Focus will slowly shift towards the design that can provide integrity throughout the life of the well.



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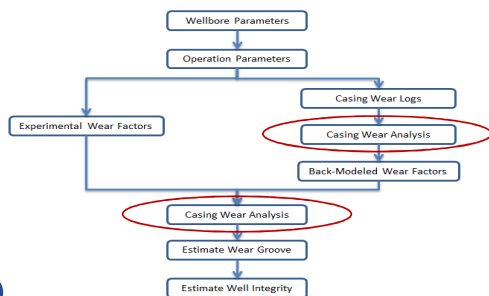
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Well Integrity: Inside the Wellbore

Casing Wear

Casing Wear Estimation



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The Casing Wear Puzzle



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Modeling Approach



- Fundamental Wear Modeling Equation

$$WV = W_f \times SF_{ij} \times \pi \times D_{ij} \times RPM \times t \times \frac{L_{ij}}{L_p}$$

- Simulated Five Different Operations –
 - ✓ Drilling
 - ✓ Slide Drilling
 - ✓ Backreaming
 - ✓ Rotating Off-Bottom
 - ✓ Reciprocation
- Drillstring Movement in Steps of 30ft

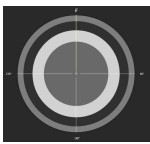
$$S_{op} = |MD_{end} - MD_{start}| / 30ft$$
- Wear Simulated on 10ft Casing Sections



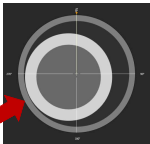
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Soft String vs. Stiff String

- Soft String Model Fit for Torque & Drag Modeling
- Does Not Estimate Drillstring & Casing Contact
- Over Predicts Casing Wear



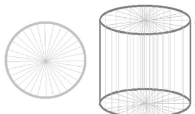
- Stiff String Model Fit for Casing Wear Analysis
- Predicts Drillstring Contact Points With Casing Wall
- Required To Model Multiple Wear Grooves



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Modeling Multiple Wear Grooves

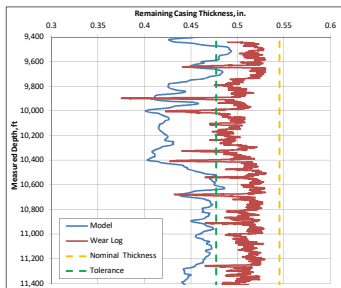
- 10ft Casing Sections Simulated as a 3-D Mesh
- Casing Cross-sections Comprised of 72 Slices
- Wear Volume Allocated Based on Contact Points
- Wear Grooves Modeled Using Crescent Shaped Groove Geometry
- Groove Distribution Resulting From Prior Operations Combined



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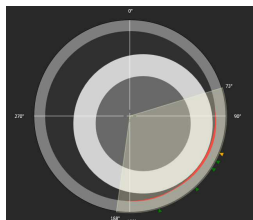
Field Example

- Multi-lateral Well – North Sea
- 2 Casing Sizes in Main Wellbore
 - 10-3/4 in. till 9,140 ft
 - 9-5/8 in. till 20,020 ft
- 4 Sidetracks Drilled
- Total of 9 Operations Performed
- 9-5/8 in. Casing Logged
 - 9,445 ft to 16,540 ft

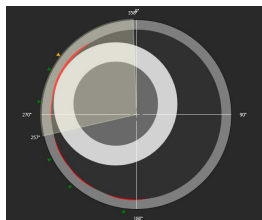


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Multiple Wear Grooves



Depth: 10,400 ft



Depth: 5,700 ft

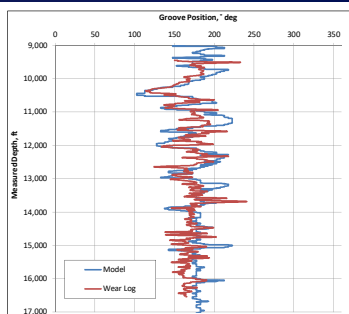


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Azimuthal Groove Position



- 0° Shows High Side
- 180° Shows Low Side
- Tangent Section Was Logged
- Most Wear Around Low Side

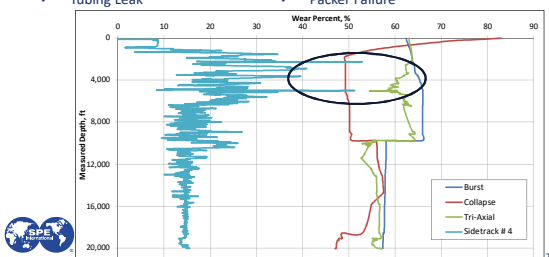


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Maximum Allowable Wear



1. Burst Loads
 - ✓ Drill Ahead
 - ✓ Gas Over Mud Ratio
 - ✓ Tubing Leak
2. Collapse Loads
 - ✓ Drill Ahead
 - ✓ Cementing
 - ✓ Packer Failure
3. Axial Loads



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How Many of your Wells have faced **Casing Wear** Challenges in their Lifecycle?

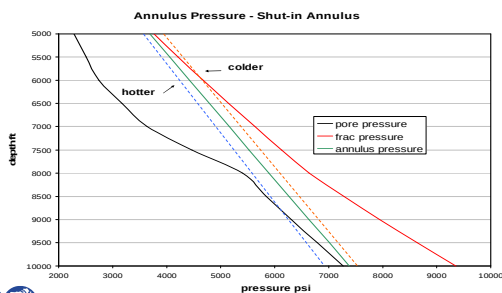


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Well Integrity: Inside the Wellbore Annular Pressure Buildup Wellhead Growth

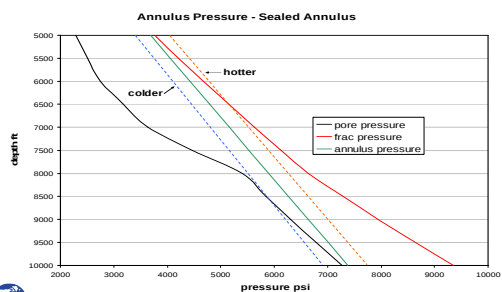


Annular Pressure: Shut-in Annulus



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Annular Pressure: Sealed Annulus



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Annulus Fluids Change with Time

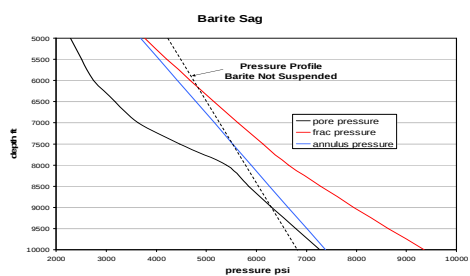


- Drilling mud density achieved with suspended particles of high density
- Particles are suspended by the shear strength of the gelled fluid, they are not soluble
- Oil-based fluids not noted for their gel forming properties
- Settling of barite is called "Barite sag"



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Barite Sag



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Annulus Fluids Change with Time



- Drilling mud sealed in annulus by “filter cake”
- Annulus fluid sealed by low permeability formation
- Annulus pressures greater than pore pressure over some of depth interval, so tendency for drilling fluids to diffuse into formation
- What is the long-term effect of filtration? How does “filter cake” age and what its long term effectiveness?



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What We Don't Know!

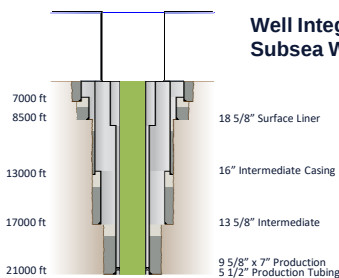


- **Specifics of wellbore heat transfer for drilling:**
 - Heat transfer in eccentric annulus with pipe rotation
 - Heat transfer with cuttings transport
 - Free convection in eccentric annulus with non-Newtonian fluids
- **Specifics of fluid flow of non-Newtonian fluids:**
 - Flow in eccentric annulus with pipe rotation (secondary flow, vortex...)
 - Turbulent flow of non-Newtonian fluids (incomplete knowledge)
 - Transient flow of non-Newtonian fluids (is gelled fluid a solid?)
- **PVT and transport properties of drilling muds (incomplete knowledge)**
- **PVT and transport properties of brines (incomplete knowledge)**
- **Long term behavior of drilling muds (e.g. barite sag, filter cake aging)**

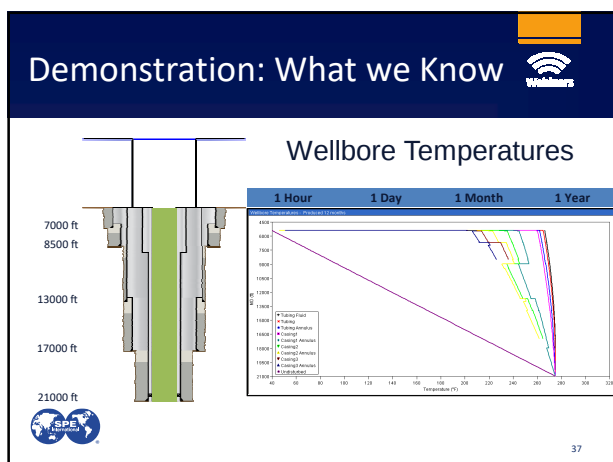


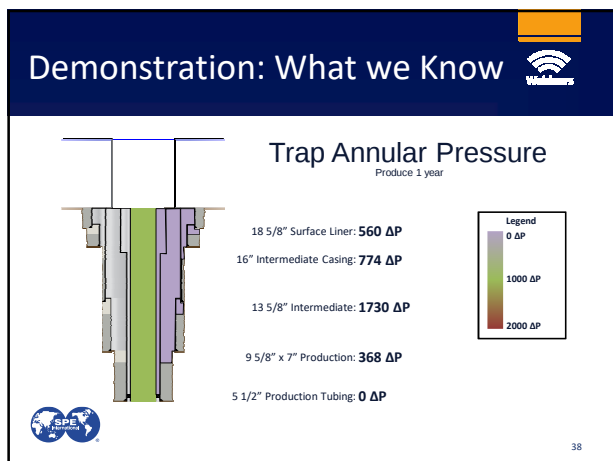
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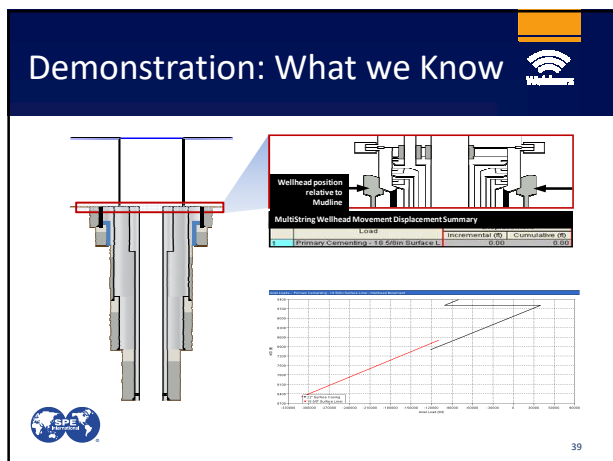
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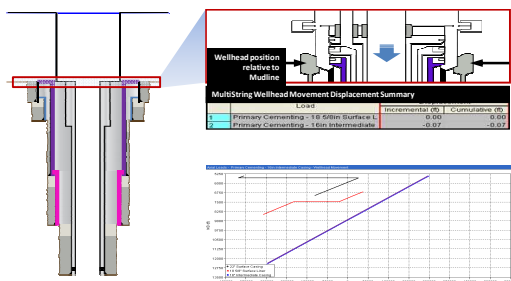
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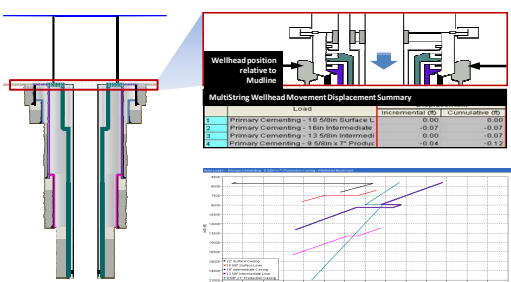


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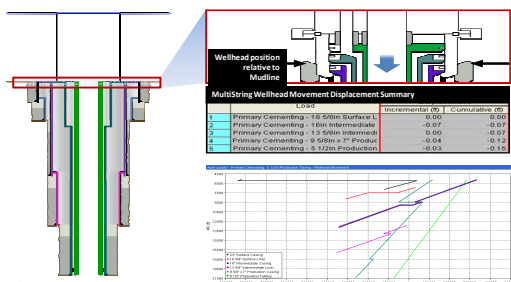
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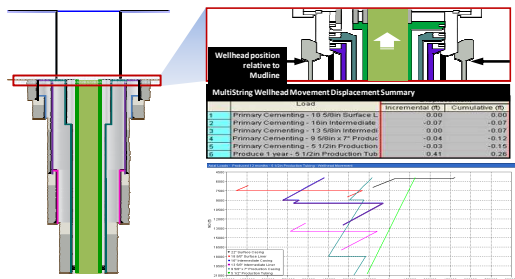
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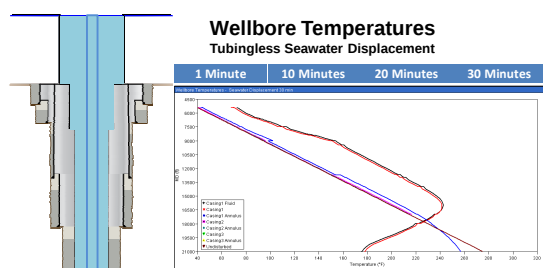
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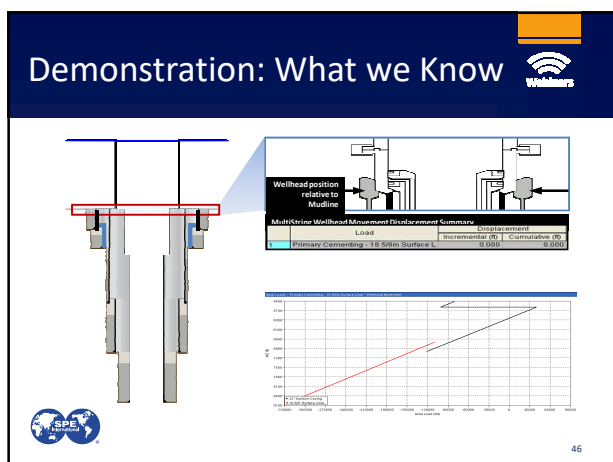


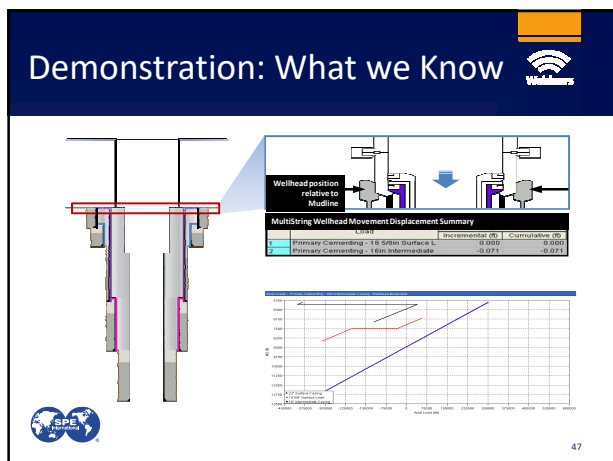
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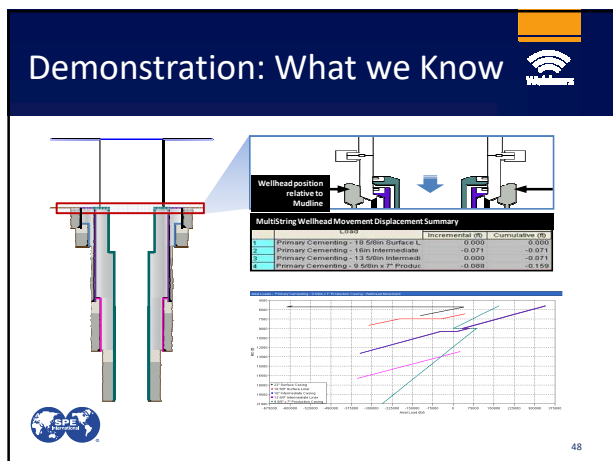
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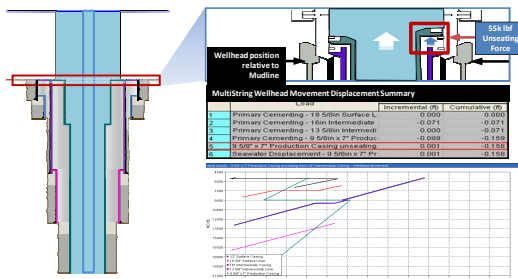
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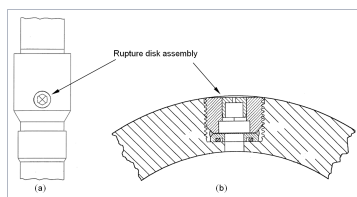


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Introduction of Rupture Disk



- One-time switch
- Open at specified differential pressure
- Able to burst and/or collapse

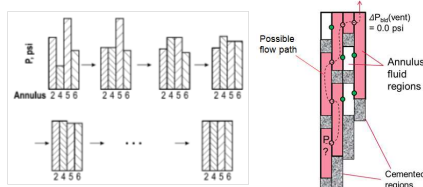


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Engineering Calculations



- Pair-by-pair pressure balancing
- Iteration to reach global equilibrium
- Region connection flagging based on graph theory

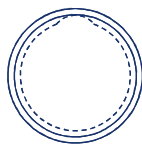
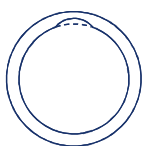


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Engineering Calculations



- What happens when inside and outside well engineering is coupled?
 - Absence of casing wear calculation will lead to overestimation of the well integrity
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Poll Question



How Many of your Wells have faced **Annular Pressure Buildup** Challenges in their Lifecycle?



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Well Integrity: Inside the Wellbore Asset Integrity



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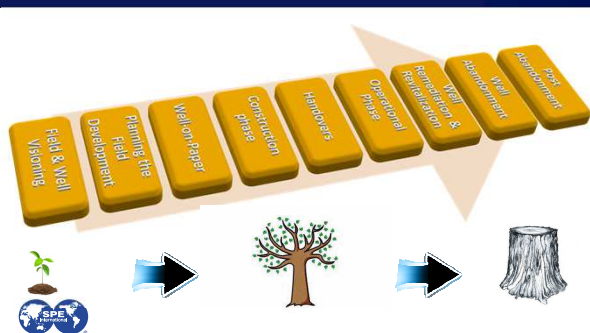


Do you evaluate / consider **Asset Integrity** as part of Annual Review?



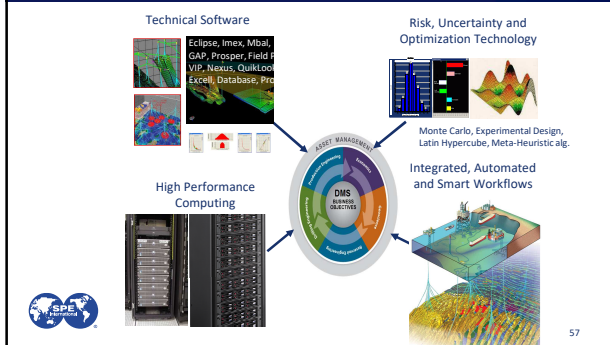
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Engineering is Beyond Well “Life Cycle”

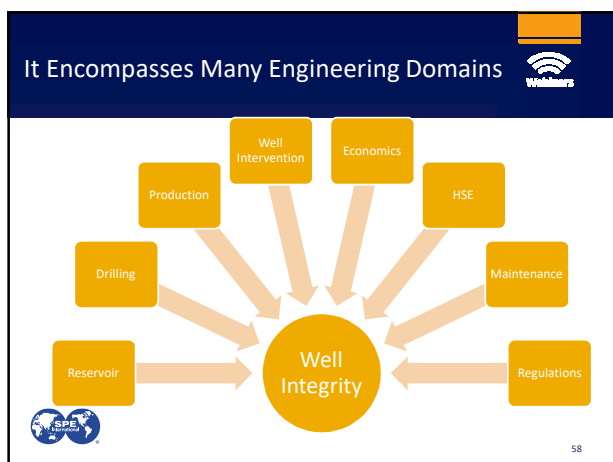


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360° Engineering Convergence



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Corrosion

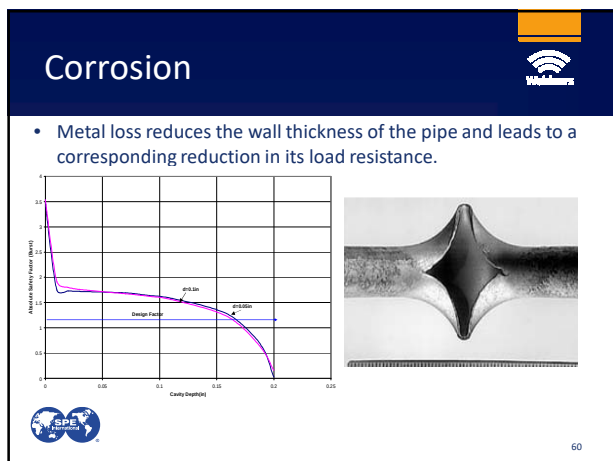
- Like wear, corrosion can have a major detrimental effect on the mechanical integrity of tubular systems and must be included in the design premise.



$$K_u = \frac{b^2 \cdot \gamma - (a - h) \cdot \sqrt{b^2 - (a - h)^2}}{b^2 \gamma - a^2 \beta - (a - h)^2 (\lg \gamma - \lg \beta) + \frac{a^3 (4m - 5mv + 3a^2 n)}{(7 - 5v)}}$$

Sun and Samuel Model for Deration

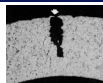
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Corrosion



- Pipe can be so weakened that it can no longer withstand operating loads.
- The most severe forms of this type of corrosion are:
 - Sulfide-stress-corrosion cracking (SSCC)
 - Chloride-stress-corrosion cracking (SCC)
 - Hydrogen embrittlement.

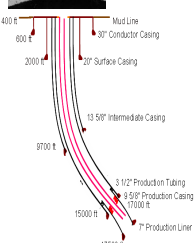


- NORSOK Model

$$CR = K f_{cor} \left(\frac{S}{19} \right)^{0.146 + 0.0324 \log f_{cor}} f(pH) mm / yr$$

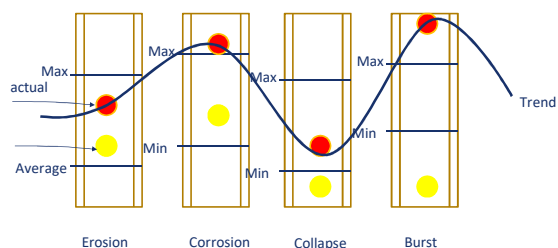
- De Ward Model

$$CR = F_i 10^{\frac{5.8 - 1710}{T} - 0.07 \log f_{cor}} mm / yr$$



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Monitoring Dash Board



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Erosion



- Corrosion – Chemical Process
- Erosion – Mechanical Process
- Erosivity:

$$ECR = C_o F_{sat}^C \times f_t \times f_{pH} mm / yr$$

- Customizable model



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Risk of SSCC Increase With:



- Increasing H_2S partial pressure
- Increasing material hardness (and consequently strength)
- Increasing tensile stress
- Increasing exposure time
- *Decreasing* pH of the environment
- *Decreasing* temperature



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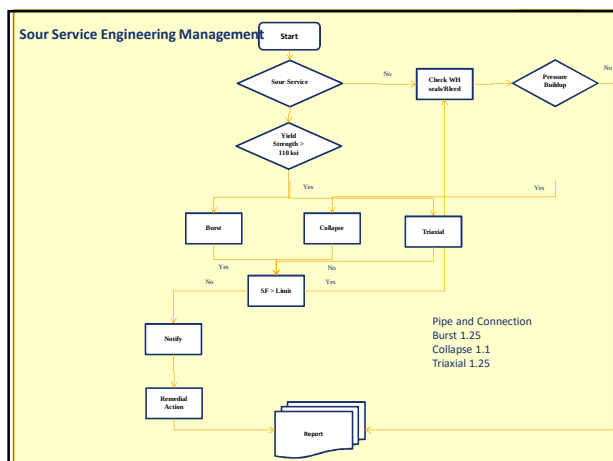
Material Selection for Sour Wells

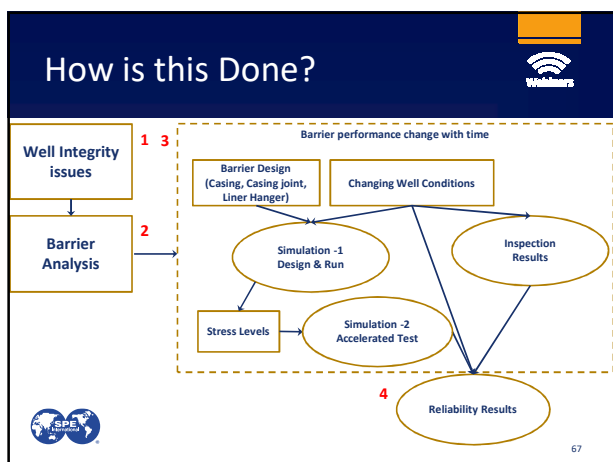


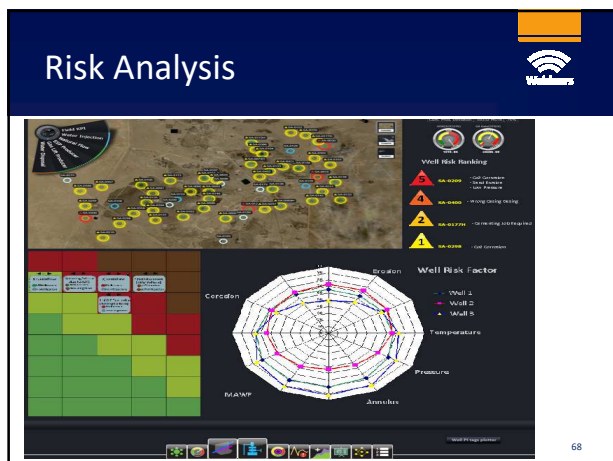
- Different materials can be used at different depths in the wellbore based on a temperature profile
- The undisturbed temperature profile is often used because it represents a conservative estimate of the minimum steady-state temperature the pipe could experience while exposed to the sour environment.

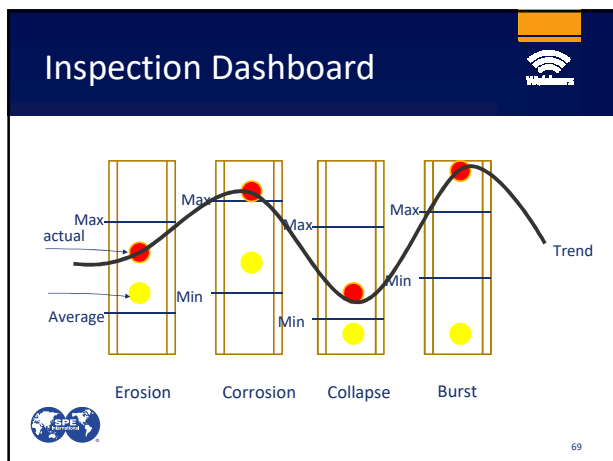


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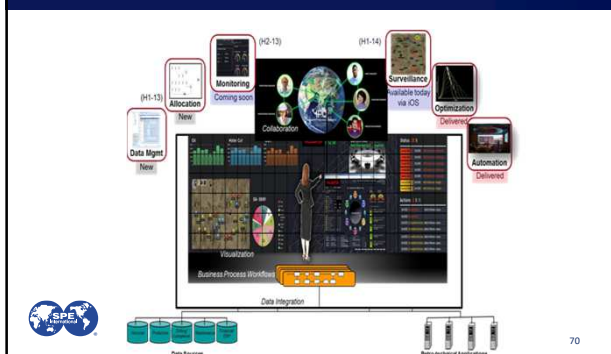








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Engineering Calculations



- What happens when inside, outside and beyond the well engineering is coupled?
 - Absence of casing wear calculation will lead to overestimation of the well integrity
 - Wrong casing wear calculation will lead to underestimation of the well integrity
 - Wrong annular pressure build up calculation will lead to overestimation of casing design



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Poll Question



Do you think you need to concentrate more on **Asset Integrity** to manage your assets well?



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