

A Newton–Krylov method for reactive transport in porous media

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Only take into account equilibrium, model, aqueous and sorption reactions

Chemical reactions, mass action laws

$$x_i \rightleftharpoons \sum_{j=1}^{N_c} S_{ij} c_j, \quad i = 1, \dots, N_x,$$

$$y_i \rightleftharpoons \sum_{j=1}^{N_c} A_{ij} c_j + \sum_{j=1}^{N_s} B_{ij} s_j, \quad i = 1, \dots, N_y,$$

c_j aqueous (mobile) components, s_j sorbed (immobile) components,
 x_i aqueous secondary species, y_i fixed secondary species.

Numerical solution of nonlinear problem

System of non-linear equations

Mass action law

$$\log x = S \log c + \log K_x,$$

$$\log y = A \log c + B \log s + \log K_y.$$

Mass conservation

$$c + S^T x + A^T y = T, \quad T \text{ known from transport}$$

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Role of chemical model

Given totals T (and W , known), split into

$$\text{Mobile } C = c + S^T x,$$

$$\text{Fixed } F = A^T y.$$

total concentrations

Result of chemical problem

$$F = \Psi_C(T)$$

Flow model: Darcy's law and mixed finite elements

Flow equations

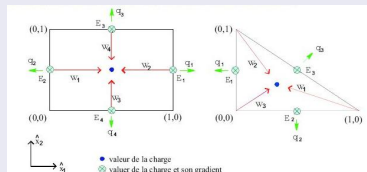
$$\mathbf{u} = -K\nabla h, \quad \text{Darcy's law}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0 \quad \text{incompressibility}$$

h piezometric head K permeability tensor \mathbf{u} Darcy velocity

Solution by mixed finite elements

- Approximate both **head** and **velocity**
- **Flux** continuous across element faces
- Locally **mass conservative**
- Allows **full** diffusion tensor



Convection–diffusion equation

$$\omega \frac{\partial \mathbf{c}}{\partial t} - \operatorname{div}(\mathbf{D} \operatorname{grad} \mathbf{c}) + \operatorname{div}(\mathbf{u} \mathbf{c}) = f$$

dispersion advection

- \mathbf{c} : concentration [mol/l]
- ω : porosity (–)
- \mathbf{u} Darcy velocity [m/s]

Dispersion tensor

$$\mathbf{D} = d_e \mathbf{I} + |\mathbf{u}| [\alpha_l \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{u}) + \alpha_t (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{u}))], \quad E_{ij}(\mathbf{u}) = \frac{u_i u_j}{|\mathbf{u}|}$$

α_l, α_t dispersivity coeff. [m], d_e molecular diffusion [m/s²]

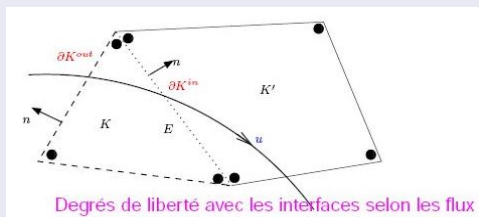
Notation: $L\mathbf{c} = \operatorname{div}(\mathbf{D} \operatorname{grad} \mathbf{c}) + \operatorname{div}(\mathbf{u} \mathbf{c})$

Solution by operator splitting

Advection step

Explicit, finite volumes / discontinuous Galerkin

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- CFL condition: use **sub-time-steps**



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Like flow equation (time dependent): mixed finite elements (implicit)

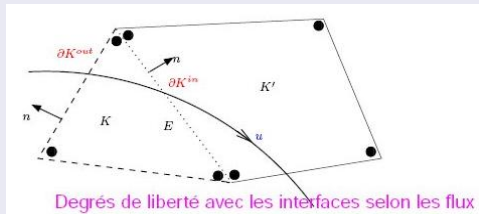
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Condense transport solver, one time step

$$C^{n+1} = \Psi_T(f^n, C^n)$$

Coupled problem formulation

Benchmark formulation

$$\begin{cases} \frac{C^{n+1} - C^n}{\Delta t} + \frac{F^{n+1} - F^n}{\Delta t} + L(C^{n+1}) = 0 \\ T^{n+1} = C^{n+1} + F^{n+1} \\ F^{n+1} = \Psi_C(T^{n+1}) \end{cases}$$

Other formulations: see other MS speakers, Valocchi et al., Saaltink et al.,

Equivalent form

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Decoupling of transport and chemistry modules

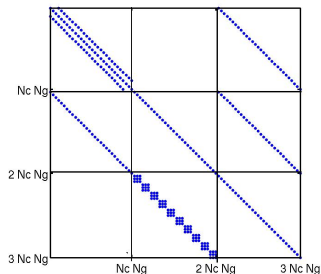
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Jacobian structure

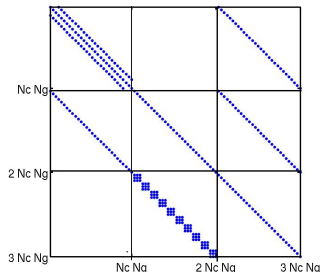


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Alternative formulation

Eliminate T, C

$$F^{n+1} = \Psi_C \left(F^{n+1} + \Psi_T \left(\frac{F^{n+1} - F^n}{\Delta t}, C^n \right) \right)$$

Newton Krylov method

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Inexact Newton

- **Approximation** of the Newton's direction:

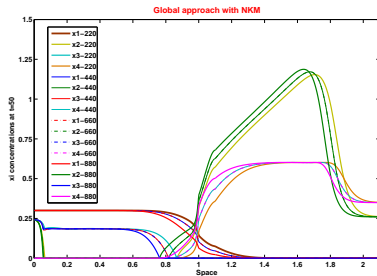
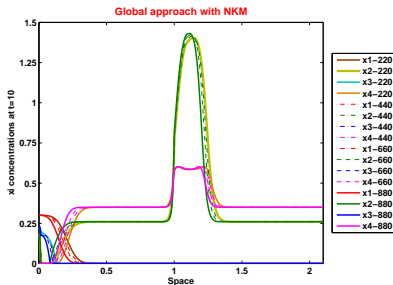
$$\|f'(x_k)d + f(x_k)\| \leq \eta \|f(x_k)\| \quad (0 < \eta < 1)$$

- Choice of **the forcing** term η ?
 - Keep quadratic convergence (locally)
 - Avoid oversolving the linear system
- $\eta = \gamma \|f(x_k)\|^2 / \|f(x_{k-1})\|^2$ (Kelley, Eisenstat and Walker)

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MoMaS Benchmark: easy, 1D, advective case

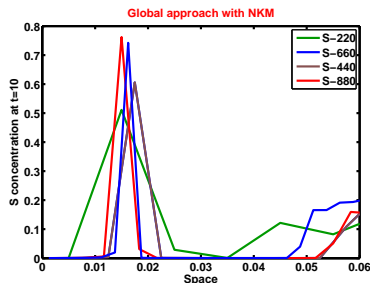
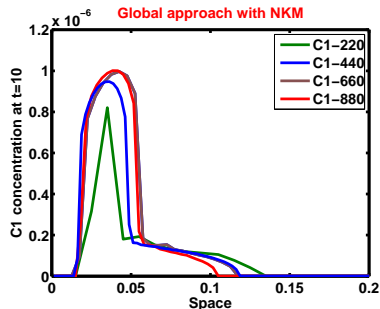
- 4 aqueous, 1 sorbed primary, 5 aqueous, 2 sorbed secondary species.
- Huge variation in equilibrium constants, large stoichiometric coeffs.
- Long simulation time



Snapshots of components concentrations. Left $t = 10$, right $t = 50$

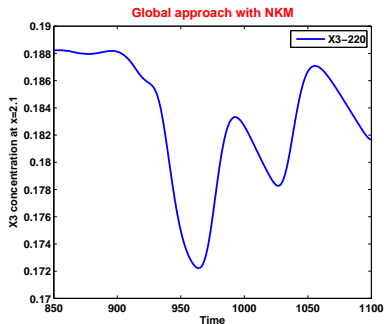
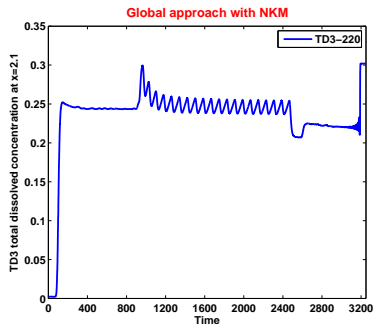
Laila Amir's thesis (December '08).

Mesh dependence



Step	220 points		440 points		660 points	
	Non lin	lin	Non lin	lin	Non lin	lin
101	18	377	22	682	25	814
103	25	494	18	551	25	636
105	15	426	22	583	21	741

MoMaS benchmark (3)



Oscillations due to discretization (cf V. Lagneau)

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A simpler system

Key issue for Newton–Krylov is **preconditioning**

Single species with sorption

Conservation law $\omega \partial_t \mathbf{u} + \omega \partial_t \mathbf{v} + L\mathbf{u} = 0$ in $\Omega \times (0, T)$

Sorption models $\mathbf{v} = \psi(\mathbf{u})$, ψ known explicitly

Linear isotherm $\psi(\mathbf{u}) = k_f \mathbf{u}$

Langmuir isotherm $\mathbf{v} = \psi(\mathbf{u}) = \frac{k_f \sigma_0 \mathbf{u}}{k_f \mathbf{u} + k_b}$,

Freundlich isotherm $\psi(\mathbf{u}) = k_f \mathbf{u}^p$, $p < 1$.

Coupled system

$$F \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u} \\ \mathbf{v} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (\mathbf{M} + \Delta t \mathbf{L}) \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{M} \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{b}^n \\ \mathbf{v} - \Psi(\mathbf{u}) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Jacobian } J = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{M} + \Delta t \mathbf{L} & \mathbf{M} \\ -\mathbf{D} & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} = I - \Delta t J_T + J_T,$$

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Elimination of \mathbf{u}

$$F_2(\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{v} - \Psi((\mathbf{M} + \Delta t \mathbf{L})^{-1}(\mathbf{b}^n - \mathbf{M} \mathbf{v}))$$

Schur complement of coupled system

$$\text{Jacobian } J_2 = I + \mathbf{D} (\mathbf{M} + \Delta t \mathbf{L})^{-1} \mathbf{M}$$

Block Jacobi

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Physics based preconditioner

$$\mathbf{P} = (\mathbf{I} - \Delta t \mathbf{J}_T)(\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{J}_C),$$

Operator splitting, $O(\Delta t)$ error

Numerical results

Geometry of MoMaS benchmark, $T = 200$, $\Delta t = 1.$, $K_L = 0.25$, $\sigma = 1.$

LifeV C++ library (EPFL, INRIA), and Kinsol (LLNL) nonlinear solver.

Cemracs 2008, J. B. Apoung-Kamga, P. Havé, J. Houot, M. K., A. Semin.

Kinsol interface by A. Taakili

Solver behavior as function of K_L

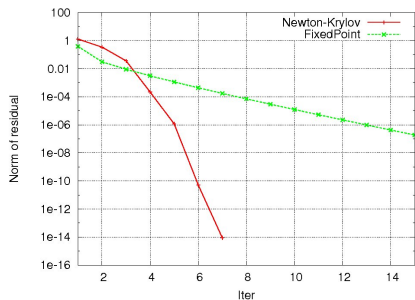
	$K_L = 0.25$			$K_L = 1.0$			$K_L = 2.5$		
PC	NNI	NLI	RT	NNI	NLI	RT	NNI	NLI	RT
None	13	218	85	27	315	130	50	770	317
BJ	9	21	16	23	84	53	46	259	150
BGS	9	12	12	24	49	41	46	139	106
OS	9	12	15	24	49	54	46	138	140

NNI Nonlinear iterations

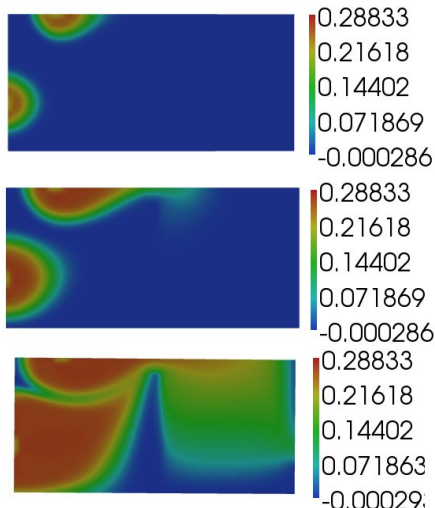
NLI Linear (inner) iterations

RT Run time (Matlab, 1D)

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Convergence of Newton and fixed point



Preconditioner performance: mesh dependence

Mesh dependence for coupled formulation

Mesh/PC	h		$h/2$		$h/4$		$h/8$	
	NNI	NLI	NNI	NLI	NNI	NLI	NNI	NLI
None	8	54	10	100	17	238	33	658
BJ	8	22	9	26	13	38	20	62
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Mesh dependence for \mathbf{v} formulation

Mesh	h	$h/2$	$h/4$	$h/8$	$h/16$	$h/32$
NNI	6	6	6	6	6	6
NLI	25	25	25	25	26	26

The behavior of the solver is independant of mesh

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Perspectives

- Implement Newton–Krylov for 2D/3D platform
- Fully solve MoMaS benchmark
- Extension to mixed equilibrium – kinetics models
- Further analysis of preconditioners (eigenvalues of Jacobian)