

Coupled Fluid Flow

Darcy's Law

$$\vec{q}_M = \frac{k\rho}{\mu} (\nabla p - \vec{g}\rho) \quad [\text{kg m/s}]$$

$$\vec{q}_D = K\nabla(p - g\bar{\rho}z) \quad [\text{m/s}]$$

$$\vec{q}_h = K^*\nabla(h) \quad \text{or} \quad \vec{q}_h = K^* \frac{\Delta h}{\Delta l} \quad \text{or} \quad \vec{q}_D = K(\nabla p / \gamma + z) \quad [\text{m/s}]$$

$$\frac{\partial \phi \rho}{\partial t} \pm Q = \nabla \left(\frac{k\rho}{\mu} (\nabla p - \vec{g}\rho) \right)$$

$$S \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} = \nabla \left(\frac{k}{g\mu} \nabla(h) \right)$$

Heat conduction

$$\vec{j}_T = -\lambda \nabla T$$

The change of energy within the control volume becomes

$$\frac{\partial c\rho T}{\partial t} = \nabla(\lambda \nabla T) \quad [\text{J/s}]$$

Or if sources or sinks are available (chemical reactions, radioactive heat production)

$$\frac{\partial c\rho T}{\partial t} \pm Q = \nabla(\lambda \nabla T)$$

Observe that $c = c(T)$ and $\rho = \rho(T)$ and that the specific volume will also depend on the temperature. In detail the size of the control volume changes

Dimensions of Energy

(amount of heat, work)

$$1J = 1 \frac{kg \ m^2}{s^2} = 1Nm$$
$$= 1Ws$$

Units

Heat flow q : Wm^{-2}

conductivity λ (k): $Wm^{-1}K^{-1}$

diffusivity κ : m^2s^{-1}

specific heat c_p : $J kg^{-1}K^{-1}$

*heat production: $W m^{-3}$
 $\mu W/m^3$*

Fick's 1st law

$$\vec{j}_c = -D\nabla C$$

D is mostly given as the diffusion coefficient in pure water. Provide an estimate for porous media.

The flux is related to the temporal change by

$$\frac{\partial \phi C}{\partial t} = \nabla(D\nabla C)$$

Or if chemical reactions are involved within the porous medium

$$\frac{\partial \phi C}{\partial t} \pm Q = \nabla(D\nabla C)$$

$$D: \text{ m}^2\text{s}^{-1}$$

Coupled equations

$$\frac{\partial \varphi C}{\partial t} - \nabla(D(\nabla C)) + \nabla(C\bar{q}) + Q_c = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial c_b \rho_b T}{\partial t} - \nabla(\lambda(\nabla T)) + \nabla(c_f \rho_f T \bar{q}) + Q_T = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \varphi \rho_f}{\partial t} + \nabla \bar{q} + Q_f = 0$$

$$\bar{q} = -\frac{k\rho}{\mu} (\nabla p - \vec{g}\rho)$$

$$\varphi = \varphi(p, T, Q_c)$$

$$\rho_f = \rho_f(p, T, Q_f)$$

$$D = D(T)$$

$$\rho_b = \rho_b(p, T, Q_f, Q_c)$$

$$c_b = c_b(p, T, Q_c)$$

$$\lambda(T)$$

$$c_f = c_f(p, T, Q_c)$$

$$k(p, T, Q_i)$$

Mathematical formulation of the thermohaline flow problem in FEFLOW

$$S_0 \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} + \text{div}(\mathbf{q}) = Q_{\text{Boussinesq}}$$

$$\mathbf{q} = -\mathbf{K} \left(\mathbf{grad}(\varphi) + \frac{\rho_f - \rho_{0f}}{\rho_{0f}} \right)$$

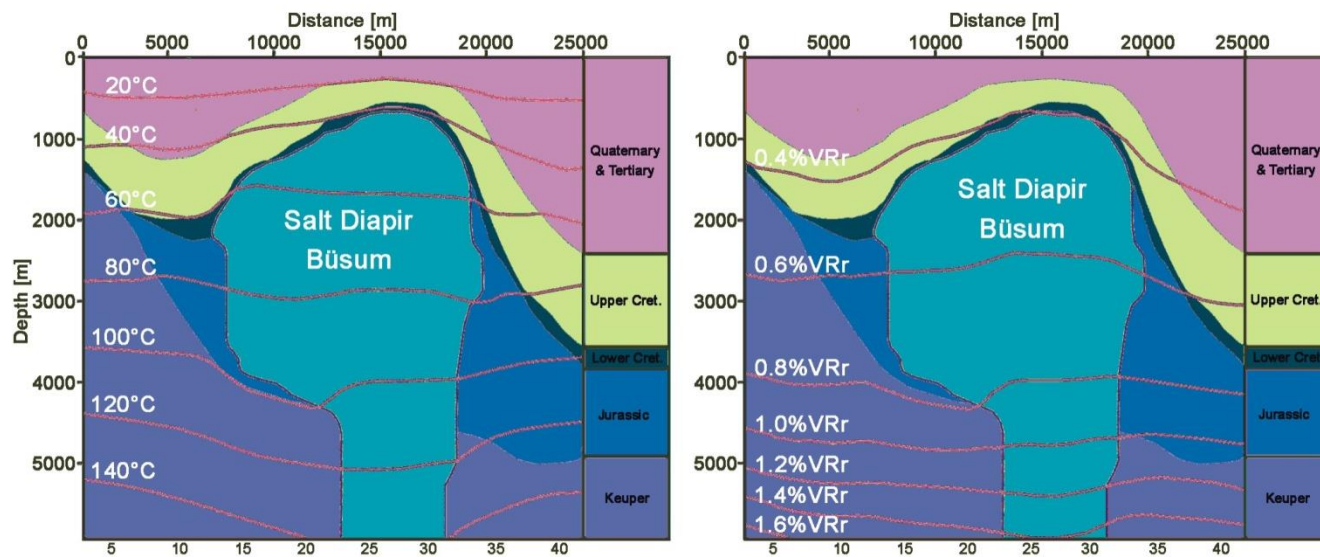
$$\frac{\partial \phi C}{\partial t} + \text{div}(\mathbf{q}C) - \text{div}(\mathbf{Dgrad}(C)) = Q_C$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left((\phi \rho_f c_f + (1 - \phi) \rho_s c_s) T \right) + \text{div}(\rho_f c_f T \mathbf{q}) - \text{div}(\lambda \mathbf{grad}(T)) = Q^T$$

$$\mathbf{K} = \frac{\mathbf{k}\rho_{0f}g}{\mu_f(C,T)}$$

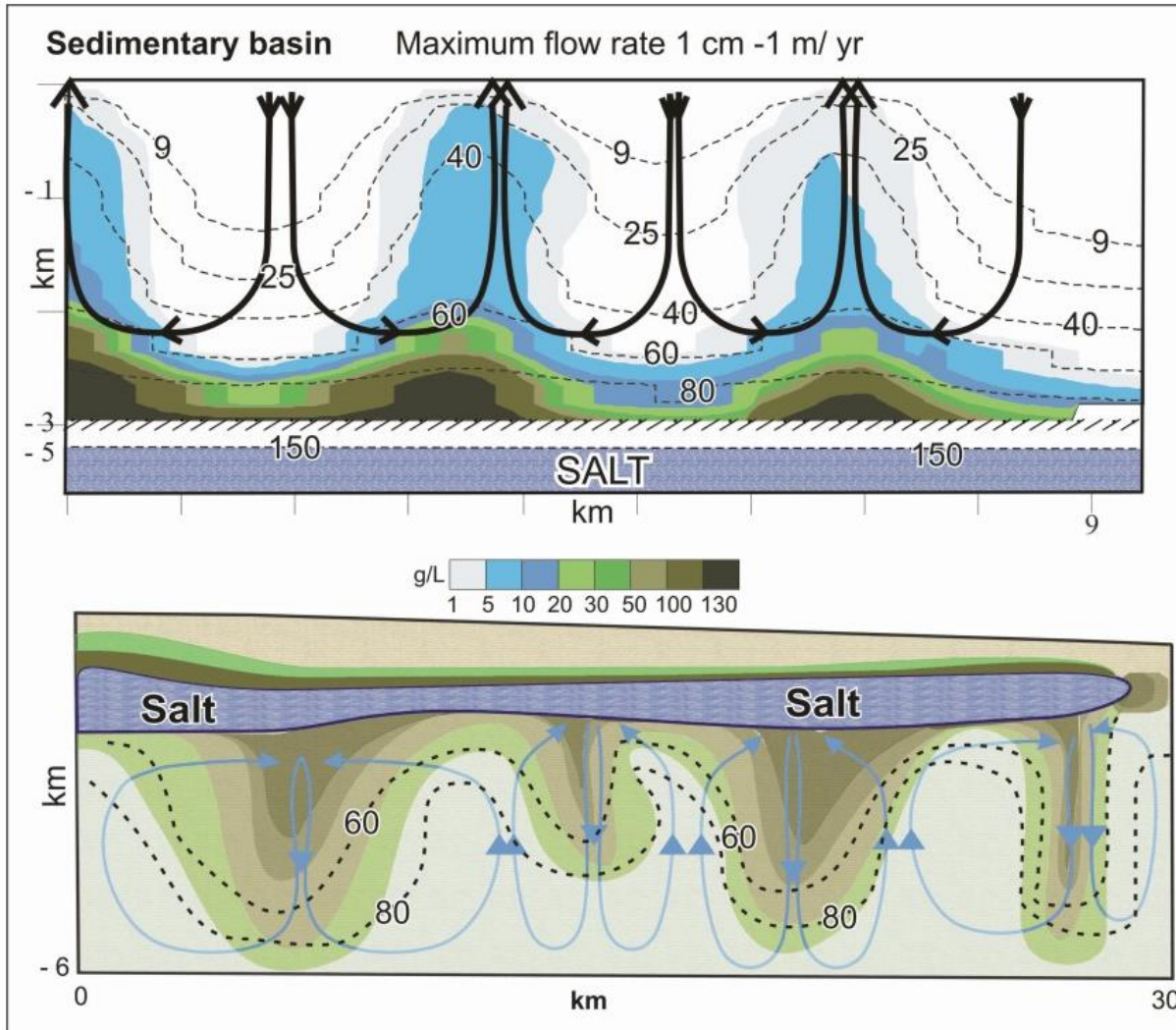
$$\rho^f = \rho_0^f \left(1 - \bar{\beta}(T,p)(T - T_0) + \bar{\gamma}(T,p)(p - p_0) + \frac{\bar{\alpha}}{C_{sat} - C_0} (C - C_0) \right)$$

$$\bar{\alpha} = \frac{\rho_{sat}^f - \rho_0^f}{\rho_0^f}$$



Cross section through the Büsum diapir and adjacent rim synclines with temperature isolines (left) and vitrinite reflectance isolines (right)

Type of thermohaline flow

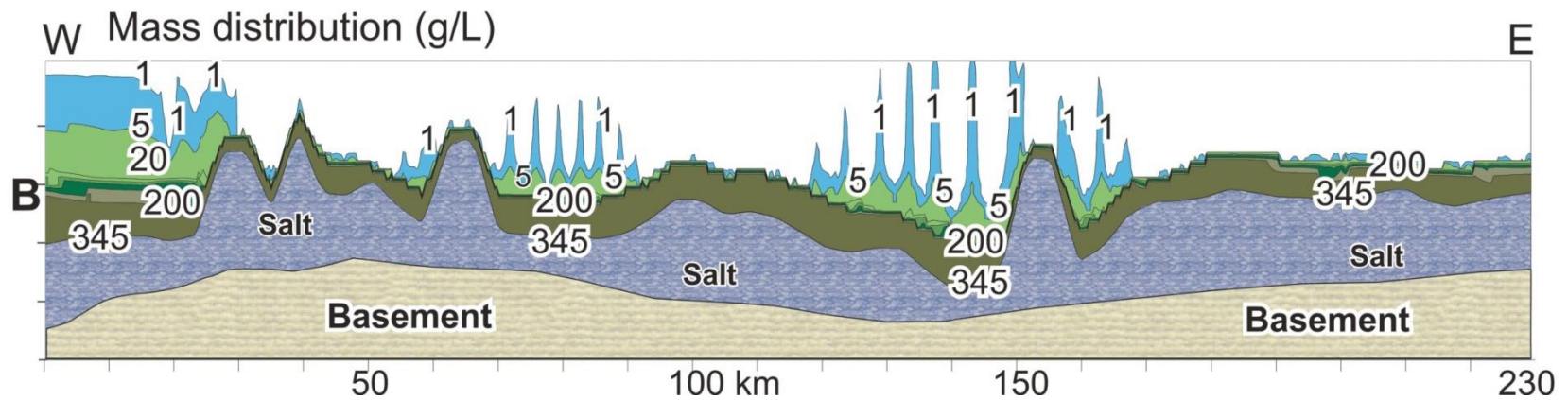
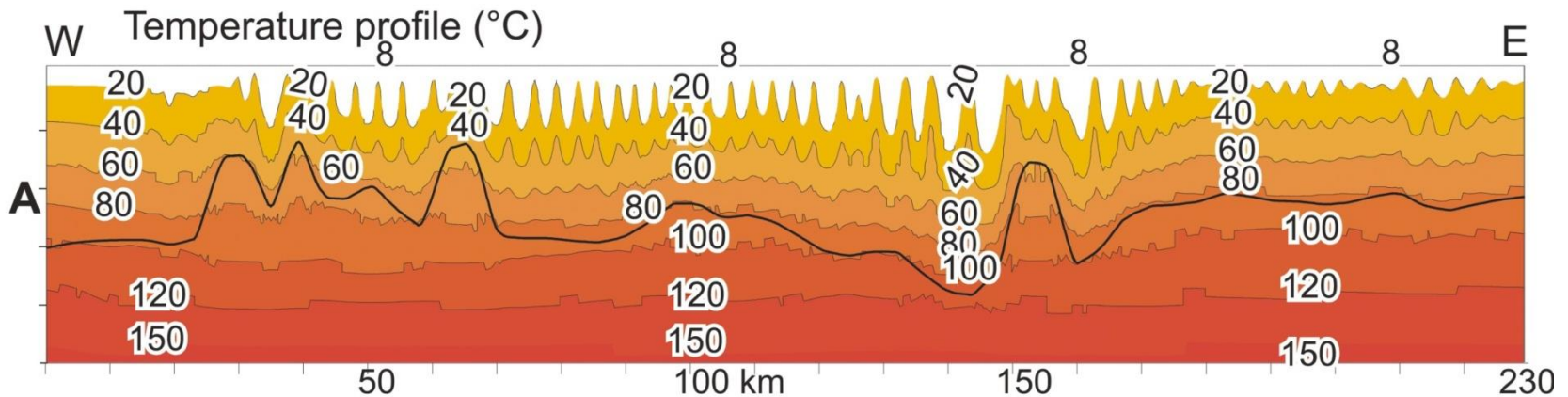
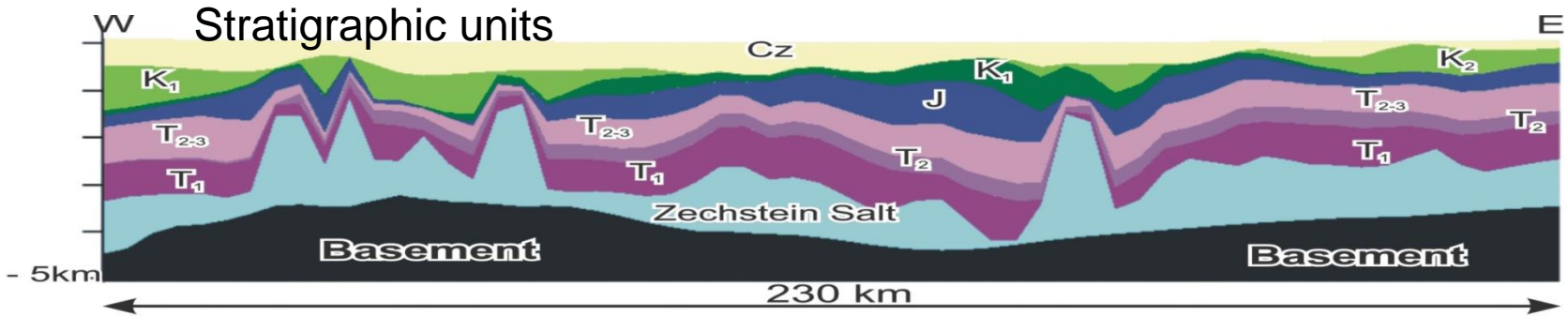


Thermally induced brine plumes developing on a deep salt sheet

Brine lenses, gravitational convection from a shallow salt sheet

Dashed lines: isotherms (°C)

Thermohaline flow in the NE German Basin



Stability criteria

Thermal Rayleigh number $Ra_T = \frac{K\bar{\beta}\Delta Td}{\Lambda}$

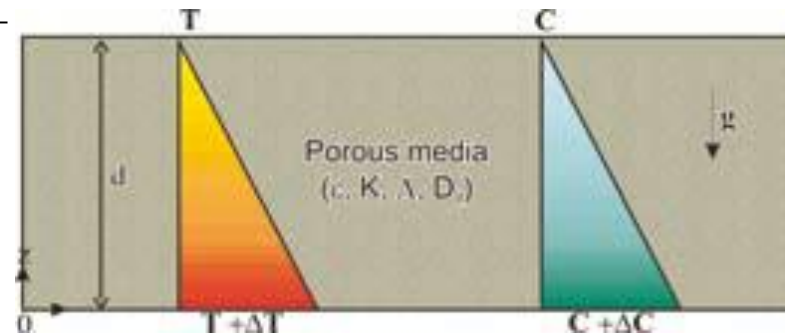
Solutal Rayleigh number $Ra_s = \frac{\frac{\bar{\alpha}}{C_{sat} - C_0} K\Delta Cd}{\varepsilon D_d}$

The solutal and thermal Rayleigh numbers are related by

$$Ra_s = N \times Le \times Ra_T$$

Buoyancy ratio (Turner) $N = \frac{\frac{\bar{\alpha}}{C_{sat} - C_0} \Delta C}{\bar{\beta}\Delta T}$

Lewis number $Le = \frac{\Lambda}{\varepsilon D_d}$



- **The monotonic instability (or stationary convection) boundary is a**
- **straight line defined by**

$$Ra_C = Ra_T + Ra_s = 4\pi^2$$

Ra_C is the critical Rayleigh number.

The region delimited by $Ra_T + Ra_s < 4\pi^2$
is a stable regime characterized by pure conduction and no convection.

In a range between $4\pi^2 < Ra_T + Ra_s < 240 - 300$
steady state convective cells develop

For $Ra_T + Ra_s > Ra_{c2}$ the convection regime is unstable