

# Exhausted Brine Extraction and Completed CO<sub>2</sub> Storage in Jiangnan Basin, China

## 枯竭式卤水开采与完整式CO<sub>2</sub>地质储存

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# Background

*For the conventional industrial-scale CO<sub>2</sub> injection in saline formations, pressure buildup can limit storage capacity and security.*

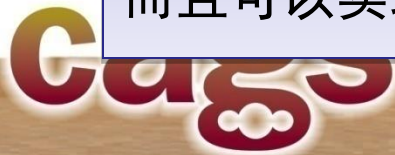
对于传统的咸水层中CO<sub>2</sub>规模化灌注，压力积累是制约储存容量和储存安全的主要因素。

*For the conventional industrial-scale production of fluid resource underground, severe pressure reduction may bring in unwanted effects such as potential collapse, land subsidence risk.*

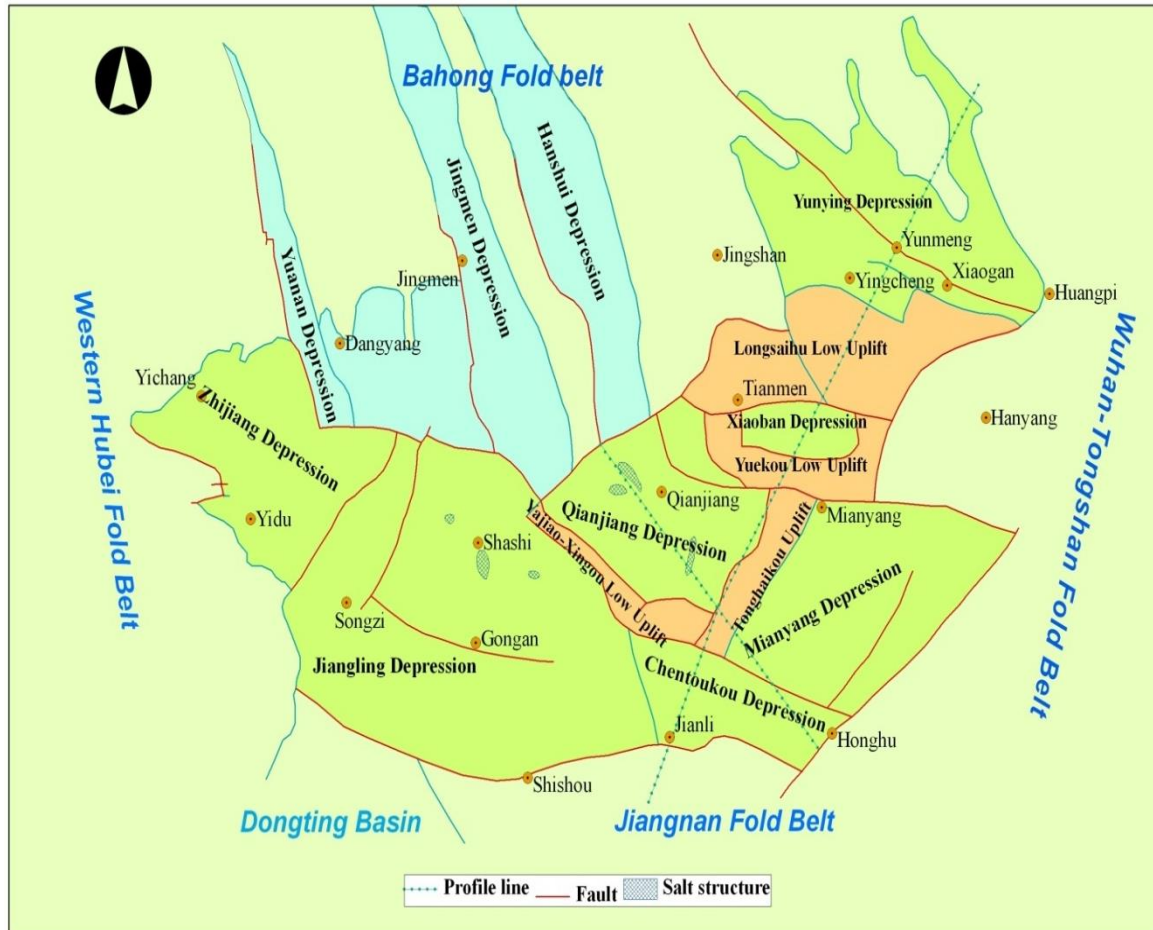
对于传统的地下液体资源规模化开采，严重的压力下降有可能带来负面作用如地面塌陷沉降风险。

*A distinct advantage of CCS-EOR is that it involves fluid extraction, which increases CO<sub>2</sub> storage capacity and offsets pressure buildups, which conventional saline-formation GCS does not..*

CCS-EOR的显著优势在于涉及流体开采，不仅可以增加储存量而且可以实现压力补偿，这是传统咸水层中GCS所不具备的。



# Background



Location map of the Jiangnan Basin

*The Jiangnan Basin is a representative salt-lake rift basin covering an area of 36350 km<sup>2</sup> with the salinity up to 325g/L. Qianjiang Depression and Jiangling Depression are the two brine-richest areas.*

江汉盆地属于我国典型的盐湖裂谷型盆地，面积36350km<sup>2</sup>。盆地咸水层盐度高达325g/L。其中，属潜江凹陷和江陵凹陷卤水资源最为丰富。



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# Background

*The hot potassium-rich brine is very rich in the depths of Jiangling Depression in Jiangnan Basin. The brine formation rich in potassium lies in Shashi formation of Paleocene.*

江汉盆地江陵凹陷深处赋存高温富钾卤水，含卤地层主要是古新统沙市组。

*The salinity of brine is up to 325g/L, with the potassium content varying from 9.1 to 9.6g/L and KCl content from 17.5 to 18.5g/L.*

卤水矿化度达325g/L以上，其中K<sup>+</sup>含量达9.1~9.6g/L，KCl为17.5~18.5g/L。

*China attaches great importance to the extraction of potassium rich brine resource . The activity of brine extraction is being carried out in Jiangding Depression, Jiangnan Basin.*

我国非常重视钾盐矿卤水资源开采，江汉盆地江陵凹陷的富钾卤水资源已在开采实施阶段。



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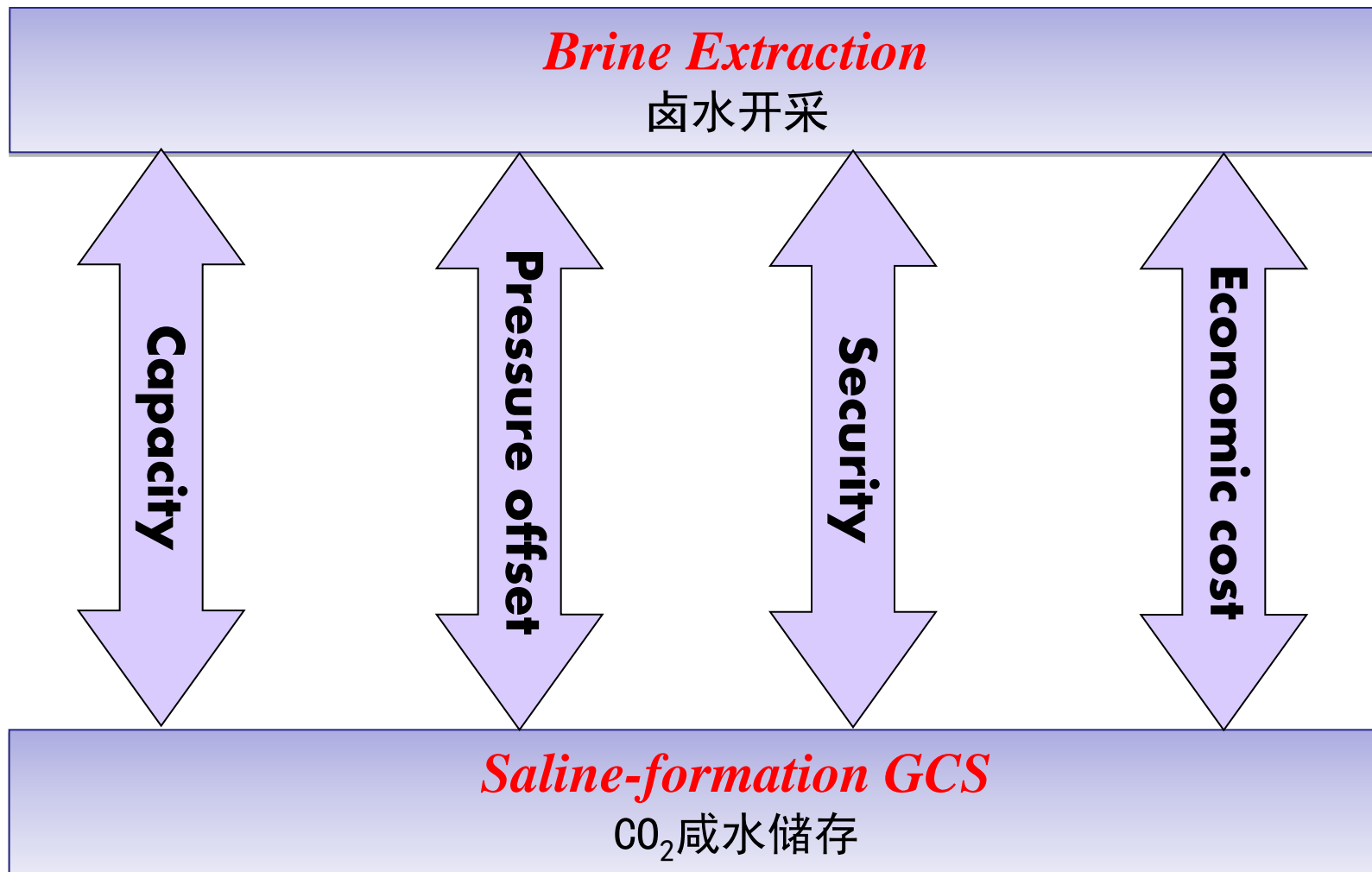
*The evaporites in Shashi Formation mainly distribute in the sag of Jiangling Depression, acting as a separated geological unit. The Jiangling Sag has an area of 1600km<sup>2</sup>, with the distribution area of the potassium-bearing brine 960km<sup>2</sup>.*

沙市组蒸发岩主要分布于江陵断凹的洼陷内，成为一个相对独立盐盆。江陵洼陷面积1600km<sup>2</sup>，富钾卤水控制面积960km<sup>2</sup>。



The distribution area of the potassium-bearing brine in Jiangling Depression

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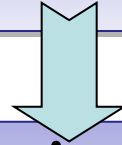
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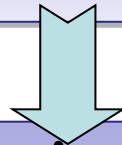


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**Study area: potassium-bearing area in Jiangling Depression**  
选取江汉盆地江陵凹陷富钾卤水区域作为研究区域



**Near Injection well and regional pressure regulation;**  
近井区及区域含水层压力调控;  
**Brine extraction capacity and total production;**  
卤水开采效率与总开采量;  
**CO<sub>2</sub> injectivity and storage capacity;**  
CO<sub>2</sub>可注入性与储存容量;  
**Manipulation of CO<sub>2</sub> plume migration and storage security;**  
CO<sub>2</sub>羽迁移的操纵与储存安全;





## 2. Methodology

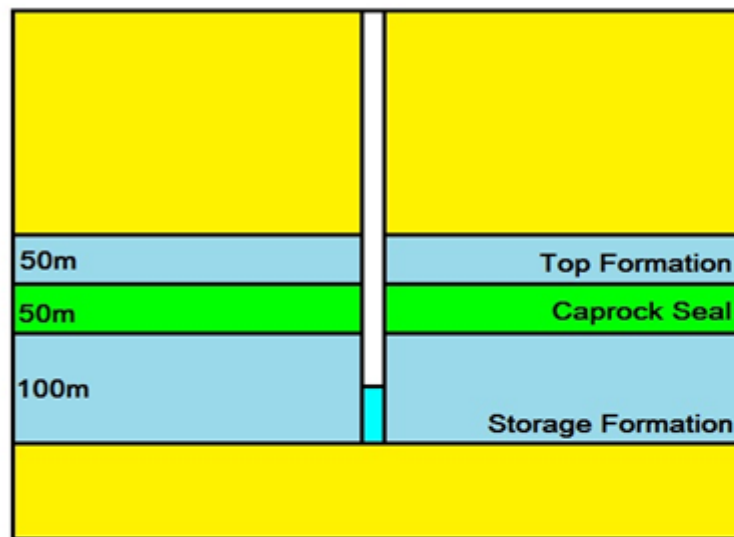
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# Methodology - hydrogeological properties



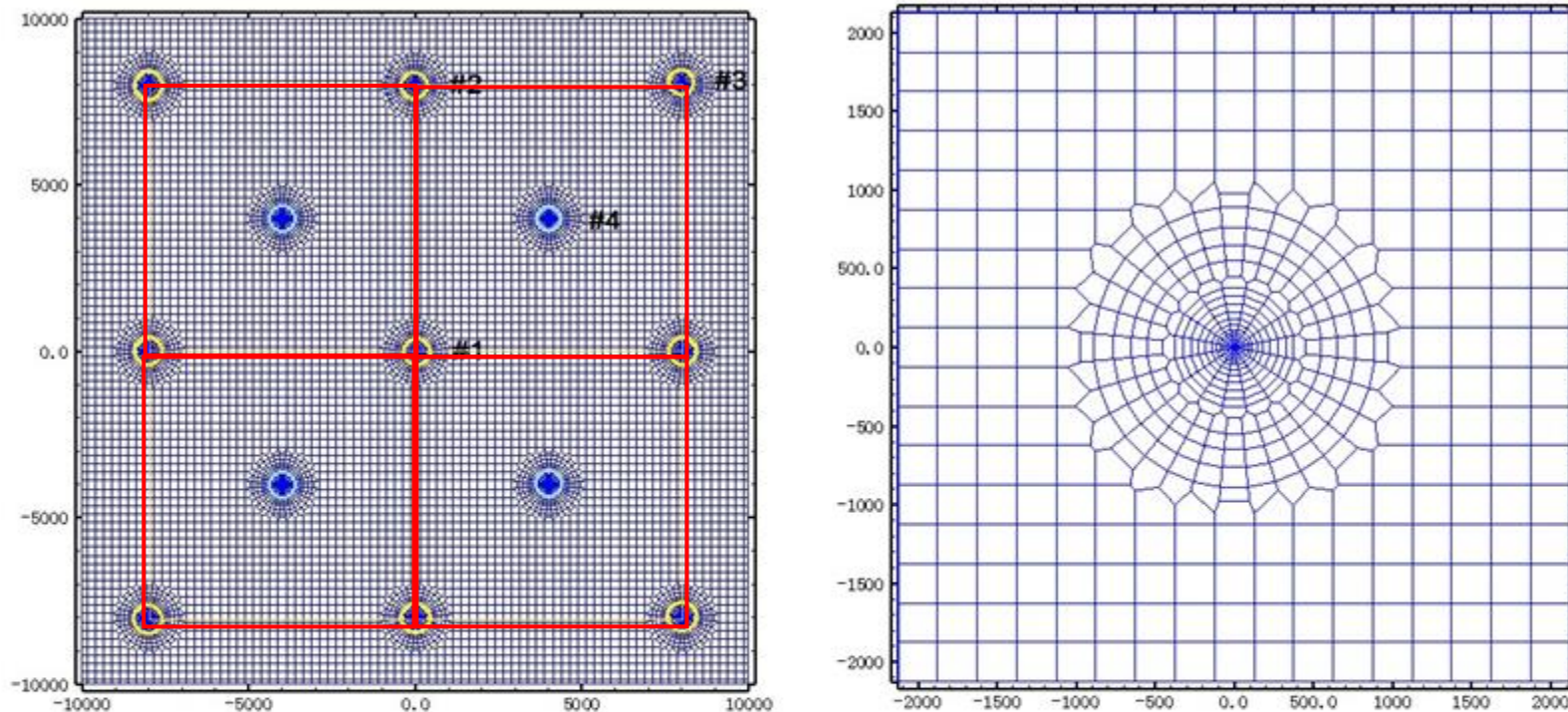
Properties	Formation	Seal
Thickness(m)	100	50
Permeability (m <sup>2</sup> )	10 <sup>-14</sup>	10 <sup>-20</sup>
Pore compressibility (Pa <sup>-1</sup> )	4.5 × 10 <sup>-10</sup>	4.5 × 10 <sup>-10</sup>
Porosity	0.10	0.05
van Genuchten m	0.46	0.46
Van Genuchten α (Pa <sup>-1</sup> )	5.1e-5	1.6e-7
Residual CO <sub>2</sub> saturation	0.05	0.05
Residual water saturation	0.30	0.30

**Figure 2:** Scheme of vertical spatial subdivision and hydrogeological properties used in this study. The formation for brine extraction and CO<sub>2</sub> storage is 100m thick below 3000m underground covered by a sealing unit with thickness of 50m. The wells are permeable in the low half of the storage formation.

图 2：本模型中垂向空间剖分与水文地质参数。供卤水开采与 CO<sub>2</sub> 储存的主咸水层厚 100m，埋深地下 3000m，上覆厚 50m 的盖层。井射孔穿透下半个储层。



# Methodology - well placement



**Figure 1:** Scheme of multiwell placement and grid generation in the horizontal direction of the model. Note that the well spacing is 8 km and the linked wells are in the same group while the others are in another. All the wells are assumed to be vertical wells.

图 1：本模型中井群布置与平面网格剖分示意图，平面共布置 13 口井，井间距为 8km，被划分为两组（CO<sub>2</sub> 注入井与卤水开采井），且均为垂直井。





# Methodology - simulation scheme

Scheme 注采方案	9B4C_Q	4B9C_Q	9B4C_P	4B9C_P
Number of CO <sub>2</sub> wells CO <sub>2</sub> 注入井个数	4	9	4	9
Number of brine wells 卤水开采井个数	9	4	9	4
CO <sub>2</sub> Injection scheme CO <sub>2</sub> 注入方案	Constant injection rate 0.25Mt/yr per well		Constant inejction pressure of 40Mpa	
Brine Extraction scheme 卤水开采方案	constant extraction pressure of 1Bar 固定抽水压力为一个大气压			
Simulation Run Time 模拟时间 (yr)	Simultaneous CO <sub>2</sub> injection and brine extraction for 100 years and monitoring for 100years			
Simulation Tool 模拟软件	TOUGH2_ECO2N_MP			



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### 3. Results -- constant rate part

研究成果一定速注入部分

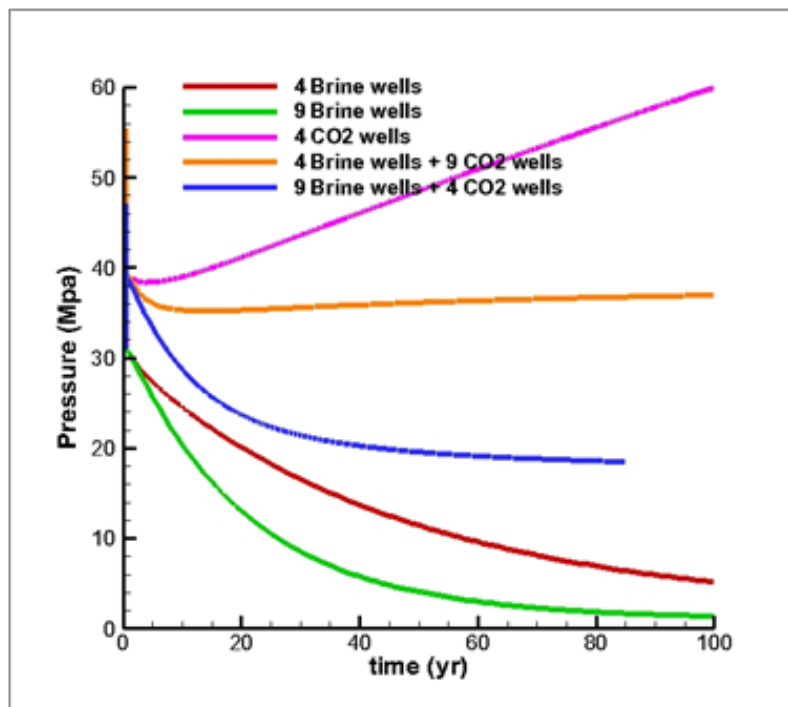


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## Results - pressure response



**Figure 3:** Pressure response of different CO<sub>2</sub> injection and brine extraction cases varying with time for the constant injection rate mode.

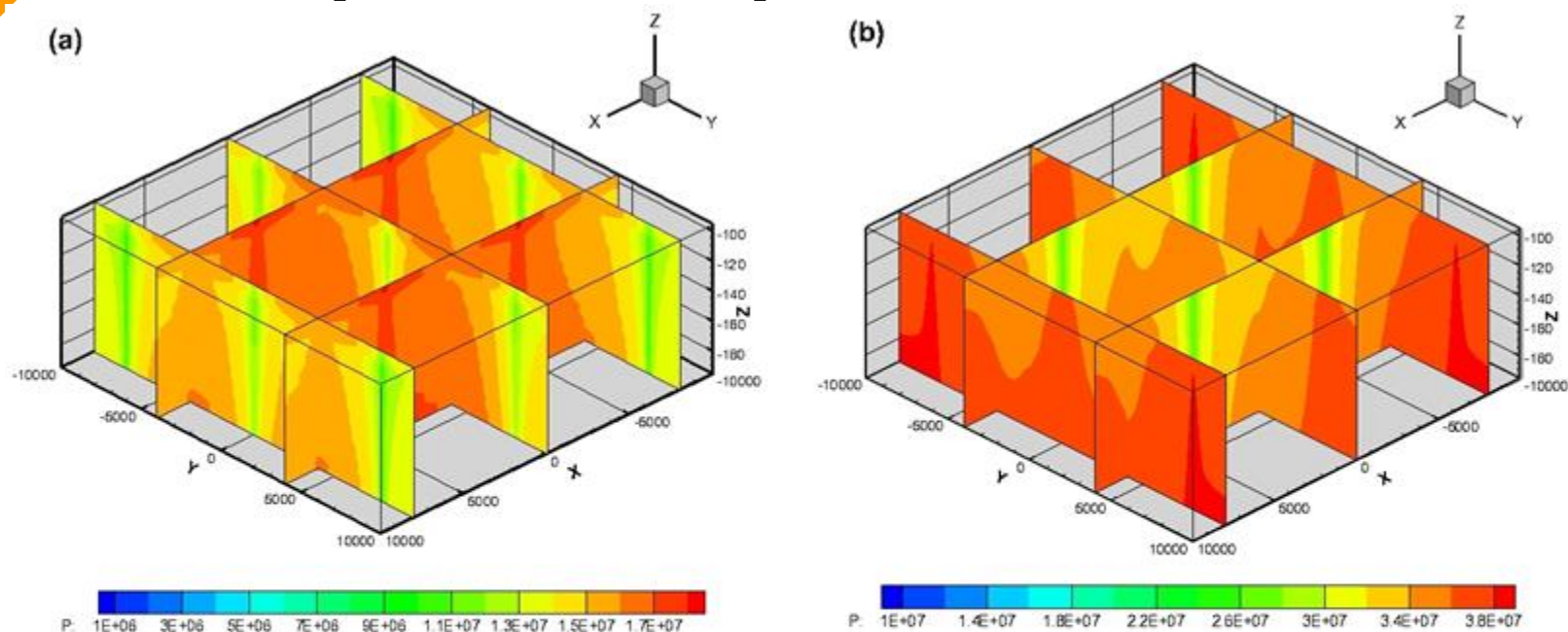
图 3: CO<sub>2</sub> 定速注入不同抽注模式对应的注入井压力随时间的变化。

*The combination of CO<sub>2</sub> injection and brine extraction can effectively regulate the pressure buildup of storage formation and maintain it at a stable value.*

CO<sub>2</sub> 与卤水耦合注采可有效地控制主作业层的压力，使其保持在稳定范围内。



# Results - pressure response



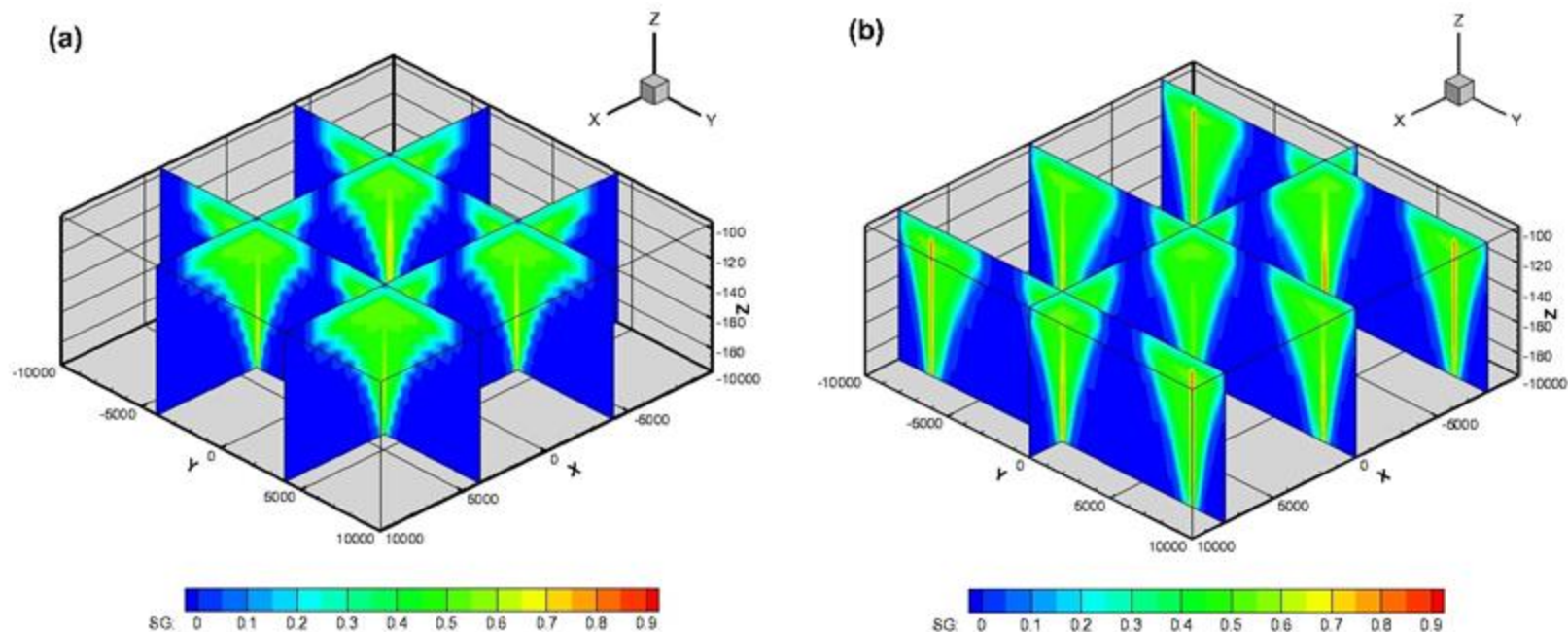
**Figure 4:** (a) Spatial distribution of pressure for 9 brine extraction wells and 4 CO<sub>2</sub> injection wells case after 85 years' simultaneous brine production and CO<sub>2</sub> injection. (b) Spatial distribution of pressure for 4 brine extraction wells and 9 CO<sub>2</sub> injection wells case after 100 years' simultaneous brine production and CO<sub>2</sub> injection.

图 4: (a) 9 口抽卤井与 4 口注气井同时抽注 85 年后的压力空间分布; (b) 4 口抽卤井与 9 口注气井同时抽注 100 年后的压力空间分布。





# Results - gas saturation migration



**Figure 5:** (a) Spatial distribution of gas saturation for 9 brine extraction wells and 4 CO<sub>2</sub> injection wells case after 85 years' simultaneous brine production and CO<sub>2</sub> injection. (b) Spatial distribution of gas saturation for 4 brine extraction wells and 9 CO<sub>2</sub> injection wells case after 100 years' simultaneous brine production and CO<sub>2</sub> injection.

图 5: (a) 9 口抽卤井与 4 口注气井同时抽注 85 年后的 CO<sub>2</sub> 气体饱和度空间分布；  
(b) 4 口抽卤井与 9 口注气井同时抽注 100 年后的 CO<sub>2</sub> 气体饱和度空间分布。



# Results - brine production

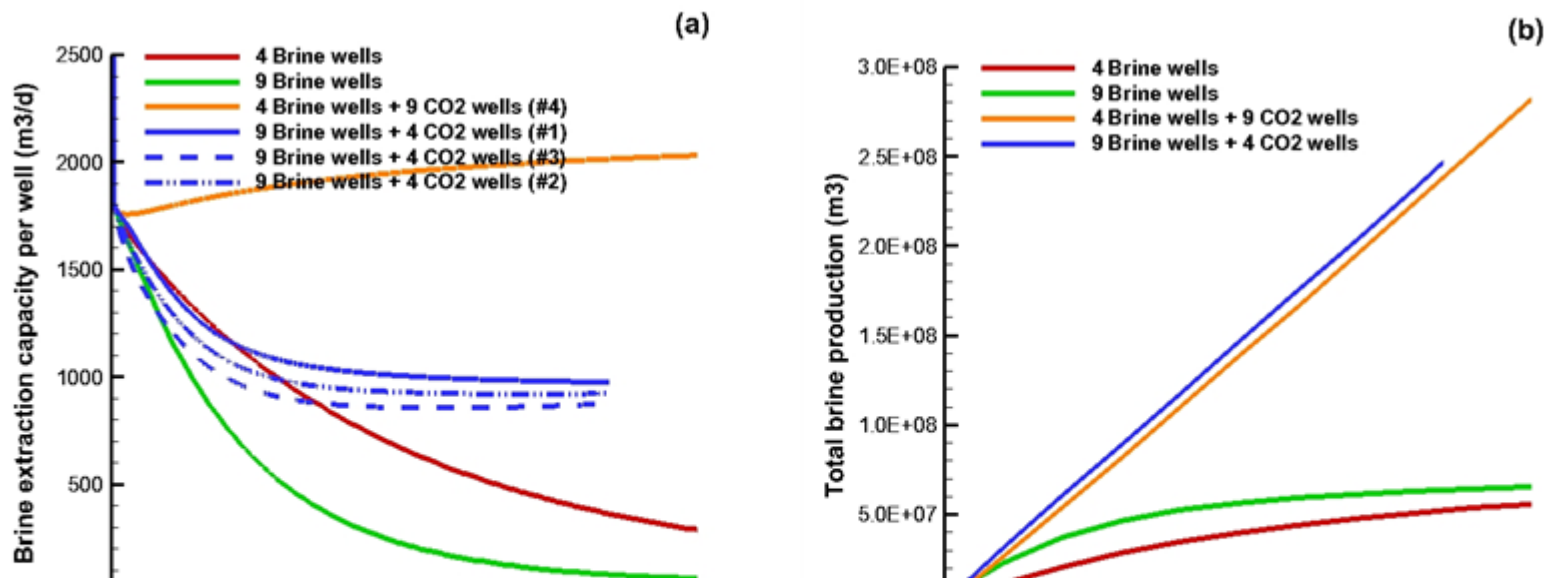


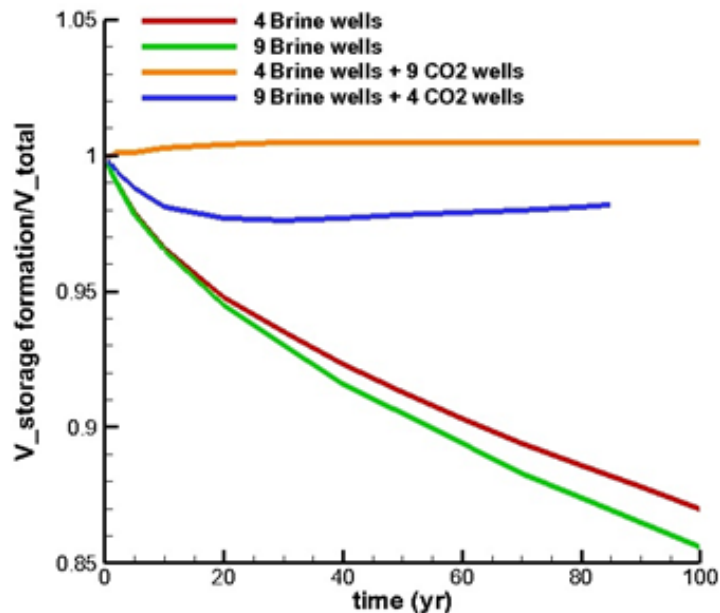
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Till 100 years, the total brine production of 4 brine wells case, 9 brine wells case and the combination case of 4 brine wells with 9 CO<sub>2</sub> wells is up to 55.7M m<sup>3</sup>, 65.2M m<sup>3</sup>, and 282M m<sup>3</sup>, respectively accounting for 1.17%, 1.33% and 6.74% of the total brine volume in the storage formation. Due to the convergence problem, we only get the data of 85 years for the 9 brine wells and 4 CO<sub>2</sub> wells case. Till 85 years, the brine production is 247M m<sup>3</sup>, accounting for 6.11% of the total brine volume.

4 口抽卤井、9 口抽卤井与 4 口抽卤井与 9 口注气井联合注采方式同时注采 100 年后的卤水总开采量分别为 55.7M m<sup>3</sup>, 65.2M m<sup>3</sup>, 282M m<sup>3</sup>, 占卤水总储量的 1.17%, 1.33%, 6.74%。而 9 口抽卤井与 4 口注气井联合注采方式同时注采 85 年后卤水总产量为 247M m<sup>3</sup>, 占卤水总储量的 6.11%。



# Results - leakage flow



*The leakage recharge occurs between the storage formation and the overlying geological units due to the excessive pressure gradient.*

*The combination of brine extraction and CO<sub>2</sub> injection can effectively mitigate the vertical cross flow from top to down.*

过高的压力梯度导致主作业层与上覆地质体发生越流补给。CO<sub>2</sub>与卤水耦合注采模式可有效缓解垂向越流的发生。

**Figure 7:** Comparison of volume ratios between water change of storage formation and total brine production for different brine extraction and CO<sub>2</sub> injection cases.

图 7: 不同抽注模式下主作业层总水量变化与卤水抽取总量体积比对比。





### 3. Results -- constant pressure part

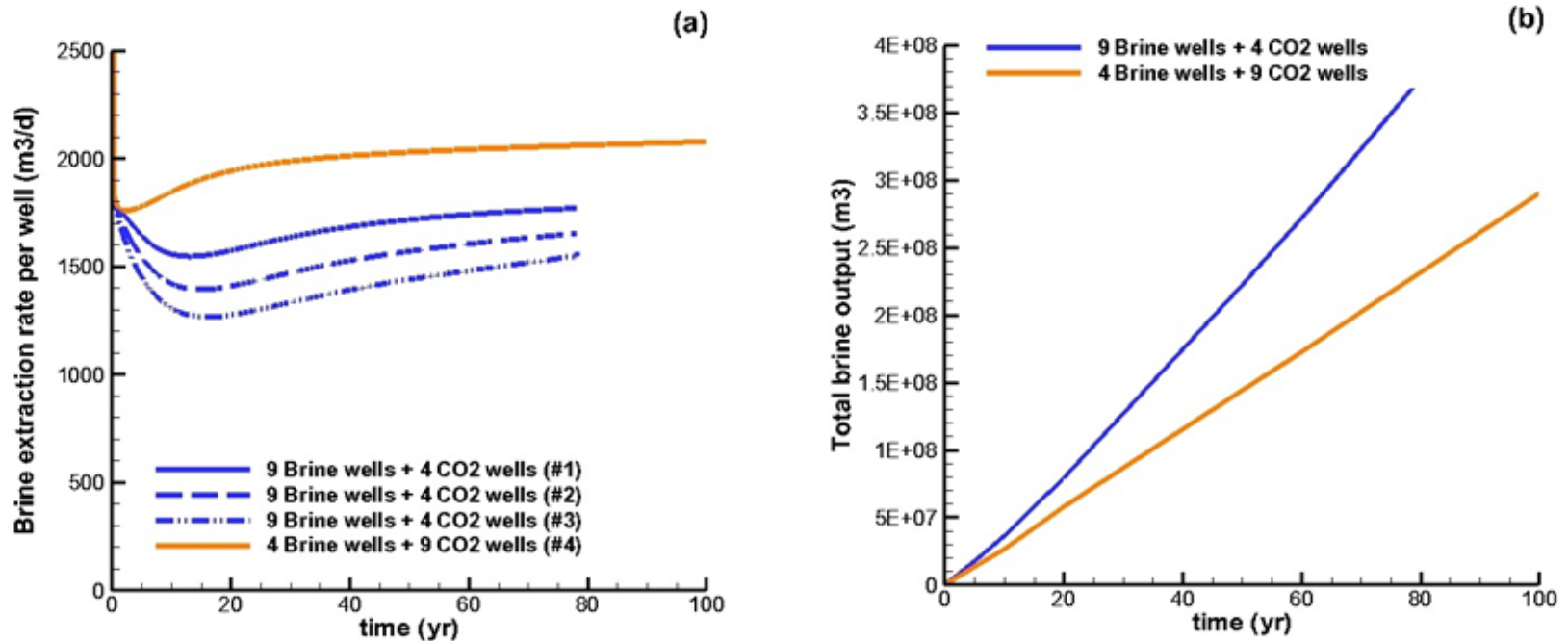
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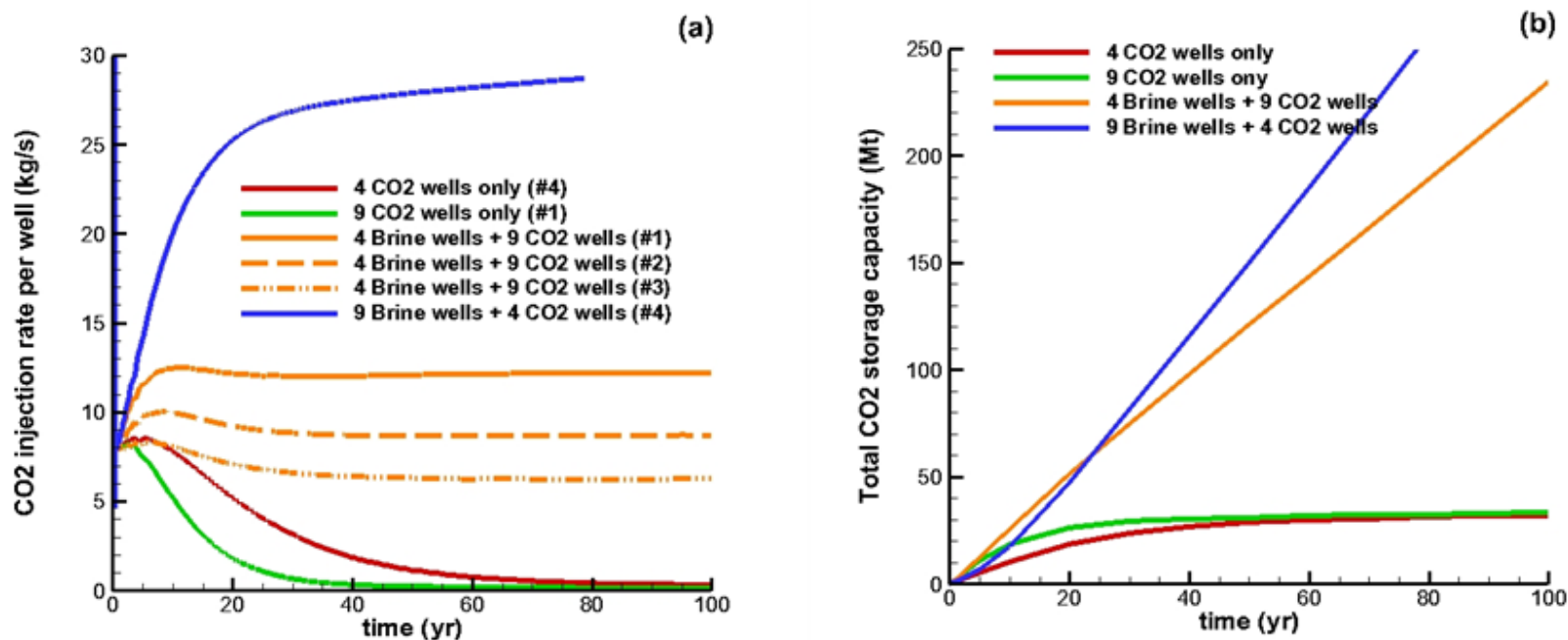
# Results - brine production



*Under the constant injection pressure case, the brine production capacity of single well is greatly enhanced for 9 brine wells and 4 CO<sub>2</sub> wells case, with the average daily production capacity up to 1500 m<sup>3</sup>/d. The total brine production amount after 79 years reaches up to 368Mm<sup>3</sup> accounting for 8.75% of the total brine volume. There is no significant improvement for 4 brine wells and 9 CO<sub>2</sub> wells case, however, as the pressure is elevated 2MPa compared to the constant injection rate mode.*

定压注入方式下，9口抽卤井与4口注气井联合注采方案中单井卤水开采量得到很大的提升，平均日产量达1500m<sup>3</sup>，79年后卤水总产量达到368Mm<sup>3</sup>，占总储量的8.75%。4口抽卤井与9口注气井联合注采方案没有显著提高，原因在于定压注入相对于定速注入，压力只提升了2Mpa。

# Results - CO<sub>2</sub> injection and capacity

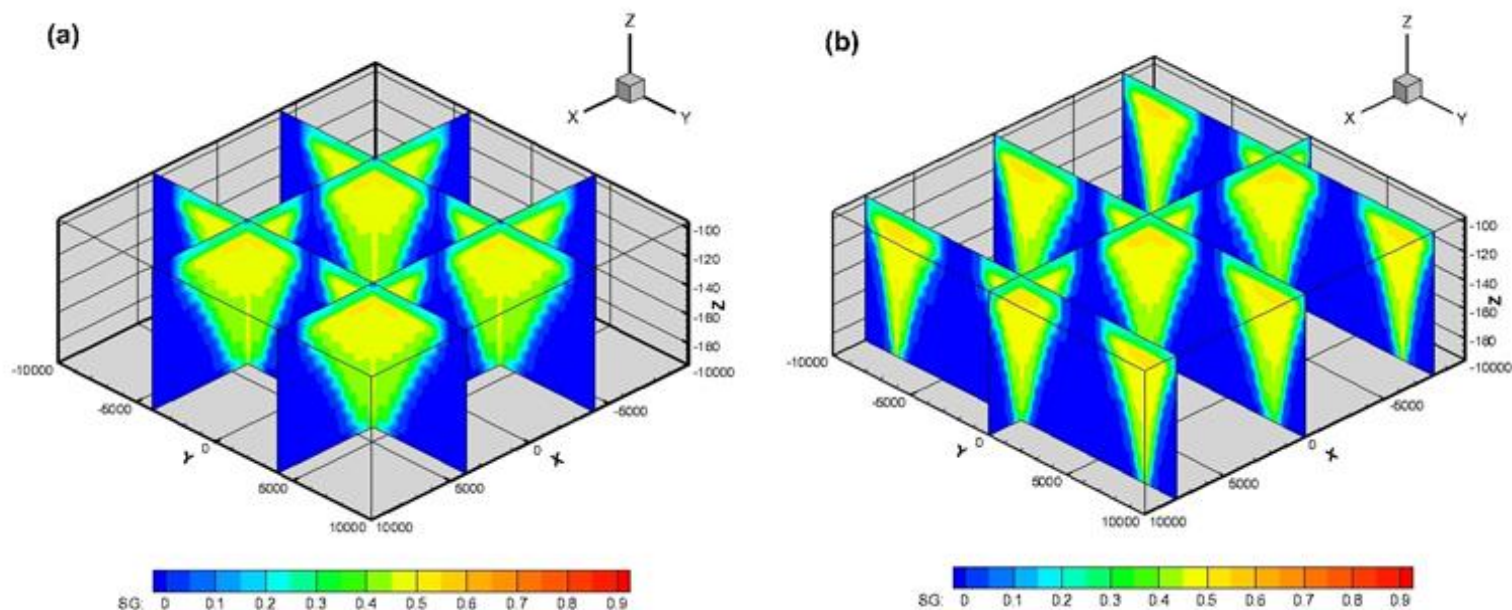


**Figure 9:** CO<sub>2</sub> injection rate per well (a) and total CO<sub>2</sub> injection capacity of all injection wells (b) varying with time for the constant injection pressure mode.

*CO<sub>2</sub> injectivity is significantly improved, with the injection rate up to 28kg/s for 9 brine wells and 4 CO<sub>2</sub> wells case and the total storage capacity up to 252Mt after 79yrs' simultaneous brine extraction and CO<sub>2</sub> injection, which is 7.8 times compared to the only CO<sub>2</sub> injection case.*

定压注入方式下CO<sub>2</sub>可注入性得到显著提高，尤其是对于9口抽卤井与4口注气井联合注采方案，单井注入速率达到28kg/s，同时注采79年后，CO<sub>2</sub>总储量达到252Mt，是只注入CO<sub>2</sub>方案对应储量的7.8倍。

# Results - gas saturation migration

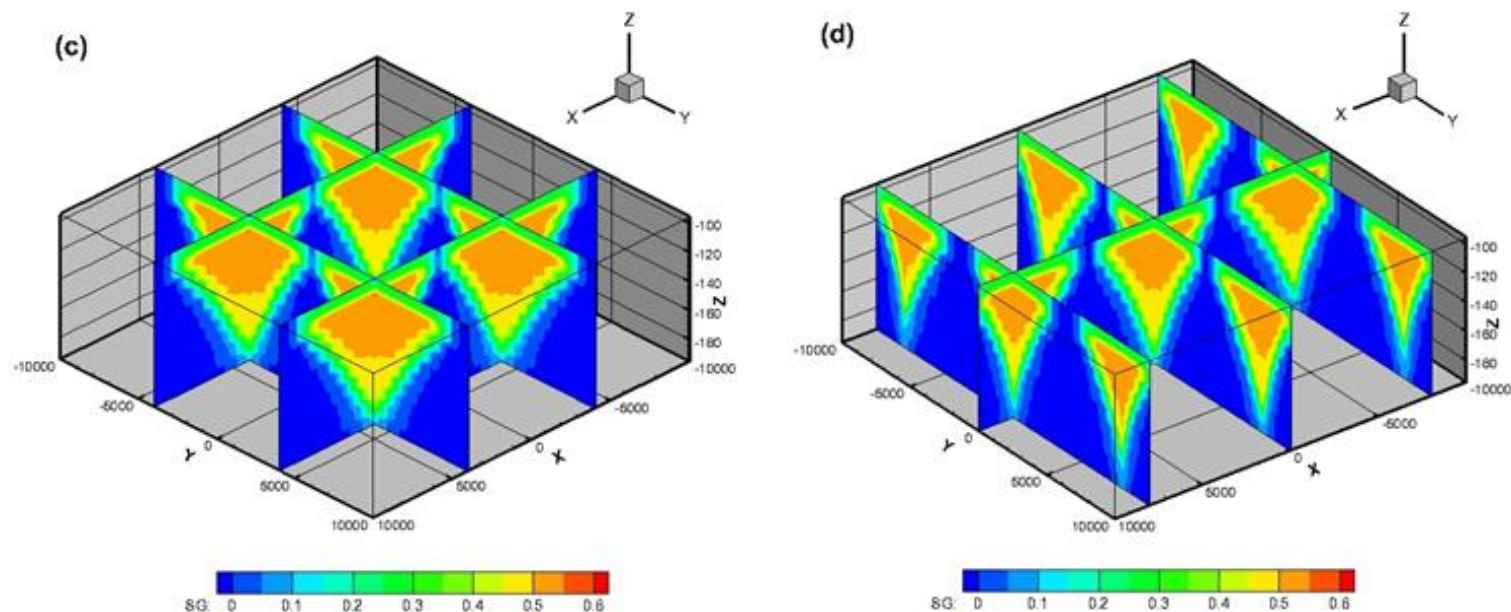


**Figure 10:** (a) Spatial distribution of gas saturation for 9 brine extraction wells and 4 CO<sub>2</sub> injection wells case after 79 years' injection. (b) Spatial distribution of pressure for 4 brine extraction wells and 9 CO<sub>2</sub> injection wells case after 100 years' injection.  
图 10: (a) 定压方案 9 口抽卤井与 4 口注气井同时抽注 79 年后的 CO<sub>2</sub> 气体饱和度空间分布; (b) 定压方案 4 口抽卤井与 9 口注气井同时抽注 100 年后的 CO<sub>2</sub> 气体饱和度空间分布。





# Results - gas saturation migration



**Figure 10:** (c) Spatial distribution of gas saturation for 9 brine extraction wells and 4 CO<sub>2</sub> injection wells case at 200 year after injection. (d) Spatial distribution of pressure for 4 brine extraction wells and 9 CO<sub>2</sub> injection wells case at 200 year after injection.

图 10: (c) 定压方案 9 口抽卤井与 4 口注气井 200 年后的 CO<sub>2</sub> 气体饱和度空间分布;  
(d) 定压方案 4 口抽卤井与 9 口注气井 200 年后的 CO<sub>2</sub> 气体饱和度空间分布。





### 3. Results -- comparison

研究成果—两种模式对比



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# Results - comparison

Scheme 注采方案	9B4C_Q	9B4C_P	4B9C_Q	4B9C_P
Simulation Run Time 模拟时间 (yr)	85	79	100	100
CO <sub>2</sub> Injection Capacity CO <sub>2</sub> 注入总量 (Mt)	85 (2.6)	252 (7.8)	225 (7.0)	235 (7.3)
Brine Total Production 卤水总开采量(Mm <sup>3</sup> )	247 (4.4)	368 (6.6)	282 (5.0)	290 (5.2)
Well Pressure Buildup 注入井压力积累(Mpa)	19	40	38	40
Pressure Recovery 停注后压力恢复(Mpa)	NA	30	35.6	36.3



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## 4. Conclusion

结论



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## Conclusion

- The combination of CO<sub>2</sub> injection with brine extraction can effectively regulate the region pressure balance of the formation.
- 传统规模化注入CO<sub>2</sub>会造成地层压力的严重积累，从而制约着CO<sub>2</sub>储存量；传统规模化开采卤水则会造成地层压力的严重降低，带来塌陷风险。CO<sub>2</sub>注入与卤水开采耦合模式可有效地调控地层的区域压力平衡。



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## Conclusion

- The combination of CO<sub>2</sub> injection with brine extraction can significantly enhanced the production of brine extraction wells and keep it at a stable value.
- CO<sub>2</sub>注入与卤水开采耦合模式可显著地提高卤水开采井的单井产量，使其保持于一个稳定值。
- The combination of CO<sub>2</sub> injection with brine extraction can effectively prevent the leakage recharge between the geological units.
- CO<sub>2</sub>注入与卤水开采耦合模式可有效地防控地质单元间越流补给的发生。



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## Conclusion

- The scheme of constant pressure injection is much superior to the one of constant rate injection.
- The combination of 9 brine extraction wells and 4 CO<sub>2</sub> injection wells with the constant pressure injection is the best scheme in brine production, pressure regulation, CO<sub>2</sub> injectivity and storage capacity.
- 定压注入方案明显优越于定速注入方案。定压注入方案下9口抽卤井与4口注气井的耦合方案在卤水开采量、压力调控以及CO<sub>2</sub>注入性与储存量方面表现最佳。



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# Thank You !



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