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Multiphase flow in highly permeable porous media

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Outline (emphasis on some theoretical aspects)

- Introduction: background, multiple-scale, averaging
- One-Phase Flows
 - Phenomenology: Departure from Darcy's law, Weak inertia regimes, Strong Inertia regimes, Transitions, Turbulence (pore-scale or macroscale?)
 - Macro-scale models?
- Two-Phase Flows:
 - theoretical framework and specificity for HPPM
 - several models for dynamic flows:
 - Models with phase interaction
 - Dynamic PNM

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- Phase splitting: application to structured porous media
- Conclusions

Examples of HPPM:

Structured and Packed bed reactors, nuclear safety, fractured media, karsts, ...



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Gamissage vrac Source MTI $\operatorname{Re} = \frac{\rho_r U_r \sqrt{k}}{\mu_r} > 1$ as well as important Ca and Bo numbers

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Upscaling?



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Separation of scales:

 $l_{\beta}, l_{\sigma} \ll L \text{ or not!}$

- If seeking a macro-scale theory?
 - Smoothing "operator" → macro-scale equations and BCs?
 - Link between micro- and macro-scale?
 - Effective properties?
- Different techniques
- Different types of models: 1-Eq, mixed models, N-Eqs., etc...

Upscaling: different point of views



- Heuristic: Darcy's law (1856)!
- Upscaling with closure: homogenization theory (Sanchez-Palencia, Bensoussans et al.,...), volume averaging (Whitaker, ... and variants),

$$p_{\beta} = \left\langle p_{\beta} \right\rangle^{\beta} + \tilde{p}_{\beta} \qquad \qquad \tilde{p}_{\beta} \stackrel{?}{=} f\left(\left\langle p_{\beta} \right\rangle^{\beta}, \nabla \left\langle p_{\beta} \right\rangle^{\beta}, \ldots\right)$$

- Stochastic theories (Matheron, Dagan, Gelhar, ...), ...
- Mixture theories: volume averaging + irreversible thermodynamics (Marle, Hassanizadeh and Gray, Bowen, ...)
- Other point of views...: dual-phase-lagging heat conduction (Wang et al., 2008; Vadasz, 2005...); mixed models; fractional derivatives (Néel,...); CTRW; ...

Different Model Types



HPPM: a class of largely open problems

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This talk: suggestion of possible routes

Mixed or Hybrid Network model (PNM+Darcy-scale)

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One-Phase Flow as an example of highly non-linear problem

• Pore-scale equation $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}_{\beta} = 0$

 $\rho_{\beta} \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\beta}}{\partial t} + \rho_{\beta} \mathbf{v}_{\beta} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v}_{\beta} = -\nabla p_{\beta} + \rho_{\beta} \mathbf{g} + \mu_{\beta} \nabla^{2} \mathbf{v}_{\beta} \qquad \text{B.C.1 } \mathbf{v}_{\beta} = 0 \quad \text{at } A_{\beta\sigma}$ $\text{Re} = \frac{\rho_{\beta} U_{r} \ell_{\beta}}{\mu_{\beta}}; p_{\beta}^{c} = \frac{p_{\beta} \ell_{\beta}}{\mu_{\beta} U_{r}}; \text{Fr} = \frac{U_{r}}{\sqrt{\ell_{\beta}g}} \implies \text{Re} \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{l}^{'}}{\partial t^{'}} + \mathbf{v}_{l}^{'} \cdot \nabla^{'} \mathbf{v}_{l}^{'}\right) = -\nabla^{'} p_{l}^{c} + \frac{\text{Re}}{\text{Fr}^{2}} \frac{\mathbf{g}}{g} + \nabla^{'2} \mathbf{v}_{l}^{'}$ $\bullet \text{Pore-Scale regimes as a function of Re}$

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- Creeping (Re \rightarrow 0): leads to Darcy's law
- Laminar
- Turbulent

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Various regimes and transitions, impact of subcritical and supercritical instabilities \rightarrow which macro-scale model?

The linear (Stokes) problem Re~0



<u>Localized problem</u> \rightarrow nearly constant averaged velocity and gradient of intrinsic pressure over UC/REV (if far from boundaries) Quasi-steady flow, Brinkman terms discarded

$$0 = -\varepsilon_{\beta} \nabla \langle p_{\beta} \rangle^{\beta} + \varepsilon_{\beta} \rho_{\beta} \mathbf{g} + \mu_{\beta} \nabla^{2} \langle \mathbf{v}_{\beta} \rangle = \mu_{\beta} \nabla \varepsilon_{\beta} \cdot \nabla \langle \mathbf{v}_{\beta} \rangle^{\beta} + \frac{1}{\mathcal{V}} \int_{A_{\beta\sigma}} \mathbf{n}_{\beta\sigma} \cdot \left(-\tilde{p}_{\beta} \mathbf{I} + \mu_{\beta} \nabla \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{\beta}\right) dA = O\left(\frac{\langle v_{\beta} \rangle^{\beta}}{\ell^{2}}\right) = O\left(\frac{\langle v_{\beta} \rangle^{\beta}}{L^{2}}\right)$$

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Closure and Macro-Scale Equation (Darcy regime) $\nabla \mathbf{B} = 0$ thanks to linearity: $-\nabla \mathbf{b} + \nabla^2 \mathbf{B} = \varepsilon_{\beta}^{-1} \frac{1}{\mathcal{V}} \int \mathbf{n}_{\beta\sigma} \cdot (-\mathbf{I}\mathbf{b} + \nabla \mathbf{B}) \ dA$ $\begin{aligned} \tilde{p}_{\beta} &= & \mu_{\beta} \mathbf{b}. \left\langle \mathbf{v}_{\beta} \right\rangle^{\beta} + .. \\ \tilde{\mathbf{v}} &= & \mathbf{B}. \left\langle \mathbf{v}_{\beta} \right\rangle^{\beta} + .. \end{aligned}$ $\mathbf{B}=-\mathbf{I}$ at $A_{eta\sigma}$, $\left< \mathbf{b} \right>^{eta}=0$ $\mathbf{b}(\mathbf{r} + \ell_i) = \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{r})$ $\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r} + \ell_i) = \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r})$ $\left\langle \mathbf{v}_{\beta} \right\rangle = -\frac{1}{\mu_{\beta}} \mathbf{K} \cdot \left(\nabla \left\langle p_{\beta} \right\rangle^{\beta} - \rho_{\beta} \mathbf{g} \right) \qquad \mathbf{K}^{-1} = -\varepsilon_{\beta}^{-2} \frac{1}{\mathcal{V}} \int \mathbf{n}_{\beta\sigma} \cdot \left(-\mathbf{I}\mathbf{b} + \nabla \mathbf{B} \right) \, dA$

K intrinsic permeability

See Sanchez-Palencia (homogenization), Whitaker, ...

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Laminar Inertial



$$\rho_{\beta} \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\beta}}{\partial t} + \rho_{\beta} \mathbf{v}_{\beta} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v}_{\beta} = -\nabla \tilde{p}_{\beta} - \mathbf{h} + \mu_{\beta} \nabla^2 \mathbf{v}_{\beta}$$

Still localized flow
pattern?

If yes, non-linear relationship between average velocity and pressure drop!

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{p}_{\beta} &= \mu_{\beta} \mathbf{b}. \left\langle \mathbf{v}_{\beta} \right\rangle^{\beta} + .. \\ \tilde{\mathbf{v}} &= \mathbf{B}. \left\langle \mathbf{v}_{\beta} \right\rangle^{\beta} + .. \end{aligned}$$

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$$\Rightarrow$$

$$\left\langle \mathbf{v}_{\beta}\right\rangle = -\frac{1}{\mu_{\beta}}\mathbf{K}_{app}.\left(\nabla\left\langle p_{\beta}\right\rangle^{\beta} - \rho_{\beta}\mathbf{g}\right)$$

$$\mathbf{K}_{app} = rac{1}{1+f} \mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{K}$$

where
$$f$$
, **P**(rotation matrix) depend on
 $\left| \nabla \left\langle p_{\beta} \right\rangle^{\beta} - \rho_{\beta} \mathbf{g} \right\|, \left(\nabla \left\langle p_{\beta} \right\rangle^{\beta} - \rho_{\beta} \mathbf{g} \right) / \left\| \nabla \left\langle p_{\beta} \right\rangle^{\beta} - \rho_{\beta} \mathbf{g} \right\|$

Models for all Non Darcean regimes

Re definition? Still a heated debate!

- Heuristic: Forchheimer, Ergun, …
- Upscaling? If localized flow!

generalized Forchheimer eq.

 $0 = -\nabla \langle p_{\beta} \rangle^{\beta} + \rho_{\beta} \mathbf{g} - \mu_{\beta} \mathbf{K}_{app}^{-1} \cdot \langle \mathbf{v}_{\beta} \rangle \implies 0 = -\nabla \langle p_{\beta} \rangle^{\beta} + \rho_{\beta} \mathbf{g} - \mu_{\beta} \mathbf{K}^{-1} \cdot \langle \mathbf{v}_{\beta} \rangle - \mathbf{F} \left(\langle \mathbf{v}_{\beta} \rangle \right)^{\flat} \cdot \langle \mathbf{v}_{\beta} \rangle$ (variants: modified Navier-Stokes equations)

- How to check for localization? DNS, stability analysis...
 - Bifurcations depends on Re and number of UC (Agnaou et al., 2016)...and topology! \rightarrow REV size= $f(\langle \mathbf{v}_{\beta} \rangle^{\beta})$
 - Localized turbulence (nearly periodic over N-UC) up to large Re numbers (Jin et al., 2015) need spatial & time average $\langle v_{\beta} \rangle$
 - − Not necessarily true in entrance regions (D'Hueppe et al., ...) \rightarrow macro-scale turbulence models?



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Summary of Models for Non Darcean regimes (Re>1)

- Re \rightarrow 0: Darcy, F=0, linear closure
- Re ~ 0: weak inertia, F.(v_β) ~ (v_β)³ (Levy, Mei & Auriault, Firdaouss, Pauthenet et al., ...), perturbation solution with respect to Re, not quantitatively significant most of the time
- Re > 0 (before macro-scale turbulence)
 - strong inertia, $F_{\cdot}\langle v_{\beta}\rangle \sim \langle v_{\beta}\rangle^2$ (Lasseux et al., 2011;...), mostly if disordered media, but after *transition regimes*
 - anisotropic effect (Pauthenet et al., 2018; Qinjun et al., 2023...), necessary for structured packings, nuclear reactors, ...
- Estimating K_{app} requires heavy computations, building correlations for anisotropic effects may be complex (analytic correlations, machine learning, ...)

Turbulent flows in porous media (Re>>1)

see Pedras & De Lemos, Masuoka & Takatsu (1996), Nakayama & Kuwahara (1999), ...

Turbulence: time and spatial averaging (book De Lemos, 2006; …)

- Time and spatial averaging commute!
- Not necessarily the same result if sequential closure because of involved approximations!? I. $\mathbf{v}_{\beta} \rightarrow \langle \mathbf{v}_{\beta} \rangle \rightarrow \overline{\langle \mathbf{v}_{\beta} \rangle}$

II.
$$\mathbf{v}_{\beta} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbf{v}_{\beta}} \left(RANS, \ldots \right) \rightarrow \left\langle \overline{\mathbf{v}_{\beta}} \right\rangle$$

- Scheme "II" seems preferable: contrary to Antohe & Lage (1997), Getachew et al. (2000), see discussion in Nakayama & Kuwahara (1999), Pedras and de Lemos (2001), etc...
- In general leads to a macro-scale turbulence model
- However: If localized RANS simulation, scheme II leads to a generalized Forchheimer law...

Example: structured packings (Soulaine & Quintard, 2014) $K_{yy}^* = \frac{K_0}{1 + \gamma_l \sqrt{Re}}$ (laminar) ; $K_{yy}^* = \frac{K_1}{1 + \beta_t Re}$ (turbulent)





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Two-Phase Flow

Pore-scale

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}_{\alpha} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho_{\alpha} \mathbf{v}_{\alpha}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho_{\alpha} \mathbf{v}_{\alpha} \mathbf{v}_{\alpha}) =$$

$$-\nabla p_{\alpha} + \rho_{\alpha} \mathbf{g} + \mu_{\alpha} \nabla^{2} \mathbf{v}_{\alpha} \text{ in } V_{\alpha} \qquad \alpha = \beta, \gamma$$
B.C. 1 $\mathbf{v}_{\beta} = 0$ at $A_{\beta \mathbf{v}}(t)$
B.C. 2 $\mathbf{v}_{\gamma} = 0$ at $A_{\gamma \sigma}(t)$
B.C. 3 $\mathbf{v}_{\beta} = \mathbf{v}_{\gamma}$ at $A_{\beta \gamma}(t)$
B.C. 4
$$-\mathbf{n}_{\beta \gamma} p_{\beta} + \mu_{\beta} \mathbf{n}_{\beta \gamma} \cdot (\nabla \mathbf{v}_{\beta} + (\nabla \mathbf{v}_{\beta})^{T}) =$$

$$-\mathbf{n}_{\beta \gamma} p_{\gamma} + \mu_{\gamma} \mathbf{n}_{\beta \gamma} \cdot (\nabla \mathbf{v}_{\gamma} + (\nabla \mathbf{v}_{\gamma})^{T}) + 2\sigma H_{\beta \gamma} \mathbf{n}_{\beta \gamma} \text{ at } A_{\beta \gamma}(t)$$

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Phenomenology for HPPM: potentially unsteady flows

- Front position is in general time dependent!
- Specific features: Haines jumps, snap-off, ...
- Boiling, turbulence, ...

• Common practice: quasi-static approximation... $\langle \phi \rangle$ and not $\overline{\langle \phi \rangle}$ Justification: Ergodicity (not validated)?

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Horgue et al.



See paper Gourbil et al.

Sapin et al., 2016



Upscaling: quasi-static theory

Whitaker, 1986; Auriault, 1987; Lasseux et al., 1996; ...

- $A_{\beta\gamma}(t) \rightarrow$ known steady-state position
- Momentum eqs ~ 2 flow problems

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Interaction between phases: Case of B.C. 4

$$\mathbf{n}_{\beta\gamma} \left(\left. P_{\gamma} \right|_{\mathbf{x}} - \left. P_{\beta} \right|_{\mathbf{x}} \right) + \mathbf{n}_{\beta\gamma} \mathbf{y} \cdot \left(\left(\left. \nabla P_{\gamma} \right|_{\mathbf{x}} - \rho_{\gamma} \mathbf{g} \right) - \left(\left. \nabla P_{\beta} \right|_{\mathbf{x}} - \rho_{\beta} \mathbf{g} \right) \right) + \mathbf{n}_{\beta\gamma} \mathbf{y} \cdot \left(\rho_{\gamma} - \rho_{\beta} \right) \mathbf{g} + \dots = -\mathbf{n}_{\beta\gamma} \left(\tilde{p}_{\gamma} - \tilde{p}_{\beta} \right) + \mu_{\gamma} \mathbf{n}_{\beta\gamma} \cdot \left(\nabla \mathbf{v}_{\gamma} + \left(\nabla \mathbf{v}_{\gamma} \right)^{T} \right) - \mu_{\beta} \mathbf{n}_{\beta\gamma} \cdot \left(\nabla \mathbf{v}_{\beta} + \left(\nabla \mathbf{v}_{\beta} \right)^{T} \right) + 2\sigma H_{\beta\gamma} \mathbf{n}_{\beta\gamma} \mathbf{at} A_{\beta\gamma}$$

$$Ca = \frac{\mu_r U_r}{\sigma}$$

$$Bo = \frac{|(\rho_\beta - \rho_\gamma) g| r_0^2}{\sigma}$$

$$+ Re, (We = Re \times Ca) numbers$$

$$+ Dynamic Bond number$$

$$H_{\beta\gamma} = Constant over REV$$
i.e., the classical capillary pressure theory!

Macro-Scale Models : Quasi-Static

$$\mathbf{V}_{\alpha} = \langle \mathbf{v}_{\alpha} \rangle \; ; \; P_{\alpha} = \langle p_{\alpha} \rangle^{\alpha} \; ; \; \varepsilon_{\alpha} = \varepsilon S_{\alpha} \qquad \alpha = \beta, \gamma$$

Heuristic (Muskat): generalized Darcy's laws

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Macro-Scale Models : Quasi-Static, viscous coupling

Model with viscous coupling (upscaling with heuristic parts ③,...)

(Ex. : Whitaker, 1986; ...) ♣ no real closure, quasi-static with known interface position, mapping legitimacy?

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$$\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{\alpha} = \mathbf{B}_{\alpha\beta} \cdot \left\langle \mathbf{v}_{\beta} \right\rangle^{\beta} + \mathbf{B}_{\alpha\gamma} \cdot \left\langle \mathbf{v}_{\gamma} \right\rangle^{\gamma} \qquad \alpha = \beta, \gamma$$
$$\tilde{p}_{\alpha} = \mu_{\alpha} \left(\mathbf{b}_{\alpha} \cdot \left\langle \mathbf{v}_{\beta} \right\rangle^{\beta} + \mathbf{b}_{\alpha\gamma} \cdot \left\langle \mathbf{v}_{\gamma} \right\rangle^{\gamma} \right)$$

$$\mathbf{V}_{\alpha} = -\frac{1}{\mu_{\alpha}} \mathbf{K}_{\alpha} . (\nabla P_{\alpha} - \rho_{\alpha} \mathbf{g}) + \mathbf{K}_{\alpha\kappa} . \mathbf{V}_{\kappa} \qquad \alpha, \kappa = \beta, \gamma \qquad \alpha \neq \kappa$$
Phase interaction

Ex. : Two-Phase Poiseuille Flow (often used for identification)

$$K_{lg} \approx \frac{\mu_g}{\mu_l} \frac{(1-\alpha)^2}{\alpha}$$
 $\frac{\mu_g}{\mu_l} \rightarrow 0$
 $K_{ll} \approx K\alpha^2$
 $K_{gg} \approx K\alpha^2$
 $K_{gl} \approx \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}$
 $\alpha = S_{\gamma}$

Estimation of coupling terms: from DNS, or possibly experiments

 FoP: Identification through the Force Perturbation technique (Li et al., 2005; Cochennec et al., 2022)



 Discussion about discrepancies with original "closure problems"

 proposed correction for BCs in "closure" problems



Inertia Effects and Phase Coupling in Macro-scale models

Ergun (Heuristic): no-phase interaction terms

$$0 = -\nabla P_{\beta} + \rho_{\beta} \mathbf{g} - \mu_{\beta} \frac{1}{K(k_{r\beta})} \mathbf{V}_{\beta} - \frac{\rho_{\beta}}{\eta_{\beta}} \| \mathbf{V}_{\beta} \| \mathbf{V}_{\beta} \|$$

Schulenberg and Muler (1987) (Heuristic and <a>)

Similar to theory for fluidized beds

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$$0 = -\nabla P_{\beta} + \rho_{\beta} \mathbf{g} - \mu_{\beta} \frac{1}{K k_{r\beta}} \mathbf{V}_{\beta} - \frac{\rho_{\beta}}{\eta \eta_{\beta}} \left\| \mathbf{V}_{\beta} \right\| \mathbf{V}_{\beta} + \frac{\mathbf{F}_{\beta\gamma}^{S}}{S_{\beta}}$$

Upscaling (Lasseux et al., 2008; ...)

$$\mathbf{V}_{\alpha} = -\frac{1}{\mu_{\alpha}} \mathbf{K}_{\alpha} \cdot (\nabla P_{\alpha} - \rho_{\alpha} \mathbf{g}) - \mathbf{F}_{\alpha\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{V}_{\alpha} + \mathbf{K}_{\alpha\kappa} \cdot \mathbf{V}_{\kappa} - \mathbf{F}_{\alpha\kappa} \cdot \mathbf{V}_{\kappa} \qquad \alpha, \kappa = \beta, \gamma \qquad \alpha \neq \kappa$$

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Importance of Cross-Terms, and Non-Linear Effects





IRSN: context of nuclear reactor severe accident

See also Taherzadeh & Saidi (2015)

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Importance of Cross-Terms, and Non-Linear Effects $t \to \infty$

Models without cross-terms



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$$\begin{split} \left(\frac{\partial P_{\beta}}{\partial z} - \rho_{\beta} \mathbf{g}.\mathbf{e}_{z}\right) &= -\mu_{\beta} K_{\beta}^{-1} \left(1 + F_{\beta\beta}\right) V_{\beta} \\ &+ \mu_{\beta} K_{\beta}^{-1} K_{\beta\gamma} \left(1 - K_{\beta\gamma}^{-1} F_{\beta\gamma}\right) V_{\gamma} \\ \left(\frac{\partial P_{\gamma}}{\partial z} - \rho_{\gamma} \mathbf{g}.\mathbf{e}_{z}\right) &= -\mu_{\gamma} K_{\gamma}^{-1} \left(1 + F_{\gamma\gamma}\right) V_{\gamma} \\ &+ \mu_{\gamma} K_{\gamma}^{-1} K_{\gamma\beta} \left(1 - K_{\gamma\beta}^{-1} F_{\gamma\beta}\right) V_{\beta} \end{split}$$
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Case} \ V_{\beta} &= \mathbf{0}: \\ \left(\frac{\partial P_{\beta}}{\partial z} - \rho_{\beta} \mathbf{g}.\mathbf{e}_{z}\right) &= + \mu_{\beta} K_{\beta}^{-1} K_{\beta\gamma} \left(1 - K_{\beta\gamma}^{-1} F_{\beta\gamma}\right) V_{\gamma} \end{split}$$

from Clavier et al. (2015), Chikhi et al. (2016)

see also Taherzadeh & Saidi (2015) using Tutu et al. experiments

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More: Dynamic Models

- impact of $\partial S / \partial t$, V_{α} , a_{v} ...:
 - Quintard & Whitaker (1990, from large-scale heterogeneity effects and multi-zone)
 - Hilfer (1998, multi-zone)

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- Panfilov & Panfilova (2005, meniscus)
- Hassanizadeh and Gray (Irr. Therm., a_v as state variable, 1993), also Kalaydjian (1987)...
- Phase field, Cahn-Hilliard (Cueto-Felgueroso & Juanes, 2009)...

Examples of dynamic equations

 Quintard & Whitaker, 1990

$$\mathbf{V}_{\beta} = -\frac{1}{\mu_{\beta}} \mathbf{K}_{\beta}^{*} \cdot \left(\nabla P_{\beta} - \rho_{\beta} \mathbf{g}\right) - \mathbf{u}_{\beta} \frac{\partial \varepsilon S_{\beta}}{\partial t} - \mathbf{U}_{\beta} \cdot \nabla \frac{\partial \varepsilon S_{\beta}}{\partial t} - \frac{1}{\mu_{\beta}} \mathbf{M}_{\beta} : \nabla \nabla P_{\beta} - \frac{1}{\mu_{\beta}} \mathbf{\Phi}_{\beta} - \frac{1}{\mu_{\beta}} \mathbf{R}_{\beta} : \nabla \mathbf{\Phi}_{\beta}$$

$$p_{c} = \mathcal{F}\left(S_{\beta}, \left(\rho_{\gamma} - \rho_{\beta}\right) \mathbf{g}, \nabla P_{\beta}, \frac{\partial \varepsilon S_{\beta}}{\partial t}, \ldots\right)$$

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Kalaydjian, Hassanizadeh & Gray,

$$P_{\gamma} - P_{\beta} = p_c - L_1 \frac{\partial \varepsilon S_{\beta}}{\partial t}$$

- ...see also Petroleum engng literature on pseudo-functions!
- Is it useful for highly permeable media?

Dynamic Pore Network Models

- Network models → a mesoscale representation!
- If low Re, Ca, Bo → percolation theory

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 Otherwise: Coupling network model and Dynamic rules (which may come from local VOF simulations in a hybrid formulation)

Melli & Scriven, 1991; Horgue et al., 2013

Trickle Bed (X-ray, IFP)



Micromodel experiments + VOF



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Dynamic Pore Network Models



 Mass and momentum balance for the network links
 Dynamic rules coming from local VOF simulations (or from experiments) to connect links



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Macro-Scale Models with Phase "Splitting"

 Example: Flow through Structured Media



Mahr and Mewes (2007)

MellaPak (Sulzer Chemtech)



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The Fundamental Idea Behind Models with Phase "Splitting"

- Same interest as N-equation models (Davit et al., 2019)
- Example: flow in a tube with spatially distributed BCs and ICs
 - 1 Eq. → complex PDE, need ~ DNS for estimating effective properties for a single set of BCs and ICs
 - Phase splitting: simple closure for large enough *t*, independent of BCs and ICs
 - Convergence through N/
 - Need to control entropy production (Bellerajoul et al., 2019)



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Macro-Scale Models with Phase "Splitting" for Structured Packings

$$\varepsilon \frac{\partial S_{\gamma}}{\partial t} + \nabla \mathbf{U}_{\gamma} = 0,$$

$$\varepsilon \frac{\partial S_{\beta_1}}{\partial t} + \nabla \mathbf{U}_{\beta_1} = \dot{m},$$

$$\varepsilon \frac{\partial S_{\beta_2}}{\partial t} + \nabla \mathbf{U}_{\beta_2} = -\dot{m}$$

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+ 3 momentum equations (e.g., generalized Darcy's laws with cross terms) Model with liquid phase splitting:

Case with no-exchange



(b) t = 1 s

Case with exchange

 Comparison with Fourati et al. (2012) experiments (Soulaine et al. 2014) → calibration of exchange term on the 1st stack



Macro-Scale Models with Phase "Splitting": Open Problems

- Definition of the phase separation (splitting)?
- Estimation of Effective properties?
- Effective Boundary Conditions?
 - Lateral walls
 - -Between packs



Is it possible to extend theories on effective BCs

(Achdou, Pironneau, Valentin, Mikelic, Aspa, Veran, Introïni, Duval, Guo, Quintard, Pasquier, Davit, ..., or strategies like Ochoa-Tapia, Goyeau, etc...) to 2-phase flows?



Conclusions

- One-Phase Flows:
 - Generalized Forchheimer equations → a practical model for laminar inertia regimes or localized turbulence
 - Porous Media Turbulence models?
- Two-Phase Flows:
 - Importance of cross-terms, Experimental determination?
 - Extensions to more dynamic flows:
 - Extended generalized Darcy's laws
 - Models with phase splitting
 - Hybrid models
 - Highly transient effects, complex time and space averaging?
- Coupling with other transport mechanisms (dispersion, heat transfer, ...)?