Numerical Formulation of IFV for Unstructured Grids

The partial differential equation of the general form

$$\frac{\partial A}{\partial t} + \boldsymbol{\nabla} \cdot \boldsymbol{F} = \mathcal{S}, \tag{1}$$

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

$$\boldsymbol{F} = \boldsymbol{q}\rho \boldsymbol{X} - \phi \boldsymbol{D}\rho \boldsymbol{\nabla} \boldsymbol{X}, \tag{2}$$

can be solved numerically through discretized integrated finite volume equations.

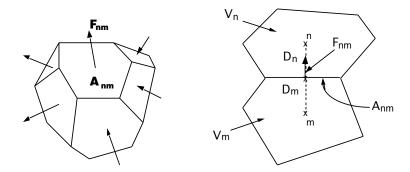


Figure 1: General unstructured grid showing control volume, and interfacial areas and fluxes.

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

$$\int_{V_n} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} A \, dV \simeq \frac{A_n^{t+\Delta t} - A_n^t}{\Delta t} V_n,\tag{3}$$

for the accumulation term,

$$\int_{V_n} \mathcal{S} \, dV \simeq \mathcal{S}_n V_n,\tag{4}$$

for the source term, and

$$\int_{V_n} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} \, dV = \int_{\partial V_n} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S} \simeq \sum_{n'} F_{nn'} A_{nn'}, \tag{5}$$

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

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

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

$$R_{n} = \left(A_{n}^{k+1} - A_{n}^{k}\right) \frac{V_{n}}{\Delta t} + \sum_{n'} F_{nn'} A_{nn'} - \mathcal{S}_{n} V_{n}, \tag{7}$$

where, in general, R_n is a nonlinear function of the independent field variables and superscript k denotes the kth 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

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

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

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

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 jth chemical species.

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

$$\frac{\partial \varphi_m}{\partial t} = \overline{V}_m I_m, \tag{10}$$

given by:

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

with mineral volume fraction φ_m and molar volume \overline{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

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\varphi\rho + \boldsymbol{\nabla}\cdot\rho\boldsymbol{u} = 0, \tag{12}$$

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

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

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

!accumulation term

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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
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r_p(jn) = (ddensity_loc_p(ng) - density_p(n)) * voldt
!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
     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)
     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)
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q = v_darcy * grid%area(nc)
  flux = density_ave * q
    ! 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*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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