

PDE System and Related Equations for PSA

Dimensionless variables

$$\bar{P} = \frac{P}{P_0}, \bar{T} = \frac{T}{T_0}, x_i = \frac{q_i}{q_s}, \bar{u}_z = \frac{u_z}{u_0}, \tau = \frac{tu_0}{L}, Z = \frac{z}{L}$$

Component mass balance

$$\frac{\partial y_i}{\partial \tau} = \frac{1}{Pe} \left(\frac{\partial^2 y_i}{\partial Z^2} + \frac{1}{\bar{P}} \frac{\partial \bar{P}}{\partial Z} \frac{\partial y_i}{\partial Z} - \frac{1}{\bar{T}} \frac{\partial \bar{T}}{\partial Z} \frac{\partial y_i}{\partial Z} \right) - \bar{u}_z \frac{\partial y_i}{\partial Z} + \frac{\psi \bar{T}}{\bar{P}} \rho_s \left((y_i - 1) \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial \tau} + y_i \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{\partial x_j}{\partial \tau} \right)$$

$$Pe = \frac{u_0 L}{D_L}$$

$$D_L = 0.7 D_m + r_p u_0$$

$$\psi = \frac{(1-\varepsilon) R T_0 q_s}{\varepsilon P_0}$$

Overall mass balance

$$\frac{\partial \bar{P}}{\partial \tau} = \left(-\bar{P} \frac{\partial \bar{u}_z}{\partial Z} - \bar{u}_z \frac{\partial \bar{P}}{\partial Z} + \bar{u}_z \frac{\bar{P}}{\bar{T}} \frac{\partial \bar{T}}{\partial Z} \right) - \psi \bar{T} \sum_i \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\bar{P}}{\bar{T}} \frac{\partial \bar{T}}{\partial \tau}$$

Energy balance

$$\frac{\partial \bar{T}}{\partial \tau} = \pi_1 \frac{\partial^2 \bar{T}}{\partial Z^2} - \pi_2 \bar{u}_z \frac{\partial \bar{T}}{\partial Z} + \sum_i \pi_{3i} \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial \tau}$$

$$\pi_1 = \frac{1}{\varepsilon C_{pg} \rho_g + (1-\varepsilon)(C_{ps} \rho_s + C_{pa} q_s)} \frac{K_z}{u_0 L}$$

$$\pi_2 = \frac{1}{\varepsilon C_{pg} \rho_g + (1-\varepsilon)(C_{ps} \rho_s + C_{pa} q_s)} \varepsilon C_{pg} \rho_g$$

$$\pi_3 = \frac{1}{\varepsilon C_{pg} \rho_g + (1-\varepsilon)(C_{ps} \rho_s + C_{pa} q_s)} \frac{(1-\varepsilon)(-\Delta H_i) q_s \rho_s}{T_0}$$

$$\rho_g = \frac{\bar{P} P_0}{R \bar{T} T_0}$$

$$\Delta H_i = \Delta U_i - R \bar{T} T_0$$

Linear driving force

$$\frac{\partial x_i}{\partial \tau} = \frac{k_i L}{u_0} (x_i^* - x_i)$$

Ergun equation

$$-\frac{\partial \bar{P}}{\partial Z} = \frac{150 \mu (1-\varepsilon)^2 L u_0}{4 r_p^2 \varepsilon^3 P_0} \bar{u}_z + \frac{1.75 (1-\varepsilon) L u_0^2}{2 r_p \varepsilon^3 P_0} \left(\sum_i M W_i y_i \rho_g \right) x_i |x_i|$$

Dual-site Langmuir isotherm

$$q_i = \frac{q_{b,i} B_i y_i P}{1 + \sum_i B_i y_i P} + \frac{q_{d,i} D_i y_i P}{1 + \sum_i D_i y_i P}$$

$$B_i = b_i e^{-\frac{\Delta U_{b,i}}{RT}}$$

$$D_i = d_i e^{-\frac{\Delta U_{d,i}}{RT}}$$

Weighted Essentially Non-Oscillatory (WENO) scheme

Backward:

$$f_{j+0.5} = \frac{\alpha_{0,j}}{\alpha_{0,j} + \alpha_{1,j}} \left[\frac{1}{2} (f_j + f_{j+1}) \right] + \frac{\alpha_{1,j}}{\alpha_{0,j} + \alpha_{1,j}} \left(\frac{3}{2} f_j - \frac{1}{2} f_{j+1} \right)$$

$$\alpha_{0,j} = \frac{2}{3} \frac{1}{(f_{j+1} - f_j + \delta)^4}$$

$$\alpha_{1,j} = \frac{1}{3} \frac{1}{(f_j - f_{j-1} + \delta)^4}$$

Forward:

$$f_{j+0.5} = \frac{\alpha_{0,j}}{\alpha_{0,j} + \alpha_{1,j}} \left[\frac{1}{2} (f_j + f_{j+1}) \right] + \frac{\alpha_{1,j}}{\alpha_{0,j} + \alpha_{1,j}} \left(\frac{3}{2} f_{j+1} - \frac{1}{2} f_{j+2} \right)$$

$$\alpha_{0,j} = \frac{2}{3} \frac{1}{(f_j - f_{j+1} + \delta)^4}$$

$$\alpha_{1,j} = \frac{1}{3} \frac{1}{(f_{j+1} - f_{j+2} + \delta)^4}$$

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