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#### **Abstract**

The flowing fluid electric conductivity (FFEC) logging method is an efficient way to provide information on the depths, salinities, and transmissivities of individual conductive features intercepted by a borehole, without the use of specialized probes. Using it in a multiple-flow-rate mode allows, in addition, an estimate of the inherent "farfield" pressure heads in each of the conductive features. The multi-rate method was successfully applied to a 500-m borehole in a granitic formation and reported recently. The present paper presents the application of the method to two zones within a 1000-m borehole in sedimentary rock, which produced, for each zone, three sets of logs at different pumping rates, each set measured over a period of about one day. The data sets involve a number of complications, such as variable well diameter, free water table decline in the well, and effects of drilling mud. To analyze data from this borehole, we apply various techniques that have been developed for analyzing FFEC logs: direct-fitting, mass-integral, and the multi-rate method mentioned above. In spite of

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complications associated with the tests, analysis of the data is able to identify 44 hydraulically conducting fractures distributed over the depth interval 150-775 meters below ground surface. The salinities (in FEC), and transmissivities and pressure heads (in dimensionless form) of these 44 features are obtained and found to vary significantly among one another. These results are compared with data from eight packer tests with packer intervals of 10-80 m, which were conducted in this borehole over the same depth interval. They are found to be consistent with these independent packer-test data, thus demonstrating the robustness of the FFEC logging method under non-ideal conditions.

#### 1. Introduction

Knowledge of the locations and hydraulic properties of conductive features is needed for understanding flow and transport through fractured rocks. Boreholes drilled deep into the rock are often employed to obtain this information. Various downhole methods for studying fracture flow have been developed over the past few decades. Coring and geophysical methods may be able to identify the fractures themselves, but they are unlikely to provide direct information on fracture flow properties. Straddle-packer pumptesting yields fracture flow properties, but is very time-consuming and expensive. Flow-logging techniques are an attractive alternative – they measure flow directly and are efficient to deploy in the field. Several varieties of flow logging exist, including spinner surveys, heat-pulse flow meters (Paillet and Pedler, 1996; Öhberg and Rouhiainen, 2000), tracer dilution analysis (Brainerd and Robbins, 2004), and the flowing fluid electric conductivity (FFEC) logging method, sometimes referred to as hydrophysical logging, the technique employed in the present study.

In the FFEC logging method, wellbore fluid is replaced with de-ionized water or water of constant salinity different from that of the formation water. Then FEC profiles in the wellbore are measured at a series of times while the well is pumped at a constant rate. Locations where native fluid enters the wellbore show peaks in the FFEC logs. By fitting the growth and movement of these peaks with a numerical model, one can infer inflow strengths and salinities of individual permeable features intersected by the

borehole. Since Tsang et al. (1990) introduced the method, it has been widely applied in deep wells down to 1500 m or more (Kelley et al., 1991; Guyonnet et al., 1993; Doughty et al., 2005), in inclined boreholes drilled in the underground Grimsel Test Laboratory (Marschall and Vomvoris, 1995), and extensively in shallower wells down to about 100 m (Evans et al., 1992; Pedler et al., 1992; Bauer and LoCoco, 1996; Paillet and Pedler, 1996; Karasaki et al., 2000). Continued development of analytical and numerical data-analysis techniques (Löw et al., 1994; Evans, 1995; Tsang and Doughty, 2003; Doughty and Tsang, 2005) have broadened the range of applicability and enhanced the ease of use of the method. Note that FFEC logging requires little or no specialized equipment or expertise, and may be carried out more quickly than most other methods, making it a valuable tool for efficient subsurface characterization.

Data analysis techniques include three main methods. First, the direct fitting of the time-series of FFEC profiles yields the locations, inflow strengths, and salinities of permeable features (Tsang et al., 1990). Second, integrating the FFEC profiles over the entire logged interval (the so-called mass-integral or M(t) method) provides an estimate of salt mass in place as a function of time, which facilitates the analysis (Doughty and Tsang, 2005). Third, if FFEC logging is repeated using two different well pumping rates (a procedure known as multi-rate FFEC logging), then the transmissivities and inherent pressure heads of the different permeable features can also be determined (Tsang and Doughty, 2003).

Direct-fitting and multi-rate analyses for FFEC logging were recently carried out successfully for a 500-m deep borehole in fractured granitic rock in the Tono region of Japan (Doughty et al., 2005). The analyses identified 19 hydraulically conducting fractures, which showed a range of values for transmissivity, salinity, and pressure head. Using three different pumping rates allowed analysis of three alternative combinations of two pumping-rate data sets, providing a consistency check on the multi-rate analysis. Good comparisons against static FEC profiles and against independent chemical, geological, and hydrogeological data further enhanced confidence in the FFEC logging method.

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97	The present paper describes a field application of the multi-rate FFEC logging						
98	method, using data from a 1,000-meter deep well known as Well HDB-11, in fractured						
99	sedimentary rock in the Horonobe area of Japan. This case differs from the Tono						
100	application (Doughty et al., 2005) in several significant ways. Not only is the rock						
101	sedimentary instead of granitic, but also a number of complications are associated with						
102	the logging data, including						
103	<ul> <li>a section of the borehole having a variable wellbore diameter</li> </ul>						
104	• the presence of a free water surface in the borehole (i.e., the logged zone is not						
105	isolated with packers)						
106	• flow of low-salinity water into fractures during the initial recirculation period						
107	<ul> <li>periods of unknown pumping rate during FFEC logging</li> </ul>						
108	<ul> <li>a small increase in salinity all along the borehole during FFEC logging,</li> </ul>						
109	probably the result of residual mud used in drilling the well						
110	<ul> <li>a gradual borehole pressure decline during FFEC logging</li> </ul>						
111	<ul> <li>possible unknown inflows into the borehole from unmonitored borehole</li> </ul>						
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113	<ul> <li>sets of FFEC profiles that are not all internally consistent</li> </ul>						
114	Whereas the Tono application demonstrated the first field application of the multi-rate						
115	FFEC logging method, the present application examines the robustness of the method						
116	under non-ideal conditions.						
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118	Section 2 describes the basic method. Section 3 shows the geological setting, the						
119	field test set-up, measurement procedure, and data. Sections 4 and 5 explain the various						
120	analysis methods used to deal with all the data complications, and present the results.						
121	Section 6 compares the results with independent data from packer tests that have been						
122	conducted in Well HDB-11. Section 7 discusses a number of issues arising from the						
123	analysis, and finally Section 8 provides concluding remarks and recommendations for						
124	improving future field procedures.						

# 2. Summary of the Method

This section gives a summary of data collection and analysis methods. Details of the data collection method may be found in Doughty et al. (2005). Details of the analysis method may be found in Tsang et al. (1990), Tsang and Doughty (2003), and Doughty and Tsang (2005).

#### 2.1 Data Collection

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In the FFEC logging method, the wellbore water is first replaced by de-ionized water or, alternatively, by water of a constant salinity distinctly different from that of the formation water. This is done by passing de-ionized water down a tube to the bottom of the wellbore at a low rate, while simultaneously pumping from the top of the well at the same rate. The goal is to completely replace the wellbore water with de-ionized water without pushing any de-ionized water out into the rock formation. The FEC of the effluent is monitored throughout wellbore water replacement, which continues until a low stable FEC value is reached. Next, the well is shut in and the de-ionized water tube is removed. Then the well is pumped from the top at a constant low flow rate  $Q_1$  (e.g., several or tens of liters per minute), while an electric conductivity probe is lowered into the wellbore to scan the FEC as a function of depth. This produces what is known as a flowing FEC (or FFEC) log or profile. With constant pumping conditions, a series of five or six FFEC logs are typically obtained over a one- or two-day period. Optionally, the entire procedure may be repeated using a different pumping rate  $O_2$ , typically half or double the original rate  $Q_1$ . Throughout the process, the water level in the well should be monitored.

## 2.2 Data Analysis

At depth locations where native water enters the wellbore (inflow feed points), the FFEC logs display peaks. These peaks grow with time and are skewed in the direction of water flow. By analyzing these logs as described below, it is possible to obtain the inflow rates and salinities of groundwater inflow from the individual feed points. Although locations where water leaves the wellbore (outflow feed points) do not produce distinct peaks in the FFEC logs, they can sometimes be identified by their impact on

other peaks using a mass-integral method (Doughty and Tsang, 2005). By performing FFEC logging using different pumping rates, a procedure called multi-rate FFEC logging (Tsang and Doughty, 2003), the inherent pressure heads and transmissivities of the permeable features giving rise to the feed points can also be determined.

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The numerical models BORE (Hale and Tsang, 1988) and the enhanced version BORE II (Doughty and Tsang, 2000) calculate the time evolution of ion concentration (salinity) through the wellbore by solving the one-dimensional advection-dispersion equation, given a pumping rate O and a set of feed-point locations  $z_i$ , strengths  $q_i$ , and salinities  $C_i$  (i.e., the forward problem). Fluid flow in the wellbore is considered quasisteady: that is, fluid is assumed to be incompressible so it responds instantly to changes in pumping rate or feed-point strength. Density differences between the original wellbore fluid (de-ionized or low-salinity water, which may contain traces of drilling mud) and formation fluid flowing into the wellbore are neglected (another version of the code, VHBORE (Hale and Tsang, 1994) does consider compressible flow with compositional density differences, but it is not employed here). The governing equations for BORE II are presented in Doughty and Tsang (2005). Some analytical solutions are available for FFEC profiles obtained from simple feed-point configurations (e.g., Drost et al., 1968; Tsang et al., 1990), but BORE II broadens the range of applicability of the analytical solutions by considering multiple inflow and outflow feed points, isolated and overlapping FEC peaks, early-time and late-time behavior, time-varying feed-point strengths and salinities, as well as the interplay of advection and dispersion in the wellbore.

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The general procedure for using BORE II is to estimate feed-point locations  $z_i$  by examining early-time FFEC profiles, then assign feed-point properties ( $q_i$  and  $C_i$ ) by trial and error until an acceptable match between modeled and observed FFEC profiles is obtained (i.e., an inverse problem). Integrating the FFEC profiles over the entire logged interval or a desired sub-interval provides an estimate of salt mass in the borehole interval under study as a function of time, which provides a useful constraint for the analysis. If FFEC logs were only collected using one pumping rate Q, then the analysis ends here.

However, if multiple sets of FFEC logs are available, the inverse procedure is repeated for each value of Q, with the inverse problems constrained by requiring that the same set of  $z_i$  and  $C_i$  values be used for each one.

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Assuming that two sets of FFEC logs were collected with pumping rates  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ , and that the strengths of individual feed points i, as evaluated by BORE II, are  $q_i^{(1)}$  and  $q_i^{(2)}$  respectively, then Tsang and Doughty (2003) showed that

$$\frac{T_i}{T_{tot}} = \frac{q_i^{(1)} - q_i^{(2)}}{Q_1 - Q_2} \tag{1}$$

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$$\frac{(P_i - P_{avg})}{(P_{avg} - P_{wb}^{(1)})} = \frac{q_i^{(1)}/Q_1}{T_i/T_{tot}} - 1,$$
 (2)

where  $T_i/T_{tot}$  is the fraction of the total transmissivity of the logged interval corresponding to the fracture or permeable zone represented by the *i*th feed point  $(\Sigma T_i/T_{tot} = 1)$ ;  $P_i$  is the inherent pressure head of fracture i;  $P_{avg}$  is the pressure in the wellbore when it is shut-in for an extended time, which can be calculated as a transmissivity-weighted average over all fracture pressures:  $P_{avg} = \Sigma(T_iP_i)/T_{tot}$ ; and  $P_{wb}^{(1)}$  is the pressure drawdown in the wellbore during the FFEC logging at  $Q = Q_1$ . The derivation of Equations (1) and (2) assumes that the flow geometries within all the hydraulically conductive fractures intersecting the borehole are the same (e.g., all radial flow or all linear flow). For example, for radial steady flow, one can write

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$$q_{i} = \frac{2\pi T_{i}(P_{i} - P_{wb})}{\ln(r_{i}/r_{wb})},$$
 (3)

where  $r_i$  is the radial distance beyond which pressure changes due to pumping are small and  $r_{wb}$  is the wellbore radius. With all fractures having the same  $r_i$  value, Equation (3) can be readily summed over all i feed points to yield

$$Q = \frac{2\pi T_{tot}(P_{avg} - P_{wb})}{\ln(r_i/r_{wb})}.$$
 (4)

The inherent pressure head  $P_i$  is the ambient or undisturbed pressure in a fracture (or permeable layer) that the borehole intersects, and it is the value that would be measured

under non-pumping conditions with packers inflated in the wellbore on either side of the fracture to isolate it for a substantial time period to attain steady-state pressure conditions. In contrast,  $P_{avg}$  is the value that would be measured under non-pumping conditions when the wellbore has been open to all feed points in the logged interval for a substantial time period. The pressure difference  $P_i$  -  $P_{avg}$  provides a measure of the driving force for fluid flow between hydraulically conducting fractures and the wellbore under non-pumping or shut-in conditions, which gives rise to internal wellbore flow. Note that from the definition of  $P_{avg}$  above, if all the  $P_i$  values are the same, then  $P_i = P_{avg}$ , and there will be no internal wellbore flow under non-pumping conditions. In this case, Equation (2) shows that feed-point strength  $q_i$  is proportional to fracture transmissivity  $T_i$ .

The ratios on the left-hand-sides of Equations (1) and (2) are the fundamental results of a multi-rate analysis. If  $T_{tot}$ ,  $P_{avg}$ , and  $P_{wb}$  are also known (say from a conventional well test of the entire well section), then the  $T_i$  and  $P_i$  values themselves can be directly calculated. Additionally, because  $T_i$  and  $P_i$  appear in ratios in Equations (1) and (2), if one particular set of  $T_j$  and  $P_j$  are measured (say from a well test on a packed-off interval across fracture j), then all the additional  $T_i$  and  $P_i$  values can also be determined.

Tsang and Doughty (2003) denoted the group on the left-hand-side of Equation (2) as the normalized pressure head difference,  $(\Delta P)_n$ . Note that the denominator of  $(\Delta P)_n$  depends on  $Q_1$  through  $P_{wb}^{(1)}$ . This Q dependence becomes inconvenient if several pairs of tests using different values of Q are to be compared. Hence, both sides of Equation (2) are multiplied by  $Q_1$ 

$$\frac{P_i - P_{avg}}{P_{avg} - P_{wb}^{(1)}} Q_1 = \left(\frac{q_i^{(1)}/Q_1}{T_i/T_{tot}} - 1\right) Q_1.$$
 (5)

The ratio  $Q_1/(P_{avg} - P_{wb}^{(1)})$  on the left-hand-side is known in the petroleum literature as the productivity index I, defined as the ratio of pumping rate to drawdown during a well test. I characterizes the well and the permeable formation it intersects, and is independent of Q. Defining  $(P_i - P_{avg}) = \Delta P_i$ , Equation (3) becomes

239  $I\Delta P_{i} = \left(\frac{q_{i}^{(1)}/Q_{1}}{T_{i}/T_{tot}} - 1\right)Q_{1}$  (6)

The quantity  $I\Delta P_i$ , provides a measure of inherent pressure head for the *i*th feed point that is independent of  $Q_i$ 

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The multi-rate analysis requires two sets of FFEC logs at two pumping rates (at Q and 2Q, for example), but if three sets of logs for three pumping rates,  $Q_1$ ,  $Q_2$  and  $Q_3$  are available, then three sets of results can be obtained by analyzing three combinations of data sets:  $(Q_1 \text{ and } Q_2)$ ,  $(Q_2 \text{ and } Q_3)$  and  $(Q_3 \text{ and } Q_1)$ . This permits internal checking, a means to evaluate measurement errors, and an estimate on the confidence level of the analysis results.

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#### 3. Horonobe Well HDB-11 Data

Horonobe town is located in the northernmost part of Hokkaido, Japan (Figure 1). The main subsurface investigation area is about 3 km x 3 km square, including an underground research laboratory (URL) construction site, which is located about 15 km from the present coast line of the Japan Sea. The gentle topography is thought to be a periglacial landform. Horonobe town overlies Neogene sedimentary sequences (in ascending order: Souva coal-bearing Formation, Masuhoro Formation, Wakkanai Formation, Koetoi Formation, and Yuchi Formation), which are underlain by an igneous and Palaeogene-to-Cretaceous sedimentary basement (Figure 2). The Wakkanai and Koetoi Formations, which are Neogene argillaceous sedimentary formations, are the formations intercepted by Well HDB-11; they are also the host rocks for the URL. The area is tectonically active and micro-earthquake swarms have occasionally occurred in and around Horonobe town. The Eastern margin of the Japan Sea is a well-defined seismic zone, especially for micro-earthquakes. The Omagari Fault (Figure 2) was active until early Quaternary times and is believed to have a maximum vertical displacement of over 1000 m. Present-day active faults are thought to occur to the west of the Omagari Fault. In addition, historical coal mines were present in Horonobe town, and oil/gas exploration work including deep borehole investigations has been conducted in the region.

Well HDB-11 was drilled in four stages, as shown in **Figure 3**. FFEC logs were taken after the second stage, drilling from 150 – 450 m through the Koetoi Formation (herein denoted the shallow zone), and after the third stage, drilling from 450 m – 800 m through the Wakkanai Formation (herein denoted the deep zone). During each logging period, the well was cased from the surface to the top of the logged zone, leaving the logged zone uncased. During recirculation periods, shallow groundwater with very low electrical conductivity (9 mS/m) was injected just below the bottom of the logged zone, which was 10 to 15 m above the bottom of the well. The total volume of water injected during recirculation was 1.5 to 4 times the borehole volume. By the end of the recirculation periods the electric conductivity of the pumped water had stabilized at less than 60 mS/m in the shallow zone and 100 mS/m in the deep zone. During both recirculation and logging periods, water was pumped out of the well with a submersible pump located between 20 and 80 m below the ground surface.

**Figure 4** shows the caliper log for Well HDB-11. Over the depth interval of the shallow zone (Koetoi Formation, 150 – 450 mbgs) the wellbore diameter is nearly constant at 164 mm. Over the depth interval of the deep zone (Wakkanai Formation, 450 – 800 mbgs) the wellbore diameter is more variable: Below 550 m depth, it is nearly constant at 162 mm, but above 550 m it gradually increases to 240 mm. This diameter increase will cause peaks in FFEC profiles to move upward more slowly. Thus, if the change in borehole diameter is not accounted for, data analysis will result in feed-point strengths that are underestimated over the depth interval 450 – 550 m.

FFEC logging was repeated three times for both the shallow and deep zones, using different pumping rates. **Table 1** shows the schedule of tests. For the shallow zone logging was conducted using pumping rates of 2 L/min, 10 L/min, and 19.1 L/min. **Figure 5** shows the resulting FFEC profiles and **Figure 6** shows water level versus time for each test. For the deep zone, logging was conducted using pumping rates of 5 L/min,

298 10 L/min, and 15 L/min. Figure 7 shows the resulting FFEC profiles and Figure 8 299 shows water level versus time for each test. 300 301 Visual examination of the FFEC profiles (Figure 5 and Figure 7) indicates that not 302 all the profiles can be used for analysis. In some cases it appears that the tool that 303 measures fluid electric conductivity did not function at all (e.g., Figure 5, Q = 19.1 304 L/min, 5 hr profile). In other cases, the results look qualitatively correct, but the profiles appear shifted with depth or otherwise distorted (e.g., Figure 7, Q = 5 L/min, 4 hr and 5 305 306 hr profiles), suggesting that the tool did not move freely through the wellbore. 307 Subsequent analysis suggests that the problems were caused by slime (muddy water used 308 in drilling) adhering to the sensor. A total of 7 FFEC profiles obtained during the six 309 tests were not included in the analysis because the FFEC profiles were not internally 310 consistent with the remainder of the profiles; they are identified as "unusable FFEC 311 profile" in Table 1. 312 313 Water-level data (Figure 6 and Figure 8) was collected during the FFEC logging. 314 For the shallow-zone tests, pumping rate increased by an unknown amount for a short 315 period of time early in the tests, then returned to its specified value (**Table 1**). The water 316 level in the wellbore dropped sharply during the high pumping-rate period, then declined 317 at a nearly linear rate in response to the constant pumping rate (Figure 6). For the deep-318 zone tests, water-level data also shows a sharp early drop during the first few minutes of 319 the test, followed by a more gradual decline (Figure 8). The gradual decline of the deep-320 zone tests is less linear than for the shallow-zone tests, showing a decreasing rate of 321 water-level change. The times at which FFEC logs were collected are also shown on 322 Figure 6 and Figure 8. 323 324 We assume that pumping rate Q is the sum of two terms,  $Q_{wb}$  and  $Q_{form}$ , where  $Q_{wb}$  is 325 water that is removed from the wellbore as the water-level in the well declines and  $Q_{form}$ 326 is water that comes out of the formation.  $Q_{wb}$  can be estimated by multiplying the rate at 327 which water level declines by the cross-sectional area of the wellbore at the depth of the

water table. A linear decline in water level corresponds to a constant value of  $Q_{wb}$ , and

coupled with a constant value of Q, results in a constant value of  $Q_{form}$ , which greatly simplifies the BORE II analysis. Therefore, no logs collected during the initial period of high pumping rate are used for the BORE II analysis. Moreover, for the shallow-zone tests,  $Q_{wb}$  is reasonably constant, suggesting that treating  $Q_{form}$  as a constant will be a reasonable assumption. However, for the deep-zone tests,  $Q_{wb}$  appears to decrease with time, thus only the logs collected while the water level decline is approximately linear are analyzed. The FFEC logs that are not analyzed because  $Q_{form}$  cannot be assumed to be constant are identified in **Table 1**. **Table 2** summarizes the Q,  $Q_{wb}$ , and  $Q_{form}$  values assumed for the tests, with  $Q_{wb}$  determined from the slope of the linear fits to water level versus time data shown in **Figure 6** and **Figure 8**.

Ideally, one would use the water level data obtained during logging (**Figure 6** and **Figure 8**) as an open-hole well test to determine  $T_{tot}$ , the transmissivity of the entire interval of the borehole being logged, as described above in Section 2.2. This cannot be done in the present case because we do not know either the entire pumping rate history during the logging period, due to the early-time unknown increase in pumping rate, or the complete drawdown record, due to the slow hydrologic response time of the system.

The presence of drilling mud in the wellbore may impact fluid logging two ways: through its salinity and its density. Possible salinity effects are described in Section 4 below. Density effects are neglected, because although the drilling mud itself is presumably significantly denser than formation fluid, most of the mud should be flushed out of the wellbore during the initial recirculation period.

In Well HDB-11, the borehole temperature varies from 11 to 27°C over the depth range of FFEC logging. Prior to analyzing the FFEC logs with BORE II, the FEC values obtained in the field are temperature-corrected using the relationship (Schlumberger, 1984) FEC(20°C) = FEC(T)/[1 + S(T – 20°C)], with S = 0.024 °C<sup>-1</sup>. This correction is required because BORE II assumes a constant temperature of 20°C.

# 4. Analysis of Shallow FFEC Logs

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The numerical model BORE II (Doughty and Tsang, 2000) is used to analyze the three sets of shallow-zone FFEC logs for three pumping rates Q = 2 L/min, 10 L/min, and 19.1 L/min, to obtain a set of inflow locations  $z_i$ , feed-point strengths  $q_i$ , and salinities  $C_i$ . The  $z_i$  values are obtained by looking at early-time FFEC profiles, before individual peaks begin to interfere with each other, making  $z_i$  easy to determine with good accuracy. Given the inflow locations  $z_i$ , the matching process is then conducted with salinities  $C_i$ adjustable but maintained the same for all three data sets, while the feed-point strengths  $q_i$ are allowed to be different between the three data sets. Thus, different combinations of  $q_i$ and  $C_i$  are input to BORE II by trial and error, in order to match the FFEC logs obtained in the field. The matching makes use of the following facts: the area under an isolated FEC peak is proportional to the product  $q_iC_i$ , the speed of a peak moving up the wellbore depends only on the sum of  $q_i$  values for the current and deeper peaks, and the steadystate height of the deepest peak depends only on  $C_i$ . Initial trials consider the  $C_i$  to be the same for all inflow points (corresponding to 1,000 mS/m), but this restriction is relaxed as needed to improve the match. At the early stages of the fitting process, each test is treated individually. Later, the  $q_i$  values for all three tests are varied concurrently, using Equations (1) and (6) to constrain possible values of  $q_i^{(1)}$ ,  $q_i^{(2)}$ , and  $q_i^{(3)}$  so that the three pairs of tests produce consistent results for  $T_i/T_{tot}$  and  $I\Delta P_i$ . **Figure 9** and **Figure 10** show the best model fit to the subset of FFEC profiles that are amenable to analysis, as listed in **Table 1**. The first profile shown for each test is used as the model initial condition, and as shown in Table 1, this is the first profile collected after Q becomes constant. The deepest peak, barely visible at 438 m depth, is not analyzed, as it does not evolve like a peak caused by a normal inflow point. It may be caused by the drilling sludge at the bottom of the wellbore. The next three distinct peaks (depths of 350, 280, and 220 m) show classic growing and skewing behavior. Within a given test (e.g., Figure 10, top frame), upward flow within the borehole

("upflow") increases as one moves up the borehole, so peak skewing increases, with the

upgradient (deeper) limb of the peak becoming steeper and the downgradient (shallower)

limb of the peak becoming flatter. Comparing tests with successively greater pumping

rates (e.g., **Figure 10**, all three frames, peak at 280 m) shows the same pattern: as pumping rate increases, upflow increases and peak skewing increases. The model matches for all these peaks are very good and the distinctive dependence of peak features on upflow means that the corresponding estimates for feed-point strengths are well constrained.

Another unknown parameter that is determined by trial and error along with the  $q_i$  and  $C_i$  values is the solute dispersion coefficient in the borehole. Because the FEC probe is moving up and down the well, and the well is being pumped, this dispersion coefficient is generally several orders of magnitude bigger than the molecular diffusion coefficient. We obtain a value of 0.004 m<sup>2</sup>/s for the dispersion coefficient.

The largest, shallowest peak at 164 m shows very little upflow (**Figure 9**), in fact significantly less than the upflow shown by the smaller deeper peaks. The upgradient limb of this peak is steep, consistent with the upflow inferred by matching the deeper peaks. However, the downgradient limb of this peak is not as flat as would be expected for continued upflow. This suggests that there is either an outflow just above the large, shallow peak, or an inflow of low-salinity water there. One possibility is that low-salinity shallow groundwater got into fractures at this level during the recirculation operation, and is moving back into the wellbore during logging. This situation is too complicated to model with any accuracy, so the large shallow peak is not included in the quantitative analysis, but we can infer from this behavior that its transmissivity is large and the far-field pressure head is low at this depth.

An interesting observation from the FFEC logs that has not been seen in previous studies involving granitic rock (Doughty et al., 2005) is that the FEC value grows uniformly in time where discrete peaks are not present (e.g., around 375 m depth in **Figure 10**). We hypothesize that the wellbore walls have been coated with drilling mud, which contains salt that diffuses into the wellbore fluid, causing a small FEC increase all along the borehole interval. To simulate this effect we introduce numerous tiny feed points distributed uniformly along the wellbore, with the same  $q_iC_i$ , which is then varies

to match the portion of FFEC profiles where no discrete peaks exist. These tiny feed points are designed to have  $q_i$  small enough to have a negligible effect on flow up the wellbore. Including these extra feed points results in a slightly improved match to the shallow FFEC profiles, but the derived parameters  $q_i$  and  $C_i$  for the peaks are not significantly changed. In conclusion, for this particular data set, the discrete FEC peaks are large enough so that the diffusion effect is negligible.

The direct-fit results of for the shallow-zone tests are shown in **Figure 11.** Note that the  $C_i$  values are presented as equivalent FEC value, with units of mS/m, and that the values of  $z_i$  and  $C_i$  are the same for the three tests; only the  $q_i$  values are allowed to be different between the three tests. Comparison of the  $C_i$  values with salinity and electric resistivity values found in other HDB Wells in the area (Yamamoto et al., 2002a, 2002b) shows that the values of  $C_i$  obtained by FFEC logging are consistent with those obtained by independent measurements.

The mass integral, or M(t) method, provides a way to look at the overall behavior of all the fractures intersecting the wellbore at one time, and can provide useful information for helping the FFEC log fitting process. In the M(t) method, we integrate each C(z) profile over the wellbore section of interest to obtain the area A(t) under the C(z) profile at time t. Then, we multiply A(t) by the mean wellbore cross-sectional area to determine ion mass in place at time t, which we denote as the mass integral M(t), and plot M(t) versus t (for the present study, with C represented in equivalent units of FEC, M(t) is not a true mass, but the principle remains the same). If peaks reach the upper limit of the integration, a correction factor is introduced to account for mass being lost from the system, enabling subsections of the logged interval to be examined. **Figure 12** shows a schematic diagram of three M(t) integrals for the depth interval between 500 and 775 m.

If  $q_i$  and  $C_i$  do not vary in time for any feed points; and additionally if all feed points are inflow points, M(t) will be linear. Thus, deviations of M(t) from linearity provide information on the validity of model assumptions. If M(t) is concave up, it indicates that either  $q_i$  increases in time (a transient response to pumping) and/or that  $C_i$  increases in

time (low-salinity shallow groundwater moved into fractures during recirculation so that during pumping inflow begins with low  $C_i$  values and increases to formation-water value). In contrast, if M(t) is concave down, it suggests that  $q_i$  decreases in time or that outflow points are present.

**Figure 13** show the M(t) versus t plots for the shallow-zone logs between depths of 180 and 440 m (i.e., the largest, shallowest peak at 164 m is excluded). For each test, M(t) is slightly concave up at early times, which we interpret as representing the early-time production of low-salinity shallow groundwater that had moved into the fractures during recirculation. The model is able to reproduce this behavior, despite assuming constant  $C_i$  values, by employing a starting time  $t_{0i} > 0$  at which each feed-point begins to have a non-zero value of  $C_i$ . The  $t_0$  values shown in **Figure 13** are averages over the  $t_0$  values for individual feed points. In order to obtain more accurate results from the fitting process, we focus on FFEC profiles collected during the period when M(t) is linear. Generally, the agreement between the model and field values of M(t) is very good, providing additional confidence in the fitting method.

Results of the multi-rate analysis are shown in **Figure 14** and **Table 3**. A total of 26 feed points are identified between depths of 180 and 420 m. **Figure 14** shows that there is good consistency between  $T_i/T_{tot}$  and  $I\Delta P_i$  values obtained using results of three different pairs of tests. Coupled with the good matches to the FFEC profiles themselves (**Figure 10**), and the fact that the feed-point salinities are all within the range shown for other HDB wells in the area (Yamamoto et al., 2002a, 2002b), this consistency provides a measure of confidence in the correctness of the FFEC analysis results.

# 5. Analysis of Deep FFEC Logs

Because the water-level data for the deep-zone tests (**Figure 8**) is not as linear as one would like, the M(t) analysis was done for the deep-zone tests prior to direct fitting, to provide guidance on which profiles may be most amenable to analysis. Results are shown in **Figure 15**. All M(t) profiles are concave up at early times, suggesting that,

483 consistent with the water-level data,  $Q_{wb}$  is decreasing in time and  $Q_{form}$  is increasing. 484 Additionally, there is the possibility that  $C_i(t)$  is affected by low-salinity shallow 485 groundwater that moved into the fractures during recirculation. Thus, the late-time data, 486 when M(t) is more linear, is emphasized in the fitting process. The FFEC profile used for 487 model initial conditions (Figure 15) is not the first one available, but a later profile 488 chosen so that the model period will correspond more closely to the time period when 489 M(t) is linear. 490 491 Matching the FFEC profiles for the deep-zone logs followed the same procedure as 492 for the shallow-zone logs (described in the first paragraph of Section 4). Initially the 493 matching process assumed that all feed points had the same salinity (corresponding to 494 3000 mS/m). During the matching process, variable  $C_i$  values were introduced as needed 495 to improve the match. For the dispersion coefficient, a value of 0.005 m<sup>2</sup>/s was obtained, 496 nearly the same as for the shallow zone. 497 498 The FFEC profiles used for the analysis and the best model fit are shown in **Figure** 499 16. The match is excellent for the peaks below 620 m. The match for the large peaks at 500 603 m and 611 m is not quite as good, and this error propagates upward, making the 501 matches for peaks above 600 m somewhat worse as well. Direct-fitting results of the 502 individual tests are shown in Figure 17. Multi-rate results are shown in Figure 18 and 503 **Table 4**. A total of 18 deep feed points are identified. 504 505 Results for depths above 540 m less certain because of the wellbore diameter change. It is interesting to note from **Table 2** that the sum of the feed-point strengths  $\Sigma q_i$  is less 506 507 than the value hypothesized for  $Q_{form}$ . This could be partly attributable to the diameter 508

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change, but rough calculations suggest that the effect is not big enough to account for the

whole discrepancy. A bigger issue is the uncertainty in  $Q_{form}$  itself, due to the variation of

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# 6. Comparison with Packer-Test Results

During the surface-based investigations (Phase 1) of the Horonobe URL project, conducted between years 2000 and 2005, a total of 11 deep boreholes (HDB-1 through HDB-11) were drilled for an underground investigation of the geological environment in and around the main URL area at Horonobe. Well HDB-11, the deepest borehole (1,020) m) in the URL area, was drilled during 2005 and 2006 (Figure 3). A sequential approach to hydraulic testing was employed at Well HDB-11, in which packer inflation, shut-in, pressure recovery, pulse test, slug test, long-term pumping test, and packer deflation were sequentially conducted in each of 10 packed-off intervals. The transient pressure responses to the multiple testing events in each interval were measured. In order to calculate hydraulic parameters such as transmissivity, hydraulic conductivity, storativity, and specific storage for each interval, standard analysis methods assuming radial flow geometry, such as those of Cooper, Agarwal, Hyorsley and Jacob, are applied to the pressure-transient data. Then the best fit parameters are selected as the representative values. **Table 5** summarizes the depths of the packed-off intervals, estimated hydraulic parameters, static pressure heads in the packed-off intervals, testing events, and the analysis methods applied to obtain hydraulic parameters, for the successful tests.

Packer test results were made available to us after the conclusion of our FFEC analyses. They provide transmissivity and far-field hydraulic head values for seven 10-80 m intervals along the borehole where FFEC logging was done (**Figure 19**). In order to compare FFEC analysis results for the normalized transmissivity of fracture i,  $T_i/T_{tot}$ , to packer test results for transmissivity of interval L,  $T_{L-pt}$ , individual values of  $T_i/T_{tot}$  are summed over the depth intervals of the packer tests to obtain  $T_{L-fec}$ . Recall that transmissivity T (m<sup>2</sup>/s) is an extrinsic property – it is proportional to the product of intrinsic permeability and a thickness – so simply summing over  $T_i$  produces  $T_L$ , and there is no need to weigh different  $T_i$  values by fracture aperture or be concerned with fracture spacing. For the Lth interval

$$T_{L-fec} = \sum_{i \in L} T_i = T_{tot} \sum_{i \in L} \left( \frac{T_i}{T_{tot}} \right). \tag{7}$$

The introduction of  $T_{tot}$  on far right-hand-side is required because FFEC analysis just

provides the ratio of transmissivities  $(T_i/T_{tot})$ , not the absolute transmissivity value  $T_i$ .

Recall that  $T_{tot}$  is the total transmissivity of the borehole interval that is open during

logging. In the present case, we do not have any independent measurements to provide

 $T_{tot}$ , so it is chosen by hand, as the value which produces the best overall match between

all the  $T_{L\text{-}fec}$  and  $T_{L\text{-}pt}$  values within each zone. This resulting values of  $T_{tot}$  for the shallow

and deep zones are presented in **Table 6**.

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The average far-field hydraulic head of interval L is denoted  $P_L$ . The value measured

by the packer tests is denoted  $P_{L-pt}$ . The value determined by FFEC logging is denoted

 $P_{L-fec}$ , and is obtained by averaging over far-field head values of individual fractures  $P_i$ 

$$P_{L-fec} = \frac{\sum_{i \in L} P_i T_i}{T_{L-fec}} \,. \tag{8}$$

However, because the multi-rate FFEC logging method does not determine the  $P_i$  values

directly, but rather the ratio given by Equation (2), Equation (8) does not provide a

simple means for determining  $P_{L-fec}$ . Therefore, we proceed first by rearranging Equation

556 (6) to provide an expression for  $P_i$  in terms of the outputs of a multi-rate FFEC analysis

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$$P_{i} = P_{avg} + \frac{Q_{1}}{I} \left( \frac{q_{i}^{(1)}/Q_{1}}{T_{i}/T_{tot}} - 1 \right). \tag{9}$$

Then, simple algebra may be used to produce the comparable expression for  $P_{L-fec}$ :

$$P_{L-fec} = P_{avg} + \frac{Q_1}{I} \left( \frac{\sum_{i \in L} q_i^{(1)} / Q_1}{T_{L-fec} / T_{tot}} - 1 \right). \tag{10}$$

Recall that I is defined as the ratio of pumping rate to drawdown for an open-borehole

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$$I = \frac{Q}{P_{avg} - P_{wb}} \,. \tag{11}$$

For the present analysis, no independent well test was done, so the value of I is

determined from water-level data collected during FFEC logging (Figure 6 and Figure

8). For the deep zone, reasonably consistent values of I are obtained for the three tests, using the late-time pressure differences and the sum of the model values of  $q_i$  in place of Q (since the reported pumping rate is found not to represent the flow coming from the formation and therefore cannot be used to determine I).

For the shallow zone, the large shallowest peak complicates matters so that a single consistent value of I cannot be obtained for the three tests. To determine an appropriate value of I to use for the shallow-zone analysis, we assume that radial flow geometry applies for all feed points and combine Equations (4) and (11) to yield

$$\frac{T_{tot}}{I} = 2\pi \ln \left(\frac{r_i}{r_{wb}}\right). \tag{12}$$

Our conceptual model is that all intervals have the same radial flow geometry, so it is reasonable to further assume that the shallow and deep intervals also have similar flow geometries, that is, similar values of  $r_i$ . Since  $r_i$  appears within a logarithm,  $T_{tot}/I$  is not very sensitive to  $r_i$ . Then, given  $T_{tot}$  for the shallow and deep zones from Equation (7), I for the shallow zone can be determined from Equation (12) using the value of  $r_i$  determined for the deep zone. I and  $r_i$  values determined in this manner are given in **Table 6**.

Equation (10) indicates that the value of I controls the spread among  $P_{L\text{-}fec}$  values for different intervals and that  $P_{avg}$  simply provides a constant shift to the different  $P_{L\text{-}fec}$  values.  $P_{avg}$  appears in the derivation because the multi-rate analysis just determines the relative values of  $P_i$ , and not their absolute values.  $P_{avg}$  is determined by hand as the value which produces the best overall match between all the  $P_{L\text{-}fec}$  and  $P_{L\text{-}pt}$  values within each zone. The resulting values of  $P_{avg}$  for the shallow and deep zones are shown in **Table 6**.

**Figure 19** compares the transmissivities and pressure heads obtained from the packer tests with the results of the multi-rate analysis. Note that the deep logged interval extends to 775 m in depth, but no peaks develop below 700 m. This is consistent with the very low transmissivity obtained for the packer-test interval from 700-730 m. Generally, the

FEC-derived values show more variability between intervals than do the packer-test values, for both transmissivity and pressure head. However, for most intervals the observed trends between values are the same for both methods (e.g., for the deep zone, the shallowest interval has a much higher head value than do the three deeper intervals).

#### 7. Discussion

In a system with a rapid hydrologic response, the water level in the borehole would drop quickly in response to the onset of pumping, and remain at a steady value thereafter. Thus after a short transient period,  $Q_{wb}$  would be zero and  $Q_{form}$  would equal the pumping rate Q, a constant, and the steady-flow assumption of BORE II would be met. We would use the difference between the unpumped water level  $P_{avg}$  and the pumped water level  $P_{wb}$  as part of the multi-rate analysis.

The non-steady water level observed during logging in the present set of measurements (**Figure 6** and **Figure 8**) indicates that the hydrologic response of the system to the initiation of pumping is quite slow, and in fact water level changes throughout the logging period. This complicates several facets of the FFEC analysis. At a fundamental level, the assumption of steady-state flow from the formation to the wellbore,  $Q_{form}$ , which BORE II relies on, may not be valid at all times. We can use water-level data and M(t) analysis to ascertain which portions of the logging period have a constant  $Q_{form}$ : for a constant pumping rate Q, a linearly declining water level implies a constant  $Q_{wb}$  and hence a constant  $Q_{form}$ , and a linear M(t) implies a constant  $Q_{form}$  and constant  $C_i$  values.

Moreover, with a slowly responding system, it is difficult to determine  $P_{wb}$ , and even difficult to ascertain whether the pressure measured before pumping begins is truly representative of  $P_{avg}$ . With  $Q_{form}$  uncertain, the possibility to constrain the  $q_i$  with the relationship  $\Sigma q_i = Q_{form}$  diminishes. An open-hole well test to determine  $T_{tot}$ , natural-state pressure head  $P_{avg}$ , and drawdown  $P_{avg}$  -  $P_{wb}$  would remove some uncertainty. Such results would also be useful for comparing to FFEC results and to packer-test results.

Generally, the shallow-zone tests show more linear water-level declines than do the deep-zone tests, enabling  $Q_{form}$  to be ascertained, but the complicated nature of the shallow peak at 164 m depth precludes a complete analysis in which  $\Sigma q_i = Q_{form}$  can be demonstrated. It is fortuitous that the peak that cannot be analyzed is the shallowest peak, because as such it has no affect on any deeper peaks. Generally, any peaks occurring above a non-analyzable peak would also be non-analyzable. For the deep-zone tests, all the peaks can be analyzed, but the non-linearity of the water-level decline suggests that  $Q_{form}$  is not constant, again precluding the constraint  $\Sigma q_i = Q_{form}$  from being used.

During the deep-zone matching procedure, it became apparent that the FFEC profiles could be equally well matched with alternative sets of salinity values. This non-uniqueness points out the usefulness of independent information when applying the FFEC method. **Figure 20** compares the electric conductivity obtained from groundwater squeezed from core samples obtained during the drilling of Well HDB-11 with the FEC<sub>i</sub> values inferred from FFEC logging. Of course, there is not expected to be a one-to-one correspondence between the two independently-obtained data sets, as core samples mainly contain groundwater held in the rock matrix, as opposed to FFEC analysis results, which are on groundwater moving through fractures. Because matrix permeability is much smaller than fracture permeability, the spatial range that the conductivity values represent is quite different, and it is thus reasonable that they differ somewhat. However, the general consistency between the two data sets shown in **Figure 20** lends credence to the FFEC results.

## 8. Conclusions

In spite of the various complications associated with the test data described in the analysis sections above, the three days of FFEC logging for the shallow zone have yielded internally consistent information on location, salinity, and transmissivity and

inherent "steady-state" pressure heads of 26 conducting fractures, over depths from 150 to 450 m (Table 3). Also, three days of FFEC logging for the deep zone yielded the same information for 18 conducting fractures over depths from 450 to 775 m.

A careful study was made to compare the detailed results on these 44 conducting fractures with transmissivity and hydraulic data of seven packed-off intervals with interval length ranging from 10 to 80 m. Overall, it has been shown that the FFEC logging results are consistent with these independent data. Generally, the individual fracture hydraulic properties obtained from FFEC logs yield more variability between intervals than do the packer tests. However, for the most part, the observed trends between different intervals are the same for both methods. The success of the FFEC analysis method under these complicated conditions provides evidence of the robustness of the method.

Below we give some remarks concerning possible further FFEC log analysis to improve confidence in FFEC logging results, and also a number of recommendations for improving the field procedure for future FFEC logging applications.

For the shallow-zone tests, we get a good match for all the small peaks. Only the uppermost, largest peak is not analyzable. Without this peak it is impossible to verify whether or not  $\Sigma q_i = Q_{form}$ . For the deep-zone tests, we get a reasonably good match for all the peaks, but the fact that  $\Sigma q_i < Q_{form}$  is problematic. It could simply be a consequence of the non-linear borehole water-level decline that identifies  $Q_{form}$  is an increasing function of time, or it could indicate that inflow to the well occurs above the depth interval that was logged.

A number of further analyses are possible, in order to improve our confidence in the results. We could specify time-dependent feed-point strengths  $q_i(t)$ , to account for a time-dependent  $Q_{form}$ , and time-dependent feed-point salinities  $C_i(t)$ , to account for the presence of low-salinity shallow groundwater water in the fractures at the onset of pumping. We could also model the recirculation period and the rest period between the

687 end of the recirculation period and the onset of pumping, in order to develop more 688 accurate initial conditions for the logging period. 689 690 For the deep-zone tests, we could try to account for the variable wellbore diameter. It 691 may be possible to do this with fictitious outflow points as was done in Doughty et al. 692 (2005) for a simple one-time change in borehole diameter. Another alternative would be 693 to modify the BORE II code itself to enable variable borehole diameters to be considered. 694 695 Concerning potential improvements of field test procedures for future FFEC logging 696 applications, we make the following recommendations: 697 1. If possible, do recirculation at a lower rate, to minimize flow of low-salinity 698 groundwater into fractures. 699 2. Keep the pumping rate constant during logging, or at least measure rate changes if 700 they are unavoidable. 701 3. Continue logging until logs show evidence of the approach to steady-state FFEC 702 profiles (plateaus). Plateaus greatly reduce ambiguity in parameter choice for 703 diffusion coefficient,  $q_i$ ,  $C_i$ . 704 4. Continue logging until water level in the wellbore is constant or linearly declining, to 705 enable  $Q_{form}$  to be determined unambiguously. 706 5. If possible, emplace a packer in the well just above the pump to avoid the problem of 707 a declining water level in the well during pumping (i.e., setting  $Q_{wb} = 0$ ). 708 6. If a profile of FEC is distorted by muddy water adhering to a sensor, withdraw and 709 clean the sensor and repeat the log. 710 7. Obtain and use (at least) one salinity measurement at a deeper borehole inflow point 711 in FFEC log analysis. This can greatly reduce the non-uniqueness inherent in 712 matching peaks that do not move strongly up the well. 713 **Acknowledgments** 714 715

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## Tables

Table 1-1. Operation table for shallow-zone Test 1, pumping rate 2 L/min; Date Nov 30-Dec 1, 2004; logging interval 147-440 mbgs (I.C. = initial-condition profile)

See 1, 2001, logging interval	Cable speed	C	
Event	Event Time (hr:min)		Comments
Event	Tille (III.IIIII)	(m/min)	
Recirculation of low-		`	
salinity groundwater	15:25 - 19:05		23,000 L
, C	01.56 00.11	10.5	
FFEC log, no pumping	21:56 - 22:11	19.5	
Start pump	23:00		
FFEC log, 0 hour later	23:05 - 23:20	19.5	Skip, variable $Q_{form}$
High pump rate	23:58 - 0:08		
FFEC log, 1 hour later	0.05 - 0.20	19.5	Use as I.C.
FFEC log, 2 hours later	1:05-1:20	19.5	
FFEC log, 3 hours later	2:05-2:20	19.5	
FFEC log, 4 hours later	3:05-3:20	19.5	
FFEC log, 5 hours later	4:05-4:20	19.5	
FFEC log, 6 hours later	5:05-5:20	19.5	
Stop pump	16:28		

Table 1-2. Operation table for shallow-zone Test 2, pumping rate 10 L/min; Date Dec 1, 2004; logging interval 147-440 mbgs (I.C. = initial-condition profile)

Event	Time (hr:min)	Cable speed (m/min)	Comments
Recirculation of low- salinity groundwater			12,000 L
FFEC log, no pumping Start pump	14:55 – 15:10 15:53	19.5	
High pump rate	15:53 – 16:05		
FFEC log, 0 hour later	16:05 - 16:20	19.5	Use as I.C.
FFEC log, 1hour later	17:05 - 17:20	19.5	
FFEC log, 2 hours later	18:05 - 18:20	19.5	
FFEC log, 3 hours later	19:05 - 19:20	19.5	
FFEC log, 4hours later	20:05 - 20:20	19.5	
FFEC log, 5 hours later	21:05 - 21:20	19.5	
FFEC log, 6 hours later	22:05 - 22:20	19.5	
Stop pump	22:39		

Table 1-3. Operation table for shallow-zone Test 3, pumping rate 19.1 L/min; Date Dec 2, 2004; logging interval 147-440 mbgs (I.C. = initial-condition profile)

Event	Time (hr:min)	Cable speed (m/min)	Comments
Recirculation of low- salinity groundwater	10:58 – 13:36		33,000 L
FFEC log, no pumping	16:03 – 16:18	19.5	
Start pump	17:34		
High pump rate	17:34 - 17:54		
FFEC log, 0 hour later	17:55 - 18:10	19.5	Use as I.C.
FFEC log, 1 hour later	18:55 - 19:10	19.5	
FFEC log, 2 hours later	19:55 - 20:10	19.5	
FFEC log, 3 hours later	20:55 - 21:10	19.5	
FFEC log, 4 hours later	21:55 - 22:10	19.5	
FFEC log, 5 hours later	22:55 - 23:10	19.5	Unusable FFEC profile
Stop pump	23:25		_

Table 1-4. Operation table for deep-zone Test 1, pumping rate 5 L/min; Date Jan 30, 2005; logging interval 442-780 mbgs (I.C. = initial-condition profile)

Event	Tme (hr:min)	Cable speed (m/min)	Comments
Recirculation of low- salinity groundwater	17:30 - 5:00		42,000 L
FFEC log, no pumping	8:23-8:39	21.1	
Start pump	9:32		
FFEC log, 0hour later	9:45 - 10:00	22.5	Skip, variable $Q_{form}$
FFEC log, 1hour later	10:45 - 11:02	19.9	Use as I.C.
FFEC log, 2hours later	11:45 - 12:01	21.1	
FFEC log, 3hours later	12:45 - 13:00	22.5	
FFEC log, 4hours later	13:45 - 14:00	22.5	Unusable FFEC profile
FFEC log, 5hours later	14:50 - 15:07	19.9	Unusable FFEC profile
FFEC log, 6hours later	16:03 - 16:19	21.1	-
Stop pump	16:28		

Table 1-5. Operation table for deep-zone Test 2, pumping rate 10 L/min; Date Jan 31, 2005; logging interval 442-775 mbgs (I.C. = initial-condition profile)

Event	Time (hr:min)	Cable speed (m/min)	Comments
Recirculation of low- salinity groundwater	19:30 – 6:30		38,000 L
FFEC log, no pumping	8:05 - 8:23	18.5	
Start pump	9:11		
FFEC log, 0hour later	9:25 - 9:42	19.6	Skip, variable $Q_{form}$
FFEC log, 1hour later	10:25 - 10:42	19.6	Unusable FFEC profile
FFEC log, 2hours later	11:25 - 11:43	18.5	Use as I.C.
FFEC log, 3hours later	12:25 - 12:42	19.6	
FFEC log, 4hours later	13:25 - 13:43	18.5	
FFEC log, 5hours later	14:25 - 14:42	19.6	
FFEC log, 6hours later	15:25 - 15:43	18.5	
FFEC log, 7hours later	16:25 - 16:42	19.6	
Stop pump	16:58		

Table 1-6. Operation table for deep-zone Test 3, pumping rate 15 L/min; Date Feb 1,

2005; logging interval 440-772 mbgs (I.C. = initial-condition profile)

Event	Time (hr:min)	Cable speed	Comments
2,010	()	(m/min)	
Recirculation of low- salinity groundwater	19:30 – 6:20		39,000 L
FFEC log, no pumping	8:05 - 8:22	19.5	
Start pump	9:30		
FFEC log, 0hour later	9:40 - 9:56	20.8	Skip, variable $Q_{form}$
FFEC log, 1hour later	10:40 - 10:57	19.5	Use as I.C.
FFEC log, 2hours later	11:40 - 11:58	18.4	
FFEC log, 3hours later	12:40 - 12:57	19.5	
FFEC log, 4hours later	13:40 - 13:55	22.1	
FFEC log, 5hours later	14:40 <b>−</b> ?	_	
FFEC log, 6hours later	15:40 - 15:55	22.1	Unusable FFEC profile
FFEC log, 7hours later	16:40 - 16:57	19.5	Unusable FFEC profile
FFEC log, 8hours later	17:40 - ?	_	Unusable FFEC profile
Stop pump	18:03		

Table 2. Q,  $Q_{wb}$ , and  $Q_{form}$  for the various tests. In each case  $Q_{form} = Q - Q_{wb}$ , with  $Q_{wb}$  determined from the slope of the linear fits to water level versus time data shown in **Figure 6** and **Figure 8**.

	Q(L/min)	$Q_{wb}$ (L/min)	$Q_{form}$ (L/min)	$\Sigma q_i$	Comment
C1 11	2	0.69	1.31	1.31	$\Sigma q_i$ unreliable because $q$ of
Shallow Tests	10	5.82	4.18	4.18	shallowest peak cannot be
1 0313	19.1	12.76	6.34	6.34	determined accurately
Doon	5	1.66	3.34	2.04	
Deep Tests	10	3.16	6.84	3.90	$\Sigma q_i$ much less than $Q_{form}$
1 ests	15	7.15	7.85	5.12	

 Table 3. Multi-rate analysis results for shallow-zone tests.

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Peak	Depth (m)	$C_i$ (mS/m)	$T_i/T_{tot}$	$I\Delta P_i$				
Number								
1	417	1000	0.013	-0.338				
2	402	1000	0.019	-0.380				
3	385	1000	0.005	-0.768				
4	370	1000	0.007	-0.816				
5	360	1000	0.014	-0.224				
6	351	750	0.050	0.268				
7	348	750	0.048	0.130				
8	338	1000	0.013	0.287				
9	332	1000	0.011	0.393				
10	325	1000	0.009	-0.403				
11	316	1000	0.009	-0.186				
12	312	1000	0.013	-0.554				
13	299	1000	0.008	0.814				
14	292	2000	0.007	1.626				
15	287	2000	0.006	0.828				
16	282	2000	0.048	0.058				
17	278	2000	0.036	0.358				
18	262	450	0.086	0.342				
19	259	450	0.063	0.306				
20	248	1000	0.041	-0.242				
21	226	1000	0.221	-0.381				
22	220	1000	0.044	0.225				
23	219	1000	0.067	-0.076				
24	211	1000	0.029	0.283				
25	201	1000	0.061	0.668				
26	190	1000	0.044	-0.276				

Table 4. Multi-rate analysis results for deep-zone tests.

Peak	Depth (m)	$C_i$ (mS/m)	$T_i/T_{tot}$	$I\Delta P_i$
Number				
1	674	2200	0.114	0.672
2	656	2000	0.065	-1.438
3	648	2000	0.029	-0.411
4	633	2000	0.030	-0.518
5	629	2000	0.021	-0.371
6	618	15000	0.011	-0.732
7	611	15000	0.384	-0.301
8	603	3000	0.016	1.229
9	591	12500	0.020	1.587
10	575	15000	0.046	2.584
11	566	7000	0.009	3.573
12	544	6000	0.002	-0.332
13	530	6000	0.078	-0.271
14	522	5000	0.036	-0.856
15	484	5000	0.101	-0.227
16	478	5000	0.016	-0.246
17	473	5000	0.016	-0.246
18	463	5000	0.009	-0.292

Table 5. Summary of packer-test results.

Pacl	Packed-off intervals			FFEC	Test results (1	representativo	e values)
Upper end (mbgl)	Lower end (mbgl)	Interval thickness (m)	Stratigraphy	Logging Zone	Transmissivity (m²/sec)	Static head (G.L. m)	Analysis method
55.5	75.5	20	Koetoi F.		2.77E-08	-0.96	Agarwal
115	153	38	Koetoi F.		2.60E-07	-0.07	Cooper
171	237	66	Koetoi F.	shallow	1.37E-07	-0.70	Agarwal
311	380	69	Koetoi F.	shallow	1.40E-07	3.56	Cooper
564	584	20	Wakkanai F.	deep	3.07E-07	5.50	Cooper
606 †	644	38	Wakkanai F.	deep	3.28E-06	5.57	Cooper
606†	644	38	Wakkanai F.	deep	8.63E-07	5.36	Jacob
646	666	20	Wakkanai F.	deep	1.76E-07	5.74	Cooper
670	690	20	Wakkanai F.	deep	2.51E-07	5.08	Cooper
704	724	20	Wakkanai F.	deep	1.25E-10	13.41	Agarwal
923	1000	77	Wakkanai F.		2.01E-08	41.98	Hvorslev

† The upper packer-test labeled 606-644 shows the results of a slug test, while the lower 606-644 shows results of a long-term pumping test. Therefore, the lower results are more reliable.

Table 6. Parameters used for comparison between results of multi-rate flowing FFEC logging analysis and packer-tests.

Parameter	Zone	
	Shallow	Deep
Depth (m)	150 - 450	450 - 775
$T_{tot}$ (m <sup>2</sup> /s)	$5x10^{-7}$	$2.8 \times 10^{-6}$
$I(\text{m}^2/\text{s})$	$6.3 \times 10^{-7}$	$3.5 \times 10^{-6}$
$r_i$ (m)	12	12
$P_{avg}$ (GL m)	2.3	5.4

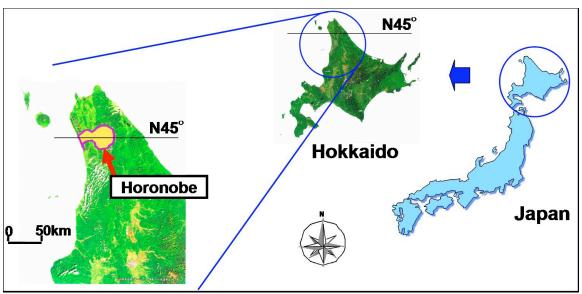


Figure 1. Location map of Horonobe.

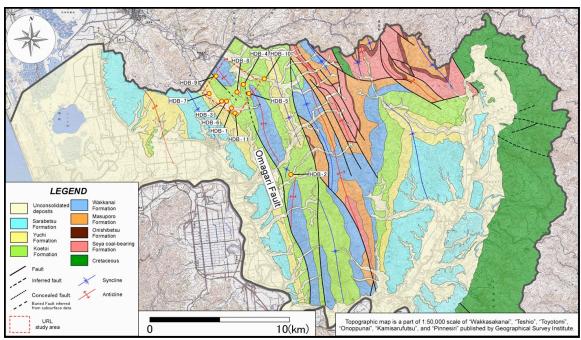


Figure 2. Surface geologic map of Horonobe town.

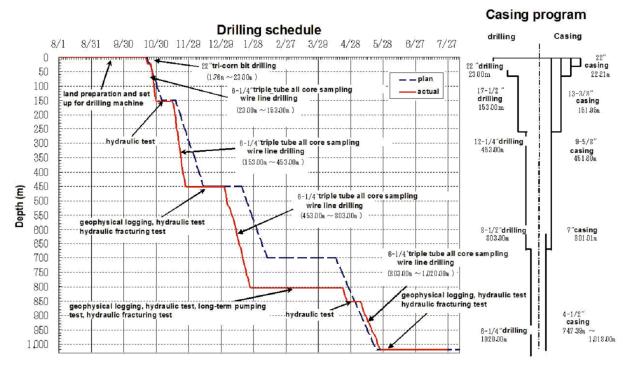


Figure 3. Drilling schedule and casing program for Well HDB-11.

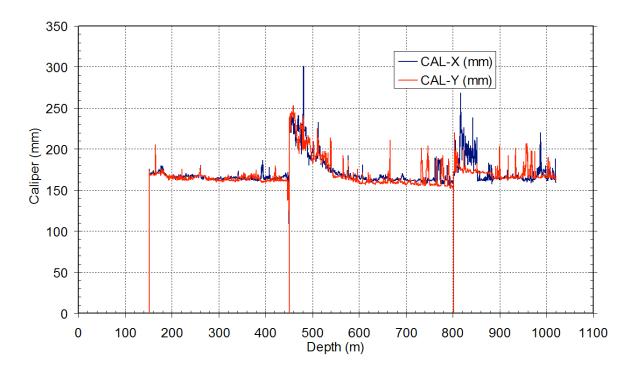


Figure 4. Caliper log for Well HDB-11.

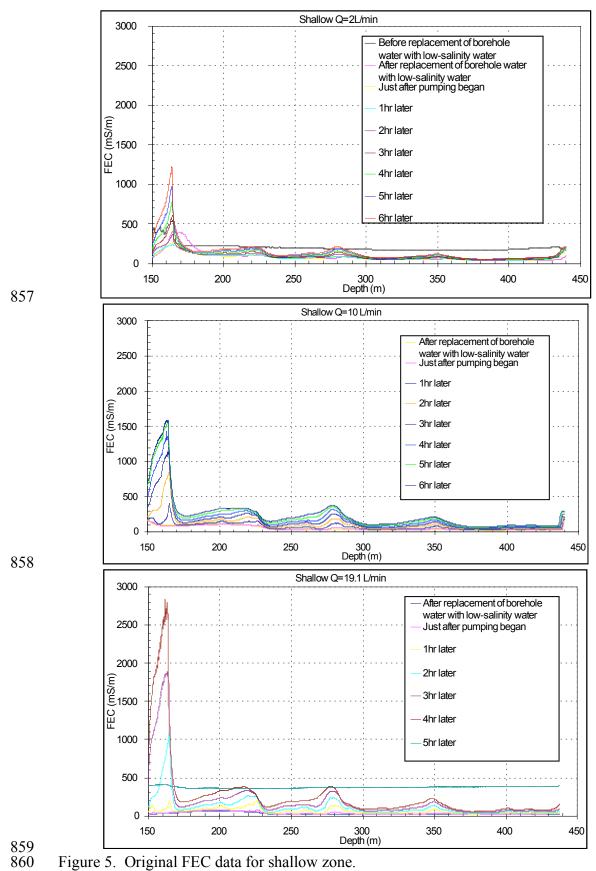


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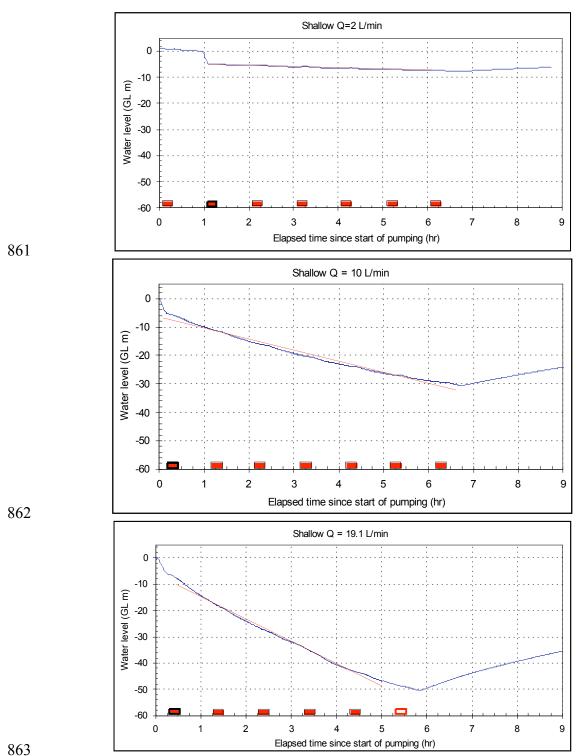


Figure 6. Water-level data obtained during FEC logging of shallow zone (blue curve) and linear fit of the portion of the curve obtained while usable FFEC logs were collected (red line). Times at which FFEC logging occurred are shown as red boxes. The black-outlined box identifies the profile used as the initial condition for the BORE II model. The open box indicates an FEC profile that could not be used for analysis.

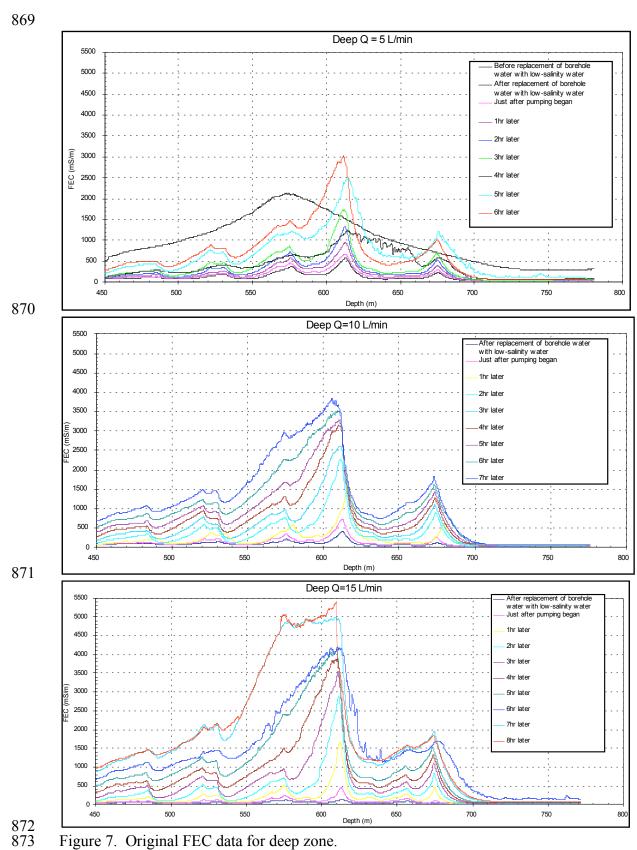


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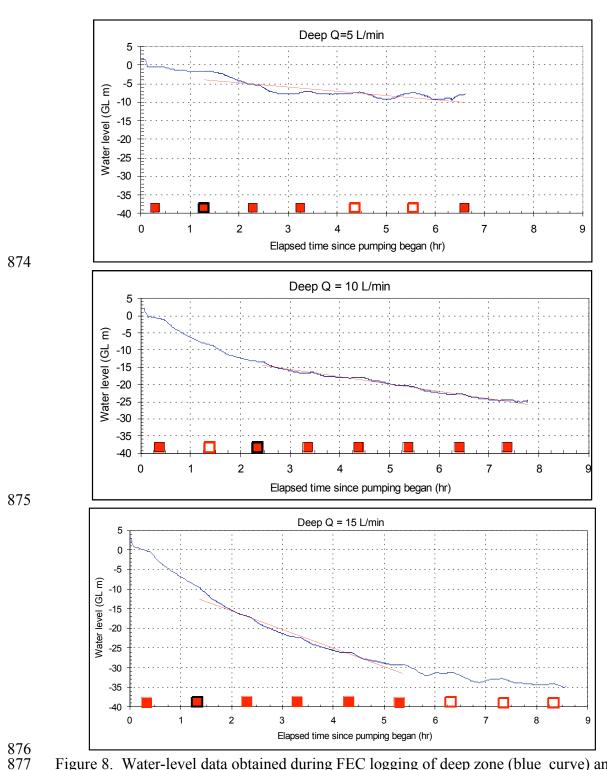


Figure 8. Water-level data obtained during FEC logging of deep zone (blue curve) and linear fit of the portion of the curve obtained while usable FFEC logs were collected (red line). Times at which FFEC logging occurred are shown as red boxes. The black-outlined box identifies the profile used as the initial condition for the BORE II model. The open boxes indicate FEC profiles that could not be used for analysis.

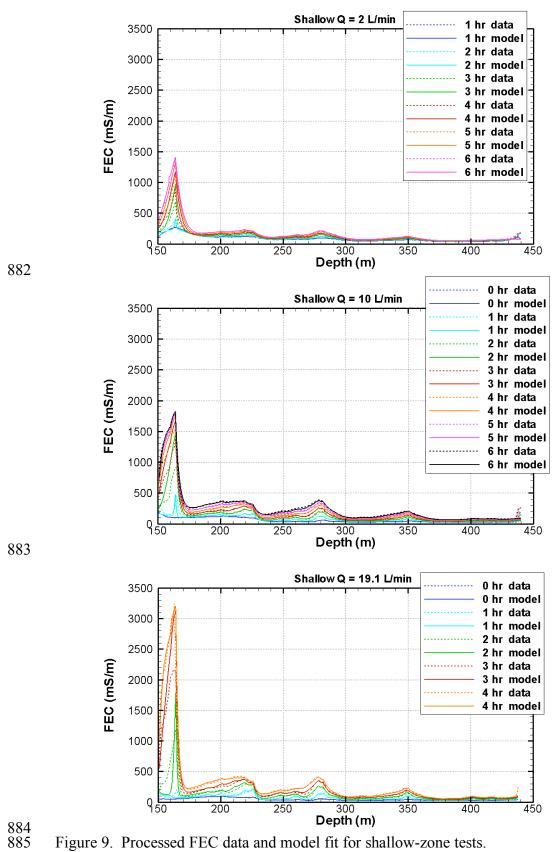


Figure 9. Processed FEC data and model fit for shallow-zone tests.

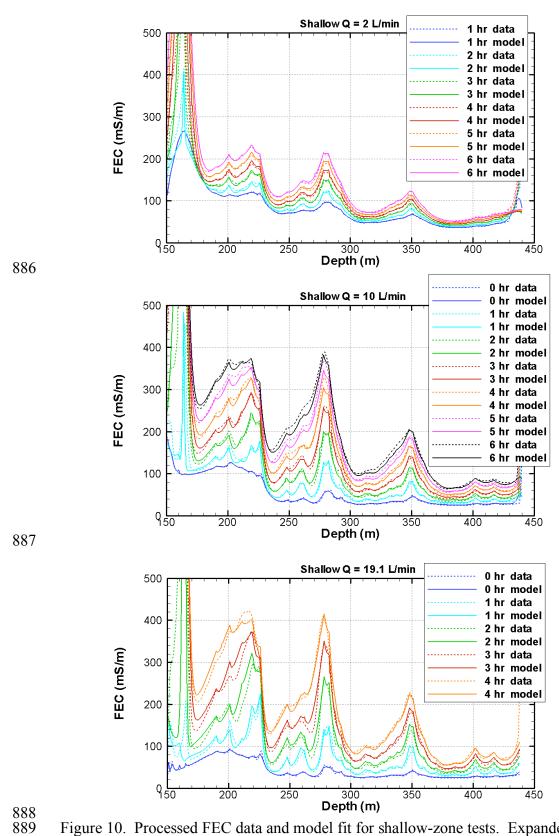


Figure 10. Processed FEC data and model fit for shallow-zone tests. Expanded scale to show details of small peaks.

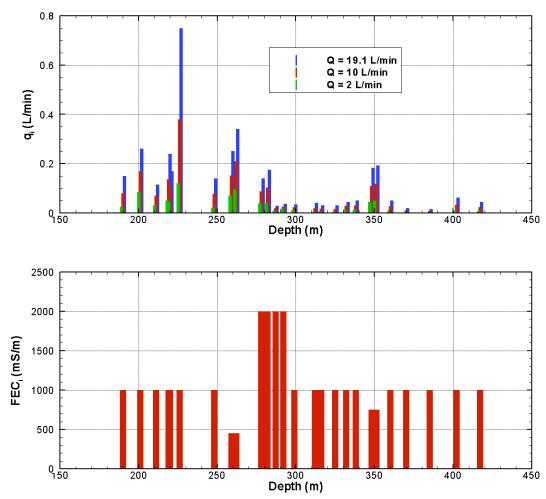


Figure 11. Direct-fit results for feed-point strength  $q_i$  and salinity (expressed as FEC in mS/m) for shallow-zone tests.

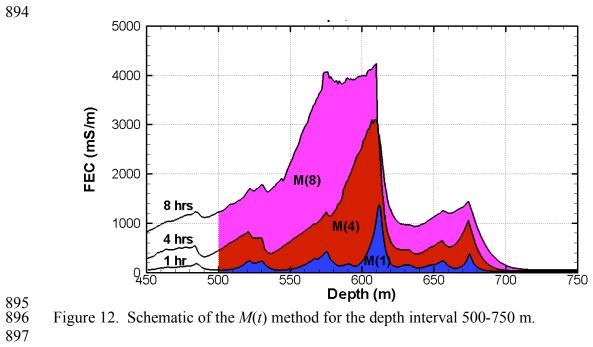


Figure 12. Schematic of the M(t) method for the depth interval 500-750 m.

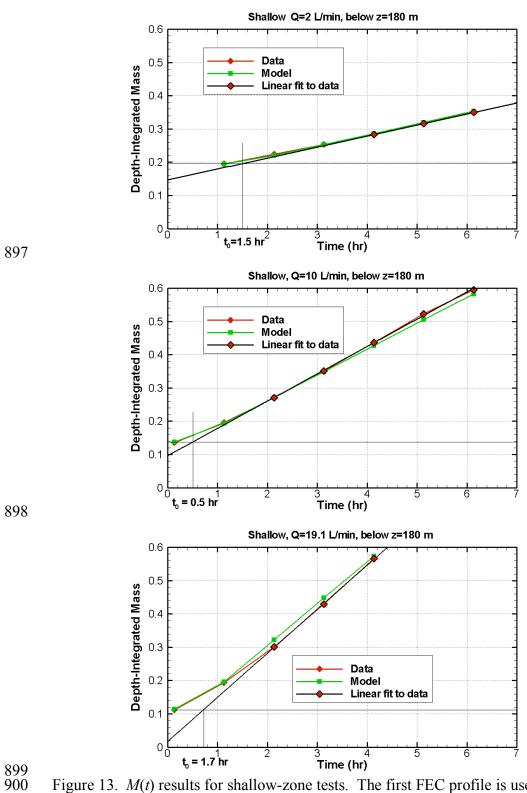


Figure 13. M(t) results for shallow-zone tests. The first FEC profile is used as the model initial condition for each test. The vertical line shows the average  $t_0$  for all the feed points, determined as the time at which a linear extrapolation of M(t) intersects the mass in place at the initial condition (horizontal line).

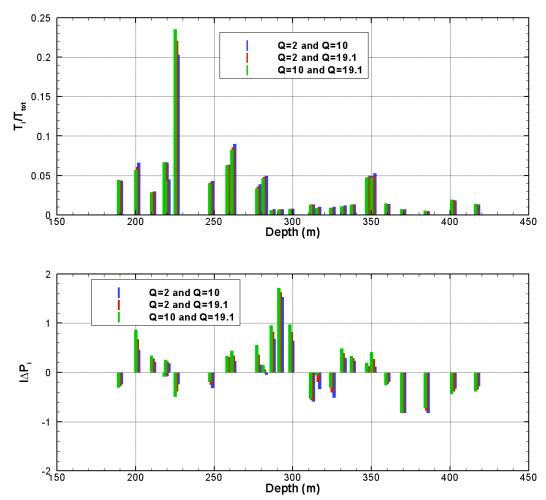


Figure 14. Multi-rate results  $T_i/T_{tot}$ ,  $I\Delta P_i$  for shallow-zone tests.

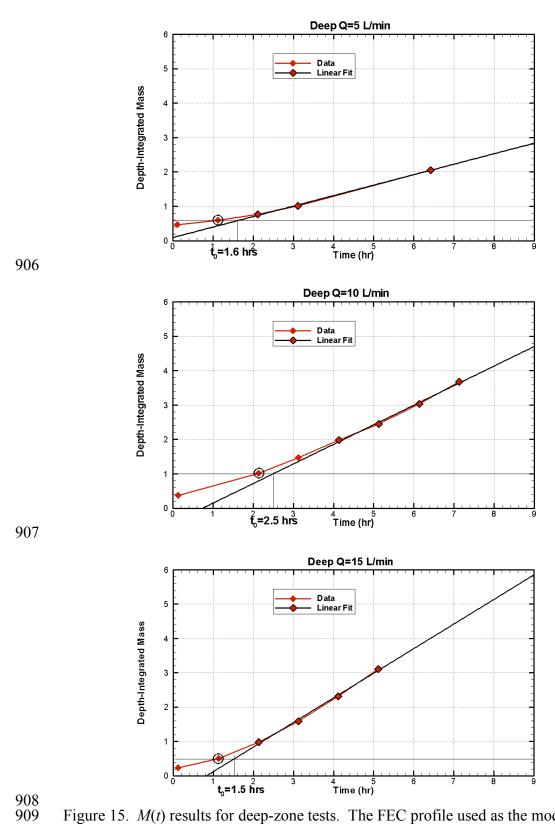


Figure 15. M(t) results for deep-zone tests. The FEC profile used as the model initial condition is circled. The intersection of the mass in place at the initial conditions (horizontal line) and the linear fit to M(t) determines  $t_0$ .

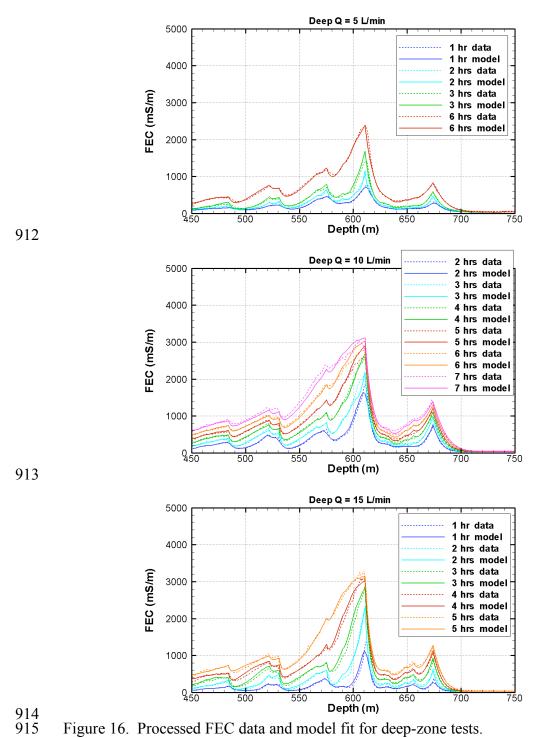


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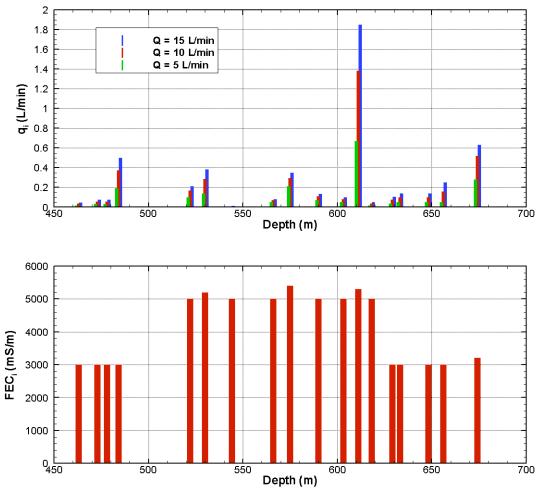


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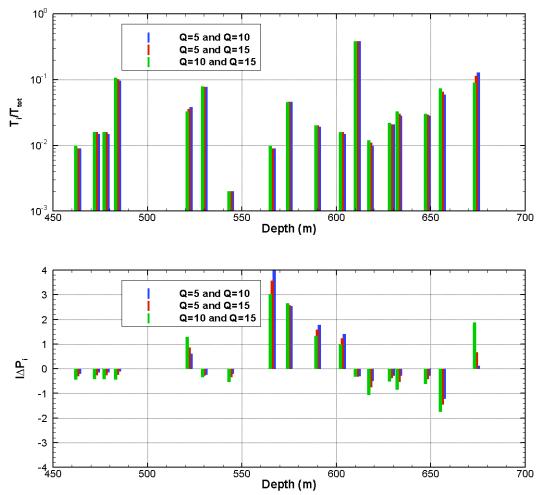


Figure 18. Multi-rate results  $T_i/T_{tot}$ ,  $I\Delta P_i$  for deep-zone tests.

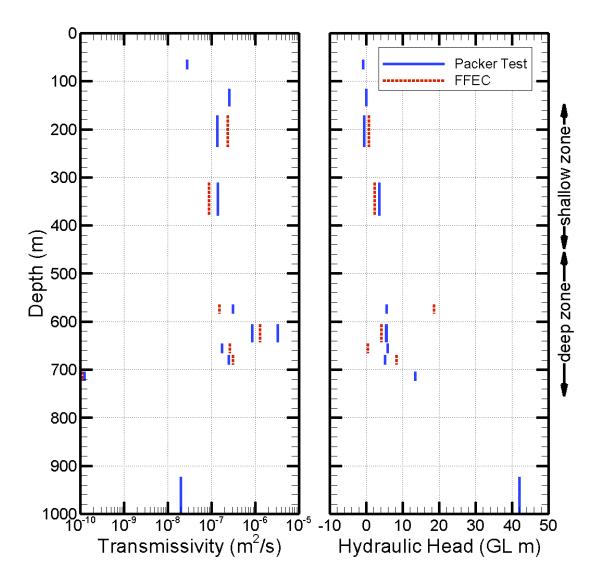


Figure 19. Comparison of packer-test results (blue) and values inferred from multi-rate flowing FEC logging (red) for transmissivity and pressure head for selected intervals in Well HDB-11.

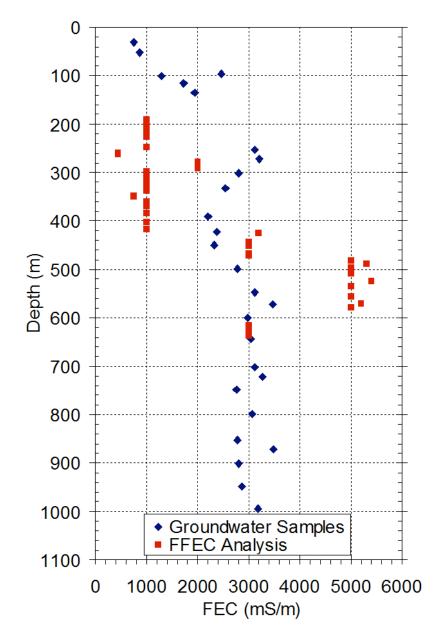


Figure 20. Comparison of FEC values inferred from FFEC logging and electric conductivity from groundwater squeezed from core samples from Well HDB-11.