

Numerical Formulation of IFV for Unstructured Grids

The partial differential equation of the general form

$$\frac{\partial A}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} = \mathcal{S}, \quad (1)$$

with accumulation term A , source/sink term \mathcal{S} , and flux term \mathbf{F} of the form

$$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{q}\rho X - \phi D\rho \nabla X, \quad (2)$$

can be solved numerically through discretized integrated finite volume equations.

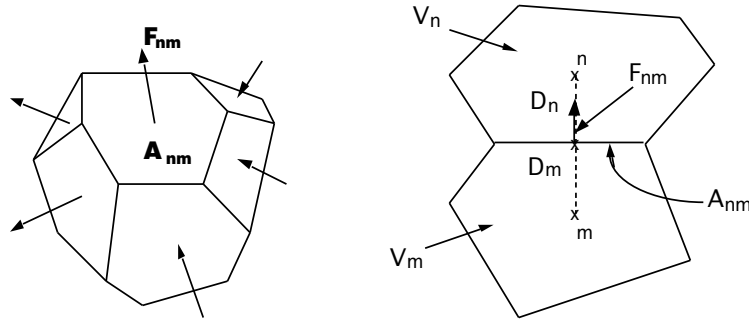


Figure 1: General unstructured grid showing control volume, and interfacial areas and fluxes.

Partitioning the computational domain into a set of finite volumes V_n (see Figure 1) and integrating the partial differential equations over each volume yields a discretized form of the mass conservation equations. The following results are obtained:

$$\int_{V_n} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} A dV \approx \frac{A_n^{t+\Delta t} - A_n^t}{\Delta t} V_n, \quad (3)$$

for the accumulation term,

$$\int_{V_n} \mathcal{S} dV \approx \mathcal{S}_n V_n, \quad (4)$$

for the source term, and

$$\int_{V_n} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} dV = \int_{\partial V_n} \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{dS} \approx \sum_{n'} F_{nn'} A_{nn'}, \quad (5)$$

for the flux term, where ∂V_n denotes the surface of V_n , and the sum is over the neighboring volumes connected to V_n . The flux $F_{nn'}$ across the $n-n'$ interface connecting volumes V_n and $V_{n'}$ is defined by

$$F_{nn'} = (q\rho)_{nn'} X_{nn'} - (\phi D\rho)_{nn'} \frac{X_n - X_{n'}}{d_n + d_{n'}}, \quad (6)$$

where the subscript nn' indicates that the quantity is evaluated at the interface, and the quantities d_n , $d_{n'}$ denote the distances from the centers of the control volumes V_n , $V_{n'}$ to the their

common interface with interfacial area $A_{nn'}$. Combining these results gives the residual equation for the discretized form of the partial differential equations

$$R_n = (A_n^{k+1} - A_n^k) \frac{V_n}{\Delta t} + \sum_{n'} F_{nn'} A_{nn'} - \mathcal{S}_n V_n, \quad (7)$$

where, in general, R_n is a nonlinear function of the independent field variables and superscript k denotes the k th time step. These equations may be solved using a Newton-Raphson iteration technique in which the discretized equations are first linearized resulting in the Newton-Raphson equations

$$\sum_{n'} J_{nn'}^i \delta x_{n'}^{i+1} = -R_n^i, \quad (8)$$

for the i th iteration, with the Jacobian matrix $J_{nn'}^i$ defined by

$$J_{nn'}^i = \frac{\partial R_n^i}{\partial x_{n'}^i}. \quad (9)$$

Typically, for solving the flow equations $\delta x_n = \delta p_n$, where p denotes the fluid pressure, whereas for the reactive transport equations $\delta x_n = \delta \ln C_{jn}$, where C_{jn} denotes the concentration of the j th chemical species.

An explicit method is used to solve the mineral mass transfer equations

$$\frac{\partial \phi_m}{\partial t} = \bar{V}_m I_m, \quad (10)$$

given by:

$$\phi_m(\mathbf{r}, t + \Delta t) = \phi_m(\mathbf{r}, t) + \Delta t \bar{V}_m I_m(\mathbf{r}, t), \quad (11)$$

with mineral volume fraction ϕ_m and molar volume \bar{V}_m , where the mineral reaction rate $I_m(\mathbf{r}, t)$ is taken from the previous time step.

Pseudo code illustrating implementation of the IFV method. Pseudo is given below for the flow equation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \phi \rho + \nabla \cdot \rho \mathbf{u} = 0, \quad (12)$$

with \mathbf{u} given by Darcy's law

$$\mathbf{u} = -\frac{\kappa}{\mu} \nabla (p - W \rho g z), \quad (13)$$

with permeability κ , viscosity μ , molar fluid density ρ , formula weight of water W , and acceleration of gravity g .

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!accumulation term
do n = 1, grid%nlmax ! For each local node do...
  ng = grid%nl2G(n) ! corresponding ghost index
  voldt = porosity_loc_p(ng) * volume_p(n) / grid%dt
  r_p(jn) = (ddensity_loc_p(ng) - density_p(n)) * voldt
enddo
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!flux terms
do nc = 1, grid%nconn ! For each interior connection...
  m1 = grid%nd1(nc) ! node indices other either side of face nc
  m2 = grid%nd2(nc)

  n1 = grid%nG2L(m1) ! local node indices
  n2 = grid%nG2L(m2)

  dd1 = grid%dist1(nc) ! distances to interface
  dd2 = grid%dist2(nc)

  ip1 = grid%iperm1(nc) ! permeability direction
  ip2 = grid%iperm2(nc)

  if (ip1 == 1) then
    perm1 = perm_xx_loc_p(m1) ! permeability in x-direction
  else if (ip1 == 2) then
    perm1 = perm_yy_loc_p(m1) ! permeability in y-direction
  else
    perm1 = perm_zz_loc_p(m1) ! permeability in z-direction
  endif

  if (ip2 == 1) then
    perm2 = perm_xx_loc_p(m2)
  else if (ip2 == 2) then
    perm2 = perm_yy_loc_p(m2)
  else
    perm2 = perm_zz_loc_p(m2)
  endif

  dd = dd1 + dd2
  f1 = dd1/dd
  f2 = dd2/dd

  gravity = grid%fmwh2o * grid%gravity * grid%delz(nc)

  D1 = perm1 / viscosity_loc_p(m1)
  D2 = perm2 / viscosity_loc_p(m2)

  D = (D1 * D2) / (dd2*D1 + dd1*D2)

  density_ave = f2 * ddensity_loc_p(m1) + f1* ddensity_loc_p(m2)

  v_darcy = -D * (ppressure_loc_p(m2) - ppressure_loc_p(m1) &
    - gravity * density_ave)

  q = v_darcy * grid%area(nc)
  flux = density_ave * q

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! Now add the flux contributions for this phase.
! Note that fluxes through a downstream face should be added to the
! residual component at the cell, while fluxes through an upstream face
! should be subtracted. (The divergence gives the net OUTFLOW rate per
! unit volume.) Thus, when working with pressure differences,
! (ppressure(jm2) - ppressure(jm1)) should be *subtracted* at the
! upstream node n1 because  $q = -D \cdot \text{div}(P)$ .

if (n1 > 0) then ! If the upstream node is not a ghost node...
    r_p(n1) = r_p(n1) + flux
endif

if (n2 > 0) then ! If the downstream node is not a ghost node...
    r_p(n2) = r_p(n2) - flux
endif
enddo
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