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A Finite Volume Scheme for diffusion problems
on general meshes ensuring monotony constraints

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- Studies of unsteady and diphasic problems in porous medias.
- Need to respect the maximum principle:
Let $f > 0$,
Let $u(x)$ the solution of the following diffusion problem:

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u(x) = f & \text{on } \Omega \\ u(x) = u_0(x) & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{cases}$$

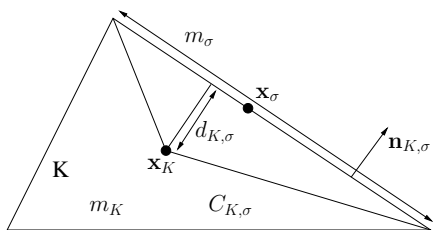
We suppose that $u_0 \in L^2(\Omega)$ so for all $x \in \Omega$

$$\min \left\{ 0, \inf_{\Omega} u_0 \right\} \leq u(x) \leq \max \left\{ 0, \sup_{\Omega} u_0 \right\}$$

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- Let the following heterogeneous anisotropic diffusion problem:

$$\begin{cases} -\operatorname{div}(\Lambda(\mathbf{x})\nabla u(\mathbf{x})) = f(\mathbf{x}) & \text{on } \Omega \\ u(\mathbf{x}) = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{cases}$$



- $\Lambda(\mathbf{x})$ can be a highly discontinuous function,
- The mesh can't be too flat.

- The weak formulation of the problem is:

$$\begin{cases} u \in H_0^1(\Omega), \\ \int_{\Omega} \Lambda(\mathbf{x})\nabla u(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \nabla v(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} = \int_{\Omega} f(\mathbf{x})v(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}, \quad \forall v \in H_0^1(\Omega) \end{cases}$$

- The scheme consists in finding $u_{\mathcal{D}} \in X_{\mathcal{D},0}$ such that:

$$\langle u_{\mathcal{D}}, v \rangle_{\mathcal{D},\alpha} = \int_{\Omega} f(\mathbf{x}) P_{\mathcal{M}}(v(\mathbf{x})) d\mathbf{x} \quad \forall v \in X_{\mathcal{D},0}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow$$

$$u_{\mathcal{D}} = \operatorname{argmin}_{v \in X_{\mathcal{D},0}} J_{\mathcal{D},\alpha}(v)$$

- With :

$$X_{\mathcal{D}} = \{v = ((v_K)_{K \in \mathcal{M}}, (v_{\sigma})_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}}), v_K \in \mathbb{R}, v_{\sigma} \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

$$X_{\mathcal{D},0} = \{u \in X_{\mathcal{D}}, u_{\sigma} = 0, \sigma \in \mathcal{E}_{ext}\}$$

$$J_{\mathcal{D},\alpha}(v) = \frac{1}{2} \langle v, v \rangle_{\mathcal{D},\alpha} - \int_{\Omega} f(\mathbf{x}) P_{\mathcal{M}} u(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}, \forall v \in X_{\mathcal{D},0}$$

- Important issue : to find the expression of the bilinear form

$$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\mathcal{D},\alpha}$$

- The symmetric and coercive bilinear form:

$$\langle u, v \rangle_{\mathcal{D}, \alpha} = \sum_{K \in \mathcal{M}} \left(m_K \nabla_K u \cdot \mathbf{\Lambda}_K \nabla_K v + \alpha_K \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_K} m_\sigma d_{K, \sigma} R_{K, \sigma}(u) R_{K, \sigma}(v) \mathbf{n}_{K, \sigma} \cdot \mathbf{\Lambda}_K \mathbf{n}_{K, \sigma} \right)$$

- The discrete gradient:

$$\nabla_K u = \frac{1}{m_K} \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_K} m_\sigma (u_\sigma - u_K) \mathbf{n}_{K, \sigma}, \quad \forall K \in \mathcal{M}, \forall u \in X_{\mathcal{D}}$$

- $R_{K, \sigma}(u) = \frac{u_\sigma - u_K - \nabla_K u \cdot (\mathbf{x}_\sigma - \mathbf{x}_K)}{d_{K, \sigma}}, \quad \forall K \in \mathcal{M}, \forall \sigma \in \mathcal{E}_K$

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- Quality of the solution may depends on the choice of α
- An optimal choice of α exists: α will appear as the Lagrangian Multipliers of a monotony condition.
- $R_{K,\sigma}$: a measure of the local curvature of the discrete solution.

$$R_{K,\sigma}(u) = \frac{u_\sigma - u_K - \nabla_K u \cdot (\mathbf{x}_\sigma - \mathbf{x}_K)}{d_{K,\sigma}}$$

We notice that:

$$\text{If } \begin{cases} u \text{ linear function} \\ u_\sigma = u(x_\sigma) \\ u_K = u(x_K) \end{cases} \quad \text{then } R_{K,\sigma}(u) = 0$$

- **Idea:** To build a constraint on $R_{K,\sigma}$ in order to decrease the oscillation,

- Practical the constraint is the following:

$$G_K^\mathcal{E}(v) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_K} m_\sigma d_{K,\sigma} \mathbf{n}_{K,\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{\Lambda}_K \mathbf{n}_{K,\sigma} R_{K,\sigma}^2(v) - m_K \varepsilon$$

- We introduce a new constrained space:

$$X_{\mathcal{D},0}^\mathcal{E} = \{v \in X_{\mathcal{D},0} \text{ , } G_K^\mathcal{E}(v) \leq 0, \forall K \in \mathcal{M}\}$$

- The initial problem without constraint is:

$$\text{Find } u_{\mathcal{D}} \in X_{\mathcal{D},0} \text{ such as: } u_{\mathcal{D}} = \operatorname{argmin}_{v \in X_{\mathcal{D},0}} J_{\mathcal{D},\alpha}(v)$$

- **The new constrained problem is :**

$$\text{Find } u_{\mathcal{D}}^* \in X_{\mathcal{D},0}^\mathcal{E} \text{ such as: } u_{\mathcal{D}}^* = \operatorname{argmin}_{v \in X_{\mathcal{D},0}^\mathcal{E}} J_{\mathcal{D},\beta}(v)$$

Characterization of the solution of the constrained problem

Let $\beta = (\beta_K)_{K \in \mathcal{M}}$ be a family of strictly positive reals, let $\varepsilon > 0$.

Then there exists one and only one solution $u_{\mathcal{D}}^*$ to the problem with constraints, which satisfies:

there exists a family of non negative reals $\lambda_{\mathcal{D}}^* = (\lambda_{K,\mathcal{D}}^*)_{K \in \mathcal{M}}$ such as $(u_{\mathcal{D}}^*, \lambda_{\mathcal{D}}^*) \in X_{\mathcal{D},0}^{\varepsilon} \times \mathbb{R}_+^{\mathcal{M}}$ is a saddle point of the function L :

$$L(v, \lambda) = J_{\beta}(v) + \sum_{K \in \mathcal{M}} \lambda_K G_K^{\varepsilon}(v)$$

and the so-called Kuhn and Tucker relations

$$\lambda_{K,\mathcal{D}}^* G_K^{\varepsilon}(u_{\mathcal{D}}^*) = 0 \quad , \forall K \in \mathcal{M}$$

The following relation holds:

$$\langle u_{\mathcal{D}}^*, v \rangle_{\mathcal{D},(\beta+\lambda_{\mathcal{D}}^*)} = \int_{\Omega} f(\mathbf{x}) \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{M}} v(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$$

Theorem

- Hypothesis :
 - let \mathcal{D} be a discretization of Ω ,
 - let $\beta = (\beta_K)_{K \in \mathcal{M}}$ be a family of reals such that $\{\beta_K, K \in \mathcal{M}\} \subset [\underline{\beta}, \overline{\beta}]$,
 - let $\varepsilon_{\mathcal{D}} > 0$ be given,
 - let $u_{\mathcal{D}}^*$ be the unique solution of the constrained problem.

- Then

$$u_{\mathcal{D}}^* \rightarrow u \text{ in } L^2(\Omega) \text{ as } h_{\mathcal{D}} \rightarrow 0 \text{ and } \frac{h_{\mathcal{D}}}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_{\mathcal{D}}}} \rightarrow 0$$
$$\nabla_{\mathcal{D}} u_{\mathcal{D}}^* \rightarrow \nabla u \text{ in } L^2(\Omega)$$

Elements of proof: Let $\phi \in C_c^\infty(\Omega)$, we get

$$\langle u_{\mathcal{D}}^*, P_{\mathcal{D}}\phi \rangle_{\mathcal{D},\beta} + T_1(u_{\mathcal{D}}^*, P_{\mathcal{D}}\phi)^2 = \int_{\Omega} f(\mathbf{x}) P_{\mathcal{M}} P_{\mathcal{D}}\phi(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$$

With

$$T_1(w, v) = \sum_{K \in \mathcal{M}} \lambda_{\mathcal{D},K}^* \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_K} m_{\sigma} d_{K,\sigma} R_{K,\sigma}(w) R_{K,\sigma}(v) \mathbf{n}_{K,\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{\Lambda}_K \mathbf{n}_{K,\sigma}$$

- $\langle u_{\mathcal{D}}^*, P_{\mathcal{D}}\phi \rangle_{\mathcal{D},\beta}$ converges to $\int_{\Omega} \mathbf{\Lambda}(\mathbf{x}) \nabla u(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \nabla \phi(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$
- $\int_{\Omega} f(\mathbf{x}) P_{\mathcal{M}} P_{\mathcal{D}}\phi(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$ converges to $\int_{\Omega} f(\mathbf{x}) \phi(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$
- Proof of T_1 tends to 0:
 - The Cauchy-Schwarz inequality,
 - The consistency of $R_{K,\sigma}(P_{\mathcal{D}}\phi)$
 - The estimate on the solution of the constrained scheme:

$$\|u_{\mathcal{D}}^*\|_{1,\mathcal{D}} \leq \frac{\|f\|_{L^2(\Omega)} C_1}{\alpha_0}$$

Theorem

We assume that $\Lambda(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{Id}$. We assume also that the weak solution u satisfies $u \in C^2(\overline{\Omega})$ and we consider the same hypothesis as previously.

Then there exists C_2 depending only on $d, \Omega, \theta, \underline{\alpha}, \bar{\alpha}$ and u such that:

$$\|u_{\mathcal{D}}^* - P_{\mathcal{D}}(u)\|_{1,\mathcal{D}} \leq C_2 \left(\frac{h_{\mathcal{D}}}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_{\mathcal{D}}}} + h_{\mathcal{D}}^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

there exists C_3 depending only on $d, \Omega, \theta, \underline{\alpha}, \bar{\alpha}$ and u such that:

$$\|P_{\mathcal{M}}u_{\mathcal{D}}^* - u\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq C_3 \left(\frac{h_{\mathcal{D}}}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_{\mathcal{D}}}} + h_{\mathcal{D}}^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

and there exists C_4 depending only on $d, \Omega, \theta, \underline{\alpha}, \bar{\alpha}$ and u such that:

$$\|\nabla_{\mathcal{D}}u_{\mathcal{D}}^* - \nabla u\|_{L^2(\Omega)^d} \leq C_4 \left(\frac{h_{\mathcal{D}}}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_{\mathcal{D}}}} + h_{\mathcal{D}}^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

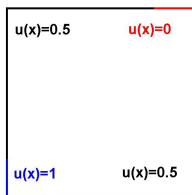
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Test 3 of the Benchmark on "discretization schemes for anisotropic diffusion problems on general grids"*: oblique flow

- Heterogeneous anisotropic tensor ($\theta = 40^\circ$):

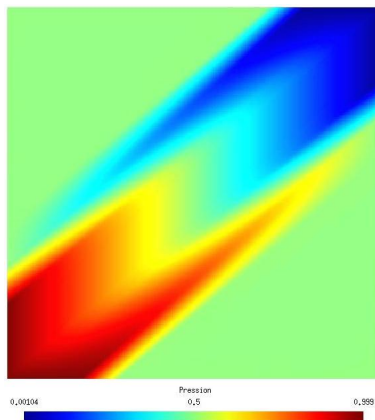
$$\Lambda = R_\theta \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 10^{-3} \end{pmatrix} R_\theta^{-1},$$

- Heterogeneous boundaries conditions are continuous and piecewise linear:

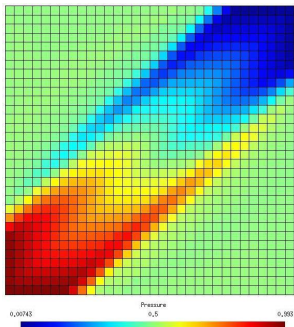


- Using the Uzawa's algorithm (the problem without constraint substituting α by $\beta + \lambda$)

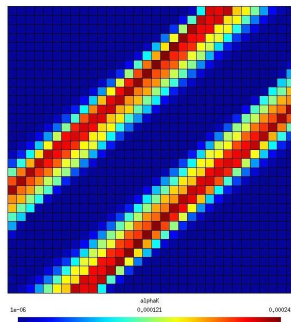
Values of the pressure using the **non-constrained** scheme
on a grid with **65536** control volumes.



Results using the **constrained** scheme on a grid with **1024** control volumes.



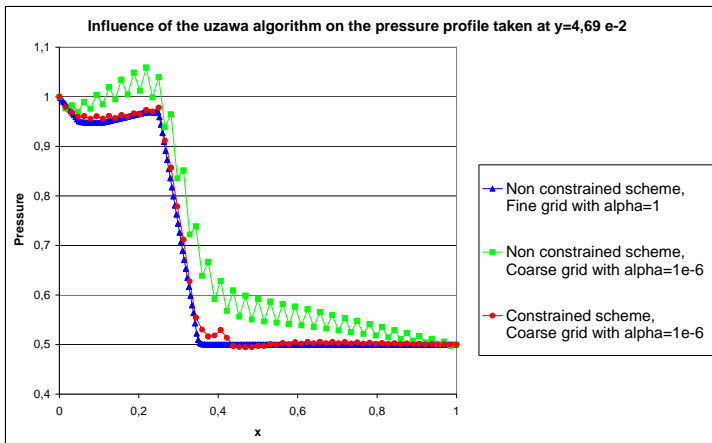
Values of the pressure



Values of $(\beta_K + \lambda_K^*)_{K \in \mathcal{M}}$

- Comparison with the solution on a fine grid shows an acceptable accuracy,
- The value of λ is increased only where it is needed.

Influence of the constraint on the solution



Profile at $y = 0.0469$ using a grid with 1024 control volumes.

- High decrease of pressure oscillations

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- We propose a method which makes it possible to increase the monotony of the solution,
- We propose a mathematical analysis,
- Finally, we show some numerical results which are in agreement with the theoretical analysis.

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Thanks for your attention !!!!

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- Proof of the convergence
 - Lagrange multipliers
 - Uzawa's algorithm

Proof of the convergence

Let $\phi \in C_c^\infty(\Omega)$, we get

$$\langle u_{\mathcal{D}}^*, P_{\mathcal{D}}\phi \rangle_{\mathcal{D},\beta} + T_1(u_{\mathcal{D}}^*, P_{\mathcal{D}}\phi) = \int_{\Omega} f(\mathbf{x}) P_{\mathcal{M}} P_{\mathcal{D}}\phi(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$$

With

$$T_1(w, v) = \sum_{K \in \mathcal{M}} \lambda_{\mathcal{D},K}^* \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_K} m_{\sigma} d_{K,\sigma} R_{K,\sigma}(w) R_{K,\sigma}(v) \mathbf{n}_{K,\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{\Lambda}_K \mathbf{n}_{K,\sigma}$$

We have that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle u_{\mathcal{D}}^*, P_{\mathcal{D}}\phi \rangle_{\mathcal{D},\beta} &\text{ converges to } \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{\Lambda}(\mathbf{x}) \nabla u(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \nabla \phi(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} \\ \int_{\Omega} f(\mathbf{x}) P_{\mathcal{M}} P_{\mathcal{D}}\phi(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} &\text{ converges to } \int_{\Omega} f(\mathbf{x}) \phi(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} \end{aligned}$$

So we must prove that $T_1(u_{\mathcal{D}}^*, P_{\mathcal{D}}\phi)$ tends to 0.

- We apply the cauchy-Schwartz inequality :

$$T_1 (u_{\mathcal{D}}^*, P_{\mathcal{D}}\phi)^2 \leq T_1 (u_{\mathcal{D}}^*, u_{\mathcal{D}}^*) T_1 (P_{\mathcal{D}}\phi, P_{\mathcal{D}}\phi)$$

- Thanks to the consistency of $R_{K,\sigma}$, we have that there exists C_5 depending only on d , θ and Ω such as :

$$|R_{K,\sigma}(P_{\mathcal{D}}\phi)| \leq C_5 h_{\mathcal{D}}$$

- So

$$T_1 (P_{\mathcal{D}}\phi, P_{\mathcal{D}}\phi) \leq C_5^2 h_{\mathcal{D}}^2 \bar{\lambda} \sum_{K \in \mathcal{M}} \lambda_K^* m_K$$

- Thanks to the following estimate on the solution of the constrained scheme if $(u_{\mathcal{D}}^*, \lambda_{\mathcal{D}}^*)$ is the saddle point

$$\sum_{K \in \mathcal{M}} \lambda_K^* m_K \leq \|f\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 \frac{C_1^2}{2\alpha_0 \varepsilon}$$

- Thus we have:

$$T_1 (P_{\mathcal{D}}\phi, P_{\mathcal{D}}\phi)^2 \leq C_6 \frac{h_{\mathcal{D}}^2}{\varepsilon}$$

Hence, under the condition that $\frac{h_{\mathcal{D}}}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_{\mathcal{D}}}}$ tends to 0, we get that $T_1(u_{\mathcal{D}}, P_{\mathcal{D}}\phi)$ tends to 0 as well.

The complete proof was made in :

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Theorem (Lagrange multipliers 1/2)

Let:

- V a finite dimensional euclidean space
- K the convex closed non empty subset of V , defined by

$$K = \{v \in V, G_i(v) \leq 0, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq p \},$$

- $G_i : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ convex, continuously and differentiable
- $J : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ strictly convex function such that $\lim_{|u| \rightarrow \infty} J(u) = +\infty$
- u^* the unique solution of the minimization problem

$$u^* = \operatorname{argmin}_{u \in K} J(u)$$

Theorem (Lagrange multipliers 2/2)

Then:

$\exists \beta^*$ such as (u^*, β^*) saddle point of $\mathcal{L} : V \times \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by

$$\mathcal{L}(u, \beta) = J(u) + \sum_{i=1}^p \beta_i G_i(u)$$

Moreover, the so-called Kuhn and Tucker relations hold:

$$\begin{cases} \nabla J(u^*) + \sum_{i=1}^p \beta_i^* \nabla G_i(u^*) = 0, \\ \beta_i^* G_i(u^*) = 0, \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, p, \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

are satisfied. Reciprocally, if there exists (u^, β^*) such that relations (1) are satisfied, then $u^* = \operatorname{argmin}_{u \in K} J(u)$ and (u^*, β^*) is a saddle point of \mathcal{L} .*

Uzawa's algorithm

The aim is to find an approximation of the solution u^* of the minimization problem.

Let $\rho > 0$, we define (u^n, β^n) , $\forall i = 1, \dots, p$, $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ by

$$\begin{aligned}u^n &= \operatorname{argmin}_{u \in V} \mathcal{L}(u, \beta^n) \\ \beta_i^{(n+1)} &= \max(\beta_i^n + \rho G_i(u^n), 0)\end{aligned}$$

Theorem (Convergence of Uzawa's algorithm 1/2)

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- $G_i : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ convex, continuously and differentiable
- $J : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ continuously differentiable function such that there exists $\alpha > 0$ with

$$(\nabla J(u) - \nabla J(v), u - v) \geq \alpha \|u - v\|^2, \quad \forall u, v \in V, \quad (2)$$

- $M = \max\{\sum_{i=1}^p \|\nabla G_i(u)\|^2, \|u\| \leq B\}$

We assume: $\exists B \geq 0: \forall \beta \in (\mathbb{R}_+)^p, \|\operatorname{argmin}_{u \in V} \mathcal{L}(u, \beta)\| \leq B.$

Theorem (Convergence of Uzawa's algorithm 2/2)

Then for all $\rho \in (0, \frac{\alpha}{2M})$ and for all $\beta^{(0)} \in (\mathbb{R}_+)^p$, the sequence defined by

$$\begin{aligned}u^n &= \operatorname{argmin}_{u \in V} \mathcal{L}(u, \beta^n) \\ \beta_i^{(n+1)} &= \max(\beta_i^n + \rho G_i(u^n), 0)\end{aligned}$$

is such that $(u^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to the solution u^* of

$$u^* = \operatorname{argmin}_{u \in K} J(u)$$