A review on conventional candidate-well selection for hydraulic fracturing in oil and gas wells

Abstract

Hydraulic Fracturing (HF) which is an ever-increasing focus area for upstream industry is the pumping of fluids at high rates and pressures in order to break the rock, and it is using to accelerate hydrocarbon production and improving ultimate recovery in many reservoirs. It is clearly indicated in HF experience's literature, to be successful conducted, it is directly depending on rigorous candidate-well selection. The techniques applied in HF candidate-well selection could be divided into two methods; conventional and advanced approaches. Being familiar with the conventional methods in candidate-well selection that mainly deals with engineering, geological, etc aspects in decision making process, is of particular importance in order to increase the performance of the advanced techniques that mainly utilized artificial intelligence methods. This paper is a review of the conventional candidate-well selection for hydraulic fracturing in oil and gas wells.