

Uncertainty quantification in chemistry sub-models

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Carbon Capture Challenge

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- The traditional pathway from discovery to commercialization of energy technologies can be quite long, i.e., ~ 2-3 decades
- President's plan requires that barriers to the widespread, safe, and cost-effective deployment of CCS be overcome within 10 years
- To help realize the President's objectives, new approaches are needed for taking carbon capture concepts from lab to power plant, <u>quickly</u>, and at low cost and risk
- CCSI will accelerate the development of carbon capture technology, from discovery through deployment, with the help of science-based simulations





Carbon Capture Simulation Initiative



the sorbent

- mesoporous silica forms the substrate
- substrate particles agglomerates of micron-sized mesoporous particles
- mesopores impregnated with an active material, such as polyethyleneimine (PEI)















K. Kajihara, et al., Bull. Chem. Soc. Jpn. 82 (2009) 1470.

the sorbent: dry TGA behavior



(a)-(b) Sorbent NETL-196C, ~44.1 wt-% PEI, Dry atmosphere. Sorbent synthesis: McMahan Gray, NETL; Sorbent characterization: Daniel Fauth, NETL.



anhydrous model

• two-step formation of carbamic acid:

 $R_2 NH + CO_2(g) \rightleftharpoons R_2 NH^+ - CO_2^ R_2 NH^+ - CO_2^- + R_2 NH \rightleftharpoons R_2 NCOOH : R_2 NH$

• three modes of mass transport:

gas phase bulk

gas phase Knudsen

solid state (zwitterion-mediated hopping)



anhydrous model



(left) sample calculated output of the sorbent model showing diffusion effects (right) sensitivity analysis highlighting the importance of zwitterion stability to sorbent working capacity



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 If model parameters relate to physical quantities, prior information is available through ab initio calculations.



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- The error in the form of the model must also be accounted for.
- A Gaussian process generates a stochastic set of curves adhering to certain general properties.

$$\Sigma(i',j';\boldsymbol{\xi}) = \eta \exp\left[-\frac{(\zeta_{i'} - \zeta_{j'})^2}{\phi^2}\right] \Longrightarrow \left\{ \int_{a} \int$$



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$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{Z}(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\zeta}) + \boldsymbol{\delta}(\boldsymbol{\xi}, \boldsymbol{\zeta}) + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{\psi})$$
$$\mathbf{Y} \sim N\left[\mathbf{Z}(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\zeta}), \boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\boldsymbol{\xi}) + \boldsymbol{\psi}\mathbf{I}\right] = \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{Y}|\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\xi}, \boldsymbol{\psi})$$



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reaction	B3LYP	PBE	PBE0	MP2	MP3
$CO_2+2MMA \rightarrow P-COOH:P$	-52.72	-71.13	-81.59	-52.72	-72.8
$CO_2+MMA+DMA\rightarrow S-COOH:P$	-46.86	-63.60	-76.99	-53.97	-71.96
$CO_2+MMA+DMA \rightarrow P-COOH:S$	-50.21	-66.11	-79.50	-53.14	-72.38
$CO_2+2DMA \rightarrow S-COOH:S$	-46.86	-64.02	-77.40	-56.07	-72.80
$CO_2 + DETA + EDA \rightarrow P-COOH:S$	-37.66	-69.04	-69.04	-55.23	-70.29
$CO_2 + DETA + EDA \rightarrow S-COOH:P$	-43.93	-61.50	-75.31	-65.27	-79.50



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conclusions

- The stability of diffusive intermediates exercise primary control over the working capacity of mesoporous silica-supported, PEI-based CO₂ sorbents.
- Ab initio calculations can be used in along with a valid model form discrepancy in a Bayesian framework to influence the experimental calibration of engineering-useful models of complex chemical systems.







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