

Flow123d tutorial 3 – “1D column transport”

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1 Description and input

This is a variant of `01_column.yaml` and `02_column_infiltration.yaml`. See therein for details.

We demonstrate a simulation of the transport of a tracer. The equation of advective transport (no diffusion/dispersion) is specified by:

```
solute_equation: !Coupling_OperatorSplitting
transport: !Solute_Advection_FV
```

The boundary condition of concentration is prescribed on the surface region:

```
input_fields:
- region: .surface
  bc_conc: 100
```

The default type of boundary condition is `inflow`, i.e. prescribed concentration is applied where water flows into the domain.

We provide the name of the transported substance (in general there can be any number of substances):

```
substances:
- 0-18
```

The end time of the simulation is set in the section `time` to value `1e10` second (381 years):

```
time:
  end_time: 1e10
```

The output files can be generated for specific time values. We set the time step for output to `1e7` second (=3.8 months):

```
output_stream:
  time_step: 1e7
```

Finally, we turn on computation of mass balance with cumulative sums over the simulation time interval.

```
balance:
  cumulative: true
```

2 Results

The results of the mass balance computation are in the output folder in the file `mass_balance.txt`. The evolution of concentration is depicted in Figure 1. A selected part of numerical results of mass balance is in the Table 1. On the region “surface”, the mass flux of the tracer is still identical (6×10^{-6} kg/s). On “tunnel”, the mass flux is zero at the beginning and then it changes within around 100 years to the opposite value of inflow -6×10^{-6} kg/s. Figure 2 depicts results from the file `mass_balance.txt` for mass transported through the boundaries “surface” and “tunnel” and in the volume of “rock”.

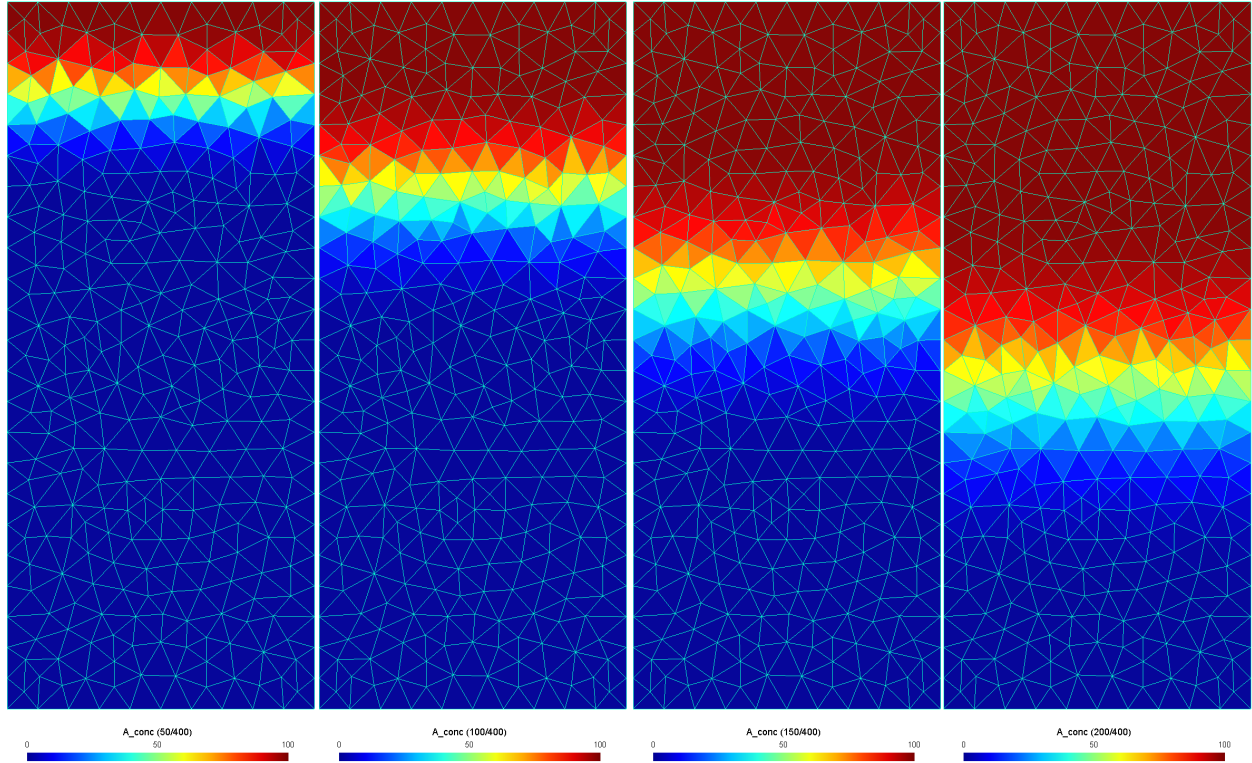


Figure 1: Results of transport.

| time | region | quantity [kg] | flux | flux_in | flux_out | mass | error |
|----------|-------------------|---------------|-----------|----------|-----------|---------|-------|
| 3.96E+09 | rock | A | 0 | 0 | 0 | 22544.1 | 0 |
| 3.96E+09 | .surface | A | 6.34E-06 | 6.34E-06 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 3.96E+09 | .tunnel | A | -4.88E-06 | 0 | -4.88E-06 | 0 | 0 |
| 3.96E+09 | IMPLICIT BOUNDARY | A | -1.02E-19 | 0 | -1.02E-19 | 0 | 0 |

| time | region | quantity [kg] | flux | flux_in | flux_out | mass | error |
|----------|-------------------|---------------|-----------|----------|-----------|---------|-----------|
| 3.96E+09 | ALL | A | 1.46E-06 | 6.34E-06 | -4.88E-06 | 22544.1 | -7.39E-10 |
| 3.97E+09 | rock | A | 0 | 0 | 0 | 22558.7 | 0 |
| 3.97E+09 | .surface | A | 6.34E-06 | 6.34E-06 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 3.97E+09 | .tunnel | A | -4.92E-06 | 0 | -4.92E-06 | 0 | 0 |
| 3.97E+09 | IMPLICIT BOUNDARY | A | -1.02E-19 | 0 | -1.02E-19 | 0 | 0 |
| 3.97E+09 | ALL | A | 1.42E-06 | 6.34E-06 | -4.92E-06 | 22558.7 | -7.53E-10 |

Table 1: Illustration of the results in “water_balanced.txt” – selected columns in two time steps (edited table, extract from the file).

3 The control file

Below is the complete YAML file 03_column_transport.yaml.

```

flow123d_version: 1.8.9
problem: !Coupling_Sequential
description: Example 1 of real locality - column 1D model with transport
mesh:
  mesh_file: ./01_mesh.msh
flow_equation: !Flow_Darcy_MH
nonlinear_solver:
  linear_solver: !Petsc
  a_tol: 1e-15
  r_tol: 1e-15
input_fields:
  - region: rock
    conductivity: 1e-8
  - region: .tunnel
    bc_type: dirichlet
    bc_pressure: 0
  - region: .surface
    bc_type: total_flux
    bc_flux: 6.34E-09
balance: true
output:
  output_stream:
    file: flow.msh
    format: !gmsh
    variant: ascii
  output_fields:
    - piezo_head_p0
    - pressure_p0
    - pressure_p1
    - velocity_p0
solute_equation: !Coupling_OperatorSplitting

```

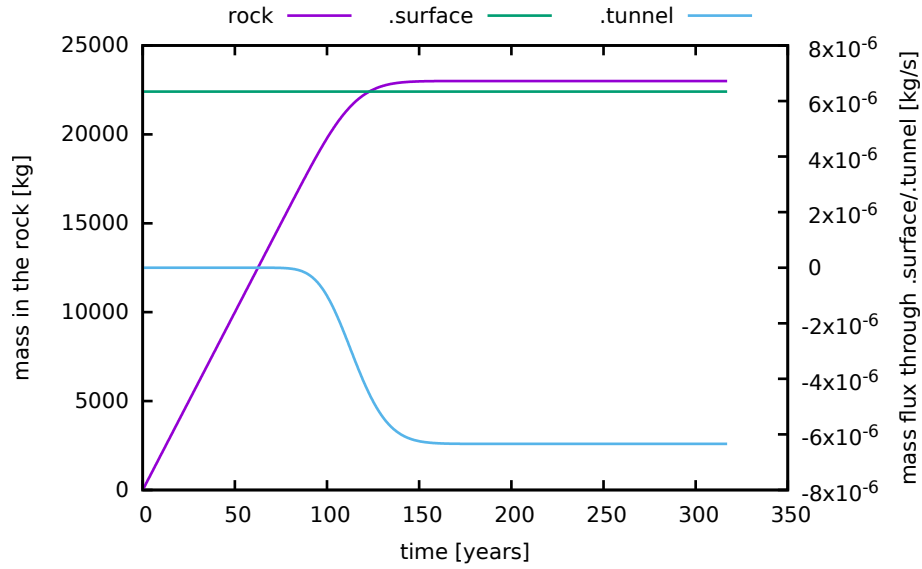


Figure 2: Results of evolution of mass in the volume and flux through boundaries.

```
transport: !Solute_Advection_FV
  input_fields:
    - region: .surface
      bc_conc: 100
      time: 0
    - region: .surface
      bc_conc: 100
      time: 1e7
  substances:
    - tracer
  time:
    end_time: 1e10
  output_stream:
    time_step: 1e7
    file: transport.msh
    format: !gms
    variant: ascii
  balance:
    cumulative: true
```