

Benchmark on two-phase flow in porous media : presentation of 3 tests

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Aims of the benchmark

➤ Solving and understanding of main numerical problems concerning gas migration in porous media for underground nuclear waste storage :

- Injection of gas in a fully saturated medium problem
 - ✓ Hydrogen due to corrosion of steel containers and liners produced in clay
- Saturation equilibrium between contrasted materials
 - ✓ Plugs (concrete, swelling clays, etc.), seals, clay ...

➤ Separation of each problem

➤ A very simple geometry (quasi-1D flow)

➤ Several Test cases available on http://sources.univ-lyon1.fr/cas_test.html.

=> Selection of 3 tests for this benchmark (1.a – 3 – 4)

General hypothesis

- **2 phases : liquid and gas**
- **2 components (for ex. hydrogen and water)**
- **Incompressible water**
- **Isothermal Problem and vaporization neglected**
- **Hypothesis of perfect gas**
- **Capillary pressure $P_c(S) = P_g - P_l$**
- **Mass conservation of each component**
- **Darcy law for each phase**
- **Fick Law in liquid mixture (except 4)**
- **Henry's law for dissolution(except 4)**
- **Indeformable solid**

Test 1a : Gas phase appearance in a homogeneous porous media

$t < 5.10^5$ years :

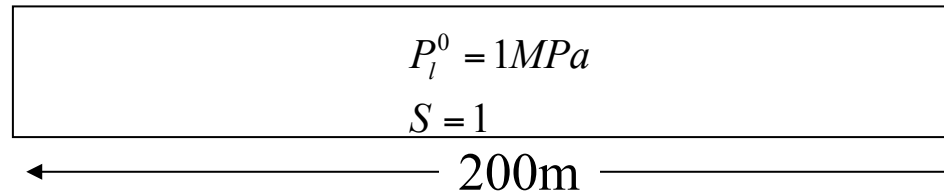
$$\mathbf{F}^h \cdot \mathbf{n} = 5,57.10^{-6} \text{ kg / m}^2 \text{ / year}$$

5.10^5 years $< t < 10^6$ years :

$$\mathbf{F}^h \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{F}^w \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0$$

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$$P_{l,out} = 1MPa$$

$$\mathbf{F}^h \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0 \quad \mathbf{F}^w \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0$$

Test proposed by F. Smaï

➤ **Capillary pressure curve and relative permeability expressed with a Mualem Van-Genuchten Law ($P_r = 2MPa$; $n=1,49$; $S_{lr} = 0,4$)**

$$S_{lq} = \frac{1 - S_{wre}}{\left(\left(\frac{P_c}{P_r} \right)^n + 1 \right)^{1/m}} + S_{wre} \quad k_{rel}^l = \sqrt{S_{wre}} \left(1 - \left(1 - S_{we}^{1/m} \right)^m \right)^2 \quad k_{rel}^g = \sqrt{(1 - S_{we})} \left(1 - S_{we}^{1/m} \right)^{2m}$$

$$S_{we} = \frac{S_l - S_{lr}}{1 - S_{lr}} \quad m = 1 - 1/n$$

Test 1a : Hypothesis of each team (1/2)

	Software	Spatial Scheme	Mesh	Regularization of MVG (S=1)	Time steps (years)
UFSC (I.Mozolezki)	Matlab	Discontinuous Galerkin	200*1*(1m*1m)) quad	No	125->5000
EDF (S. Granet)	Code_Aster	FE P1 (and FV)	200*1*(1m*1m)) quad	Yes	0,1- >15000
INRIA (I.Ben Gharbia)	Develop. INRIA soft.	FV with upstream scheme	200*1*(1m*1m)) quad	Yes	5000
IRSN (F. Smaï)	Develop. IRSN soft.	FE P1	200*1*(1m*1m)) quad	No	100- >15000
U. Erlangen (T. Mueller)	M++	Mixed Hybrid FE	4480 triangles	Yes	200
U. Heidelberg (R. Neumann)	Dune	FV with upstream scheme	40*20*(0,5*1m)) quad	No	0,001- >1010

Test 1a : Hypothesis of each team (2/2)

- **Time discretization : Euler implicit for all team**

- **Treatment of gas appearance**

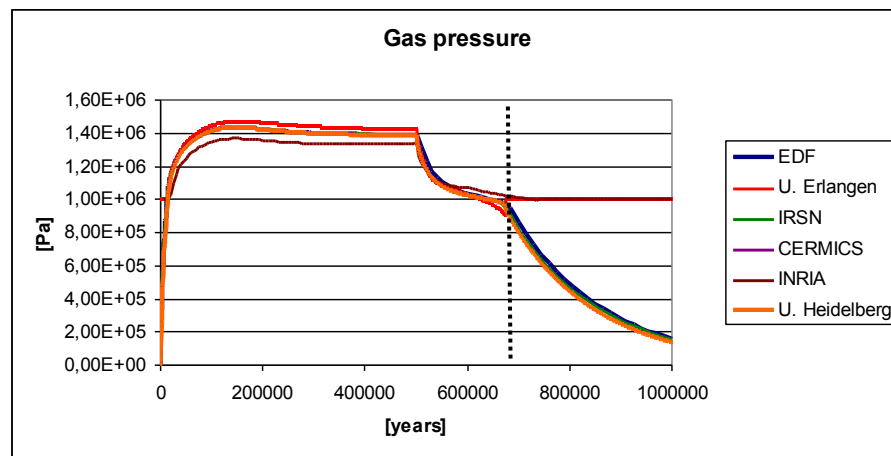
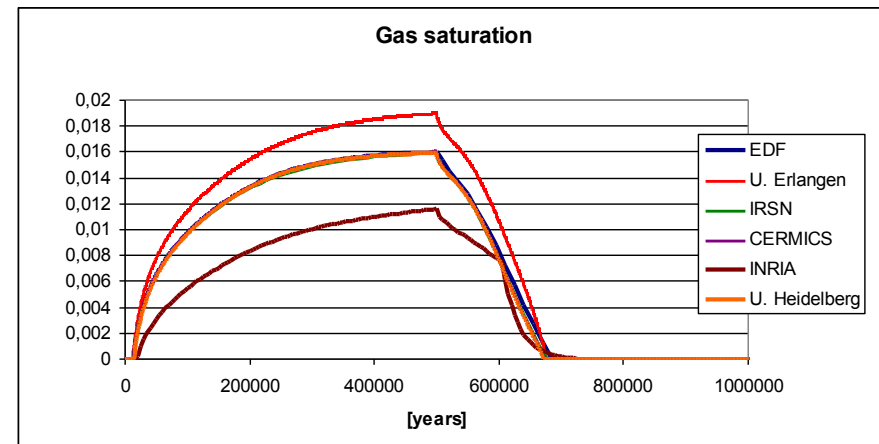
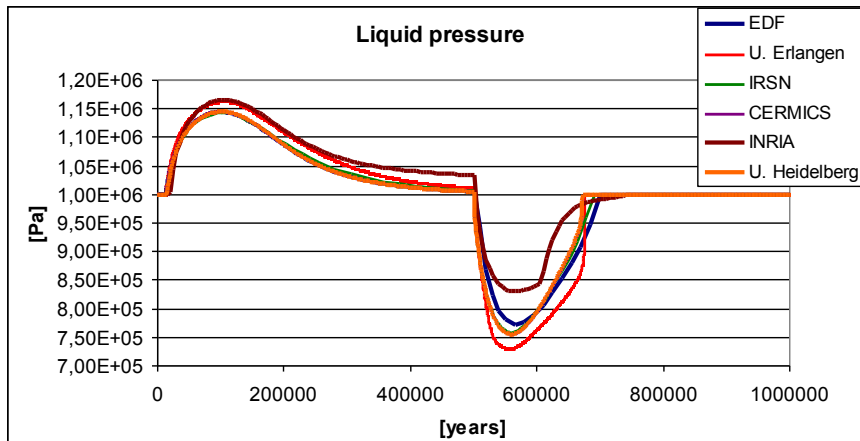
✓ included in choice of unknowns, for exemple : $\left(P_l, \frac{\rho_l^h}{H.M^h} \right)$

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✓ INRIA use (S_l, P_l, χ_l^h) and complementarities conditions

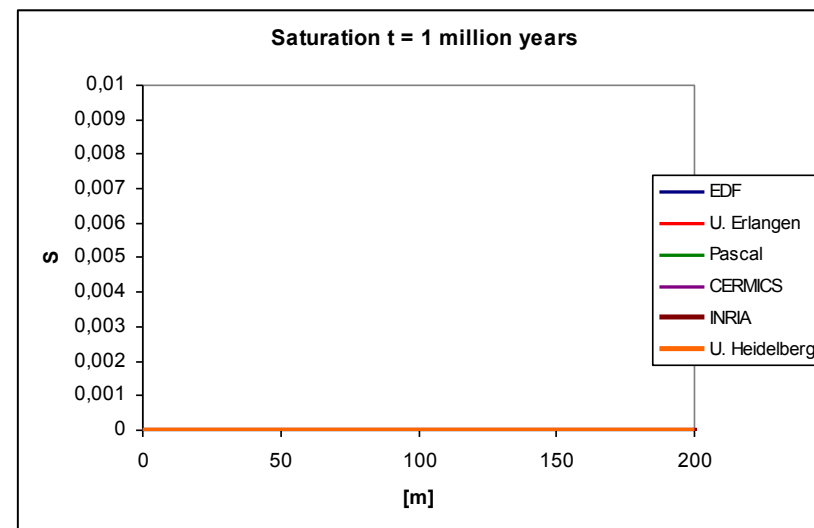
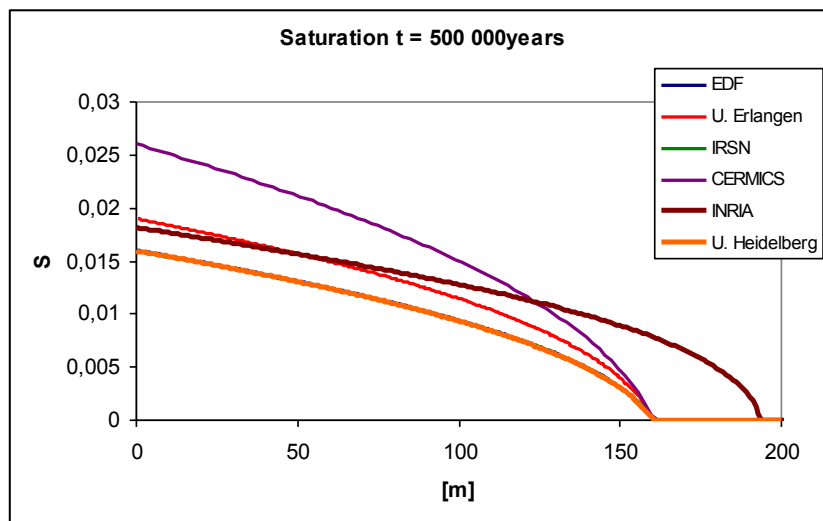
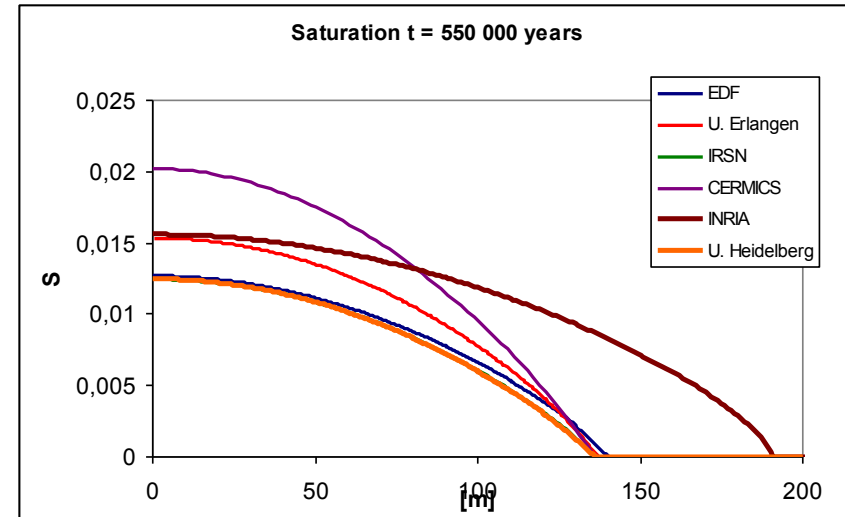
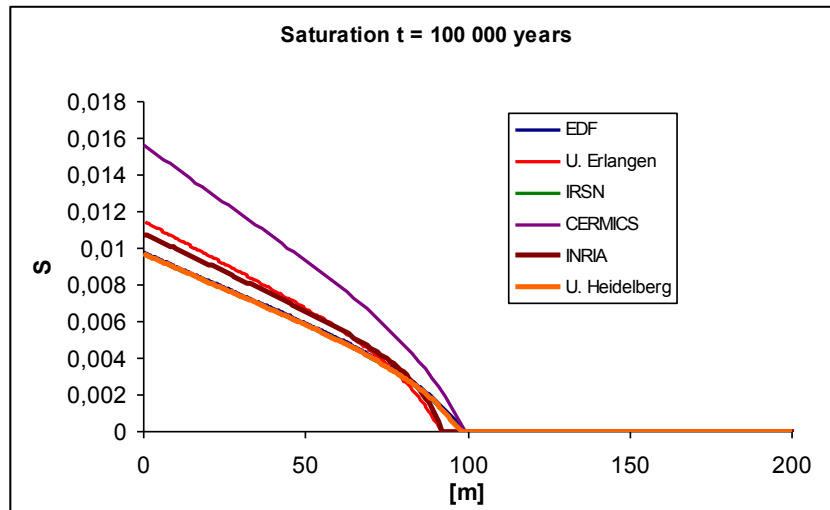
Test 1a : Results

Time evolution

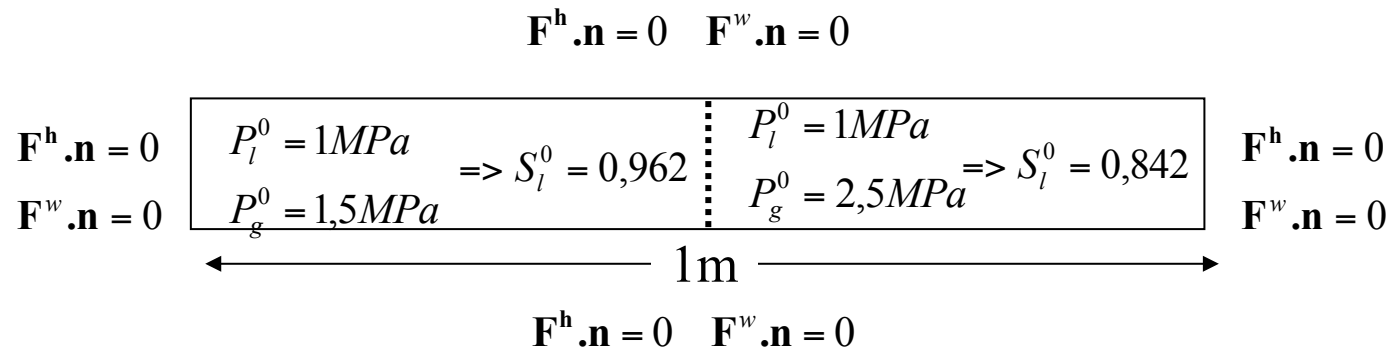


- 1- Dissolution
- 2- Desaturation and increase of gas pressure
- 3- Equilibrium in a desaturated state
- 4- End of Injection : quick desaturation, water comes from the left : decrease of liquid pressure
- 5- End of desaturation the water is coming back
- 6- back to initial state

Test 1 : results (2/2)



Test 3 : Compressible and miscible two-phase flow starting from non equilibrium state



Test proposed by F. Smaï

- Time of simulation : 10^6 s
- Homogeneous material
- Capillary pressure curve and relative permeability expressed with a Mualem Van-Genuchten Law ($P_r = 2MPa$; $n=1,54$; $S_{lr} = 0,01$)

Test 3 : Hypothesis of each team (1/2)

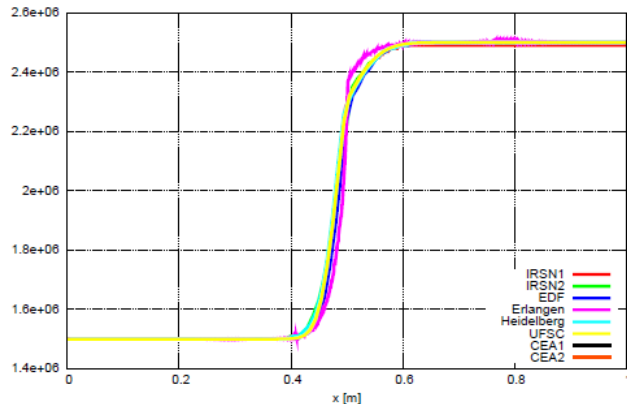
	Software	Spatial Scheme	Mesh	Time steps(s)
CEA (F. Caro)	MPCube	FV Diamants	200 triangles	0,17->833
CEA2 (B. Saad)	Scilab 1D	Finite Diffrence	500 1D el.	0,17->833
IRSN1 (F. Smaï)	Develop. IRSN soft.	FE P1	500*1*(1m*1m) quad	0,1->4000
IRSN2 (M. Dimitrowska)	Mlgastra	FV for convection and EF for diffusion	Triangles $\Delta x=0,01$	1->16
EDF (S. Granet)	Code_Aster	FE P1 (VF)	100*1*(1m*1m) quad	2->15000
U. Erlangen (T. Mueller)	M++	Mixed Hybrid FE	4480 triangles	10->1000s
U. Heidelberg (R. Neumann)	Dune	FV with upstream scheme	40*20*(0,5*1m) quad	1->1000s
UFSC (I.Mozolezki)	Matlab	Discontinuous Galerkin	512*1D el.	0,3->31250

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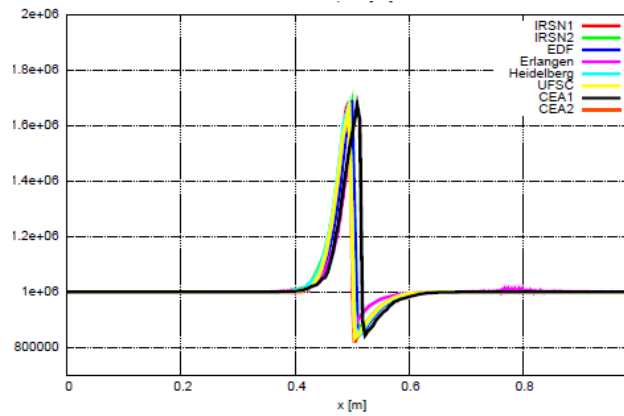
Test 3 : Results (1/2)

10 s

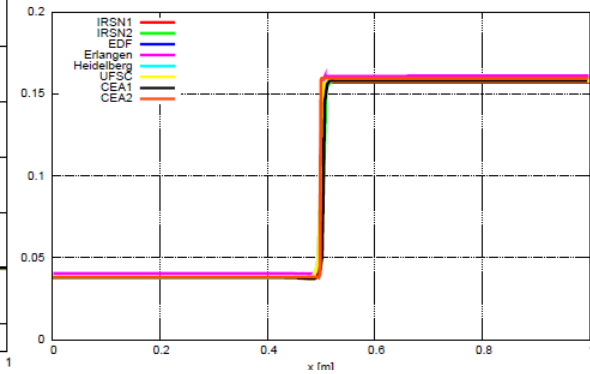
Gas pressure



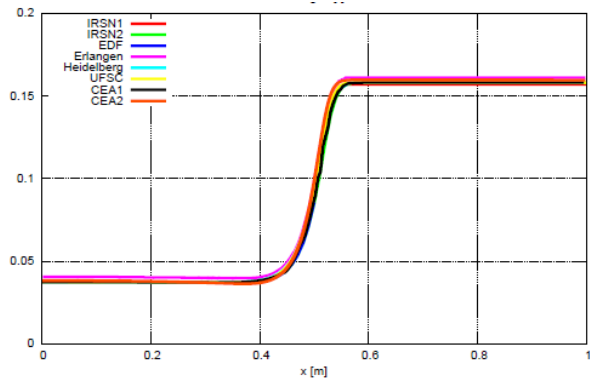
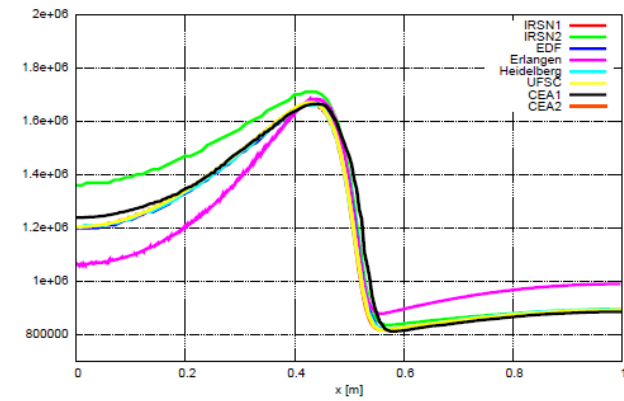
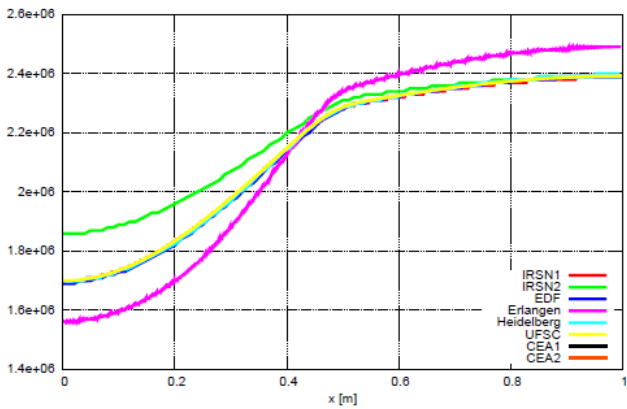
Liquid pressure



Saturation



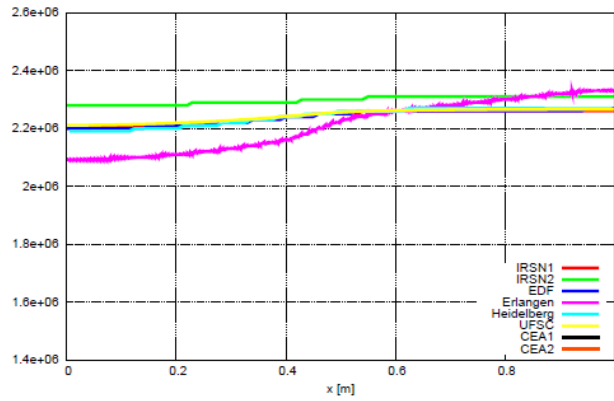
1000 s



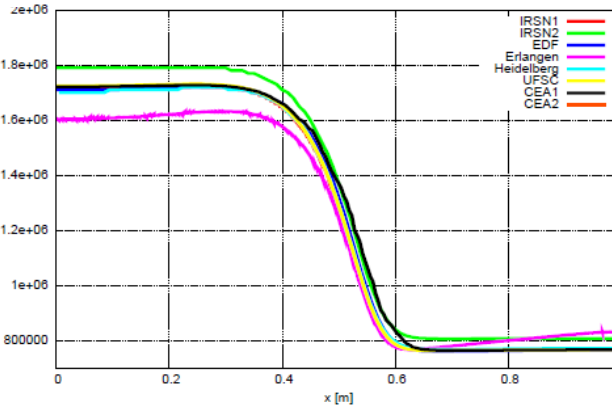
Test 3 : Results (2/2)



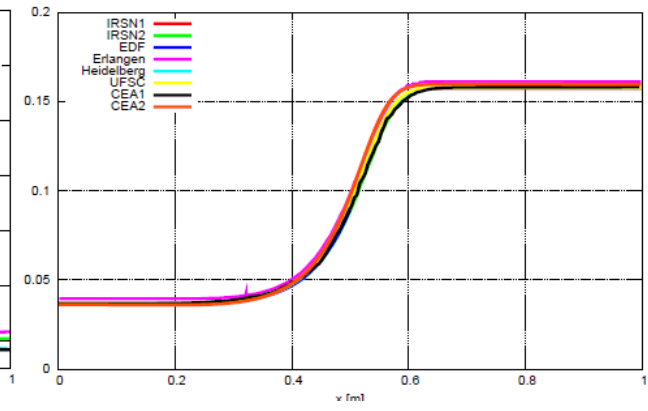
5000 s Gas pressure



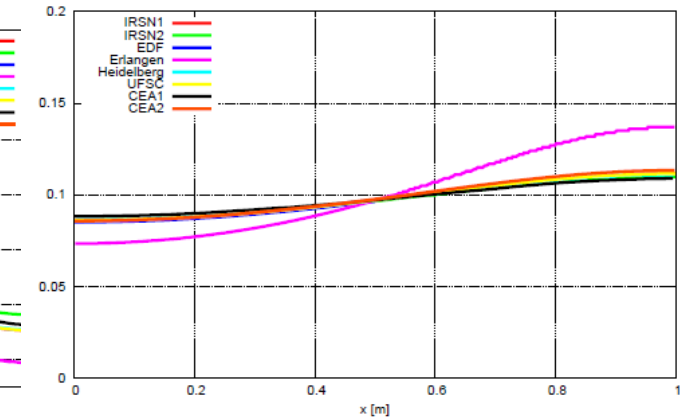
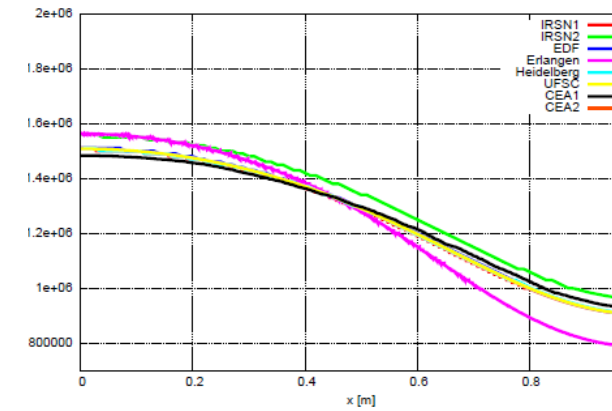
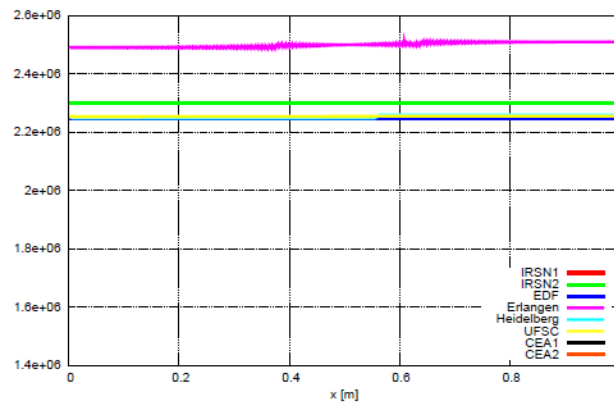
Liquid pressure



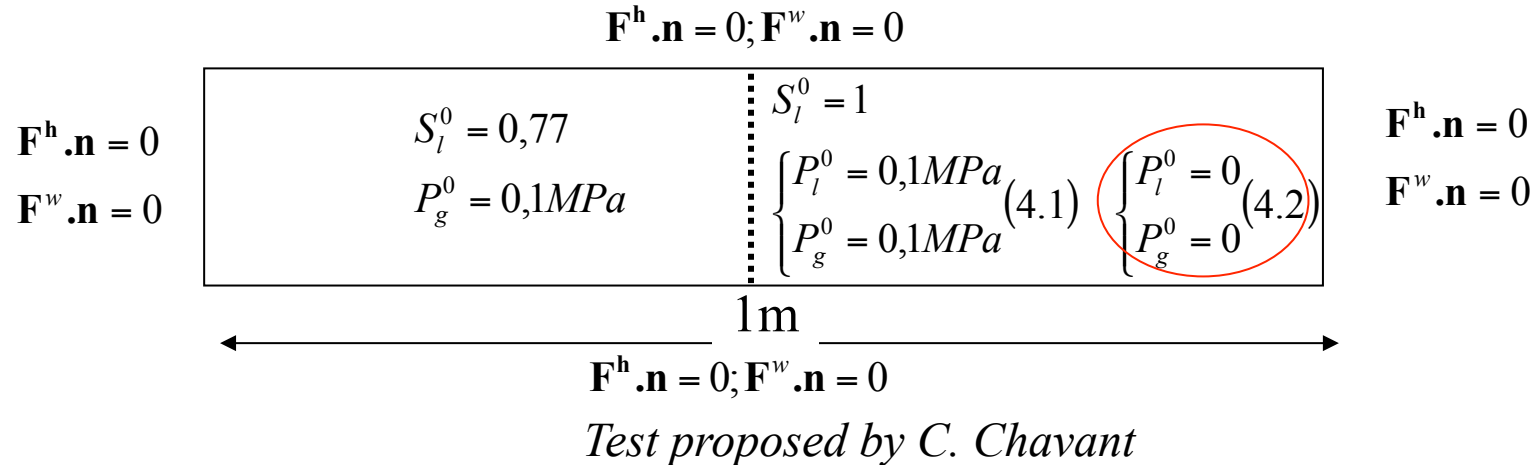
Saturation



500000 s



Test 4 : immiscible two-phase flow starting from non equilibrium state in a heterogeneous media



- Immiscible fluid : 1 component in each phase (no dissolution)
- 100 elements ($h=10^{-2}$ m)
- heterogeneous material :

S(PC) : VG ($n=0,06$; $Pr = 1,5MPa$)

$$k_{rel}^l = \left(1 + \frac{(S^{-16,67} - 1)^{1,88}}{4} \right)^{-0,5}$$

$$\phi = 0,3$$

$$K^{int} = 10^{-20} m^2$$

S(PC) : VG ($n=0,412$; $Pr = 1MPa$)

$$k_{rel}^l = \left(1 + (S^{-1,429} - 1)^{1,88} \right)^{-1}$$

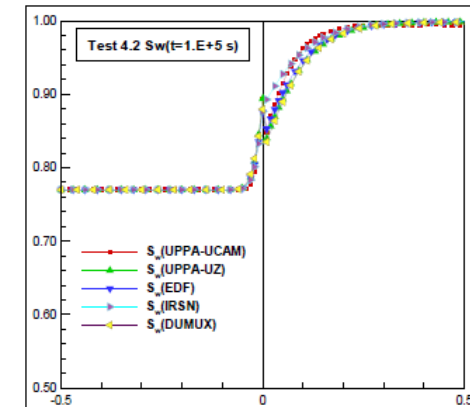
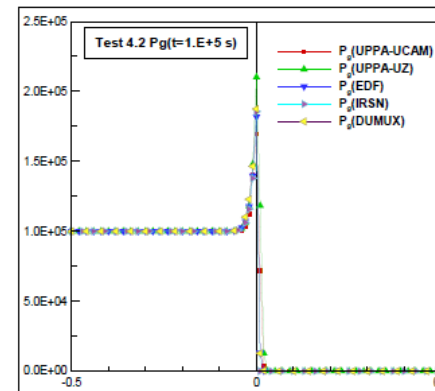
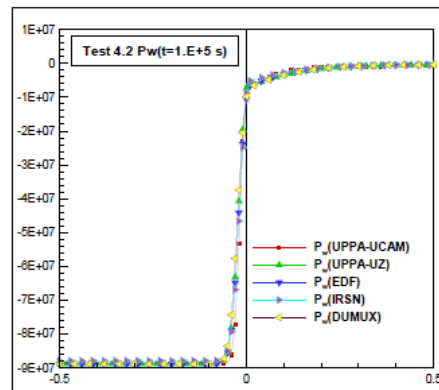
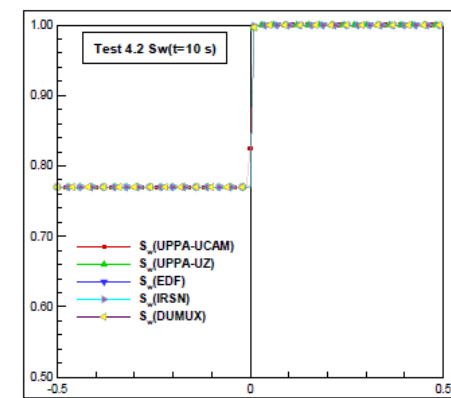
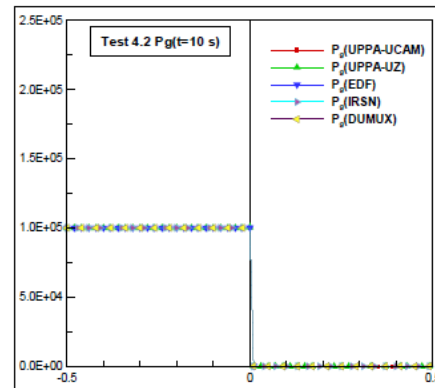
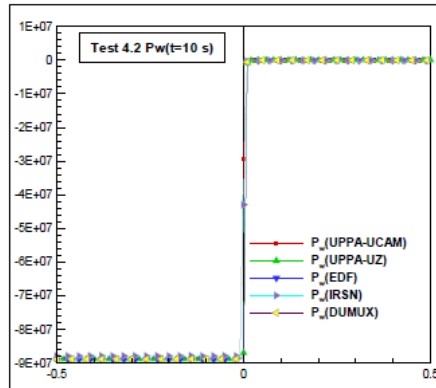
$$\phi = 0,05$$

$$K^{int} = 10^{-19} m^2$$

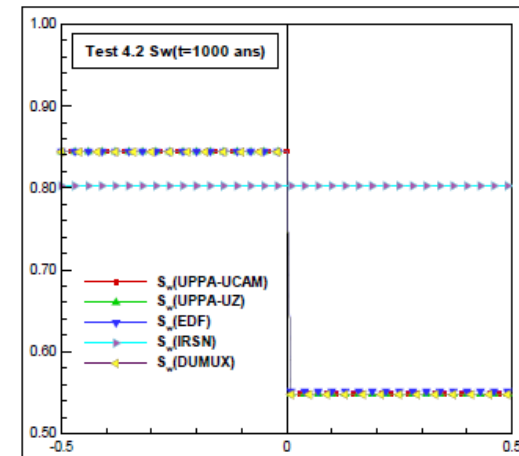
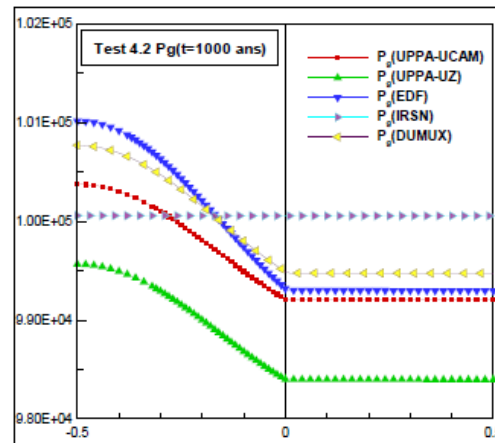
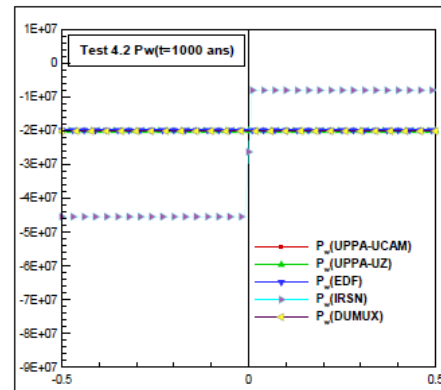
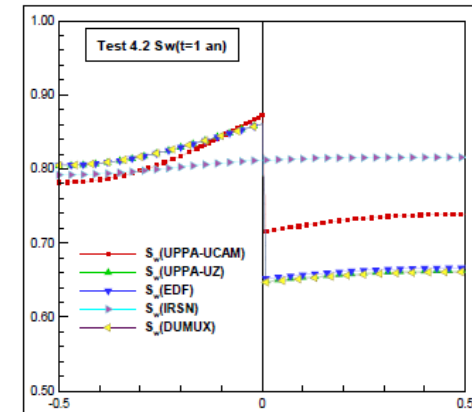
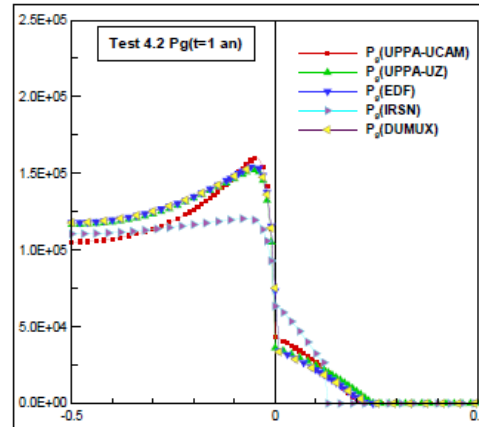
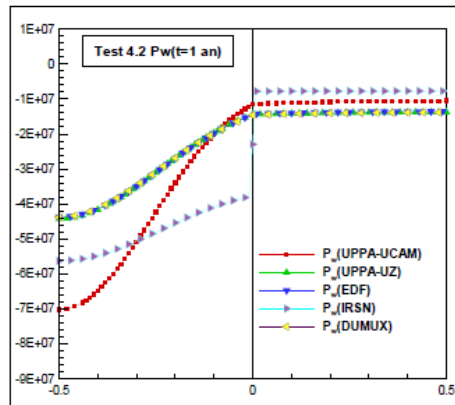
Test 4 : Hypothesis of each team

	Software	Unknowns	Spatial Scheme
UPPA-UCAM Marrakech (Ahusborde, Afif)	C++ 1D software	(P_g, S)	Vertex center FV
UPPA-U Zagreb (Amaziane, Jurak, Zgaljic-Keko)	C++ 1D software	(P_{glob}, S)	Vertex center FV
UPPA (Ahusborde)	DuMuX	(P_g, S)	Vertex center FV
IRSN (M. Dimitrowska)	Mlgastra	(P_g, S)	FV for convection and FE for diffusion
EDF (S. Granet)	Code_Aster	$\left(P_l, \frac{\rho_l^h}{H.M^h} \right)$	FV Sushi

Test 4 : results (1/2)



Test 4 : results (2/2)



Conclusion and perspective

- **Participation of 12 teams : CEA (2 answers), EDF, INRIA, IRSN (2 answers), U. Erlangen, UFSC Santa Catarina, U. Heidelberg, UPPA&CNRS Pau, UCAM Marrakech, U. Zagreb**
- **6 teams for Test 1a; 8 teams for Test 3 ; 5 teams for test 4**
- **All the tests : very useful to understand the different mechanism of classical two-phase flow problem, and the solutions to solve them**

- **Most of results are qualitatively similar**
- **Little differences to investigate**
- **Importance in the choice of the unknowns (1a)**
- **Importance to take into account miscible phenomena**
- **Choice of scheme doesn't seams to be discriminating**
- **Perspective : vaporization, gravity ...etc.**

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