

Re-Fracturing the Appalachian Basin:

An Economic Analysis

Our Backgrounds

- Kade Kiselica
- Marathon Oil Company
 - Eagle Ford – Drilling
 - STACK/SCOOP – Reservoir
 - Bakken – Production
- Taylor Jennings
- Southwestern Energy
 - Marcellus – Production
 - Fayetteville – Facilities/Midstream
 - Marcellus – Facilities



Discuss Re-Fracturing
Methodology:

Unconventional Assets
Conventional Assets



Identify Specific Screening Criteria for Re-
Completion Candidates



Develop Economic Model to Quantify Impact

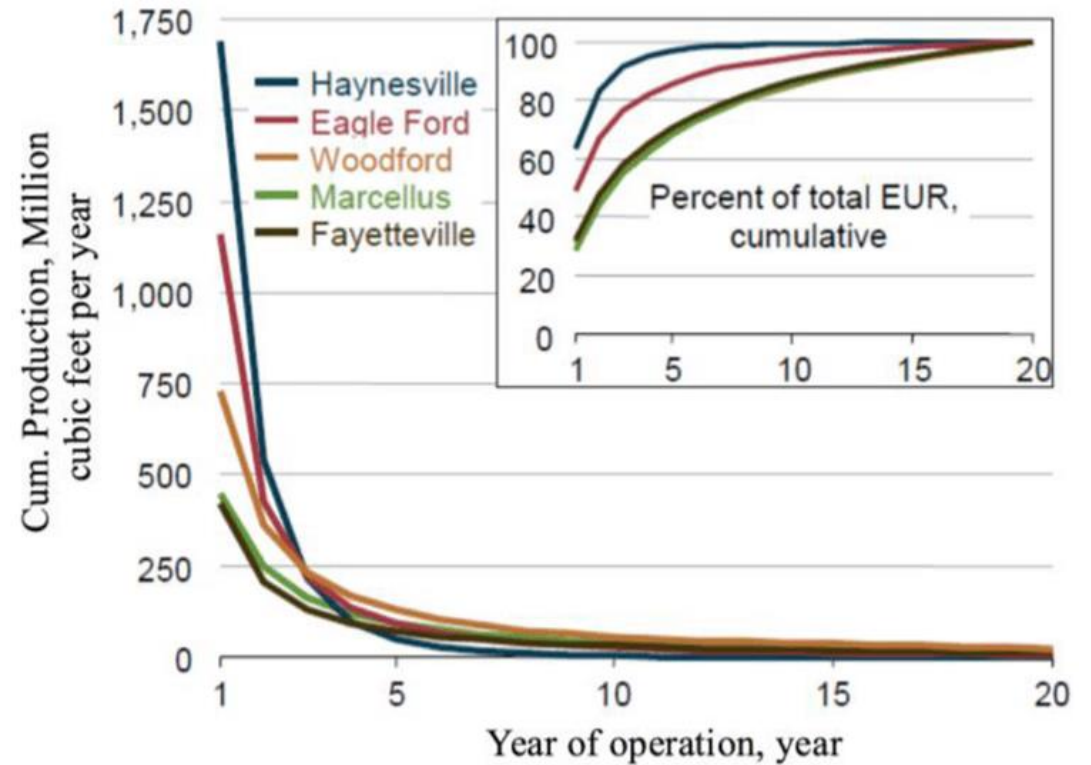


Perform Probabilistic Modelling to Further
Economic Conclusions

Objectives

Introduction to Re-Fracturing

- 45-55% Rate Decrease
 - Within 5-6 months
- 77-89% Rate Decrease
 - 3 Years After Completion
- Significant Delay of Ultimate Recovery
- Re-Fracturing Provides a Quantifiable Production Uplift

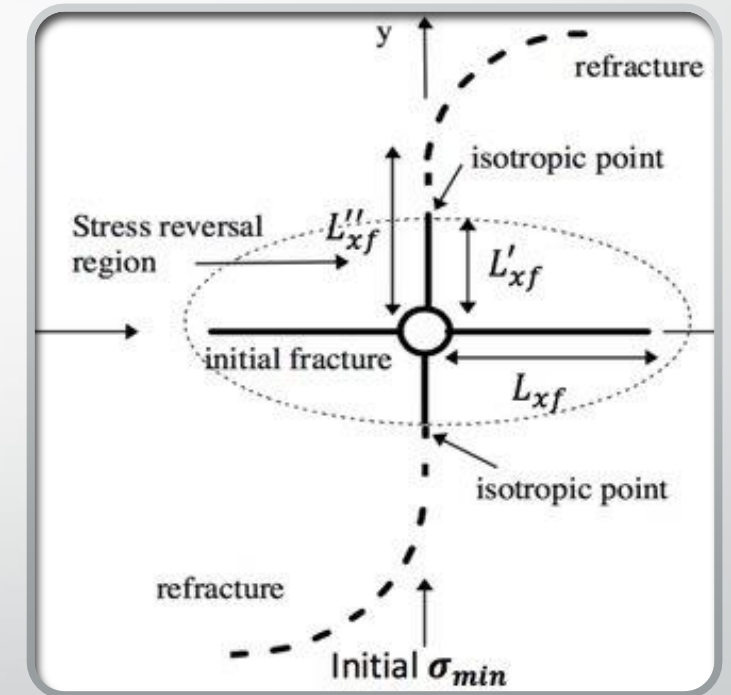


Re-Fracturing Impact

- Production Decline is a Function of Fracture Closure and Damage
- Re-Fracturing in Dual Porosity Systems:
 - By-Passes Formation Damage
 - Restores Crushed/Displaced Proppant
 - Re-Opens Natural Fractures
 - Increases Stimulated Reservoir Volume (SRV)

Stress Re-Orientation

- Maximum Horizontal Stress Rapidly Decreases with Production
 - Due to Depletion in the Direction of Fractures
- Minimum Horizontal Stress Slowly Decreases
 - Results in Stress Reversal Near Fractures
- New Fractures Propagate Obliquely
- Additional Thermally Induced Fractures



Re-Fracture Design Comparison

Unconventional

- Increase Fracture Length
- Remedy Fracture Closure
- Create New Fracture Networks

Conventional

- Increase Fracture Conductivity
 - Larger Proppant Size
 - Greater Proppant Concentration
 - Higher Quality Proppants
- By-Pass Formation Damage
- Improve Sand Control

Re-
Fracture
Candidacy
Metrics

Well Performance

Well Depletion

Proximity to Other Wells

Original Completion Design

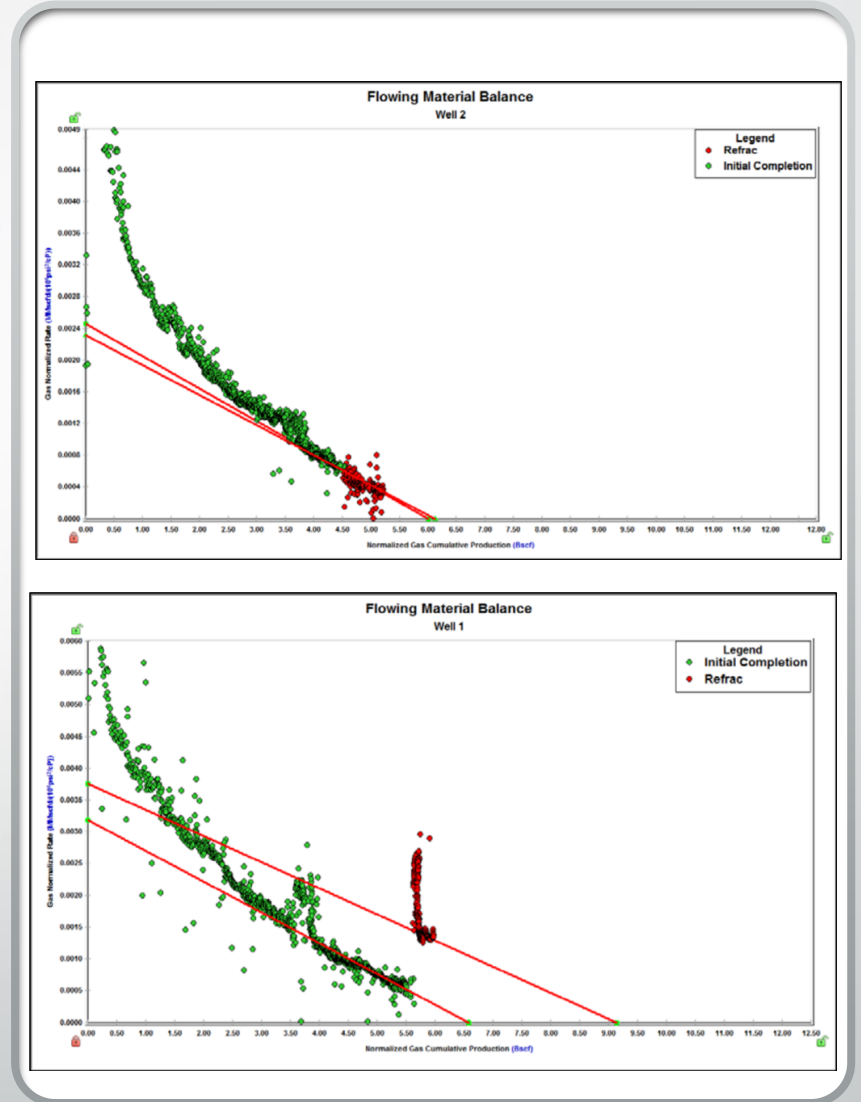
Performance of Newer Offset Wells

Wellbore Integrity

Expected Re-Completion Costs

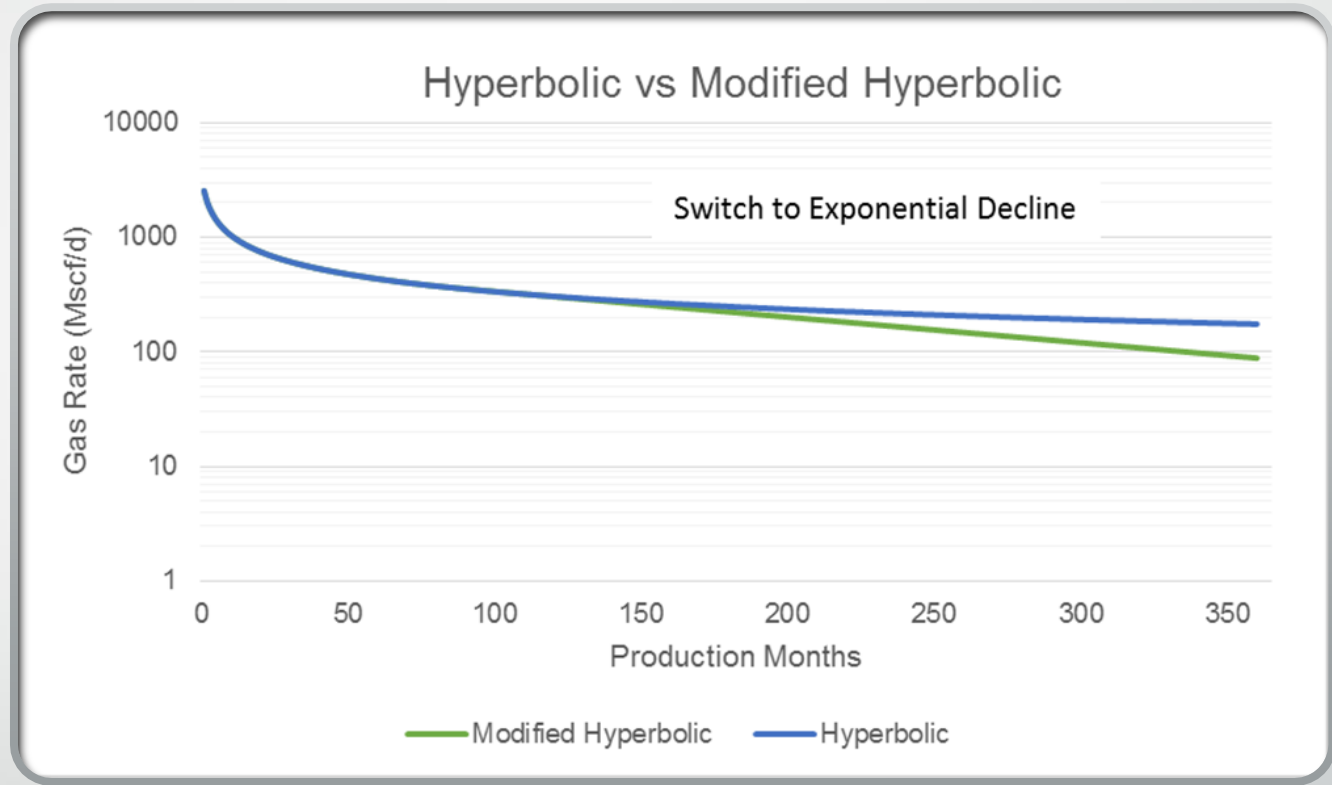
Performance Evaluation

- Four Possible Outcomes:
 - Additional Volume of Reserves
 - Accelerated Production of Reserves Previously Contacted
 - Loss of Reserves Previously Contacted
 - No Change in Production or Reserves



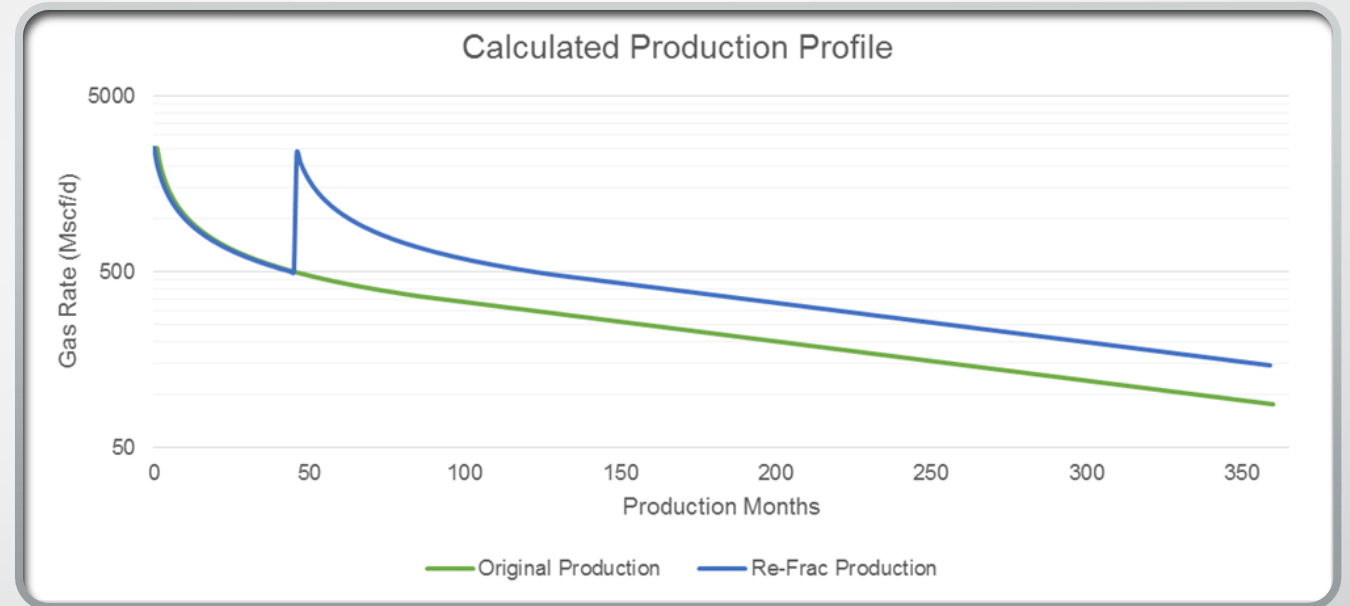
Developing a Model

- Utilized Modified Hyperbolic Decline
 - Prevents Overestimation of Reserves
 - Switch When $D_e = 8\%$
- Allows for Modeling of Base Production



Predicting Re-Frac Performance

- Incremental Performance Evaluated
 - Allows for Economic Modeling
- Re-fractured Modified Hyperbolic Decline
 - Utilizes Different Decline Parameters
- Re-Fracture Performance Data Derives from SPE 173340
 - Bakken & Eagle Ford
 - Oil Wells





Utilized Public Data to Fit an Average Type Curve (Marcellus/Utica)



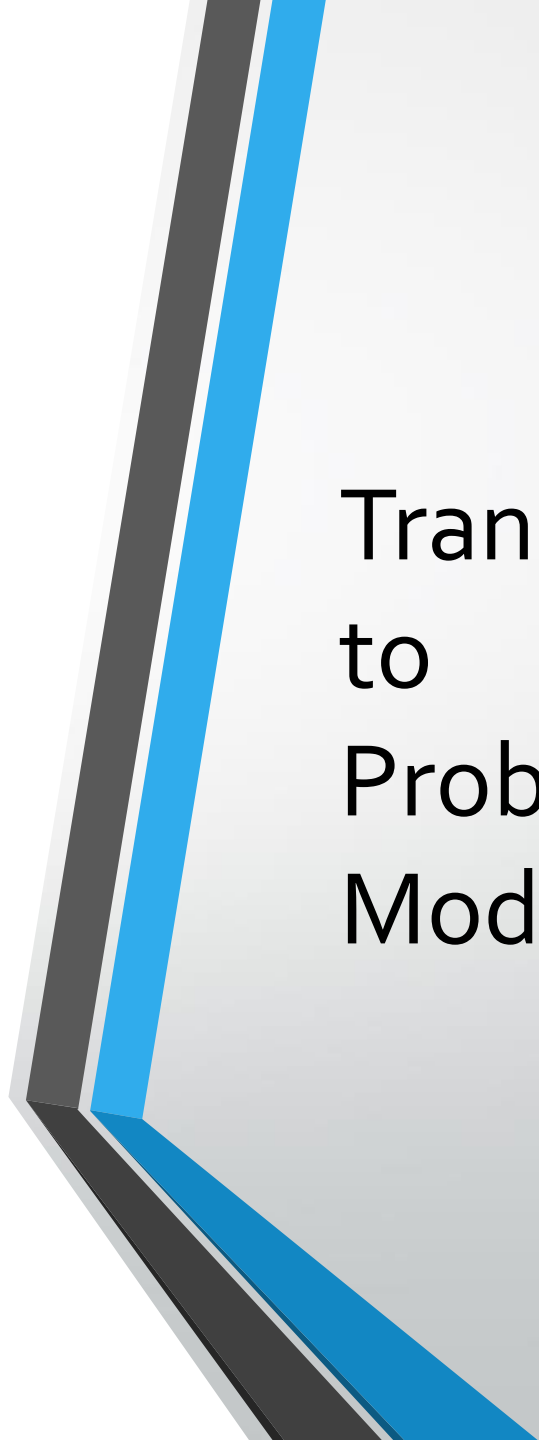
Developed Performance Uplift Parameters from Oil Well Data



Applied Parameters to Gas Well Production Forecasts

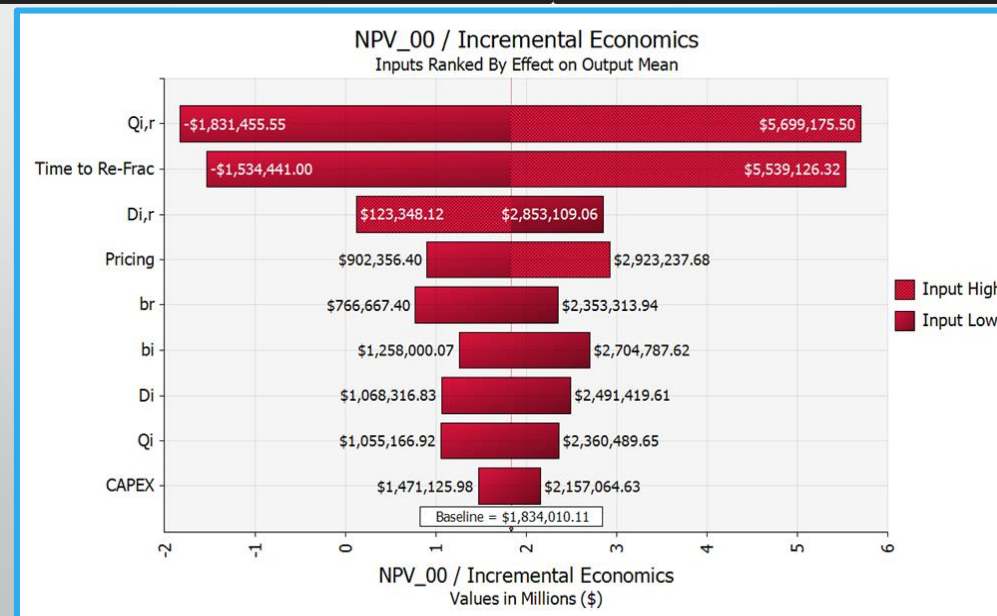
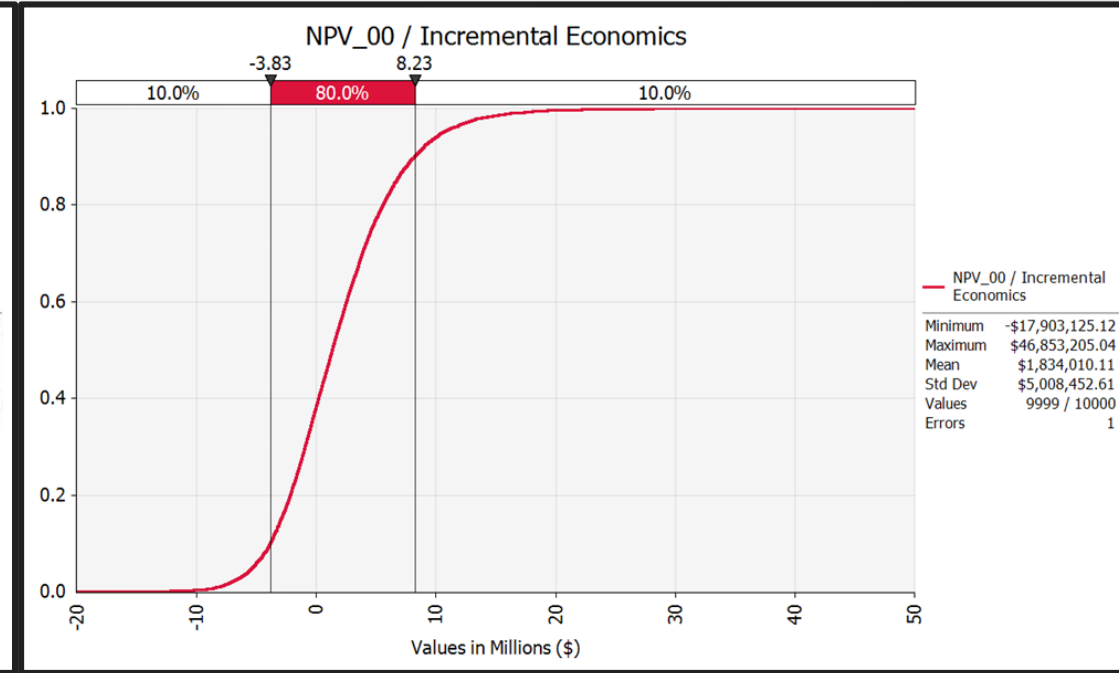
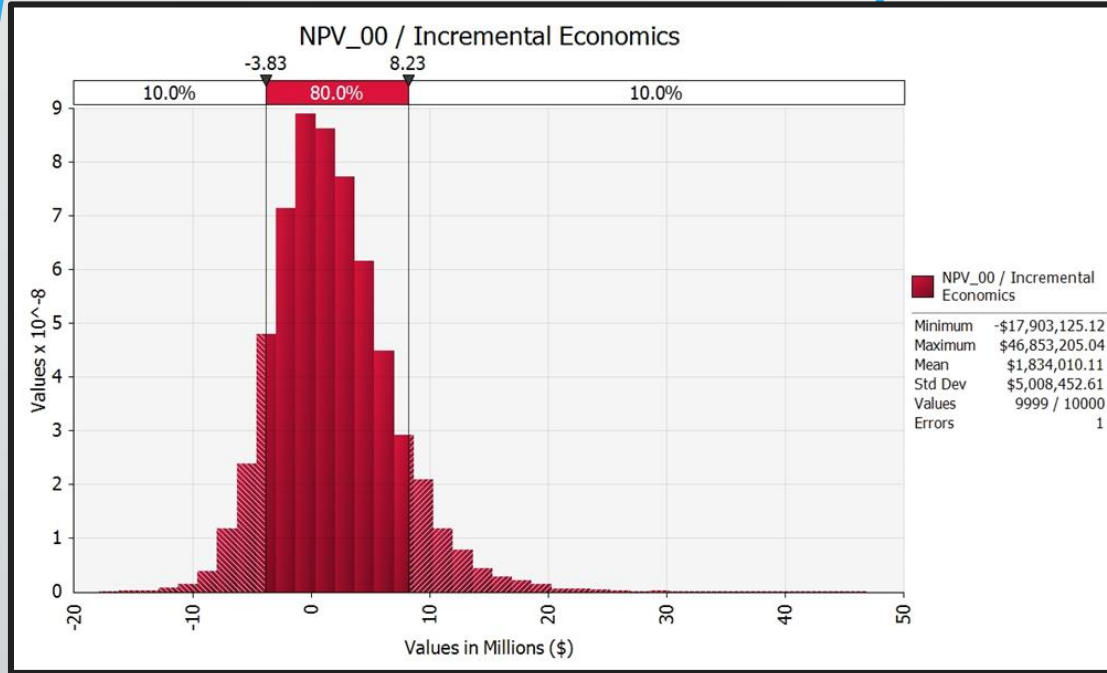
Creating Gas Well Performance

- Developing Monte Carlo Simulation
 - Define Distributions
 - Provides a Range of Values
 - Presents a Wide Array of Possible Outcomes
 - Outcomes Presented in a Confidence Interval
 - Correlation Correction
 - Enhance Accuracy by Modeling Parameter Dependency
 - Created by Ranking Input Parameters
 - Correlation Coefficient ($\sqrt{r^2}$) Measures Correlation Strength

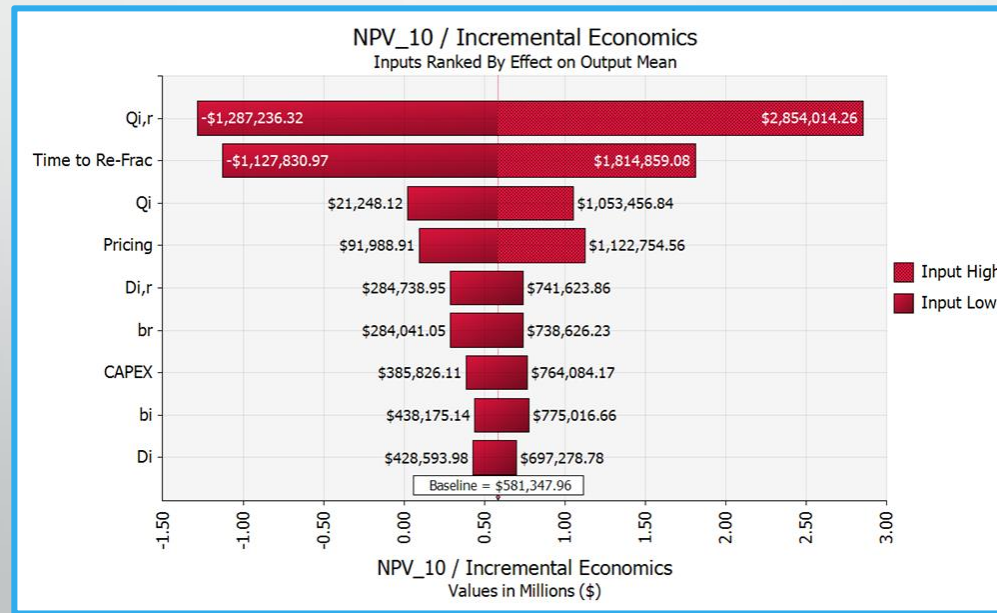
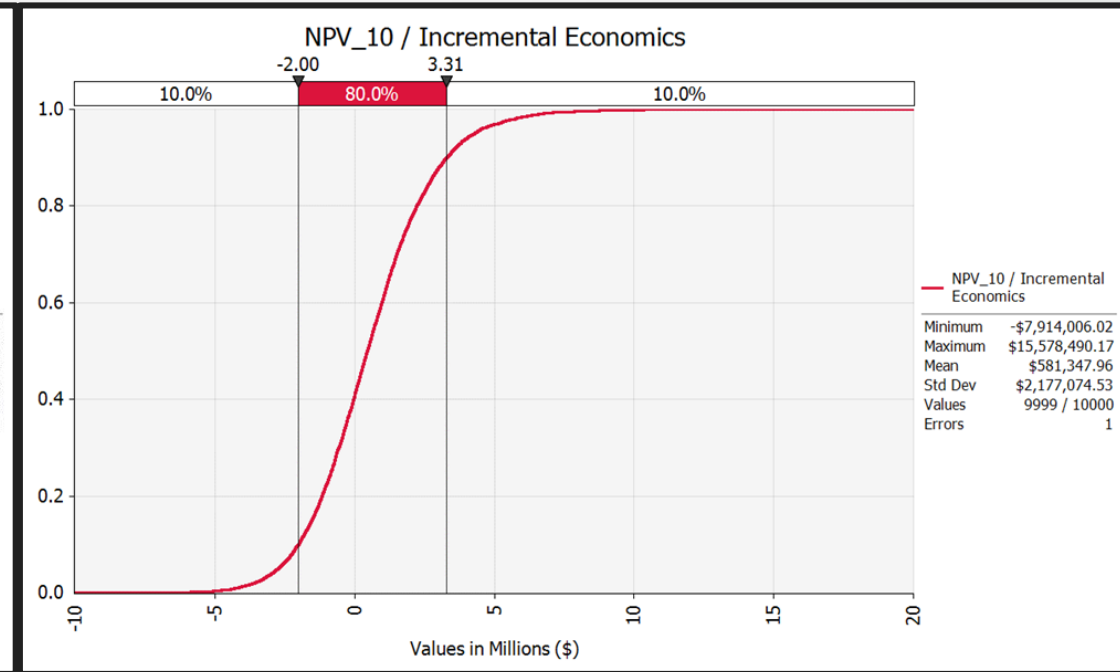
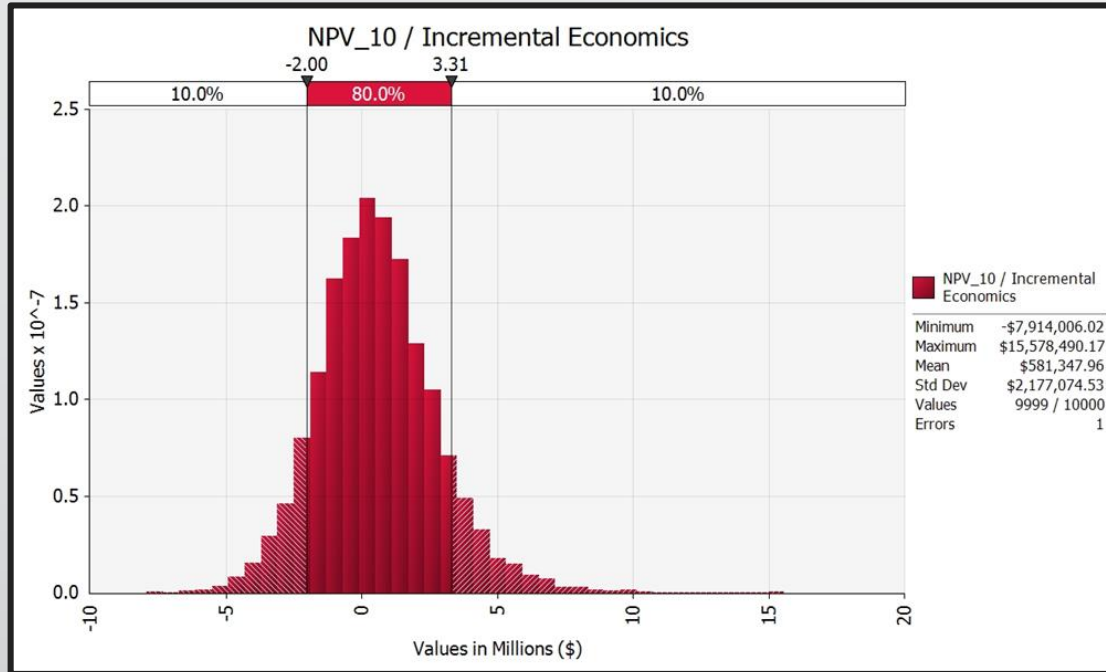


Transitioning
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Modeling

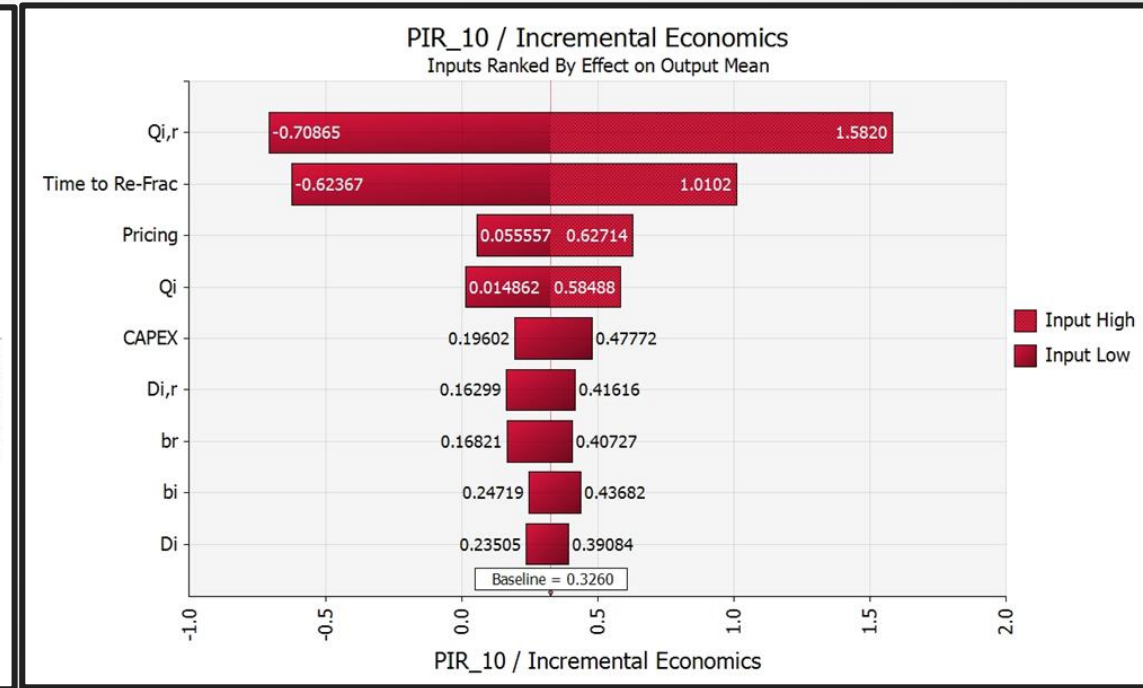
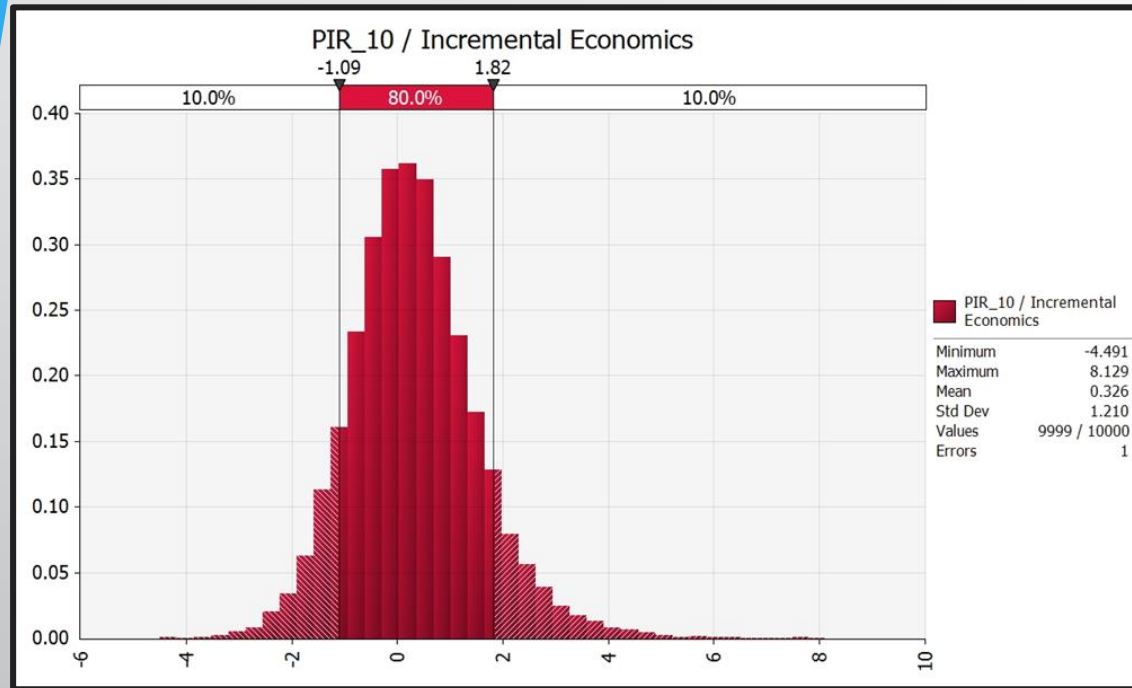
Gas Well Analysis: Undiscounted NPV



Gas Well Analysis: Discounted NPV



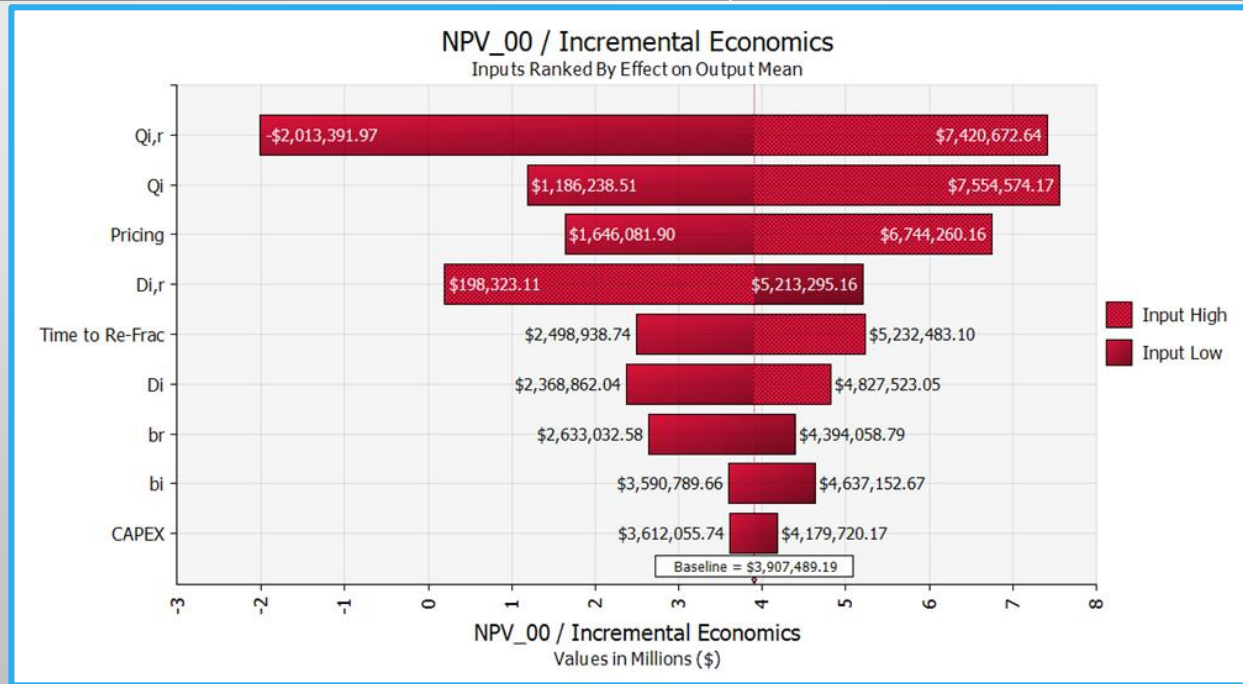
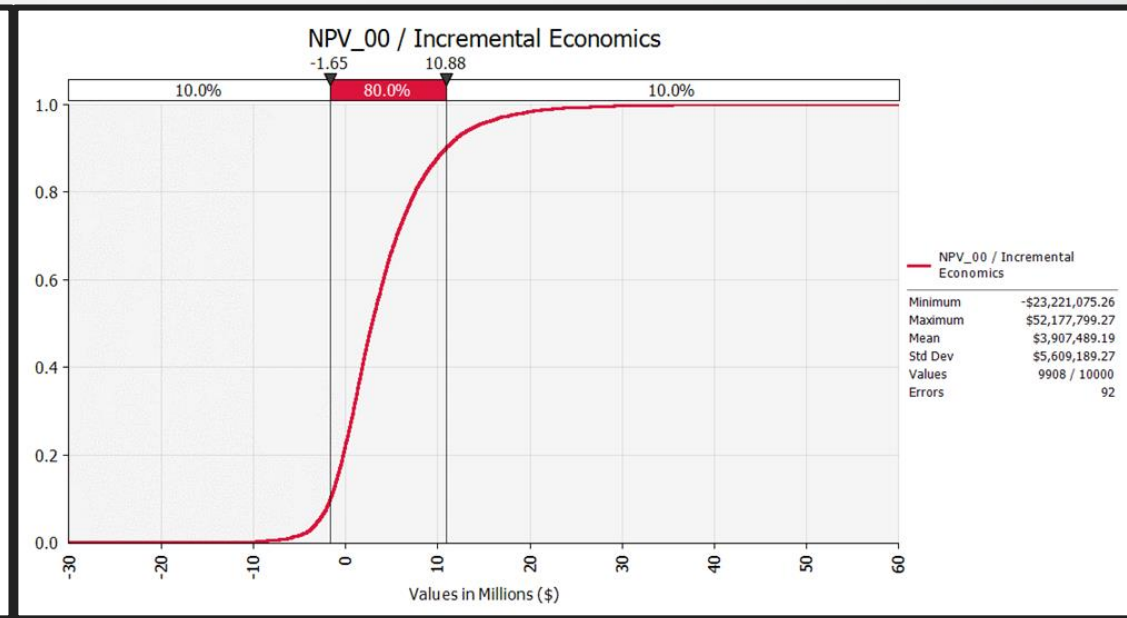
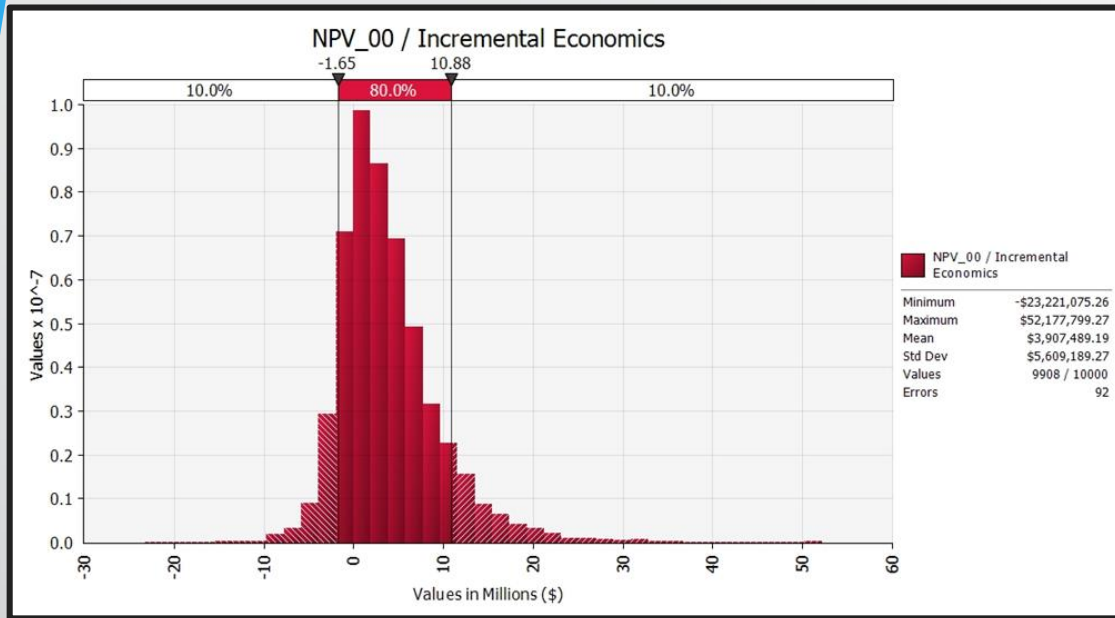
Gas Well Analysis: Discounted PIR



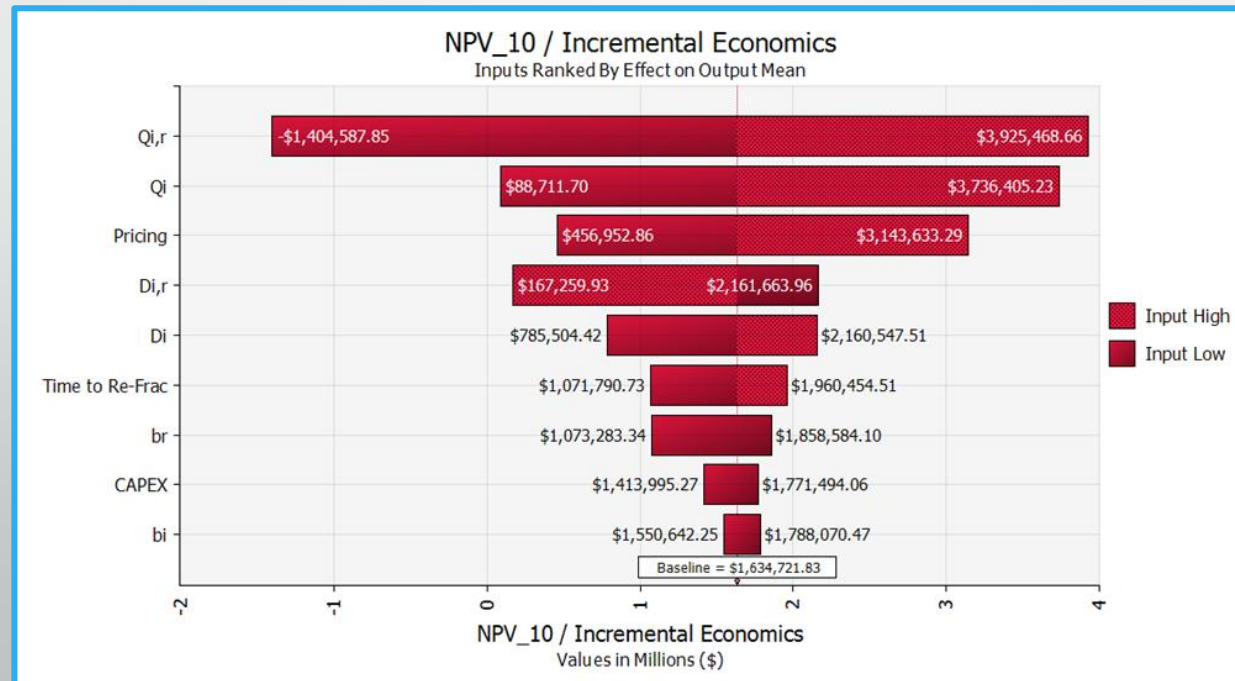
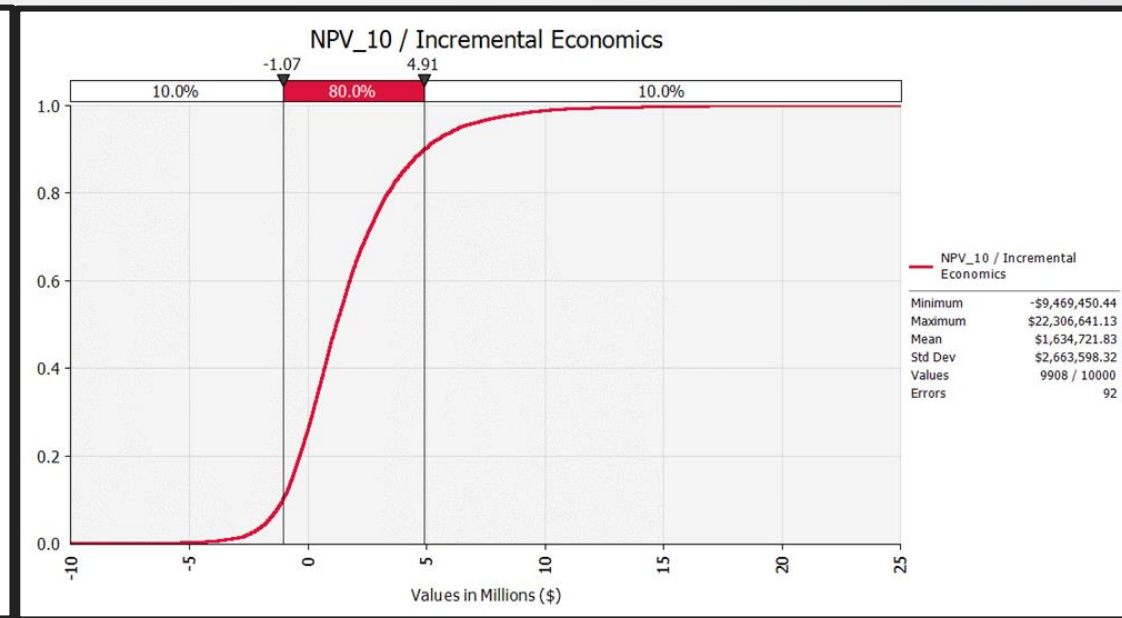
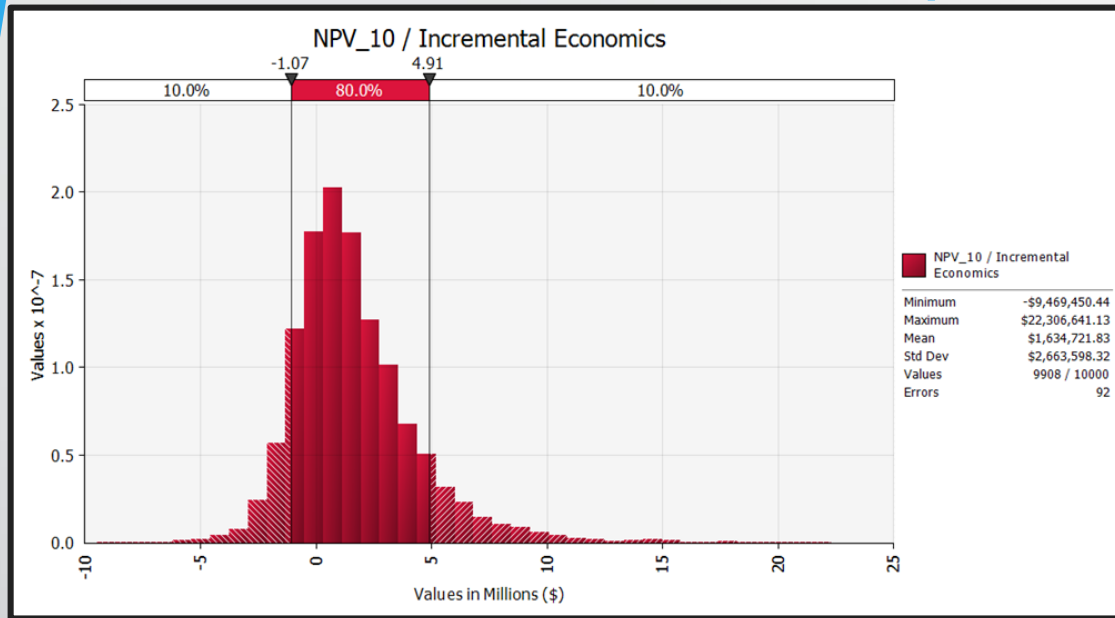
Gas Well Analysis: Summary

	Mean NPV	Mean PIR	Chance of Success
Undiscounted	\$1.8MM	-	62%
Discounted	\$0.58MM	.326	59%

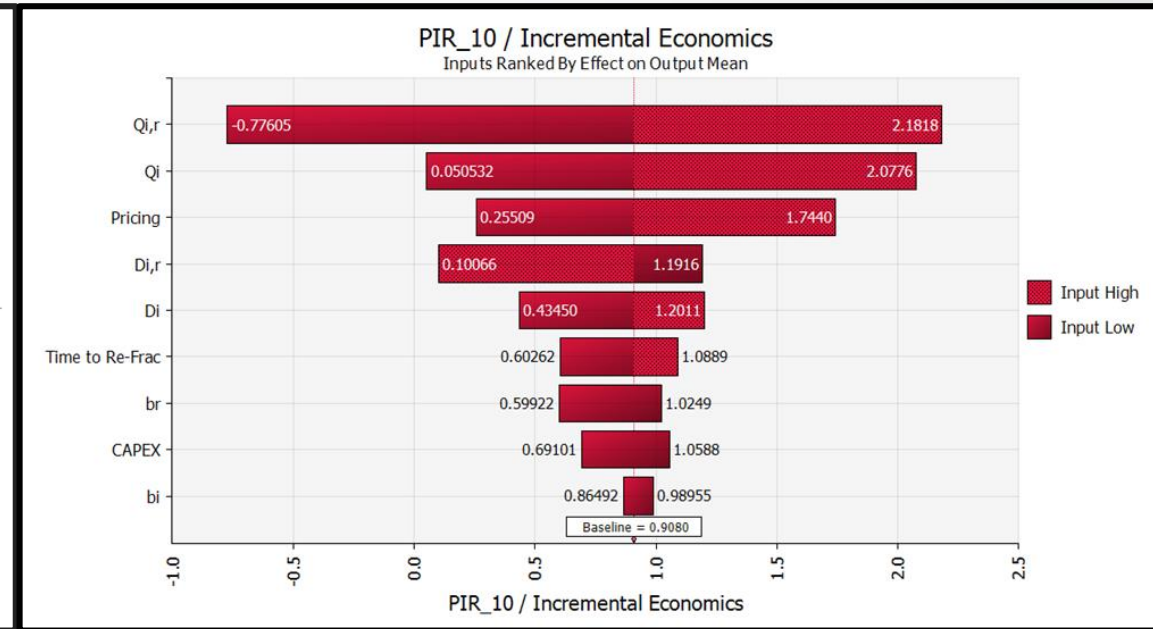
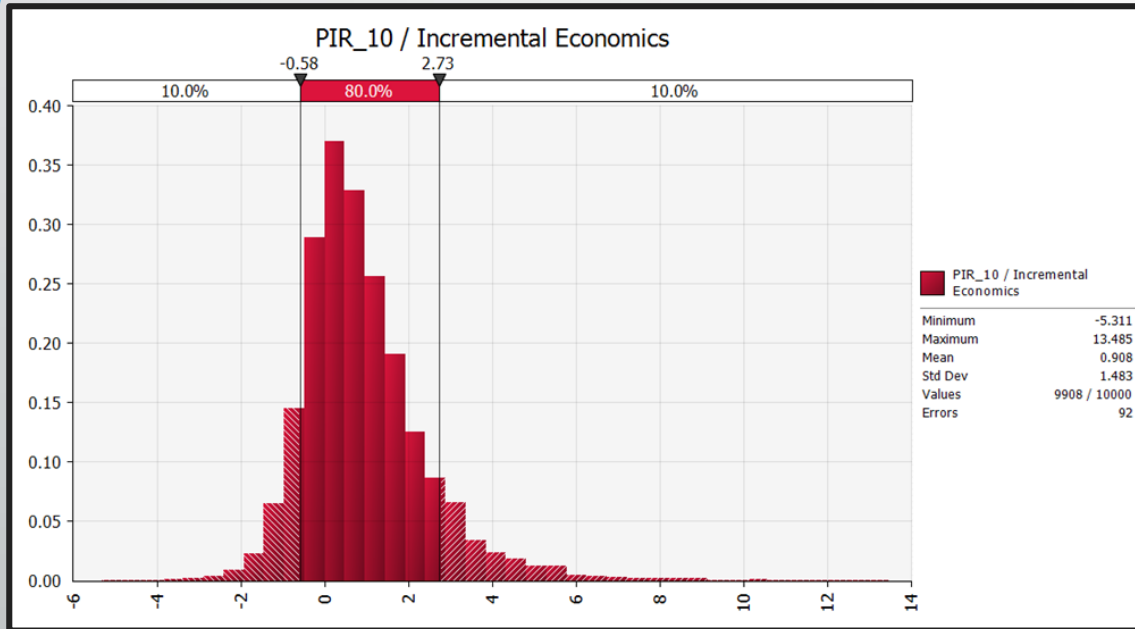
Oil Well Analysis: Undiscounted NPV



Oil Well Analysis: Discounted NPV



Oil Well Analysis: Discounted PIR



Oil Well Analysis: Summary

	Mean NPV	Mean PIR	Chance of Success
Undiscounted	\$3.9MM	-	77%
Discounted	\$1.6MM	.908	63%

Economic Model Limitations

- Developed Using Public Data
 - Horizontal Unconventional Wells
 - Economic Performance Can be Scaled Down for Vertical Shale Wells
- Models Only Consider Two Cases:
 - Dry Gas
 - Oil
 - Interpolate Performance in Liquids-Rich Gas Wells
- Model is Not Analogous for Conventional Reservoirs
 - Would Require Testing and Data Sharing
 - Could be Modeled With Outlined Methodology

Conclusions

- Viable Method to Gain Production from Existing Wells
- Probabilistic Modeling Provides a Range of Potential Outcomes
 - Oil Wells Show Better Economic Metrics
 - NPV₁₀ Range: \$-1.1MM to \$4.9MM
 - Discounted Chance of Success: 63%
 - Dry Gas Wells Still See Economic Uplift
 - NPV₁₀ Range: \$-2.0MM to \$3.3MM
 - Discounted Chance of Success: 59%

Questions

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Appendix: Correlation Coefficient Matrix

