

A VEM-fully discrete polytopal scheme with bubble stabilisation for mixed-dimensional models with frictional contact at matrix–fracture interfaces

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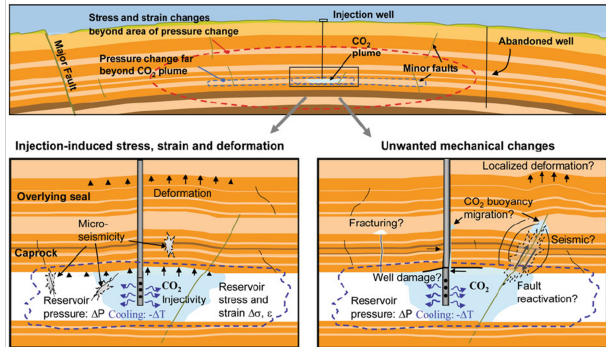
Fractured/faulted poro-mechanical models: applications

- CO₂ sequestration

- Fault/fracture reactivation
 - Leakage
 - Induced seismicity

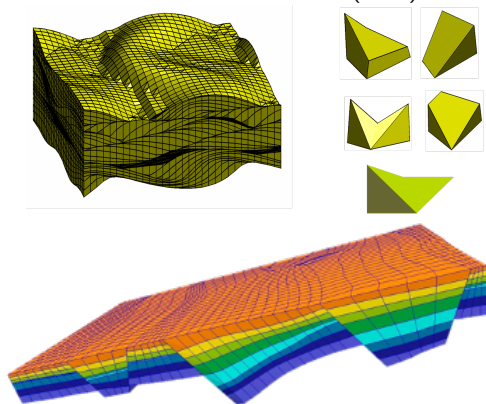
- Other applications

- Geothermal systems
- Radioactive waste geological repositories
- H₂ storage



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Corner Point Geometries (CPG)



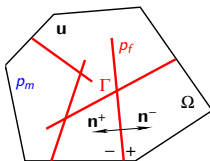
- Not adapted to Finite Element Methods (FEM) typically used in Mechanics
- Need for discretizations of contact mechanics adapted to **polyhedral** meshes

1. Contact-Mechanical model
2. Discretization on polyhedral meshes
3. Numerical validation
 - Contact-mechanics
 - Poromechanics

Static contact mechanical problem

- The matrix and fracture pressures p_m and p_f are fixed
- Isotropic linear poroelastic model in the matrix domain $\Omega \setminus \Gamma$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} -\operatorname{div}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}^T(\mathbf{u}, p_m)) = \mathbf{f}, \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma}^T(\mathbf{u}, p_m) = \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{u}) - b p_m \mathbb{I}, \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{u}) = 2\mu \boldsymbol{\epsilon}(\mathbf{u}) + \lambda \operatorname{div} \mathbf{u} \mathbb{I}. \end{array} \right.$$



Mixed-dimensional geometry and unknowns

Jumps : $[[\mathbf{u}]] = \mathbf{u}^+ - \mathbf{u}^-$, $[[\mathbf{u}]]_n = [[\mathbf{u}]] \cdot \mathbf{n}^+$, $[[\mathbf{u}]]_\tau = [[\mathbf{u}]] - [[\mathbf{u}]]_n \mathbf{n}^+$,

Surface Traction: $\mathbf{T}^\pm = \sigma^T(\mathbf{u}, p_m)^\pm \mathbf{n}^\pm + p_f \mathbf{n}^\pm$

Law of Action and Reaction:

$$\mathbf{T}^+ + \mathbf{T}^- = \mathbf{0}$$

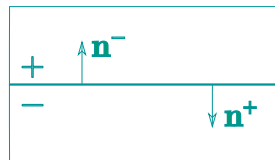
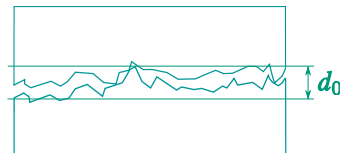
Non penetration conditions:

$$T_n^+ \leq 0, \quad [[\mathbf{u}]]_n \leq 0, \quad [[\mathbf{u}]]_n T_n^+ = 0$$

Coulomb friction conditions:

$$|\mathbf{T}_\tau^+| \leq -F T_n^+,$$

$$\mathbf{T}_\tau^+(\mathbf{u}) \cdot [[\mathbf{u}]]_\tau - F T_n^+(\mathbf{u}) |[[\mathbf{u}]]_\tau | = 0$$



Lagrange multiplier: $\lambda = -\mathbf{T}^+$

Dual cone of admissible Lagrange multipliers: given $\lambda = (\lambda_n, \lambda_\tau)$

$$C_f(\lambda_n) = \left\{ \mu \in (H^{-1/2}(\Gamma))^d : \mu_n \geq 0, |\mu_\tau| \leq F\lambda_n \quad (\text{in a weak sense}) \right\}.$$

Mixed variational inequality: $\mathbf{u} \in H_0^1(\Omega \setminus \bar{\Gamma})^d$, $\lambda \in C_f(\lambda_n)$ such that

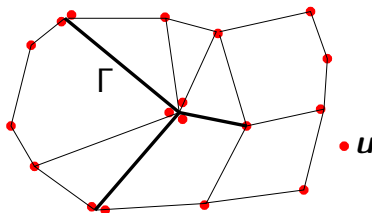
$$\int_{\Omega} \left(\mathbb{D}(\mathbf{u}) : \mathbb{D}(\mathbf{v}) - b \, p_m \operatorname{div}(\mathbf{v}) \right) + \langle \lambda, \llbracket \mathbf{v} \rrbracket \rangle_{\Gamma} + \int_{\Gamma} p_f \llbracket \mathbf{v} \rrbracket_n = \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{v},$$

$$\langle \mu - \lambda, \llbracket \mathbf{u} \rrbracket \rangle_{\Gamma} \leq 0,$$

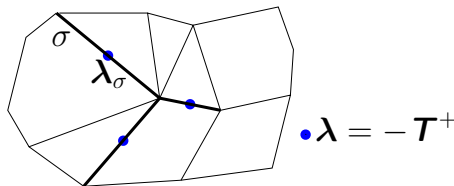
for all $\mathbf{v} \in H_0^1(\Omega \setminus \bar{\Gamma})^d$, $\mu \in C_f(\lambda_n)$.

- Virtual Element Method (VEM) [Beirao Da Veiga et al 2013]
- **Fully discrete approach** (nodal MFD, CDO, DDR)
 - local reconstruction operators from the space of discrete unknowns onto polynomial spaces.

Nodal displacement unknowns:



- Mixed formulation with nodal Lagrange multipliers [Wriggers et al 2016]
- Mixed formulation with face-wise constant Lagrange multipliers $\lambda = -\mathbf{T}^+$
 - deal with fracture networks including intersections
 - face-wise contact conditions
 - preserve the contact dissipative properties



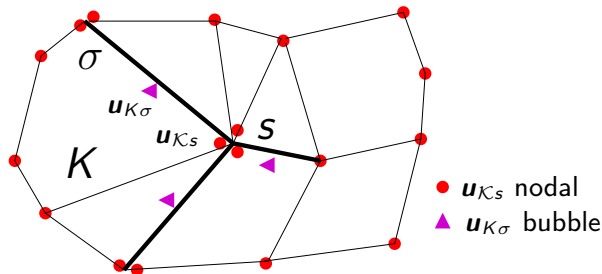
$$\mathbf{M}_{\mathcal{D}} = \{\lambda_{\mathcal{D}} \in L^2(\Gamma)^d : \lambda_{\mathcal{D}}(\mathbf{x}) = \lambda_{\sigma} \ \forall \sigma \in \mathcal{F}_{\Gamma}, \forall \mathbf{x} \in \sigma\}.$$

For $\lambda_{\mathcal{D}} \in \mathbf{M}_{\mathcal{D}}$, we define the discrete dual cone of admissible Lagrange multipliers:

$$\mathbf{C}_{\mathcal{D}}(\lambda_{\mathcal{D},\mathbf{n}}) = \{\mu_{\mathcal{D}} = (\mu_{\mathcal{D},\mathbf{n}}, \mu_{\mathcal{D},\boldsymbol{\tau}}) \in \mathbf{M}_{\mathcal{D}} : \mu_{\mathcal{D},\mathbf{n}} \geq 0, |\mu_{\mathcal{D},\boldsymbol{\tau}}| \leq F\lambda_{\mathcal{D},\mathbf{n}}\}.$$

A stabilization is required to avoid spurious Lagrange multiplier modes

- Enrichment of the displacement space
 - $\mathbb{P}^1$ -bubble FEM [Renard et al 2003]
 - **In this work: polytopal bubble stabilisation**

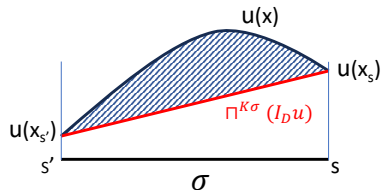


Vector space of discrete displacement unknowns:

$$\mathbf{U}_{\mathcal{D}} = \left\{ \mathbf{v}_{\mathcal{D}} = \left((\mathbf{v}_{Ks})_{Ks \in \overline{\mathcal{M}}_s, s \in \mathcal{V}}, (\mathbf{v}_{K\sigma})_{\sigma \in \mathcal{F}_{\Gamma, K}^+}, K \in \mathcal{M} \right) : \mathbf{v}_{Ks} \in \mathbb{R}^d, \mathbf{v}_{K\sigma} \in \mathbb{R}^d \right\}$$

$$I_{\mathcal{D}} : C^0(\Omega \setminus \bar{\Gamma})^d \rightarrow \mathbf{U}_{\mathcal{D}}$$

$$\begin{cases} (I_{\mathcal{D}} \mathbf{u})_{\mathcal{K}_S} = \mathbf{u}|_{\mathcal{K}}(\mathbf{x}_S), \\ (I_{\mathcal{D}} \mathbf{u})_{K\sigma} = \frac{1}{|\sigma|} \int_{\sigma} (\gamma^{K\sigma} \mathbf{u} - \Pi^{K\sigma}(I_{\mathcal{D}} \mathbf{u})). \end{cases}$$



- $\gamma^{K\sigma}$ is the trace operator on σ from the K side
- $\Pi^{K\sigma}$ is the face linear reconstruction operator depending only on the nodal degrees of freedom

Cell gradient and function reconstruction operators:

- $\nabla^K : \mathbf{U}_{\mathcal{D}} \rightarrow (\mathbb{P}^0(K))^{d \times d}$
- $\Pi^K : \mathbf{U}_{\mathcal{D}} \rightarrow (\mathbb{P}^1(K))^d$

Fracture face mean displacement jump:

- $\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket_{\sigma} : \mathbf{U}_{\mathcal{D}} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^0(\sigma)^d$

Global piecewise reconstruction operators:

- $(\mathbb{C}_{\mathcal{D}}(\mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}}))|_K = \frac{1}{2}(\nabla^K \mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}} + {}^t \nabla^K \mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}})$
- $\operatorname{div}_{\mathcal{D}} = \operatorname{tr}(\mathbb{C}_{\mathcal{D}}), \quad \mathbb{C}_{\mathcal{D}} = 2\mu \mathbb{C}_{\mathcal{D}} + \lambda \operatorname{div}_{\mathcal{D}} \mathbb{I}$
- $(\Pi_{\mathcal{D}} \mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}})|_K = \Pi^K \mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}}$
- $(\llbracket \mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}} \rrbracket_{\mathcal{D}})|_{\sigma} = \llbracket \mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}} \rrbracket_{\sigma}$

Discrete mixed variational formulation

Find $(\mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}}, \lambda_{\mathcal{D}}) \in \mathbf{U}_{\mathcal{D}}^0 \times \mathbf{C}_{\mathcal{D}}(\lambda_{\mathcal{D},n})$, such that:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \int_{\Omega} \sigma_{\mathcal{D}}(\mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}}) : \epsilon_{\mathcal{D}}(\mathbf{v}_{\mathcal{D}}) + S_{\mu, \lambda, \mathcal{D}}(\mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}}, \mathbf{v}_{\mathcal{D}}) - \int_{\Omega} b p_m \operatorname{div}_{\mathcal{D}} \mathbf{v}_{\mathcal{D}} \\ + \int_{\Gamma} p_f \llbracket \mathbf{v}_{\mathcal{D}} \rrbracket_{\mathcal{D},n} + \int_{\Gamma} \lambda_{\mathcal{D}} \cdot \llbracket \mathbf{v}_{\mathcal{D}} \rrbracket_{\mathcal{D}} = \sum_{K \in \mathcal{M}} \frac{1}{|K|} \int_K \mathbf{f} \cdot \int_K \Pi_{\mathcal{D}} \mathbf{v}_{\mathcal{D}}, \\ \int_{\Gamma} (\mu_{\mathcal{D}} - \lambda_{\mathcal{D}}) \cdot \llbracket \mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}} \rrbracket_{\mathcal{D}} \leq 0, \end{array} \right.$$

for all $(\mathbf{v}_{\mathcal{D}}, \mu_{\mathcal{D}}) \in \mathbf{U}_{\mathcal{D}}^0 \times \mathbf{C}_{\mathcal{D}}(\lambda_{\mathcal{D},n})$.

The variational inequality can be reformulated by local to each fracture face equations:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \lambda_{\sigma,n} = \left[\lambda_{\sigma,n} + \beta_{\sigma,n} \llbracket \mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}} \rrbracket_{\sigma,n} \right]_{\mathbb{R}^+} \\ \lambda_{\sigma,\tau} = \left[\lambda_{\sigma,\tau} + \beta_{\sigma,\tau} \llbracket \mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}} \rrbracket_{\sigma,\tau} \right]_{F\lambda_{\sigma,n}} \end{array} \right.$$

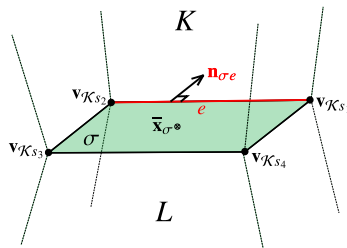
with $[x]_{\mathbb{R}^+} = \max\{0, x\}$ and $[x]_{\alpha} = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } |x| \leq \alpha, \\ \alpha \frac{x}{|x|} & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad \beta_{\mathcal{D},n} > 0, \quad \beta_{\mathcal{D},\tau} > 0.$

Jump reconstruction operator on a face σ : $\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket_\sigma$

Face mean value reconstruction:

$$\bar{\mathbf{v}}_{K\sigma} = \sum_{s \in \mathcal{V}_\sigma} \omega_s^\sigma \mathbf{v}_{\mathcal{K}_s}$$

with the face center of mass $\bar{\mathbf{x}}_\sigma = \sum_{s \in \mathcal{V}_\sigma} \omega_s^\sigma \mathbf{x}_s$.



Face average displacement jump operator:

$$\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket_\sigma : \mathbf{U}_\mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^0(\sigma)^d$$

$$\llbracket \mathbf{v}_\mathcal{D} \rrbracket_\sigma = \bar{\mathbf{v}}_{K\sigma} - \bar{\mathbf{v}}_{L\sigma} + \mathbf{v}_{K\sigma}.$$

The gradient reconstruction operator:

$$\nabla^K : \mathbf{U}_{\mathcal{D}} \rightarrow (\mathbb{P}^0(K))^{d \times d}$$

$$\nabla^K \mathbf{v}_{\mathcal{D}} = \frac{1}{|K|} \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{F}_{\Gamma, K}^+} |\sigma| \mathbf{v}_{K\sigma} \otimes \mathbf{n}_{K\sigma} + \frac{1}{|K|} \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{F}_K} |\sigma| \bar{\mathbf{v}}_{K\sigma} \otimes \mathbf{n}_{K\sigma}.$$

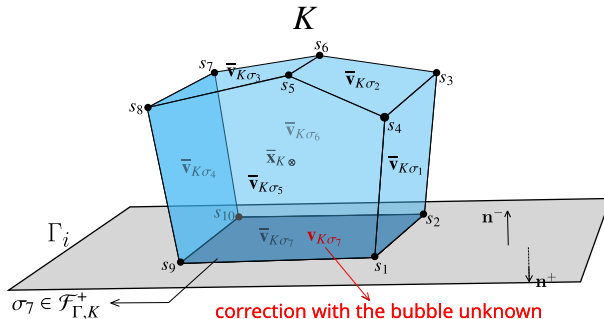


Figure: Nodal and bubble unknowns in a cell K

Linear function reconstruction operator:

$$\Pi^K : \mathbf{U}_{\mathcal{D}} \rightarrow (\mathbb{P}^1(K))^d$$

$$\Pi^K \mathbf{v}_{\mathcal{D}}(\mathbf{x}) = \nabla^K \mathbf{v}_{\mathcal{D}}(\mathbf{x} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_K) + \bar{\mathbf{v}}_K,$$

with

$$\bar{\mathbf{v}}_K = \sum_{s \in \mathcal{V}_K} \omega_s^K \mathbf{v}_{\mathcal{K}s}$$

$$\text{and the cell center of mass } \bar{\mathbf{x}}_K = \sum_{s \in \mathcal{V}_K} \omega_s^K \mathbf{x}_s.$$

$S_{\mu,\lambda,\mathcal{D}}$ is the scaled stabilisation bilinear form defined by:

$$S_{\mu,\lambda,\mathcal{D}}(\mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}}, \mathbf{v}_{\mathcal{D}}) = \sum_{K \in \mathcal{M}} h_K^{d-2} (2\mu_K + \lambda_K) S_K(\mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}}, \mathbf{v}_{\mathcal{D}}),$$

with

$$S_K(\mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}}, \mathbf{v}_{\mathcal{D}}) = \sum_{s \in \mathcal{V}_K} (\mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{K}s} - \Pi^K \mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}}(\mathbf{x}_s)) \cdot (\mathbf{v}_{\mathcal{K}s} - \Pi^K \mathbf{v}_{\mathcal{D}}(\mathbf{x}_s)) + \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{F}_{\Gamma,K}^+} \mathbf{u}_{K\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{v}_{K\sigma},$$

such that

$$S_K(\mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{D}} \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{v}_{\mathcal{D}}) = S_K(\mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}}, \mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{D}} \mathbf{q}) = 0$$

for all $\mathbf{q} \in \mathbb{P}^1(K)$.

Let $(\mathbf{u}, \lambda)$ be the exact solution and assume that $\mathbf{u} \in H^2(\mathcal{M})$ and $\lambda \in H^1(\mathcal{F}_\Gamma)$. Then the discrete solution $(\mathbf{u}_\mathcal{D}, \lambda_\mathcal{D})$ satisfies the following error estimate:

$$\|\nabla^\mathcal{D} \mathbf{u}_\mathcal{D} - \nabla \mathbf{u}\|_{L^2(\Omega \setminus \bar{\Gamma})} + \|\lambda_\mathcal{D} - \lambda\|_{-1/2, \Gamma} \lesssim h_\mathcal{D} (|\lambda|_{H^1(\mathcal{F}_\Gamma)} + |\mathbf{u}|_{H^2(\mathcal{M})}).$$

The proof is mainly based on the **discrete inf-sup condition**:

$$\sup_{\mathbf{v}_\mathcal{D} \in \mathbf{U}_\mathcal{D}^0} \frac{\int_\Gamma \lambda_\mathcal{D} \cdot \llbracket \mathbf{v}_\mathcal{D} \rrbracket_\mathcal{D}}{\|\mathbf{v}_\mathcal{D}\|_{1, \mathcal{D}}} \gtrsim \|\lambda_\mathcal{D}\|_{-1/2, \Gamma} \quad \forall \lambda_\mathcal{D} \in \mathbf{M}_\mathcal{D}.$$

$$\text{with } \|\mathbf{v}_\mathcal{D}\|_{1, \mathcal{D}} := \left(\sum_{K \in \mathcal{M}} (\|\nabla^K \mathbf{v}_\mathcal{D}\|_{L^2(K)}^2 + S_K(\mathbf{v}_\mathcal{D}, \mathbf{v}_\mathcal{D})) \right)^{1/2}.$$

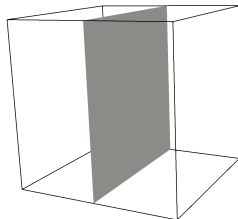
and the **discrete Korn inequality**:

$$\|\mathbf{v}_\mathcal{D}\|_{1, \mathcal{D}}^2 \lesssim \|\mathbb{E}_\mathcal{D}(\mathbf{v}_\mathcal{D})\|_{L^2(\Omega \setminus \bar{\Gamma})}^2 + \sum_{K \in \mathcal{M}} S_K(\mathbf{v}_\mathcal{D}, \mathbf{v}_\mathcal{D}) \quad \forall \mathbf{v}_\mathcal{D} \in \mathbf{U}_\mathcal{D}^0.$$

Manufactured solution for a frictionless contact mechanical model

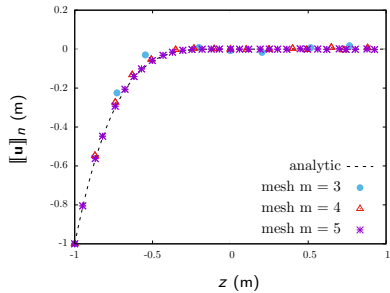
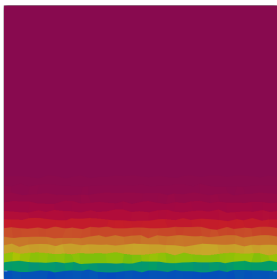
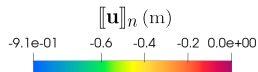
Frictionless contact mechanical model:

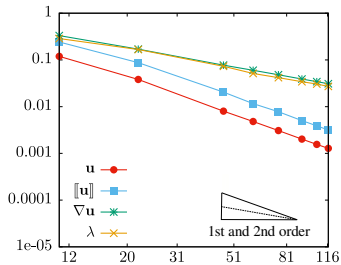
$$\begin{cases} -\operatorname{div} \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{f} & \text{on } \Omega \setminus \bar{\Gamma} \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{u}) = 2\mu \boldsymbol{\epsilon}(\mathbf{u}) + \lambda \operatorname{div} \mathbf{u} \mathbb{I} & \text{on } \Omega \setminus \bar{\Gamma} \\ \mathbf{T}^+ + \mathbf{T}^- = \mathbf{0} & \text{on } \Gamma \\ T_n \leq 0, \llbracket \mathbf{u} \rrbracket_n \leq 0, \llbracket \mathbf{u} \rrbracket_n T_n = 0 & \text{on } \Gamma \\ \mathbf{T}_\tau = \mathbf{0} & \text{on } \Gamma. \end{cases}$$



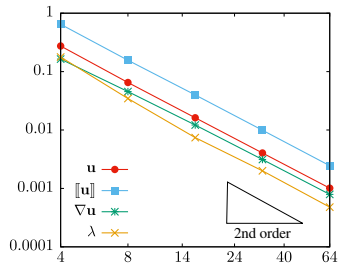
Analytical solution:

$$\mathbf{u}(x, y, z) = \begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} g(x, y)p(z) \\ p(z) \\ x^2 p(z) \end{pmatrix} & \text{if } z \geq 0, \\ \begin{pmatrix} h(x)p^+(z) \\ h(x)(p^+(z))' \\ -\int_0^x h(\xi)d\xi (p^+(z))' \end{pmatrix} & \text{if } z < 0, x < 0, \\ \begin{pmatrix} h(x)p^-(z) \\ h(x)(p^-(z))' \\ -\int_0^x h(\xi)d\xi (p^-(z))' \end{pmatrix} & \text{if } z < 0, x \geq 0, \end{cases} \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} g(x, y) = -\sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\pi y}{2}\right) \\ p(z) = z^2 \\ h(x) = \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{2}\right) \\ p^+(z) = z^4 \\ p^-(z) = 2z^4 \end{cases}$$

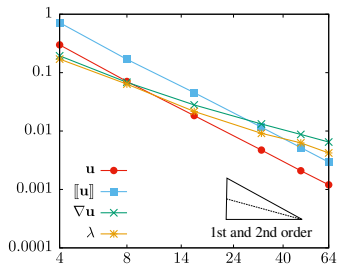




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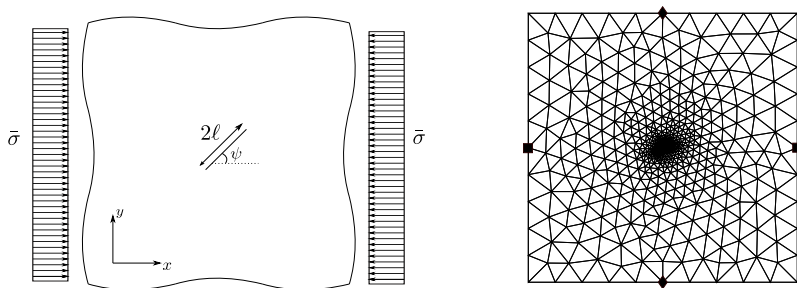
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(c)

Figure: Error and convergence rates obtained with the VEM $\mathbb{P}^1$ -bubble method: Tetrahedral mesh (a), cartesian mesh (b), polytopal mesh (c).

Single crack under compression

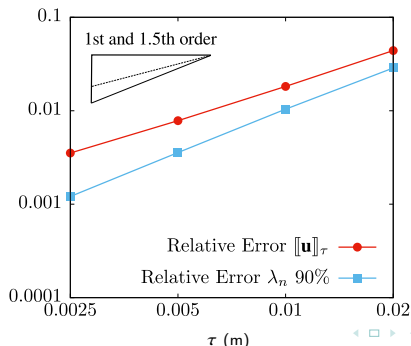
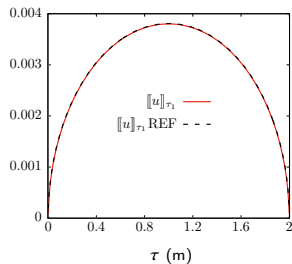
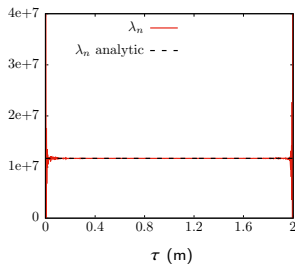


$$\blacklozenge: u_x = 0, \quad \blacksquare: u_y = 0$$

$$|[\![\bar{\mathbf{u}}]\!]_{\tau}(\tau)| = \frac{4(1-\nu)}{E} (\bar{\sigma} \sin \psi (\cos \psi - F \sin \psi)) \sqrt{\ell^2 - (\ell^2 - \tau^2)},$$

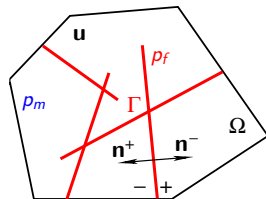
$$\bar{\lambda}_n(\tau) = \bar{\sigma} \sin^2 \psi, \quad 0 \leq \tau \leq 2\ell$$

Single crack under compression



Coupling with a mixed-dimensional single phase Darcy flow

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \partial_t \phi_m + \operatorname{div} \mathbf{V}_m = h_m & \text{on } (0, T) \times \Omega \setminus \bar{\Gamma}, \\ \mathbf{V}_m = -\frac{\mathbb{K}_m}{\eta} \nabla p_m & \text{on } (0, T) \times \Omega \setminus \bar{\Gamma}, \\ \partial_t \mathbf{d}_f + \operatorname{div}_\tau \mathbf{V}_f - \llbracket \mathbf{V}_m \rrbracket_n = h_f & \text{on } (0, T) \times \Gamma, \\ \mathbf{V}_f = \frac{C_f(\mathbf{d}_f)}{\eta} \nabla_\tau p_f, & \text{on } (0, T) \times \Gamma, \\ \mathbf{V}_m^\pm \cdot \mathbf{n}^\pm = T_f(\mathbf{d}_f)(\gamma^\pm p_m - p_f) & \text{on } (0, T) \times \Gamma, \end{array} \right.$$



with the following coupling laws

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \partial_t \phi_m = b \operatorname{div}(\partial_t \mathbf{u}) + \frac{1}{M} \partial_t p_m & \text{on } (0, T) \times \Omega \setminus \bar{\Gamma}, \\ \mathbf{d}_f = \mathbf{d}_f^c - \llbracket \mathbf{u} \rrbracket_n & \text{on } (0, T) \times \Gamma, \end{array} \right.$$

Hybrid Finite Volume (HFV) discretization for the Darcy flow model [Brenner et al 2016]

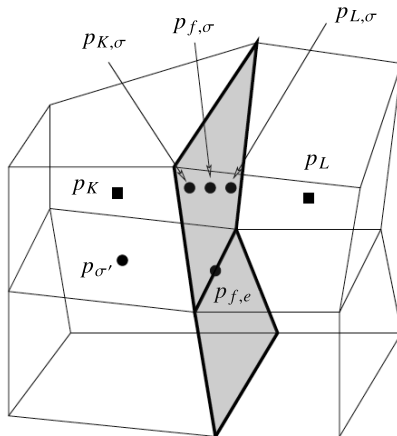


Figure: Pressure unknowns for the HFV scheme with discontinuous pressure

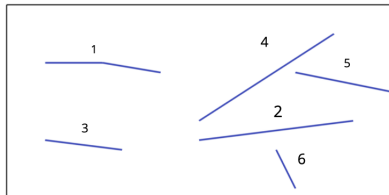
Any solution $(p_{\mathcal{D}}^n, \mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}}^n, \lambda_{\mathcal{D}}^n) \in X_{\mathcal{D}}^0 \times \mathbf{U}_{\mathcal{D}}^0 \times \mathbf{C}_{\mathcal{D}}(\lambda_{\mathcal{D},n}^n)$ for $n = 1, \dots, N$ of the fully coupled scheme satisfies the following discrete energy estimates:

$$\begin{aligned} & \delta_t^n \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbb{C}_{\mathcal{D}}(\mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}}) : \mathbb{C}_{\mathcal{D}}(\mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}}) + S_{\mu, \lambda, \mathcal{D}}(\mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}}, \mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}}) + \frac{1}{M} |\Pi_{\mathcal{D}_m} p_{\mathcal{D}_m}|^2 \right) + \int_{\Gamma} F \lambda_{\mathcal{D},n}^n |[\delta_t^n \mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}}]_{\mathcal{D}, \tau}| \\ & + \int_{\Omega} \frac{\mathbb{K}_m}{\eta} \nabla_{\mathcal{D}_m} p_{\mathcal{D}_m}^n \cdot \nabla_{\mathcal{D}_m} p_{\mathcal{D}_m}^n + \int_{\Gamma} \frac{C_{f, \mathcal{D}}^{n-1}}{\eta} |\nabla_{\mathcal{D}_f} p_{\mathcal{D}_f}^n|^2 + \sum_{\mathbf{a} \in \{+, -\}} \int_{\Gamma} \Lambda_{f, \mathcal{D}}^{n-1} (\|p_{\mathcal{D}}^n\|_{\mathcal{D}}^{\mathbf{a}})^2 \\ & \leq \int_{\Omega} h_m \Pi_{\mathcal{D}_m} p_{\mathcal{D}_m}^n + \int_{\Gamma} h_f \nabla_{\mathcal{D}_f} p_{\mathcal{D}_f}^n + \sum_{K \in \mathcal{M}} \int_K \mathbf{f}_K^n \cdot \Pi_{\mathcal{D}} \delta_t^n \mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}}. \end{aligned}$$

Thanks to the dissipative property of the contact term:

$$\int_{\Gamma} \lambda_{\mathcal{D}}^n \cdot [\delta_t^n \mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}}]_{\mathcal{D}} \geq \int_{\Gamma} F \lambda_{\mathcal{D},n}^n |[\delta_t^n \mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{D}}]_{\mathcal{D}, \tau}| \geq 0.$$

2D DFM poromechanical test case



Anisotropic permeability tensor:

$$\mathbb{K}_m = 10^{-15} \left(\mathbf{e}_x \otimes \mathbf{e}_x + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{e}_y \otimes \mathbf{e}_y \right)$$

Fracture aperture in contact state:

$$d_f^c(\mathbf{x}) = 10^{-4} \frac{\sqrt{\arctan(aD_i(\mathbf{x}))}}{\sqrt{\arctan(al_i)}}, \quad i \in \{1, \dots, 6\}$$

$$F = 0.5, \quad b = 0.5, \quad E = 10 \text{ GPa}, \quad \nu = 0.2$$

No analytical solution available

⇒ Compute reference solution on fine [mesh](#)

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Initial conditions

Initial pressures $p_m^0 = p_f^0 = 10^5 \text{ Pa}$

Boundary conditions

Mechanics

Top boundary:

$$\mathbf{u}(t, \mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} t [0.005 \text{ m}, -0.002 \text{ m}] & \text{if } t \leq T/4 \\ t [0.005 \text{ m}, -0.002 \text{ m}] & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Bottom boundary: $\mathbf{u}(t, \mathbf{x}) \equiv \mathbf{0}$

Left and right boundaries: $\boldsymbol{\sigma}^T(t, \mathbf{x}) \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}) \equiv \mathbf{0}$

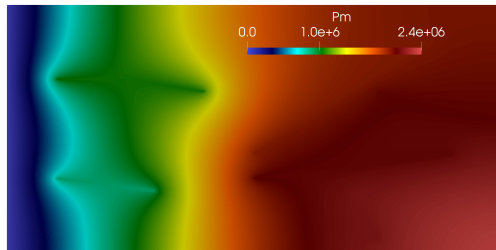
Flow

Left boundary: $p_m(t, \mathbf{x}) \equiv p_m^0 = 10^5 \text{ Pa}$

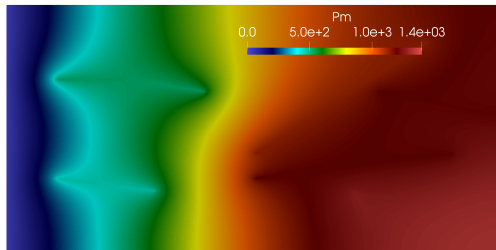
All other boundaries: impervious

Matrix over pressures

End of Stage 1 at $t = \frac{T}{4}$



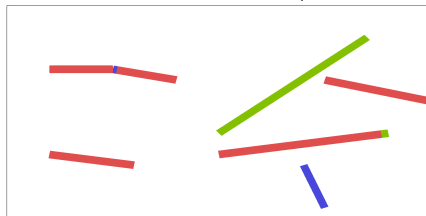
End of Stage 2 at $t = T$



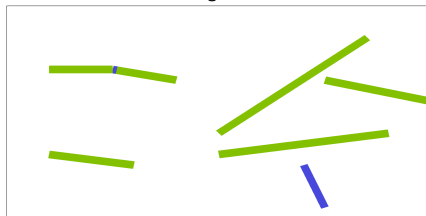
Contact state along the fractures

- $-\mathbf{T}_n = -(\varphi(\mathbf{u}) \cdot \mathbf{n}) \cdot \mathbf{n} - (1 - b)p_f$ and $|\mathbf{T}_\tau| \leq -F T_n$

End of Stage 1 at $t = \frac{T}{4}$



End of Stage 2 at $t = T$



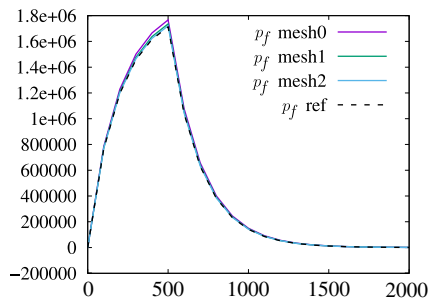
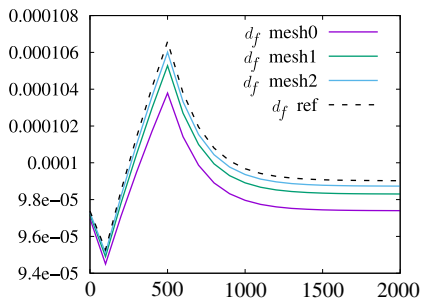


Figure: Mean aperture and mean pressure in fractures as a function of time.

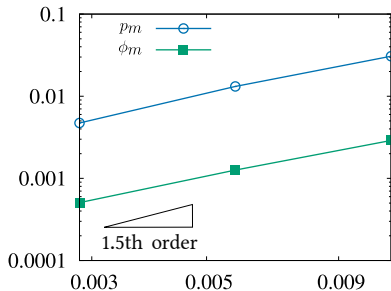
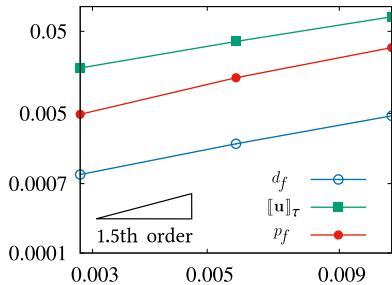


Figure: Relative L_2 error between the current and reference solution

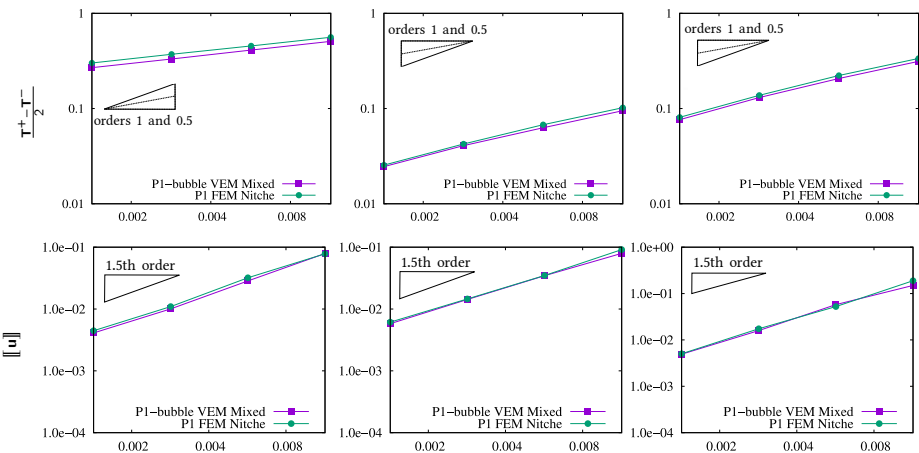
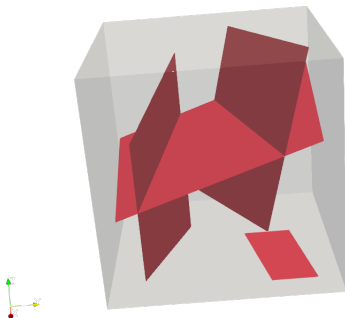


Figure: Relative L_2 error, as a function of the size of the largest fracture face, between the current and reference solutions in terms of $(\mathbf{T}^+ - \mathbf{T}^-) / 2$ (top) and $\|\mathbf{u}\|$ (bottom) along fractures 1,2 and 3 from left to right: Mixed $\mathbb{P}^1$ -bubble VEM - $\mathbb{P}^0$ vs Nitsche $\mathbb{P}^1$ FEM.

3D DFM poromechanical test case



Isotropic permeability tensor:

$$\mathbb{K}_m = 10^{-14} \mathbb{I} \text{ (m}^2\text{)}$$

Fracture aperture in contact state:

$$d_f^c(\mathbf{x}) = 10^{-3} \text{ m}$$

$$F = 0.5, b = 0.5, E = 10 \text{ GPa}, \nu = 0.2$$

Initial conditions

Initial pressures $p_m^0 = p_f^0 = 10^5 \text{ Pa}$

Boundary conditions

Mechanics

Top boundary:

$$\mathbf{u}(t, \mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} t [0.005 \text{ m}, 0.002 \text{ m}, -0.002 \text{ m}] 2t/T & \text{if } t \leq T/2 \\ t [0.005 \text{ m}, 0.002 \text{ m}, -0.002 \text{ m}] & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Bottom boundary: $\mathbf{u}(t, \mathbf{x}) \equiv \mathbf{0}$

Lateral boundaries: $\sigma^T(t, \mathbf{x})\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}) \equiv \mathbf{0}$

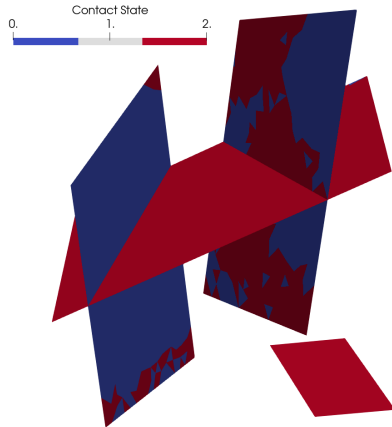
Flow

Boundary $y = 0$ and $y = 1$: $p_m(t, \mathbf{x}) \equiv p_m^0 = 10^5 \text{ Pa}$

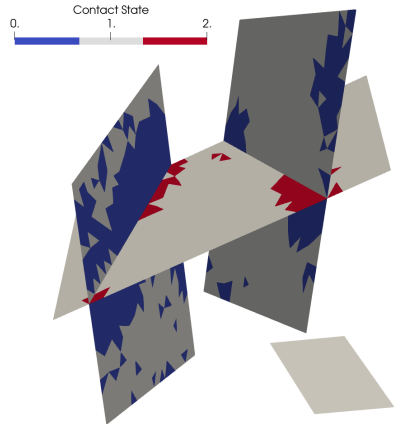
All other boundaries: impervious

3D DFM poromechanical test case: contact state

$t = T/2$



$t = T$



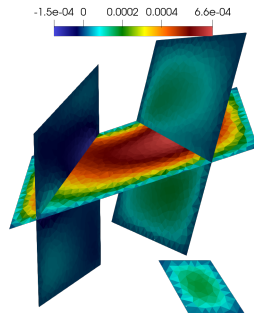
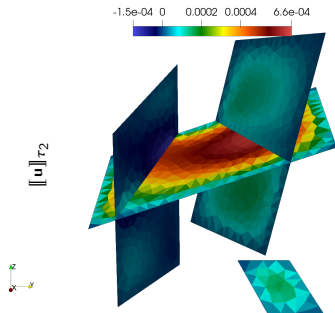


Figure: The τ_2 component of the tangential jump with the 47k cells mesh (left) and the 127k cells mesh (right), obtained at final time.

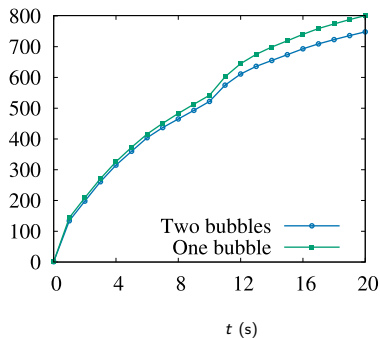
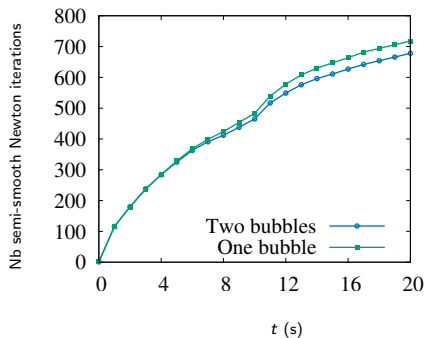


Figure: Total number of semi-smooth Newton iterations for the contact-mechanical model as a function of time, with both one-sided and two-sided bubbles and for both meshes with 47k cells (left) and 127k cells (right).

- Extension to polyhedral meshes of the mixed $\mathbb{P}^1$ -bubble - $\mathbb{P}^0$ formulation for contact mechanics
- Numerical validation in terms of convergence and robustness on academic test cases

Perspectives:

- More challenging test cases on CPG meshes for CO2 injection in a faulted reservoir
- Higher order polytopal method
- Nitsche's formulation
- Extension to non-matching meshes

Thank you for your attention.