

Heat and solute transport

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Today's Lecture (if time allows...)

- **Introduction to:**
 - **heat transport** in porous media
 - **solute transport** in porous media
- “It’s time for coffee”!

Continuity equation

The conservation (or continuity) equation states that the temporal variation of the variable considered (water content, density of heat, concentration, etc.) is equal to the spatial variation of the flow, corrected for possible contributions, losses or transformations within the system

General Form:

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{q} + \sum_i r_i$$

ρ = Volumetric concentration of the variable considered

q = flux across the system boundaries

r_i = rate of production, degradation, or transformation within the domain (many sources/sinks i may exist)

Sustance	ρ	Unit	q	Unit
Water	Water content, θ	$\text{m}^3 \text{m}^{-3}$	Darcy's law	m s^{-1}
Heat	Quantity of heat	J m^{-3}	Fourier's law	$\text{J m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$
Chemical substance or gas	Concentration	kg m^{-3}	Fick's law	$\text{kg m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$

The **first law of heat conduction**, known as **Fourier's law**, states that the flux of heat in a homogeneous body is in the direction of, and proportional to, the temperature gradient:

$$\mathbf{q}_h = -K_h \nabla T$$

to account for nonsteady (transient) conditions, we invoke the principle of **energy conservation** in the form of the **continuity equation**, stating that, in the absence of internal sources or sinks of heat, the time rate of change in heat content of a volume element must equal the change of flux with distance:

$$\rho c_m \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{q}_h$$

where ρ is mass density and c_m specific heat capacity per unit mass (defined as the change in heat content of a unit mass of the body per unit change in temperature). The product $C = \rho c_m$ is the **specific heat capacity** per unit volume

Note: $E = \rho c_m T$ is the thermal energy

Combining the previous two equations we obtain the desired **second law of heat conduction**:

$$C \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot (K_h \nabla T)$$

Introducing the thermal diffusivity $D_h = K_h / \rho c_m$ and assuming it is a constant, leads to:

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = D_h \nabla^2 T$$

To solve the foregoing equations so as to obtain a description of how temperature varies in space and time, we need to know, by measurement or calculation, the pertinent values of the three parameters just defined, namely, the volumetric heat capacity C , thermal conductivity K , and/or thermal diffusivity D . Together, they are called the **thermal properties of soils**.

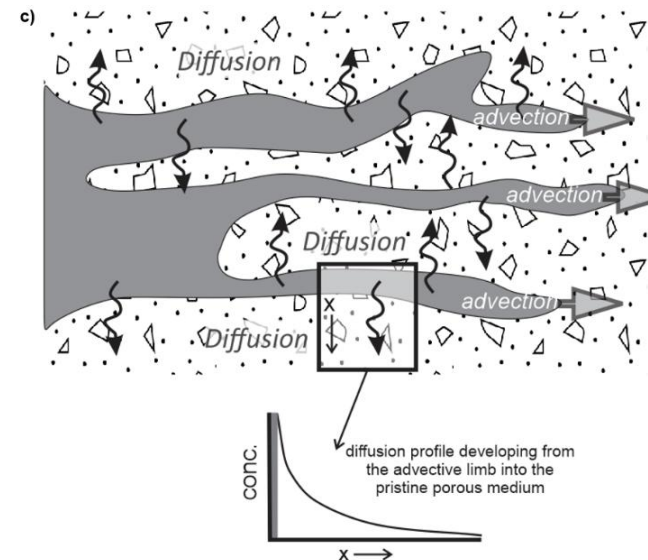
Solute transport

The conservation of mass for a solute dissolved in water is (assuming non-reactive transport):

$$\frac{\partial(C_s\theta)}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{q}_s$$

Solute movement can occur via three mechanisms: mass flow (**advection**), molecular **diffusion**, and hydrodynamic **dispersion**, i.e.

$$\mathbf{q}_s = \mathbf{q}_{s,adv} + \mathbf{q}_{s,diff} + \mathbf{q}_{s,disp}$$



- **Advection** (or mass flow) of soil water, sometimes called the Darcian flow, carries with it a flux of solutes $\mathbf{q}_{s,adv}$ proportional to their concentration C_s :

$$\mathbf{q}_{s,adv} = \mathbf{q}C_s = \bar{v}\theta C_s \quad \text{where} \quad \mathbf{q} = -K\nabla(h + z)$$

- **Diffusion** processes commonly occur within multicomponent gaseous or liquid phases, in consequence of the random thermal motion (often called Brownian motion) and repeated collisions and deflections of molecules in the fluid. Solutes tend to diffuse from zones where their concentration is higher to where it is lower. In bulk water at rest, the rate of diffusion $\mathbf{q}_{s,diff}$ is related by **Fick's first law** to the gradient of the concentration C_s :

$$\mathbf{q}_{s,diff} = -D_{diff}\nabla C_s \quad \text{where } D_{diff} \text{ is the diffusion coefficient}$$

- **Hydrodynamic dispersion** results from the microscopic nonuniformity of flow velocity in the soil's conducting pores. This differs from diffusion in its mechanism but tends to produce an analogous tendency to mix and eventually to even-out the differences in concentration:

$$\mathbf{q}_{s,disp} = -D_{disp}\nabla C_s \quad \text{where } D_{disp} \text{ is the dispersion coefficient}$$

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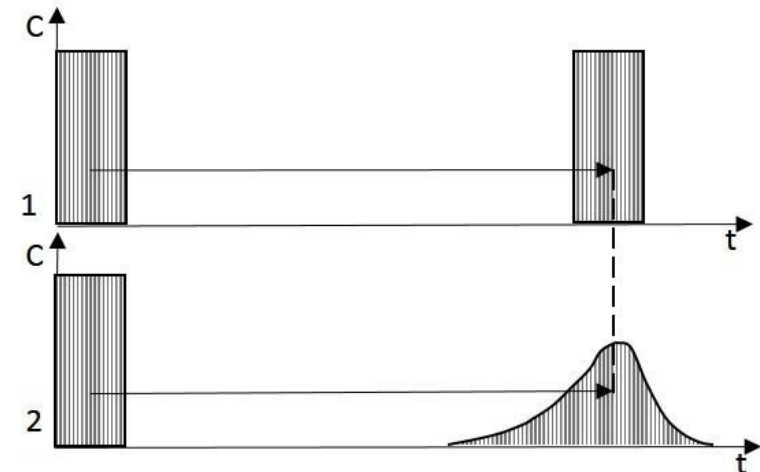
The conservation of mass for a solute dissolved in water thus become

$$\frac{\partial(C_s\theta)}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{q}_s \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{q}_s = \bar{\mathbf{v}}\theta C_s - D_{diff}\nabla C_s - D_{disp}\nabla C_s$$

Since in practice the diffusion and dispersion phenomena cannot be separated, we can write the advection-dispersion equation in the following form:

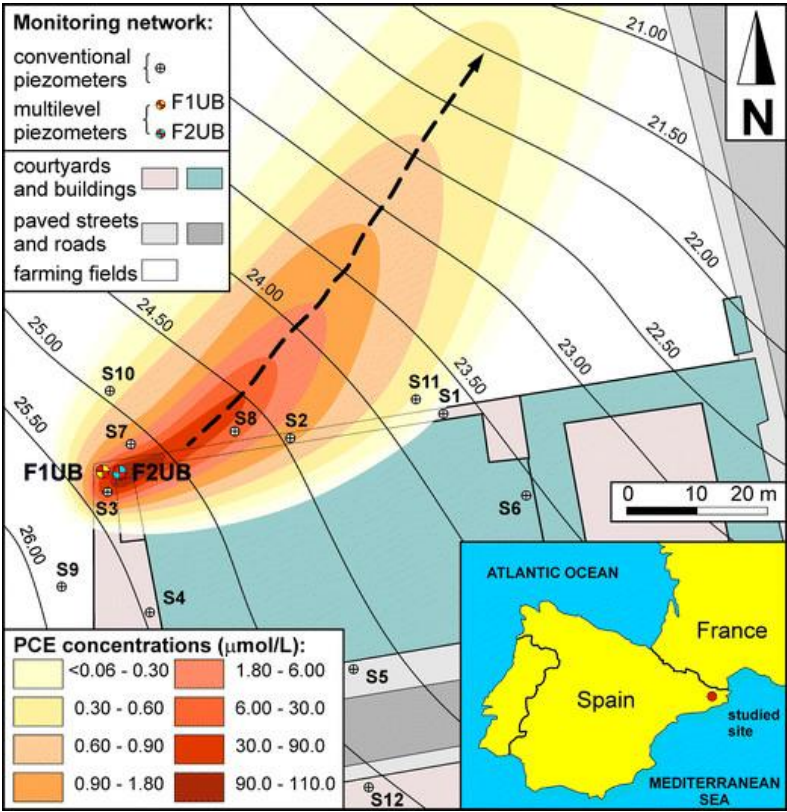
$$\frac{\partial C_s}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot (\bar{\mathbf{v}}C_s) + \nabla \cdot (D_d\nabla C_s)$$

Where D_d is the lumped diffusion–dispersion coefficient



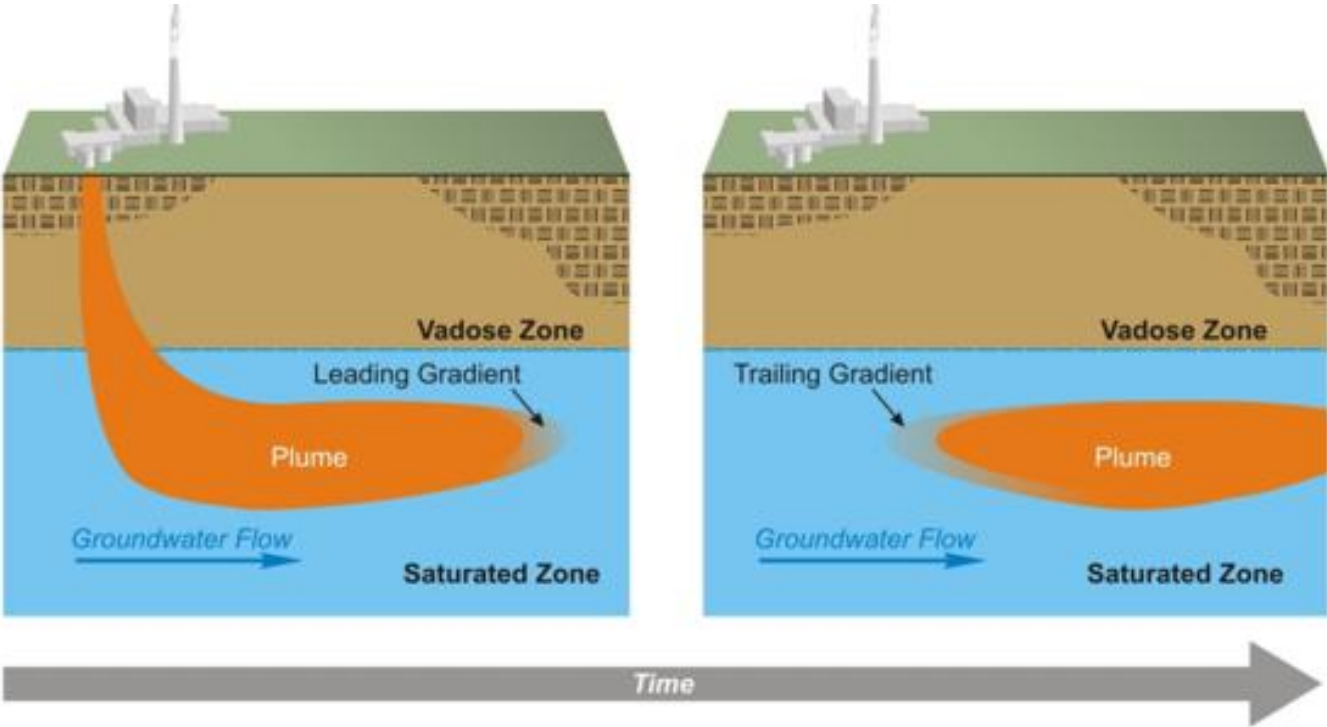
Saatsaz and Eslamian (2020)

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Puigserver et al. (2020)

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Almost!

**Just a final recap of
(soil physics) theory first!**

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Article

Systematically Improving Espresso: Insights from Mathematical Modeling and Experiment

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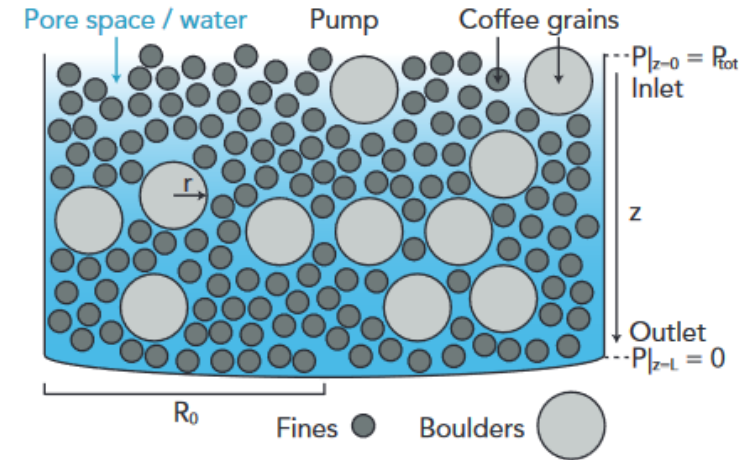


Figure 1. A Schematic of the Espresso Basket Geometry

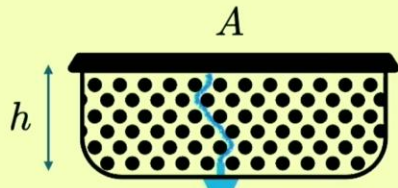
The coffee grounds are shown in gray (Ω_s), and the pore space, which is filled with water during extraction, is shown in blue (Ω_f). The macroscopic spatial coordinate measuring depth through the bed, z , the microscopic spatial coordinate measuring radial position within the spherical coffee particles, r , as well as the basket radius, R_0 , are also indicated.

Cameron et al (2019)

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Darcy's law – Flow through porous media



Flow rate Q (volume / time)

$$Q = - \frac{K A}{\eta} (\nabla p - \rho g)$$


Minus sign: flow goes from high pressure to low pressure!



Henry Darcy

∇p = pressure gradient
 ρ = fluid density
 g = gravitational acceleration
 η = fluid viscosity
 A = cross sectional area
 K = permeability (units m^2)

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{pore area (grind size)} \\ \text{porosity (\% basket not containing grinds)} \end{array} \right.$



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Physics of the Moka Pot

Flow rate Q (volume / time)

$$Q = -\frac{K A}{\eta} \nabla p$$

Steam pressure

Clausius-Clapeyron equation

$$\frac{d(\ln p)}{dT} = \frac{L}{RT^2}$$

L = latent heat
 R = gas constant

Boiling water

Steam

Filter

Coffee

Pressure p (bar)

1.4

1

100

110

Temperature T (°C)

Solid

Liquid

Vapour

Boiling

Moka

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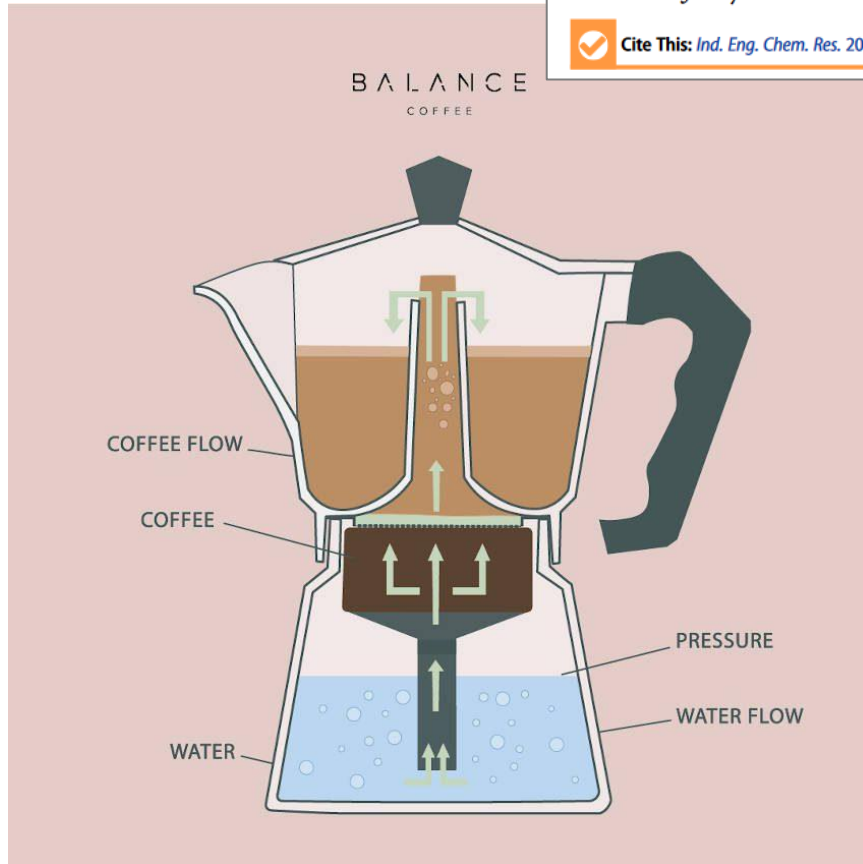
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Modeling Mass and Heat Transfer in Multiphase Coffee Aroma Extraction

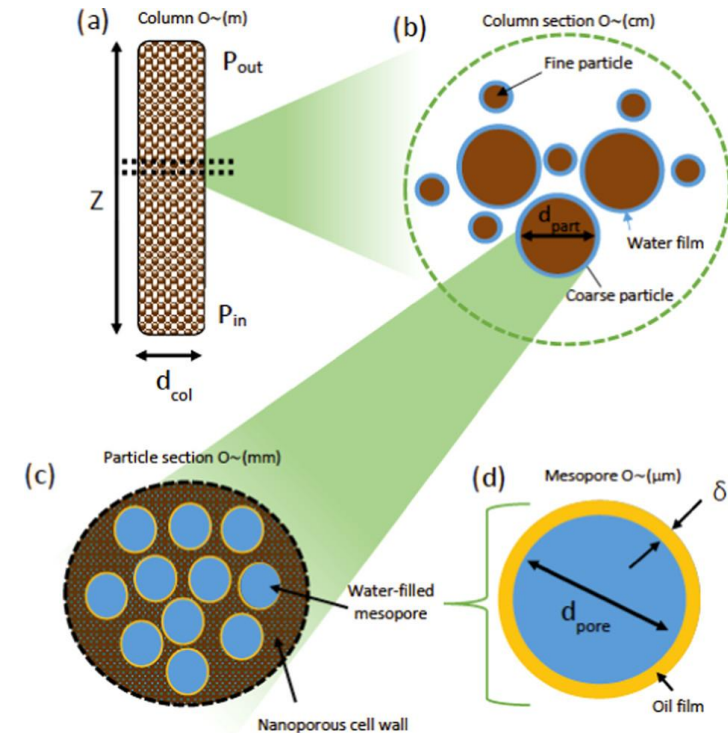
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Beverly et al (2020)

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Modelling of coffee extraction during brewing using multiscale methods: An experimentally validated model 

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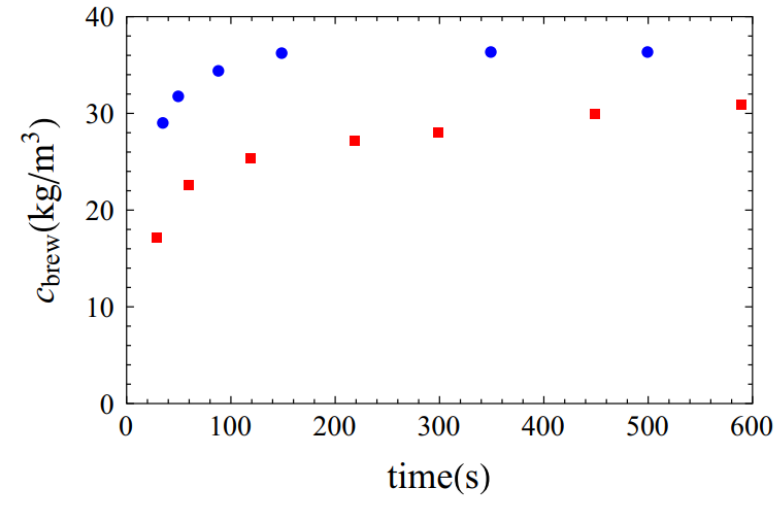
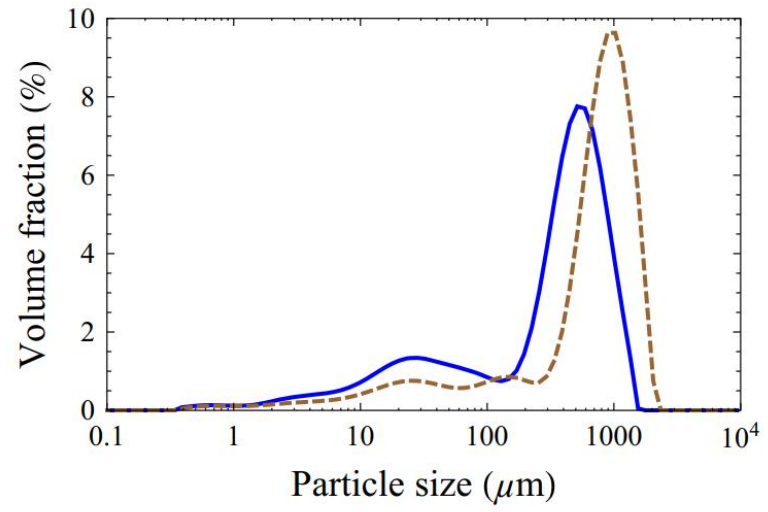
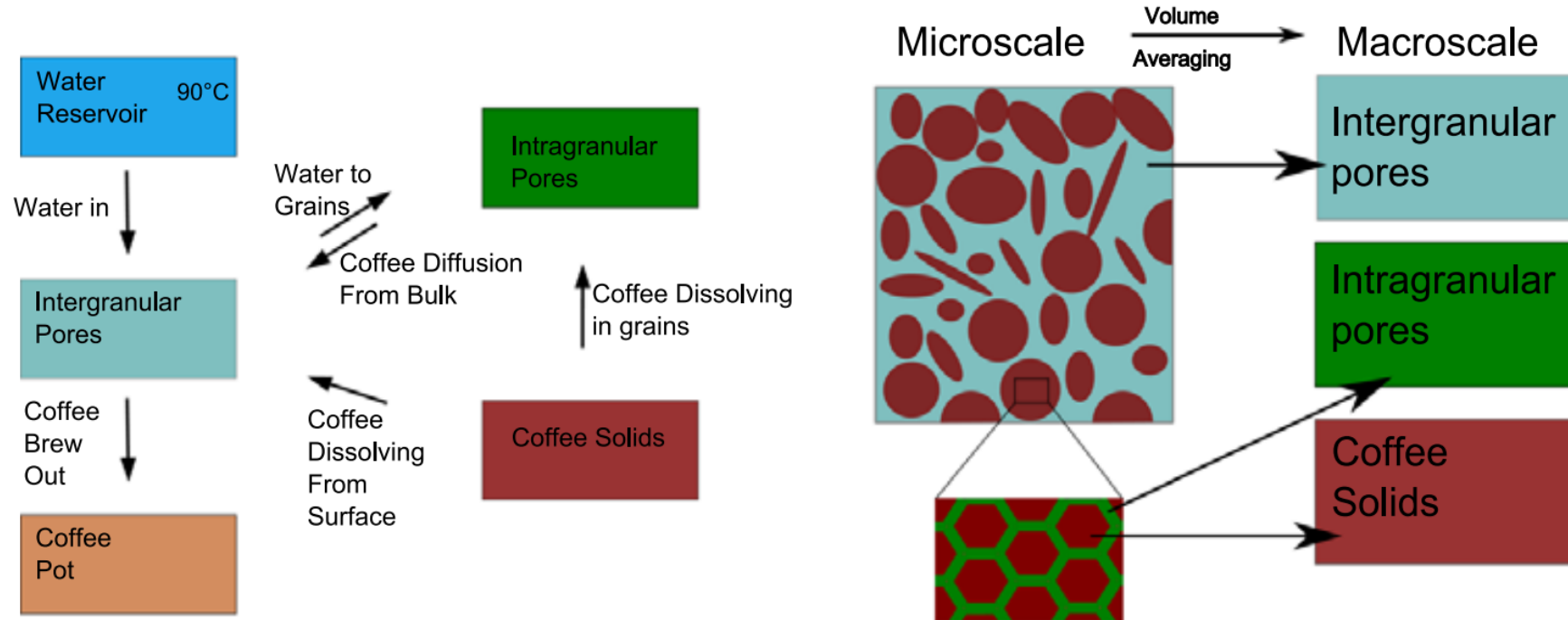


Fig. 1. Coffee grind size distributions for JK standard drip filter grind (–) and Cimbali #20 grind (– –). Distributions are expressed in terms of volume fraction percentages of particles of a given diameter.

Fig. 2. Coffee solubles concentration profiles for JK standard drip filter grind (●) and Cimbali #20 grind (□) during batch extraction experiments. In these experiments 60 g of coffee with approximately 4% moisture was mixed with 0.5 l of hot water in a French press type cylinder.

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3.3. Coffee bed description

The coffee bed is represented by a porous medium domain Ω_T with volume V_T . The domain can be split into an intergranular pores domain Ω_h , with volume V_h and a coffee grain domain Ω_l , with volume V_l . Ω_l is further split into an intragranular pore domain Ω_v , with volume V_v and a solid coffee domain Ω_s , with volume V_s . Clearly the equalities $V_h + V_l = V_T$ and $V_v + V_s = V_l$ hold. The following volume fractions are now defined as

$$\phi_h = \frac{V_h}{V_T}, \quad \phi_l = \frac{V_l}{V_T}, \quad \phi_v = \frac{V_v}{V_l}, \quad \phi_s = \frac{V_s}{V_l}, \quad (1)$$

which leads to

$$\phi_h + \phi_l = 1, \quad \phi_v + \phi_s = 1. \quad (2)$$

The concentrations (mass per unit volume) of coffee in the respective phases are c_h , c_v and c_s . \mathbf{v}_h and \mathbf{v}_v denote the fluid velocity in the h -phase and v -phase respectively. The velocity of the solid will be denoted by \mathbf{v}_s . Further notation will be introduced as required. The formulation of the equations presented here will follow (Bear and Cheng, 2010; Gray and Hassanizadeh, 1998). Since conservation equations will be formed at three different scales the variables at each scale will be denoted as macroscale ($\bar{\cdot}$), mesoscale (\cdot^*) and microscale (\cdot) to avoid ambiguity.

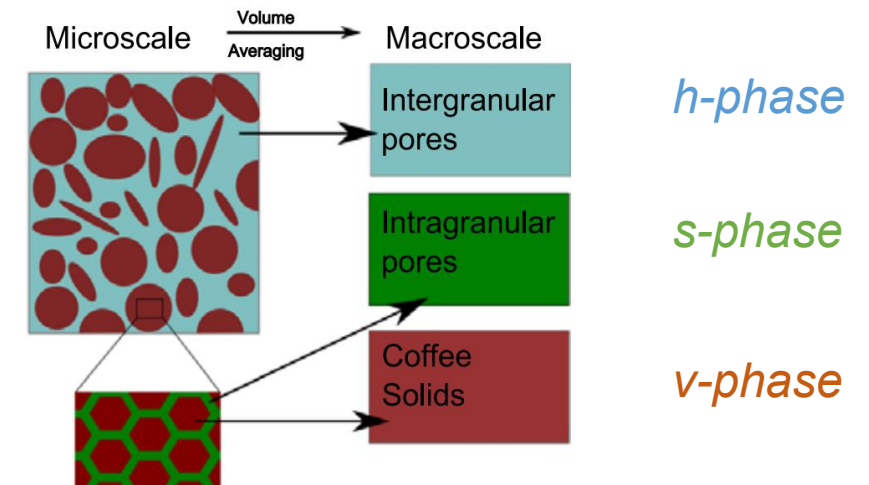


Fig. 4. Macroscale equations are matched to microscale equations using volume averaging. At a macroscopic level the system is represented by three overlapping continua for the intergranular pores (h -phase), intragranular pores (v -phase) and solid coffee (s -phase).

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This is consistent with [Petracco \(2008\)](#) where it is noted that the material extracted from coffee has little influence on liquid density. Thus $\tilde{\rho}_h = \tilde{\rho}_v = \rho$. It is also assumed that no transport occurs within the l -phase on the macroscale. This simply means that liquid or coffee does not transport directly from grain to grain within the bed. Any mechanical dispersion in the flow in the h -phase is not considered. Due to continuity of flux at the interphase boundaries we have $\tilde{f}_{\alpha \rightarrow \beta} = -\tilde{f}_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha}$. Thus the five macroscopic equations reduce to the following:

Coffee:
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\phi_h \tilde{c}_h) = -\nabla \cdot (\phi_h (\tilde{c}_h \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_h + \tilde{\mathbf{j}}_h)) + \tilde{f}_{v \rightarrow h} + \tilde{f}_{s \rightarrow h}, \quad (16)$$

Water:
$$\rho \frac{\partial \phi_h}{\partial t} = -\rho \nabla \cdot (\phi_h \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_h) + \tilde{f}_{l \rightarrow h}^w, \quad (17)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\phi_l \phi_v \tilde{c}_v) = -\tilde{f}_{v \rightarrow h} + \tilde{f}_{s \rightarrow v}, \quad (18)$$

$$\rho \frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\phi_l \phi_v) = -\tilde{f}_{l \rightarrow h}^w, \quad (19)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\phi_l \phi_s \tilde{c}_s) = -\tilde{f}_{s \rightarrow h} - \tilde{f}_{s \rightarrow v}. \quad (20)$$

It now remains to introduce expressions to model the fluid velocity $\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_h$, the total macroscopic flux $\tilde{\mathbf{j}}_h$, the fluid mass transfer term $\tilde{f}_{l \rightarrow h}^w$ and the coffee mass transfer terms $\tilde{f}_{v \rightarrow h}$, $\tilde{f}_{s \rightarrow v}$ and $\tilde{f}_{s \rightarrow h}$ in terms of the system variables. The main transfers occurring in the coffee bed are shown in [Fig. 5](#).

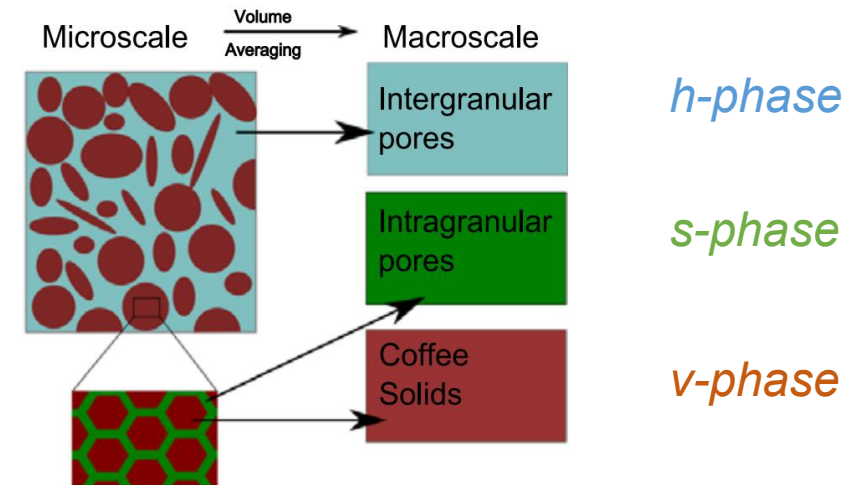


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4.1. Fluid velocity

Darcy's Law allows us to relate an averaged velocity or discharge in the pores to the pressure gradient. The relations in the h -phase are given by

$$\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h = \phi_h \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_h, \quad \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h = -\frac{\tilde{k}_h}{\mu} (\nabla \tilde{p}_h + \rho \mathbf{g}), \quad \tilde{k}_h = \tilde{k}_h(\phi_h), \quad (21)$$

where \tilde{p}_h is the macroscopic pressure gradient in the h -phase, \tilde{k}_h is the permeability and μ is the viscosity of water.

4.2. Total macroscopic flux

The total macroscopic flux, $\tilde{\mathbf{j}}_h$ is made up of the macroscopic average of molecular diffusion \mathbf{j}_h^a and the dispersive flux \mathbf{j}_h^b :

$$\tilde{\mathbf{j}}_h = \langle \mathbf{j}_h \rangle^h + \langle \overset{\circ}{c}_h \overset{\circ}{\mathbf{v}}_h \rangle^h = \mathbf{j}_h^a + \mathbf{j}_h^b. \quad (22)$$

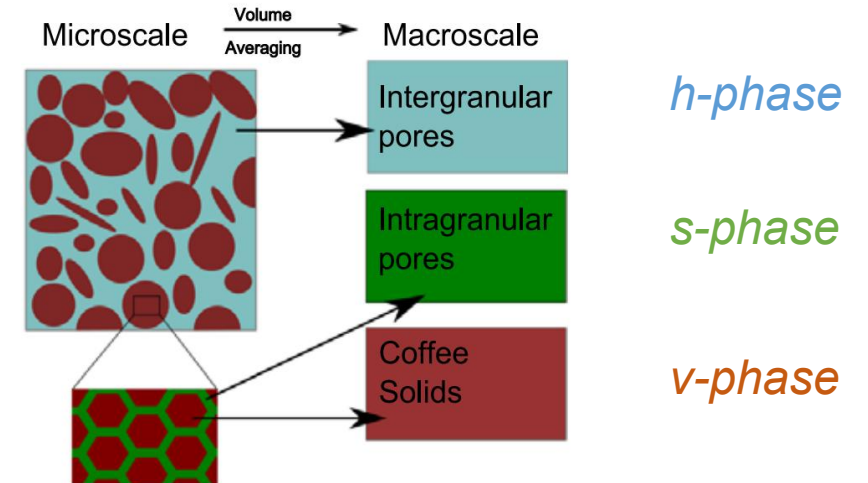


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For an isotropic porous medium, \mathbf{j}_h^a is often modelled by

$$\mathbf{j}_h^a = -\frac{D}{\tau} \nabla \tilde{c}_h, \quad (23)$$

where τ is the tortuosity defined by

$$\tau = \frac{L_e}{L} = \frac{\text{actual path length}}{\text{macroscopic path length}}. \quad (24)$$

The tortuosity must be estimated as a function of the porosity. Various functional relationships are proposed in the literature. Some of these are discussed in [Pisani \(2011\)](#). The expression used here is $\tau = \phi_h^{-1/3}$ which is adopted from [Millington \(1959\)](#). Thus we have

$$\mathbf{j}_h^a = -\frac{D}{\tau} \nabla \tilde{c}_h = -\phi_h^{1/3} D \nabla \tilde{c}_h. \quad (25)$$

4.3. Dispersive flux

Dispersion occurs due to variations in the microscopic velocity of the phase with respect to the averaged velocity, and molecular diffusion ([Bear and Cheng, 2010](#)). Thus molecular diffusion contributes to the dispersive flux in addition to the diffusive flux at the macroscopic level. In general the dispersive flux is given by

$$\mathbf{j}_h^b = \langle \tilde{c}_h \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_h \rangle^h = -\tilde{D}^b \cdot \nabla \tilde{c}_h, \quad (26)$$

where \tilde{D}^b is a rank 2 tensor called the dispersion tensor. \tilde{D}^b is both positive definite and symmetric. For an isotropic porous medium the following expression is often used:

$$D_{ij} = \left(a_T \delta_{ij} + (a_L - a_T) \frac{v_i v_j}{v^2} \right) v. \quad (27)$$

The coefficients a_L and a_T here are the longitudinal and transverse dispersivities of the porous medium. $v_i = \langle v_i \rangle^h$ is the average velocity in the i -th direction and $v = |\mathbf{v}|$ where \mathbf{v} is the average velocity vector in this instance. δ_{ij} is the Kronecker delta. Further detail on the diffusive and dispersive fluxes is included in [Appendix C](#).

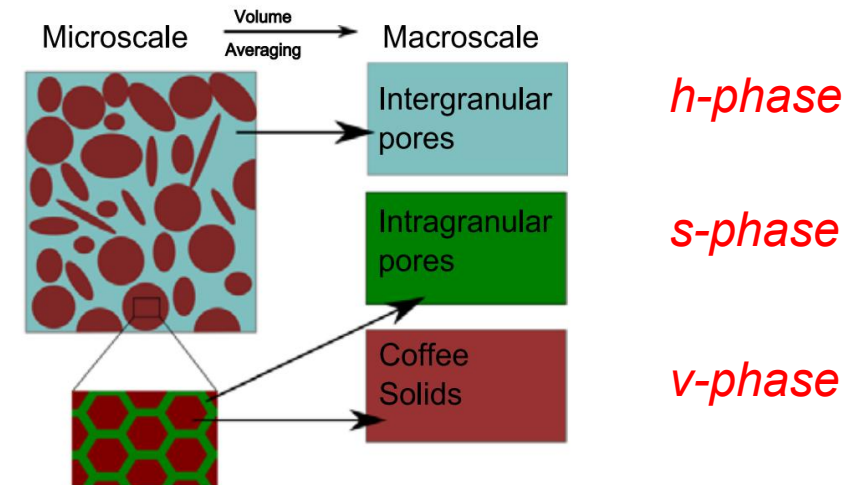


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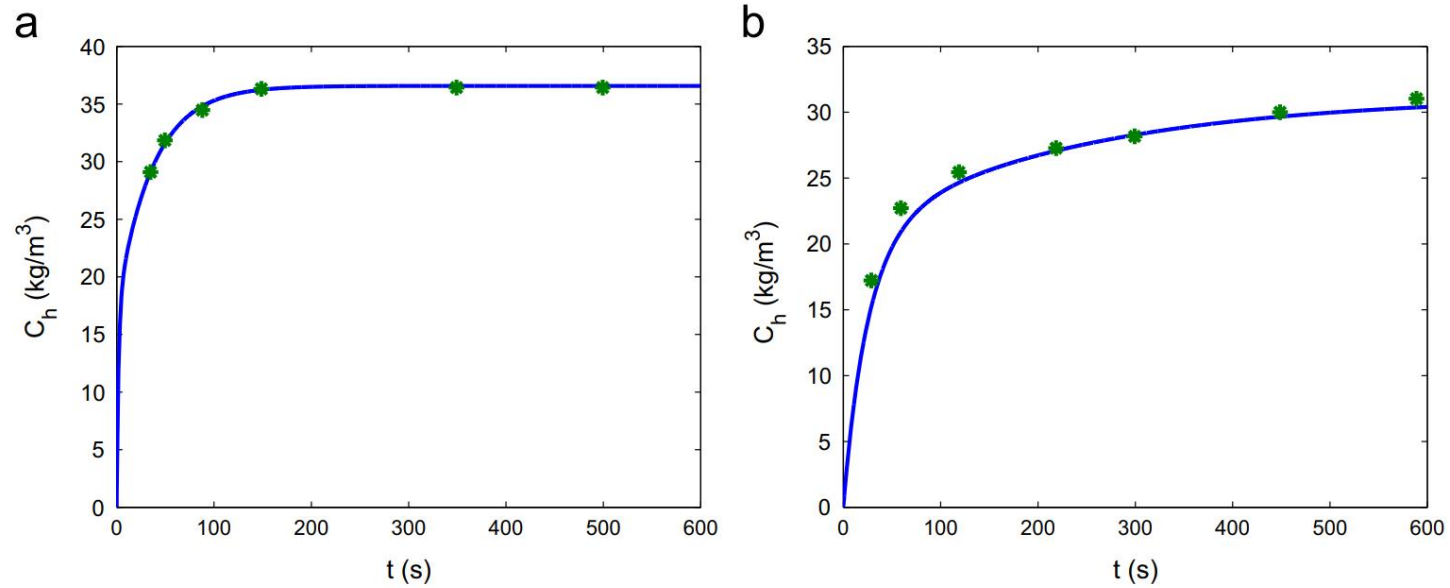


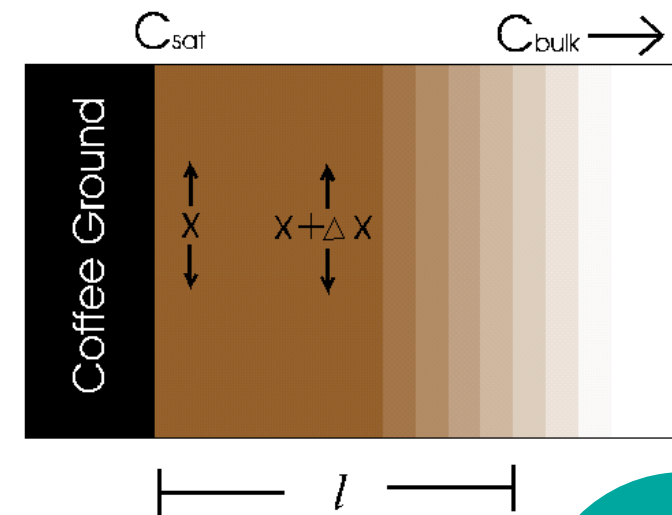
Fig. 6. Comparison between numerical solution (–) with parameters from Table 1 and experiment (*) for the batch extraction experiments for (a) JK drip filter grind and (b) Cimbali #20 grind.

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We are now going to use Fick's law to perform a measurement to find the rate of accumulation of caffeine in brewing coffee. Along the way, we will discover why it is important to grind coffee beans before you brew them.

- $D = 1.14 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2/\text{sec}$ (caffeine and water)
- $C_{sat} = 1.77 \text{ mol caffeine / mol water}$ is the maximum concentration of caffeine that may be contained in water. For water at the brewing temperature of coffee,
- $C_{bulk} = 0.538 \text{ mol caffeine / mol water}$ is the average concentration of caffeine in the final product, a cup of coffee..
- l is the distance between the surface of the coffee ground and the bulk coffee at concentration C_{bulk} . This is a stagnant layer of liquid next to the surface of the coffee ground. We can estimate the distance to be 0.00001 m .



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Self-
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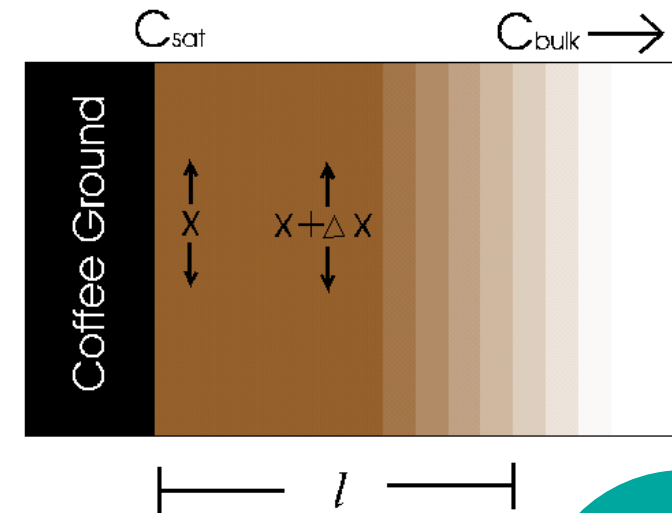
$$J = D \frac{C_{sat} - C_{bulk}}{l} \quad \Rightarrow \quad J = 1.14 \times 10^{-4} \frac{1.77 - 0.538}{0.00001} = 14 \left[\frac{\text{mol caffeine}}{\text{s m}^2} \right]$$

The amount of caffeine produced per time is therefore directly related to the **surface area of the coffee ground**. If we double the size of the surface area of the coffee ground, we halve the time it takes to brew. Grinding the the coffee increases the surface area of the coffee tremendously.

Can you imagine the time it would take to brew coffee from whole beans?

- If we take a coffee bean to have roughly $1 \text{ cm}^2 = 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2$ surface area and assume that about 200 coffee beans are used to brew a pot of coffee, we find that they have an initial surface area of 0.02 m^2 .
- After grinding, the same coffee beans become a coarse powder with a surface area of about 800 m^2 - an increase of 40'000%!

If it takes only one second of contact between the water and the contact between the water and the ground coffee, it would take **40'000 more seconds to brew a pot of coffee from beans than from coffee powder** - that's over 11 hours!



<https://uweb.engr.arizona.edu/~blowers/cooking/mass/coffee2.html>



This week exercises & assignments

- **Exercises:** additional problems (optional) + time to finish previous exercises/questions on course material
- **Computer Lab:** free time to finalize report
- Report submission:
 - submit your computer lab report (1 per group) in Moodle.
 - Deadline: **December 12 at 23h59**

- **Solute transport:**

- [Transport Equations in porous media](#)
- [Mechanisms of solute transport in soils](#) (Youtube)

- **Modeling coffee:**

- [Modelling of coffee extraction during brewing using multiscale methods](#)
- [Systematically Improving Espresso](#)
- [Modeling Mass and Heat Transfer in Multiphase Coffee Aroma Extraction](#)