

# Non-linear single-phase pressure diffusion for gradient rocks @model

The general form of non-linear [single-phase pressure diffusion model](#) is given by:

$$(1) \quad \beta(\mathbf{r}, p) \frac{\partial p}{\partial t} = \nabla \left( M(\mathbf{r}, p, \nabla p) \cdot \nabla p \right)$$

with non-linear dependence of [fluid mobility](#)  $M$  on [reservoir pressure](#)  $p$  and spatial [pressure gradient](#)  $\nabla p$ :

$$(2) \quad M = k_{air}(\mathbf{r}) M_r(p, \nabla p)$$

and non-linear dependence of [compressivity](#)  $\beta$  and [compressibility](#)  $c_t$  on [reservoir pressure](#)  $p$ :

$$(3) \quad \beta = c_t(\mathbf{r}, p) \cdot \phi(\mathbf{r}, p)$$

$$(4) \quad c_t(\mathbf{r}, p) = c_r(\mathbf{r}, p) + \sum_{\alpha} s_{\alpha}(\mathbf{r}) c_{\alpha}(p)$$

where

$M(p, \nabla p)$	Fluid mobility as function of <a href="#">reservoir pressure</a> $p$ and spatial <a href="#">pressure gradient</a> $\nabla p$
$M_r(p, \nabla p)$	Relative mobility as function of <a href="#">reservoir pressure</a> $p$ and spatial <a href="#">pressure gradient</a> $\nabla p$
$\beta(p)$	Compressivity as function of <a href="#">reservoir pressure</a> $p$
$c_t(\mathbf{r}, p)$	Total compressibility as function of <a href="#">reservoir pressure</a> $p$ and location $\mathbf{r}$
$c_r(\mathbf{r}, p)$	Rock compressibility as function of <a href="#">reservoir pressure</a> $p$ and location $\mathbf{r}$
$c_{\alpha}(p)$	$\alpha$ -phase compressibility as function of <a href="#">reservoir pressure</a> $p$ for $\alpha = \{w, o, g\}$
$s_{\alpha}(\mathbf{r})$	$\alpha$ -phase reservoir saturation for $\alpha = \{w, o, g\}$
$\phi_e(\mathbf{r}, p)$	Effective porosity as function of <a href="#">reservoir pressure</a> $p$ and location $\mathbf{r}$
$k_{air}(\mathbf{r})$	Formation permeability at <a href="#">initial formation pressure</a> $p_0$ as function of location $\mathbf{r}$
$\mu(p_0)$	Dynamic fluid viscosity at <a href="#">initial formation pressure</a> $p_0$
$\xi(p,  \nabla p )$	Some function of <a href="#">reservoir pressure</a> $p$ and spatial <a href="#">pressure gradient</a> $\nabla p$ with the following asymptotic behaviour: $\xi(p \rightarrow p_0,  \nabla p  \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow 1$

The same account for non-linearity can be applied for [non-linear multi-phase pressure diffusion](#) when [Pressure Diffusion Model Validity Scope](#) is met and multi-phase pressure dynamics can be modeled as effective single-phase pressure dynamics.

Below is the list of popular physical phenomena and their mathematical models which can be covered by (1) model.

Dependance on pressure gradient

Pressure diffusion equation is going to be:

$$\textcolor{red}{\cancel{c}_t} \phi_e \frac{\partial p}{\partial t} = \nabla \left( \frac{k(\nabla p)}{\mu} \nabla p \right)$$

where

$k(\nabla p)$	Dynamic fluid viscosity as function of reservoir pressure $p$
$k(p)$	Formation permeability as function of reservoir pressure $p$
$c_f(p)$	Total compressibility as function of reservoir pressure $p$

## See also

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