Discontinuous Galerkin Space-Time Finite Element method for two-phase mass transport

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Problem statement Qualitative description

## Two-phase mass transport: A movie

























## Mass transport

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$$\mathcal{V} \cdot \mathbf{n} = \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{n}$$
 on  $\Gamma$ .  
div $(\mathbf{w}) = 0$  in  $\Omega$ 

- u: concentration,
- $\alpha :$  piecewise constant diffusion coefficients,
- $\beta$ : piecewise constant Henry coefficients,
- w: convection velocity (from Navier Stokes)
- $\mathcal{V}:$  the interface velocity
- Henry condition: discontinuity in *u*.

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### **Numerical Approaches**

- Space-time formulation on each time slab
- Extended Finite Element space (XFEM)
- Nitsche-type technique to enforce Henry's law in a weak sense
- ► (Space-time Streamline Diffusion) Stabilization









### Anisotropic Spaces; $Q = Q_1 \cup Q_2$

$$V_{\beta} = \{ u \in L^{2}(Q) \mid u_{i} \in H^{1,0}(Q_{i}), i = 1, 2, u_{|\partial\Omega} = 0, [\beta u]_{\Gamma_{*}} = 0 \}$$
$$W_{\beta} = \{ v \in V_{\beta} \mid \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} \in H^{1,0}_{0}(Q)' \}.$$

# Space-time weak formulation II



### Well-posed weak formulation [Gross/Reusken 11]

Determine  $u \in W_{eta}$  with  $u(\cdot, 0) = 0$  such that

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(v) - \int_{Q} u \mathbf{w} \cdot \nabla v \, dx \, dt + \sum_{i=1}^{2} \int_{Q_{i}} \alpha_{i} \nabla u_{i} \cdot \nabla v \, dx \, dt = \int_{Q} f v \, dx \, dt$$

for all  $v \in H^{1,0}_0(Q) 
eq V_eta$ 

### **Remarks:**

- ▶ Space-time (n+1 dimensional) formulation
- Trial functions are discontinuous across Γ<sub>\*</sub>
- Condition  $[\![\beta u]\!]_{\Gamma} = 0$  essential condition in space  $W_{\beta}$

# Nitsche-DG-XFEM discretization

### Space-time FE

 $I_n = (t_{n-1}, t_n], \ Q^n = \Omega \times I_n.$   $V_n$ : standard FE space on  $\Omega$ .

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{W}_n &:= \{ v : Q^n \to \mathbb{R} \mid v(x,t) = \phi_0(x) + t\phi_1(x), \quad \phi_0, \phi_1 \in V_n \} \\ \mathcal{W} &:= \{ v : Q \to \mathbb{R} \mid v_{|Q^n} \in W_n \} \quad \text{(space-time FE)}. \end{split}$$



# Approximating discontinuities

### Space-time FE $\Rightarrow$ Space-time XFEM

$$Q_i^n := \cup_{t \in I_n} \Omega_i(t), \quad R_i^n : \text{ restriction to } Q_i^n$$
$$\mathcal{W}_n^{\Gamma} := R_1^n \mathcal{W}_n \oplus R_2^n \mathcal{W}_n, \quad \mathcal{W}^{\Gamma_*} := \{ v : Q \to \mathbb{R} \mid v_{|Q^n} \in \mathcal{W}_n^{\Gamma} \}$$





### Conforming part

$$a^{n}(u,v) = \sum_{i=1}^{2} \int_{Q_{i}^{n}} \left( \frac{\partial u_{i}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{w} \cdot \nabla u_{i} \right) \beta_{i} v_{i} + \alpha_{i} \beta_{i} \nabla u_{i} \cdot \nabla v_{i} \, dx \, dt$$



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Discontinuous Galerkin Upwind w.r.t. time:

$$d^n(u,v) = \int_{\Omega} \beta(\cdot,t_n) [u]^{n-1} v_+^{n-1} dt$$

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$$\nu = 1/\sqrt{1 + (\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{n})^2}$$
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with  $\{\cdot\}_{\Gamma_{*}^{n}}$  suitable volume weighted average.  $\lambda > 0$ : stabilization parameter and  $\nu = 1/\sqrt{1 + (\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{n})^{2}}$ :  $\int_{t^{n-1}}^{t^{n}} \int_{\Gamma_{*}^{n}} f \, ds \, dt = \int_{\Gamma_{*}^{n}} \nu f \, ds,$ 

$$N_{\Gamma_{*}}^{n}(\mathbf{C}, \mathbf{v}) := \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}$$



# Nitsche-DG-XFEM variational problem

### global bilinearforms

$$a(u,v) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} a^n(u,v)$$
, similarly :  $d(u,v)$ ,  $N_{\Gamma_*}(u,v)$ .

### **Discrete problem**

Determine  $U \in W^{\Gamma_*}$  such that

$$egin{aligned} B(U,V) &= f(V) & ext{for all} \quad V \in W^{\Gamma_*}, \ B(U,V) &:= a(U,V) + d(U,V) + N_{\Gamma_*}(U,V). \end{aligned}$$

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### **Remark:**

for standard space-time DG [V. Thomee] (no Nitsche, no XFEM):

$$\|(u-U)(\cdot,t_N)\|_{L^2(\Omega^N)} \leq c(h^2 + \Delta t^3)$$

Concept of V. Thomee needs tensor product decomposition of the spaces which we don't have for moving interfaces.

# Numerical experiment

### Numerical example in (1+1)D

Diffusion dominates, periodic boundary conditions, artificial source terms









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## Numerical example (continued): Non-planar interface



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With sufficiently fine quadrature we reobtain  $||(U-u)(\cdot, t_N)||_{L^2(\Omega)} \sim \Delta t^3$ .

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### Thank you for your attention!

## Decomposition into simplices

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$$egin{array}{rll} (1+1): & \hat{Q} \mbox{ is a square} & & 
ightarrow & 2 \mbox{ triangles} \ (2+1): & \hat{Q} \mbox{ is a (regular) prism} & & 
ightarrow & 3 \mbox{ tetrahedra} \ (3+1): & \hat{Q} \mbox{ is a (regular) prism-4} & & 
ightarrow & 4(?) \mbox{ pentatopes}(?) \end{array}$$

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Consider the quadrature problem on (n+1)-simplex!

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## Decomposition of the hypertriangle into 6 pentatopes

