

A Case Study of Fine History Matching Technique for Long-term Water Flooding in High Water Cut Mature Oilfields in Bohai Bay —— SZ Oilfield

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Reservoir profile map of SZ oilfield

SZ oilfield is the largest self-operated offshore oilfield of China.



- □ SZ oilfield has been developed by water fooding for 25 years.
- Polymer flooding has been implemented in the south area since 2003.
- Presently, it has come into high water-cut stage (85%)

Several wells or well groups have poor history matching which will bring an error distribution of remaining oil.



Three challenges in history matching

The overall matching accuracy of the block is high.but that of single well is low





 Matching accuracy of some well groups needs to be improved in high water cut stage





Tracer testing is expensive and time-consuming

the physical properties of water-flooding reservoirs would be altered due to the long term washing of injected water







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Firstly, with abundant pressure test data (nearly 500 wells for 23 years), single well pressure transient analysis (PTA) and production transient analysis (RTA) were carried out to obtain accurate reservoir parameters, such as permeability, skin factor, faults, etc.



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We used these interpreted parameters to modify the geological model.



Polymer production concentration analysis of well groups

Since there are 24 polymer injection wells in the south area, polymer concentration monitoring was carried out in 89 oil production wells. we matched the breakthrough time and concentration of polymers to help to improve the matching accuracy.



Polymer production concentration matching



water cut matching

2 Polymer production concentration analysis of well groups

Similar to tracer monitoring and interpretation, The matching of the breakthrough time and concentration of polymer also help to analyze the connectivity between injection and production wells.





3 Reservoir property time-variation

For water flooding oilfields, both the lab experiments and field practices have proved that the physical properties of water flooding reservoirs would be altered due to the washing of injected water. This condition has not aroused enough attention.



Sediment produced from underground with oil together



Microscopic pore structure changes before and after water flooding (by Electron Microscopic Scanning)



3 Reservoir property time-variation

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3 Reservoir property time-variation

Petrel RE & INTERSECT are applied to help improve the full field model history matching quality with the compatibility to simulate the time-varying reservoir properties. As a result, the field water cut history matching accuracy was improved by 10%.





Summary

The new technologies can provide reference for the history matching of other high water cut oilfields in Bohai Bay. With the help of such techniques, the accuracy of the full field simulation model was greatly improved and the remaining oil was more accurately described, which helps reservoir engineers make more reasonable decisions on waterflood management such as injection-production parameters adjustment and high potential adjustment wells placement in high water cut stage.



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