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In this paper we develop an upscaling technique for non-Darcy flow in porous media. Non-Darcy model of flow applies to flow in porous media when large velocities occur. The well-posedness results for theory of quasilinear elliptic partial differential equations. To discretize the model we used lowest order Raviart-Thomas mixed finite element spaces. The resulting non-linear system is solved using fixed point iteration; we provide sufficient conditions for this iteration to converge. Then we formulate an upscaling method for non-Darcy flow extending a method by Durlofsky originally given for Darcy flow. The method computes effective coefficients which can be used to simulate the Darcy flow on a coarse grid. We compare numerical results for Darcy and non-Darcy flow and upscaling results for two scenarios; in all cases results apply to a problem with rate-specified wells. ©Copyright by Cristiano Rodrigues Garibotti March 8, 2007 All Rights Reserved

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1. INTRODUCTION

"A porous medium is a heterogeneous material consisting of a solid matrix and a pore space contained therein" [15]. Porous media occur in many areas of applied science and engineering: mechanics (acoustics, geomechanics, soil mechanics, rock mechanics), engineering (petroleum engineering, construction engineering), geosciences (hydrogeology, petroleum geology, geophysics), biology and biophysics, material science, etc. Fluid flow through porous media is a subject of most common interest and has emerged a separate field of study.

In this paper we focus on applications in the geosciences, more specifically in modeling and simulation of fluid flows in petroleum reservoirs. The goals of this paper are to present a unified technique for solving the pressure equation that arises from the Darcy's ¹ (linear) and non-Darcy's (non linear) law for single phase flow, and to use it in *upscaling*. Darcy's equations applies to a fluid flowing at low velocity, which linearly correlates pressure drop and velocity. Non-Darcy's flow is governed by the Forchheimer² equations

¹Henry Philibert Gaspard Darcy (1803 to 1858) was a French engineer. He invented the modern style Pitot tube, was the first researcher to suspect the existence of the boundary layer in fluid flow, contributed in the development of the Darcy-Weisbach equation for pipe flow resistance, made major contributions to open channel flow research and of course developed Darcy's Law for flow in porous media. His Law is a foundation stone for several fields of study including ground-water hydrology, soil physics, and petroleum engineering. http://biosystems.okstate.edu/darcy/

²Philipp Forchheimer (1852 to 1933): Austrian hydraulic engineer who made significant studies of groundwater hydrology. Early in his academic career, he worked on problems of soil mechanics. Later, he turned to hydraulic problems, establishing the scientific basis of the discipline by applying standard techniques of mathematical physics - in particular Laplace's equation - to problems of groundwater movement. Laplace's equation had already been well developed for heat

for which the gradient of pressure and its velocity are nonlinearly related.

This paper is composed of seven chapters as follows. In the second chapter of this paper we present the physical model for both Darcy's and non-Darcy's flows and give results on well-posedness of the models. We also present the mixed variational form of Darcy's flow that will be used later to show the equivalence between cell-centered finite difference and mixed finite element formulations on rectangular grid.

In Chapter 3 we apply the cell-center finite difference method to solve the pressure equation that arrives from Darcy's formulation. We also describe the mixed finite element formulation and its equivalence to the cell-centered finite difference method when we use certain quadrature rules on a rectangular grid. The boundary conditions are treated separately for three different types: no-flow(Newman), Dirichlet and periodic. We also discuss the implementation of production and injection wells. The chapter ends with a brief explanation on the solution of the linear system.

Chapter 4 is used to extend the cell-center finite difference method to the non-Darcy's model and to present the nonlinear solver chosen to deal with the nonlinear difference equation generated for the Forchheimer equation. We make use of the fixed point method to deal with the non-linearities of the discrete non-Darcy model. The fixed point theory is briefly described and sufficient conditions for the convergence of the fixed point method are derived.

In Chapter 5, we describe a method of calculating *effective grid block permeability*. This application arrives from the fact that we need to adapt highly detailed geological models to computational grids. Due the difference between these two scales we need to scale up some of the microscale rock properties (permeability in our case) to be used in a coarse grid simulation. This process is called *upscaling*. The theory for *upscaling* has been

flow and fluid flow. Forchheimer extended the preexisting mathematical theory to calculations of groundwater flow. He was also the first to both mathematically and experimentally examine the features of dambreak waves in a rectangular channel (with his PhD student Armin Schoklitsch). http://www.todayinsci.com/cgi-bin/indexpage.pl?http://www.todayinsci.com/8/8_07.html

developed in [8] for Darcy flow. Here we extend these ideas to the non-Darcy flow and discuss the consequences of the nonlinear behavior of the equation to the calculation of the effective permeability. We end the chapter by showing how to calculate the *effective* Forchheimer parameter β .

Chapter 6 is dedicated to numerical experiments. We simulate first a 2-injection/2production well model in order to compare the solutions for Darcy's and non-Darcy's problems. Next, we calculate the effective permeability on a square domain for two distinct scenarios. Then the upscaled values for permeabilities are used to simulate a 1-injection/1production well model for the two distinct scenarios. A method of comparison of the upscaled solution on coarse grid to the one on fine grid is developed.

Chapter 7 contains conclusions from this work and lists future work. The code used in the thesis is attached in the Appendix.

2. PHYSICAL MODEL AND ANALYSIS

Porous media appear in nature and manufactured materials. Soils and aquifers are examples in geosciences; porous catalysts, concrete, ceramics, moisture absorbabsorbentsants are important in chemical engineering. Even the human skin and the placenta can be considered porous media. We are interested in modeling and simulation of fluid flows in both petroleum and groundwater reservoirs. In this chapter we present the basic equations that describe the flow of a fluid in porous media using terminology referring to natural soil as porous medium. We start with a linear model created by H. Darcy in 1856 [6] and extend it to a nonlinear model, known as generalized Forchheimer model [11]. We also present the variational form of Darcy's flow.

2.1. Darcy Flow

Consider the system of partial differential equations representing the two physical principles

$$\mathbf{u} = -\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x})(\nabla p - \rho \mathbf{g}), \quad \mathbf{x} \in \Omega \quad (\text{Darcy's law}), \tag{2.1}$$

$$\phi \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \operatorname{div}(\rho \mathbf{u}) = \overline{q}, \quad \mathbf{x} \in \Omega \quad \text{(Conservation of mass)}, \tag{2.2}$$

where Ω is a open bounded domain in two- or three-space, p is the pressure, ρ is the fluid density, **g** is the gravitational vector, **u** is the volumetric flow rate (or velocity) of the fluid, ϕ is the porosity of the medium, and \overline{q} is an external mass flow rate, and **K** is the permeability tensor. In two dimensions, in the x - y coordinate system, **K** is represented as

$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{pmatrix} K_{xx} & K_{xy} \\ K_{yx} & K_{yy} \end{pmatrix}.$$
 (2.3)

 $\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x})$ is possibly discontinuous but bounded below and above by positive constants and is symmetric and uniformly positive definite.

In this paper we assume that the fluid is incompressible, i.e., ρ is constant, and so equation (2.2) becomes

$$\operatorname{div}(\mathbf{u}) = q, \quad \mathbf{x} \in \Omega \tag{2.4}$$

where from now on we use $q = \overline{q}/\rho$ Combining equations (2.1) and (2.4) we get

$$-\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x})(\nabla p - \rho \mathbf{g})) \equiv \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = q \quad \mathbf{x} \in \Omega,$$
(2.5)

We usually assume no-flow boundary conditions in reservoir modeling

$$(\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x})\nabla p)\cdot\nu \equiv \mathbf{u}\cdot\nu = 0 \quad \mathbf{x}\in\partial\Omega.$$
(2.6)

But, in order to deal with some upscaling problems in this work, we also consider Dirichlet boundary conditions of the form

$$p = g(\mathbf{x}) \quad \mathbf{x} \in \partial \Omega,$$

or periodic boundary conditions. If the no-flow, or Neumann boundary conditions, are prescribed, the pressure p is only determined up to an additive constant. One can fix it by requiring

$$\int_{\Omega} p \, dx = 0, \tag{2.7}$$

or by prescribing the pressure at some point in the domain. Also the compatibility condition

$$\int_{\Omega} q \, dx = \int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} \, dx = \int_{\partial \Omega} \mathbf{u} \cdot \nu \, ds = 0$$

must be satisfied for no-flow and periodic boundary conditions. The above condition simply says that the total fluid input to an incompressible system with no-flow boundary must be zero.

2.1.1 Well-posedness of the Model

For simplicity we consider equation (2.5) without the gravity term, i.e.,

$$-\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x})(\nabla p)) = q \quad \mathbf{x} \in \Omega,$$
(2.8)

subject to Neuman boundary conditions

$$(\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x})\nabla p) \cdot \nu \equiv \mathbf{u} \cdot \nu = 0 \quad \mathbf{x} \in \partial\Omega.$$
(2.9)

Here ν is the outward pointing normal defined almost everywhere on Ω .

In order to establish the well-posedness of the above problem we need to define the following linear spaces of functions over Ω :

- $L^2(\Omega)$: space of square-integrable (equivalence classes of) functions over Ω ;
- H^m(Ω): Sobolev space of L²(Ω) functions with square-integrable weak derivatives up to order m;
- $C^k(\Omega)$: set of functions with continuous derivatives up to order k.

We also, are going to make use of the following definitions extracted from [4]:

Definition 1 Let H be a Hilbert space. A bilinear form $a : H \times H \to \mathbb{R}$ is called **continuous** provided there exists C > 0 such that

$$|a(u,v)| \le C ||u|| ||v|| \quad \text{for all } v \in H.$$

A symmetric continuous bilinear form a is called *H*-ellipic, or for short elliptic or coercive, provided for some $\alpha > 0$,

$$a(v,v) \ge \alpha \|v\|^2$$
 for all $v \in H$.

We clearly can see that every H-elliptic bilinear form a induces a norm via

$$\|v\|_{a} = \sqrt{a(v,v)}.$$
(2.10)

This norm is called **energy norm** and it is equivalent to the norm of the Hilbert space H.

Definition 2 A function $f : \mathbb{R}^n \supset D \to \mathbb{R}^m$ is called **Lipschitz continuous** provided that for some number c, $||f(x) - f(y)|| \le c||x - y||$, for all $x, y \in D$. A domain Ω is called a **Lipschitz domain** provided that for every $x \in \partial\Omega$, there is a neighborhood of $\partial\Omega$ which can be represent as a graph of a Lipschitz continuous function.

Clearly the pressure equation (2.8) with Neumann boundary conditions (2.9) determine a function up to a additive constant. This suggests that in formulating the weak version of this problem we restrict ourselves to the subspace

$$V = \{ v \in H^1(\Omega) : \int_{\Omega} v \, d\mathbf{x} = 0 \}$$

Then, let v be a smooth function on Ω , more precisely $v \in V$. Multiply both sides of (2.8) by v and integrate over Ω and use the Stokes theorem to get

$$-\int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x}) \nabla p) v d\mathbf{x} = \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x}) \nabla p \cdot \nabla v d\mathbf{x} - \int_{\partial \Omega} (\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x}) \nabla p) \cdot \nu v = \int_{\Omega} q v d\mathbf{x} \qquad (2.11)$$

for $p \in H^2\Omega$. Then by (2.9) we get

$$\int_{\Omega} \mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x}) \nabla p \cdot \nabla v d\mathbf{x} = \int_{\Omega} q v d\mathbf{x}$$
(2.12)

for all $v \in V$.

The bilinear form

$$a(p,v) = \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x}) \nabla p \cdot \nabla v d\mathbf{x}$$
(2.13)

is not $H^1(\Omega)$ -elliptic, but thanks to the following result it is V-elliptic:

A variant of Friedrichs' inequality [4]: Let Ω be a Lipschitz domain, and suppose

that it satisfies the cone condition³. Then there is a constant $c = c(\Omega)$ such that

$$\|v\|_{L^{2}} \leq c(|\overline{v}| + |v|_{1}) \quad \text{for all } v \in H^{1}(\Omega)$$

with $\overline{v} = \frac{1}{\mu(\Omega)} \int_{\Omega} v(x) dx,$ (2.14)

where is the $\|\cdot\|_1$ represents the Sobolev semi-norm of order 1, and $\mu(\Omega) = \int_{\Omega} 1 dx$.

Now, introducing $\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x})\nabla p$ equations (2.8) and (2.9) become

$$-\operatorname{div} \mathbf{w} = q \text{ in } \Omega, \quad \nu \cdot \mathbf{w} = 0 \text{ on } \partial \Omega.$$

By Gauss integral theorem,

$$\int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div} \mathbf{w} \, d\mathbf{x} = \int_{\partial \Omega} \mathbf{w} \cdot \nu,$$

and thus

$$\int_{\Omega} q d\mathbf{x} = 0. \tag{2.15}$$

By Lax-Milgram Theorem (see Theorem 2.5, pg. 38 in [4]), there exists a unique solution $p \in V$ to

$$a(p,v) = (q,v)_{L^2(\Omega)} \quad \text{for all } v \in V, \tag{2.16}$$

where $(\cdot, \cdot)_{L^2(\Omega)}$ represents the standard scalar product in $L^2(\Omega)$. Because of (2.15), (2.16) also holds for v = const, and thus for all $v \in H^1(\Omega)$. The next theorem allows us to deduce that every classical solution of the variational problem satisfies (2.8)-(2.9).

Theorem 1 Let Ω be bounded, and suppose Ω has piecewise smooth boundary. In addition Ω satisfies the cone condition. Then the variational problem

Find
$$p \in H^1(\Omega)$$
 such that
 $a(p,v) = (q,v)_{L^2(\Omega)} \ \forall v \in V$

$$(2.17)$$

³A domain Ω satisfies a cone condition if there is a fixed cone K such that at any point $y \in \partial \Omega$ one can place the vertex at y with K - y lying within Ω .

has exactly one solution $p \in H^1(\Omega)$. The solution of the variational problem lies in $C^2(\Omega) \cap C^1(\Omega)$ if and only if there exists a classical solution of the boundary-value problem

$$Lp = q \quad \text{in } \Omega,$$

$$\sum_{i,k} \nu_i a_{ik} \partial_k p = 0 \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega,$$
(2.18)

in which case the two solutions are identical.

Here L is a second order elliptic partial differential operator with divergence structure

$$Lp = -\sum_{i,k=1}^{n} \partial_i (a_{i,k}\partial_k p) + a_0 p$$

where $a_0(x) \ge 0$ for $x \in \Omega$.

More general boundary value problems are treated in [20, 21].

2.2. Non-Darcy Flow

Darcy's law can be extended to a model of momentum conservation which is more accurate than Darcy's model (2.1) in order to better describe the flow for larger Reynolds number (*Re*), for example, when the velocities are large. Typically, Darcy's model is valid when $Re \leq 1$ and non-Darcy's model is valid for $1 \leq Re \leq 10^2$. We consider the system of equations that describes a flow of a single-phase fluid in a porous medium subject to non-Darcy flow, also called generalized Forchheimer's law, for which the gradient of pressure and its velocity are nonlinearly related. In particular, assume that the flow of an incompressible fluid is described, as in [7, 16], by the system of equations

$$G(\mathbf{u}) + \nabla p = 0, \qquad \mathbf{x} \in \Omega, \ t \ge 0, \tag{2.19}$$

$$\operatorname{div}(\mathbf{u}) = q, \qquad \mathbf{x} \in \Omega, \ t \ge 0, \tag{2.20}$$

where Ω is a bounded domain in two- or three-space, p is the pressure, \mathbf{u} is the volumetric flow rate (or velocity) of the fluid, ϕ is the porosity of the medium, and q is an external mass flow rate. The function G can be assumed to be smooth function of its arguments and to generate a monotone operator with respect to its velocity argument [7]. The classical form of Forchheimer's law is given by

$$G(\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{K}^{-1}\mathbf{u} + \beta |\mathbf{u}|\mathbf{u}$$
(2.21)

where β is a parameter with units of [length⁻¹], which is called Forchheimer's coefficient [9] and is a porous medium property that needs to be measured experimentally. Combining equations (2.19), (2.20) we have

$$-\nabla \left(A(\mathbf{K},\beta;\mathbf{u})\nabla p \right) = q, \qquad (2.22)$$

where we define

$$A(\mathbf{K},\beta;\mathbf{u}) = \left(\mu\mathbf{K}^{-1} + \beta|\mathbf{u}|\right)^{-1}.$$
 (2.23)

Here the velocity \mathbf{u} is given by

$$\mathbf{u} = \left(\mathbf{K}^{-1} + \beta |\mathbf{u}|\right)^{-1} (-\nabla p).$$
(2.24)

Thus rewriting the velocity in terms of $A(\mathbf{K}, \beta; \mathbf{u})$, we have

$$\mathbf{u} = -A(\mathbf{K}, \beta; \mathbf{u}) \nabla p. \tag{2.25}$$

2.2.1 Well-posedness of the model

We have assumed $G(\rho, \mathbf{u})$ is a smooth function and generate a monotone operator with respect to its velocity. The equation (2.22) is a *quasilinear* elliptic equation. Suppose that (2.22) is also V-coercive, and that Ω is bounded domain in \mathbb{R}^n . Then the existence and uniqueness of (2.22) subject to Neuman or Dirichlet boundary conditions is guaranteed by the Browder-Vishik Theorem [21].

2.3. Mixed Variational Form of Darcy's Flow

Let $H(div; \Omega)$, with Ω being a bounded, open subset of \mathbb{R}^2 , be the set of vector functions $\mathbf{v} \in (L^2(\Omega))^2$ such that $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} \in L^2(\Omega)$, where $\nabla \cdot$ is taken in the sense of weak derivatives. Let

$$V = \{ \mathbf{v} \in H(div; \Omega) : \mathbf{v} \cdot \nu = 0 \text{ on } \partial \Omega \}.$$
 (2.26)

Let $W = L^2(\Omega)$. To obtain a variational form of (2.1),(2.4) and (2.6), we multiply (2.1) by \mathbf{K}^{-1} , and by $\mathbf{v} \in V$, integrate over Ω , integrate by parts, and apply the divergence theorem to see that

$$(\mathbf{K}^{-1}\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) - (p, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}) = 0, \quad \mathbf{v} \in V.$$
(2.27)

Next multiply (2.4) by $w \in W$ and integrate to obtain

$$(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}, w) = (q, w), \quad w \in W.$$
(2.28)

The system (2.27)-(2.28) is the mixed variational form of (2.5), (2.6). If **u** and *p* satisfy (2.1) and (2.4), they also satisfy (2.27)-(2.28). The converse also holds if *p* is sufficiently smooth (eg., if $p \in H^2(\Omega)$) [5]). We will use this form (2.27), (2.28) in Chapter 3.

3. DISCRETIZATION FOR DARCY FLOW

In this chapter we apply the cell-centered finite difference method to discretize Darcy flow problems. For simplicity we consider a rectangular domain Ω . We also present the relation between this method and the mixed finite element formulation on rectangular grids using Raviart-Thomas elements using certain quadrature rules [19]. We approximate the velocity **u** by U, the pressure p by P. Here we assume **K** is a diagonal tensor and we write

$$\mathbf{K} \equiv K = \left(\begin{array}{cc} K_{xx} & 0 \\ 0 & K_{yy} \end{array} \right).$$

Consider the system (2.1),(2.4) and (2.6) which we rewrite here for convenience

$$-\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x})\nabla p) \equiv \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = q \quad \mathbf{x} \in \Omega$$

$$(\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x})\nabla p) \cdot \nu \equiv \mathbf{u} \cdot \nu = 0 \quad \mathbf{x} \in \partial\Omega$$
(3.1)

where Ω is a rectangular bounded domain in \mathbb{R}^2 , i.e., $\Omega = (a, b) \times (c, d)$ with $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$; a < b, c < d. We assume K is smooth enough to theory of Chapter 2. applies and the problem (3.1) is well-posed



FIGURE 3.1: Cell-centered finite difference coordinates

Partition [a, b] into m subintervals of length Δx and [c, d] into l subintervals of length Δy and set (see Figure 3.1)

$$\begin{aligned} x_{k+\frac{1}{2}} &= a + k \Delta x, \\ y_{j+\frac{1}{2}} &= c + j \Delta y, \\ x_{k} &= \frac{\left(x_{k-\frac{1}{2}} + x_{k+\frac{1}{2}}\right)}{2}, \\ y_{j} &= \frac{\left(y_{j-\frac{1}{2}} + y_{j+\frac{1}{2}}\right)}{2}, \\ \Delta x_{k} &= x_{k+\frac{1}{2}} - x_{k-\frac{1}{2}}, \\ \Delta y_{j} &= y_{j+\frac{1}{2}} + y_{j-\frac{1}{2}}, \\ \Delta x_{k+\frac{1}{2}} &= x_{k+1} - x_{k}, \\ \Delta y_{j+\frac{1}{2}} &= y_{j+1} - y_{j}. \end{aligned}$$
(3.2)

3.1. Cell-Centered Finite Difference Method

We discretize (3.1) by replacing derivatives with difference quotients and approximations $P_{k,j} \approx p(x_k, y_j)$, $K_{k,j} \approx \mathbf{K}(x_k, y_j)$, and $Q_{k,j} \approx q(x_k, y_j)$. So, we approximate (3.1) at (x_k, y_j) by

$$-\frac{1}{x_{k+\frac{1}{2}} - x_{k-\frac{1}{2}}} \left[(K_{xx})_{k+\frac{1}{2},j} \frac{P_{k+1,j} - P_{k,j}}{x_{k+1} - x_{k}} - (K_{xx})_{k-\frac{1}{2},j} \frac{P_{k,j} - P_{k-1,j}}{x_{k} - x_{k-1}} \right] \\ -\frac{1}{y_{j+\frac{1}{2}} - y_{j-\frac{1}{2}}} \left[(K_{yy})_{k,j+\frac{1}{2}} \frac{P_{k,j+1} - P_{k,j}}{y_{j+1} - y_{j}} - (K_{yy})_{k,j-\frac{1}{2}} \frac{P_{k,j} - P_{k,j-1}}{y_{j} - y_{j-1}} \right] = Q_{k,j}, \quad (3.3)$$
$$0 \le k \le m, \ 0 \le j \le l.$$

Multiplying (3.3) by $\triangle x_k \triangle y_j$ (the area of a cell) and assuming an uniform grid we get

$$\Delta y_{j} \left[-(T_{x})_{k+\frac{1}{2},j} \left(P_{k+1,j} - P_{k,j} \right) + (T_{x})_{k-\frac{1}{2},j} \left(P_{k,j} - P_{k-1,j} \right) \right] + \Delta x_{k} \left[-(T_{y})_{k,j+\frac{1}{2}} \left(P_{k,j+1} - P_{k,j} \right) + (T_{y})_{k,j-\frac{1}{2}} \left(P_{k,j} - P_{k,j-1} \right) \right] = \Delta x_{k} \Delta y_{j} Q_{k,j},$$

$$0 \leq k \leq m, \ 0 \leq j \leq l.$$

$$(3.4)$$

Here the transmissibilities T_x and T_y defined in [17] are given by

$$(T_x)_{k+\frac{1}{2},j} = \frac{(K_{xx})_{k+\frac{1}{2},j}}{\triangle x_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}; \qquad (T_y)_{k,j+\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{(K_{yy})_{k,j+\frac{1}{2}}}{\triangle y_{j+\frac{1}{2}}}.$$
(3.5)

See Figure 3.2 for illustration.

Since the values for K are known at the center of each cell, the value of K on the boundary between cells is given by the harmonic average of the value for K between the two adjacent cells (cf. Figure 3.2). Thus the transmissibilities become

$$(T_x)_{k+\frac{1}{2},j} = \frac{2\left((K_{xx})_{k,j} (K_{xx})_{k+1,j}\right)}{\left((K_{xx})_{k,j} + (K_{xx})_{k+1,j}\right) \bigtriangleup x_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}, \ (T_y)_{k,j+\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{2\left((K_{yy})_{k,j} (K_{yy})_{k,j+1}\right)}{\left((K_{yy})_{k,j} + (K_{yy})_{k,j+1}\right) \bigtriangleup y_{j+\frac{1}{2}}}.$$

$$(3.6)$$

No-flow boundary conditions are easily incorporated by setting

$$(K_{**})_{\frac{1}{2},j} = (K_{**})_{m+\frac{1}{2},j} = (K_{**})_{k,\frac{1}{2}} = (K_{**})_{k,l+\frac{1}{2}} = 0,$$

where ** = xx or yy.

This method is first order convergent which follows by equivalence to a certain mixed finite element method sown in the next section.



FIGURE 3.2: Permeabilities on the boundary between cells.

3.2. Mixed Finite Element Method

The idea of mixed methods for the pressure equation is to approximate the pressure and velocity simultaneously in a variational method. In this section, following the arguments in [19], we use the mixed finite element method to approximate system (2.27)-(2.28) for finite-dimensional subspaces $V_h \subset V$ and $W_h \subset W$, where V and W are the spaces described in section 2.3. To do that we define the piecewise-polynomial space \mathcal{M} on a rectangular mesh Δ such that the horizontal and vertical edges of rectangles are parallel to the x- and y-coordinate axes, respectively, and adjacent elements completely share their common edge by

$$\mathcal{M}_q^r(\triangle) = \{ \mathbf{v} \in C^q([a, b]) : v \text{ is a polynomial of degree } \leq \mathbf{r} \text{ on each subinterval of } \triangle \}.$$

On a rectangular mesh over the rectangle $a \le x \le b$, $c \le y \le d$, described by \triangle_x and \triangle_y as before, let the spaces of index r, r = 0, 1, 2, ... be

$$W_{h}^{r} = \mathcal{M}_{-1}^{r}(\Delta_{x}) \otimes \mathcal{M}_{-1}^{r}(\Delta_{y}),$$

$$\widetilde{V}_{h}^{r} = [\mathcal{M}_{0}^{r+1}(\Delta_{x}) \otimes \mathcal{M}_{-1}^{r}(\Delta_{y})] \times [\mathcal{M}_{-1}^{r}(\Delta_{x}) \otimes \mathcal{M}_{0}^{r+1}(\Delta_{y})],$$

$$V_{h}^{r} = \{\mathbf{v} = (v_{x}, v_{y}) \in \widetilde{V}_{h}^{r} : v_{x}(a, y) = v_{x}(b, y) = 0, v_{y}(y, a) = v_{y}(x, b) = 0\},$$

$$= \{\mathbf{v} \in \widetilde{V}_{h}^{r} : \mathbf{v} \cdot \nu = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega\},$$

$$(3.7)$$

where h measures the largest linear dimension in the mesh, and \otimes represents tensorproduct.

The approximation of system (2.27)-(2.28) is $\{U, P\} \in V_h \times W_h$ satisfying

$$(K^{-1}U, \mathbf{v}) - (P, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}) = 0, \quad \mathbf{v} \in V_h,$$

$$(\nabla \cdot U, w) = (q, w), \quad w \in W_h.$$

(3.8)

We wish to show that the block-centered finite difference method (3.3) is equivalent to the lowest-order mixed method (3.8 with $V_h = V_h^0, W_h = W_h^0$) with special numerical quadrature rules. In the case r = 0, with partitions \triangle_x and \triangle_y , let the bases for the subspaces be

$$\mathcal{M}_{0}^{1}(\triangle_{x}) : \{v_{k}^{x} : 1 \leq k \leq m-1\}, \quad v_{k}^{x}(x_{n}) = \delta_{kn},$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{-1}^{0}(\triangle_{x}) : \{w_{k}^{x} : 1 \leq k \leq m\} \qquad w_{k}^{x} = 1 \quad \text{if } x_{k-1} < x < x_{k},$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{1}^{0}(\triangle_{y}) : \{v_{j}^{y} : 1 \leq j \leq l-1\}, \qquad v_{j}^{y}(x_{n}) = \delta_{jn},$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{-1}^{0}(\triangle_{y}) : \{w_{j}^{y} : 1 \leq j \leq l\} \qquad w_{j}^{y} = 1 \quad \text{if } y_{j-1} < y < y_{j}.$$
(3.9)

Then bases for $(V_h)_x$, $(V_h)_y$ and W_h are, respectively, $\{v_k^x w_j^y\}$, $\{w_k^x v_j^y\}$, and $\{w_k^x w_j^y\}$. The dimension of V_h is four. The degrees of freedom for V_h are the values of normal components of functions at the midpoint on each edge in Δ_h (cf. Fig. 3.3)



FIGURE 3.3: The rectangular element in $\mathrm{RT}_{[0]}$

We start by writing (3.4) in terms of the Darcy-velocity

$$\Delta y_j \left((U_x)_{k+\frac{1}{2},j} - (U_x)_{k-\frac{1}{2},j} \right) + \Delta x_k \left((U_y)_{k,j+\frac{1}{2}} - (U_y)_{k,j-\frac{1}{2}} \right) = \Delta x_k \Delta y_j q_{k,j}$$
(3.10)

where U_x and U_y are velocity components defined by

$$(U_x)_{k+\frac{1}{2},j} = -(T_x)_{k+\frac{1}{2},j} (P_{k+1,j} - P_{k,j})$$
(3.11)

$$(U_y)_{k,j+\frac{1}{2}} = -(T_y)_{k,j+\frac{1}{2}} (P_{k,j+1} - P_{k,j}).$$
(3.12)

Let U the unique function in V_h^0 satisfying (3.11) and (3.12), and let P be the piecewise-

constant function with cell values $P_{k,j}$. Note that

$$(U_x)_{k+\frac{1}{2},j} - (U_x)_{k-\frac{1}{2},j} = \Delta x_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (U_x), \qquad (U_y)_{k,j+\frac{1}{2}} - (U_y)_{k,j-\frac{1}{2}} = \Delta y_j \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (U_y)$$
(3.13)

and so, the right hand side of (3.10) is equal to

$$\Delta y_j \Delta x_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (U_x) + \Delta x_k \Delta y_j \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (U_y) = \int_{x_{k-1/2}}^{x_{k+1/2}} \int_{y_{j-1/2}}^{y_{j+1/2}} \nabla \cdot U.$$
(3.14)

The right hand side of (3.10) is the midpoint-rule (reference) for integral of q over the cell. Thus U satisfies

$$(\nabla \cdot U, w) = (q, w)_{M_x M_y}, \quad w \in W_h^0.$$
 (3.15)

where $M_x M_y$ denotes midpoint-rule quadrature in both directions. Note that $\Delta x_{k+1/2} = \frac{1}{2}(\Delta x_k + \Delta x_{k+1})$. Now we multiply both sides of (3.11) by Δy_j and rearrange the terms to get

$$\frac{1}{2}(\triangle x_k + \triangle x_{k+1}) \triangle y_j \frac{1}{K_{k+1/2,j}} (U_x)_{k+1/2,j} - \triangle y_j (P_{k,j} - P_{k+1,j}) = 0.$$
(3.16)

Now we use the trapezoidal-rule quadrature in the x-direction (T_x) and midpoint-rule quadrature (M_y) in the y-direction to write the above expression as

$$\left(K^{-1}U_x, v_{k+1/2}^x w_j^y\right)_{T_x M_y} - \left(P, \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (v_{k+1/2}^x w_j^y)\right) = 0$$
(3.17)

where $v_{k+1/2}^x$ and w_j^y correspond to v_k^x (linear basis function) and w_j^k (constant basis function) on (3.9). Similarly, for (3.12), we have

$$\left(K^{-1}U_{y}, w_{k}^{x}v_{j+1/2}^{y}\right)_{M_{x}T_{y}} - \left(P, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(w_{k}^{x}v_{j+1/2}^{y})\right) = 0$$
(3.18)

Combining (3.17) and (3.18), we obtain

$$(K^{-1}U_x, v_x)_{T_xM_y} + (K^{-1}U_y, v_y)_{M_xT_y} - (P, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}) = 0 \quad \mathbf{v} \in V_h^0.$$
(3.19)

Equations (3.15) and (3.19) satisfy the mixed-method formulation (3.8), since we assumed no-flow boundary conditions and we have set $(K_{**})_{\frac{1}{2},j} = (K_{**})_{m+\frac{1}{2},j} = (K_{**})_{k,\frac{1}{2}} =$ $(K_{**})_{k,l+\frac{1}{2}} = 0$, where ** = xx or yy. In the block-centered finite difference, (3.11) and (3.12) yield $U \cdot \nu = 0$, which is the condition imposed by the space V_h^0 in the mixed method. Thus the block-center finite difference method is equivalent to the mixed method provided that the quadrature rules are used as indicated and no-flow boundary conditions are assumed.

3.3. Boundary Conditions

Different types of boundary conditions are treated in distinct ways in the discrete problem. Here we introduce difference equations to approximate three different types of boundary conditions of relevant importance on the applications we are interested in.

3.3.1 Neumann Boundary Conditions

No-flow boundary conditions are incorporated in the discrete model (cell-centered finite difference) as previously mentioned i.e.

$$(K_{**})_{\frac{1}{2},j} = (K_{**})_{m+\frac{1}{2},j} = (K_{**})_{k,\frac{1}{2}} = (K_{**})_{k,l+\frac{1}{2}} = 0,$$

where ** = xx or yy. These conditions applied to (3.3) will result in a singular system. The uniqueness of the system is achieved with the use of (2.7), which results in a extra equation.

Thus the linear system we have to solve here has (ml+1) equations (ml) unknowns.

3.3.2 Dirichlet Boundary Condition

Here we denote the value of the pressure on the boundary faces by the superscript *(see Figure 3.4).

Following the mixed formulation we rewrite equation (3.16) for the cells on the left

boundary

$$\frac{1}{2} \triangle x_k \triangle y_j \frac{1}{(K_{xx})_{k+1/2,j}} (U_x)_{k+1/2,j} = \triangle y_j (P_{k,j} - P_{k+1,j}^*).$$
(3.20)

The above form, as explained in [18], suggests using a transmissibility on the left boundary as

$$(T_x)_{\frac{1}{2},j} = \triangle y_j \frac{2(K_{xx})_{\frac{1}{2},j}}{\triangle x_{\frac{1}{2}}}.$$

Similar idea is applied on the right boundary.

Assuming rectangular domain Ω with rectangular grid we have set for all blocks on the left boundary

$$(T_x)_{\frac{1}{2},j}(P_{1,j} - P_{0,j}^*) = U_{\frac{1}{2},j}, \quad 1 \le j \le l.$$
(3.21)

The linear system to be solved for $P_{k,j}$ in this case has ml equations and ml unknowns.



FIGURE 3.4: Computational domain with interior and boundary cells

3.3.3 Periodic Boundary Conditions

Here, again, we are going to denote the value of pressure on the boundary faces by the superscript *. In this case the values of pressure on the boundary are considered unknowns for the resulting linear system. This is going to increase the dimension of the linear system to be solved. To impose periodic boundary conditions we need equations representing periodicity conditions of the system, i.e. correspondences between flux and pressure on the opposite boundaries. The correspondence between pressure is given by the equation

$$P_{m+1,j}^* = P_{0,j}^* + G, \quad 1 \le j \le l, \tag{3.22}$$

where G is the pressure gradient (in this case in the x-direction) (see Figure 3.5). The above equation relates the pressures on the two boundaries to the imposed pressure gradient G, as explained in [8].



FIGURE 3.5: Computational domain with interior and boundary cells representing periodic boundary conditions

Also, we have to consider the relations between flux on the left and right boundaries of our domain. As given in [8] these relationships have the form

$$(T_x)_{\frac{1}{2},j}(P_{1,j} - P_{0,j}^*) - (T_x)_{m+1,j}(P_{m+\frac{1}{2},j}^* - P_{m,j}) = 0, \quad 1 \le j \le l.$$
(3.23)

The above relationships specify that the flux into Ω at the left boundary is equal and opposite to the flux through the right boundary. Here the transmissibilities on the boundaries are given as in the Dirichlet case.

As before, to ensure uniqueness, we impose equation (2.7), i.e., the pressures must

add up to zero, which give us one more equation to represent this

$$\sum_{k=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{l} P_{k,j} = 0.$$
(3.24)

The linear system (3.4)-(3.22) to be solved here has ml + 2l unknowns and ml + l equations.

3.4. Implementation of Wells

Numerical simulation of fluid flow in a petroleum reservoir has to account for the presence of wells. In order to simulate the existence of wells in our domain we have to incorporate them in the right hand side of the pressure equation (3.1), i.e., we treat them as source terms. Since the compatibility condition must be satisfied, we have to assume that the net injection and production is zero. In order to introduce these effects in our discretized model we we have to assign to q the values α_i for the cells where the injection wells are located and β_j for the cells where the production wells are located such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{iw} \alpha_i + \sum_{j=1}^{pw} \beta_j = 0, \qquad (3.25)$$

where $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{R}_+$, $\beta_j \in \mathbb{R}_-$, iw is the number of injection wells, and pw is the number of production wells. We assume that the wells are located at the center of the corresponding grid cell.

In the discrete form, for a injection well located in the cell m, n we have that

$$Q_{m,n} = \alpha_i.$$

3.5. Obtaining the Numerical Solution

After choosing an ordering of the $P_{k,j}$ for k = 0..., m, j = 0..., l the difference equation (3.3) generates a linear system of the form:

$$M_{k,j}P_{k,j} = Q_{k,j}, (3.26)$$

with $M \in \mathbb{R}^{M_1 \times M_1}$ and $P, Q \in \mathbb{R}^{M_1}$, where $M_1 = ml$. Here the matrix M incorporates the coefficients (T_x) and (T_y) .

We are interested in finding the values for pressure and velocity. Since the permeabilities $K_{k,j}$ are given for each grid cell we can summarize the process as folow:

- Compute the transmissibilities $(T_*)_{k,j}$, where * = x or y;
- Construct the matrix M;
- Solve the linear system to get $P_{k,j}$;
- Post-process to get $(U_*)_{k,j}$, i.e., use equations (3.11) and (3.12) to compute $(U_*)_{k,j}$.

4. DISCRETIZATION AND SOLVER FOR NON-DARCY FLOW

In this chapter we use cell-centered finite difference method to discretize equation (2.22) and apply appropriated boundary conditions. We follow the same ideas used in Chapter 3 to discretize equation (3.1). The equivalence of difference equations to a certain mixed method for quasilinear elliptic problems will be considered elsewhere.

The discretization of 2.22 yields a nonlinear discrete equation. In order to solve the nonlinear equation we use the fixed point iteration. We present a brief description of the fixed point method and sufficient conditions for the convergence of the method are derived for our problem.

4.1. Cell-Centered Finite Difference Method for Non-Darcy Flow

Here, due to nonlinearity of the coefficient $A(\mathbf{K}, \beta; \mathbf{u})$ in (2.22), the transmissibilities, unlike in Chapter 3 and equation (3.5), depend on U, i.e., $T_x = T_x(U_x)$ and $T_y = T_y(U_y)$. We denote this by T_x^u and T_y^u , respectively.

With the definitions (3.2), the finite difference approximation of equation (2.22) is given by

$$\Delta y_j \left[-(T_x^u)_{k+\frac{1}{2},j} (P_{k+1,j} - P_{k,j}) - (T_x^u)_{k-\frac{1}{2},j} (P_{k,j} - P_{k-1,j}) \right]$$

$$\Delta x_j \left[-(T_y^u)_{k,j+\frac{1}{2}} (P_{k,j+1} - P_{k,j}) - (T_y^u)_{k,j-\frac{1}{2}} (P_{k,j} - P_{k,j-1}) \right] = \Delta x_k \Delta y_j Q_{k,j}, \qquad (4.1)$$

$$0 \le k \le m, \ 0 \le j \le l,$$

where the transmissibility (T_x^u) is given by

$$(T_x^u)_{k+\frac{1}{2},j} = \frac{\left(\left(\frac{2\left((K_{xx})_{k,j}\cdot(K_{xx})_{k+1,j}\right)}{\left((K_{xx})_{k,j}+(K_{xx})_{k+1,j}\right)\Delta x_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}\right)^{-1} + \beta(U_x)_{k+\frac{1}{2},j}\right)^{-1}}{\Delta x_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}.$$
(4.2)

Similarly, in y-direction, $\left(T_y^u\right)$ is given by

$$(T_y^u)_{k,j+\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{\left(\left(\frac{2\left((K_{yy})_{k,j}\cdot(K_{yy})_{k,j+1}\right)}{\left((K_{yy})_{k,j}+(K_{yy})_{k,j+1}\right)\Delta y_{k,j+\frac{1}{2}}}\right)^{-1} + \beta(U_y)_{k,j+\frac{1}{2}}\right)^{-1}}{\Delta y_{j+\frac{1}{2}}}.$$
(4.3)

We approximate the equation (2.24) at (x_k, y_j) in the x- and y-direction, respectively, by

$$(U_x)_{k+\frac{1}{2},j} = -(T_x^u)_{k+\frac{1}{2},j}(P_{k+1,j} - P_k, j),$$

$$(U_y)_{k,j+\frac{1}{2}} = -(T_y^u)_{k,j+\frac{1}{2}}(P_{k,j+1} - P_k, j).$$

This definitions (4.1), (4.2) and (4.3) are similar to the Darcy case (3.4), (3.11), (3.12). However we pointed out that the system (4.1), unlike in Darcy's case, is nonlinear. The solution method is described in the next section.

4.2. Fixed Point Formulation

Equation (2.22) and its discrete approximation (4.1) with definitions (4.2), (4.2) are nonlinear equations. We are interested in solving equation (4.1) using the fixed point formulation for which the basic theory is presented next. Here we are going to use definitions and theorems from [15, 2].

In general, the problem may be formulated as follows:

Let
$$S \subset \mathbb{R}^n$$
 be open and $f: S \to \mathbb{R}^n$ be a mapping.
Find $x \in S$ with $f(x) = x$. (4.4)

Then x is called a *fixed point*.

In most cases, a fixed point cannot be calculated (with exact arithmetic) in a finite number of operations, but only by an iterative method, i.e., by a mapping

$$\Phi: S \to S,$$

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so that for the sequence

$$x^{(k+1)} := \Phi(x^{(k)}) \tag{4.5}$$

with a given initial guess $x^{(0)}$ we get

$$x^{(k)} \to x \quad \text{for} \quad k \to \infty.$$
 (4.6)

Here x is the solution of (4.4). The iterative method (4.5) is also called *nonlinear Richardson iteration*, *Picard iteration*, or the method of successive substitutions.

In the case of a continuous map Φ it follows from (4.5) and (4.6) that the limit x satisfies

$$x = \Phi(x). \tag{4.7}$$

This means that equation (4.7) should imply that x is a solution of equation (4.4).

For the fixed point formulation (4.4) we choose $\Phi := f$, in other words, the *fixed* point iteration reads

$$x^{(k+1)} := f(x^{(k)}). \tag{4.8}$$

To ensure that

$$\left\|\Phi\left(x^{(k+1)}\right) - \Phi\left(x^{(k)}\right)\right\| = \|x^{(k+2)} - x^{(k+1)}\| < \|x^{(k+1)} - x^{(k)}\|$$

it is sufficient that the iteration function (here $\Phi = f$) be a contraction. Here $\|\cdot\|$ can be any norm in \mathbb{R}^n . The following definition explain the notion of contractivity

Definition 3 Let $S \subset \mathbb{R}^n$. A function $\Phi : S \to \mathbb{R}^n$ satisfies the Lipschitz condition on S (with respect to the norm $\|\cdot\|$) if there exists a constant L > 0 such that, for any two points $x, y \in S$,

$$\|\Phi(x) - \Phi(y)\| \le L \|x - y\|.$$

The greatest lower bound for for such constants is the Lipschitz constant for Φ on S. If Φ has Lipschitz constant L < 1 on S, then Φ is a contraction on S. Sufficient conditions for a contraction are given by the following lemma:

Lemma 1 Let $S \in \mathbb{R}^n$ be open and convex, and $g: S \to \mathbb{R}^n$ continuously differentiable. If

$$\sup_{x \in S} \|Dg(x)\| = L < 1$$

holds, where $\|\cdot\|$ in $\mathbb{R}^{n,n}$ is compatible with $\|\cdot\|$ in \mathbb{R}^n , then g is contracting in S.

Therefore, if $S \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is open, $f: S \subset \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$ is continuously differentiable, and if there exists some $\tilde{x} \in S$ with $\|Df(\tilde{x})\| < 1$, then there exists a closed convex neighborhood \tilde{S} of \tilde{x} with

$$||Df(x)|| \le L < 1 \text{ for } x \in \widetilde{S}$$

and, for example, $L = \|Df(\tilde{x})\| + \frac{1}{2}(1 - \|Df(\tilde{x})\|)$, guaranteeing the contractivity of f in S.

The unique existence of a fixed point and the convergence of (4.8) is guaranteed if the set S where f is a contraction is mapped into itself, what is explicit in the next theorem, for which the proof can be found in [15]:

Theorem 2 (Banach's fixed-point theorem) Let $S \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, $S \neq \emptyset$, and S be closed. Let $f: S \to \mathbb{R}^n$ be a contraction with Lipschitz constant L < 1 and $f[S] \subset S$. Then we have:

- (1) There exists one and only one fixed point $x \in S$ of f.
- (2) For arbitrary $x^{(0)} \in S$ the fixed point iteration 4.8 converges to x, and we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| x^{(k)} - x \right\| &\leq \frac{L}{1 - L} \left\| x^{(k)} - x^{(k-1)} \right\| \\ &\leq \frac{L^k}{1 - L} \left\| x^{(1)} - x^{(0)} \right\|. \end{aligned}$$

Remark 1 The theorem can be generalized from \mathbb{R}^n to any Banach space X, with $S \in X$.

This enable us to define iterative schemes directly in the function space for nonlinear boundary value problems, which means that the resulting (linear) problems in the iteration step are to be discretized. We can often construct a closed S such that f is a contraction on S and satisfies the hypothesis of lemma 1. To verify that $f[S] \subset S$, the following lemma is helpful:

Lemma 2 Let $S \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, $f: S \to \mathbb{R}^n$. If there exists a $y \in S$ and a r > 0 with

$$\overline{B}_r(y) \subset S,$$

with f contraction on $\overline{B}_r(y)$ with Lipschitz constant L < 1, so that

$$||y - f(y)|| \le r(1 - L),$$

then f has one and only one fixed point in $\overline{B}_r(y)$, and 4.8 converges.

In the setting of Theorem 2 the fixed-point iteration is thus globally convergent in S. In the setting of Lemma 2 it is locally convergent in S (globally in $\overline{B}_r(y)$). We see that in the situation of Theorem 2 the sequence $(x^{(k)})$, because of

$$\left\|x^{(k+1)} - x\right\| = \left\|f(x^{(k)}) - f(x)\right\| \le L \left\|x^{(k)} - x\right\|,$$

converges linearly to x [13] (and in general not faster than linear).

4.3. Fixed-Point Approximation to Non-Darcy Flow

Now we want to apply the fixed point iteration to solve the system (4.1). A good initial guess is provided by the solution to the Darcy flow that is, using $\mathbf{u}^{(0)} = -A(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{0}; \mathbf{0}) \nabla p$. With this initial guess we iterate the whole system (4.1) until convergence, that is we execute the fixed point step

$$U^{(k+1)} = \Phi(U^{(k)}). \tag{4.9}$$

 $\Phi(U^k)$ is computed by the following algorithm

- Given U^k compute the transmissibilities T^u_x , T^u_y with (4.2) and (4.3);
- Construct the matrix M as in (3.26);
- Solve the linear system (3.26) to get $P_{k,j}$;
- Post-process to get the velocities U^{k+1} , i.e., use equations (3.11) and (3.12) with definitions (4.2) and (4.3).

Now we want to derive sufficient conditions for the iteration (4.9) to converge. It is easier to consider the scalar case of (2.25) first. Thus we rewrite (2.25) as

$$u = -A(K, \beta; u)(p'),$$
 (4.10)

where p' represents the derivative of pressure with respect to the spatial variable, and K is a positive real number.

Setting it up as a fixed point iteration we have

$$u^{(k+1)} = -A(K,\beta;u^{(k)})p'.$$
(4.11)

As required in Theorem 2, to guarantee the convergence of the fixed point iteration we need to assure that the term $A(K,\beta,u)p'$ in equation (4.11) is a contraction. By Lemma 1 we need a condition to guarantee that

$$|D(A(K,\beta,u)p')| < 1, (4.12)$$

where the operator D represents the derivative with respect to u. Here we consider that p' is data for this problem.

We estimate

$$|D(-(K^{-1}+\beta|u|)^{-1}p')| = \left|\frac{\beta p'}{(K^{-1}+\beta|u|)^2}\right| < \left|\frac{\beta p'}{(K^{-1})^2}\right|.$$

Therefore, to ensure (4.12) it is sufficient to require

$$\beta < \frac{1}{K^2 |p'|}.\tag{4.13}$$

The latter is not the best estimate, but is a good sufficient condition.
Example 1 Assuming the values K = 1, p' = -20 and $\beta = \frac{1}{K^2 10p'}$, initial guess = 0, we find the fixed point u = 18.3216 of the scalar equation (4.10) in 8 iterations.

When solving the whole nonlinear system (4.1) with a fixed point iteration (4.9) we have convergence only for small enough β as suggested by equation (4.13). The precise form of a condition on β applicable to the system (4.1) will not be derived here.

Remark 2 If we consider that β is correlated to K [12, 10, 1] by the relation $\beta \approx C_1 K^{-C_2}$, where C_2 is 0.5, or 1, or 1.5. For $C_2 = 0.5$ the estimate (4.13) becomes

$$\beta < \frac{1}{K^{\frac{3}{2}} |\nabla p|}.\tag{4.14}$$

4.3.1 Boundary Conditions for Non-Darcy Flow

The difference equations used to approximate the three different types of boundary conditions referred in Sec. 3.3. are the same to those in the Darcy flow with the necessary modifications in the transmissibilities, which depend on U.

5. UPSCALING

Upscaling is an important part of computational modeling of heterogeneous porous media. It is commonly used to handle fine scale heterogeneities in subsurface formations where rock properties such as porosity and permeability vary. Due to computational limitations on simulation of flows on a fine scale for real problems, we want to incorporate these fine scale data into a coarse scale flow simulation.

Upscaling has been developed to bridge the gap between these two scales, which may differ by a factor of 100.

To do this, an upscaling algorithm is designated to obtain suitable values for the porosity, permeability and other property data for use in a coarse grid simulation. In this work we follow the algorithm developed by Louis J. Durlofsky [8]. We focus on scale up, by averaging techniques, the fine scale permeabilities to the larger scale permeabilities and other parameters. The "averaged" permeability is referred to as an *effective* or *equivalent* permeability [8, 14].

5.1. Use of Upscaling for Calculating Effective Grid Block Permeability for the Darcy Flow

Following [8] we calculate numerically the effective permeability of heterogeneous porous medium. We consider first a single-phase, incompressible flow described by Darcy's law and continuity in the form of equations (2.1) and (2.4), respectively. Our intent here is to extend these results to the non-Darcy case.

Now we temporarily change the notation of the coordinate system in the flow region Ω . We want to account for a coarse scale $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2)$ and a fine scale $\mathbf{y} = (y_1, y_2)$. To

accommodate this change the coefficient \mathbf{K} is now given by

$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{pmatrix} K_{11} & K_{12} \\ K_{21} & K_{22} \end{pmatrix}.$$
 (5.1)

It is assumed that the permeability \mathbf{K} varies on two distinct scales, a fine scale \mathbf{y} with fast variation and a coarse scale \mathbf{x} with slow variation.

Now, combining equations (2.1) and (2.4) we get the one-phase pressure equation

$$-\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})\nabla p) = q \tag{5.2}$$

The notation $\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ is used to emphasize that \mathbf{K} varies on both scales.

We want to find an effective permeability \mathbf{K}^* that varies only on the coarse scale \mathbf{x} and solve the new pressure equation

$$-\nabla_x \cdot (\mathbf{K}^*(\mathbf{x})\nabla_x p) = q, \qquad (5.3)$$

where the subscript x indicates that the gradient operator operates on the **x** scale. This simplification is possible as shown in [3] in the context of porous media.

Now we follow ideas from [8]. The average flow over the **y** scale, denoted by $\langle \mathbf{u} \rangle$, is related to the **x** scale pressure gradient **G** by

$$\langle \mathbf{u} \rangle = -\mathbf{K}^* \cdot \mathbf{G}. \tag{5.4}$$

So, to determine \mathbf{K}^* we have to solve the pressure equation on the \mathbf{y} scale, i.e.

$$-\nabla_y \cdot (\mathbf{K}^*(\mathbf{y})\nabla_y p) = 0 \tag{5.5}$$

subject to the conditions that both the pressure field and the local velocity field must themselves be periodic since the system is periodic. If we decompose the pressure gradient **G** into its two components in the **y** coordinate system; $\mathbf{G} = G_1 \mathbf{i_1} + G_2 \mathbf{i_2}$, where $\mathbf{i_1}$ and $\mathbf{i_2}$ are the unit coordinate directions, then we have to solve two problems in order to compute the full effective permeability tensor \mathbf{K}^* .

5.1.1 Upscaling with periodic boundary conditions

First, assume $G_2 = 0$ and specify the boundary conditions as follows (see Figure 5.1):

$$p(y_1, y_2 = 0) = p(y_1, y_2 = 1)$$
 (5.6)
on ∂D_1 and ∂D_2 ,

$$\mathbf{u}(y_1, y_2 = 0) \cdot \mathbf{n}_1 = -\mathbf{u}(y_1, y_2 = 1) \cdot \mathbf{n}_2$$
(5.7)
on ∂D_1 and ∂D_2 ,

$$p(y_1 = 0, y_2) = p(y_1 = 1, y_2) - G_1$$
 (5.8)

$$\mathbf{u}(y_1 = 0, y_2) \cdot \mathbf{n}_3 = -\mathbf{u}(y_1 = 0, y_2) \cdot \mathbf{n}_4$$
(5.9)
on ∂D_3 and ∂D_4 ,

on ∂D_3 and ∂D_4 ,

where \mathbf{n}_i (i = 1, 2, 3, 4) is the outward pointing normal at either of the boundaries. Therefore, solving (5.5) subject to (5.6)-(5.9), we are able to determine the average velocity through the **y** scale as follows:

$$\langle u_1 \rangle = -\int_{\partial D_3} \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n}_3 \, dy_2, \tag{5.10}$$

$$\langle u_2 \rangle = -\int_{\partial D_1} \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n}_1 \, dy_1.$$
 (5.11)

Thus, by (5.4) we have explicit expression for \mathbf{K}^* in terms of $\langle u_1 \rangle$, $\langle u_2 \rangle$, as follows:

$$\langle u_1 \rangle = -(K_{11}^*G_1 + K_{12}^*G_2),$$
(5.12)

$$\langle u_2 \rangle = -(K_{21}^*G_1 + K_{22}^*G_2). \tag{5.13}$$

Since we have assumed that $G_2 = 0$ and G_1 , and $\langle \mathbf{u} \rangle$ are known, then K_{11}^* and K_{21}^* are easily determined.

By solving a second problem with $G_1 = 0$ and $G_2 \neq 0$ and similar boundary conditions we can determine K_{22}^* and K_{21}^* .



FIGURE 5.1: Boundary specification for effective permeability calculation.

5.1.2 Upscaling with Dirichlet Boundary Conditions

Sometimes it is difficult to use periodic boundary conditions. In addition, the offdiagonal terms K_{12}^* and K_{21}^* cannot be used in simple numerical approximation schemes such as cell centered finite difference.

In such cases instead of periodic boundary conditions (5.6)-(5.9) one may use, to determine K_{11}^* , the following boundary conditions.

On ∂D_1 and ∂D_2 we use no-flow boundary conditions.

On ∂D_3 and ∂D_4 we impose Dirichlet boundary conditions.

$$p(y_1 = 0, y_2) = 0 \tag{5.14}$$

$$p(y_1 = 1, y_2) = G_1.$$
 (5.15)

Once pressure and velocity are computed, we can then compute the average velocities $\langle u_1 \rangle$

and $\langle u_1 \rangle$ from (5.10) and (5.11). Then to get K_{11}^* we apply a modification of (5.12)

$$\langle u_1 \rangle = -(K_{11}^* G_1) \tag{5.16}$$

Note that off-diagonal terms are note computed and are considered equal to zero. Analogously we can compute K_{22}^* .

5.2. Extension to the Non-Darcy Flow

Now we extend the algorithm presented above for the Darcy case to the non-Darcy case. The main difference is that instead of solving the linear pressure equation (2.1) representing the Darcy flow we solve the non-linear pressure equation (2.22) that describe the non-Darcy flow. This causes some consequences.

We have in (5.4) that $\langle \mathbf{u} \rangle = -\mathbf{K}^* \mathbf{G}$, that is $\langle \mathbf{u} \rangle$ depends linearly on \mathbf{G} . However in non-Darcy case \mathbf{u} depends nonlinearly on pressure gradients. Therefore $\langle \mathbf{u} \rangle$ depends nonlinearly on \mathbf{G} .

For the non-Darcy flow we postulate

$$\langle \mathbf{u} \rangle = -\mathbf{K}^*(\mathbf{u}) \,\mathbf{G} \tag{5.17}$$

This is not a linear relation and so if \mathbf{G} varies then \mathbf{K}^* varies nonlinearly with respect to \mathbf{G} . While \mathbf{K}^* remains constant when we vary \mathbf{G} in the Darcy flow, in the non-Darcy flow \mathbf{K}^* varies when we change \mathbf{G} .

We can see this difference in Figure 5.2. The parameters used for this example are

$$\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \tag{5.18}$$

and $\beta = 4 \times 10^{-4}$. The region $\Omega = [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ is discretized with a uniform grid 30×30 . We use Dirichlet boundary conditions ($p = G_1$ on the left boundary and p = 0 on the right boundary) and no-flow boundary conditions on the top and bottom of the domain

Ω. We want to find an effective \mathbf{K}^* and β^* but we only show the results for K_{11}^* and β_1^* .

Clearly for Darcy case the effective \mathbf{K}^* should be equal to the original, constant \mathbf{K} . This is confirmed in Figure 5.2.

However for non-Darcy case K_{11}^* will depend on **G** as shown in Figure 5.2.

In this whole example we use Dirichlet boundary conditions as described in Section 5.1.2.



FIGURE 5.2: Variation of the effective permeability K_{11}^* for different values of the pressure gradient G_1 .

5.2.1 The Effective β^*

Now we want to find an effective β^* . Solving (5.17) for $K_{11}^*(u_1)$ we get

$$K_{11}^*(\langle u_1 \rangle) = -\langle u_1 \rangle G_1^{-1}, \tag{5.19}$$

substituting the Forchheimer's law for the velocity into (5.19) we have

$$((K_{11}^*)_D + \beta |\langle u_1 \rangle|)^{-1} = -\frac{\langle u_1 \rangle}{G_1}$$
(5.20)

where the subscript $_D$ represents the Darcy case.

Now, we solve for β to get

$$\beta^* = |\langle u_1 \rangle|^{-1} \left(K_{11}^* (\langle u_1 \rangle)^{-1} - ((K_{11}^*)_D)^{-1} \right).$$
(5.21)

We refer to the above parameter as the effective Forchheimer parameter that will be denote as $\beta^*(\langle u_1 \rangle)$. Now we use the same data as before to find effective β^* by using expression (5.21) and we plot $\beta^*(\langle u_1 \rangle)$ against the velocity $\langle u_1 \rangle$ in Figure 5.3. We observe that the variation in β^* is small if compared with the variation in $\langle u_1 \rangle$.



FIGURE 5.3: Variation of the effective Forchheimer parameter $\beta^*(\mathbf{u})$ for different values of velocity.

6. NUMERICAL EXPERIMENTS

In this chapter we present numerical experiments which show applications of cellcenter finite difference method to non-Darcy flow and upscaling .

We start with a simple example of a well problem in order to compare the solutions for the Darcy and non-Darcy flows. After that we use the ideas of Chapter 5 to compute the effective permeability of an idealized heterogeneous porous medium. We solve for both Darcy's and non-Darcy's flow. An algorithm used to compare the computed effective permeability with original permeability of the system is described. The code used in these experiments is written in Matlab. The linear solver is the "backslash" operator of Matlab, which utilizes Gaussian elimination to solve the linear system.

6.1. Problem 1 - Well Problem for Darcy and Non-Darcy flow

Here we solve numerically equations (3.4) for Darcy and (4.1) for non-Darcy for pressure. In each case we have two production and two injection wells. We use no-flow boundary conditions for the unit square domain. The permeability **K** is chosen to be homogeneous and isotropic flow, i.e., $\mathbf{K} = I$, and $x \in \Omega$. The Forchheimer's coefficient β in the non-Darcy equation is a chosen to be a constant value equal to 0.04. The cartesian coordinates of the injection wells are (0.3, 0.3) and (0.6, 0.2); and the coordinates of the production wells are (0.7, 0.7) and (0.3, 0.6). The grid is (20 × 20). The results are shown in Figure 6.1 and Figure 6.2.



FIGURE 6.1: Pressure distribution and velocity field for two-production/ two-injection well problem simulation

6.2. Problem 2 - Darcy's Flow Upscaling

Here we assume that Ω is the unit square which is divided in a 30 × 30 grid and **K** represents a heterogeneous field with values ranging from 1 to 610 (see Figure 6.8 (a)). We assume $K_{11}(x) = K_{22}(x)$.

Case 1

We coarsen the original grid in to a 3×3 grid in order to find the effective permeability for these nine new grid blocks. Therefore we solve the pressure equation 9 times

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FIGURE 6.2: Values of Darcy and non-Darcy pressure on diagonal grid cells for two-production/ two-injection well problem simulation.

in a grid 10×10 . The effective permeability is then calculated as in (5.16). The following table presents the results for K_{11}^* . It has to be viewed as the new grid over the unit square with the values of the effective permeabilities found for each subregion.

Now, we find the K^\ast_{22} analogously, values are given in the next table

	23.404	26.087	24.131
$K_{22}^{*} =$	25.651	22.143	20.995
	25.103	21.607	24.387

Case 2

$K_{11}^{*} =$	23.429	22.355	36.936	20.226	25.251	25.895	
	18.119	33.64	32.128	24.093	21.251	34.061	
	32.969	28.948	25.576	26.681	23.885	20.437	(6 2)
	16.187	29.297	24.242	17.301	14.831	26.299	(6.3)
	34.124	20.749	21.081	28.734	20.838	15.999	
	12.41	30.877	23.234	22.361	33.798	26.456	
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$K_{22}^{*} =$	20.131	22.462	36.138	23.183	24.718	23.215	
	20.371	30.576	24.969	25.922	22.475	29.548	
	25.564	28.312	21.462	28.861	25.192	20.621	
	18.134	33.931	25.439	16.571	16.271	28.266	(0.4)
	43.692	21.885	19.843	20.963	26.805	17.308	
	14.997	28.622	27.557	21.268	28.204	27.981	

Now we divide the original 30×30 grid in a 6×6 grid. Using the same boundary conditions a the same data we find the following values for effective permeabilities:

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With these results in hands we now solve the pressure equation for Darcy's flow over the unit square with a production well in the position (0.3, 0.3) and a injection well in the position (0.7, 0.7). We assume no-flow boundary conditions.

We first solve the problem using the original grid and plot the pressure in Figure 6.3.

The velocity field is shown in Figure 6.4 and the values of the pressure in the diagonal grid-cells is shown in Figure 6.5.

We use the effective permeability found before to solve the same well problem. Here we present the results for the case where we divided the original grid in a (6×6) grid.



FIGURE 6.3: Pressure distribution on the unit square for problem using the original permeability

Comparison between Figure 6.4 and Figure 6.6 show that the behavior of the solution on the fine grid is qualitative similar to the one in coarse grid when we use the effective permeability.

6.2.1 Comparison of Pressures on Fine and Coarse Scale

Now we ask the question "How do we know if the effective permeability is a good approximation?". We want to compare the results but they are in different scales. The strategy we used is the following

- Take the effective permeability calculated for certain subregion of our domain;
- Use it in each cell of the original scale in such region, that is, we replace the heterogeneous permeability in that region for a effective permeability \mathbf{K}^* , we are making



FIGURE 6.4: Velocity field using the original permeability tensor



FIGURE 6.5: Diagonal values of pressure using the original permeability tensor on fine grid.

that region to have an "homogenized" permeability;

• Repeat for each subregion of the original domain to get a block-homogenized domain;



FIGURE 6.6: Velocity field using the effective permeability \mathbf{K}^* on the coarse grid 6×6

- Solve the pressure equation to get homogenized pressure P_H^{\star} ;
- Compare P_h and P_H^* .

This process is summarized, for a 4×4 grid, in Figure 6.7.

Using the effective permeabilities from **case 1** and **case 2** and the algorithm above we compute the pressures P_h , $P_H^{*,1}$, $P_H^{*,2}$, where the superscripts 1 and 2 refer to the cases 1 and 2, respectively. The 2-norm and ∞ -norm of the pressures calculated using the Matlab code provided in the Appendix are shown in the Table 6.1.

	Original permeabilities	Upscaling to 3×3	Upscaling to 6×6
$ P _{\infty}$	0.0011507511	0.001149681	0.0011440731
$ P _2$	0.033335256835	0.03333522	0.033335210

TABLE 6.1: Norm of the solutions for original problem, case 1, case 2.



FIGURE 6.7: Process of comparison between fine and coarse scales.

We also compare the the absolute error between the original pressure and the homogenized pressure for both cases. These results are present in Table 6.2 and the comparison between the values of the pressure in the diagonal grid blocks are shown in Figure 6.9. The original and upscaled permeabilities are shown in Figure 6.8.

6.3. Problem 3 - Non-Darcy's Flow Upscaling

Consider the equation

$$-\nabla \left(A(\mathbf{K},\beta;\mathbf{u})\nabla p \right) = q, \quad \mathbf{x} \in \Omega$$
(6.5)

where $A(\mathbf{K}, \beta; \mathbf{u}) = (\mu \mathbf{K}^{-1} + \beta |\mathbf{u}|)^{-1}$, Ω is the unit square subject to the constant pressure and no-flow boundary conditions as in **problem 1**. We use a 30 × 30 grid discretization,

	Upscaling to 3×3	Upscaling to 6×6
$\ P_h - P_H^*\ _{\infty}$	7.25774×10^{-6}	6.79880×10^{-6}
$ P_h - P_H^* _2$	2.49395×10^{-5}	2.75298×10^{-5}
$\frac{\ P_h - P_H^*\ _{\infty}}{\ P_h\ _{\infty}}$	0.00630	0.00590
$\frac{\ P_h - P_H^*\ _2}{\ P_h\ _2}$	8.33365×10^{-4}	8.2584×10^{-4}

TABLE 6.2: Absolute and relative errors between pressures of **cases** 1 and 2 and the original problem.



FIGURE 6.8: Log of original permeability K_{11} and permeabilities K_{11}^* for **case 1** and **case 2** for the Darcy flow.

K is given as in **problem 1**, and we use a variable Forchheimer parameter β given by the relation

$$\beta = C_1(K_{**})_{k,j}^{-C_2},$$

where $C_1 = 4 \times 10^{-5}$ and $C_2 = 0.5$, ** = xx or yy. As we showed in section 5.2 the effective \mathbf{K}^* depends nonlinearly on \mathbf{G} . In examples below we only compute \mathbf{K}^* using unit value of \mathbf{G} . The effective \mathbf{K}^* is different from the one obtained in **problem 2**.



FIGURE 6.9: Pressures in the diagonal grid blocks for the Darcy Flow

Case 1

Here again we coarsen the original grid to a 3×3 grid. Using the algorithm described in Section 5.2. with $G_1 = 1$ we find K_{11}^* :

$$K_{11}^{*} = \frac{16.988 \quad 17.995 \quad 18.226}{17.478 \quad 16.735 \quad 15.547}$$
(6.6)
$$16.223 \quad 17.091 \quad 16.865$$

and similarly with $G_2 = 1$ we find K_{22}^* :

Case 2

The original grid is subdivided in eighteen sub-regions, i.e. we obtain a 6×6 grid. The effective permeabilities are calculated and are given by

$K_{11}^{*} =$	20.964	20.096	28.613	18.703	22.652	22.835	(6.8)
	16.714	28.147	26.221	21.346	19.080	28.095	
	26.390	25.381	22.506	23.370	21.534	18.631	
	15.136	25.576	21.652	16.167	13.853	22.901	
	27.768	18.968	19.082	24.755	19.216	14.865	
	11.939	25.567	21.136	19.835	28.485	23.582	
$K_{22}^{*} = $	18.620	20.341	28.794	20.840	22.183	20.870	(6.9)
	18.035	26.555	21.801	22.545	20.062	25.680	
	22.696	24.941	19.767	24.869	22.500	18.624	
	16.725	27.517	22.468	15.488	14.996	24.060	
	33.578	19.794	18.129	19.122	23.385	15.892	
	14.108	24.975	23.975	19.219	24.753	24.934	

Non-Darcy Well Problem Using Upscaling

Consider equation (6.5) subject to no-flow boundary conditions on the unit square with injection and production wells located at (0.3, 0.3) and (0.7, 0.7) respectively. We solve for pressure to get the approximated pressure which is shown in Figure 6.10.

Now we solve the problem using the effective permeabilities from **case 1** and **case 2** and use numerical "homogenization" algorithm described before to compare the results. Again we get satisfactory results that are shown in Table 6.3. In Figure 6.11 we show the three distributions for the original, upscaled to 3x3 grid and upscaled to a 6x6 grid permeabilities, respectively.

Figure 6.12 shows the plot of the diagonal values for pressure for the three different permeabilities used.



 $\overset{\mathsf{x}}{\mathsf{FIGURE}}$ 6.10: Pressure distribution on the unit square using the original permeability tensor

	Original permeabilities	Upscaling to 3×3	Upscaling to 6×6
$ P _{\infty}$	0.001150755374	0.001164049926	0.001148355739
$\ P\ _2$	0.033335258601	0.033336802473	0.033335560748

TABLE 6.3: Norm of the solutions for original problem, case 1, case 2

	Upscaling to 3×3	Upscaling to 6×6
$\ P_h - P_H^*\ _{\infty}$	1.324992×10^{-5}	4.6291×10^{-6}
$ P_h - P_H^* _2$	2.263433×10^{-5}	3.950248×10^{-5}
$\frac{\ P_h - P_H^*\ _{\infty}}{\ P_h\ _{\infty}}$	0.0115	0.0040
$\frac{\ P_h - P_H^*\ _2}{\ P_h\ _2}$	0.0038	0.0012

TABLE 6.4: Absolute and relative errors between pressures of **cases 1** and **2** and the original well problem for the non-Darcy flow.



FIGURE 6.11: Original permeabilities and permeabilities for **case 1** and **case 2** for non-Darcy flow



FIGURE 6.12: Pressures in the diagonal grid blocks

7. CONCLUSIONS

In this work we have understood and outlined the theoretical difficulties of the proposed problem. We have implemented a stable numerical solver for a well problem for non-Darcy flow using finite differences and the fixed point iteration, for which we have derived a sufficient condition on the Forchheimer parameter β that guarantee the convergence of the method.

The upscaling problem was theoretically presented and a numerical solver was implemented for the non-Darcy flow. We have shown how to calculate an effective permeability and how to calculate an effective Forchheimer parameter β^* . We also developed an algorithm to compare the solution for the different ways to coarsen the original fine grid.

For continued research, we would like to implement a nonlinear solver different from fixed point iteration, for example Newton's method. This is necessary because of restrictive conditions on β required for convergence of fixed point method.

Next we would like to perform more experiments for a large variability in the permeability **K** and parameter β , to understand better the nonlinear relations between **K**, β , and **u**. We also want to understand and derive the effective Forchheimer parameter β^* . Finally better ways to measure the quality of upscaling for Darcy and non-Darcy cases are necessary.

APPENDIX

A Matlab Code

% Code for solving the Forchhimer Equation on a rectangular domain.

% Using Block(cell-center) finite difference with "fixed point iteration".

clear

clc

format long

```
%Initialization of variables
n_x=30; n_y=30; BoundCond=1;
LeftRight=0; BottonTop=1; G1=1; G2=1;
```

```
nxnew=3;nynew=3;ng=1;
xx=1;yy=1;scalex=n_x/nxnew;scaley=n_y/nynew; factorx=scalex; factory=scaley;
n_x=factorx; n_y=factory;
```

```
if BoundCond == 1
    M=zeros((n_x*n_y),(n_x*n_y));
    q=zeros(n_x*n_y,1);
elseif BoundCond == 2
    M=zeros((n_x*n_y)+1,(n_x*n_y));
    M((n_x*n_y)+1,:)=1;
```

```
q=zeros(n_x*n_y+1,1);
elseif (BoundCond == 3 && LeftRight == 1)
M=zeros((n_x*n_y)+n_y+1,(n_x*n_y)+2*n_y);
M((n_x*n_y)+n_y+1,:)=1;
q=zeros(n_x*n_y+n_y+1,1);
elseif (BoundCond == 3 && BottonTop == 1)
M=zeros((n_x*n_y)+n_x+1,(n_x*n_y)+2*n_x);
M((n_x*n_y)+n_x+1,:)=1;
q=zeros(n_x*n_y+n_x+1,1);
```

 ${\tt end}$

```
Th=zeros((n_x+1),(n_y));
```

```
Tv=zeros((n_x),(n_y+1));
```

```
beta1=zeros((n_x+1),(n_y));
```

beta2=zeros((n_x),(n_y+1));

Vx=zeros(n_x+1,n_y);

VxNew=Vx;

```
Vy=zeros(n_x,n_y+1);
```

VyNew=Vy;

beta=.00004;

a=0; b=1; c=0; d=1;

```
bc=zeros(n_x*n_y,1);
```

```
%Position of wells in the domain
x1=0.3; y1=0.3;
x2=0.9; y2=0.9;
```

%Grid definition.

```
hx=(b-a)/n_x; hy=(d-c)/n_y;
```

 end

```
%%%Data for test%
load permeability.dat;
load bcl.dat
load bcr.dat
```

```
%Defining the index function
for k=1:n_x+2
```

```
for j=1:n_y
    ind(k,j)=(k-1)*n_y +j;
end
```

 end

```
for k=1:n_x
    for j=1:n_y+2
        ind2(k,j)=(j-1)*n_x +k;
    end
end
for countx=1:nxnew
```

```
for county=1:nynew
K1=permeability;
K2=permeability;
K1=K1(xx:scalex,yy:scaley);
K2=K2(xx:scalex,yy:scaley);
beta1=beta*(K1.^(-.5));
beta2=beta*(K2.^(-.5));
yy=scaley+1;
scaley=scaley+factory;
```

%Transmissibilities (Internal blocks)

```
for k = 1:n_x-1
for j = 1:n_y
```

```
Th(k+1,j)=(2*(K1(k,j)*K1(k+1,j))/((K1(k+1,j)+K1(k,j))))/hx;
betax(k+1,j)=(0.5*(beta1(k,j)+beta1(k+1,j)))/hx;
```

end

```
for k=1:n_x
for j=1:n_y-1
    Tv(k,j+1)=(2*(K2(k,j)*K2(k,j+1))/((K2(k,j+1)+K2(k,j))))/hy;
    betay(k,j+1)=(0.5*(beta2(k,j)+beta2(k,j+1)))/hy;
end
```

end

```
% Transmissibilities on the boundary
```

```
if (BoundCond == 1 || BoundCond == 3)
    if (LeftRight == 1 && BottonTop==1)
        for j=1:n_y
        % On the left side
        Th(1,j)=2*K1(1,j)/hx;
        betax(1,j)=beta1(1,j)/2;
        % On the right side
        Th(n_x+1,j)=2*K1(n_x,j)/hx;
        betax(n_x+1,j)=beta1(n_x,j)/2;
        end
        for k=1:n_x
        % On the botton
```

```
Tv(k,1)=2*K2(k,1)/hy;
```

betay(k,1)=beta2(k,1)/2;

% On the top

 $Tv(k,n_y+1)=2*K2(k,n_y)/hy;$

 $betay(k,n_y+1)=beta2(k,n_y);$

end

```
elseif (LeftRight == 1 && BottonTop ~= 1)
```

for j=1:n_y

% On the left side

```
Th(1,j)=2*K1(1,j)/hx;
```

betax(1,j)=beta1(1,j)/2;

% On the right side

Th(n_x+1,j)=2*K1(n_x,j)/hx;

```
betax(n_x+1,j)=beta1(n_x,j)/2;
```

end

```
elseif (LeftRight ~= 1 && BottonTop == 1)
```

for k=1:n_x

% On the botton

Tv(k,1)=2*K2(k,1)/hy;

```
betay(k,1)=beta2(k,1)/2;
```

% On the top

 $Tv(k,n_y+1)=2*K2(k,n_y)/hy;$

```
betay(k,n_y+1)=beta2(k,n_y);
```

end

end

end

```
for k=1:n_x
q(ind(k,1))=hx*Tv(k,1)*bcb(k);
q(ind(k,n_y))=hx*Tv(k,n_y)*bct(k);
```

end

```
elseif (LeftRight == 1 && BottonTop ~= 1)
for j=1:n_y
    q(ind(1,j))=hy*Th(1,j)*bcl(j);
    q(ind(n_x,j))=hy*Th(n_x,j)*bcr(j);
    end
elseif (LeftRight ~= 1 && BottonTop == 1)
    for k=1:n_x
```

```
q(ind(k,1))=hx*Tv(k,1)*bcb(k);
q(ind(k,n_y))=hx*Tv(k,n_y)*bct(k);
```

end

end

```
elseif BoundCond == 2
```

```
q(ind(k1,j1))=hx*hy*1;
q(ind(k2,j2))=hx*hy*(-1);
q(n_x*n_y + 1)=hx*hy*(n_x*n_y);
```

```
end
```

for k=1:n_x

```
for j=1:n_y
```

```
M(ind(k,j),ind(k,j))=(hx*Tv(k,j)+hy*Th(k+1,j)+hy*Th(k,j)+hx*Tv(k,j+1));
```

end

 end

```
for k=1:n_x-1
```

for $j=1:n_y$

```
M(ind(k,j),ind(k+1,j)) = -hy*Th(k+1,j);
         M(ind(k+1,j),ind(k,j)) = M(ind(k,j),ind(k+1,j));
     end
 end
for k=1:n_x-1
     for j=1:n_y
         M(ind(k+1,j),ind(k,j)) = M(ind(k,j),ind(k+1,j));
     end
 end
 for k=1:n_x
     for j=1:n_y-1
         M(ind(k,j),ind(k,j+1)) = -hx*Tv(k,j+1);
         M(ind(k,j+1),ind(k,j)) = M(ind(k,j),ind(k,j+1));
     end
 end
if BoundCond == 3
    if (LeftRight==1 && BottonTop==1)
        for j=1:n_y
            M(ind(1,j),ind(n_x+1,j)) = -hy*Th(1,j);
            M(ind(n_x, j), ind(n_x+2, j)) = -hy*Th(n_x+1, j);
            M(ind(n_x+1,j),ind(n_x+1,j))=1;
```

```
for j=1:n_y
M(ind(1,j),ind(n_x+1,j)) = -hx*Tv(1,j);
```

M(ind(n_x+1,j),ind(n_x+2,j))=-1;

```
M(ind(n_x,j),ind(n_x+2,j))= -hx*Tv(n_x+1,j);
M(ind(n_x+1,j),ind(n_x+1,j))=1;
M(ind(n_x+1,j),ind(n_x+2,j))=-1;
```

```
elseif (LeftRight==1 && BottonTop ~= 1)
for j=1:n_y
    M(ind(1,j),ind(n_x+1,j)) = -hy*Th(1,j);
    M(ind(n_x,j),ind(n_x+2,j))= -hy*Th(n_x+1,j);
    M(ind(n_x+1,j),ind(n_x+1,j))=1;
    M(ind(n_x+1,j),ind(n_x+2,j))=-1;
    end
elseif (LeftRight ~= 1 && BottonTop == 1)
    for j=1:n_x
    M(ind2(j,1),ind2(j,n_y+1)) = -hx*Tv(j,1);
    M(ind2(j,n_y),ind2(j,n_y+2))= -hx*Tv(j,n_y+1);
    M(ind2(j,n_y+2))= -hx*Tv
```

```
M(ind2(j,n_y+1),ind2(j,n_y+1))=1;
M(ind2(j,n_y+1),ind2(j,n_y+2))=-1;
```

end

end

end

p=M∖q;

```
%Rewrite p as a matrix
for k = 1:n_x
   for j=1:n_y
      P(k,j)=p(ind(k,j));
   end
end
%Figure
x=a:hx:b-hx;
y=c:hy:d-hy;
[X,Y]=meshgrid(y,x);
figure(1)
subplot(2,2,1)
surfc(X,Y,P)
title({'Darcy';'beta = 0'})
az = 35;
el = 26;
view(az, el);
subplot(2,2,2)
contourf(X,Y,P)
if (n_x == n_y)
   for i=1:n_y
       PdiagonalD(i)=P(i,i);
   end
end
Pdarcy=P;
if BoundCond == 1
```

```
if (LeftRight == 1 && BottonTop==1)
```

```
for j=1:n_y
```

```
Vx(1,j)=-Th(1,j)*(P(1,j)-bcl(ind(1,j)));
```

```
Vx(n_x+1,j)=-Th(n_x+1,j)*(-P(n_x,j)+bcr(ind(n_x,j)));
```

```
for k=1:n_x
```

```
Vy(k,1)=-Tv(k,1)*(P(k,1)-bcb(ind(k,1)));
```

```
Vy(k,n_y+1) = -Tv(k,n_y+1)*(-P(k,n_y)+bct(ind(k,n_y)));
```

end

```
elseif (LeftRight == 1 && BottonTop ~= 1)
```

for j=1:n_y

```
Vx(1,j)=-Th(1,j)*(P(1,j)-bcl(ind(1,j)));
```

```
Vx(n_x+1,j) = -Th(n_x+1,j)*(-P(n_x,j)+bcr(ind(n_x,j)));
```

end

```
elseif (LeftRight ~= 1 && BottonTop == 1)
for k=1:n_x
    Vy(k,1)=-Tv(k,1)*(P(k,1)-bcb(ind(k,1)));
    Vy(k,n_y+1)=-Tv(k,n_y+1)*(-P(k,n_y)+bct(ind(k,n_y)));
```

end

end

end

```
if BoundCond == 3
if (LeftRight == 1 && BottonTop ~= 1)
for j=1:n_y
    Vx(1,j)=-Th(1,j)*(-p(n_x*n_y+j)+p(j));
    Vx(n_x+1,j)=-Th(n_x+1,j)*(-p(n_x*n_y-n_y+j)+p(n_x*n_y+j+n_y));
```

end

```
elseif (LeftRight ~= 1 && BottonTop == 1)
       for j=1:n_x
           Vy(1,j)=-Tv(j,1)*(-p(n_x*n_y+j)+p(j));
           Vy(j,n_y+1) = -Tv(j,n_y+1)*(-p(n_x*n_y-n_x+j)+p(n_x*n_y+j+n_x));
       end
     end
end
%Internal nodes
for k=1:n_x-1
    for j=1:n_y
        Vx(k+1,j)=-Th(k+1,j)*(P(k+1,j)-P(k,j))/hx;
    end
end
for k=1:n_x
    for j=1:n_y-1
        Vy(k, j+1) = -Tv(k, j+1) * (P(k, j+1) - P(k, j))/hy;
    end
end
%Figure
for k=1:n_x
    for j=1:n_y
        VxAvrg(k,j)=(Vx(k+1,j)+Vx(k,j))/2;
        VyAvrg(k,j)=(Vy(k,j+1)+Vy(k,j))/2;
    end
```

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```
figure(2)
quiver(X,Y,VxAvrg,VyAvrg)
title({'Darcy Velocities';'beta = 0'})
```

%initialization of velocities for fixed point
Vx0=Vx;
Vy0=Vy;

```
%%%%%%% ******* Start fixed point iterations ******** %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
```

```
iter=1; Err_x=1; Err_y=1;
while (iter < 30 && (Err_y > 10^(-6) || Err_x > 10^(-6)))
```

```
%Transmissibilities (internal nodes)
for k = 1:n_x-1
    for j = 1:n_y
        Th(k+1,j)=((K1(k,j)+K1(k+1,j))/(2*(K1(k+1,j)*K1(k,j)))+betax(k+1,j)...
        *Vx(k+1,j))^(-1)/hx;
    end
end
%Th
for k=1:n_x
```

```
for j=1:n_y-1
Tv(k,j+1)=((K2(k,j)+K2(k,j+1))/(2*(K2(k,j+1)*K2(k,j)))+betay(k,j+1)...
*Vy(k,j+1))^(-1)/hy;
```

```
%Transmissibilities on the boundary
if (BoundCond == 1 || BoundCond == 3)
%Dirichlet Boundary Conditions
    if (LeftRight == 1 && BottonTop==1)
        for j=1:n_y
        % On the left side
            Th(1,j)=2*((K1(1,j))^(-1)+ betax(1,j)*Vx(1,j))^(-1)/hx;
        % On the right side
            Th(n_x+1,j)=2*((K1(n_x,j))^{(-1)}+betax(n_x,j)*Vx(n_x,j))^{(-1)}/hx;
        end
        for k=1:n_x
        % On the botton
            Tv(k,1)=2*((K2(k,1))^(-1)+ betay(k,1)*Vy(k,1))^(-1)/hy;
        % On the top
            Tv(k,n_y+1)=2*((K2(k,n_y))^{(-1)}+betay(k,n_y)*Vy(k,n_y))^{(-1)}/hy;
        end
    elseif (LeftRight == 1 && BottonTop ~= 1)
        for j=1:n_y
        % On the left side
            Th(1,j)=2*((K1(1,j))^(-1)+ betax(1,j)*Vx(1,j))^(-1)/hx;
```

% On the right side

```
Th(n_x+1,j)=2*((K1(n_x,j))^{(-1)}+betax(n_x,j)*Vx(n_x,j))^{(-1)}/hx;
        end
    elseif (LeftRight ~= 1 && BottonTop == 1)
       for k=1:n_x
       % On the botton
            Tv(k,1)=2*((K2(k,1))^(-1)+ betay(k,1)*Vy(k,1))^(-1)/hy;
       % On the top
            Tv(k,n_y+1)=2*((K2(k,n_y))^(-1)+ betay(k,n_y)*Vy(k,n_y))^(-1)/hy;
        end
    end
end
% Defining the right hand side q
Dirichlet BC
if BoundCond == 1
    if (LeftRight == 1 && BottonTop==1)
       for j=1:n_y
           q(ind(1,j))=hy*Th(1,j)*bcl(j);
           q(ind(n_x,j))=hy*Th(n_x,j)*bcr(j);
        end
       for k=1:n_x
            q(ind(k,1))=hx*Tv(k,1)*bcb(k);
           q(ind(k,n_y))=hx*Tv(k,n_y)*bct(k);
        end
```

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```
elseif (LeftRight == 1 && BottonTop ~= 1)
for j=1:n_y
    q(ind(1,j))=hy*Th(1,j)*bcl(j);
    q(ind(n_x,j))=hy*Th(n_x,j)*bcr(j);
end
elseif (LeftRight ~= 1 && BottonTop == 1)
for k=1:n_x
    q(ind(k,1))=hx*Tv(k,1)*bcb(k);
    q(ind(k,n_y))=hx*Tv(k,n_y)*bct(k);
```

 end

```
elseif BoundCond == 2
```

```
q(ind(k1,j1))=hx*hy*1;
q(ind(k2,j2))=hx*hy*(-1);
q(n_x*n_y + 1)=hx*hy*(n_x*n_y);
```

```
elseif (BoundCond == 3 && BottonTop == 1)
```

for $j=1:n_x$

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q((n_x*n_y+j))=1;
%q((n_x*n_y+2))=bcl(j);
end
```

```
q((n_x*n_y+n_x+1))=n_x*n_y+n_x+1;
```

for j=1:n_y

```
\label{eq:Mind(k,j),ind(k,j)=(hx*Tv(k,j)+hy*Th(k+1,j)+hy*Th(k,j)+hx*Tv(k,j+1)); end
```

end

```
for k=1:n_x-1
for j=1:n_y
    M(ind(k,j),ind(k+1,j)) = -hy*Th(k+1,j);
    M(ind(k+1,j),ind(k,j)) = M(ind(k,j),ind(k+1,j));
end
```

```
\operatorname{end}
```

for k=1:n_x

```
for j=1:n_y-1
M(ind(k,j),ind(k,j+1)) = -hx*Tv(k,j+1);
M(ind(k,j+1),ind(k,j)) = M(ind(k,j),ind(k,j+1));
```

end

```
if BoundCond == 3
if (LeftRight==1 && BottonTop==1)
for j=1:n_y
    M(ind(1,j),ind(n_x+1,j)) = -hy*Th(1,j);
    M(ind(n_x,j),ind(n_x+2,j))= -hy*Th(n_x+1,j);
    M(ind(n_x+1,j),ind(n_x+1,j))=1;
    M(ind(n_x+1,j),ind(n_x+2,j))=-1;
```

```
for j=1:n_y
```

```
M(ind(1,j),ind(n_x+1,j)) = -hy*Th(1,j);
M(ind(n_x,j),ind(n_x+2,j))= -hy*Th(n_x+1,j);
M(ind(n_x+1,j),ind(n_x+1,j))=1;
M(ind(n_x+1,j),ind(n_x+2,j))=-1;
```

end

```
elseif (LeftRight==1 && BottonTop ~= 1)
for j=1:n_y
    M(ind(1,j),ind(n_x+1,j)) = -hy*Th(1,j);
    M(ind(n_x,j),ind(n_x+2,j))= -hy*Th(n_x+1,j);
    M(ind(n_x+1,j),ind(n_x+1,j))=1;
    M(ind(n_x+1,j),ind(n_x+2,j))=-1;
```

end

elseif (LeftRight~=1 && BottonTop == 1)
for j=1:n_x
 M(ind2(j,1),ind2(j,n_y+1)) = -hx*Tv(j,1);
 M(ind2(j,n_y),ind2(j,n_y+2))= -hx*Tv(j,n_y+1);
 M(ind2(j,n_y+1),ind2(j,n_y+1))=1;

```
M(ind2(j,n_y+1),ind2(j,n_y+2))=-1;
```

 end

end

 $p=M\setminus(q);$

```
for j=1:n_y
     P(k,j)=p(ind(k,j));
```

end

$$VyNew(k,1) = -Tv(k,1)*(P(k,1)-bcb(ind(k,1)));$$

```
elseif (LeftRight == 1 && BottonTop ~= 1)
for j=1:n_y
VxNew(1,j)=-Th(1,j)*(P(1,j)-bcl(ind(1,j)));
VxNew(n_x+1,j)=-Th(n_x+1,j)*(-P(n_x,j)+bcr(ind(n_x,j)));
```

end

```
elseif (LeftRight ~= 1 && BottonTop == 1)
for k=1:n_x
VyNew(k,1)=-Tv(k,1)*(P(k,1)-bcb(ind(k,1)));
VyNew(k,n_y+1)=-Tv(k,n_y+1)*(-P(k,n_y)+bct(ind(k,n_y)));
```

end

end

end

```
if BoundCond == 3
if (LeftRight == 1 && BottonTop ~= 1)
for j=1:n_y
VxNew(1,j)=-Th(1,j)*(-p(n_x*n_y+j)+p(j));
VxNew(n_x+1,j)=-Th(n_x+1,j)*(-p(n_x*n_y-n_y+j)+p(n_x*n_y+j+n_y));
```

```
elseif (LeftRight ~= 1 && BottonTop == 1)
       for j=1:n_x
           VyNew(1,j)=-Tv(j,1)*(-p(n_x*n_y+j)+p(j));
           VyNew(j,n_y+1) = -Tv(j,n_y+1)*(-p(n_x*n_y-n_x+j)+p(n_x*n_y+j+n_x));
       end
     end
end
%Internal nodes
for k=1:n_x-1
    for j=1:n_y
        VxNew(k+1,j)=-Th(k+1,j)*(P(k+1,j)-P(k,j))/hx;
    end
end
for k=1:n_x
    for j=1:n_y-1
        VyNew(k, j+1) = -Tv(k, j+1) * (P(k, j+1) - P(k, j))/hy;
    end
end
%Error calculation
Err_x = norm((Vx-VxNew), inf)
```

```
Err_y = norm((Vy-VyNew), inf)
```

```
Err2_x(iter) = norm((Vx0-VxNew), inf)/norm(Vx0,inf);
Err2_y (iter)= norm((Vy0-VyNew), inf)/norm(Vy0,inf);
```

```
\% *** Update the velocities ***
```

Vx=VxNew;

Vy=VyNew;

% Counting iterations

iter=iter+1;

end

```
Vxuptotal=mean(Vx',1);
```

Vyuptotal=mean(Vy,1);

```
Vxup=1/2*(Vxuptotal(1)+Vxuptotal(n_x+1));
```

```
Vyup=1/2*(Vyuptotal(1)+Vyuptotal(n_y+1));
```

```
if BoundCond==1
```

```
for j=1:n_y
    bcr2(j)=bcr(j);
    bcl2(j)=bcl(j);
```

```
Kupsc1=Vxup/(G1);
```

```
for j=1:n_x
    bct2(j)=bct(j);
    bcb2(j)=bcb(j);
```

Kupsc2=Vyup/(G2);

```
elseif(BoundCond == 3 && LeftRight==1)
```

```
pl=p(n_x*n_y+1:n_x*n_y+n_y);
pr=p(n_x*n_y+n_y+1:n_x*n_y+2*n_y);
Kupsc1=Vxup/(-mean(pl)+mean(pr));
```

```
Kupsc2=Vyup/(-mean(pl)+mean(pr));
```

end

KUp1(ng)=Kupsc1;

```
KUp2(ng)=Kupsc2;
```

ng=ng+1;

```
for k=1:n_x
```

for $j=1:n_y$

```
VxAvrg(k,j)=(Vx(k+1,j)+Vx(k,j))/2;
VyAvrg(k,j)=(Vy(k,j+1)+Vy(k,j))/2;
```

end

 end

```
%Figure
x=a:hx:b-hx;
y=c:hy:d-hy;
figure(1)
subplot(2,2,3)
[X,Y]=meshgrid(y,x);
surfc(X,Y,P)
title({'NonDarcy';['beta = ', num2str(beta)]})
az = 35;
el = 26;
view(az, el);
subplot(2,2,4)
contourf(X,Y,P)
figure(4)
%subplot(2,1,2)
quiver(X,Y,VxAvrg,VyAvrg)
title({'NonDarcy Velocities';['beta = ', num2str(beta)]})
if (n_x == n_y)
    for i=1:n_y
       PdiagonalF(i)=P(i,i);
    end
    figure(3)
```

plot(y,PdiagonalF,'b*',y,PdiagonalD,'r-')

end

 end

```
yy=1;
scaley=factory;
xx=scalex+1;
scalex=scalex+ factorx;
```

```
end
```

```
% New index function
```

```
ind4=inline('(x-1)*z +y','x','y','z');
```

for k=1:nxnew

for j=1:nynew

Kupscalling11(k,j)=KUp1(ind4(k,j,nxnew));

```
Kupscalling22(k,j)=KUp2(ind4(k,j,nynew));
```

end

end

```
% Write to a data file
if BottonTop == 1
    dlmwrite('Kupscaling22.dat',Kupscalling22,'precision','%.15f')
else
```

```
dlmwrite('Kupscaling11.dat',Kupscalling11,'precision','%.15f')
```

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