# Pump Slippage's Impact on System Efficiency





ABB VSD Controller

MicroMotion Mass Flow Meter F-100



**Data Acquisition Devices** 

Wood Group Smart Guard™ RTU package

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Lufkin SAM Controller ION System Power Measurement System



#### (3) Echometer Well Analyzers





## **Test Well Wellbore**

2-7/8 in., 6.5 lb/ft, J-55, API 8RD EUE Norris 76 OR 1" Rod String

Harbison-Fischer - 2.00" pump 0.009" clearance (25-200-RWBC-20-4-0)

Wood Group Instrument (1 per 6 sec) Pump Intake & Discharge Pressure Temperature and Vibration

**Baker Oil Tool Tubing Anchor-Catcher** 

9-5/8 in., 43.5 lb/ft, N-80, ID = 8.755"

### Pump Diametrical Clearance Impact System Efficiency

- 1. New Patterson Slippage Equation predicts slippage vs. pumping speed, SPM, Pump diameters and Clearances (other parameters)
- 2. Patterson Equation modified the ARCO-HF equation to include the effect of SPM on slippage.
- **3.** Data shows increase in power cost per barrel due to slippage.
- 4. Pump efficiency dramatically decreases at slow pumping speed when pump clearances are large.
- 5. Increased Pump Clearance Reduce the System Efficiency (Significantly at slower pumping speeds)
- 6. More power must be input to the sucker rod pumping system to re-pump the portion of the pump's displacement lost to slippage.
- 7. Some Slippage Required for Proper pump lubrication.
- 8. Clearances can allow sand and other particles need to pass between the barrel and plunger

## **Pump Slippage**

 Fluid that leaks back into pump between the Plunger OD and the Barrel ID
 Leaks into the pump chamber between the standing valve and traveling valve

3) When traveling ball is on Seat.

Pump Efficiency = BPD Tank / BPD Pump BPD Tank = BPD Pump - Slippage



# **ARCO-HF Slippage Equation**

#### Inputs to Pump Slippage Calculations

D=Plunger Diameter (inches) \*P=Pressure Differiential C=Clearance (inches) u=Fluid Viscosity (centipoise) Plunger length (inches)

#### \*Calculating Differential Pressure

Pump Depth Fluid Level Above Pump Water Gravity



Slippage in BPD

43.56

ARCO-HF Slippage Equation Does Not Include Effects of:

1) Rod Design
 2) Speed (SPM)
 3) Plunger Velocity

### How to Change SPM?







Used Gantry Crane to Lift Belt Guard Quick Sheave Change ~ 2 hours



Used ABB VSD to Change SPM No Sheave Change ~ few Seconds

### **Dynamometer Cards – 5.01 SPM**

2" Plunger, 0.009" Clearance, 12" Sheave, 31.5 HZ





#### Used ABB Variable Speed Controller or Sheaves 2" Plunger, 1" Rod String, 0.009" Clearance, 12" Sheave



2" Plunger, 76 Rod String, 0.009" Clearance, 6" Inch Sheave (5.08SPM) - 8/16/2004 176 BPD Measured Flow Rate - 222 BPD Pump Displacement (55 BPD Slippage)



### High Speed Sampling Rate Required to See Instantaneous Flow Rates

1 Second Sample Rate From MicroMotion



#### What People Think Surface **Flow Rate Looks Like** Producing Water:

50





#### When Producing Water the Surface Flow Rate is Directly Related to the Plunger Velocity on Upstroke & Down Stroke



### Approximate 0.4 Second Lag in Time From Ball Seats Upstroke & Down Stroke



### Pump Slippage Volume vs. Pump Speed



## Pump Speed vs. Pump Efficiency



## **Patterson Slippage Equation**

 $453 \cdot [(0.14 \cdot SPM) + 1] \frac{DPC^{1.52}}{(0.14 \cdot SPM)}$ 

Patterson Equation modified ARCO-HF equation to include the effect of SPM on slippage

## Dynamometer Data @ 4 SPMs 2" Plunger, 76 Rod String, 0.009" Clearance



### Motor Outputs what Gearbox Requires Torque Analysis:283.9, 300.1, 324.5, 335.5 Peak Kin-Lb



## Power Data @ 4 SPMs

### 2" Plunger, 76 Rod String, 0.009" Clearance

| Overlay   Dyna Cards   Torque   Rod Loa      | ding Load/Current Power Torque 🗖 Power Results Ana া 🕨 |
|--|--|
| Monthly Operation Costs (30 Days per Month): | Recommended Minimum NEMA D Motor 28.8 HP               |
| Run Time 24 hr/day                           | Bated HP 50 HP   |
| Cost With Gen. Credit 1071.28 \$             | ,  |
| Cost No Gen. Credit 1126.11 \$               | Bated Full Load AMPS 60                                |
| Demand Cost 328.04 \$                        | Thermal AMPS 33.9                                      |
| Oil Prod. Cost // c/bbl                      |  |
| Liquid Prod. Cost 12.7 c/bbl                 | Gross Input  21.0 HP                                   |
| Oil Production D BBL/D                       | Net Input  19.9 HP                                     |
| Water Production 380.5 BBL/D                 | Demand  16.4 KW  |
|  | Average 15.5 KVA                                       |
| Power(KW)                                    | Current (Amp)  |
|  | Average Power  |
| 50.00- 9.73 SPM                              | With Generation Credit 14.9 NW                         |
| 37.50-                                       | No Generation Credit 15.6                              |
| and the second of                            | Avg. Power Factor 80.3 %                               |
| 20.00 - / / /                                | System Efficiency 52.3 %                               |
| 12.50-                                       | L.   |
| • • · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·      |  |
| 12.50 W                                      |  |
| 12.00 1                                      | Stroke 5 - ? < Pg Up Pg Dwn >                          |

## What is System Efficiency?



 $\eta$  BEAM, system=  $\eta$  surface  $\eta$  motor  $\eta$  unit  $\eta$  rods  $\eta$  tubing friction  $\eta$  surface pressure

OR η system = <u>(Q,BPD) (Depth – PIP/.433XSG) (SG) (7.368 E-06</u>)

(Kw / 0.746)

## **Summary of Test**

| Card Selected   | SPM                         | Effective<br>Plunger<br>Travel In         | Effective<br>Plunger<br>Travel<br>BPD    | Water<br>Production<br>Rate (BPD)                         | Patterson<br>Slippage<br>BPD              | Pump<br>Efficiency                         |
|---|-----------------------------|---|--|---|---|--|
| 2 - Sheave:6 Card #15   | 5.08                        | 93.9                                      | 222.5                                    | 181.5   | 41.0                                      | 81.6%                                      |
| 1 - Sheave 8.5 Card #5  | 6.99                        | 94.3                                      | 307.6                                    | 260.0   | 47.6                                      | 84.5%                                      |
| 1 - Sheave 10 Card #5   | 8.22                        | 94.2                                      | 361.1                                    | 309.3   | 51.8                                      | 85.7%                                      |
| 2 Sheave 12 Card #5   | 973                         | 96 /                                      | /37.5                                    | 380.5   | 57.0                                      | 87.0%                                      |
| z = Sheave 12 Calu #5   | 5.15                        | 50.4                                      | 407.0                                    | 000.0   | 01.0                                      | 01.070                                     |
| 2 - Sheave 12 Card #5   | 5.15                        | 50.4                                      | 407.0                                    |   | 51.0                                      | 01.070                                     |
| Card Selected   | SPM                         | Motor<br>Input HP                         | Polished<br>Rod HP                       | Power Cost<br>\$/BBL<br>Lifted                            | System<br>Effic %                         | Pump Effic<br>%                            |
| Card Selected<br>2 - Sheave:6 Card #15  | SPM<br>5.08                 | Motor<br>Input HP<br>11.3                 | Polished<br>Rod HP<br>6.6                | Power Cost<br>\$/BBL<br>Lifted<br>0.143                   | System<br>Effic %<br>44.7                 | Pump Effic<br>%                            |
| Card Selected<br>2 - Sheave:6 Card #15<br>1 - Sheave 8.5 Card #5                          | SPM<br>5.08<br>6.99         | Motor<br>Input HP<br>11.3<br>14.9         | Polished<br>Rod HP<br>6.6<br>9.5         | Power Cost<br>\$/BBL<br>Lifted<br>0.143<br>0.132          | System<br>Effic %<br>44.7<br>50.2         | Pump Effic<br>%<br>81.6%<br>84.5%          |
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## **Presented at 2007 SWPSC**

Progress Report #4 on "Fluid Slippage in Down-Hole Rod-Drawn Oil Well Pumps"

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Based on Slippage test, "the following minimum pump clearances are recommended for a 48" Plunger with a "+1 Barrel". These clearances have become widely used in the Permian Basin for well depths up to 8000 feet"

- 1.25" pump = -3 to -4 plunger (0.004" to 0.005" total clearance)
- 1.50" pump = -4 to -5 plunger (0.005" to 0.006" total clearance)
- 1.75" pump = -5 to -6 plunger (0.006" to 0.007" total clearance)
- 2.00" pump = -6 to -7 plunger (0.007" to 0.008" total clearance)

#### **???? Design: Clearance Using Patterson Eq. w/ 90% Pump Efficiency**

## **Field Example of 0.009 Pump** Why only 402 barrels per day is being produced to the tank, when the effective downhole pump displacement is 576 BPD?



## **Patterson Slippage Calculation**

$$Slippage = \left[ (0.14 \cdot SPM) + 1 \right] 453 \frac{DPC^{1.52}}{L_{III}}$$

#### Inputs to Pump Slippage Calculations

D=Plunger Diameter (inches) \*P=Pressure Differiential C=Clearance (inches) u=Fluid Viscosity (centipoise) Plunger length (inches) Strokes per Minute

| 2.25  |  |  |  |
|-------|--|--|--|
| 3155  |  |  |  |
| 0.009 |  |  |  |
| 1     |  |  |  |
| 48    |  |  |  |
| 9.52  |  |  |  |

#### \*Calculating Differential Pressure

Pump Depth Tubing Discharge Pressure (Psi) Tubing Fluid Gradient (Psi/Ft) Pump Intake Pressure (Psi)



#### Slippage in BPD



## 655 BPD Pump Displacement

#### File Tools Help

#### My QRod Test Run Title

| Design Inputs  | Results  | 25 166  |
|--|--|---|
| 2  | Rate (100% Pump eff.) 655 bbl/day                                  | D 19 974  |
| Unit CWConv 👻  | Rate (90 % Pump eff.) 590 bbl/day                                  | 5 12583   |
| Pump Depth 7156 - #                                      | Rod Taper, % 34.0, 66.0  |   |
| Surface Challe Levelle                                   | Top Rod Loading 103.8 %  |   |
| Surrace Stroke Length 145.8 v in                         | Min API Unit Rating 912-305-146<br>Min NEMA D Motor Size 62.6 bp   | 4 4 O   |
| Pump Diameter 2.25 👻 in                                  | Polished Bod Power 41.6 hp   | 00 4 V  |
| Tubing Size 2 875" (6 4 Ib/ft) 2 441" ID                 | TVLoad 23,849 lbs  | Position (i   |
|  | SVLoad 11,135 lbs  |   |
| Anchored Tubing  |  | PPRL 28,598 lbs MPRL 5,743 lbs<br>Pump Strake 116 C in Statio Strateb 9 |
|  | Max Fiberglass Load 24,840 lbs                                     | For                                 |
| - Hods   | Min Fiberglass Load 3,333 lbs                                      |   |
| C Steel Rods   | Max Fiberglass Stress 20,569 psi<br>Min Fiberglass Stress 2760 psi | Pump Velocity v   |
| Fiberalass and Steel Bods                                | Fiberolass Load 91.7 %   | T 102   |
|  |  |   |
| F-Glass Size Steel Size                                  |  |   |
| 1.250 <b>v</b> in 0.875 <b>v</b> in                      |  |   |
|  | Stroke Rate << 9.52 >> SPM   | S 21  |
| Percent Fiberglass 34 🗸                                  |  | -103  |
| ,  |  |   |
|  | Calculate  | Position /i   |
|  |  | 1 03/00/1 (1  |
| Default Settings   |  | Torque  |
| Total Sinker Bar Weight 816 Ibs                          | Damping Factor 0.1   | 879,034   |
| Eluid Specific Gravity 1 H D =                           | 1 Unit Efficiency  | 59,276  |
|  | 30 %   | 439,517   |
| Tubing Pressure 250 psi                                  | Pump Efficiency 90 %   | 3 219,759   |
| Casing Pressure 45 psi                                   |  |   |
| You may enter Pump Intake Pressure directly, or calc     | ulate it from Reservoir Pressure and Productivity Index.           | - 8 12  |
|  |  |   |
| Pump Intake Pressure  151                                | Reservoir Pressure 1000 psi  | Angle (degr   |
|  | Productivity Index 2.000 bbl/day/psi                               | Dark Care Dar Ta  |
|  | Peak Gear Box Forque   |   |
| Echometer Company Phone: (940) 767-4334 E-Mail: info     | Counter Balance Moment   |   |
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### Design Pump Clearance of 0.006" to Achieve 90% Pump Efficiency with 65 BPD Slippage

Patterson Equation Pump Slippage vs Clearance @ SPM = 9.52



## Observation

- Pumping Rate affects Slippage. As Pump Speed Increases:
  - Pump Efficiency Increases:
    Slippage Volume is a Smaller
    Fraction of Pump Displacement
  - Slippage Increases: More strokes per day results in more slippage volume

## Conclusions

- 1. Patterson Equation should be used to Design Pump Clearances – <u>Better than Rule-of-Thumb</u>
- 2. Pump Slippage is a Function of SPM
- 3. Slippage may be Excessive for large clearance pumps when pumping from deeper depths
- 4. Production from a leaky Pump can be increased by increasing SPM
- 5. System Efficiency can be Significantly Reduced at Slow SPMs with "large" Pump Clearance