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Abstract. CO₂ disposal into deep aquifers has been suggested as a potential means whereby atmospheric emissions of greenhouse gases may be reduced. However, our knowledge of the geohydrology, geochemistry, geophysics, and geomechanics of CO₂ disposal must be refined if this technology is to be implemented safely, efficiently, and predictably. As a prelude to a fully coupled treatment of physical and chemical effects of CO₂ injection, we have analyzed the impact of CO₂ immobilization through carbonate precipitation. A survey of all major classes of rock-forming minerals, whose alteration would lead to carbonate precipitation, indicated that very few minerals are present in sufficient quantities in aquifer host rocks to permit significant sequestration of CO₂. We performed batch reaction modeling of the geochemical evolution of three different aquifer mineralogies in the presence of CO₂ at high pressure. Our modeling considered (1) redox processes that could be important in deep subsurface environments, (2) the presence of organic matter, (3) the kinetics of chemical interactions between the host rock minerals and the aqueous phase, and (4) CO₂ solubility dependence on pressure, temperature and salinity of the system. The geochemical evolution under both natural background and CO₂ injection conditions was evaluated. In addition, changes in porosity were monitored during the simulations. Results indicate that CO₂ sequestration by matrix minerals varies considerably with rock type. Under favorable conditions the amount of CO₂ that may be sequestered by precipitation of secondary carbonates is comparable with and can be larger than the effect of CO₂ dissolution in pore waters. The precipitation of ankerite and siderite is sensitive to the rate of reduction of ferric mineral precursors such as glauconite, which in turn is dependent on the reactivity of associated organic material. The accumulation of carbonates in the rock matrix and induced rock mineral alteration due to the presence of dissolved CO₂ lead to a considerable decrease in porosity. The numerical experiments described here provide useful insight into sequestration mechanisms, and their controlling geochemical conditions and parameters.

1. Introduction

A reduction in the release rate of carbon dioxide (CO₂) to the atmosphere is considered an essential first step in the control of global warming. One way of achieving this is to dispose of CO₂ into structural reservoirs in deep permeable geologic formations, (Holloway, 1997). Such formations could include aquifers, oil and gas fields, and coal seams. Aquifers are the most abundant fluid reservoirs in the subsurface, and are commonly present beneath power plants throughout the world. The deepest aquifers in the United States usually contain brackish or saline water. Aquifers exceeding 10,000 ppm (TDS: total dissolved solids) are excluded by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency as underground sources of drinking water. Hence, they are logical targets for the eventual disposal of CO₂. The feasibility of storing CO₂ in aquifers has been discussed several times in the technical literature over the last decade. These include an evaluation of the feasibility of CO₂ aquifer storage in The Netherlands (Lohuis, 1993) and in the Alberta Basin, Canada (Gunter et al., 1993, Bachu et al., 1994, Law and Bachu, 1996, Gunter et al., 1996 and 1997). Furthermore, large-scale CO₂ disposal in an aquifer is already being practiced in the Norwegian sector of the North Sea (Korbol and Kaddour, 1995).

The long-term CO₂ sequestration raises new scientific challenges (Rudnicki and Wawersik, 1999), particularly in the fields of geohydrology, geochemistry, geophysics, and geomechanics. These challenges must be addressed before this technology can be implemented safely, efficiently, and predictably. In this paper, we focus our attention on geochemical issues arising from the aquifer disposal.

Carbon dioxide is retained in geologic formations in three ways (Hitchon, 1996). First, CO₂ can be trapped as a gas or supercritical fluid under a low-permeability caprock. This process, commonly called hydrodynamic trapping, will likely be, in the short term, the most important method of retention. Second, CO₂ can dissolve into the groundwater, referred to as a solubility trapping. The dissolution of CO₂ in groundwater increases the acidity of water and affects the solubilities of minerals composing the host rock matrix. Third, CO₂ can react directly or indirectly with minerals and organic matter in the geologic formation leading to the precipitation of secondary carbonates and the

solubilization of organic matter. The former process, so-called ‘mineral trapping’, is potentially attractive because it could immobilize CO₂ for long time scales, and prevent its easy return to the atmosphere. The interaction of CO₂ with alkaline aluminosilicate minerals will also result in the formation of soluble carbonates and bicarbonates in solution, thereby enhancing “solubility trapping”.

The chemical reactions induced by CO₂ injection are as follows (Ortoleva et al., 1998). First, CO₂ dissolves in water to produce the weak carbonic acid:



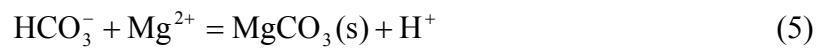
This is followed by rapid dissociation of carbonic acid to form the bicarbonate ion:



The increased acidity induces dissolution of many of the primary host rock minerals, which in turn causes complexing of dissolved cations with the bicarbonate ion such as



The dissolved bicarbonate species react with divalent cations to precipitate carbonates. Formation of calcium, magnesium, and ferrous carbonates are expected to be the primary means by which CO₂ is immobilized (Gunter et al., 1997).



Investigators have long recognized that CO₂ can be extracted from the atmosphere by silicate weathering and subsequent deposition of carbonate minerals (Lasaga, 1981).

The appealing concept that CO₂ could be permanently sequestered as carbonates in the subsurface environment by “mineral trapping” (Bachu et al., 1994) has prompted experimental studies in Europe (Pearce et al., 1996; Rochelle et al., 1996) and Canada (Gunter et al., 1997) to investigate this process. The European studies were carried out using reservoir sandstones and supercritical CO₂ at temperatures of 105 and 80°C and CO₂ pressures of 90 and 200 bars, respectively, in autoclaves for periods of from 1 to 8 months. The most notable observations were significant alteration of pre-existing calcite and dolomite, alteration of anhydrite with concomitant precipitation of calcite, and somewhat tenuous evidence for the corrosion of detrital feldspar and coupled precipitation of smectite-Na when in the presence of seawater.

The Canadian experiments were performed using samples from a glauconitic sandstone aquifer in the Alberta Sedimentary Basin, a potential candidate for CO₂ disposal, in an attempt to validate results obtained with a batch geochemical model. Because the kinetics of silicate reactions at room temperature are too slow to observe any significant CO₂ consumption in a reasonable length of time, experiments were performed for one month at 105 °C at 90 bars CO₂ pressure to accelerate the reaction rate. The experimental results indicate that little CO₂ was trapped through reaction with aluminosilicate minerals on this time scale. The reactions that were observed involved the rapid dissolution of carbonate minerals. The geochemical model predicted that from 6 to 40 years were required for the experiments to come to equilibrium. Extending the model to the field, it was found by these Canadian investigators that the CO₂ trapping reactions would take hundreds of years to complete after the formation water had equilibrated at the temperature of the aquifer (54 °C) and at the proposed injection CO₂ pressure (260 bar). However, they did indicate that the reaction could be fast enough to form effective CO₂ traps given the tens- to hundreds-of-thousands of years residence time of fluids in the deep aquifers. The long residence time should ensure that any CO₂ mineral trapping would be complete before any CO₂ impregnated fluid would break through at the earth's surface.

Numerical modeling of geochemical processes is a necessary tool for long-term CO₂ disposal in deep aquifers, because alteration of the predominant host rock aluminosilicate minerals is very slow and is not experimentally accessible under ambient deep-aquifer conditions. Because the range of rock mineralogy in geologic formations is very broad, we present geochemical modeling analyses for the interaction of CO₂ fluid at pressure with three different rock types using the code TOUGHREACT (Xu and Pruess, 1998). Our initial simulations employed a glauconitic sandstone aquifer from the Alberta Sedimentary Basin, which has been studied previously by Gunter et al. (1997). In their simulations, annite was used as a substitute for glauconite, which is the ferrous iron end-member of the biotite mica series. Glauconite is a mica, which is distinguished by a substantial amount of K in the interlayer positions and a high concentration of Fe³⁺ in the octahedral sheet. In contrast, annite is the Fe²⁺ end member component of the phlogopite-annite mica series, which contains no Fe³⁺. Use of annite as a substitute for glauconite overestimates the amount of siderite (FeCO₃) precipitation, and hence the extent of CO₂ sequestration. In the present study, the model mineral assemblage was modified to more closely reflect that expected in a glauconitic sandstone. We also assumed that organic matter, represented by the generic composition CH₂O, was present in the glauconitic sandstone. This allowed us to consider processes involving redox sensitive pairs such as Fe³⁺/Fe²⁺, CO₂(aq)/CH₄(aq), H₂O(aq)/H₂(aq) and SO₄²⁻/HS⁻. The geochemical evolution for both the natural system and that involving CO₂ injection was simulated. The CO₂ sequestration capacity of both aqueous and mineral phases was evaluated. Changes in porosity due to mineral dissolution and precipitation were also monitored.

The second rock type evaluated, was a proxy for a sediment from the United States Gulf Coast (Apps, 1996). The mineralogy is similar to that commonly encountered in sedimentary basins, although our model host rock contained significantly less inert quartz than is usual for such sediments. Gulf Coast Mesozoic and Tertiary sediments were buried rapidly and incorporated significant amounts of organic matter. Maturation of the organic matter into petroleum and natural gas, and its migration into numerous structural traps characterizes these sediments. Another feature of relevance is the entrapment of evaporite salt beds during sedimentary accumulation.

The third rock type we investigated was dunite, an essentially monomineralic rock consisting of olivine. This rock is a mantle residue after depletion of basaltic magma, and occurs rarely at the earth's surface. However, it has a very large CO₂ sequestration capacity (see Appendix B). Olivine is a binary solid solution of the pure end-member minerals, forsterite (Mg₂SiO₄) and fayalite (Fe₂SiO₄). The modeling method and processes considered for the last two types of rock are similar to those of the glauconitic sandstone case.

After reporting results of our model simulations involving the three types of rock, we discuss the following important issues: (1) a comparison of the simulated mineral assemblage with field observation, (2) the extent to which CO₂ may be sequestered by secondary carbonates, (3) changes in porosity due to rock mineral alteration, (4) the time required for sequestration, (5) limitations of geochemical modeling, and (6) the effects of physical processes on geochemistry. Finally, we present several conclusions from the geochemical modeling analysis for CO₂ disposal in deep aquifers.

2. Glauconitic sandstone

2.1 Problem setup

Gunter et al. (1997) modeled the geochemistry of CO₂ injection in a glauconitic sandstone aquifer in the Alberta Sedimentary Basin, Canada (a potential candidate for CO₂ disposal). The glauconitic sandstone aquifer is a medium- to fine-grained litharenite. The average mineral composition is 87% quartz, 2% potassium-feldspar, 1% plagioclase, 5% glauconite, 2% kaolinite, 1% calcite, 1% dolomite, and 1% siderite. The average porosity is 12%. Gunter et al. (1997) modeled water-rock reactions driven by the formation of carbonic acid when CO₂ is injected into deep aquifers using PATHARC.94 (Perkins and Gunter, 1995). In their simulations, the CO₂ injection pressure was set at 260 bar. Annite was used as a substitute for glauconite. Plagioclase was simulated by assuming the presence of discrete fractions of end member components, anorthite and albite. In the present study, we initially assumed the same mineralogy as Gunter et al. (1997). Our analyses were carried out using the code TOUGHREACT (Xu and Pruess, 1998). TOUGHREACT is a multiphase non-isothermal reactive geochemical transport program, the main features of which are presented in Appendix C. In order to compare

our results with those of Gunter et al. (1997), we only used the batch geochemical modeling features of TOUGHREACT. In the future, the geochemical modeling results will be coupled with the fluid flow features of TOUGHREACT. Our parallel simulation shows that annite is rapidly destroyed with precipitation of siderite (FeCO_3), the later being the principal mineral trap for CO_2 . A maximum of about 40 kg of CO_2 per m^3 of host rock medium can be sequestered in mineral phases. Our results are similar to those of Gunter et al. (1997).

The use of annite as a substitute for glauconite overestimates the availability of Fe^{2+} , the amount of siderite (FeCO_3) precipitation, and hence the degree of CO_2 sequestration. Glauconite is a mica, which is distinguished by a substantial amount of K in the interlayer positions and a high concentration of Fe^{3+} in the octahedral sheet. In contrast, annite is the trioctahedral ferrous iron (Fe^{2+}) end member component ($\text{KFe}_3\text{AlSi}_3\text{O}_{10}(\text{OH})_2$) of the phlogopite-annite mica series, which contains no Fe^{3+} . In the present study, the model mineral assemblage was modified to more closely reflect that expected in a glauconitic sandstone. Thus, we estimated a representative glauconite chemical composition and thermodynamic properties from descriptions of the mineralogical compositions of glauconite and its paragenesis as reported in the published literature, described in Appendix A. We also incorporated oligoclase as a solid solution of plagioclase, and calculated the thermodynamic properties of oligoclase from calorimetric studies of plagioclase solid solutions reported in the literature (also given in Appendix A). Furthermore, we assumed that organic matter, represented by the generic composition, CH_2O , was present in the glauconitic sandstone. The decomposition of organic matter is a complex process. A more realistic representation of organic matter should be investigated in the future. Also, instead of using muscovite as a proxy for illite, we assumed that illite was actually present as a primary mineral. We believe the modified mineralogy more accurately represents the natural condition. In our modeling, we consider redox sensitive couples such as $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{2+}$, $\text{CO}_2(\text{aq})/\text{CH}_4(\text{aq})$, $\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{aq})/\text{H}_2(\text{aq})$, and $\text{SO}_4^{2-}/\text{HS}^-$, which are very important in the geochemical evolution of sedimentary basins.

The initial mineral abundances used in the present modeling (Table 2.1, expressed as the volume fraction of the entire medium), are based on the previous work (Hitchon,

1996, p. 138), but with the addition of a 2.64% volume fraction of organic matter. Organic matter is commonly found in sedimentary basins. The primary mineral dissolution is considered to be kinetically controlled. The rate law used is given in Eq. C.1 (in Appendix C) using two exponential parameters μ and n set equal to one (i.e., first order kinetics). Rate constants at any given temperature are calculated from Eq. C.2, and kinetic constant at 25 °C (k_{25}) and activation energy (E_a). These kinetic parameters are also given in Table 2.1. Some kinetic parameters were taken directly from published scientific literature. The references are listed in the last column of Table 2.1. Others were set to or modified from minerals with known kinetic properties. Precipitation of possible secondary minerals (Table 2.1 with initial $V_f = 0$ where V_f is mineral volume fraction) is represented using the same kinetic rate expression as that for dissolution. However, precipitation can differ in several respects, as nucleation, Ostwald ripening, crystal growth processes, and reactive surface areas must be taken into account in some circumstances (Plummer et al., 1978; Steefel and van Capellen, 1990). To simplify the description of precipitation kinetics, the precipitation kinetic constant for a secondary mineral is assumed to be one order of magnitude greater than its corresponding dissolution rate constant. Note that all rate constants in Table 2.1 (including secondary phases) are for dissolution. Because the rate constants assumed for precipitation reactions are larger than those for dissolution, formation of secondary minerals occurs effectively at conditions close to local equilibrium. A total surface area of 10 m²/dm³ medium was used. The initial surface area of each primary mineral (Table 2.1) is calculated from its volume fraction multiplied by the total surface area. With time, the surface areas change in complex ways. In this study, however, we simply relate the surface areas of the primary minerals at some time to the mineral volume fraction by

$$A = A^0 \frac{V_f}{V_f^0} \quad (7)$$

where A , and V_f are the reactive surface area and volume fraction of a primary mineral, respectively, and superscript zero indicates the values at time $t = 0$. With the exception of the clay minerals, the reactive surface areas for secondary minerals are set to 0.25 m²/dm³

at all times. Surface areas for illite, kaolinite, smectite-Na, and smectite-Ca are increased by two orders of magnitude, as this area corresponds to the actual predicted geometric surface area based on the assumption that the particles are in the range of 0.1 to 1 μm in diameter and 0.01 – 0.1 μm thick. The surface area for glauconite is increased by only one order of magnitude, because authigenic glauconite is usually more coarsely crystalline than other clay minerals, as it is commonly observed in crystallites up to 10 μm in diameter. Because estimates of field reactive surface areas cover a wide range of values (Nordstrom and Alpers, 1997), we performed several simulations to analyze the sensitivity of the rate of CO_2 sequestration to the reactive surface area.

Table 2.1. List of initial mineral volume fractions, potential secondary mineral phases, and their kinetic properties. All rate constants are listed for dissolution. The constants for precipitation are increased correspondingly by one order of magnitude.

Mineral	Chemical composition	Volume (%)	Surface area (m^2/dm^3 medium)	k_{25} (moles $\text{m}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$)	E_a (KJ/mol)	Reference
Primary:						
quartz	SiO_2	71.28	7.128	1.2589×10^{-14}	87.50	Tester et al. (1994)
K-feldspar	KAlSi_3O_8	1.76	0.176	1.00×10^{-12}	67.83	Blum and Stillings (1995)
kaolinite	$\text{Al}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_5(\text{OH})_4$	1.76	0.176×10^2	1.00×10^{-13}	62.76	Nagy (1995)
calcite	CaCO_3	0.88	0.088	1.60×10^{-9}	41.87	Svensson and Dreybrodt (1992)
dolomite	$\text{CaMg}(\text{CO}_3)_2$	0.88	0.088	0.60×10^{-9}	41.87	assigned based on calcite
siderite	FeCO_3	0.88	0.088	0.60×10^{-9}	41.87	assigned based on calcite
illite	$\text{K}_{0.6}\text{Mg}_{0.25}\text{Al}_{1.8}(\text{Al}_{0.5}\text{Si}_{3.5}\text{O}_{10})(\text{OH})_2$	2.64	0.264×10^2	1.00×10^{-14}	58.62	Knauss and Wolery (1989)
glauconite	$\text{K}_{1.5}\text{Mg}_{0.5}\text{Fe}_{2.5}\text{Fe}_{0.5}\text{AlSi}_{7.5}\text{O}_{20}(\text{OH})_2$	4.4	0.440×10	1.00×10^{-14}	58.62	set to illite
organic	CH_2O	2.64	0.264	1.00×10^{-13}	0.0	assigned based on kaolinite
oligoclase	$\text{CaNa}_4\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_{14}\text{O}_{40}$	0.88	0.088	1.00×10^{-12}	67.83	set to K-feldspar
porosity	-----	12				
total	-----	100				
Secondary:						
albite-low	$\text{NaAlSi}_3\text{O}_8$	0.0	0.25	1.00×10^{-12}	67.83	Blum and Stillings (1995)
smectite-Na	$\text{Na}_{0.290}\text{Mg}_{0.26}\text{Al}_{1.77}\text{Si}_{3.97}\text{O}_{10}(\text{OH})_2$	0.0	0.25×10^2	1.00×10^{-14}	58.62	set to illite
smectite-Ca	$\text{Ca}_{0.145}\text{Mg}_{0.26}\text{Al}_{1.77}\text{Si}_{3.97}\text{O}_{10}(\text{OH})_2$	0.0	0.25×10^2	1.00×10^{-14}	58.62	set to illite

Most solubility products for minerals were taken from the EQ3/6 V7.2b database (Wolery, 1992) that were derived from thermodynamic data using SUPCRT92 (Johnson et al., 1992), except for glauconite, oligoclase, and organic matter (see Appendix A).

Two simulations were performed. The first simulation was for water-rock interaction under natural conditions without CO_2 injection, here called the “background case”. The second simulation considers a CO_2 injection pressure of 260 bar. This pressure

is the same as that chosen by Gunter et al. (1997) for the glauconitic sandstone aquifer, and is based on the assumption that the aquifer is 1500 m deep, and can sustain CO₂ disposal injection pressures of that magnitude. In the present simulation, the CO₂ gas pressure is assumed to be in equilibrium with the solution at all times. Thus, the CO₂ gas is treated as an exterior boundary condition with a constant pressure. The solubility of CO₂ in the aqueous phase depends on pressure, temperature, and salinity. The detailed formulation for these factors in our model is given in Appendix D.

The geochemical simulations consider 1 m³ water-saturated medium. The initial condition used in the simulation is a pure 1.0 M solution of sodium chloride reacting with the primary minerals listed in Table 2.1 at a temperature of 54°C, a pH of 7, and an Eh of -0.1 V. Reactant phases are those minerals initially present in the aquifer formation. The reactant minerals dissolve progressively into the formation water, thus modifying the water composition and leading to precipitation of product phases, with sequestration of CO₂ upon precipitate of carbonates.

2.2. Results

Background without CO₂ injection

The evolution of pH and Eh is presented in Figure 2.1. At about 4000 years, a pH minimum of 6.7 occurs. The values of Eh move in the opposite direction, and the Eh maximum corresponds to the minimum in pH. After 12000 years, an approximately constant pH of 7 and a Eh of -0.16 V are achieved. Both CO₂ and CH₄ are generated at different periods during the simulations. In the present simulations, we consider only the aqueous CO₂ and CH₄ species. However, we calculated the corresponding gaseous partial pressures indirectly. Take CH₄ as an example, CH₄(g) = CH₄(aq). The mass-action equation for equilibrium is presented in Eq. (D.1) in Appendix D. By setting the CH₄ gaseous fugacity coefficient and the aqueous activity coefficient equal to one, CH₄ partial pressure can be approximately calculated by

$$P_{\text{CH}_4} = C_{\text{CH}_4} / K_{\text{CH}_4} \quad (8)$$

where P is the partial pressure (bar), C is the aqueous concentration (mol/kg H_2O), and K is the equilibrium constant. The gas partial pressures calculated from Eq. (8) are presented in Figure 2.2. The highest CO_2 partial pressure occurs at the lowest value of pH, i.e., the location of CO_2 partial pressure maximum value is consistent with that of pH minimum. After 10000 years, CH_4 appears and CO_2 disappears. The distribution of mineral abundances is presented in Figure 2.3. Oligoclase and kaolinite dissolve completely after 4000 years, the location is coincident with that of the pH minimum (Figure 2.1a). Organic matter dissolves at a constant rate. Glauconite initially dissolves faster at lower pH values, but eventually slows to a constant rate after 12000 years. The change in dissolution rate is consistent with the appearance of CH_4 (Figure 2.2b). Illite precipitates initially (before 4000 years), but dissolves after the disappearance of kaolinite. Albite-low and smectite-Na generally precipitate. K-feldspar initially dissolves, and then precipitates. Calcite and siderite precipitate in minor amounts. Dolomite initially dissolves, and then precipitates. Porosity (Figure 2.4) generally decreases due mainly to precipitation of smectite-Na that has a lower density and larger volume than the reactant minerals.

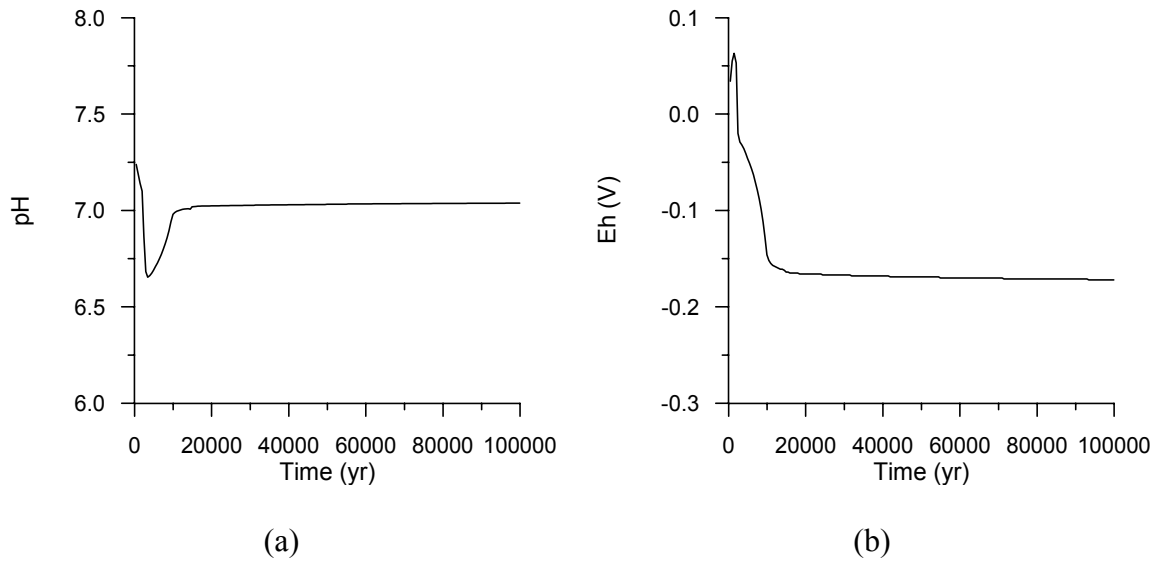


Figure 2.1. Evolution of pH and Eh obtained for the glauconitic sandstone case (without CO₂ injection).

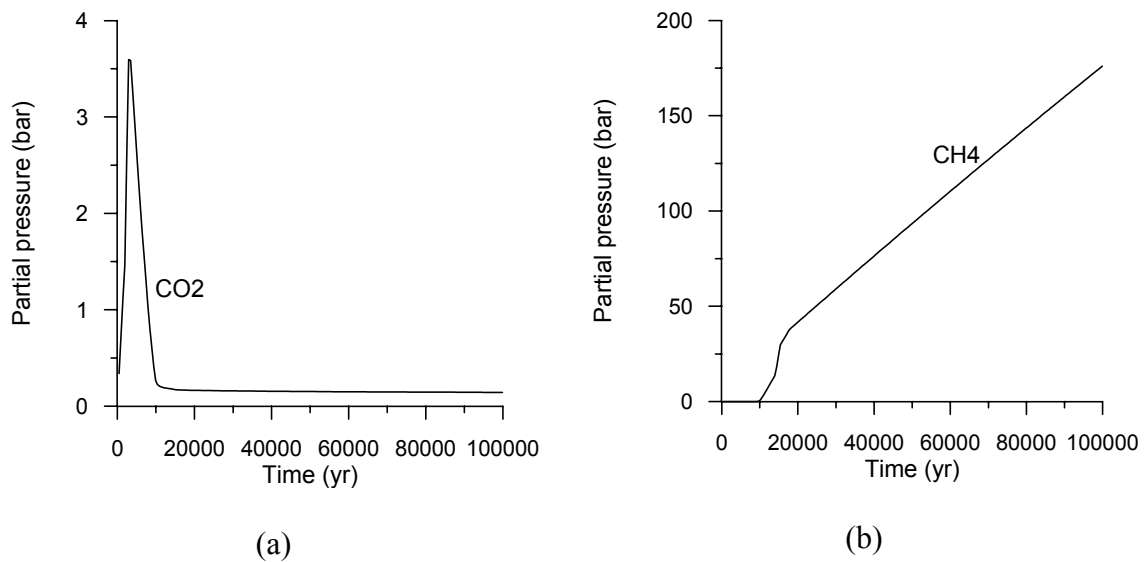


Figure 2.2. Distribution of gas partial pressures obtained for the glauconitic sandstone case (without CO₂ injection).

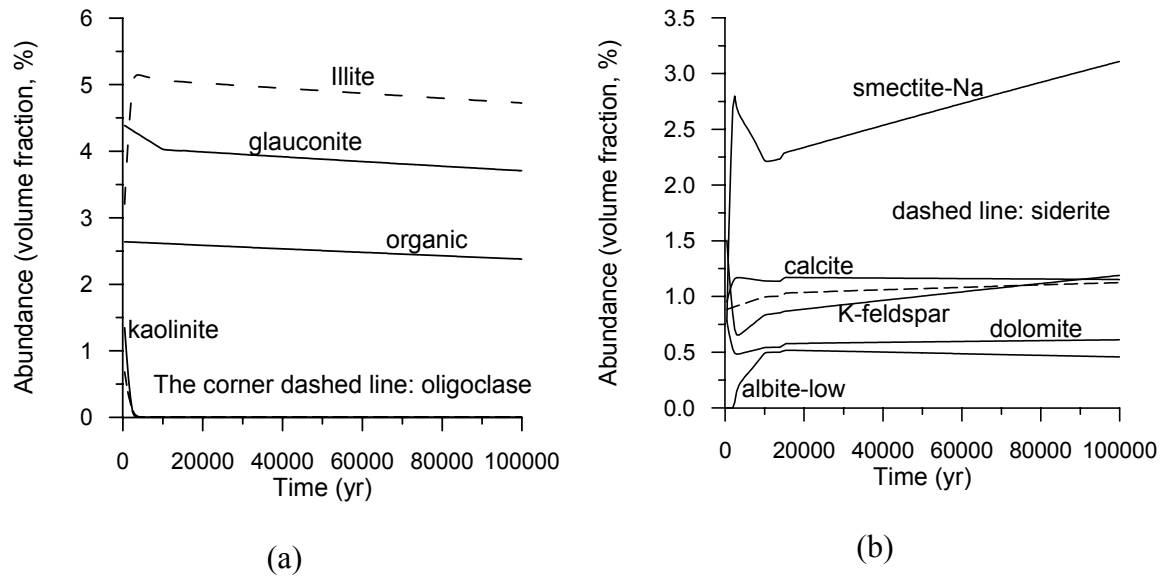


Figure 2.3. Distribution of mineral abundances for the glauconitic sandstone case (without CO₂ injection).

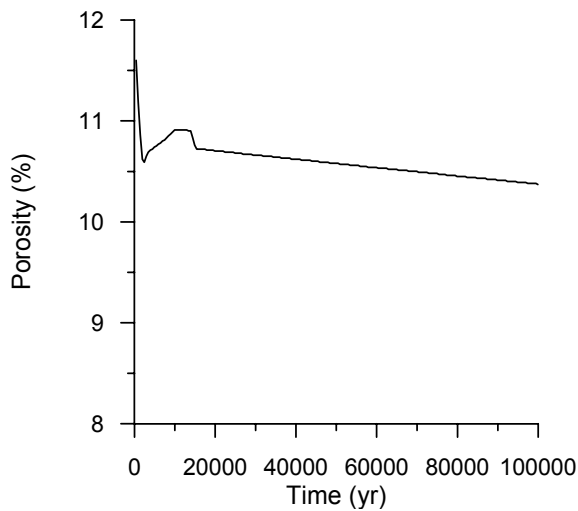


Figure 2.4. Porosity evolution for the glauconitic sandstone case (without CO₂ injection).

With CO₂ injection

With the instantaneous imposition of a constant CO₂ pressure of 260 bar on the formation water, an abrupt change of water composition occurs. With time, the reactant minerals dissolve and secondary mineral phases precipitate, and eventually, the formation

water saturates with respect to the latter. Compared with the background case, a lower pH (Figure 2.5a) and higher Eh (Figure 2.5b) are obtained with CO₂ injection, both of which are buffered by the CO₂ gas pressure. CH₄ generation is suppressed because of the higher values of Eh. The distribution of mineral phases is presented in Figure 2.6. The mineral assemblages are generally similar to those without CO₂ injection (compare Figure 2.6 to 2.3). However, a CO₂ injection pressure of 260 bar significantly enhances mineral dissolution and precipitation processes because of the decreased pH. Consequently, glauconite and illite dissolve at much higher rates (compare Figure 2.6a to Figure 2.3a). Organic matter dissolves at the same rate as the previous simulation, because equilibrium is not achievable and the rate expression remains essentially constant (see Appendix A and Eq C.1 in Appendix C).

Calcite and dolomite precipitate to a limited extent (Figure 2.6b), as with the previous simulation without CO₂. However, siderite precipitation is significantly greater than that with the previous simulation, because of greater availability of carbonate and more rapid glauconite dissolution. Greater precipitation of K-feldspar and smectite-Na can also be observed. Some of the CO₂ is immobilized by precipitation of three carbonate minerals, calcite, dolomite, and siderite. The cumulative sequestration of CO₂ with time is presented in Figure 2.7. Most CO₂ is sequestered through siderite (FeCO₃) precipitation (Figure 2.6b), but only minor quantities of CO₂ are sequestered through calcite and dolomite precipitation, because both minerals are more soluble than siderite in the presence of CO₂ at 260 bar. We should point out that the total CO₂ sequestration is calculated from the moles of carbon, C, present in aqueous and solid phases at some specific time, t, after subtracting those at t = 0, then by multiplying by the molecular weight of CO₂ and other unit conversion factors. In addition, CO₂ injection causes a considerable decrease in porosity (compare Figure 2.8 to 2.4), because of enhanced precipitation of the clay mineral smectite-Na. This reduces the amount of CO₂ held in fluid phases, as well as the permeability of the medium. The decreases in porosity and permeability may result in decreasing CO₂ injectivity. Further discussion is given to this matter in Section 5.

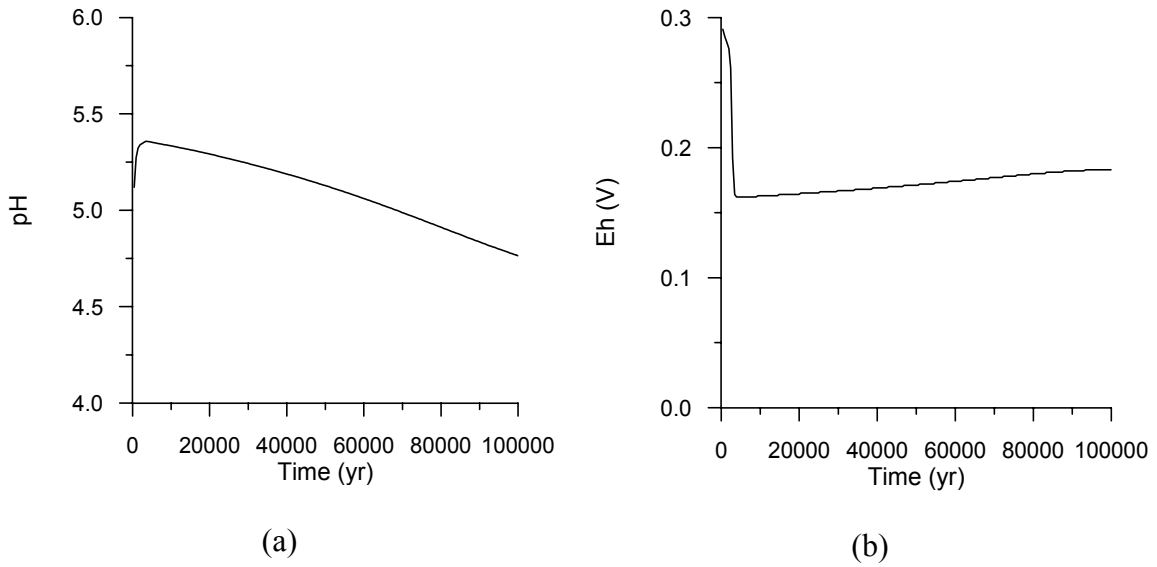


Figure 2.5. Evolution of pH and Eh in glauconitic sandstone (with CO₂ injected at 260 bar).

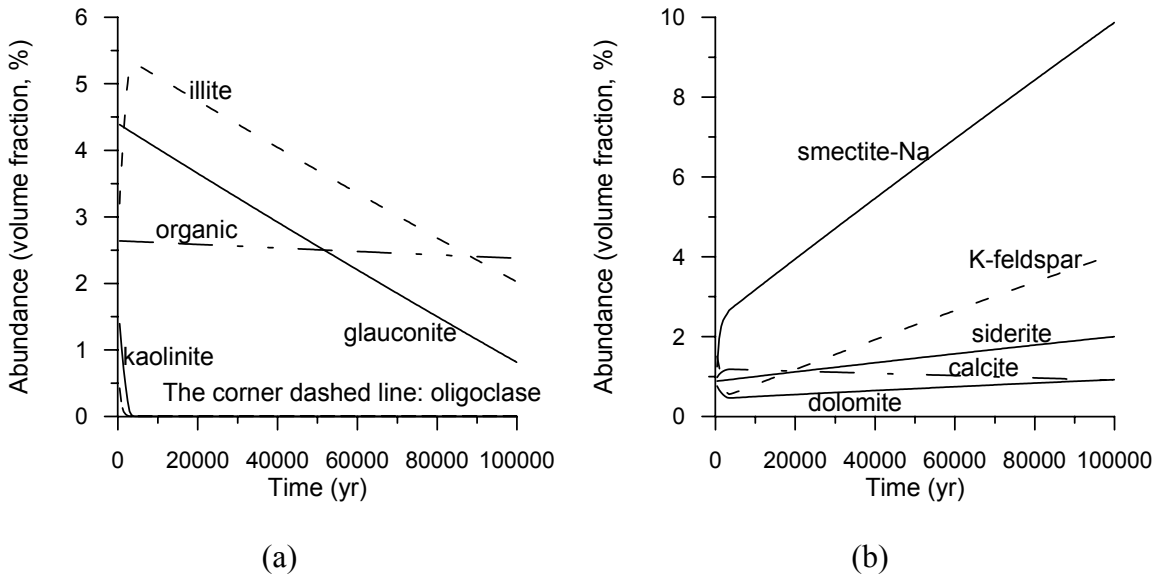


Figure 2.6. Distribution of mineral abundances in glauconitic sandstone (with CO₂ injected at 260 bar).

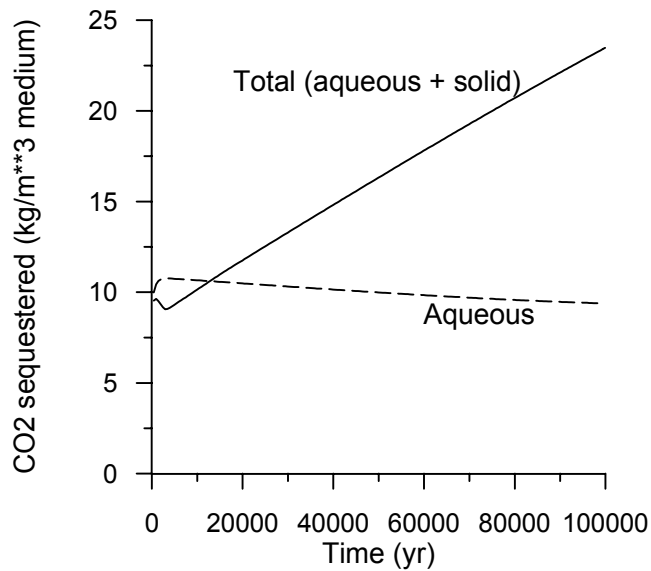


Figure 2.7. Cumulative CO₂ sequestration in glauconitic sandstone (with CO₂ injected at 260 bar).

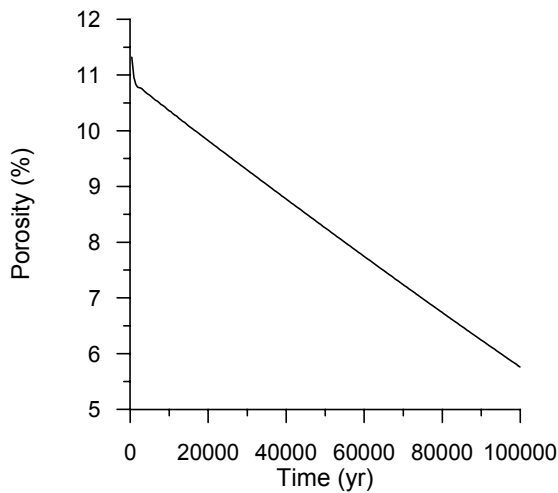


Figure 2.8. Porosity evolution in glauconitic sandstone (with CO₂ injected at 260 bar).

2.3. Sensitivity analysis regarding reaction rates

Estimated mineral dissolution rates cover a wide range of values. The documented values are cited under laboratory conditions of controlled pH and temperature, and fine grain size. Field effective values may be much lower than those reported from laboratory experiments (Nordstrom and Alpers, 1997). The former are complicated by many ill-defined or uncertain factors. However, the important parameter is not the rate constant but the effective rate given by the product of rate constant and reactive surface area (see Eq. C.1 in Appendix C). Great uncertainties also exist as to the appropriate reactive surface area for field simulations. For convenience, we confine our sensitivity analysis only to consideration of reactive surface areas.

The evolution of surface area in natural geologic media is very complex, especially for multi-mineralic systems, and has not yet been quantitatively described. A reactive surface area, calculated from grain size, is often a poor estimate of the hydrologically accessible mineral surface area. The specific reactive surface areas may vary over several orders of magnitude depending on grain size, mineralogy, surface roughness, coatings, weathering, and biological effects (*White and Peterson, 1990*). A sensitivity analysis could give some general understanding of its impact on the overall geochemical behavior of the system. We first performed simulations by scaling the surface areas for all minerals by the same factor, called here “uniform scaling”. Because uniform scaling may be inadequate, we also examined the effect of changing mineral surface areas relative to each other, here called “non-uniform scaling”. All sensitivity simulations are referenced to the previous simulation where glauconitic sandstone is subjected to alteration under a CO₂ injection pressure of 260 bars.

Uniform scaling

We performed two simulations for the uniform scaling by increasing and decreasing the surface areas listed in Table 2.1 by one order of magnitude, respectively. The surface areas for the secondary minerals are changed by the same factors. Sensitivity simulations show that scaling surface areas by the same constant factor is equivalent in scaling the time coordinate and does not lead to different results. Only one figure, that for CO₂ sequestration, is presented to show the effect of uniform scaling, Figure 2.9. By

comparing Figure 2.9 to 2.7, we can see that an increase in the surface areas is equivalent to a corresponding decrease in time scale.

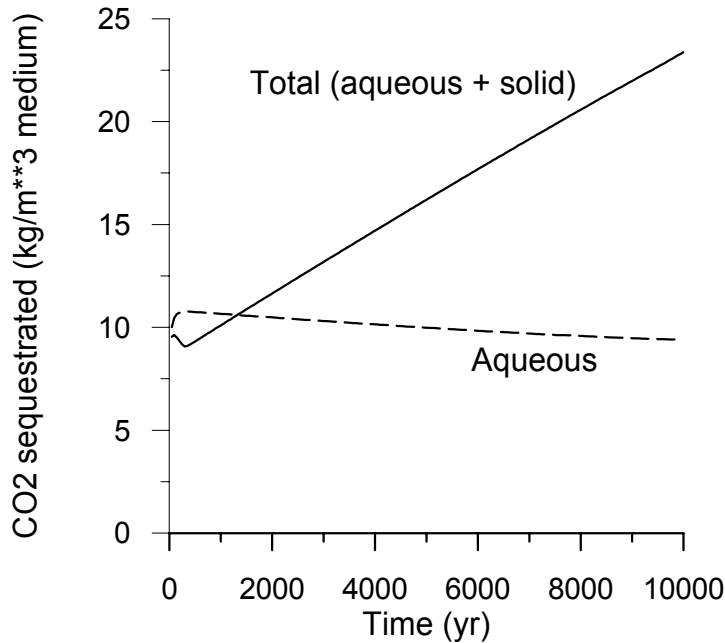


Figure 2.9. Cumulative CO₂ sequestration obtained by increasing the surface areas for all minerals presented in Table 2.1 by one order of magnitude.

Non-uniform scaling

Changes in the specific reactive surface area of any mineral by an increase or a decrease of one order of magnitude, except for glauconite and organic matter do not affect either the dissolution of glauconite and organic matter, or the precipitation of siderite and the amount of CO₂ sequestration. A decrease in the surface area for glauconite relative to other minerals causes a decrease in the dissolution rate of glauconite and illite (compare Figure 2.10a to 2.6a), and thus a decrease in precipitation of siderite and smectite-Na (compare Figure 2.10b to 2.6b). Consequently, the amount of CO₂ sequestration in mineral phases is less than the base case (compare Figure 2.11 to 2.7). An increase in the glauconite surface area has no effect on CO₂ sequestration. Changes in surface area for organic matter have the same patterns as those for glauconite. The dissolution of glauconite and organic matter is redox sensitive. Glauconite dissolution involves a reduction of Fe³⁺ to Fe²⁺. Organic matter dissolution generates CO₂ and CH₄. Therefore, the redox processes drive the entire geochemical system and control

CO₂ sequestration. Further studies on the reduction of glauconite by organic matter may be very important for effective and efficient CO₂ disposal in this type of sediment.

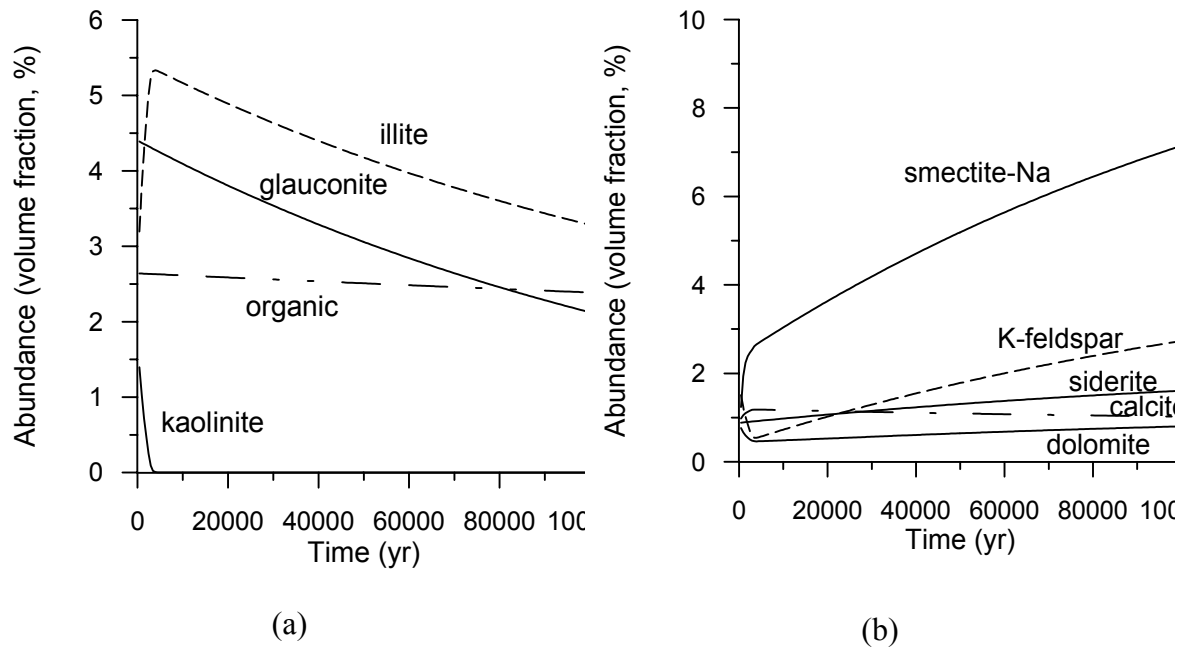


Figure 2.10. Distribution of mineral phases obtained by decreasing glauconite surface area by one order of magnitude and keeping the surface areas for other minerals the same as those presented in Table 2.1.

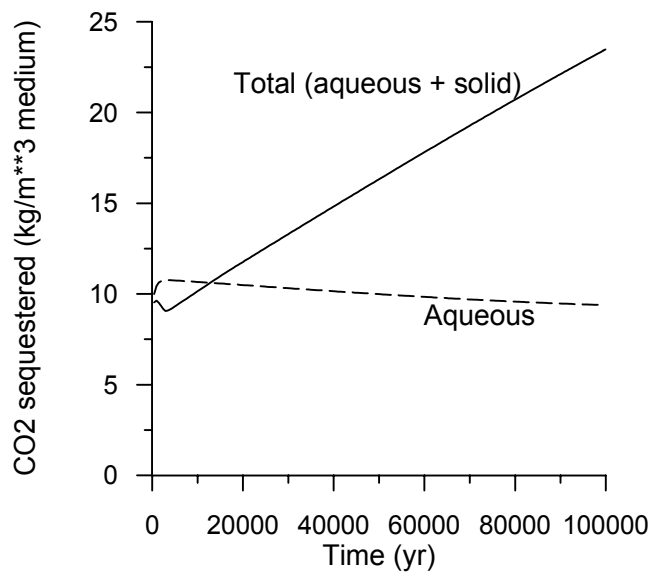


Figure 2.11. Cumulative CO₂ sequestration obtained by decreasing glauconite surface area by one order of magnitude.

3. Gulf Coast Sediments

3.1. Problem Setup

Apps (1996) presented a simulation of the evolution of Gulf Coast sediments as a basis for interpreting the chemical processes relating to the deep injection disposal of hazardous and industrial wastes. Based on data given by the previous investigator, we analyzed the geochemical evolution of Gulf Coast sediments with CO₂ injection. Gulf Coast Mesozoic and Tertiary sediments are characterized by rapid burial and incorporation of significant amounts of organic matter. Maturation of the organic matter into petroleum and natural gas, and its migration into numerous structural traps is a characteristic of these sediments. Therefore, a simulation should incorporate a representation of maturing organic matter. Another feature of relevance is the entrapment of evaporite salt beds during sedimentary accumulation. Over time, the salt has migrated into diapirs, modifying sedimentary accumulation during concurrent sedimentation and subsidence, and generating salt domes, which commonly trap oil and gas accumulations along their flanks. The salt domes are known to partially dissolve into groundwaters, elevating the salinity. Thus a simulation should also include an initial concentration of dissolved sodium chloride.

The initial mineral abundances, based on the rock composition given by Apps (1996), and used in the present simulations are presented in Table 3.1. In treating kinetics of mineral dissolution and precipitation, the rate law and parameters are the same as those used in the previous glauconitic sandstone case. The kinetic parameters employed in the simulation are also given in Table 3.1. Some kinetic parameters were taken directly from the published scientific literature. Others were set to or modified from the known kinetic properties of minerals with similar crystal structures. The treatment of the kinetics of secondary mineral precipitation is also the same as for the previous case.

The initial condition used in the present simulation assumes a pure 1.0 M solution of sodium chloride reacting with the primary minerals listed in Table 3.1 at a temperature of 80°C, a pH of 7, and an Eh of -0.1 V, which is identical to that given by Apps (1996). With increasing time, the water composition will be determined by dissolution of reactant

primary minerals and precipitation of secondary phases. As with the glauconitic sandstone case, the first simulation was of water-rock interaction under natural background conditions without CO₂ injection, in order to provide a basis for comparison. We then introduced a CO₂ injection pressure of 260 bar to the system. The treatment of CO₂ gas phase in the simulation is the same as for the previous case.

The ultimate maturation of organic matter eventually leads to the formation of a carbon-rich residue such as vitrinite or asphaltene. In this study, we assume that this residue is graphite, which we assume precipitates as a result of the dissolution of organic matter. Hence, its kinetic properties are assigned the same values as those of the proxy for organic matter (see Appendix A). The simulation with the addition of possible graphite precipitation is based on the second simulation with CO₂ injection.

Table 3.1. List of initial mineral volume fractions, possible secondary mineral phases, and their kinetic properties. All rate constants are listed for dissolution. The constants for precipitation are increased by one order of magnitude correspondingly. A total surface area of 10 m²/dm³ medium is assumed. The surface area of each primary mineral is calculated from its volume fraction multiplying by the total surface area. Kaolinite, illite and smectite surface areas are increased by two order of magnitude.

Mineral	Chemical composition	Volume (%)	Surface area (m ² /dm ³ medium)	k ₂₅ (moles m ⁻² s ⁻¹)	E _a (KJ/mol)	References
Primary:						
quartz	SiO ₂	46.8	4.68	1.2589x10 ⁻¹⁴	87.50	Tester et al. (1994)
kaolinite	Al ₂ Si ₂ O ₅ (OH) ₄	4.5	0.45x10 ²	1.00x10 ⁻¹³	62.76	Nagy (1995)
calcite	CaCO ₃	15.3	1.53	1.60x10 ⁻⁹	41.87	Svensson and Dreybrodt (1992)
illite	K _{0.6} Mg _{0.25} Al _{1.8} (Al _{0.5} Si _{3.5} O ₁₀)(OH) ₂	4.5	0.45x10 ²	1.00x10 ⁻¹⁴	58.62	Knauss and Wolery (1989)
organic	CH ₂ O	4.5	0.45	1.00x10 ⁻¹³	0.0	assigned based on kaolinite
oligoclase	CaNa ₄ Al ₆ Si ₁₄ O ₄₀	3.6	0.36	1.00x10 ⁻¹²	67.83	set to K-feldspar
pyrite	FeS ₂	4.5	0.45	4.00x10 ⁻¹³	0.0	Ague and Brimhall (1989)
sanidine-high	KAlSi ₃ O ₂	1.8	0.18	1.00x10 ⁻¹²	67.83	Blum and Stillings (1995)
smectite-Ca	Ca _{0.145} Mg _{0.26} Al _{1.77} Si _{3.97} O ₁₀ (OH) ₂	4.5	0.45 x10 ²	1.00x10 ⁻¹⁴	58.62	set to illite
porosity	-----	10				
total	-----	100				
Secondary:						
albite-low	NaAlSi ₃ O ₈	0.0	0.5	1.00x10 ⁻¹²	67.83	Blum and Stillings (1995)
K-feldspar	KAlSi ₃ O ₈	0.0	0.5	1.00x10 ⁻¹²	67.83	Blum and Stillings (1995)
dolomite	CaMg(CO ₃) ₂	0.0	0.5	0.60x10 ⁻⁹	41.8	assigned based on calcite
siderite	FeCO ₃	0.0	0.5	0.60x10 ⁻⁹	41.8	assigned based on calcite
smectite-Na	Na _{0.290} Mg _{0.26} Al _{1.77} Si _{3.97} O ₁₀ (OH) ₂	0.0	0.5x10 ²	1.00x10 ⁻¹⁴	67.83	set to illite

3.2. Results

Background without CO₂ injection

The evolution of pH and Eh is presented in Figure 3.1. A pH of 9.15 is maintained until 75000 years when oligoclase dissolves completely (Figure 3.3a). After that, a step decrease of pH to 5.4 occurs. The values of Eh respond similarly, but in a reciprocal manner. The partial pressures of some gaseous species are presented in Figure 3.2. In this simulation, the calculation method for the partial pressure is the same as that for the previous case. CH₄ is generated throughout the simulation time. CO₂ only appears after the pH decreases to 5.4. From Figure 3.2a, we can see that CO₂ partial pressure is much lower than that of CH₄. We should note that solubility of CO₂ is over one order of magnitude larger than that of CH₄. So the amount of CO₂ in the aqueous phase is comparable to that of CH₄. H₂ is generated at lower values of Eh (Figure 3.2b), whereas H₂S appears at higher values of Eh. The step changes in the gas pressures are consistent with the changes in pH and Eh, which are caused by disappearance of oligoclase. The very large CH₄ partial pressures in Figure 3.2a are a reflection of the closed batch system modeled here. In reality, the geochemical system is “open”, i.e., CH₄ (as well as CO₂) will not all remain in place, but can be transported in flowing groundwater as well as a free gas phase. These phenomena will be addressed in the future reactive geochemical transport modeling.

We now turn our attention to the distribution of mineral phases. Sanidine-high is destroyed very rapidly (Figure 3.3a). Illite and smectite-Ca are stable when oligoclase is present. After complete oligoclase dissolution, illite dissolves, and smectite precipitates and then dissolves. Organic matter dissolution occurs at a constant rate as in the previous case. Pyrite is stable in this environment. Calcite, kaolinite, and K-feldspar precipitation occurs throughout the simulation. Albite-low precipitates until the disappearance of oligoclase, then starts to dissolve. Dolomite and siderite are not formed in this simulation. Porosity (Figure 3.4) at first increases, and then decreases. The change in direction of porosity evolution coincides with that of the disappearance of oligoclase.

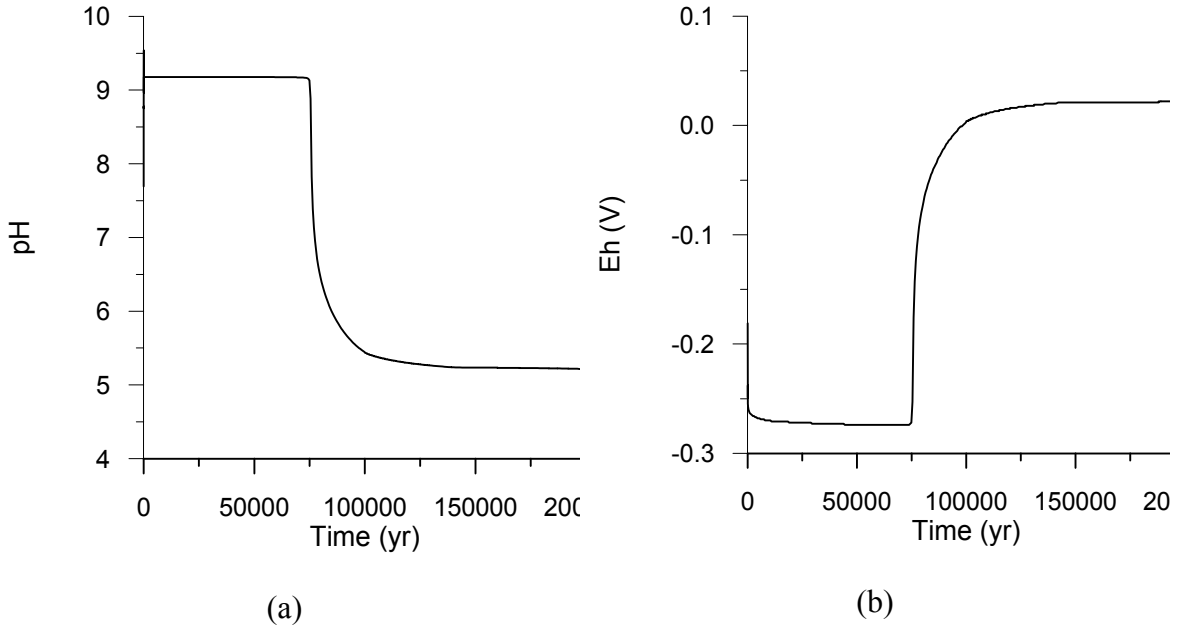


Figure 3.1. Evolution of pH and Eh obtained with interaction of groundwater with Gulf Coast sediments (background case).

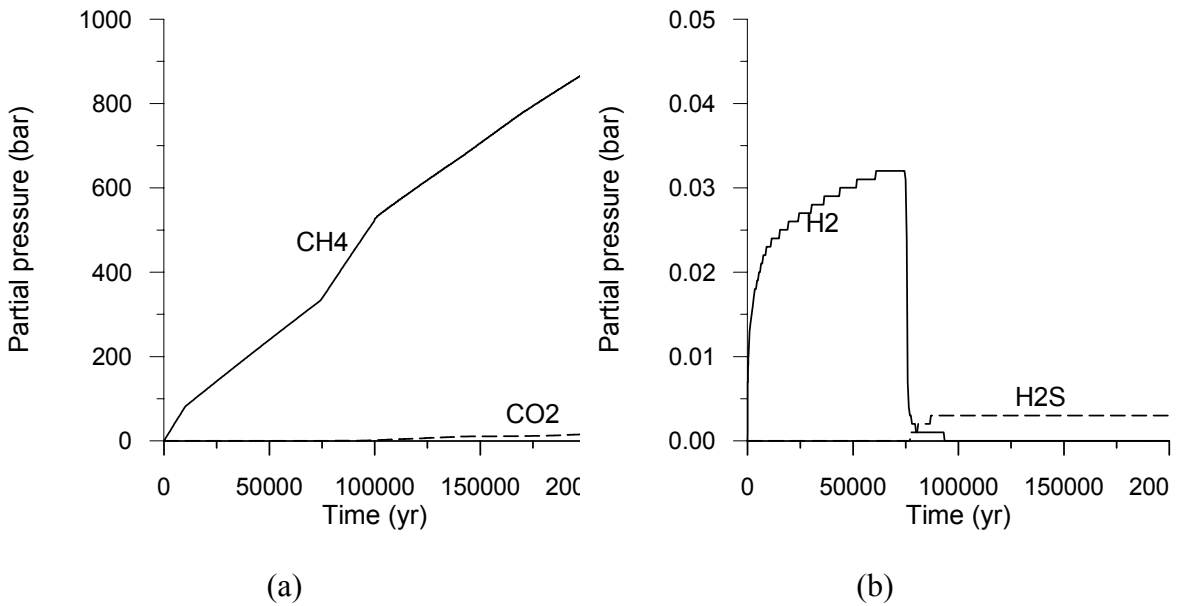


Figure 3.2. Distribution of gaseous partial pressures obtained with interaction of groundwater with Gulf Coast sediments (background case).

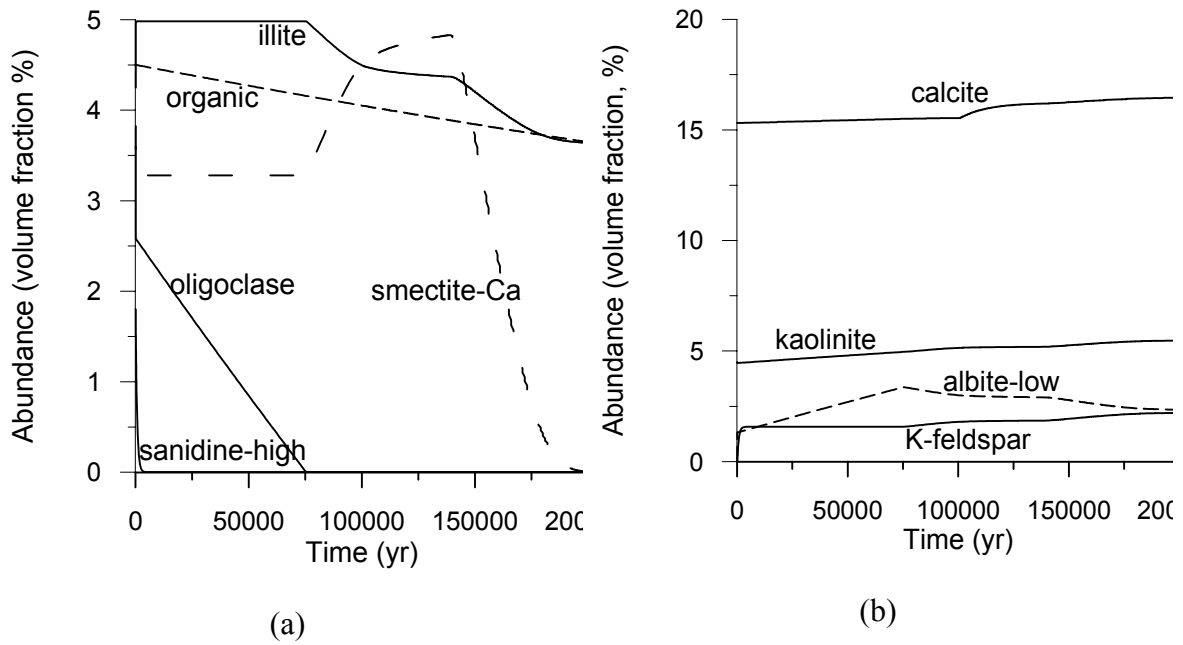


Figure 3.3. Distribution of mineral phases obtained with interaction of groundwater with Gulf Coast sediments (background case).

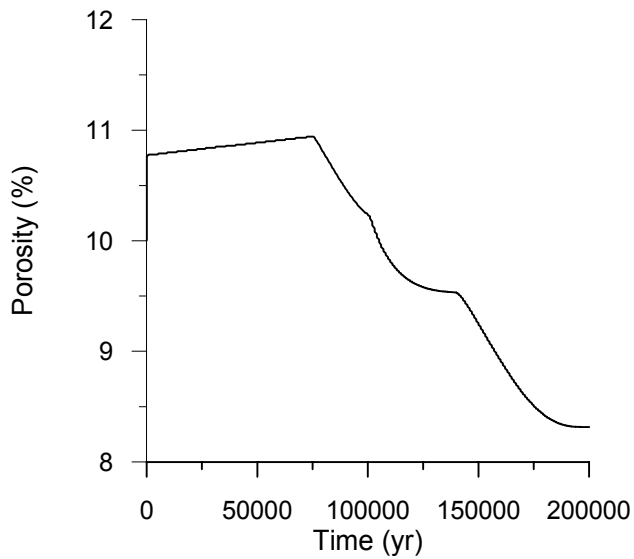
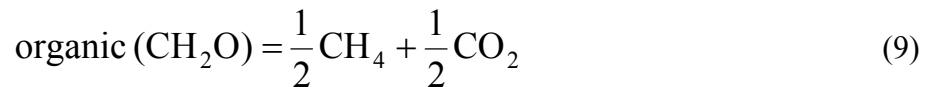


Figure 3.4. Porosity evolution obtained with interaction of groundwater with Gulf Coast sediments (background case).

With CO₂ injection

The pH and Eh (Figure 3.5), obtained with a CO₂ injection pressure of 260 bar, are strongly buffered by the gas pressure (compare Figure 3.5 to 3.1). By comparing with the background simulation, only CH₄ is generated but much less is produced (compare Figure 3.6 to 3.2a). Furthermore, H₂ and H₂S are not present, because this environment is more oxidizing (i.e., a higher Eh). The distribution of mineral phases is presented in Figure 3.7. Oligoclase, sanidine-high, and smectite-Ca are destroyed very rapidly (after 450 years). After disappearance of these minerals, the system reaches a relatively stable condition except for the dissolution of organic matter, which proceeds at a constant rate. Initially, calcite precipitates, and sequesters a maximum of about 7 kg per m³ medium in the solid phase (Figure 3.8). Later, the amount of sequestered CO₂ decreases. As mentioned in the glauconitic sandstone case, the CO₂ sequestration shown in Figure 3.8 is calculated by the change in moles of carbon inventory multiplied by the molecular weight and some unit conversion factors. The decrease in CO₂ sequestration means that some CO₂ leaves the system. This is because calcite precipitation stops, but organic matter dissolution still proceeds at the same rate. The dissolution of 1 mole of organic matter produces one half mole CH₄ and one half mole CO₂, thus:



In this simulation, a constant CO₂ gas pressure of 260 bar is imposed from $t = 0$. The gas phase is treated as an exterior boundary in the modeling. This treatment of the gas phase may overestimate somewhat the decrease in CO₂ sequestration. The simulated porosity evolution is presented in Figure 3.9

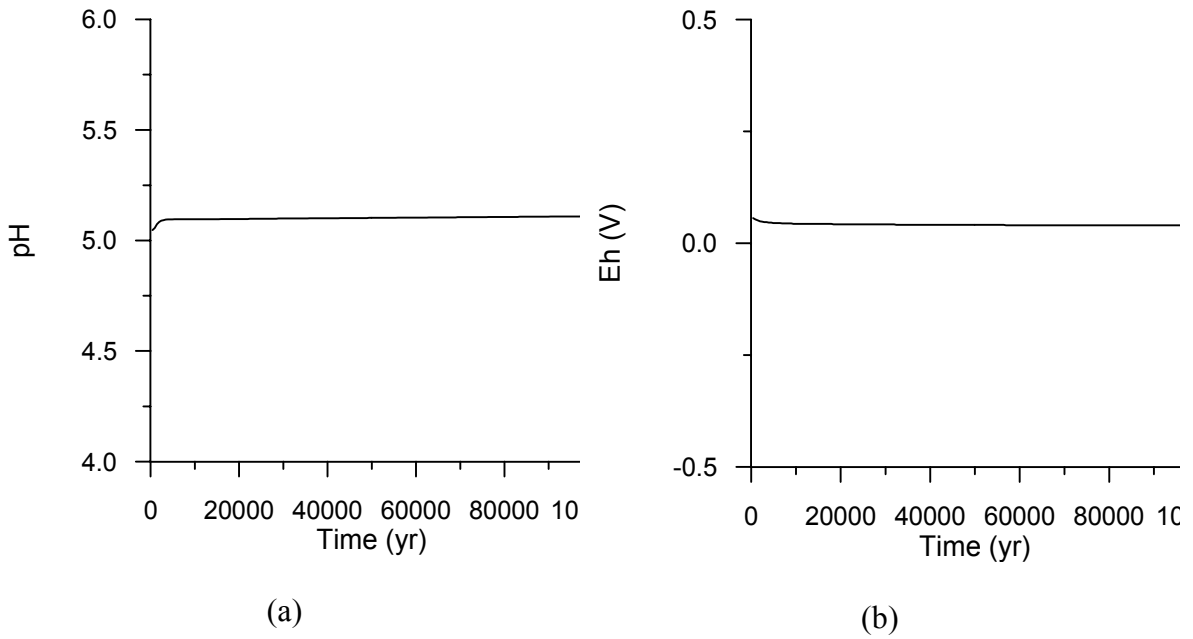


Figure 3.5. Evolution of pH and Eh obtained during the interaction of groundwater with Gulf Coast sediments (with CO₂ injected at 260 bar).

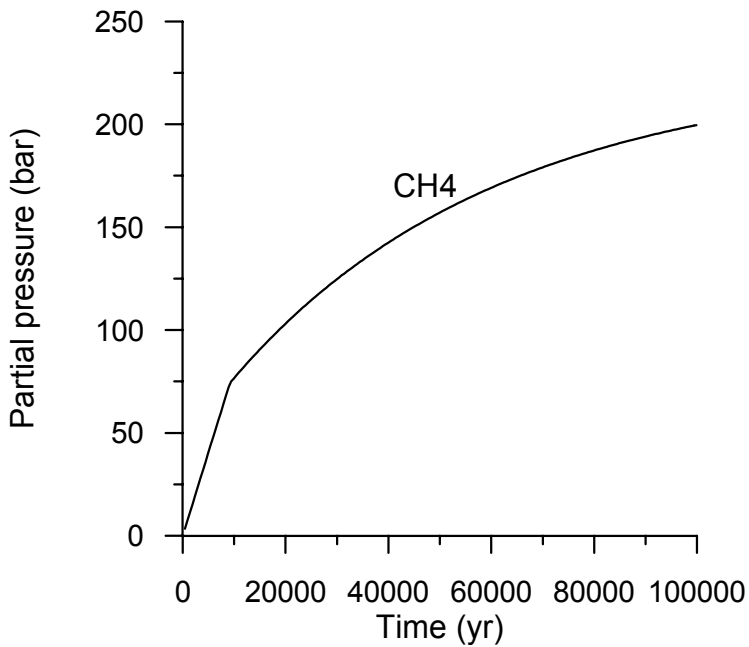


Figure 3.6. Distribution of gaseous partial pressure obtained during the interaction of groundwater with Gulf Coast sediments (with CO₂ injected at 260 bar).

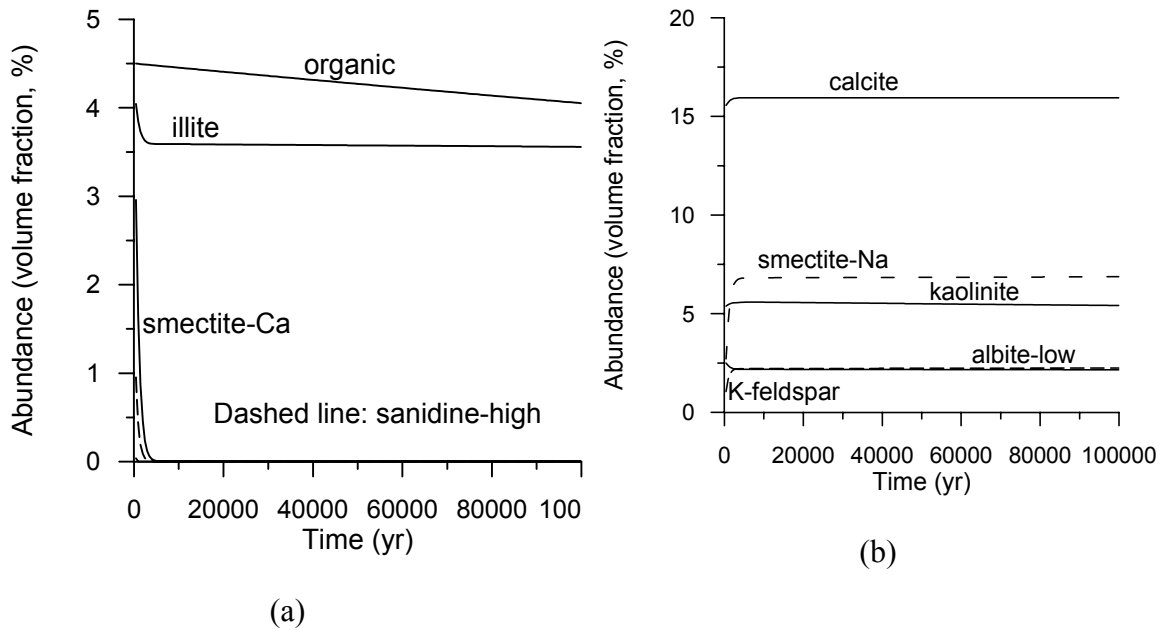


Figure 3.7. Distribution of mineral phases obtained during the interaction of groundwater with Gulf Coast sediments (with CO₂ injected at 260 bar).

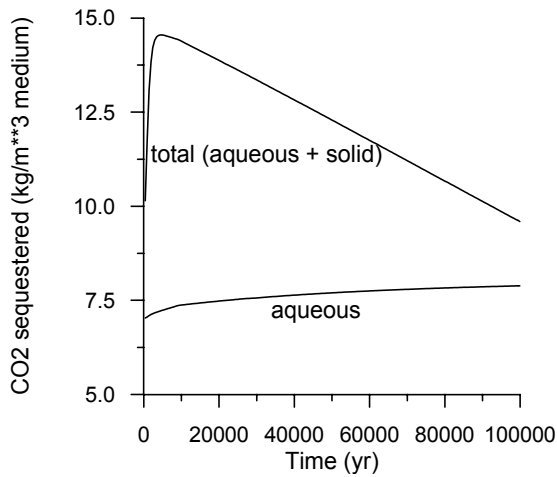


Figure 3.8. Cumulative CO₂ sequestration obtained during the interaction of groundwater with Gulf Coast sediments (with CO₂ injected at 260 bar).

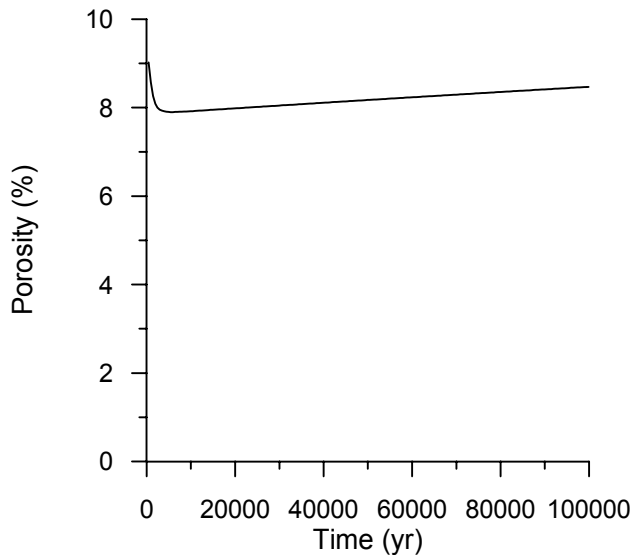


Figure 3.9. Porosity evolution obtained during the interaction of groundwater with Gulf Coast sediments (with CO₂ injected at 260 bar).

Considering graphite precipitation

The pH and Eh obtained by considering graphite precipitation are similar to those without considering it (Figure 3.5). However, in the latter case, CH₄ is not generated. Graphite precipitation occurs (Figure 3.10a). Unlike the previous simulation without considering graphite precipitation, calcite precipitates continuously (Figure 3.10b). The resulting mineral assemblage is similar. Continuous calcite precipitation results in steadily increasing CO₂ sequestration with time (Figure 3.11), whereas in the previous simulation, the CO₂ sequestration is not stable (Figure 3.8). A consequence is that porosity (Figure 3.12) decreases with time as CO₂ is immobilized in the mineral phase (calcite).

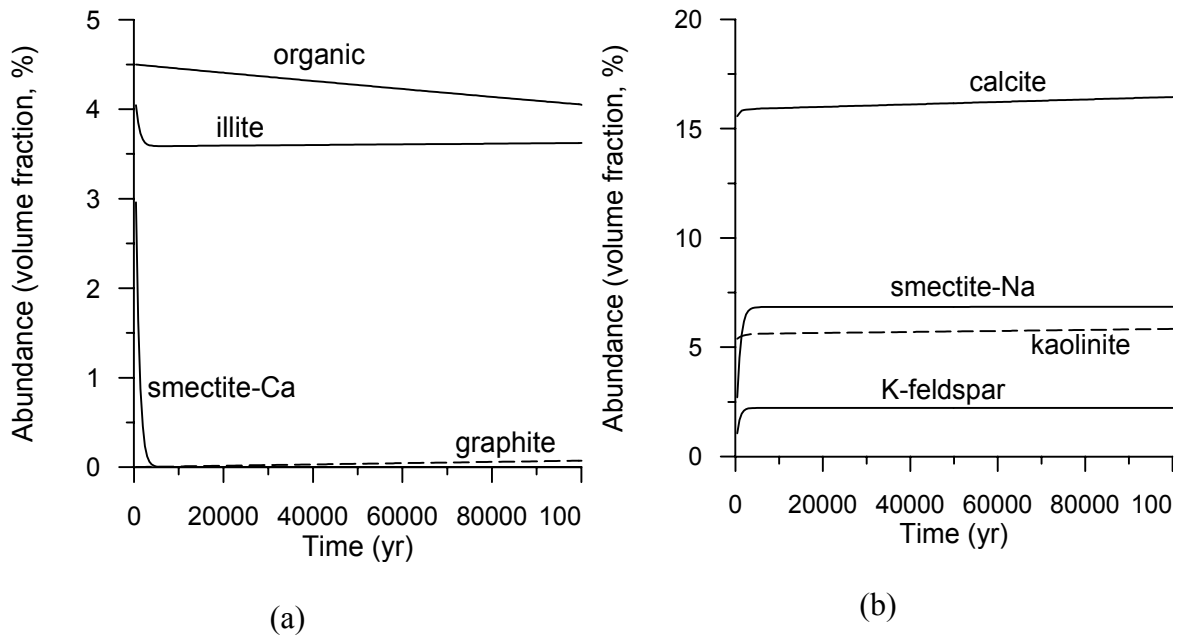


Figure 3.10. Distribution of mineral phases obtained with CO₂ injection considering graphite precipitation for Gulf Coast sediments.

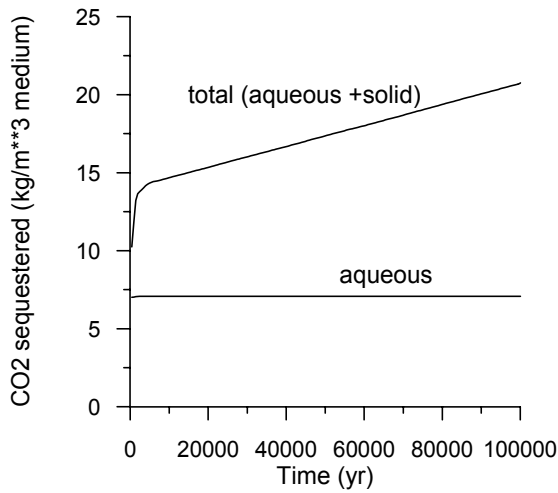


Figure 3.11. Cumulative CO₂ sequestration obtained with CO₂ injection considering graphite precipitation for Gulf Coast sediments.

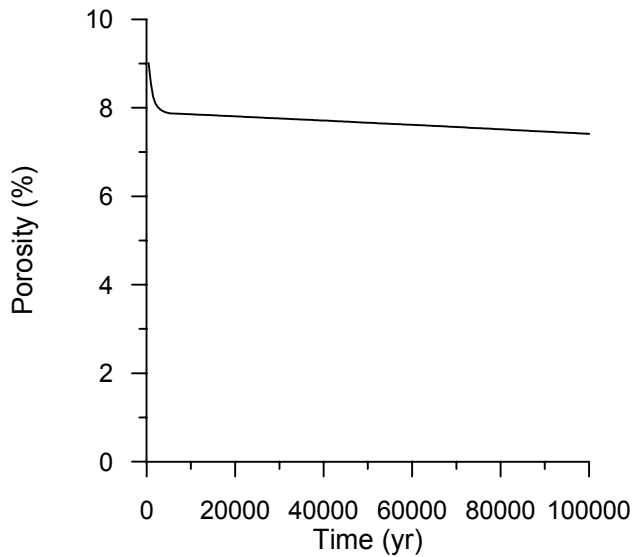


Figure 3.12. Porosity evolution obtained with CO₂ injection considering graphite precipitation for Gulf Coast sediments.

4. Dunite

4.1. Problem Setup

Olivine, the predominant mineral of depleted mantle rock, commonly referred to as dunite, has one of the largest CO₂ sequestration capabilities of all minerals (see Appendix B). Olivine is a binary solid solution of two pure end-member components, forsterite (Mg₂SiO₄) and fayalite (Fe₂SiO₄). The volume ratio of these end member components in typical olivine is about 9:1. The initial mineral abundances used in the simulations are presented in Table 4.1. The porosity of dunite is commonly small. We used an initial porosity of 0.05. The possible secondary mineral phases under natural conditions and CO₂ injection are also listed in Table 4.1. The treatment of kinetics for mineral dissolution and precipitation, and kinetic rate law used are the same as those of the previous two sedimentary rock cases.

The initial condition used is a dilute solution reacting with the primary minerals listed in Table 4.1 with a temperature of 80°C, a pH of 7, a Eh of -0.1 V. With increasing time, the water composition will be determined by dissolution of reactant primary minerals and precipitation of secondary phases. In conformity with the previous two

sedimentary rock cases, we started with a simulation of water-rock interaction under natural background conditions. We then introduced a CO₂ injection pressure of 260 bar to the system. The treatment of CO₂ gas phase in the simulation is the same as in the previous cases.

Table 4.1. List of initial mineral volume fractions, possible secondary mineral phases, and their kinetic properties. All rate constants are listed for dissolution. The constants for precipitation are increased by one order of magnitude correspondingly. A total surface area of 10 m²/dm³ medium is assumed. The surface area of each primary mineral is calculated from its volume fraction multiplying by the total surface area. The kinetic data for magnesite and siderite are modified from those of calcite (Table 3.1). The kinetic data for other minerals are set equal to those of kaolinite (Table 3.1).

Mineral	Chemical composition	Volume (%)	Surface area (m ² /dm ³ medium)	k ₂₅ (moles m ⁻² s ⁻¹)	E _a (KJ/mol)
Primary:					
forsterite	Mg ₂ SiO ₄	85.5	8.55	1.00x10 ⁻¹³	62.76
fayalite	Fe ₂ SiO ₄	9.5	0.95	1.00x10 ⁻¹³	62.76
porosity	-----	5.0			
total	-----	100			
Secondary:					
magnetite	Fe ₃ O ₄	0.0	0.5	1.00x10 ⁻¹³	62.76
magnesite	MgCO ₃	0.0	0.5	0.60x10 ⁻⁹	41.87
siderite	FeCO ₃	0.0	0.5	0.60x10 ⁻⁹	41.87
talc	Mg ₃ Si ₄ O ₁₀ (OH) ₂	0.0	0.5	1.00x10 ⁻¹³	62.76
chrysotile	Mg ₃ Si ₂ O ₅ (OH) ₄	0.0	0.5	1.00x10 ⁻¹³	62.76
greenalite	Fe ₃ Si ₂ O ₅ (OH) ₄	0.0	0.5	1.00x10 ⁻¹³	62.76
amorphous silica	SiO ₂	0.0	0.5	1.00x10 ⁻¹³	62.76
sepiolite	Mg ₄ Si ₆ O ₁₅ (OH) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₆	0.0	0.5	1.00x10 ⁻¹³	62.76
iron	Fe	0.0	0.5	1.00x10 ⁻¹³	62.76
graphite	C	0.0	0.5	1.00x10 ⁻¹³	62.76

4.2. Results

Background without CO₂ injection

pH and Eh remain stable at values of 10.7 and -0.52 V throughout the simulation time. The system is therefore strongly reducing. H₂ generation occurs continuously. Forsterite and fayalite also dissolve continuously. Iron, magnetite, and chrysotile precipitation occurs. As a result, the porosity decreases to 0.5% after 15000 years.

With CO₂ injection

After a CO₂ gas pressure of 260 bar is imposed, the pH decreases to 4.8, and Eh increases to 0.1 V. In this more oxidizing environment, H₂ is not generated and pure iron (Fe) is not precipitated. The distribution of mineral phases is presented in Figure 4.1. Forsterite and fayalite dissolution occurs at constant rates. As a result, magnesite and siderite precipitate due to the dissolution of the two primary reactant minerals and the CO₂ supply from injection. At the same time, talc and amorphous silica precipitation occurs. Chrysotile, greenalite, sepiolite, and graphite are not formed. CO₂ sequestration proceeds at a constant rate because of the constant precipitation of magnesite and siderite. After 1000 years, about 100 kg CO₂ is immobilized in one m³ medium (Figure 4.2). Theoretically, a much higher amount (more than 1000 kg) of CO₂ can be sequestered because forsterite and fayalite are still abundant after this time. However, the porosity (Figure 4.3) has decreased to 0.6%. There is little free space to accommodate water and CO₂. The rock alteration and CO₂ sequestration processes would terminate when the porosity had declined to a negligible value.

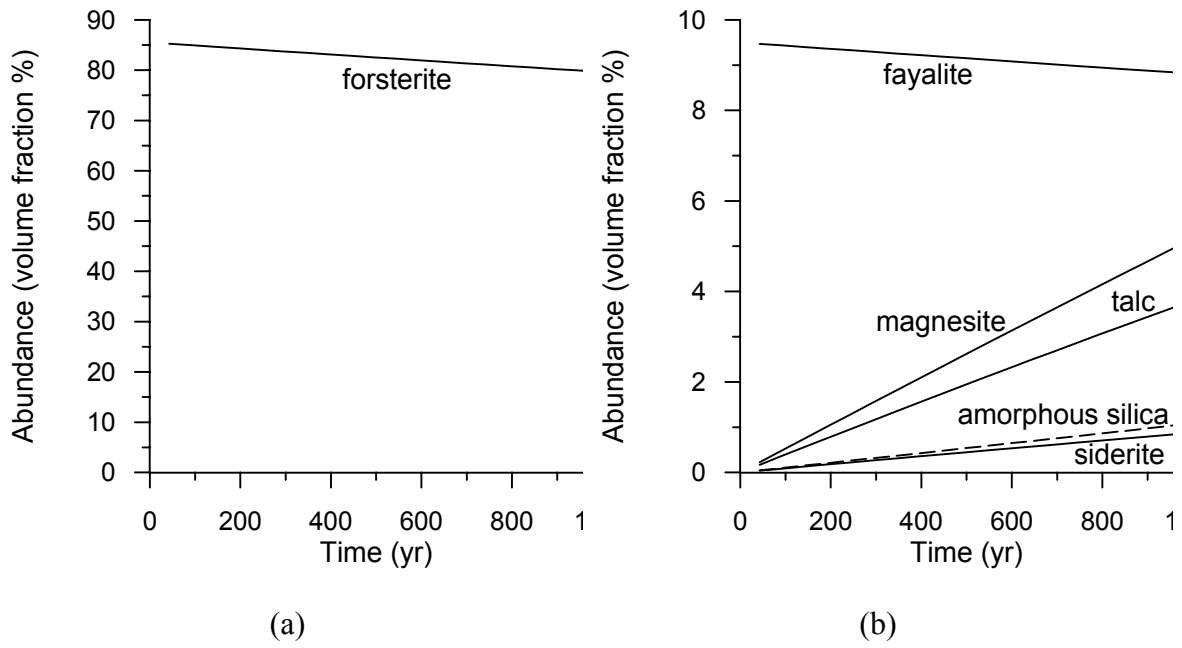


Figure 4.1. Distribution of mineral phases obtained with CO₂ injection for the olivine rock.

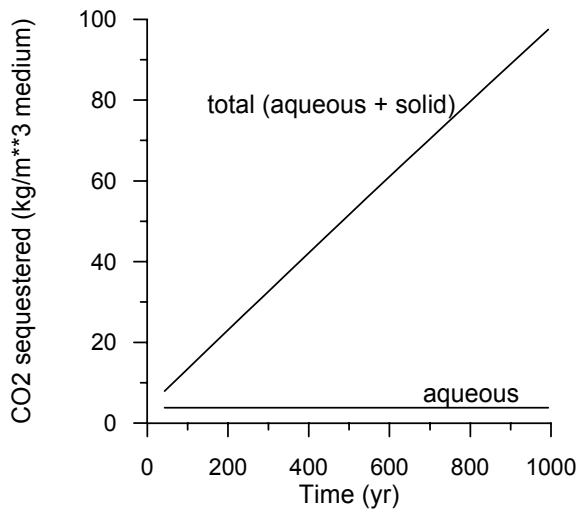


Figure 4.2. Cumulative CO₂ sequestration for the olivine rock.

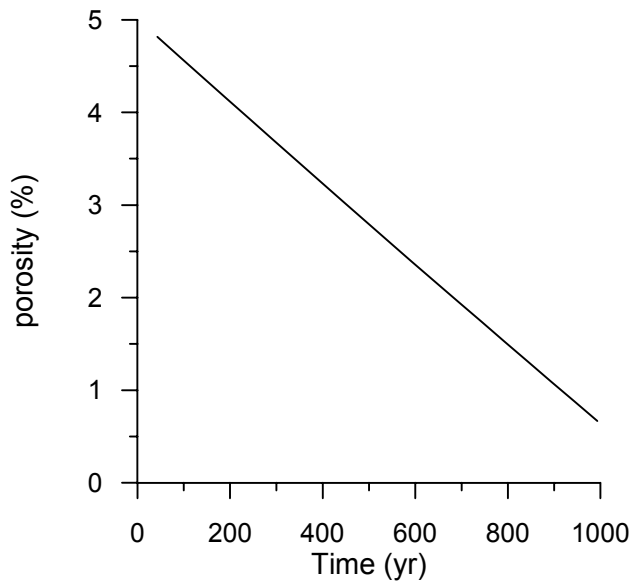


Figure 4.3. Porosity evolution obtained with CO₂ injection for the olivine rock.

5. Discussion

In the foregoing simulations, three naturally occurring rock assemblages have been subjected to alteration under various constraints under natural diagenetic conditions and in the presence of a supercritical CO₂ fluid. The immediate impression gained from examination of all simulations in the absence of supercritical CO₂ is that they reveal reassuring similarities to field observations of corresponding diagenetic processes. However, a detailed comparison of the simulations with field observations will require additional effort. The volume of literature describing the diagenetic processes of rocks corresponding to those employed in the simulations is substantial, and will require careful scrutiny. Furthermore, earlier investigators did not have access to powerful simulators now readily available, and were therefore not in a position to ask the pertinent questions demanded by model requirements. Such investigators are also likely to have missed subtleties critical to model substantiation or rejection. Such deficiencies are likely to make detailed analysis and refinement of the geochemical models a painstaking process, which is beyond the scope of this preliminary analysis.

Several features of the simulations serve to highlight the need for a more critical evaluation both of the kinetic parameters required of the models, and of the role that organic matter and its decomposition play in the control of redox processes in the system. It is evident from the limited number of model simulations that the rate of decomposition of organic matter can ultimately affect the rate of CO₂ sequestration by secondary carbonates, especially siderite. The fact that the dissolution or decomposition of certain species can control the overall rate of sequestration was not immediately apparent at the beginning of this investigation, and the implications are still not fully understood. It is also clear that the complexities associated with quantitative prediction of heterogeneous processes implicit in diagenesis need further elucidation and clarification if more realistic and quantifiable modeling is to be conducted successfully. For while the current investigation clearly indicates that the thermodynamic description of the current models demonstrate a semi-quantitative measure of realism, the quantitative kinetic aspects are at best intelligent guesses. Further detailed analysis, again beyond the scope of this preliminary study, is clearly mandated.

The simulations involving glauconitic sandstone and Gulf Coast aquifer arenite are satisfactory, although certain features of these simulations require refinement. In both rock types, chlorite has been omitted as a reactant or potential product mineral. Generally, chlorite is a relatively minor mineral in sandstones, but it is commonly present, and sometimes quite abundant in associated shales. Long term exposure of such shales to supercritical CO₂ under hydrous conditions could lead to their alteration to silica, kaolinite, magnesite and siderite. The relative stability of chlorite with respect to silica polymorphs, kaolinite, and Mg and Fe(II) carbonates at reservoir temperatures and pressures should be explored further.

The carbonate mineral, ankerite, has also been omitted from simulations involving glauconitic and Gulf Coast sandstones, because no thermodynamic data have been published, and therefore its solubility product is unknown. Ankerite is a relatively common cementitious diagenetic alteration product in Gulf Coast sediments, and would probably precipitate as an alteration product in the presence of high CO₂ partial pressures. However, ankerite is of very variable composition, and further investigation is required

not only to define the compositional ranges expected in sedimentary environments, but also to estimate its thermodynamic properties.

Another issue meriting further comment is the use of the component CH_2O as proxy for organic matter. Its decomposition, or solubilization with consequent formation of carbon dioxide, graphite or methane, depending on the oxidation state of the system at the time, is at best an extremely crude representation of the petroleum maturation process. Furthermore, petroleum maturation usually occurs at temperatures higher than those specified for the simulations in this study. A more realistic representation of the role that organic matter plays in modifying or controlling the oxidation state of the system at temperatures lower than those characteristic of non-condensable gas or petroleum maturation is called for. Because of the apparently high activation energy involved in the maturation of organic matter in sediments, it is possible that bacterial processes play a catalytic role, even in deep aquifers. The role of bacteria in the decomposition of organic matter in sediments has long been recognized, but the impact of high ambient CO_2 partial pressures on bacterial activity has not been explored. Further investigation of the preceding issues is certainly merited if more realistic simulations are to be conducted in the future.

The simulation of olivine hydrolysis and the resultant formation of such secondary minerals as native iron, magnetite and chrysotile is generally consistent with the serpentinization of ultra-mafic rocks. Furthermore, the development of extreme reducing conditions, manifested by the evolution of hydrogen gas, is also consistent with field observations (Apps and Van de Kamp, 1993). However, ultra-mafic rocks usually contain other minor components, which are also affected by the extremely reducing conditions induced by the hydrolysis of ferrous iron. Because these components have been omitted, the application of natural analogues for validation would necessarily require more detailed simulations. Despite the inherent limitations of this test case, the simulation results are encouraging and fully justify further development.

The alteration of ultramafic rocks under sub-critical hydrous conditions, while being simultaneously subjected to elevated CO_2 pressures, is a less likely natural scenario, although possible in active mafic volcanic plate margins. An important feature of the alteration process is the substantial positive volume change of the solid phases

upon alteration, due not only to the formation of secondary hydrated phase, but also to the formation of magnesite and siderite. Volume expansion upon serpentinization of ultramafics has long been recognized in the literature, and implicit in this process is the elimination of residual porosity. The almost complete serpentinization of ultramafic rocks in ophiolitic assemblages suggests that the elimination of porosity is not of itself sufficient to prevent total serpentinization. The heavily fractured nature of serpentinites in the field, and multiple generations of sealed fractures, suggests that active tectonism may facilitate the process. Such conditions, however, would almost certainly disqualify any potential carbon dioxide reservoir for safety reasons.

5.2. Capacity for CO₂ sequestration by minerals

For the glauconitic sandstone aquifer, our simulation suggests that a small amount of CO₂ is sequestered through precipitation of calcite (CaCO₃) and dolomite (CaMg(CO₃)₂). A significant amount of CO₂ is trapped by precipitation of siderite (FeCO₃). This is because the solubilities of calcite and dolomite are much larger than siderite. The total amount of CO₂ trapped in mineral phases could reach about 15 kg per m³ of medium (Figure 2.7), which is greater than that dissolved in the aqueous phase (about 10 kg per m³ of medium). The precipitation of siderite, either as a discrete carbonate or as a solid solution in more abundant Ca-Mg carbonates, or as ankerite ((Mg,Ca,Fe(II))CO₃), is conditioned by the redox state of the system. However, even relatively low partial pressures of H₂S would favor the fixation of Fe²⁺ as pyrite. This may considerably decrease CO₂ sequestration in mineral phases. For the Gulf Coast sediments, the only CO₂ trapping mineral to appear is calcite (Figure 3.10). CO₂ trapped in calcite could reach 7 kg per m³ of medium. If graphite precipitation is also considered, this amount is about two times greater than that trapped in the aqueous phase (7 kg per m³ of medium). The precipitation of calcite and mineral trapping of CO₂ strongly depend on graphite precipitation kinetics. The slower the formation of graphite, the slower is calcite precipitation. As an extreme case without considering graphite precipitation, calcite precipitation occurs only after a short period of time (Figure 3.7b). Even though organic matter continues to dissolve (Figure 3.7a), CO₂ generated from organic matter leaves the system, and the CO₂ sequestration processes stops (Figure 3.8). It should be

pointed out that the treatment of constant CO₂ gas pressure may overestimate somewhat this effect. Dunite would have the largest capacity for CO₂ sequestration. One m³ of medium could sequester as much as 100 kg CO₂ as secondary carbonates (Figure 4.2). However, this type of rock is not found in significant amount in the earth's crust. From our analysis, we note that mineral trapping of CO₂ varies considerably with rock type. For the two sedimentary rocks presented, glauconitic sandstone has a greater CO₂ mineral trapping capability under a suitable redox environment than Gulf Coast sediments. The trapping capabilities also depend on other factors such as gas pressure, temperature, porosity and mineral composition. For the glauconitic sandstone case, the sequestration capacity is proportional to abundances of both glauconite and organic matter. In all three cases presented, mineral-trapping capacity is comparable with, and can be larger than that of solubility trapping.

Korbol and Kaddour (1995) conducted a simulation study to evaluate CO₂ distribution for the Sleipner Vest project in the Norwegian sector of the North Sea, using a two-phase flow simulator, but without considering geochemical processes. Their results indicated that up to 18% of the CO₂ injected was dissolved in the formation water. Thus, the largest CO₂ trapping mechanism is that of hydrodynamic trapping. Even though mineral trapping is not the largest mechanism, sequestration is essentially permanent.

5.3. Changes in porosity

All three examples demonstrate that rock alteration after CO₂ injection results in decreased porosity (Figures 2.8, 3.12, and 4.3). This is because (1) CO₂ mass is added to the solid matrix, and (2) some altered mineral products have lower densities, such as clay minerals. A small decrease in porosity can result in a significant decrease in permeability. The decrease could reduce the CO₂ injectivity. The change in porosity is therefore a very important issue for CO₂ injection into deep geologic formations. Ross et al (1982) observed a decreasing injectivity during CO₂ injection for enhanced oil recovery. (Sayegh et al., 1990, and Bowker and Shuler, 1991) conducted a lab experiment on the injection of supercritical CO₂ into core samples of sandstone, and showed that core permeability remained the same or decreased. We should note that the laboratory experimental times were short compared to those of our model simulations. Therefore, permeability change

due to mineral alteration and the secondary precipitation of carbonates is unlikely to be observed.

5.4. Time required for sequestration

The time needed to sequester CO₂ in mineral phases is uncertain, because mineral kinetic properties and reactive surface areas are not well constrained. Sensitivity simulations show that scaling surface areas by the same constant factor is equivalent in scaling the time coordinate and does not lead to different results. An increase in the surface areas is equivalent to a decrease in time scale. Similarly, the converse is true. Changes in the specific reactive surface area for a redox sensitive mineral such as glauconite or organic matter significantly affect mineral alteration, and consequently the amount of CO₂ sequestration. Further studies on the uncertainty of kinetic properties, especially for redox sensitive minerals, should be addressed by laboratory and field experiments, and numerical simulations. The reaction time is a relative concept, and is affected by the fluid transport time scale. The reaction may be fast enough to form effective CO₂ mineral traps given a long residence time of a packet of fluid in a deep aquifer. The difference of the two time scales may help ensure that CO₂ mineral trapping would be complete before any packet of fluid reaches the surface. Modeling of geochemical processes under dynamic fluid flow conditions will be performed in the future. The reactive geochemical transport modeling reported here may give some understanding of the time scale.

5.5. Limitations of geochemical modeling

Because of the chemical complexity of injection induced water-CO₂-rock interaction processes, an extensive theoretical framework is required to support the modeling of such systems. This framework is rarely if ever fully incorporated in geochemical models, nor are the algorithms used in geochemical codes always sufficient to meet the challenges involved. The range of problems for CO₂ in subsurface environments is far more extensive than any code presently accommodates. Because of numerous uncertainties and approximations, numerical simulation results may not completely match field observations of mineral alteration. For example, the kinetics of

heterogeneous reactions are scale and history-dependent, and cannot be reliably quantified. Reactive surface areas are notoriously uncertain and subject to poorly quantifiable phenomena such as the armoring of mineral phases by others. Furthermore, there is a lack of sufficiently detailed geochemical data at field sites. Because of these factors, modeling cannot give a complete quantitative prediction of geochemical evolution of CO₂ injection. Instead, modeling is a good and unique tool for analyzing and evaluating long-term CO₂ sequestration and geochemical performance. The “numerical experiments” give a detailed understanding of the dynamic evolution of the geochemical systems. A critical evaluation of modeling results can provide useful insight into sequestration mechanisms and controlling geochemical conditions and parameters.

5.6. Effects of physical processes on geochemistry

For large-scale injection of CO₂ into aquifers, geochemical processes are strongly affected by physical processes such as multiphase fluid flow, solute transport, and changes in effective stress. Fluid pressures will rise as CO₂ displaces aquifer water in which it partly dissolves. The dissolution of primary and precipitation of secondary minerals changes formation porosity and permeability, and then fluid flow pattern. The continuous injection of CO₂ will lead to increased formation pressures over large areas, of the order of 100 km² or more, which will modify the local mechanical stress field, causing deformation of the aquifer. All processes involving coupled hydrologic, mechanical and chemical effects influence the feasibility of CO₂ injection and storage in deep aquifers. No comprehensive coupled approaches have yet been used to analyze aquifer CO₂ disposal systems. Uncoupled batch geochemical modeling, flow simulations, and rock stress analyses are inadequate in describing the complex subsurface physical and chemical interactions expected to occur. A systematic process-based understanding of the coupled physical and chemical phenomena should be addressed in the future.

6. Conclusions

Three host rock types have been evaluated for long-term CO₂ disposal in deep aquifers using a geochemical modeling tool. Major conclusions that can be drawn are as follows:

- (1) The simulated mineral assemblages are generally consistent with field observations. However, all simulations contain omissions or simplifications mandated by current limitations concerning knowledge of the thermodynamic properties of participating minerals and the kinetics of phase transformations. A critical review of the literature describing the diagenetic processes observed in rocks corresponding to those selected for modeling in this report is needed to identify unrecognized deficiencies in the current simulations and allow progressive refinement of future simulations.
- (2) CO₂ sequestration by mineral phases varies considerably with rock type. Gulf Coast sediments have the smallest capacity (13 kg per m³ of medium). The capacity of a glauconitic sandstone aquifer (15 kg per m³ of medium) is only incrementally larger than that of Gulf Coast sediments. Dunite has the largest sequestration capacity (100 kg per m³ of medium). However, this rock type is rarely found in crustal rocks, and its fortuitous occurrence in a structural trap is unlikely. The trapping capacity depends on many factors such as porosity and mineral composition. For the glauconitic sandstone case, the capacity is proportional to the abundances of both glauconite and organic matter. The formation of CO₂-trapping mineral phases is case-dependent. For the glauconitic sandstone case, most CO₂ is trapped as siderite, with minor calcite and dolomite. For the Gulf Coast case, the only trapping mineral is calcite. For the olivine rock (dunite) case, the trapping minerals are magnesite and siderite. In all three cases presented, the mineral trapping capacity can be comparable with, and is larger than, that of solubility trapping (7-10 kg per m³ of medium).
- (3) The time frame for CO₂ sequestration is a function of reaction kinetics. Sensitivity simulations show that scaling surface areas by the same constant factor is equivalent in scaling the time coordinate and otherwise does not lead to different results. The surface area changes lead to reciprocal changes in the

time scale. Specific changes in the reactive surface area for redox sensitive minerals such as glauconite or organic matter significantly affect mineral alteration and the extent of CO₂ sequestration.

- (4) Carbon dioxide induced rock mineral alteration and the addition of CO₂ mass as secondary carbonates to the solid matrix results in decreased porosity. This in turn adversely affects permeability and fluid flow in the aquifer. Porosity decreases could reduce the CO₂ injectivity. Porosity degradation might be a more important issue than CO₂ sequestration itself. Decreasing injectivity has been observed in the field during CO₂ injection for enhanced oil recovery.

The range of problems concerning the interaction of water-CO₂-rock is very broad. The present simulation results are specific to the conditions and parameters considered. Care should be taken when extrapolating the results and conclusions for other sites. The “numerical experiments” give a detailed understanding of the dynamic evolution of a particular geochemical system. A critical evaluation of modeling results can provide useful insight into sequestration mechanisms and controlling geochemical conditions and parameters.

Appendix A. Estimation of the Thermodynamic Properties of Minerals, when None exist in the Published Literature

A.1. Introduction

A common problem when attempting computer simulations of chemical processes in the natural environment, is the absence of thermodynamic data of one or more of the participating mineral phases. The usual approach in such situations, is to select surrogates from an existing thermodynamic database, or to ignore their existence entirely (e.g. see Perkins and Gunter (1996)). Such treatments usually result in simulations that have little or no basis in reality, and can easily lead to misleading or erroneous inferences regarding real world conditions. A more satisfactory approach, although requiring care in its implementation, is to generate the required mineral thermodynamic data by analysis of relevant experimental data from the literature, supplemented by parameter estimates of missing data, or, when no experimental data exist, to make *ab initio* estimates of thermodynamic parameters using empirical correlation equations. Incorporation of the resulting thermodynamic data in a chemical reaction progress computer simulations will lead to more realistic representations of natural systems, which, in turn can be partially, or wholly validated by comparison with independent field observations. Multiple validations with observed field relations without substantial inconsistency would inspire confidence that the thermodynamic estimates are reasonable approximations. The estimates can serve their purpose until such time when relevant experimental data become available that permit more accurate computation of the thermodynamic properties of the minerals in question.

In this appendix, thermodynamic data are derived for three mineral phases whose solubility products were missing from the thermodynamic database of the TOUGHREACT code. They are respectively, glauconite, a clay mineral belonging to the 2M mica family, oligoclase, a sodic plagioclase, and "organic matter", whose presence in sedimentary formations is common if not ubiquitous. The oxidation of organic matter influences the course and nature of diagenetic processes in sedimentary formations, and is

an essential component when modeling the chemical evolution of these rocks in the presence of carbon dioxide.

A.2. Thermodynamic Basis

It is assumed that the aquifer host rocks constitute a multicomponent heterogeneous assemblage in equilibrium or very close to equilibrium with respect to the aqueous phase. This assumption is commonly a matter of debate, but deep aquifers usually contain ancient ground waters, allowing sufficient time for close attainment of equilibrium. The distribution of phases (minerals) in this system at thermodynamic equilibrium within a wide range of pressures and temperatures can be predicted using the specific volume, V° , the heat capacity, C_P° , as a function of temperature, and the enthalpy of formation, DH_{f, T_r, P_r}° of each phase, where T_r and P_r is the reference temperature and pressure respectively in the thermodynamic system, and where the subscript, f , refers to the formation from the elements. Derivative functions, such as the compressibility, b , and the thermal expansivity, a , are of minor importance to solid phase equilibria under conditions in deep aquifers, and can be ignored for practical purposes. From low temperature heat capacity measurements, the entropy, S_{T_r, P_r}° of a phase may be computed. Then DG_{f, T_r, P_r}° may be calculated from the relation;

$$DG_{f, T_r, P_r}^{\circ} = DH_{f, T_r, P_r}^{\circ} - TD S_{f, T_r, P_r}^{\circ} \quad (\text{A.1})$$

provided that the entropies of the participating elements are known.

Calculating the thermodynamic properties of phases at conditions other than at T_r and P_r requires equations embodying certain model assumptions. Typical of such equations are those used by Johnson *et al.* (1991) in the SUPCRT92 code. The equations used are:

where a_i , b_i and c_i are empirical coefficients in the Maier-Kelley equation (Maier and Kelley, 1932) describing the heat capacity as a function of temperature:

$$C_p^\circ = a_i + b_i T + c_i T^2 \quad (\text{A.5})$$

and the molar volume of a mineral is assumed independent of pressure and temperature, i.e.

$$V_{\text{Tr,Pr}}^\circ = V_{\text{P,T}}^\circ \quad (\text{A.6})$$

These two assumptions permit the prediction of ΔG_f° , ΔH_f° and S° of a solid phase to within an acceptable degree of accuracy at pressures up to 5 kbar and temperatures to 1000 °C, ranges that go far beyond that necessary for CO₂ sequestration calculations.

The equations embodied in the computer code, SUPCRT92 (Johnson et al., 1992), permit the calculation of the above thermodynamic parameters for reactions among solid phases and water.

Thermodynamic data for mineral phases is usually obtained through calorimetric measurements. From measurements of the heat of solution in hydrofluoric acid or lead borate, $DH_{f, Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$ can be determined. Measurements of the low temperature heat capacity (i.e. between 298 K and the lowest temperature achievable, typically 9 K) of the solid allows for computation of $S_{Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$. By calculating the respective $DH_{f, Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$ and $D S_{f, Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$ and using Eqn 2.1, $DG_{f, Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$ can be calculated. Measurement of the high temperature heat capacity (i.e. from 298 K to 1,000 K or higher) of the mineral phase allows for determination of the heat capacity coefficients of the Maier-Kelley equation. Finally, the molar volume of the phase can be determined, either from density measurements, or from crystallographic unit cell parameters.

Calorimetric data is not always available, and high pressure/temperature phase equilibria data can sometimes be used to extract $DG_{f, Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$, $DH_{f, Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$ and $S_{Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$ with varying degrees of accuracy, e.g., see Helgeson et al. (1978), Berman and Brown (1988), Holland and Powell (1985, 1990, 1998) and Gottschalk (1997). Finally, the composition of the aqueous phase in equilibrium with a given mineral can be used to calculate K_{sp} directly, and as a function of temperature if measurements are made at different temperatures.

The modeler will commonly find that only partial data sets are available, necessitating estimates to proxy missing data. Equations suitable for estimation of the Maier-Kelley heat capacity function parameters and for calculating entropy have been published by Helgeson et al. (1978), and by others to calculate $DG_{f, Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$, $DH_{f, Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$ (Hazen, 1985; Robinson and Haas, 1983; Chermack and Rimstidt, 1989), and $S_{Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$ (Helgeson et al., 1978; Robinson and Haas, 1983; Holland, 1989), and C_p (Berman and Brown, 1985). A direct estimate of $DG_{f, Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$ can also be made using a distribution of species code as a tool for defining the aqueous phase composition associated with invariant phase assemblages at a given P and T in conformity with Gibbs Phase rule for invariant systems. These phase assemblages can be identified from the field descriptions

of mineral parageneses described in the literature. This last approach provides a direct method of reconciling $DG_{f, T, P}^0$ from field data with estimates made independently by other methods, as noted above.

Table A.1. Glauconite Authigenesis in Recent Marine Sediments

No.	Location	Geologic Age	Rock types	Mineral Associations	Notes	Source
	Northeastern part of South China Sea	Recent	Surface sediments	Interlayered and mixed-mineral glauconite type with a mica structure, intermediate between the dioctahedral and trioctahedral structures, and are disordered. Clay minerals	Glauconite pellets are black, green, or grayish green and granular, sheet-like, or shell fillings in shape. With the exception of the black variety, these glauconites are mainly authigenic formed during diagenesis. Glauconites of shell fillings formed during 3 different periods.	Su, Guangqing; Wang, Tianxing (1985)
	Pacific Ocean off the Mexican coast	Recent	Recent sediments	Clay minerals	With glauconitized microcoprolites a close paragenetic relation is obsd. of biomorphic structures to remnants of diatoms and radiolaria. The glauconitization of detrital smectite is proposed to occur in this succession: smectite → nontronite or → glauconite-nontronite → hydromica + micas of glauconitic composition	Geptnor, A. R.; Ivanovskaya, T. A. (1999)
	Galapagos Spreading Center and Juan de Fuca Ridge	Recent	Mounds and sediments, respectively, hydrothermal environment	Fe-smectite and glauconite	Glauconite is the dominant mineral in the deepest units, whereas smectite is abundant in shallow hydrothermal sediments. The isotope geochem. data and the TEM analyses showed that the smectite-glauconite transition is a diagenetic process occurring at shallow depth, probably facilitated by the change of the fluid concentration with time and its interaction with sediment after the pptn. of smectite.	Buatier, M. D.; Karpoff, A.-M. (1995)
	Northeast Basin, off the coast of Mexico	Recent	Modern sediments	Glauconitic grains, coprolites, and components surrounding them.	Glauconitic grains form in situ in several steps, during the intensive bioturbation of sediments. The role of the biogenic factor in the genesis of the glauconite-nontronite series includes bacterial activity in individual fragments of the nanostructure of coprolites during the initial stages of glauconitization.	Geptnor, A. R.; Ivanovskaya, T. A. (1998)
	Pacific Ocean	Recent	Terrigenous and biogenic sediments	glauconite	In the initial stage of diagenesis, colloidal coagulants of SiO ₂ , Al, and Fe, formed after sediment accumulation, adsorb alkali and alk. earth metals from interstitial waters. In the 2nd stage (early diagenesis) the colloid gradually crystallizes to glauconite, mainly 1M hydromica with a significant admixt. of mixed-layer hydromica-montmorillonite. In the 3rd stage, lenses, layers, and prisms of partially lithified glauconite are washed out of muds and transported by currents and turbidity flows.	Logvinenko, N. V.; Volkov, I. I.; Rozanov, A. G. (1975)
	Kuohsing area, central Taiwan	Recent	sediments of outer shelf and inner-shelf	Glauconitic and the chloritic peloids mainly composed of glauconite,	No particular starting precursory material is required for glauconitization but detrital clay-sized, degraded layer silicate particles appear to be the most common ones; no particular macroenvironment is	Lin, Su Bin B.; Lin, Cheng Der (1993)

					Mg-Fe chlorite, and their mixed-layer minerals accompanied by pyrite or ankerite or siderite.	required, as long as the sufficient supply of Fe, K, and a micro-environment with a suitable redox potential are available.	
Sanya Bay, Hainan Island [China].	Recent	surface sediments (see notes)	glauconite (most common), siderite, and pyrite	Glauconite occurs mainly as pellets. It is light-colored (yellowish green) in shallow water, and darkens with increasing depth of the sea. Siderite occurs as micropellets and as aggregates 80-200 um in diam. Pyrite mostly occurs as framboidal aggregates filling the tests of foraminifera. Glauconite occurs mostly in open-sea settings at a depth of >20 m; pyrite occurs mostly in muddy silts at the head of the bay; siderite is present in sandy sediments of the wave-shadow zone. However, the three minerals may sometimes be found in the same sample.	Wang, Qi; Zhu, Erqin; Zhang, Jianhua; Feng, Weiwen. (1985)		
South Western African continental shelf	Recent	glauconitized phosphorite	Nodular phosphorites are pure carbonate apatite, and together with glauconite, constitute chem. pure end members of the glauconitized phosphorite series.	The at. Ratio Fe:S in phosphorite grains is 1:2, resp., indicating the presence of pyrite, whereas the glauconitized phosphorite grains contain excess Fe. There is close correlation between Fe and S in pP. The nP contain no Fe, and S6+ is probably bound in the apatite mol. by coupling with Na+, and substituting for P5+ and Ca2+. The glauconitized phosphorite grains contain S in both phases, viz. bound as pyrite and in the apatite mol.	Bremner, J. M.; Willis, J. P. (1975)		

[Russia]	Nurukawa and Minaishiiraoi Kuroko Deposit, Japan	green clays occur as pellets, pore-infillings, matrix-substitution and matrix-infillings (stringlets) in hanging-wall pyroclastic rocks	glauconite, zeolites, etc Glauconite-smectite series mineral and celadonite	Extensive compositional variation in Fe ₂ O ₃ , correlated with K ₂ O and inversely correlated with Al ₂ O ₃ . The lack of uniformity in the transformation of smectite-to-glaucanite of the Minamishirap clays, which originated mainly from detrital Al-clays	Yoneda, T.; Tada, M. (1995)
Eastern England	Lower Liassic (Jurassic)	Ooidal ironstones (the Frodingham and Pecten Ironstones) and assoc. mudstones	early diagenetic berthierine siderite, and minor glauconite, rare pyrite	Berthierine formed during early suboxic diagenesis at the expense of detrital clays and iron oxides. Early glauconite also formed in places and it seems likely that it formed close to the oxic/suboxic interface. During later suboxic diagenesis, pore-water bicarbonate activities increased, leading to siderite pptn. Pyrite is rare within the ironstones. Where pyrite is present it postdates berthierine and siderite, indicating that sulfate redn. may have been a later process in some beds.	Taylor, K. G.; Curtis, C. D. (1995)
Point McIntyre field, North Slope, Alaska	Cretaceous	near shore marine sands	glauconite pellets and pptd. min pyrite and siderite cements.	Early pyrite was pptd. from marine to brackish waters near the sediment-water interface as a by-product of anaerobic sulfate redn. As the sulfur supply was depleted with ongoing burial or where Fe-reducing processes dominated, siderite began to grow, in some cases overgrowing pyrite. Episodes of meteoric recharge, resulted in a characteristic assemblage of oxidized glauconite, leached detrital grains, and pptn. of coarsely-cryst. kaolinite and siderite	Boles, J H Hickey, J. J.; Frank, K. (1996)
Yorkshire Coast, Northeast England		Phosphatic nodules composed of fine-grained, impure, phosphatic mudstones. Subordinate clasts of phosphates which include coprolites, pellets, fish bones, and fish scales	Apparently amorphous collophane of most coprolites and pellets, sometimes with siderite cement and crystals. Skeletal apatite. Subordinate clasts contain coprolites skeletal apatite and glauconite pellets in a feldspathic sandstone matrix,	Partial diagenetic recrystn. of collophane is widespread. High Fe and CO ₂ contents result from siderite cement.	El-Kammar, A. M.; Bjorlykke, K. (1983)
Gdansk Basin		argillaceous sediments	quartz (40) and clay minerals (40—60%). Illite is the dominant clay mineral; chlorite occurs in smaller amt. and kaolinite smectite, and mixed-layer clays are subordinate.	Content of siderite and calcite varies, depending on the Eh and pH of the environment	Gorlich, K.; Pieczka, F. B. (1980)

				Carbonates (calcite, dolomite, and siderite) and detrital minerals (feldspars, muscovite, and glauconite)								
Transural, Russia		Mesozoic	Iron oolite ores, marine sedimentary formations	Glauconite, leptochochlorite, siderite, hydrogoethite								Papulov, O. N.; Umova, L. A. USSR. (1972)
eastern Ciscaucasus		Mesozoic	Siltstone-shale layers, sepg. sandstone	Sulfide [pyrite?], siderite, glauconite, chamosite								Teodorovich, G. I.; Okun'kova, F. E. (1969)
Russian Platform		Mesozoic	ferruginous oolitic roc	Glauconite, siderite, pyrite								
Romania			black shales and associated ferrolites [sideritic rocks] from the East Carpathians flysch	Siderite, glauconite, pyrite, calcite								Papiu, C. V.; Alexandrescu, G.; Iosof, V. Popescu, F.; Bratosin, I., Neacsu, V. (1977)
Bulgaria			marine sediments	Glauconite, siderite								Nachev, I. (1975)
southeastern Turkmenia.		Middle Jurassic and Aptian-Albian	Argillaceous rocks	Glauconite, leptochochlorite, siderite, pyrite								Bordovskaya, M. V.; Zhukova, N. N. (1969)

			phosphate stromatolites	Autigenic clays in close textural relation to carbonate fluorapatite within finely laminated phosphate stromatolite, the lamellae of which consist of hexagonal prisms of francolite (0.1-1 ~m) that are surrounded by poorly cryst. smectite and amorphous Fe-Si-Al oxyhydroxides	The presence of Fe-Si-Al amorphous phases intimately intergrown with smectite demonstrates authigenic smectite growth from the former. The textural and structural relations, the preservation of chem. precursors of Fe- glauconite such as nontronitic montmorillonite, and the presence of Fe- Si-Al amorphous mineral phases, imply crystn. of the obsd. cryst. phases from syndimentary (bacterially pptd.) amorphous precursors during early diagenesis in postoxic environments.	Sanchez-Navas, A.; Martin-Algarra, A.; Nieto, F. (1998)
Dagestan	Lower Cretaceous	clays assoc. marine sediments. including organogenic and oolitic limestones, dolomitized limestones, mudstones. detrital rocks. and siltstones	The clays are interlayered with concretions of siderite, calcite, Fe oxides, gypsum, and pyrite. The pelitic and aleuropelitic clays consist of montmorillonite, hydromica, kaolinite, altered feldspars, zircon, mica, garnet, glauconite, and rutile.	Kerimov, C. K.; Efendiev, I. E.; Karchigaeva, T. G. (1978).		
Caspian— Kuban territory of Azerbaijdzhan	Lower Cretaceous		Six types of mineral indicators are recognized: primary sulfides, siderites ulfides. sulfide-siderites, siderites, glauconites and leptochlorites.	Teodorovich, G. I.; Mamedov, A. A. (1970)		
northern slopes of the Karpinsk arch, Russia	Aptian- Albian formations, Lower Cretaceous	terrigenous, aleurolitic, and argillaceous rocks with sandstones, mudstones, shales. gritstones, and limestones	The clay minerals:- montmorillonite, kaolinite, and mixed-layer minerals. authigenic glauconite is assocd. with calcite, siderite, pyrite, opal, chalcodony, and zeolite.	Kokhanovskii, P.P.; Shamrai, I.A. (1970)		
Northwest Germany	Aptian and Albian	mostly vitric tuffs (mainly greenish)	montmorillonite, SiO ₂ , glauconite, siderite etc	Kemper, E; Zimmerle, W. (1982)		

Northwest Germany, Lower Saxony basin	Aptian and Albian	Phosphorites. The host rock is always clay.	Primary minerals are carbonate-F-apatite, siderite, and Mn carbonate; calcite and silicate minerals (quartz, feldspar, and clay minerals) occur secondarily.	The 2 most common types of phosphorites in the area are characterized as: (1) soft, light-colored, earthy nodules rich in phosphate and (2) hard, dark-colored, mostly concentric carbonate- and phosphate-bearing concretions. Phosphorites at the margins have a higher content of sand and a considerable proportion of glauconite. The appearance of accretionary phosphorites is explained by upwelling of cold deep water from the North. This interpretation is supported by the assocn. of phosphorites with sediments rich in SiO ₂ and with sediments contg. cold water fauna.	Zimmerle, W. (1982)
central and eastern Kopet-Dag regions	Aptian-Albian	Magnesiosiderite, calcite, phosphorite and ferruginous concretions in sandstones and siltstones	Siderite, calcite, istropic colloidal phosphate, glauconite.	Carbonate type of concretions quant. predominated. The phosphorite concretions were present only in Middle and Upper Albian formations where they were redeposited and formed rounded microconcretions, oolites, and boulders. They consisted of isotropic colloidal-phosphate, contg. 20-30% quartz and feldspar inclusions and grains of authigenic glauconite. The ferruginous concretions were formed evidently by supergene oxidn. of Fe sulfides	Tashliev M. Sh. (1967)
northeastern Saudi Arabia and the northwestern Arabian Gulf	mid-Cretaceous	Safaniya Member of the Wasia Formation, deposited as fluvio-marine deltaic sediments	diagenetic mineral assemblage in the Safaniya sandstones includes kaolinite, illite, glauconite, pyrite, quartz and carbonate cements. Kaolinite and illite occur both as authigenic and diagenetic minerals	Early diagenetic events include the formation of calcite, siderite, glauconite and pyrite, at or close to the sediment/water interface. Vermicular kaolinite and microcryst. quartz probably formed by meteoric-water diagenesis during the Late Cretaceous uplift. Illite and ankerite were pptd. during deep burial	Cagatay, M. N.; Saner, S.; Al-Saiyed, I.; Carrigan, W. J. (1997)
Burgan oil field, Kuwait	Cenomanian	Sediments	glauconite	Weathering of unarmored glauconite, which results in the pptn. of hydrated Fe oxides and alunite [due to oxidn of pyrite?]. In the subsurface, close to oil reservoirs, the redn. of hydrated Fe oxide dust in glauconite pellets results in the development of black magnetic siderite.	EI-Sharkawi, M. A.; Al-Awadi, S.A. (1982)
Southern Kerguelen Plateau	Upper Cretaceous	glauconitic siltstone and claystone	Glauconite [pellets] with siderite concretions, randomly interstratified smectite-mica.	The dominant randomly interstratified smectite-mica is identical to the mineral compn. of the glauconite pellets. Higher K levels are in minerals that have a lower percentage of expandable layers. The decrease in expandability of the mineral in the upper subunit is attributed to diagenesis	Holmes, M.-A. (1992)
East European Platform	Upper Cretaceous	Glauconite-quartz sands and sandstones	granular phosphorites consist of phosphate, glauconite, quartz, calcite, siderite, dolomite, etc.	The phosphorites were deposited in an epicontinental sea.	Bragin, Yu. N. (1991)
Northwest	Upper		Glauconite pellets	smectite content increased with decreasing K and Fe contents	Valeton, I.;

Germany	Cretaceous		containing smectite with chlorite in the matrix	Abdul-Razzak, A. (1975)
North Dakota	Upper Cretaceous	Fox Hills Formation	Concretions	Carpenter, S. J.; Erickson, J.M.; Lohmann, K. C.; Owen, M. H. (1988)
Northern Germany	of Upper Cretaceous -Oligocene	Marine clays and bentonites	Mixed layer muscovite and montmorillonite, with less abundant kaolinite and early diagenetic kaolinite, calcite, siderite and dolomite	Henning, K. H. (1977)
Eisenberg, Mainz Basin, West Germany	Tertiary	argillaceous sediments	Kaolinite, illite, quartz, glauconite, siderite	Brockamp, O. (1982)
Belorussian	Paleogene	Pelagic sediments	glauconite hydromica, montmorillonite, supergene Fe and K sulfates. The weathering crust also contains goethite, lepidocrocite, siderite, jarosite, and vivianite.	Lukashev, V. K.; Vecher, V. A.; Zingerman, A. Ya. (1982).
African-Arabian phosphorite provinces.	Upper Campanian, Maastrichti an, Pliocene, and Lower-Middle Eocene	Various sedimentary basins: phosphorite ores are shallow-water marine deposits of sedimentational-diagenetic type.	Phosphate 50-72, calcite 0.5-30, dolomite 0.2-30, opal + chalcedony + quartz 1-30, hydromica + beidellite + montmorillonite 1-18, pyrite 0.1-4.5, glauconite 0-1, org. matter (humic acids and carbonaceous residues)	Pokryshkin, V. I.; Sulidi-Kondrat'ev, E. D. (1980)

				0.03—2.34, Fe hydroxides 0.1-3, gypsum 0.5, and others 0.1—2%					
West Garo Hills district, Meghalaya, India	Eocene	Siju limestone		Glauconite, pyrite, and dolomite are considered as diagenetic products				The original high-magnesian calcite cement has been converted to low-Mg-calcite cement during diagenesis.	Kotoky, P.; Kataki, T. (1995)
Chernigov and Dneipropetrovsk regions, Ukraine	Late Eocene deposits of Dneiper-Donets syncline	siderite facies of sediments		Rock composition: ferruginous dolomite, microscales of montmorillonite, quartz grains, glauconite, and oligoclase. Concretions: cryptocryst. siderite, quartz, glauconite, K feldspar, amphibole, biotite, ilmenite, and kaolinite				Siderites are brownish gray rocks with the psammitic texture of clay-carbonate groundmass and quartz grains. Pyrite was commonly present in the cement, but was sometimes replaced by hydrogoethite coarse-grained sandstone with calcareous concretions was found at the base of Late Eocene formations in the Dneipropetrovsk region. The concretions made up 60-70% of the rock.	Selin, Yu. I. (1969)
South Auckland, New Zealand	Late Eocene-Oligocene	Transgressive sequence from nonmarine coal measures to shallow-marine mudstones, sandstones, and limestones		A kaolinite-quartz-siderite mineralogy dominates the nonmarine beds. Low-Mg calcite-smectite-quartz-sodic plagioclase-glaucanite mineralogy in bulk of marine deposits					Nelson, C. S.; Hume, T. M. (1987)
Formations of Aardebrug (Belgium)	Lower Oligocene	Green clays and shallow-marine sands glauconitic pellets, and lacustrine sediments.		These clays consist of quartz, K-feldspar, chert, muscovite, etc., smectite and kaolinite				Development of the chem. compn. is attributed to the phys. mixing of dispersed glauconite platelets and illite	Huggett, J. M.; Laenen, B.; Vandenberghe, N., (1996).
Ukraine	Oligocene and Miocene	Dneiper-Donets syncline		The hydromicas including 2M1 (dioctahedral muscovite Al-hydromica) and modification IM (IMd) essentially dioctahedral glauconite Mg-Fe-Al hydromicas.				The glauconite hydrosilicate of the 1M(IMd) polytype are the most widely distributed in deposits of Kharkov series. The glauconite Mg-Fe-Al hydromica was subjected, during diagenesis to transformation in dioctahedral montmorillonite.	Logvinenko, N. V.; Remizov, I. M.; Berger, M. G. (1969)
Tersk-Sulak Depression	Miocene	Arenaceous beds		clays consist mainly of hydromica, montmorillonite, and					Slinko, M. E. (1986)

					mixed-layer montmorillonite-hydromica with a trace of kaolinite. Diagenetic minerals include calcite, siderite, pyrite, and glauconite				
Salento Peninsula (Southern Italy)	Miocene	calcarenite (Pietra Leccese)		Foraminifera tests, starting compn. given by amorphous silica	At different levels, the foraminifera internal molds consist of evolved glauconite (Piromafo level) or of amorphous silica assoc. with variable amts. of glauconite having a chem.-structural compn. related to the evolution stage allowed in the sedimentary process	Francesco, M. M., Tria, A. (1997)			
Marmarosh and Utesovyl zones of the eastern Ukrainian Carpathians	Paleogene	Typical flyshes, the main components of which are limestones, siltstones, and argillaceous rocks.		Authigenic minerals include calcite, brownish hydromicas, chlorite, and glauconite, Pyrite and occasionally siderite, opal and chalcedony		Afanas'eva, I. M. (1967)			
New Jersey continental slope.	Upper Cenozoic	Sediments		diagenetic carbonate minerals include dolomite, siderite, and calcite	Org. matter degrdn. by way of sulfate redn. promotes pptn. of dolomite by removing sulfate ion and increasing the carbonate alky. Siderite occurs as poorly cemented layers and nodules. Carbon isotopic values for siderite range from -2.0 to +1.3 permill indicating formation in the methanogenesis zone. Diagenetic dolomite and calcite are favored over siderite during early burial because pore-water Fe is removed by the pptn. of glauconite in the oxic to suboxic zones and iron sulfide minerals in the sulfate-redn. zone.	Hicks, K. S.; Compton, J. S. Mccracken, S.; Vecsei, A. (1996)			

A.3. Glauconite

Formation of Glauconite

Glauconite is a 1M dioctahedral mica, distinguished by a high ferric iron content. It forms authigenically in marine sediments at shallow to intermediate water depths where it is commonly associated with phosphates (i.e., hydroxyapatite). Glauconite is believed develop from precursor iron rich smectites, e.g. nontronite, or from amorphous aluminosilicates derived from diatomaceous skeletons and/or volcanic ash. Evidence supports the hypothesis that neoformation of glauconite is initiated primarily within the zone of bioturbation, and may be mediated by biota. The high concentration of ferric ion in the octahedral sites of the glauconite structure suggest that the iron was mobilized and transported through the aqueous phase in the ferrous state, under local reducing, or at least, anoxic conditions. The typically high potassium concentration occupying the exchangeable sites is derived from seawater. The degree of crystallinity and purity of glauconite depends on several factors, but slow burial rates (Balenzano and Moresi, 1997), or elevated temperatures, as in the vicinity of hydrothermal vents, can result in a higher degree of structural order. Table A.1 is a tabulation of several references describing glauconite authigenesis in marine sediments.

Glauconite Paragenesis

Glauconite paragenesis has been studied, either incidentally to broader studies concerning the authigenesis of marine phosphate deposits or marine ironstone ores, or in relation to studies concerning the diagenesis of glauconitic sandstone, mudstones or shales. Table A.2 is a compilation of references describing glauconite paragenesis in various sedimentary host rocks. In most cases, critical information necessary to rigorously characterize phase assemblages coexisting at equilibrium with glauconite is missing. Therefore it is possible only to develop a preliminary scenario without protracted study of the subject. In general, glauconite is associated with the iron oxides, hematite and goethite, only as weathering products of glauconite. Glauconite is commonly associated with siderite, and siderite with pyrite, reflecting a trend associated

with an increasing reducing state, which must involve the progressive reduction of Fe(III) to Fe(II), and SO_4^{2-} to HS^- .

Finally, field observations indicate that glauconite forms from smectite and proto-smectite precursors, and is occasionally observed interlayered with either illite or smectite.

Table A.3. Diagenetic Alteration of Glauconite

No.	Location	Geologic Age	Rock types	Mineral Associations	Notes	Source
	Penganga Group at Adilabad, South India	Proterozoic	siliciclastic submarine fan sequence within a lime-mud succession	R1 or R3 type stacking sequence, with low (<10%) interlayering of illite and smectite (I/S)	All the analyzed grains are characterized by high potash content, and it has been inferred that the maturity is dictated by high aKT in the microenvironment. This occurrence strongly calls into question the environmental significance that has so far been attributed to glauconitic minerals	Deb, S. P. and Fukuoka, M. (1998)
	northern Verkhoyan	Lower-Middle Cambrian	carbonate and carbonate-terrigenous formations	Three morphol. varieties (green globules, green fillings in spines of fossil Chancelloriidae, and white material in fine-grained carbonate matrix) of layered silicates of glauconite-illite compn.	The globules are mainly glauconite and the green fillings largely Al-rich glauconite. Illite occurs in green isometric segregations and the white material. The clay minerals formed from the transformation of terrigenous silicate. The occurrence of biomorphic nanostructures of several types in the Al-rich glauconite fillings in Chancelloriidae spines suggest that living microorganisms were involved in formation of the layered silicates of glauconite-illite compn	Gepner, A. R.; Ivanovskaya, T. A.; Ushatinskaya, G. T. (1994)
		Lower Paleozoic to Recent	Sedimentary formations	glauconite skolite, and celadonite, respectively	Glauconites from Lower Paleozoic to Recent show a change in chem. compn. The older the glauconite, the higher the Al content. The Fe3+ content in glauconite decreases with age. Skolites are restricted to Lower Paleozoic formations. The Cambrian-Precambrian boundary is characterized by sharp changes in the chem. compn. of glauconite.	Nikolaeva, I. V. (1971)
	Caucasus and elsewhere	Late Paleozoic to Holocene	Arenaceous-aleurolitic nearshore-facies sediments and others.	glauconite	The glauconites evolved regularly in chem. compn. the content of Fe ₂ O ₃ (total) increased and the K ₂ O, Al ₂ O ₃ , and SiO ₂ contents decreased, through time. The Fe ₂ O ₃ (total) and K ₂ O contents decrease whereas the SiO ₂ and Al ₂ O ₃ contents of glauconites increase from nearshore to deeper-water facies	Kazakov, G.A. (1983)
		Paleocene to Recent	Sedimentary and epigenetic	glauconite	Their K ₂ O content is about 10% and does not increase with age. The basic chem. differences of glauconite are detd. by the elements Fe, Al, and Mg, the no. of which in the octahedral layer attains 1 or more per elementary unit. Only the unchanged grains consist of strictly glauconite material, displaying the highest K and Fe content among grains of the same age. Recent glauconite differs from that of the lower	Nikolaeva, I. V.; Kovaleva, L. T.; Sukhareenko, A. V. (1971)

	Livingston Parish, Louisiana	first Wilcox sandstone of the Lockhart Crossing Field (Lower Eocene)	early ankerite concns., ferroan calcite-cemented sandstones, and uncemented sandstone	glauconite	Paleocene by a decrease in Al and an increase in Fe ³⁺ and Mg. Glauconites show a progressive substitution of Fe for octahedral Al with increasing diagenesis. A systematic increase in av. Interlayer K was also obsd., with apparent increases in diagenesis.	Strickler, M. E.; Ferrell R. E. (1990)
	northeastern part of the Beibu Gulf, China	Pliocene	Sediments	glauconite	Compn. of modern and ancient (Sinian) glauconites, suggests that Al ₂ O ₃ and K ₂ O decrease, whereas FeO increases from ancient to modern glauconite. Upward in the Pliocene sediment Sr, Al ₂ O ₃ and K ₂ O decrease, whereas FeO increases in glauconite occurring as infilling in foraminifera tests.	Chen, Li-Rong (1994)

Compositional Changes to Glauconite during Diagenesis

Several studies have been conducted to establish compositional changes in glauconites during diagenesis and over geologic time. Table A.3 is a compilation of references relating to this topic. Those investigations, in which glauconite composition is examined as a function of age, show that the dioctahedral ferric iron is reduced and progressively replaced by dioctahedral aluminum, the end member being essentially a potassium ferrous-aluminum mica with a composition similar to that of skolite (formula). At the Cambrian/Pre-Cambrian boundary, ferric iron content in glauconites decreases sharply, suggesting that the ferric content might have been related in some way with the degree of atmospheric oxygenation. However, the dominant changes appear to have been brought about during diagenesis.

Despite the general nature of alteration trends developed over many deposits throughout geologic time, they are not necessarily reflected petrogenetically within a single formation. Thus, in the lower Eocene Wilcox formation of Louisiana, glauconites show a progressive increase in ferric iron and potassium content with depth with concomitant loss of aluminum (Strickler and Ferrell, 1990). The ferric iron was derived ankeritic cement. Also, in a somewhat different environment, ferric illites with a high potash content formed diagenetically through the decomposition of feldspar in a Proterozoic siliciclastic submarine fan sequence (Deb and Fukuoka, 1998). The ferric illites were intermediate in composition between glauconite and illite, and raise the question that glauconites in sedimentary formations might not necessarily have formed authigenically.

Glauconite Stoichiometry

The stoichiometry of glauconite is quite variable, due to correspondingly variable conditions of authigenesis and to progressive compositional changes during diagenesis. It is, therefore, not easy to assign a representative chemical composition to this mineral. Furthermore, because glauconite can be admixed with members of the illite and smectite clay series on a microscopic scale (Parron and Amouric, 1990), traditional wet chemical

analyses may be suspect. Fortunately, modern instrumental methods of chemical analysis permit precise chemical analyses of very small samples, thereby minimizing the risk of inadvertently analyzing mixtures. The compositional range of glauconite and a structurally related mineral, celadonite, can be represented on a ternary diagram defined by the end members: $K(z_5)[Si_4O_{10}](OH)_2$ (celadonite), $K(z_6)[AlSi_3O_{10}](OH)_2$ (muscovite) and $(z_6)[Si_4O_{10}](OH)_2$ (pyrophyllite), (Duplay and Buatier, 1990), as illustrated in Figure A.1. Here, z represents the charge of the octahedral layer in the clay, represented by Mg^{2+} , Fe^{2+} , Al^{3+} , Fe^{3+} etc.

Chemical analyses of glauconite, tabulated in an earlier publication, Deer, Howie and Zussman (1962) were used as a basis for selecting the following representative composition:



This composition, where the stoichiometric unit is twice that used to represent the ternary components in Fig. A.1., was chosen to minimize fractional stoichiometric coefficients of elements in the chemical formula. When plotted on the ternary diagram, the selected composition actually falls close to the center of the compositional field for glauconite, defined by Koster (1982) and Bailey (1986).

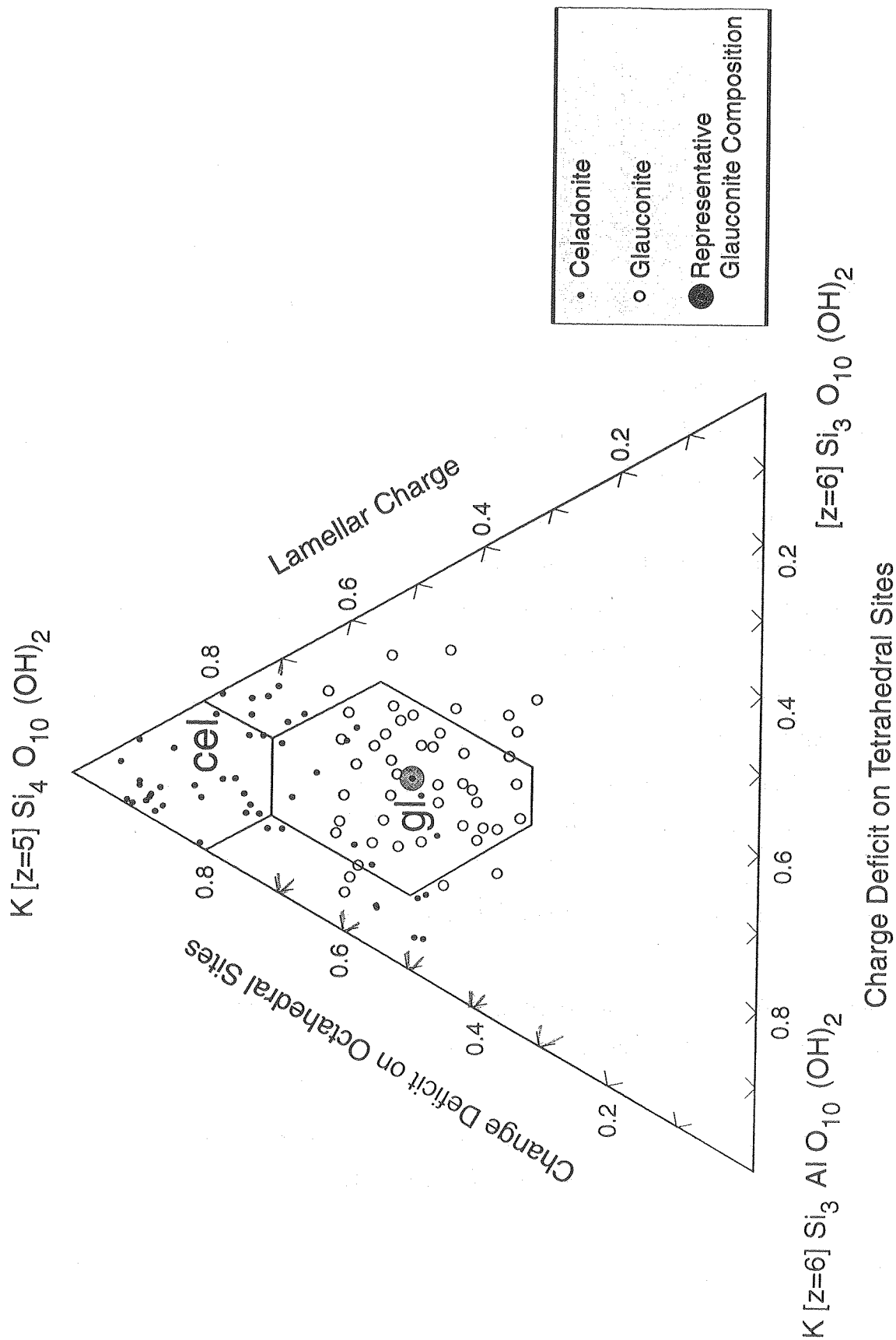


Figure A2.1 Compositional range of glauconite and celadonite and compositions of representative glauconite, (input after Duplay and Buatier, 1990).

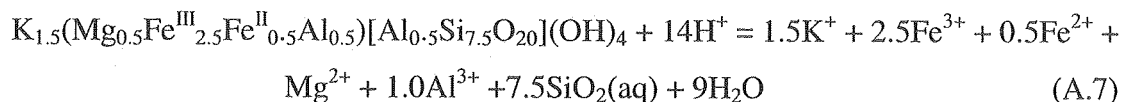
Estimation of the Thermodynamic Properties of Glauconite

The thermodynamic properties of glauconite were estimated through the following steps:

- (1) Calculation of the solubility product based on the assumption of invariant equilibrium at constant pressure and temperature (25 °C and 1 bar) with coexisting diagenetic minerals. The selected mineral assemblage is based on field associations reported in the literature and consistent with Gibbs' phase rule. Calculations are facilitated using the EQ3/6 v. 7.2b code.
- (2) Calculation of $DG_{f, Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$ (glauconite).
- (3) Calculation of V° (glauconite) from unit cell parameter data.
- (4) Estimation of $S_{Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$ (glauconite).
- (5) Calculation of $DH_{f, Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$ using Eqn. A.1.
- (6) Calculation of the Maier-Kelley heat capacity coefficients using a summation of the coefficients of the oxides.
- (7) Incorporation of output from 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 in the SUPCRT92 SPRONS96.dat thermodynamic database.
- (8) Calculation of $\log K_{SP}(T)$ at discrete temperatures suitable for insertion in the TOUGHREACT database.

These steps are described in greater detail in the following sections.

Calculation of K_{SP} and $DG_{f, Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$ (glauconite) The dissolution reaction of glauconite with the chosen composition can be written as follows:



Where:

$$K_S(\text{glaucanite}) = \{[K^+]^{1.5}[Fe^{3+}]^{2.5}[Fe^{2+}]^{0.5}[Mg^{2+}]^{0.5}[Al^3][SiO_2(aq)]^{7.5}[H_2O]^9\}/[H^+]^{14} \quad (\text{A.8})$$

From field observations, (i.e., see the descriptions summarized in Tables A.1. and A.2.), it is assumed that glauconite can coexist in stable equilibrium with the mineral assemblage and aqueous species at 25 °C and one bar pressure, as shown in table A.4:

Table A.4. Aqueous Phase Composition in Equilibrium with an Invariant Mineral Assemblage Containing Glauconite

Species	Initial Aqueous Concentration, mg/L (1)	Mineral Phase	Final Aqueous Concentration
H ⁺	balance		7.56
Na ⁺	45.8		45.8 mg/L
K ⁺		K-feldspar	9.98
Mg ²⁺		dolomite	2.30
Ca ²⁺		calcite	27.64
Fe ²⁺		siderite	1.39
Al ³⁺		illite	0.937E-03
Fe ³⁺		goethite	2.0E-7
SiO ₂ (aq)		quartz	6.05
Cl ⁻	100.0		100.0
CO ₃ ²⁻	140.4		140.4
SO ₄ ²⁻	18.4		18.4

(1) Aqueous species concentrations arbitrarily set for pore waters in glauconitic sandstone.

The distribution of aqueous species in solution in equilibrium with the coexisting solid phases and specified aqueous basis species was calculated using EQ3/6 v. 7.2b code, and the resultant basis species concentrations are reported in column 4 of Table A.4.

At saturation, $[\text{Log}K_{SP}/\text{Log}Q_{SP}](\text{glaucanite}) = 0$, where $\text{Log}Q_{SP}$ is the ion activity product of glauconite in solution. The calculated $\text{Log}K_{SP}(\text{glaucanite}) = -6.2001$ at 25 °C, from which can be calculated $\Delta G_{f, T, Pr}^{\circ}(\text{glaucanite}) = -2,305,847$ cal.

Calculation of $V^{\circ}(\text{glaucanite})$

$V^{\circ}(\text{glaucanite})$ was calculated from the unit cell parameters for the monoclinic cell reported by Deer et al. (1962).

Table A.5. Parameters used in the Calculation of V° (glaucanite)

Formula = $K(1.50)Fe(3.00)Al(1.00)Si(7.50)Mg(0.50)O(24.00)h(4.00)$

gram formula weight = $863.98094 \text{ g.mol}^{-1}$

cell is assumed to be monoclinic

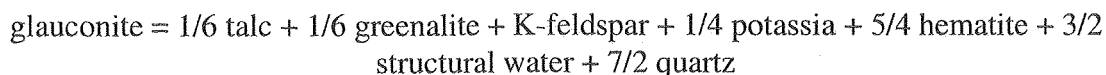
a (Å)	5.25000
b	9.09000
c	10.03000
beta (deg.)	100.00000
z (-)	1.00000
cell volume =	$4.71388E-22 \text{ (cm}^3\text{)}$
gram molar volume =	$2.839973E+02 \text{ (cm}^3\text{)}$
density =	$3.042216E+00 \text{ (g. cm}^{-3}\text{)}$

Estimation of $S^{\circ}_{Tr, Pr}$ (glaucanite)

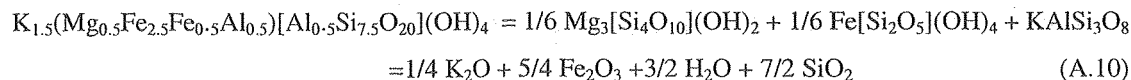
$S^{\circ}_{Pr, Tr}$ (glaucanite) was calculated using the equation developed by Helgeson et al. (1978) (Eqn. 62, p.45), where:

$$S^{\circ}_{I, Pr, Tr} = [S^{\circ}_{I, Pr, Tr}(V^{\circ}_{s, I, Pr, Tr} + V^{\circ}_{I, Pr, Tr}) / 2V^{\circ}_{s, I, Pr, Tr}] \quad (\text{A.9})$$

and where the subscript, s, refers to the sum of the DS°_r or DV°_r of reaction and S° or V° of the unknown mineral, i. The equation chosen for the purpose is as follows:



or



Data used in the calculation are summarized in table A.6. All data except for structural water and glaucanite were compiled from the SPRONS96.DAT file of SUPCRT92 (Johnson et al., 1991). The structural water parameters were taken from Helgeson et al. (1978) and the glaucanite data are from this study.

Table A.6. Parameters used in the Calculation of $S^{\circ}_{\text{Pr,Tr}}(\text{glaucouite})$

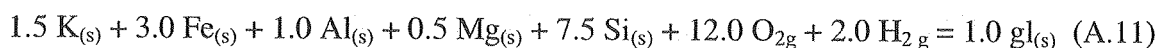
Mineral	V° $\text{cm}^3 \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$	$S^{\circ}_{\text{Pr,Tr}}$ $\text{cal} \cdot \text{K}^{-1} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$
talc	136.25	62.34
greenalite	115.0	72.6
K-feldspar	108.87	51.13
potassia	40.38	22.5
hematite	30.274	20.94
quartz	22.688	9.880
structural water	13.7	9.6
gl + reaction	298.64	154.40
glaucouite	284.0	150.615

The calculation yielded the following result:

$$S^{\circ}_{\text{Pr,Tr}}(\text{glaucouite}) = 156.615 \text{ cal} \cdot \text{K}^{-1} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$$

Calculation of $DH^{\circ}_{\text{f,Tr,Pr}}$

The entropy of formation, $D S^{\circ}_{\text{f,Pr,Tr}}(\text{glaucouite})$, is based on the reaction:



using the values given in Table A.7.

Table A.7. Parameters used in the calculation of $\Delta S^{\circ}_{\text{f,Pr,Tr}}(\text{glaucouite})$

Element	S° , $\text{cal} \cdot \text{K}^{-1} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$	Source
$\text{K}_{(s)}$	15.46	Robie et al. (1979)
$\text{Fe}_{(s)}$	6.52	Johnson et al. (1991)
$\text{Al}_{(s)}$	6.78	Robie et al. (1979)
$\text{Mg}_{(s)}$	14.98	Robie et al. (1979)
$\text{Si}_{(s)}$	4.50	Robie et al. (1979)
O_{2g}	49.03	Johnson et al. (1991)
H_{2g}	31.23	Johnson et al. (1991)
$\text{gl}_{(s)}$	156.615	This study

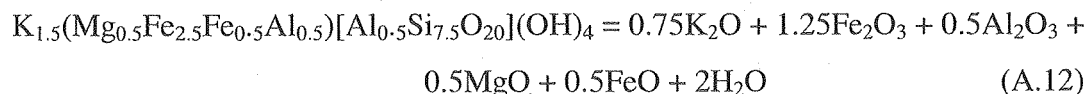
Where $D S^{\circ}_{\text{f,Pr,Tr}}(\text{glaucouite}) = -579.97 \text{ cal} \cdot \text{K}^{-1} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$.

Substituting the above value and that of $DG^{\circ}_{\text{f,Tr,Pr}}(\text{glaucouite})$, derived above, in Eqn A.1,

$$DH^{\circ}_{\text{f,Tr,Pr}}(\text{glaucouite}) = -2,478,768.0 \text{ cal} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$$

Calculation of the Maier-Kelley Heat Capacity Coefficients

It is assumed that DC_p of the following reaction is zero:



Thus, $C_p(\text{glaucanite})$ at any temperature is the sum of the C_p 's of the component oxides multiplied by their stoichiometric coefficients. Table A.8. lists the parameters used, which were taken from the SPRONS96.DAT file of SUPCRT92 (Johnson et al., 1991).

Table A.8. Calculation of $C_p(\text{glaucanite})$.

Oxide	Stoichiometric Coefficient	Maier-Kelley C_p Coefficients		
		a	b	c
K ₂ O	0.75	18.51	8.65	-0.88
Fe ₂ O ₃ (hm)	1.25	23.49	18.6	-3.55
Al ₂ O ₃ (co)	0.5	21.742	11.065	-5.365
MgO(per)	0.5	10.18	1.74	-1.48
FeO	0.5	12.122	2.072	-0.75
SiO ₂ (qtz)	7.5	11.22	8.2	-2.7
H ₂ O(struct)	2	7.1	8.24	0
glaucanite	1	163.63	115.16	-26.15

Calculation of Log K_{SP} and Generation of EQ3/6 Data0.Dat Database Insert

The thermodynamic data generated as described above were incorporated in the SPRONS96.dat data base of the SUPCRT92 code, and the thermodynamic parameters of the solubility reaction (Eqn A.7) were generated along the saturation surface of the aqueous phase between 0 and 300 °C. Values of Log $K_{SP}(\text{glaucanite})$ at discrete temperature intervals, as shown in Table A.9. were inserted in the thermodynamic database for the TOUGHREACT code.

Table A.9. Log K_{SP} (glaucanite) at Discrete Temperatures along the Water Saturation Curve.

Temperature, °C	Log K_{sp} (glaucanite)
0	-5.5521
25	-6.2001
60	-8.6018
100	-11.515
150	-14.723
200	-17.692
250	-20.336
300	-22.951

Comparison between $DG_{f, Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$ (glaucanite) from Paragenesis with that based on the Method of Chermak and Rimstidt (1989)

An alternative approach for calculating $DG_{f, Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$ (glaucanite) is to use the method of Chermak and Rimstidt (1989). In this method, it is assumed that a good approximation for the thermodynamic properties of any phase is equivalent to the sum of the properties of the oxide or hydroxide components. Table A.10 summarizes the pertinent calculations for three alternative computation schemes. Agreement between $DG_{f, Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$ (glaucanite), calculated by the method of Chermak and Rimstidt (1989), and assuming all Fe^{3+} is found in the octahedral sites (Case 1), and that from natural glaucanite paragenesis is good, i.e., $-229.4 \text{ kcal.mol}^{-1}$ versus $-230.5 \text{ kcal.mol}^{-1}$, or a discrepancy of 0.5 percent.

Table A.10
 Calculation of Gibbs free energy of glauconite using the method
 of Chermack and Rimstidt 1989 (Amer. Miner., 74, 1023-1031)
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Note: lookup table for free energies and enthalpies of each polyhedron is on separate sheet "gi hi data"

Glaucosite K1.5(FeIII)2.5 FeII 0.5 AlO.5 Mg0.5) AlO.5 Si7.5 O20 (OH)4
 Composition from J. Apps

Split Fe(III) into Fe2O3 and Fe(OH)3 (best ? but data from Fe(OH)3 may have large error ?)

stoic. coef.	oxides	coefficient	dG (kJ/mol)	error (kJ/mol)
0.25	(4)Al2O3	1.00000	-407.8	3.3
0.25	(6)Al2O3	0.66667	-265.8	2.6
0.5	(6)Al(OH)3	0.33333	-196.9	2.2
7.5	(4)SiO2	1.00000	-6404.6	34.5
0.5	(6)MgO	0.66667	-209.6	3.5
0.5	(6)Mg(OH)2	0.33333	-142.0	1.7
0	(6)CaO	1.00000	0.0	0.0
0	(8-2)CaO	1.00000	0.0	0.0
0	(6-8)Na2O	1.00000	0.0	0.0
0.75	(8-12)K2O	1.00000	-542.2	20.6
0	H2O	1.00000	0.0	0.0
0.5	(6)FeO	0.66667	-88.8	2.3
0.5	(6)Fe(OH)2	0.33333	-90.3	4.1
1.25	(6)Fe2O3	0.66667	-646.7	27.5
2.5	(6)Fe(OH)3	0.33333	-604.2	0.0 no error given

dGf > -9598.9 kJ/mol
 dGf > -2294202.1 cal/mol
 % error 1.06

dHf > -10384.2 kJ/mol
 dHf > -2481880.6 cal/mol
 % error 0.81

All Fe(III) as Fe2O3

stoic. coef.	oxides	coefficient	dG (kJ/mol)	error (kJ/mol)
0.25	(4)Al2O3	1.00000	-407.8	3.3
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0.5	(6)MgO	0.66667	-209.6	3.5
0.5	(6)Mg(OH)2	0.33333	-142.0	1.7
0	(6)CaO	1.00000	0.0	0.0
0	(8-2)CaO	1.00000	0.0	0.0
0	(6-8)Na2O	1.00000	0.0	0.0
0.75	(8-12)K2O	1.00000	-542.2	20.6
0	H2O	1.00000	0.0	0.0
0.5	(6)FeO	0.66667	-88.8	2.3
0.5	(6)Fe(OH)2	0.33333	-90.3	4.1
1.25	(6)Fe2O3	1.00000	-970.1	41.3
2.5	(6)Fe(OH)3	0.00000	0.0	0.0 no error given

dGf > -9318.1 kJ/mol
 dGf > -2227088.3 cal/mol
 % error 1.24

dHf > -10061.5 kJ/mol
 dHf > -2404759.4 cal/mol
 % error 0.98

All Fe(III) as Fe(OH)3

stoic. coef.	oxides	coefficient	dG (kJ/mol)	error (kJ/mol)
0.25	(4)Al2O3	1.00000	-407.8	3.3
0.25	(6)Al2O3	0.66667	-265.8	2.6
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0.5	(6)MgO	0.66667	-209.6	3.5
0.5	(6)Mg(OH)2	0.33333	-142.0	1.7
0	(6)CaO	1.00000	0.0	0.0
0	(8-z)CaO	1.00000	0.0	0.0
0	(6-8)Na2O	1.00000	0.0	0.0
0.75	(8-12)K2O	1.00000	-542.2	20.6
0	H2O	1.00000	0.0	0.0
0.5	(6)FeO	0.66667	-88.8	2.3
0.5	(6)Fe(OH)2	0.33333	-90.3	4.1
1.25	(6)Fe2O3	0.00000	0.0	0.0
2.5	(6)Fe(OH)3	1.00000	-1812.5	0.0 no error given

dGf > -10160.6 kJ/mol 75
dGf > -2428429.7 cal/mol 17860

% error 0.74

dG (kJ/mol)	error (kJ/mol)
-429.1	2.8
-281.7	2.7
-219.9	2.0
-6832.3	24.0
-220.0	2.6
-156.9	1.5
0.0	0.0
0.0	0.0
0.0	0.0
0.0	0.0
-551.4	15.8
0.0	0.0
-96.9	1.8
-99.3	1.4
0.0	0.0
-2142.0	0.0 no error given

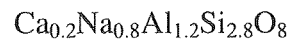
dHf > -11029.5 kJ/mol 55
dHf > -2636122.9 cal/mol 13044

% error 0.49

A.4. Oligoclase

Detrital plagioclase in most sediments is typically oligoclase in composition. Oligoclase is usually derived from the weathering of igneous rocks of granitic or granodioritic composition. Calculation of the thermodynamic properties of oligoclase is facilitated by the availability of calorimetric data in the form of the enthalpies of solution of high structural state plagioclases (Newton et al., 1980), from which the cited authors computed expressions for the excess enthalpy of mixing, DH^{ex} , and the Gibbs free energy of mixing, DG^{mix} , respectively for the anorthite ($CaAl_2Si_2O_8$) – albite ($NaAlSi_3O_8$) series.

For convenience, and because it closely represents the composition of oligoclase actually found in many arkosic and characteristic sandstones, the following stoichiometry was chosen for oligoclase:



However, for practical purposes, a stoichiometry with 40 oxygens was chosen to represent the thermodynamic properties:



A complete set of thermochemical properties for oligoclase were estimated through the following steps:

- (1) Calculation of $DG_{f, Tr, Pr}^o$ (oligoclase)
- (2) Calculation of V^o (oligoclase) from unit cell parameter data
- (3) Estimation of $S_{Tr, Pr}^o$ (oligoclase)
- (4) Calculation of $DH_{f, Tr, Pr}^o$ using Eqn. A.1.
- (5) Calculation of the Maier-Kelley heat capacity coefficients using a summation of the coefficients of the oxides.
- (6) Incorporation of output from 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 in the SUPCRT92

SPRONS96.dat thermodynamic database.

- (7) Calculation of $\log K_{SP}(T)$ (oligoclase) at discrete temperatures along the water saturation surface for insertion in the TOUGHREACT database.

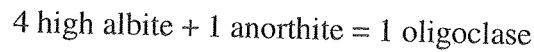
These steps are described in greater detail in the following sections.

Calculation of $DG_{f, Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$ (oligoclase)

$DG_{f, Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$ (oligoclase) was computed in two steps:

- (1) Calculation of $DG_{f, Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$ of the physical mixture of anorthite and high albite corresponding to the stoichiometry of oligoclase.
- (2) Incorporation of the correction for the Gibbs free energy of mixing, DG^{mix} .

From the SUPCRT92 SPRONS96.DAT, $DG_{f, Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$ for anorthite and high albite are -954078.0 and -884509.0 cal.mol⁻¹ respectively. Assuming:



we get:

$$DG_{f, Tr, Pr}^{\circ}(\text{physical mixture}) = -4,492,114.0 \text{ cal.mol}^{-1}$$

From Newton et al. (1980), DG^{mix} (oligoclase) = -3,977.0 cal.mol⁻¹. Hence, $DG_{f, Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$ (oligoclase) is the sum of the $DG_{f, Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$ (physical mixture) and DG^{mix} (oligoclase):

$$DG_{f, Tr, Pr}^{\circ}(\text{oligoclase}) = -4,496,092.0 \text{ cal.mol}^{-1}$$

Calculation of V° (oligoclase)

V° (oligoclase) was calculated from the unit cell parameters for the triclinic cell reported by Newton et al. (1980)

Table A.11. Parameters used in the Calculation of V° (oligoclase)

molecular formula = Ca(0.20)Na(0.80)Al(1.20)Si(2.80)O(8.00)

gram formula weight = 265.42026 g.mol⁻¹

cell volume is calculated assuming a triclinic cell.

a (Å) = 8.15700

b = 12.87300

c = 7.10900

alpha = 93.50200

beta = 116.36100

gamma = 90.23200

z = 4.00000

cell volume = 6.67222E-22 (cm³)

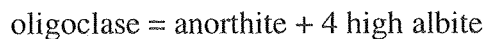
gram molar volume = 1.004953E+02 (cm³)

density = 2.641122E+00 (g.cm⁻³)

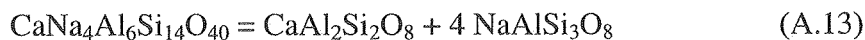
The gram molar volume of oligoclase with a cell containing 40 oxygens is 502.48 cm³.

Estimation of $S^{\circ}_{Tr,Pr}$ (oligoclase)

The entropy of oligoclase, $S^{\circ}_{Pr,Tr}$, was calculated using Eqn. A.9. The equation chosen for the purpose is as follows:



or



Data used in the calculation are summarized in table A.12. All data for V° were calculated from cell constants given by Newton et al. (1980).

Table A.12. Parameters used in the Calculation of $S^{\circ}_{Tr,Pr}$ (oligoclase)

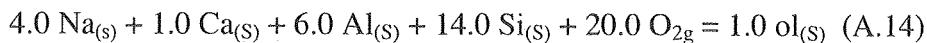
Mineral	V° , cm ³ /mol.	S° , cal.K ⁻¹ .mol. ⁻¹
anorthite (8 O)	100.885	49.100
high albite (8 O)	100.452	52.300
oligoclase (40 O)	502.477	258.24

The calculation yielded the following result:

$$S^{\circ}_{Pr,Tr}(\text{oligoclase}) = 258.24 \text{ cal.K}^{-1}.\text{mol.}^{-1}$$

Calculation of $DH_{f,Tr,Pr}^{\circ}$ (oligoclase)

The entropy of formation, $D S_{f,Pr,Tr}^{\circ}$ (oligoclase), is based on the reaction:



using the values given in Table A.13.

Table A.13. Parameters used in the calculation of $D S_{f,Pr,Tr}^{\circ}$ (oligoclase).

Element	S° , cal.K ⁻¹ .mol ⁻¹	Source
Na _(s)	12.26	Robie et al. (1979)
Ca _(s)	9.95	Robie et al. (1979)
Al _(s)	6.78	Robie et al. (1979)
Si _(s)	4.50	Robie et al. (1979)
O _{2g}	49.03	Johnson et al. (1991)
H _{2g}	31.23	Johnson et al. (1991)
ol _(s)	156.615	This study

Where $D S_{f,Pr,Tr}^{\circ}$ (oligoclase) = -885.01 cal.K⁻¹.mol⁻¹.

Substituting the above value and that of $DG_{f,Tr,Pr}^{\circ}$ (oligoclase), derived above, in Eqn A.1,

$$DH_{f,Tr,Pr}^{\circ}(\text{oligoclase}) = -4,759,958.0 \text{ cal.mol}^{-1}$$

Calculation of the Maier-Kelley Heat Capacity Coefficients

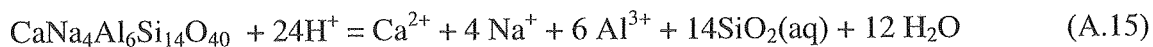
It is assumed that DC_P of reaction A.13 is zero. Thus, C_P (oligoclase) at any temperature is the sum of the C_P 's of the end member plagioclase components multiplied by their stoichiometric coefficients taken from the SPRONS96.DAT file of SUPCRT92 (Johnson et al., 1991). (see Table A.14).

Table A.14. Calculation of C_P (oligoclase)

Plagioclase	Stoichiometric	Maier-Kelley C_P Coefficients		
		a	b	c
anorthite	1	63.31	14.79	-15.44
high albite	4	61.70	13.90	-15.01
oligoclase	1	310.11	70.39	-75.48

Calculation of LogK_{SP}(oligoclase) and Generation of EQ3/6 Data0.Dat Database Insert

The thermodynamic data generated as described above were incorporated in the SPRONS96.dat database of the SUPCRT92 code, and the thermodynamic parameters of the solubility reaction:



were generated along the saturation surface of the aqueous phase between 0 and 300 °C. Values of Log K_{SP}(oligoclase) at discrete temperature intervals, as shown in Table A.9. were inserted in the thermodynamic database for the TOUGHREACT code.

Table A.15. Log K_{SP}(oligoclase) at Discrete Temperatures along the Water Saturation Curve

Temperature, °C	Log K _{SP} (oligoclase)
0	47.057
25	39.971
60	28.910
100	17.548
150	5.823
200	-4.121
250	-12.511
300	-20.113

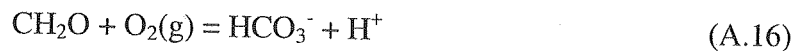
A.5. Organic Matter

Organic matter in sediments consists of a wide array of complex organic compounds including hydrocarbons, resins, organic acids, alcohols, aldehydes and ketones of aliphatic or aromatic structure, commonly with attached functional groups containing nitrogen and sulfur. During burial and diagenesis, organic matter undergoes “maturation”, where it decomposes into complex liquid aliphatic or aromatic hydrocarbons, and a smaller proportion of “condensable” and non-condensable short-chain hydrocarbons together with a carbon rich residue and carbon dioxide. Ultimately, with increasing temperature and depth of burial, the organic matter decomposes into end

product bitumen, methane gas and smaller quantities of carbon dioxide.

Organic matter can profoundly influence the course of diagenesis, as it can reduce sulfates to sulfide, nitrogen, nitrite and nitrate to ammonia, water to methane, ferric iron to ferrous iron, and manganic compounds to manganoous compounds. In the process, secondary metastable carbon-rich compounds (e.g. bitumen) are formed together with carbon dioxide. Maturation of organic is very complex and would require much study and evaluation to produce a model that would even approximately simulate the process. Such is quite beyond the scope of the present study, and therefore, some approximation is required in order to mimic at least in part the relevant redox processes observed in the field.

Organic matter was treated as a simple sugar with the formula, CH₂O. This compound decomposes according to the reaction:



Log $K_{\text{SP}}(\text{organic})$ was set at +60.000 for all temperatures. This value was set sufficiently high to ensure that organic matter would always remain unstable with respect to all reaction products. In other words, organic matter will always be a reactant, never a product in TOUGHREACT simulations.

A.6. Further Developments

During preparation of this appendix, additional ideas and observations came to mind that would be worth exploring in greater detail at some future date. The first of these concerns an alternative calculation of $\text{DG}_{\text{f, Tr, Pr}}^{\circ}$ of glauconite in an environment typical of glauconite authigenesis under marine conditions. In this environment, it would be assumed that the activity of K^+ and Mg^{2+} would be controlled by sea water, $\text{SiO}_2(\text{aq})$ would be set for opal-A, Fe^{3+} would be defined by goethite or other secondary ferric oxyhydroxide such as ferrihydrite, and Al^{3+} by smectite. This simulation would overcome some of the difficulties associated with the simulation presented in this appendix,

particularly in relation to the pyrite supersaturation. The simulation in this appendix was also conducted using an EQ3/6 Data0.dat database, incorporating an obsolete value for the solubility of quartz. A revision of this $\log K_{sp}(\text{quartz})$ would modify the calculated $DG_{f, Tr, P}^{\circ}$ of glauconite. Another test would be to repeat the thermodynamic calculations for estimating $DG_{f, Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$ and $DH_{f, Tr, Pr}^{\circ}$ using the calculational method of Chermak and Rimstidt (1989 using refined values of g_i and h_i for the $\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_3$ component in the glauconite.

Finally, the literature cited in tables A.1, A.2 and A.3 should be reviewed more thoroughly for clues concerning glauconite paragenesis and alteration during diagenesis.

Appendix B. Availability of Rock-forming Chemical Components that Can Sequester Carbon Dioxide as Solid Carbonates.

Sequestration or fixation of carbon dioxide in subsurface rock formations depends on the availability and quantities of metal oxide components that can react with carbon dioxide to form solid carbonates with low solubility. Table B.1 gives a list of the elements of these oxide components, and their absolute abundance in the earth's crust. Only a limited suite of rock forming chemical components possesses the required properties. In order of abundance, they are FeO, CaO, MgO, MnO, SrO and BaO. At elevated temperatures, these components combine with silica, and sometimes in combination with alumina, to form minerals that compose common igneous and metamorphic rocks. When these rocks weather under conditions at or near the earth's surface, the primary rock forming minerals decompose at various rates, and react with carbon dioxide in the atmosphere to produce secondary carbonates. Upon exposure to the atmosphere, FeO and MnO components react with oxygen to form trivalent or tetravalent oxides respectively, which do not react to form carbonates. Both FeO and MnO are therefore able to sequester carbon dioxide only under low temperature reducing conditions, such as might occur in buried sedimentary rocks containing reducing agents such as organic residues. The alkali earth metal oxides, CaO, SrO and BaO can also form low-solubility sulfates, the relative stability of the carbonate or sulfate being determined by the potentials of CO₂ or SO₃ in a given environment.

Table B.1. Concentration of carbonate forming elements in the earth's crust

Element	Concentration, ppm
Fe	50,000
Ca	36,300
Mg	20,900
Mn	1,000
Sr	450
Ba	400
Ni	80
Zn	65
Cu	45
Co	23
Pb	15

Source: Mason (1958)

The abundance and availability of sequestering oxide components depends on the nature of the rock and the rock forming minerals containing those components. These minerals can be conveniently divided into classes with similar crystal structures:

Framework Silicates

- **Plagioclase**
- Barium feldspars
- Sodalite
- Cancrinite
- Scapolite
- Zeolite Group

Ortho and ring silicates

- **Olivine Group**
- Garnet group
- Epidote group

- Melilite group
- Calcium
- Borosilicates
- Various calcium-containing metamorphic minerals (stauolite, vesuvianite, sphene, chloritoid, lawsonite, pumpellyite, cordierite)

Chain Silicates

- **Pyroxene group**
- **Amphibole group**
- Wollastonite
- Pectolite
- Rhodonite
- Pyrox-manganite

Sheet silicates

- **Mica Group**
- **Septechlorite group**
- **Chlorite group**
- **Clay Minerals**
- **Talc**
- Stilpnomelate
- **Serpentine**
- Apophyllite
- Prehnite

The above classification has been abstracted from Deer et al. (1963a, b, c, d, and e). Other classifications of the rock-forming minerals may differ in detail. The bold-faced minerals or mineral groups are most abundant. The abundance of a given mineral or

mineral group depends both on the bulk composition of the rock and the nature of its formation. Thus olivines characteristically are major constituents of rocks forming depleted mantle, such as the ultramafic rock, dunite. Serpentine is a major constituent of serpentinite, which is an alteration product of ultramafic rock such as dunite. Both rock types are exposed at the earth's surface primarily in active tectonic regions, but are relatively uncommon elsewhere.

Table B.2 lists the major mineral series within each group and specifies the maximum quantity of carbon dioxide that could be sequestered by each mineral. The potential values are calculated by assuming complete alteration of the primary minerals.

Table B.2. Carbon dioxide sequestration potential of major rock forming minerals

Mineral Name	Mineral Formula	Potential CO ₂ Fixed, kg/m ³ mineral
Plagioclase (anorthite)	Ca[Al ₂ Si ₂ O ₈]	436.4
Ba-Feldspar-Celsian	Ba[Al ₂ Si ₂ O ₈]	398.2
Sodalite Group-Hauyne	(Ca) ₄ [Al ₆ Si ₆ O ₂₄](SO ₄)	383.8
Cancrinite	(Ca) _{1.5} [Al ₆ Si ₆ O ₂₄](CO ₃) _{1.5} .1.5H ₂ O	132.5
Scapolite (meionite)	(Ca) ₄ [Al ₆ Si ₆ O ₂₄](CO ₃)	387.3
Zeolites-Heulandite	Ca ₄ Na[Al ₉ Si ₂₇ O ₇₂].24H ₂ O	138.4
-Laumontite	Ca[Al ₂ Si ₄ O ₁₂].6H ₂ O	208.1
-Scolecite	Ca[Al ₂ Si ₃ O ₁₀].3H ₂ O	254.9
-Chabazite	(Ca,Na ₂)[Al ₂ Si ₄ O ₁₂].6H ₂ O	176.5
-Thomsonite	NaCa ₂ [Al ₅ Si ₅ O ₂₀].6H ₂ O	258.7
Olivine (forsterite-fayalite)	Mg ₂ SiO ₄ - Fe ₂ SiO ₄	2014.7-1896.3
Garnet Group-Almandine	Fe(II) ₃ Al ₂ Si ₃ O ₁₂	1144.7
-Andradite	Ca ₃ Fe(III) ₂ Si ₃ O ₁₂	1002.3
-Grossular	Ca ₃ Al ₂ Si ₃ O ₁₂	1053.1
-Pyrope	Mg ₃ Al ₂ Si ₃ O ₁₂	1164.9
-	Ca ₃ Al ₂ Si ₂ O ₈ (OH) ₄	974.8
Hydrogrossular		
Epidote Group-Epidote	Ca ₂ Fe(III)Al ₂ O.OH[Si ₂ O ₇][SiO ₄]	628.8
Melilite Group-Gehlenite	Ca ₂ [Al ₂ SiO ₇]	972.4
-Akermanite	Mg ₂ [AlSi ₂ O ₇]	1423.0
Ca Borosilicates-Datolite	CaB[SiO ₄](OH)	825.6
Staurolite	(Fe(II),Mg) ₂ (Al,Fe(III)) ₉ O ₆ [SiO ₄] ₂ (O,OH) ₄	394.7
Vesuvianite	Ca ₁₀ (Fe(II),Mg) ₂ (Al,Fe(III))Al ₃ O ₂ [SiO ₄] ₂ (OH) ₄	1167.0
Chloritoid	(Mg,Fe) ₂ Al ₄ [Si ₂ O ₇][SiO ₄] ₈ (OH) ₄	629.8
Lawsonite	CaAl ₂ (OH) ₂ [Si ₂ O ₇]H ₂ O	422.7
Pumpellyite	Ca ₄ (Mg,Fe(II))(Al,Fe(III)) ₅ (OH) ₃ [Si ₂ O ₇] ₂ [SiO ₄] ₂ .2 H ₂ O	735.6
Cordierite	Al ₃ (Mg,Fe(II)) ₂ [Si ₅ O ₁₈]	749.4
Pyroxene group-Enstatite	(Mg,Fe) ₂ Si ₂ O ₆	1404.2
-Diopside- Hedenbergite	CaMgSi ₂ O ₆ -Ca(Mg,Fe(II))Si ₂ O ₆	1334.3-1290.3
Augite	(Ca,Mg,Fe(II),Al) ₂ (Si,Al) ₂ O ₆	1306.3
Pigeonite	(Mg,Fe(II),Ca)(Mg,Fe(II)),Fe(III),Al)Si ₂ O ₆	1345.4
Amphibole group- Anthophyllite- Cummingtonite	(Mg,Fe(II),Fe(III)) ₅₋₇ Al ₀₋₂ [Si ₆₋₈ Al ₂₋₀ O ₂₂](OH) ₂	1169.5-1041.8
Common Hornblende	Ca ₂ Na ₀₋₁ (Mg,Fe(II)) ₃₋₅ (Al,Fe(III)) ₂₋₀ [Si ₆₋₈ Al ₂₋₀ O ₂₂](O,OH) ₂	1000.4
-Calcium Amphiboles-tremolite	Ca ₂ Na ₀₋₁ (Mg,Fe(II)) ₃₋₅ (Al,Fe(III)) ₂₋₀ [Si ₆₋₈ Al ₂₋₀ O ₂₂](O,OH) ₂	1119.3
-Alkali	Na ₂₋₃ Ca ₀₋₁ (Mg,Fe(II)) ₅₋₃ (Al,Fe(III)) ₀₋₂ Si ₇₋₈ Al ₁₋	496.3

Amphiboles-glaucophane	$_{0}O_{22}](O,OH)_2$	
Wollastonite	$CaSiO_3$	1097.1
Pectolite	$Ca_2NaH[SiO_3]_3$	761.1
Mica group-Glaucconite	$(K,Na,Ca)_{1.2-2.0}(Fe(III),Al,Fe(II),Mg)_{4.0}[Si_{7-7.6}Al_{1-0.4}O_{20}](OH)_{4.0}.nH_2O$	61.97
Mica group-Phlogopite	$K_2(Mg,Fe(II))_6[Si_6Al_2O_{20}](OH)_4$	881.8
Mica group-Biotite	$K_2(Mg,Fe(II))_{6-4}(Fe(III),Al)_{0-2}[Si_{6-5}Al_{2-3}O_{20}](OH)_{4-2}$	671.0
Mica group-Margarite	$Ca_2Al_4[Si_4Al_4O_{20}](OH)_4$	328.6
Septechlorite Group		
-Serpentine	$Mg_6Si_4O_{10}(OH)_8$	1232.7
-Greenalite	$Fe(II)_6Si_4O_{10}(OH)_8$	1140.1
Chlorite Group	$(Mg,Al,Fe(II))_{12}(Si,Al)_8O_{20}(OH)_{16}$	923.4
Clay Minerals-illite	$K_{1-1.5}(Fe(III),Al,Fe(II),Mg)_{4.0}[Si_{7-6.5}Al_{1-1.5}O_{20}](OH)_4$	78.42
Clay Minerals-smectite	$(1/2Ca,Na)_{0.7}(Al,Mg,Fe)_4(Si,Al)_8O_{20}(OH)_{4.0}.nH_2O$	161.2
Talc	$Mg_6[Si_8O_{20}](OH)_4$	1061.2
Stilpnomelane	$(K,Na,Ca)_{0-1.4}(Fe(III), Fe(II), Mg,Al,Mn)_{5.9-8.2}.[Si_8O_{20}](OH)_{4.0}(O,OH,H_2O)_{3.6-8.5}$	266.5
Prehnite	$Ca_2Al[AlSi_3O_{10}](OH)_2$	626.9

Notes

- (1) Many of the above minerals are solid solutions whose compositions vary depending on the bulk composition and prior history of the host rock
 - (2) Some of the mineral groups are represented only by typical examples rather than being comprehensive, such as the zeolites, which contain many different structures.
 - (3) Minerals containing an essential component with low crustal abundance have been omitted.
 - (4) Minor non-essential substitutive components in solid solutions have been omitted
- ?5? Zeolite cell parameters used in the calculation of CO₂ sequestration potential, are from Gottardi and Galli (1985). All other cell parameters have been taken from Deer et al. (1963a, b, c, d, and e).

In assuming the value of minerals in the CO₂ sequestration process, several factors must be considered:

- The nature of the host rock, i.e. whether igneous, metamorphic, or sedimentary
- The origin of the mineral, whether primary, authigenic, detrital or secondary
- The effective reactivity of the mineral in the host rock. This is a function of the permeability and porosity of the host rock, the mineral specific surface area, the decomposition mechanism and rate, and whether or not reaction products interfere with continued decomposition.
- The mass fraction of reactive minerals in a given host rock.

- The accessibility of water in permitting mineral decomposition and reaction of the dissolved constituents with CO₂.

In general, in most plutonic igneous and metamorphic rock masses, the rock matrix permeability and porosity are very low. The permeability is determined primarily by the presence, type and orientation of fractures. Furthermore, the rock forming minerals are commonly quite coarsely crystalline and therefore slow to react, because the mineral specific surface area is low. Finally, if supercritical CO₂ were to be injected into the fractures, the availability of water would be limited to that in the pores of the rock matrix, which, in the course of time would be consumed by hydrated reaction by-products, thereby inhibiting mineral dissolution/precipitation and shutting down the sequestration process. Finally, the irregular shape and mass of such rock limits the extent to which injected CO₂ would be confined. In most cases, confinement is achieved by transecting faults sealed by fault gouge or metamorphic aureoles whose fractures are sealed by deuteritic minerals. Such confining structures are notoriously difficult either to characterize or identify in the field. Thus igneous and metamorphic rock bodies are normally unpromising hosts for subsurface disposal or sequestration of CO₂, despite their apparently favorable rating on purely chemical grounds.

Most extrusive igneous rocks are subject to similar limitations for the disposal of CO₂, particularly if they happen to be lavas. The most extensive are flood basalts, found covering large areas of the earth's surface in certain parts of the world. Basalts are commonly heavily fractured, and also possess vesicular porosity. Both microcrystalline groundmass and residual glass contain significant CaO, MgO and FeO. Therefore they could be favorable candidate host rocks for CO₂ sequestration. However, the generally low permeability and porosity of the matrix would suggest that reaction rates would be very low. If the basalt flows are buried and overlain by impermeable sedimentary cap rocks, they could be potential repositories of supercritical CO₂, particularly if tectonic deformation were to create structural traps. Mafic vitroclastic ash-fall tuffs (hyaloclastites) would be an even more favorable host rock for CO₂ sequestration, because their porosity and permeability would be very high. But their uncommon

occurrence and even less likely structural containment make such deposits unlikely candidates for CO₂ sequestration. Furthermore, their high reactivity causes hyaloclastites to decompose rapidly to secondary smectites, whose permeability is quite low.

The most likely candidates for CO₂ storage and sequestration are sedimentary aquifer rocks with relatively high porosity and permeability, such as sandstones. Their capacity for sequestration depends on the presence of detrital minerals containing reactive carbonate forming components. The major mineral forming any sandstone is, of course, quartz, which is essentially inert, the remaining detrital minerals being the weathering products of precursor igneous, metamorphic or sedimentary rocks. Minerals comprising precursor crystalline igneous and metamorphic rocks display varying resistance to weathering. Micas, some pyroxenes and amphiboles, plagioclase and potash feldspars, and some minerals characteristic of metamorphic terrains, such as the amphiboles and staurolite typically weather sufficiently slowly that they are incorporated in sedimentary formations before complete decomposition. Other minerals, such as olivine, weather relatively rapidly, and are rarely incorporated in sedimentary rocks. Those products of chemical weathering of primary rock-forming minerals that would react and sequester CO₂ are primarily phyllosilicates, such as clays, illite and smectite, septechlorites, chlorites and talc. These minerals can be incorporated as a minor detrital constituent of sandstones, or they are present as included lenses or confining shale layers.

Some authigenic minerals, such as glauconite, bertierine and authigenic iron sulfides could also play a role in CO₂ sequestration, but such minerals form under relatively restricted conditions, and while not uncommon, should be considered only on a case by case basis.

Appendix C. Main features of TOUGHREACT model

Present simulations are carried out using the non-isothermal reactive geochemical transport code TOUGHREACT (Xu and Pruess, 1998 and 2000). This model was developed by introducing reactive chemistry into the framework of the existing multi-phase fluid and heat flow code TOUGH2 (Pruess, 1991). The flow and transport in geologic media are based on space discretization by means of integral finite differences (Narasimhan and Witherspoon, 1976). An implicit time-weighting scheme is used for flow, transport, and geochemical reaction. TOUGHREACT uses a sequential iteration approach, which solves the transport and the reaction equations separately. TOUGHREACT can also be used for batch geochemical modeling. As only geochemical modeling features are used in the present simulations, so we only present TOUGHREACT features on geochemistry.

The system of chemical reaction equations is solved by a Newton-Raphson iterative method similar to that of Parkhurst (1980), Reed (1982), and Wolery (1992). Full details on numerical methods are given in Xu and Pruess (1998). The model can accommodate any number of chemical species present in liquid, gas and solid phases. Aqueous chemical complexation and gas (CO₂) dissolution/exsolution are considered under the local equilibrium assumption. Mineral dissolution/precipitation can proceed either subject to local equilibrium or kinetic conditions. Thermodynamic and kinetic data are functions of temperature. The formulation of chemical equilibrium is similar to that by Parkhurst (1980), Reed (1982), Yeh and Tripathi (1991), Wolery (1992), and Steefel and Lasaga (1994). The activity of aqueous species is equal to the product of the activity coefficient and molar concentration. Aqueous species activity coefficients with the exception of CO₂(aq) are calculated from the extended Debye-Hückel equation (Helgeson and Kirkham, 1974). The calculations of CO₂(aq) activity coefficient and CO₂(g) fugacity coefficient are presented in Appendix D. Activities of pure mineral phases and H₂O are assumed to be one. Mass conservation in the closed chemical system is written in terms of basis species. The species distribution must be governed by the total concentrations of

the components. The oxygen approach is used for formulating redox reactions, which is based on attributing the oxidizing potential to the dissolved oxygen (Nordstrom and Muñoz, 1986; Wolery, 1992).

For kinetically-controlled mineral dissolution and precipitation, a general form of rate law (Lasaga, 1984; and Steefel and Lasaga, 1994) is used

$$r_m = A_m k_m \left[1 - \left(\frac{Q_m}{K_m} \right)^\mu \right]^n \quad (C.1)$$

where m is mineral index, r_m is the dissolution/precipitation rate (positive values indicate dissolution, and negative values precipitation), A_m is the specific reactive surface area per kg H_2O , k_m is the rate constant (moles per unit mineral surface area and unit time) which is temperature dependent, K_m is the equilibrium constant for the mineral-water reaction written for the destruction of one mole of mineral m , Q_m is ion activity product, The parameters μ and n are two positive numbers normally determined by experiment, and are usually, but not always, taken equal to unity. The temperature dependence of the reaction rate constant can be expressed reasonably well via an Arrhenius equation (Lasaga, 1984; and Steefel and Lasaga, 1994). Since many rate constants are reported at 25 °C, it is convenient to approximate rate constant dependency as a function of temperature, thus

$$k = k_{25} \exp \left[\frac{-E_a}{R} \left(\frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{298.15} \right) \right] \quad (C.2)$$

where E_a is the activation energy, k_{25} is the rate constant at 25 °C, R is gas constant, and T is absolute temperature.

Appendix D. Treatment of CO₂ in the calculations

Interaction of gaseous and aqueous CO₂ species, CO₂(g) = CO₂(aq), is assumed at equilibrium. According to the mass-action law, we have

$$K\Gamma P = \gamma C \quad (\text{D.1})$$

where K is the equilibrium constant, Γ is the gaseous CO₂ fugacity coefficient, P is the partial pressure (bar), γ is the aqueous CO₂ activity coefficient, and C is the aqueous concentration (mol/kg H₂O).

Equilibrium constant K at different temperatures can be derived from the following expression:

$$\log K = b_1 \ln T + b_2 + b_3 T + \frac{b_4}{T} + \frac{b_5}{T^2} \quad (\text{D.2})$$

where the values of the coefficients b_1 , b_2 , b_3 , b_4 and b_5 are obtained from the logK values at 0, 25, 60, 100, 150, 200, 250, and 300°C. Based on logK values at these temperatures given in EQ3/6 geochemical database (Wolery, 1992), we obtained the following values of the coefficients: $b_1 = 65.48$, $b_2 = -425.5$, $b_3 = -0.05301$, $b_4 = 24010$, $b_5 = -1.22 \times 10^6$. We did not consider pressure dependence of K values. However, in the EQ3/6 database the pressure for log K values below 100°C is 1 bar and for those above 100°C is water saturated pressure.

At low pressures (in the range of atmospheric pressure), the gaseous species is assumed to behave as an ideal mixture, and the fugacity coefficient is assumed equal to unity. At higher temperatures and pressures, such as CO₂ deep aquifer disposal (as applies to the conditions presented here) and boiling conditions in hydrothermal systems, the assumption of ideal gas and ideal mixing behavior is not valid, and the fugacity coefficients should be corrected according to temperatures and pressures of the study system (Spycher and Reed, 1988). For the present H₂O-CO₂ mixture conditions, we

assume that H₂O and CO₂ are real gases, but ideal mix. According to Spycher and Reed (1988), the fugacity coefficients can be calculated from

$$\ln \Gamma = \left(\frac{a}{T^2} + \frac{b}{T} + c \right) P + \left(\frac{d}{T^2} + \frac{e}{T} + f \right) \frac{P^2}{2} \quad (\text{D.3})$$

where P is the total gas pressure (vapor and CO₂), T is absolute temperature, and a, b, c, d, e, and f are constants fitted from experimental data. For P-T ranges, 50-350 °C, up to 500 bars, the fitted constants have the following values: a = -1430.87, b = 3.598, c = -2.27376×10⁻³, d = 3.47644, e = -1.04247×10⁻², and f = 8.46271×10⁻⁶. Examples of equilibrium calculations between aqueous and gas phases show that ideal mixing of real gases is an adequate approximation in the above-mentioned P-T ranges (Spycher and Reed, 1988).

For low ionic strength solution, CO₂(aq) activity coefficient γ can be assumed equal to one. For high ionic strength sodium chloride solution, γ should be corrected (salting out effect). Here we use an activity coefficient expression of Drummond (1981) for the neutral CO₂(aq) species:

$$\ln \gamma = \left(C + FT + \frac{G}{T} \right) I - (E + HT) \left(\frac{I}{I+1} \right) \quad (\text{D.4})$$

where T is the absolute temperature, I is ionic strength (or sodium chloride molality), C, F, G, E, and H are constants (C=-1.0312, F=0.0012806, G=255.9, E=0.4445, and H=-0.001606). This expression was previously used in geochemical modeling codes EQ3/6 (Wolery, 1992). The ionic strength I is defined by

$$I = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i c_i z_i^2 \quad (\text{D.5})$$

where the summation is over all aqueous species, and c_i and z_i are concentration (mol/kg H₂O) and electrical charge of species i.

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