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Transport processes in rock and soil

Lecture 5

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Plan

- Boundary conditions for solute transport equation (advection-diffusion)
- Sorption
 - Another transport process
 - Liquid phase / solid phase interaction
 - Little change of the governing equation but possibly substantially changed properties

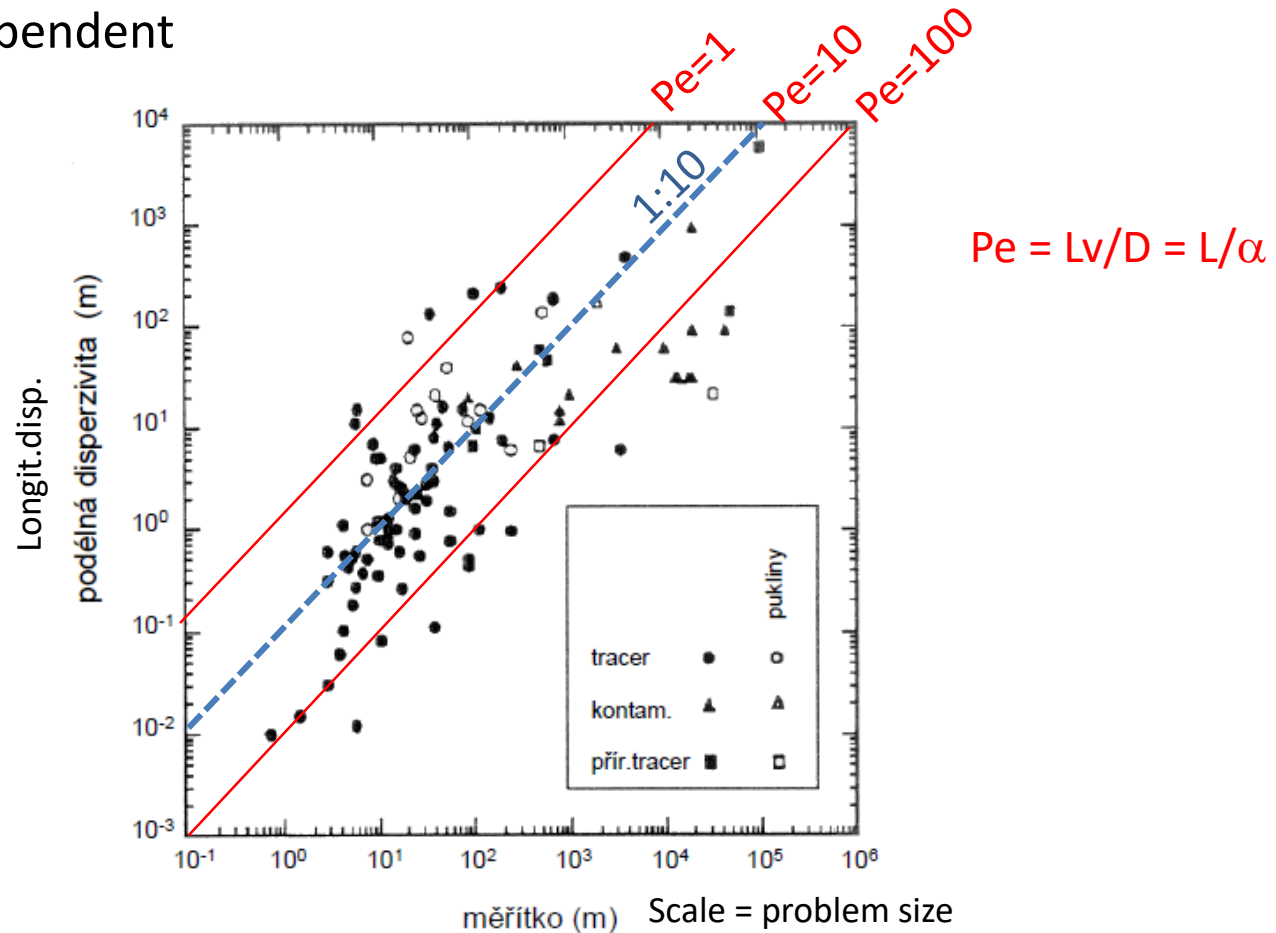
Discussion

- Which transport phenomena?



Additional comment

- Amount of hydrodynamic dispersion (longitudinal dispersivity)
 - Scale dependent

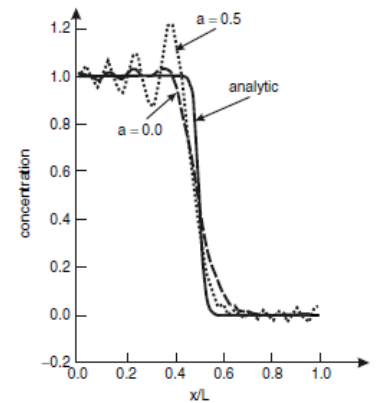


- Where is the Peclet number in the diagram?

Okrajové a počáteční podmínky

- Rovnice
 - PDE 2nd order parabolic / 1st order hyperbolic

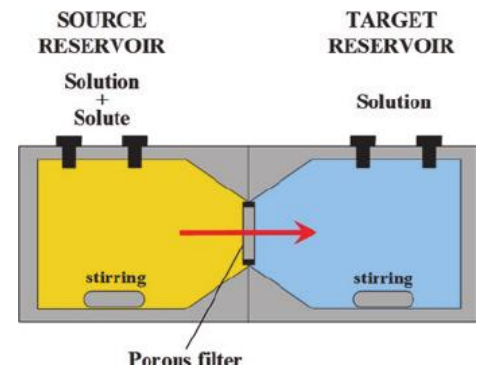
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- Boundary conditions classification
 - 1st / 2nd / 3rd (unknown / derivative)
- Physical meaning ?
 - concentration / mass flux

Boundary condition of the first kind

- Prescribed concentration $c(\mathbf{x}, t) = c_D(\mathbf{x}, t)$
- Part of the boundary with “inflow” to the domain
 - Assumption of dominant advection (influence only in the flow direction)
- Contact with perfect-mixed reservoir
 - E.g. laboratory diffusion experiment
- Measured temporal evolution of concentration

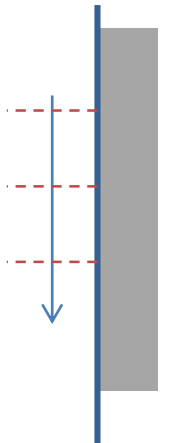


Boundary with prescribed flux

- Total mass flux
- B.c. of the third kind

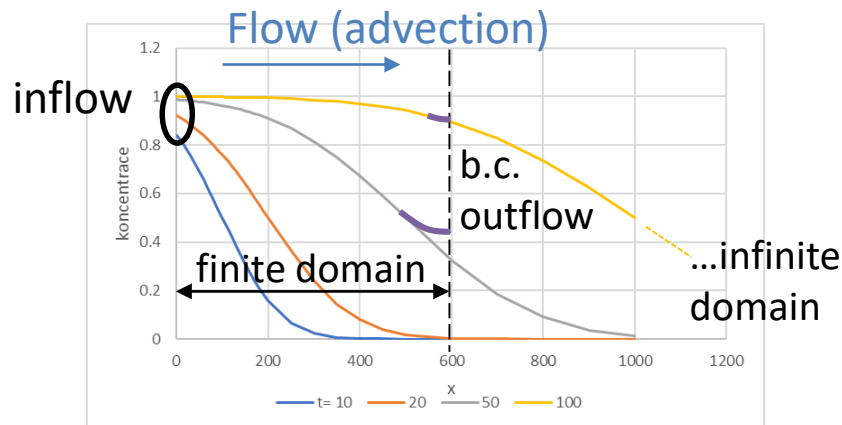
$$q_c = n(c\mathbf{v}) - D_h(\nabla c)$$

- Where is the second kind b.c.?
- “isolated boundary”
 - Zero mass flux, zero water flow
(no advection) ... $\vec{q} \cdot \vec{\nu} = 0$...
 - $D_h \nabla c \cdot \vec{\nu} = 0$... homogeneous b.c. 2nd kind



“Outflow” boundary

- No boundary condition for pure advection
 - 1st order equation
(analog: ordinary diff.e. 1st / 2nd order)
 - „one-way interaction“
- Advection-dispersion with dominant advection?
 - Total flux = advective flux ... $-(D_h \nabla c) \cdot \nu = q_{\text{disp}} = 0$



Analytical solution:

$$\frac{c(x,t) - c_0}{c_c - c_0} = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{erfc}\left(\frac{Rx - vt}{2\sqrt{DRt}}\right) + \sqrt{\frac{v^2 t}{\pi DR}} \exp\left(-\frac{(Rx - vt)^2}{4DRt}\right) - \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{vx}{D} + \frac{v^2 t}{DR}\right) \exp\left(\frac{vx}{D}\right) \operatorname{erfc}\left(\frac{Rx + vt}{2\sqrt{DRt}}\right)$$

(Císlerová, Vogel – equation 139)

Solute transport – additional processes

- Mass balance:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_V n c \, dV = - \int_{\partial V} \mathbf{q}_c \cdot d\mathbf{S} + \int_V (P^+ c^* + P^- c) \, dV + \int_V r \, dV$$

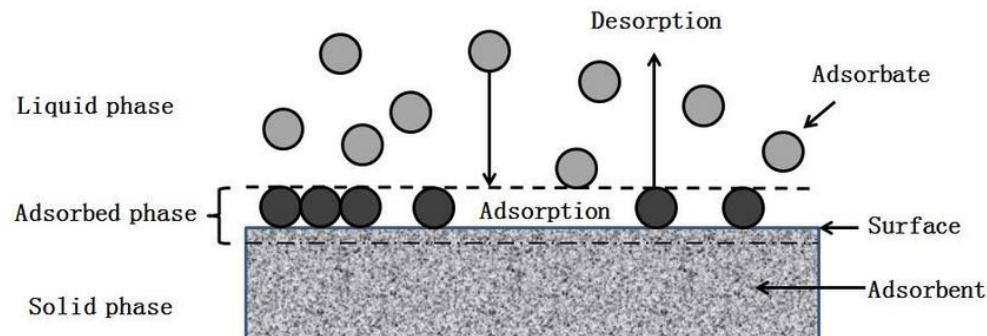
accumulation
flux
production/consumption

$$n \frac{\partial c}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (c \mathbf{q}) - n \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{D}_h \nabla c) = P^+ c^* + P^- c + r$$

advection
dispersion

– In the solution only

- Other form (phase) of the transported substance = adsorbed



Sorption

Immobilization of mass from pore solution at the surface of solid particles (matrix)

Either as chemical bond or by physical interaction

Direction: adsorption / desorption

Distinguish adsorption (surface) / absorption (volume)

For transport in porous medium – more generalized mass balance expression ... mass in two forms (two positions)

	Solute (liquid)	Solid phase
Per volume of the same phase	Dissolve mass / water volume ... c	Adsorbed mass per solid matrix volume ... s
Per mass of the same phase		\bar{s}
Per volume of whole p.m.	$\tilde{c} = nc$	$\tilde{s} \quad \tilde{s} = (1 - n)s$

Conversions:

Solid phase density

$$\rho_s$$

Bulk density ... “dry density” of p.m.

(suchá objemová hmotnost)

$$\rho_b = (1 - n)\rho_s$$

$$\bar{s} = \frac{s}{\rho_s} = \frac{\tilde{s}}{\rho_b}$$

Mass balance equation

accumulation:

both solute and adsorbed

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_V (\tilde{c} + \tilde{s}) dV = - \int_{\partial V} \mathbf{q}_c \cdot d\mathbf{S} + \int_V (P^+ c^* + P^- c) dV$$

$$-\nabla \cdot (c\mathbf{v}) + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{D}_h \nabla c)$$

The same transport mechanisms in solute phase (pore water)

- Two unknown functions: $c(x,t)$, $s(x,t)$
- New constitutive relation needed between c and s

Classification

- Equilibrium
 - Immediate mass transfer (infinite rate)
 - Relation $s=f(c)$
- Non-equilibrium
 - Limited rate
 - Controlled by “distance” from equilibrium
 - Relation: $\text{rate}(c,s)$ or $g(f(c)-s)$
- $s=f(c)$ linear/non-linear

Sorption isotherms (shown 3 simplified semi-empirical relations)

= at fixed temperature ... $s=f_{(T)}(c)$

Sorption isotherms

- **Linear** $\bar{s} = K_D c$ K_D [m³/kg]
[kg/kg] [kg/m³] k_D [1]
 - One parameter: distribution coefficient K_D
 - Other form $s = k_D c = \rho_s K_D c$
 - Typically valid for very low concentrations
- **Freundlich** $\bar{s} = K_F c^a$
 - Nonlinear, two parameters
 - Typically $a < 1$
 - Empirical: linear regression of measured data in log-log graph

Sorption isotherms

- Langmuir

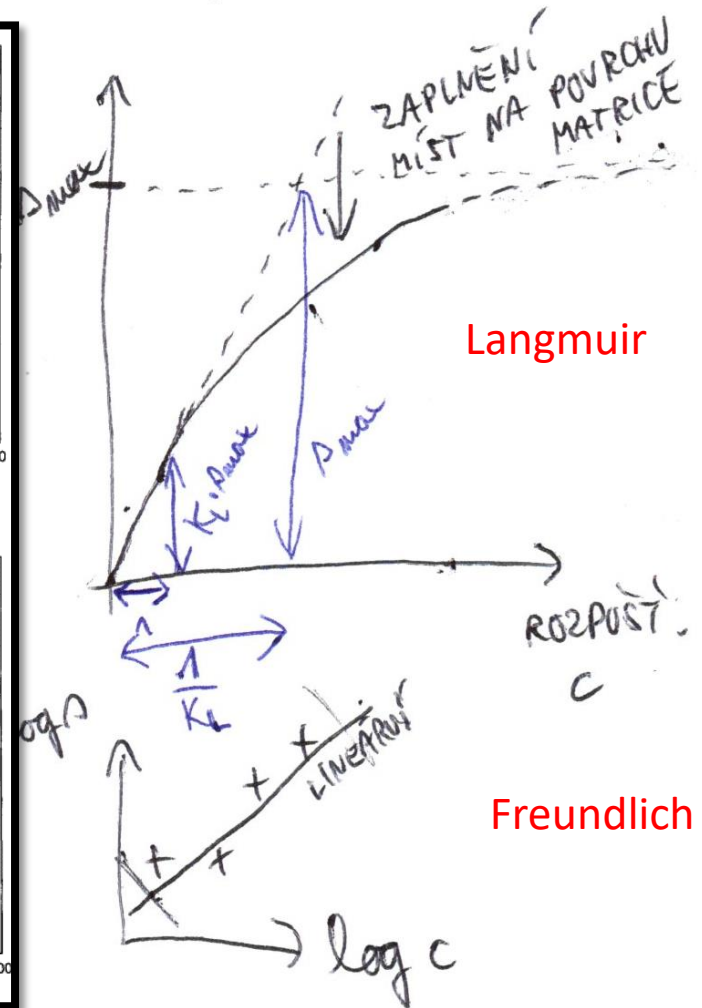
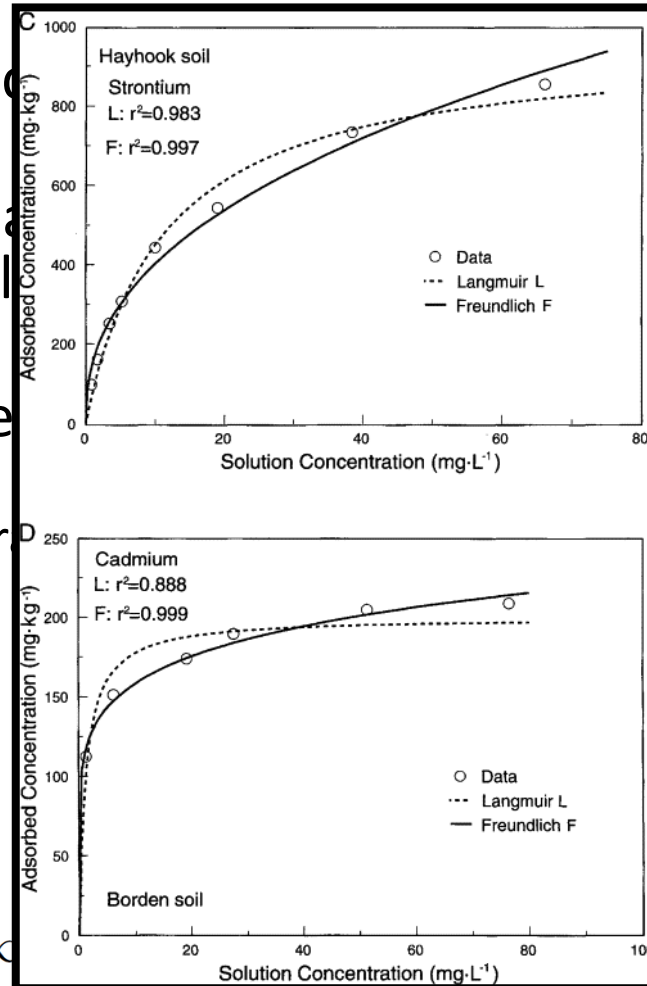
- Closest to equilibrium principles
- Respects saturation of sorption plane surface
- Asymptote
 - Maximal concentration

$$\bar{s} = \frac{K_L \bar{s}_{\max} c}{1 + K_L c}$$

Check behaviour:

$c \rightarrow 0$
 $c \rightarrow \infty$

Fitting data example



Mass balance equation

accumulation:

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$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{\tilde{V}} (\tilde{c} + \tilde{s}) dV = - \int_{\partial V} \mathbf{q}_c \cdot d\mathbf{S} + \int_{\tilde{V}} (P^+ c^* + P^- c) dV$$

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Substitution to transport equation (linear case)

$$\tilde{c} = nc$$

$$\tilde{s} = (1 - n)s = (1 - n)k_D c$$

Linear isotherm

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(nc + (1 - n)k_D c \right) + \nabla \cdot (c\mathbf{q}) - n\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{D}_h \nabla c) = \dots$$

$$\left(n + (1 - n)k_D \right) \frac{\partial c}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (c\mathbf{q}) - n\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{D}_h \nabla c) = \dots$$

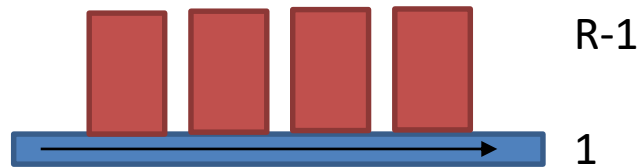
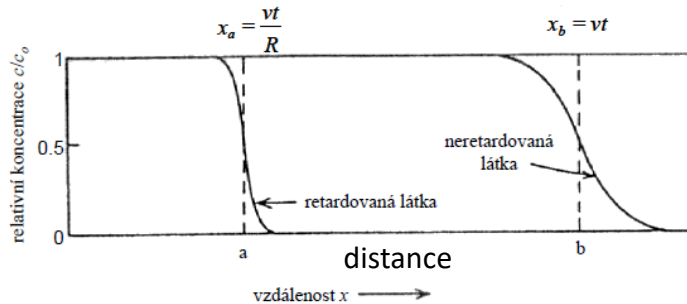
$$\left(1 + \frac{(1 - n)}{n} k_D \right) \frac{\partial c}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (c\mathbf{v}) - \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{D}_h \nabla c) = \dots$$

$$R = 1 + k_D \frac{1 - n}{n} = 1 + \frac{\rho_b K_D}{n}$$

Retardation factor

... the same equation/solution

but R times slower evolution in time



Example:

$K_D \dots 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3/\text{kg}$
 $c = 1 \text{ g/l}$
 kg/m^3
 $n = 0,05$
 1 LITR
 rozp.
 0,05 g

$\rho_s = 2000 \text{ kg/m}^3$
 $(1 - 0,05) 2000 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot 1$
 2 g SORB.
 1,95

$R = 40$

Ba na žule granite
 $K_D = 0,05 \text{ m}^3/\text{kg}$
 $\rho_s = 2700 \text{ kg/m}^3$
 $n = 0,01$
 $R = 13500$

Transport with non-linear isotherm

Equilibrium

Immediate mass transfer (infinite rate)

Relation $s=f(c)$



Gradual change of $c(x,t)$, $s(x,t)$
(infinite rate only possible for initial non-equilibrium)

Equation

- Balance for pore water
- Mass transfer rate between solute and sorbed as the source/sink
 - Transfer rate = rate of change of the sorbed mass

$$n \frac{\partial c}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (c\mathbf{q}) - n \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{D}_h \nabla c) = P^+ c^* + P^- c + r$$

Per total volume

$$\tilde{r}_s = - \frac{\partial (s(1-n))}{\partial t} = -k_D(1-n) \frac{\partial c}{\partial t}$$

Per total volume

Linear isotherm

- For linear isotherm – the same form with the retardation factor
- For nonlinear – retardation factor depends on c
... nonlinear equation

$$\tilde{r}_s = - \frac{\partial (s(1-n))}{\partial t} = -(1-n) \left(\frac{\partial s}{\partial c} \right) \frac{\partial c}{\partial t}$$

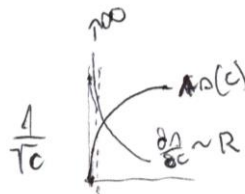
Nonlinear isotherm $s(c)$

$$R = 1 + \frac{1-n}{n} \cdot \frac{\partial s}{\partial c}$$

Example

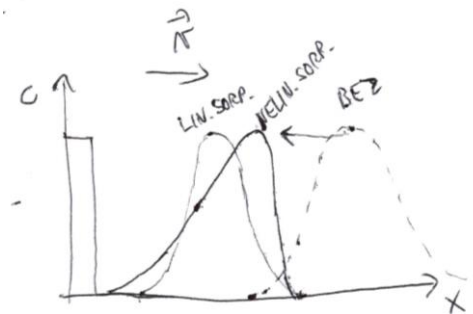
$$\bar{s} = K_F c^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\frac{\partial \bar{s}}{\partial c} = \frac{1}{2} K_F c^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$



$c \rightarrow 0 \dots R \rightarrow \infty$

MATEMATICKÝ UMĚLÉ
Artifact of mathematical representation



Non-equilibrium sorption

- Transfer rate as function of c and s $\tilde{r}_s = (1 - n) \alpha (s - k_D c)$
- System of one partial and one ordinary differential equation
 – Unknowns $c(x,t)$, $s(x,t)$
 kg/s/m³, per total volume

$$\frac{\partial c}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot (c\mathbf{v}) + \nabla \cdot (D_h \nabla c) + \frac{1-n}{n} \alpha (s - k_D c) \quad \text{Per volume of pores}$$

$$\frac{\partial s}{\partial t} = -\alpha (s - k_D c) \quad \text{Per volume of solid}$$

- Analogous system for solute transport in dual-porosity media (mobile and immobile pores)

Reaction term (mass source/sink)

- Chemical reactions
- “Multispecies”/”Multicomponent” solute transport ... individual ions
- Reactions between ions and with solid minerals
- Later in the semester
- Simple empirical models
... zero and first order reaction

$$r = \frac{\partial c}{\partial t} = k_0,$$
$$r = \frac{\partial c}{\partial t} = k_1 c$$

- Special case: radioactive decay
 - Possible for single-specie transport if the product is not of interest

$$r = -\lambda c \quad \lambda = \frac{\ln 2}{T_{1/2}}$$

- End
- Thank you
for your
attention