A model of calcium carbonate scaling on turbulent pipe flows

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Figura: Schematic diagram of balance model.



Figura: "Ignoring"the length dimension in our model.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}f(v,t) &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^v B(w,v-w)f(v-w,t)f(w,t)dw \\ &- f(v,t) \int_0^\infty B(v,w)f(w,t)dw - \frac{\partial G(v,c_{\rm Ca})f(v,t)}{\partial v} \quad (1) \\ &- \frac{4}{d_t}L(v)f(v,t) + H(c_{\rm Ca})\delta(v-\alpha(c_{\rm Ca})), \end{aligned}$$

and (calcium) concentration balance equation

$$\frac{\partial c_{\mathrm{Ca}}(t)}{\partial t} = -\frac{1}{\Gamma} \rho \int_0^\infty G(v, c_{\mathrm{Ca}}) f(v, t) dv - \frac{1}{\Gamma} \rho \alpha(c_{\mathrm{Ca}}) H(c_{\mathrm{Ca}}) - \frac{4}{d_t} J_{\mathrm{CaCO}_3}(c_{\mathrm{Ca}}).$$
(2)

The mass deposition rate is then a function of f(v, t) and c_{Ca}

$$\frac{\partial m_{x}(t)}{\partial t} = \pi d_{t} \rho \int_{0}^{\infty} v L(v) f(v, t) dv + \pi d_{t} \Gamma J_{\text{CaCO}_{3}}(c_{\text{Ca}}), \quad (3)$$



Figura: Schematics of physico-chemical phenomena included in the model

What is not included: Scale removal.



Figura: Schematic diagram of the steps involved at each time step calculation of the ODE.

Balance model

 $\begin{array}{l} {\rm Ca}^{2+} + {\rm CO}_3{}^{2-} \leftrightarrow {\rm Ca}{\rm CO}_3 \, ({\rm aq}) \\ {\rm Ca}^{2+} + {\rm H}{\rm CO}_3{}^- \leftrightarrow {\rm Ca}{\rm H}{\rm CO}_3{}^+ \\ {\rm Ca}^{2+} + {\rm H}_2{\rm O} \leftrightarrow {\rm Ca}{\rm O}{\rm H}^+ + {\rm H}^+ \\ {\rm H}{\rm CO}_3{}^- + {\rm CO}_2 \leftrightarrow {\rm H}_2{\rm O} + {\rm H}^+ \\ {\rm CO}_3{}^{2-} + {\rm H}^+ \leftrightarrow {\rm H}{\rm CO}_3{}^- \\ {\rm H}^+ + {\rm O}{\rm H}^- \leftrightarrow {\rm H}_2{\rm O}. \end{array}$

Other reactions appears when considering more elements.

$$\mathcal{K} = \frac{(\gamma_{A_1} C_{A_1})^{a_1} \dots (\gamma_{A_m} C_{A_m})^{a_m}}{(\gamma_{B_1} C_{B_1})^{b_1} \dots (\gamma_{B_n} C_{B_n})^{b_1}},\tag{5}$$

Models for activity coefficients γ : Extended Debye-Huckel, Pitzer. Closing equations: for bulk, electroneutrality and mass balance. (4)

At equilibrium:

$${\it K_{sp}} = \gamma_{{
m Ca}^{2+}} {\it c}_{{
m Ca}^{2+}} \gamma_{{
m CO}_3{}^{2-}} {\it c}_{{
m CO}_3{}^{2-}}.$$

Driving force for precipitation

$$S = \frac{\gamma_{\mathrm{Ca}^{2+}} c_{\mathrm{Ca}^{2+}} \gamma_{\mathrm{CO}_3^{2-}} c_{\mathrm{CO}_3^{2-}}}{\mathcal{K}_{sp}}.$$

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Equilibrium equations

$$\xi_{i_1}^m C_{i_1}^m + \ldots + \xi_{i_Q}^m C_{i_Q}^m \leftrightarrow \xi_{j_1}^m C_{j_1}^m + \ldots + \xi_{j_Q}^k C_{j_Q}^m$$

Theory

Ionic deposition equilibrium

$$J_{Ca^{2+}}^{D} - J_{CaCO_{3}}^{R} - \sum_{m;A \in LHS(m)} \xi_{A}^{m} J_{M}^{S} + \sum_{m';A \in RHS(m')} \xi_{A}^{m'} J_{m'}^{S} = 0$$

$$J_{CO_{3}^{2-}}^{D} - J_{CaCO_{3}}^{R} - \sum_{m;B \in LHS(m)} \xi_{B}^{m} J_{M}^{S} + \sum_{m';B \in RHS(m')} \xi_{B}^{m'} J_{m'}^{S} = 0$$

$$J_{Cn}^{D} - \sum_{m;C_{n} \in LHS(m)} \xi_{Cn}^{m} J_{M}^{S} + \sum_{m';C_{n} \in RHS(m')} \xi_{Cn}^{m'} J_{m'}^{S} = 0, \quad n \ge 3.$$
(9)

(8)



Figura: Schematic of the ionic deposition model.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_{N} & \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{S} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{J}^{D} \\ J_{CaCO_{3}}^{R} \\ \mathbf{J}^{S} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}, \qquad (10)$$
$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{S}_{n,m} = \begin{cases} -\xi_{C_{n}}^{m}, \quad C_{n} \in LHS(m) \\ \xi_{C_{n}}^{m}, \quad C_{n} \in RHS(m) \\ 0, \text{ otherwise} \end{cases} \qquad (11)$$

Letting
$$\mathbf{V} := [\mathbf{v}_1 \dots \mathbf{v}_{N-M}]$$
 basis of $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{S}^T)$,
 $\mathbf{V}^T [\mathbf{I}_N \mathbf{R}] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{J}^D \\ J^R_{CaCO_3} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}.$ (12)

Chemical equilibrium closes the system.

Conservation of calcium (Ca) and carbon (C)

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} \chi_{i}^{(Ca)} J_{C_{i}}^{D} = J_{CaCO_{3}}^{R}$$
$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} \chi_{i}^{(C)} J_{C_{i}}^{D} = J_{CaCO_{3}}^{R};$$

conservation of every non-precipitating element E_i :

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$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} \chi_i^{(E_i)} J_{C_i}^D = 0;$$
 (14)

(13)

Conservation of electroneutrality

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} z_i J_{C_i}^D = 0.$$
 (15)

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Balance model

$$J_{CaCO_{3}}^{H} = k_{r,d} K_{sp}(S_{s} - 1), \qquad (16)$$
$$S_{s} = \frac{\gamma_{Ca^{2+}}^{(s)} c_{Ca^{2+}}^{(s)} \gamma_{CO_{3}^{2-}}^{(s)} c_{CO_{3}^{2-}}^{(s)}}{K_{sp}} \qquad (17)$$

$$k_{r,d}(T) = k_{r,d}^{(0)} \exp\left(-\frac{E_{r,d}^{(0)}}{RT}\right),$$
 (18)

Balance model

$$D_{T}(y) = \frac{b_{\text{turb}}}{Sc_{t}} \frac{u_{\star}^{3}}{\nu^{2}} y^{3}, \qquad (19)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left((D_{C_{i}} + D_{T}(y)) \frac{\partial c_{C_{i}}^{(i)}}{\partial y} \right) = 0, \qquad (20)$$

$$J_{C_{i}}^{D} = (D_{C_{i}} + D_{T}(0)) \frac{\partial c_{C_{i}}^{(i)}}{\partial y} |_{y=0} = k_{i,d} (c_{C_{i}} - c_{C_{i}}^{(s)}), \qquad (21)$$

$$k_{i,d} = \frac{3\sqrt{3}b_{\text{turb}}^{1/3}}{2\pi Sc_{t}^{1/3}} \left(\frac{D_{C_{i}}}{\nu} \right)^{2/3} u^{\star}, \qquad (22)$$

For particle deposition, we consider that particles are deposited due to diffusion (turbulent diffusion and Brownian diffusion). We do *not* have a working model for turbophoresis at this moment.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left((D_{Br} + D_T(y+r)) \frac{\partial n_v}{\partial y} \right) = 0, \qquad (23)$$

$$e_0(v) = \left(\int_0^\infty \frac{dy}{D_{Br} + D_T(y+r)} \right)^{-1}, \qquad (24)$$

$$D_{Br} = \frac{k_b T}{6\pi\mu r}, \qquad (25)$$

$$D_T(y) = \frac{b_{\text{turb}}}{\text{Sc}_t} \frac{u_\star^3}{\nu^2} y^3, \qquad (26)$$

Considering hydrodynamic interaction and potential forces

$$v_{\Phi}(y) = -\frac{D_B}{k_b T} \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial y}.$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{D_B + D_T(y+r)}{G_d(y)} \frac{\partial n}{\partial y} - \frac{v_{\Phi}(y)}{G_d(y)} n \right) = 0.$$

$$L(v) = \left(\int_0^\infty \frac{G_d(y)}{D_B + D_T(y+r)} \exp\left(-\int_\infty^y \frac{v_{\Phi}(s)}{D_B + D_T(s+r)} ds \right) dy \right)^{-1}$$
(29)

We relate L(v) and $L_0(v)$

$$L(v) = \frac{L_0(v)}{1 + (\omega_1 + \omega_2)L_0(v)},$$
(30)

$$\omega_1 = -\int_0^{\delta_w} \frac{1}{D_B + D_T(y+r)} dy$$
(31)

$$\omega_{2} = \int_{0}^{\delta_{W}} \frac{G_{d}(y)}{D_{B} + D_{T}(y+r)} \exp\left(\frac{1}{k_{b}T} \int_{\delta_{W}}^{y} \frac{\partial_{s}\Phi(s)}{1 + k_{L}(s+r)^{3}} ds\right) dy. \quad (32)$$
$$\delta_{W} = 5\frac{\nu}{u_{\star}} \tag{33}$$

Hydrodynamic potential

$$G_d(y) = 1 + \frac{r}{y} + 0.128\sqrt{\frac{r}{y}},$$
 (34)

Potential forces

$$\Phi(\mathbf{y}) = \Phi_{VdW}(\mathbf{y}) + \Phi_{DL}(\mathbf{y}), \tag{35}$$

$$\Phi_{VdW}(y) = -\frac{H_A}{6} \left(\frac{2r(y+r)}{y(y+2r)} - \log\left(\frac{y+2r}{y}\right) \right)$$
(36)

$$\Phi_{DL}(\mathbf{y}) = \epsilon_3 \Psi^2 r \log\left(1 + \exp\left(-\frac{\mathbf{y}}{\lambda_D}\right)\right), \qquad (37)$$

Balance model

$$H = A \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta G^{*}}{k_{b}T}\right),$$
(38)

$$d^{*} = \frac{4V_{m}\sigma_{a}}{k_{b}T\log S}.$$
(39)

$$\Delta G^{*} = \Delta G(d^{*}) = \frac{16}{3} \frac{\pi \sigma_{a}^{3} V_{m}^{3}}{(k_{b}T\log S)^{2}}.$$
(40)

$$A = 2\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right)^{5/3} \frac{D}{V_{m}^{5/3}}.$$
(41)

$$D = \frac{k_{b}T}{3\pi\mu d_{*}}.$$
(42)

$$G(v, c_{Ca}) = J_{CaCO_3} V_M \pi r^2.$$
(43)

$$J_{C_i}^D = \frac{D_{C_i}}{r}.(c_{C_i} - c_{C_i}^{(s)})$$
(44)

$$J_{CaCO_3} = \frac{k_{r,g}}{V_M} (\sqrt{S_s} - 1)^2.$$
(45)

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$$B(v,w) = B_{Br}(v,w) + B_T(v,w)$$
(46)

$$B_{Br,0}(v,w) = \frac{2k_bT}{3\mu} \left(2 + \left(\frac{v}{w}\right)^{1/3} + \left(\frac{w}{v}\right)^{1/3} \right).$$
(47)

$$B_{Br}(v,w) = \frac{B_{Br,0}(v,w)}{W_{Br}(\hat{r})}$$

$$\tag{48}$$

$$B_{T,0}(w,v) = c_{\text{turb}} \frac{3}{4\pi} \left(\frac{\epsilon_d}{\nu}\right)^{1/2} \left(v^{1/3} + w^{1/3}\right)^3, \quad (49)$$
$$B_T(w,v) = \frac{B_{T,0}}{W_T(\hat{r})} \sigma \left(-2\frac{d_v}{\eta}\right) \sigma \left(-2\frac{d_w}{\eta}\right), \quad (50)$$

Pipe diameter	<i>C</i> _{Ca}	$c_{\rm Cl}^0$	$c_{\rm Na}^0$
11.2 mm	28 mM	56 mM	75 mM

Tabela: Common conditions for all experiments element concentrations at the pipe inlet and pipe diameter.

Tag	Fl. rate (l/h)	U (m/s)	pH tank Na	<i>с</i> _С (mМ)	T (C)
A1	300	0.877	8.85	67.18	25.2
A2			8.88	66.73	25.2
A3			8.94	65.79	22.0
AM			-	66.57	24.2
B1	450		8.98	65.13	22.6
B2		1.315	9.00	64.79	22.6
BM				-	64.57
C1		1.754	8.42	71.97	25.3
C2	600		8.52	71.09	25.5
C3			8.47	71.55	25.2
CM			-	71.54	25.3

Tabela: Description of each experiment by differentiated initial conditions. Here, "M"stands for "model", and the numbered tags stands for experiments.













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11.2 mm	0.877 m/s	56 mM	75 mM

Tabela: Common parameters in all our explorations.

Temperature	c_{Ca}^{0}	$c_{\rm C}^0$
25 ° C	28 mM	68 mM

Tabela: Default parameters in our explorations, where variations are compared to.

Exploration





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