

Reservoir Modelling

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## **Property Model**

Petrophysical properties such as porosity and permeability are modeled within each facies and reservoir layer.

The main factors that control on reservoir rock properties:

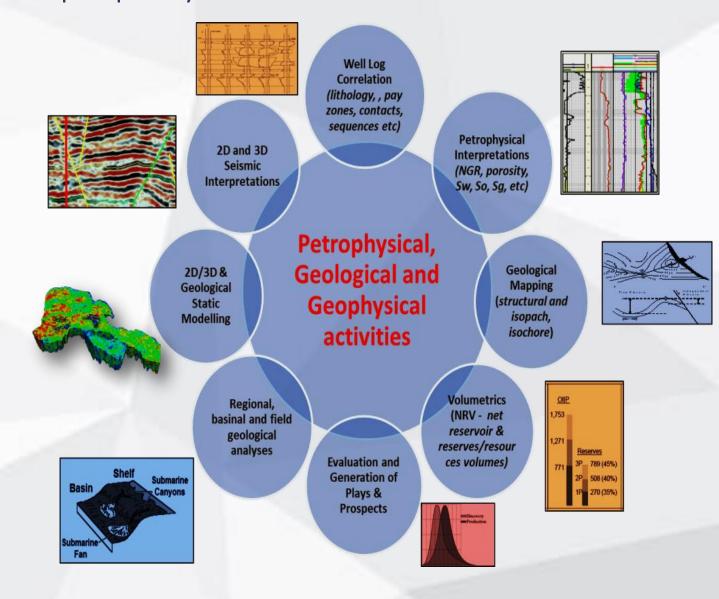


#### There are two main sources of rock property data:





Successful property modelling depends on the analysis of sufficient representative data and is best done by a geologist and a petrophysicist together.



# The main petrophysical properties do we want to model. (Fluid and Rocks)

- □ Porosity (φ)
- Permeability (k) the essential parameters in the flow equation (Darcy's law)
- Formation bulk density (ρb)
- Sonic p-wave velocity (Vp)
- Volume fraction of shale (Vshale)
- Fracture density
- Water saturation (Sw)
- Capillary pressure
- Wettability

## **Porosity**

The capacity of a rock to store fluids and estimated as the ratio of the pore

volume to the bulk volume.



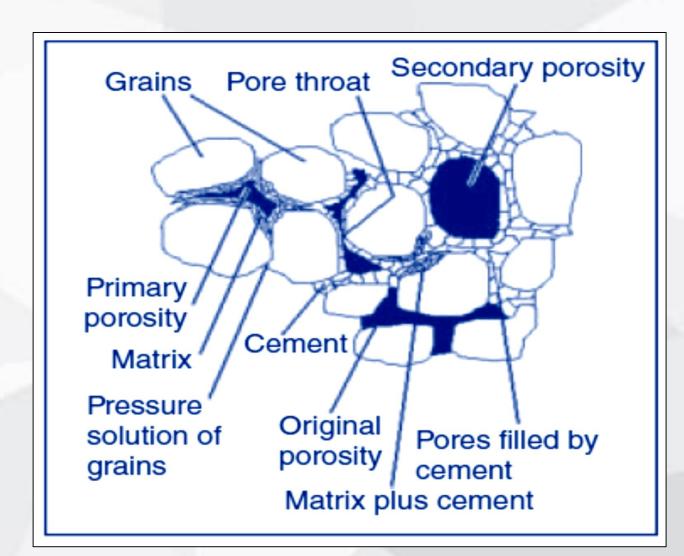
**Primary Porosity** 

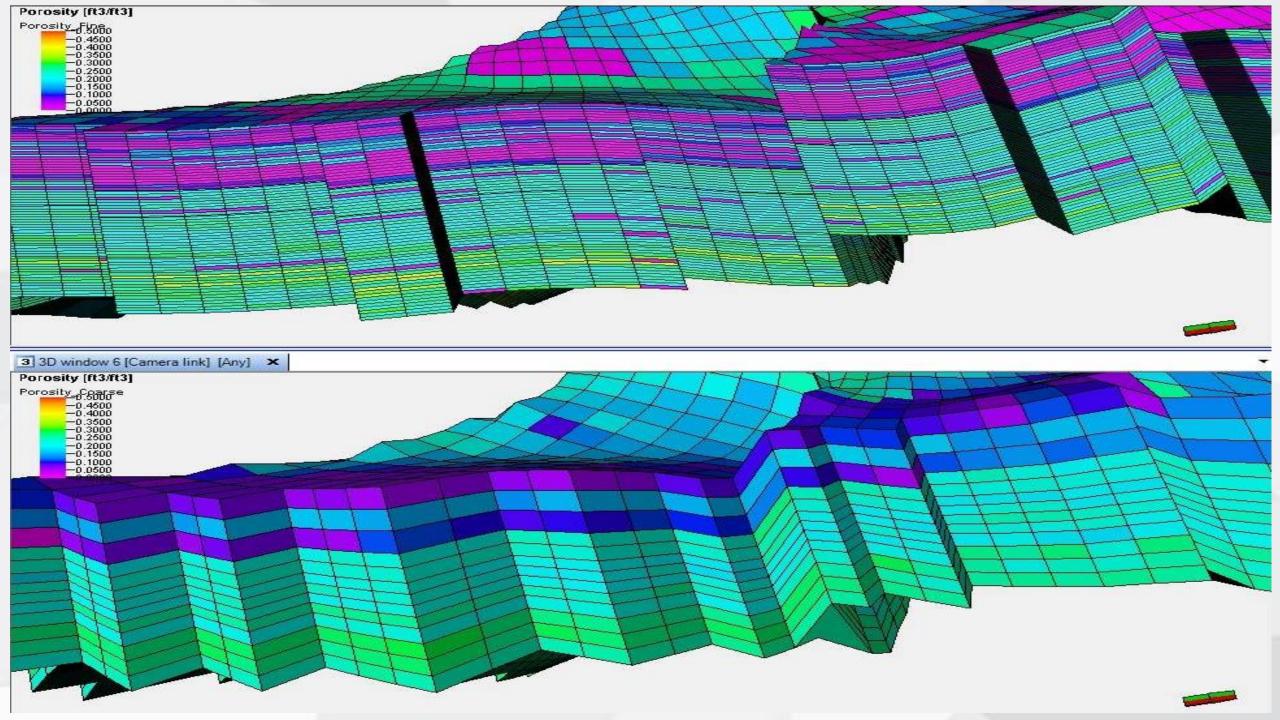


**Secondary Porosity** 



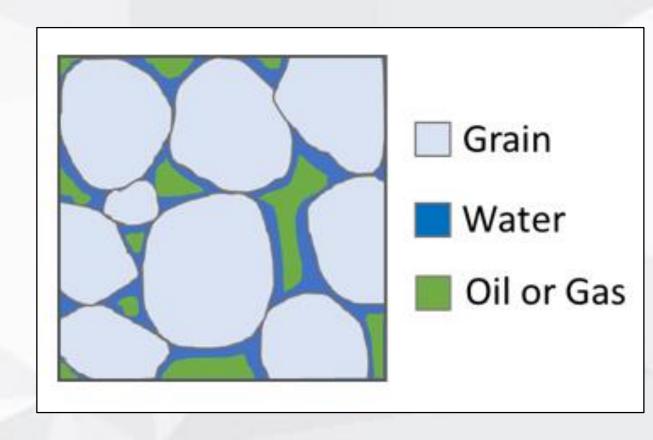






## Water Saturation (S<sub>w</sub>)

is the proportion of total pore volume occupied by formation water; hydrocarbon saturation is derived from the relationship  $(S_h=1-S_w)$ .



Logs measures both the mobile water and the clay-bound water in the pore space.

## **Permeability**

is the measure of the capacity of a reservoir to conduct fluids or for flow to take place between the <u>reservoir and</u> wellbore.

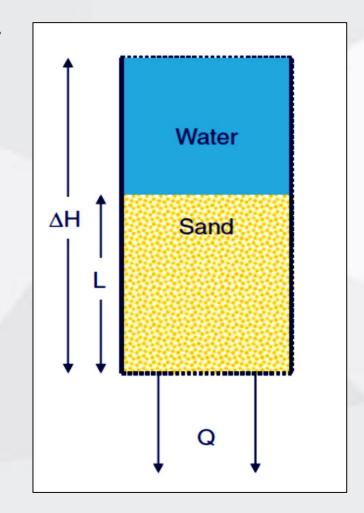
Core, log and production test are the main resources to estimate the permeability.

The basic permeability equation is based on the observations and field experience of Henri Darcy

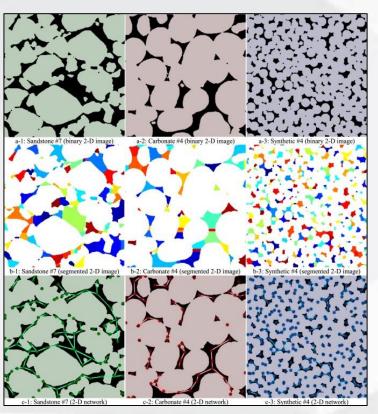
$$Q = KA(\Delta H/L)$$

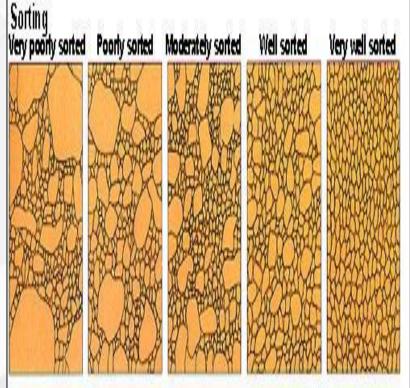
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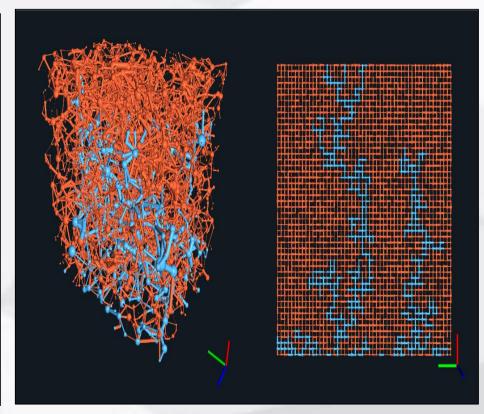
Q = volume flux of water, K = permeability, A = cross sectional area,  $\Delta H$ = height of water column, L = length of sand column.

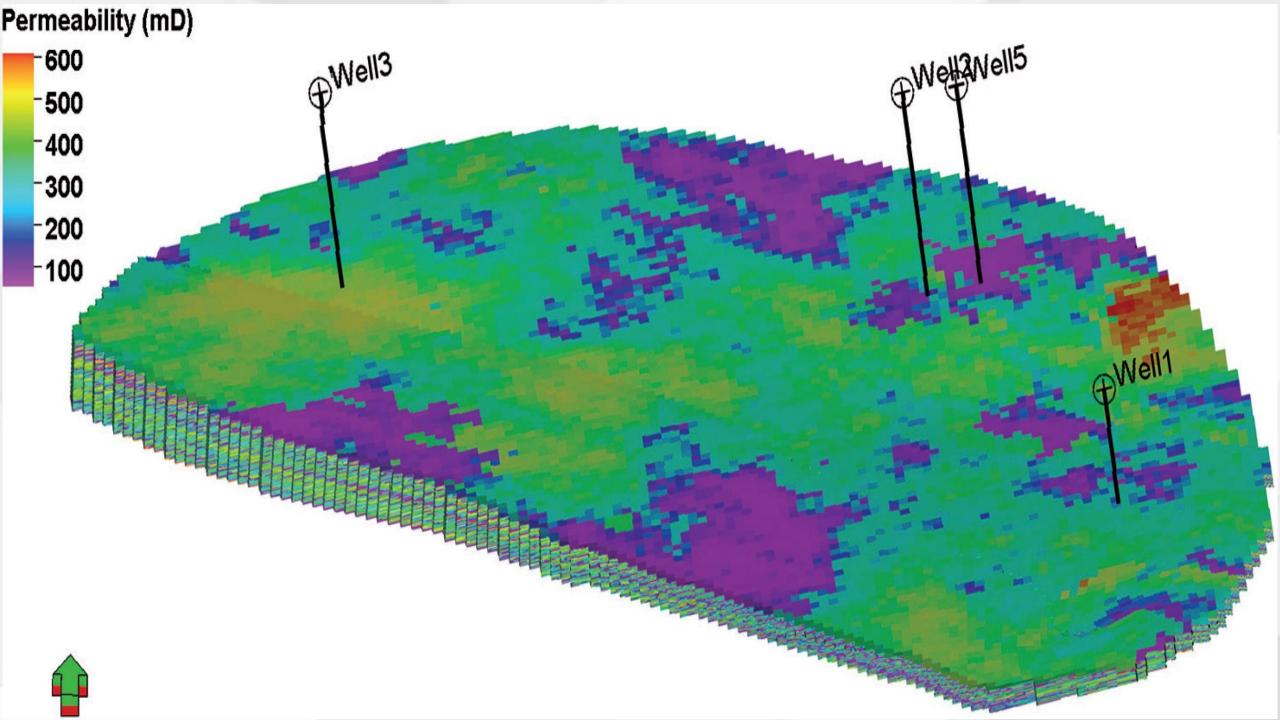


- At the microscopic or plug scale, permeability is a function of pore network
- <u>Large or small pore throats</u> and whether the connecting pathways are straight or tortuous, a function of *grain size and sorting*.



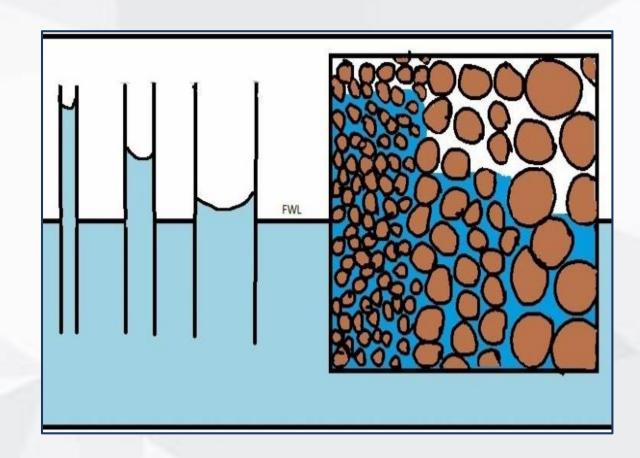






### **Capillary Pressure**

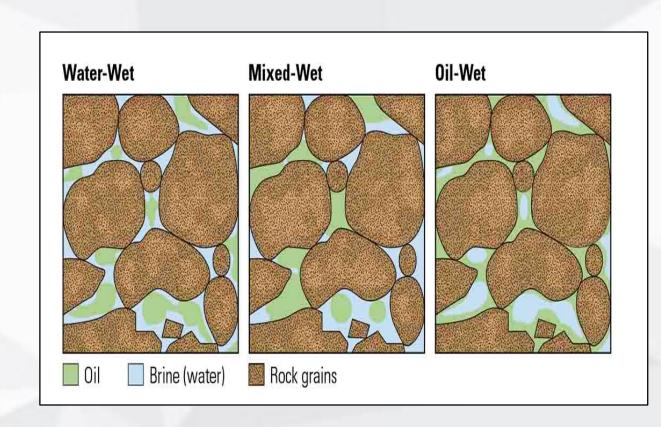
Capillary pressure occurs whenever two immiscible fluids occur in the pore space of a rock and is defined as the pressure difference measureable in the two phases.

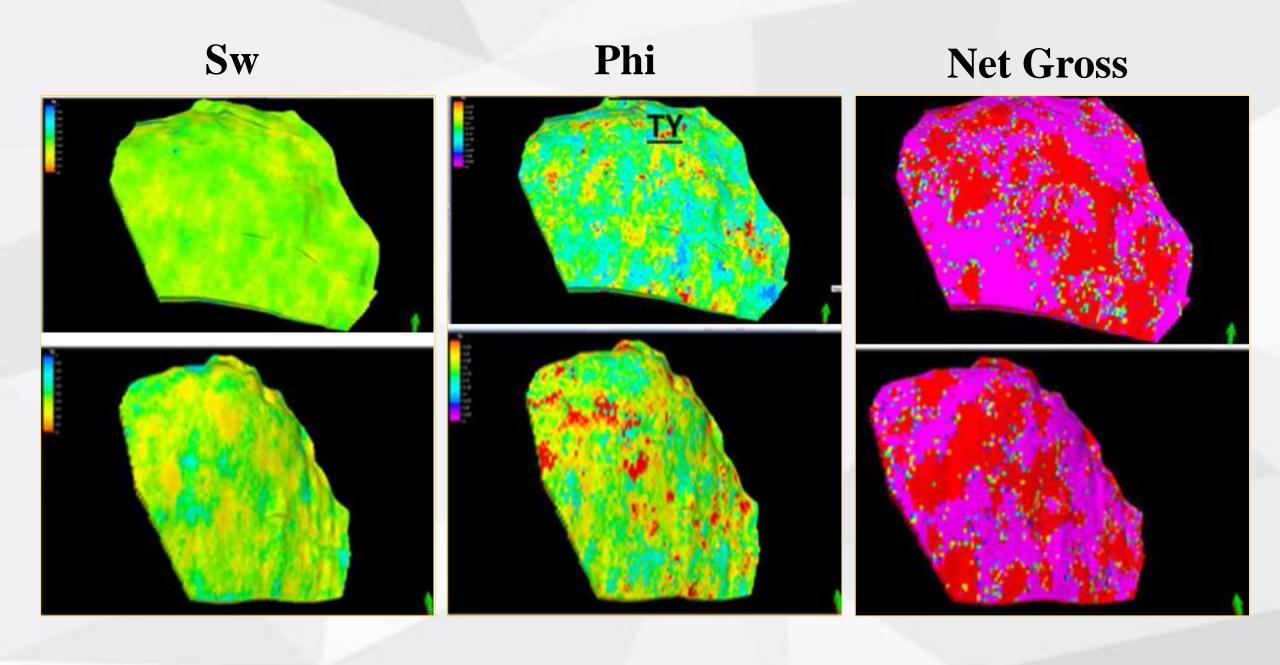


## Wettability

Wettability is a measure of a rock's propensity to adsorb water or oil molecules onto its surface in the presence of another immiscible fluid.

Wettability is a function of the surface tension between the solid grain and the fluid in the pores





#### **Property Modelling Workflow**

## Data screening

Data
screening:
Ensure that all
anomalous
values, data
spikes or
outliers have
been deleted
or explained

#### **Blocking**

The property data must be upscaled into the grid cells in each of the wells to determine the difference in the levels of heterogeneity

#### **Review**

the property data statistics with respect to the facies scheme to ensure that the sufficient level of detail has been captured.

understand the spatial relationships

by looking for vertical or lateral trends by an experimental variogram.

#### **Decision**

Decide which property modelling method is appropriate for your data

#### **Property Modelling Methods**

There are several ways to model reservoir properties. All models will have different outcomes when calculating volumes, well planning or dynamic simulation.

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#### **Deterministic Methods**

In cases where a simple or quick model is required

- Constant value
- ☐ 2D maps
- Interpolation

## Statistical Methods

Geostatistical property modelling allows more control on the spatial statistics of the model and also allows for smaller scale heterogeneity to be captured.

- □ Kriging
- ☐ Simulation

