# ENHANCED ENERGY CONVERSION AS A RESULT OF FLUID-SOLID INTERACTION IN MICRO- AND NANOSCALE

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It is known that nano- and micromechanics require new approaches to right describing of surface-like phenomena which lead to an enhanced energy conversion. In this work, a general form of surface forces that consist of a contribution from both the friction and mobility components has been extended to collect the effects of bulk and surface motion of a fluid. Quite similar impact can be observed for a solid-fluid mixture, where the principle of effective stress for this new type of approach should be considered from the very beginning. The second motivation of our work is to present the multiscale domain of fluid-solid interaction which describes some "emergence effects" for materials with especially high volumetric surface densities.

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## 1. Introduction

Though the classical continuous mechanics theory is enormously useful, it does not take into account all the phenomena that occur in the fluid-solid interface at the micro- and nanoscale. Thus, new approaches in continuum thermodynamics with slip velocity, thermal transpiration and a variety of different "jump" phenomena on the surface like: temperature, concentration, pressure, electric potential, order parameter, etc., are developed with comparison to experimental results (Badur *et al.*, 2011, 2015; Henry and Minier, 2014; Kowalewski *et al.*, 2016; Lewandowski *et al.*, 2011; Nakielski *et al.*, 2015; Nitoń *et al.*, 2013; O'Hare *et al.*, 2007; Thomson and Trojan, 1997; Ziółkowski and Badur, 2014). Moreover, these surface processes, in general, lead to some enhancement of energy conversion in comparison to the bulk classical transport model (Badur *et al.*, 2015; Lemański and Karcz, 2008; Morini *et al.*, 2011; Nakielski *et al.*, 2015). A similar impact can be observed for porous saturated solids, when the Terzaghi principle of effective stress leads to a new situation in which the exchange of momentum and thermal energy in such continua undergo in a more complex manner (Badur *et al.*, 2011, 2015; Lemański and Karcz, 2008; Thomson and Trojan, 1997; Ziółkowski and Badur, 2014). The enhanced conversion of energy is observed in new micro- and nanodevices as outside devices which work in power plants.

Practically, we should use the surface phenomena to improve the exchange of mass, momentum and energy (Kucaba-Piętal *et al.*, 2009; Lemański and Karcz, 2008; Lewandowski *et al.*,

2011; Morini *et al.*, 2011; O'Hare *et al.*, 2007; Reese *et al.*, 2003; Thomson and Trojan, 1997; Ziółkowski and Badur, 2014). Also quite new challenges for accurate prediction and assessment of the material effort (the risk of fracture) are developed for these processes (Banaszkiewicz, 2015; Banaszkiewicz and Rehmus-Forc, 2015; Pęcherski *et al.*, 2011; Vadillo *et al.*, 2011). A schematic presentation of these emergencing asspects of the modelling of fluid-solid interactions in the multiscale domain is highlighted in Fig. 1.
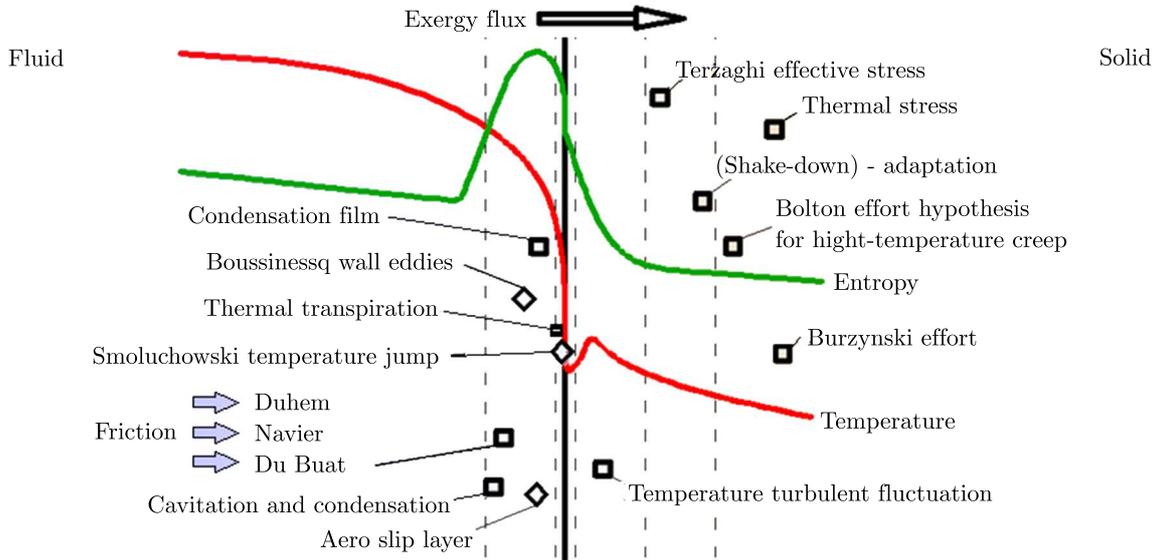


Fig. 1. Schematic presentation of emergencing asspects of mathemetical modelling that takes into acount fluid-solid interaction in the multiscale domain

## 2.    Collected effects of fluid-solid interaction in porous flow

One example of applicability of this method to improve flow in porous media is a model of thermal transpiration described mainly via a mobility force. Beside the classical "bulk" behavior, wall stresses should also incline us to introduce new quantities such as surface friction force, surface mobility, etc. In the presented reasoning, it has been postulated that the generall surface "vis impressa" can be additively split into friction and mobility parts. Here, the mobility forces are defined as an ability of a fluid (gas or liquid) to flow along the wall without the assistance of, or even in opposition to, bulk (volume) forces. A whole description of this phenomenon is presented in (Badur *et al.*, 2011, 2015). In this short communication, let us mention only reexamination of the Poiseuille-Knudsen-Reynolds equation in terms of a sum of three contributions: the bulk pressure driven flow and two mobility surface forces, mainly: the Knudsen surface slip driven flow and the Reynolds surface thermally driven flow.

A peculiar difficulty of the modeling of flow in porous media arises often when there is a need of applying some extension of Darcy equation, like for instance, the Brinkmann-Darcy--Forchheimer equation (Hooman, 2008). Treating that a laboratory nanopipe is fully equivalent to a single porous channel and looking for common effects of the bulk and surface motion, one may consider the following momentum flux integral in any cross section of a porous medium oriented by the tangential component of the unit vector $\mathbf{n}_{\tan}$

$$\iint\limits_{bulk\ section} (\rho \mathbf{v} \otimes \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{p})\mathbf{n}_{\tan} + \oint\limits_{\mathcal{C}} (\rho_s \mathbf{v}_s \otimes \mathbf{v}_s + \mathbf{p}_s + \mathbf{n}_{\text{nor}}\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{f}_{\partial V})\mathbf{n}_{\tan}\ d\mathcal{C} = 0 \qquad (2.1)$$

In the above, $\rho\mathbf{v}$ and $\rho_s\mathbf{v}_s$ are the bulk and the surface momentum density vectors, $\rho$ and $\rho_s$ are the gas density in the bulk and on the boundary. Next, $\mathbf{p} = p_{ij}\mathbf{e}_i \otimes \mathbf{e}_j = \mathbf{p}^{\mathrm{T}}$ and $\mathbf{p}_s = \mathbf{p}_s^{\mathrm{T}}$ are the bulk and the surface flux momentum. The boundary force can be separated into surface friction and surface mobility, thus: $\mathbf{f}_{\partial V} = \mathbf{f}_r + \mathbf{f}_m$ (Badur *et al.*, 2011, 2015). The total momentum influx will be

$$\mathcal{M} = \iint\limits_{bulk\ section} \rho\mathbf{v}v_{\tan}\,dA + \oint\limits_{\mathcal{C}} \rho_s\mathbf{v}_s v_{s\tan}\,d\mathcal{C} \qquad \mathcal{M} = \dot{m}\mathbf{v}_r \qquad (2.2)$$

where $\iint\limits_{bulk\ section} \rho\mathbf{v}v_{\tan}\,dA$ – contribution from the bulk velocity and $\oint\limits_{\mathcal{C}} \rho_s\mathbf{v}_s v_{s\tan}\,d\mathcal{C}$ – contribution from the slip velocity $v_{s\tan} = \mathbf{v}_s\mathbf{n}_{\tan}$. Using some arguments from technique of homogenization, we can postulate the existence of a resultant velocity $\mathbf{v}_r$ which is parallel to the vector of total momentum $(2.2)_2$. This vector is located somewhere in a geometrical center of the velocity profile. In many cases, independently of the shape of the cross section, the bulk profile of velocity is nearly flat and ending with the value of $v_{s\tan} \approx |\mathbf{v}_s|$ – the magnitude of slip velocity. In the above, according with the traditional Reynolds notation, $\dot{m}$ denotes the resultant mass flow rate. Taking into account that $\mathbf{f}_{\partial V} = \mathbf{f}_r + \mathbf{f}_m = \nu\mathbf{v}_s - c_{m\theta}\,\mathrm{grad}\,_s\theta_s$, integral (2.1) can be reorganized, expressing explicitly the thermal mobility part $c_{m\theta}\,\mathrm{grad}\,_s\theta_s$ with the thermomobility coefficient $c_{m\theta}$ and the slip friction part $\nu\mathbf{v}_s$, where $\nu$ is the Navier surface friction coefficient

$$\dot{m}\mathbf{v}_r = \underbrace{\iint\limits_{\text{Poiseuille}} (p\mathbf{I} - 2\mu\mathbf{d})\mathbf{n}\,dA}_{\text{Poiseuille}} - \underbrace{\oint\limits_{\text{Darcy}} \nu\mathbf{v}_s\mathbf{I}_s\,d\mathcal{C}}_{\text{Darcy}} - \underbrace{\oint\limits_{\text{Reynolds}} c_{m\theta}\,\mathrm{grad}\,_s(\theta_s)\mathbf{I}_s\,d\mathcal{C}}_{\text{Reynolds}} \qquad (2.3)$$

Since the porosity in any cross section of porous media is quite arbitrary, then the known procedure of homogenization can be applied, thus Eq. (2.3) leads finally to a 3D resultant equation (Vignoles *et al.*, 2008)

$$\mathbf{v}_r = -\Big(\frac{P}{\mu}\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{D}_K\Big)\frac{\mathrm{grad}\,P}{P} + \mathbf{D}\frac{\mathrm{grad}\,T}{T} \qquad (2.4)$$

where $\mathbf{v}_r$ is the resultant filtration velocity, $\mu$ – gas viscosity, $\mathbf{B}$ – permeability tensor, $\mathbf{D}_K$ – Knudsen accommodation diffusion tensor and $\mathbf{D}$ – thermal transpiration coefficient tensor. Here, the single surface pressure tensor $\mathbf{p}_s$ does not appear, slip velocity $\mathbf{v}_s$ or surface temperature $\theta_s$ either, since after homogenization their role retakes the capillarity pressure $P$ and the capillarity temperature $T$. Also, the two-dimensional surface gradient $\mathrm{grad}\,_s(\cdot)$, due to homogenization, turns into the three-dimensional gradient $\mathrm{grad}\,(\cdot)$. This phenomenological model is based on the already averaged equations for the bulk flow resistance and the surface mobility forces, which means that some local coefficients, like the Navier slip and Reynolds transpiration can be used to a direct definition of $\mathbf{B}$, $\mathbf{D}_K$ and $\mathbf{D}$, respectively.

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