

## AN EFFICIENT ROTATIONAL PRESSURE-CORRECTION SCHEME FOR THE 2D/3D NAVIER-STOKES/DARCY COUPLING PROBLEM

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**Abstract.** This article proposes and analyzes a rotational pressure-correction method for the Navier-Stokes/Darcy(NSD) system with Beavers-Joseph-Saffman-Jones interface conditions. This method mainly solves the Navier-Stokes/Darcy problem in two steps. The first step is the viscous step. The intermediate velocity can be obtained after the pressure gradient is explicitly processed by the algorithm. The second step is the projection step, which first projects the intermediate velocity onto a divergence-free space, and then corrects the velocity and pressure. The main advantage of these methods is that they have first/second order accuracy and do not have the incompressibility constraint of NSD system. For solving the Navier-Stokes equations, each time step requires only one vector-valued elliptic equation and one scalar-valued Poisson equation. Therefore, this method has high computational efficiency. Compared with other traditional related methods, this method is no longer affected by any artificial boundary conditions, and can achieve the optimal convergence order. Finally, unconditional stability and long time stability are established. 2D/3D numerical experiments are presented to illustrate the features of the proposed method and verify the results of the theoretical analysis.

**Key words.** First-order/second-order temporal scheme, rotational pressure-correction scheme, Navier-Stokes/Darcy system, stability, 2D/3D numerical experiments.

### 1. Introduction

The NSD system is one of the classical equations of fluid mechanics, because it describes the physical phenomena of fluid motion. It may be used to simulate surface water flow, subsurface oil and groundwater flow, as well as flow in porous media, such as [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]. Due to the coupling of free flow and flow in porous media, the complex geometric shape of free flow, refined space-time scale, strong heterogeneity of physical parameters and uncertainty of experimental data, the mathematical research of this system has always been a very difficult challenge.

In most important applications, it is difficult to solve the exact solution of multi-domain, multi-physics field coupled NSD system. Therefore, the efficient numerical solution of the system is particularly important. Most methods are designed for the development of an approximate solution to the NSD system, including coupled finite element methods [2, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11], domain decomposition methods [12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21], Lagrange multiplier methods [22, 23], two-grid methods [5, 24], implicit-explicit method [25, 26, 27, 28], discontinuous Galerkin methods [29, 30, 31, 32, 33], mortar discretizations [34, 35, 36], boundary integral methods [37, 38], and others [39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45]. These numerical methods have been widely devoted to achieve their required accuracy in certain practice. While they have proven to be very successful, a theory to ensure their long time stability is still being developed. In recent years, some efficient second-order (in time) accurate methods have been developed and investigated for a NSD system [42, 46]. These methods establish an unconditional and uniform stability and further

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lead to a uniform control of errors, which is highly desirable for modeling many physical processes. In particular, two second-order time method for coupled NSD systems and optimal theoretical results are studied in [46]. These results provide a theoretical support for second-order large time step method for the NSD system.

It is well known that a lot of difficulties are arising from the coupled system: the mixed nonlinear problem, their shared rigid interface, the energy dissipation derived from a decoupling strategy, and their complex system existing in itself. Thus, it is not easy to solve efficiently the coupled system with the Navier-Stokes equations because of the saddle point structure induced by the incompressibility constraint [47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52]. For the past few years, a projection method has attracted more and more attention from researchers because of its simplicity and efficiency [53, 54, 55, 56]. The projection algorithm [57] has undergone some evolution and has been well further developed. Firstly, Chorin-Temam's algorithm was improved by making the pressure explicit in the viscous step and by correcting it in the projection step. Hereafter, the same fundamental idea of decomposing vector fields into a divergence-free part and a gradient has remained effective for solving the Navier-Stokes equations [58, 59]. For incompressible flow, it is effective to decouple the system of pressure from that of velocity by using the projection method [60]. These methods usually consist of two substeps. One substep explicitly satisfies the Laplacian expression of the velocity or pressure gradient, and the other substep implicitly corrected. In [61], the author gives a second order in time incremental pressure correction finite element method for the Navier-Stokes/Darcy problem. In this method, the Navier-Stokes/Darcy problem is solved in three steps: a convection-diffusion step, a projection correction (incremental pressure correction) step and a Darcy step. In [62], a first order linearized pressure correction projection method is proposed and analyzed for the time-dependent diffusive Peterlin viscoelastic model, which can describe the unsteady behavior of some incompressible polymeric fluids in two dimensions. Details on the various projection method can be found at [63, 64, 65, 66].

Here, we restrict ourselves to the rotational pressure-correction method for the NSD system. The most challenging issue is how to develop the proper rotational pressure-correction method. One of the main difficulties in decoupling the coupled system related to the incompressible flow is that this system has a complicated boundary condition. Most of these schemes imply an artificial condition not satisfied by the exact pressure, which induces a numerical boundary layer, and, in turn, results in a loss of accuracy. In addition to the complexity of the coupling problem, the analysis of nonlinear terms for the incompressible Navier-Stokes equation is another difficulty, and we need to pay attention to the analysis skills to overcome it. The projection method has been widely used because of its efficiency and simplicity. However, the rigorous error analysis of coupled systems with incompressible Navier-Stokes equations still needs further study.

In this article, based on the key idea of the rotational pressure-correction method for the Stokes problem with an open boundary condition in [66, 67], we propose and rigorously analyze this scheme to solve the coupled NSD system. A first-order backward Euler and second-order backward difference formulas are utilized to discretize the time derivative while the finite elements are used to treat the spatial discretization. The central advantage of our approach is a time-dependent version of domain decomposition, and has first-order/second-order accuracy without the incompressibility constraint in the Navier-Stokes system. Moreover, the negative

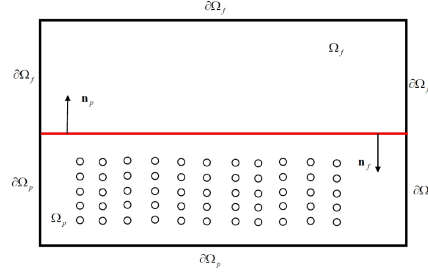


FIGURE 1. The global domain  $\Omega$  consists of free fluid flow subdomain  $\Omega_f$  and porous media fluid flow subdomain  $\Omega_p$ , separated by a common interface  $\Gamma$ .

effect of an artificial boundary condition has been eliminated and numerical precision is furthermore guaranteed. The main feature of these methods are that we only solve one vector-valued elliptic problem and one scalar-valued Poisson problem per time step. Thus, the cost of these algorithms is dominant to solve the (quasi-)Poisson equation, especially for large size problems. Finally, the unconditional stability and long time stability of the NSD system are proved. The accuracy of the theory is verified by 2D/3D numerical experiments.

The rest of the paper is organized as follows. In section 2, we introduce the fluid-fluid model using the NSD system. In section 3, a lemma used in the analysis is given. In section 4, the first-order/second-order time discretizations of rotational pressure-correction methods are introduced. The unconditional stability and long time stability of NSD system are strictly proved. In section 5, the fully discrete scheme of NSD system is given. Finally, three numerical experiments are given to demonstrate the effectiveness of the proposed method.

## 2. Preliminary

In this section, we begin with a brief introduction to the model. To specify the problem considered, let the two domains in  $R^d, d = 2, 3$ , be denoted by  $\Omega_p$  and  $\Omega_f$  and lie across an interface  $\Gamma$  from each other (see Figure 1). We can simplify the model to the following situation. The coupled NSD problem is stated as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (1) \quad & S \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} - \nabla \cdot (\mathbb{K} \nabla \phi) = f, \text{ in } \Omega_p, \\
 (2) \quad & \phi = 0, \text{ on } \partial \Omega_p \setminus \Gamma, \\
 (3) \quad & \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} - \nabla \cdot \mathbb{T}(\mathbf{u}, p) + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f}, \text{ in } \Omega_f, \\
 (4) \quad & \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0, \text{ in } \Omega_f, \\
 (5) \quad & \mathbf{u} = 0, \text{ on } \partial \Omega_f \setminus \Gamma,
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathbf{u}_p = -\mathbb{K} \nabla \phi$  is the fluid velocity discharge rate,  $S$  is the the water storage coefficient,  $\mathbb{K}$  is the hydraulic conductivity tensor, and  $f$  is the sink/source term;  $\phi = z_0 + \frac{p_D}{\rho g}$  denotes the hydraulic head, where  $p_D$  denotes the dynamic pressure, and  $z_0, \rho, g$  are the height, density, and the gravity constant, respectively. In the free-flow region  $\Omega_f$ , let  $\mathbf{u}$  denote the fluid velocity,  $p$  the kinematic pressure,  $\mathbf{f}$  the external body force, and  $\mu$  below the kinematic viscosity of the fluid. Additionally,  $\mathbb{T}(\mathbf{u}, p) = 2\mu \mathbb{D}(\mathbf{u}) - p\mathbb{I}$  is the stress tensor.  $\mathbb{D}(\mathbf{u}) = \frac{1}{2} (\nabla \mathbf{u} + \nabla^T \mathbf{u})$  is the deformation tensor.  $\mathbb{I}$  is the identity tensor.

On the interface  $\Gamma$ , we have prescribed the following Beavers-Joseph-Saffman-Jones interface conditions [68, 69, 70]

$$\begin{aligned} (6) \quad & \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n}_f = \mathbf{u}_p \cdot \mathbf{n}_f = -(\mathbb{K} \nabla \phi) \cdot \mathbf{n}_f, \\ (7) \quad & -\tau_j \cdot (\mathbb{T}(\mathbf{u}, p) \cdot \mathbf{n}_f) = \alpha_0 \tau_j \cdot \mathbf{u}, \quad j = 1, \dots, d-1, \\ (8) \quad & -\mathbf{n}_f \cdot (\mathbb{T}(\mathbf{u}, p) \cdot \mathbf{n}_f) = g\phi, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\alpha_0$  is the Beavers-Joseph-Saffman-Jones coefficient,  $\mathbf{n}_f$  denotes the outer unit normal vector for the free flow and  $\tau_j, j = 1, 2, \dots, d-1$  denotes a linearly independent set of vectors tangent to the interface  $\Gamma$ .

The system (2.1)-(2.5) is considered in conjunction with the following initial

$$\begin{aligned} (9) \quad & \phi(0, x) = \phi_0(x), \text{ in } \Omega_p, \\ (10) \quad & \mathbf{u}_S(0, x) = \mathbf{u}_0(x), \text{ in } \Omega_f, \end{aligned}$$

where  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d)$ .

For the convenience of later analysis, we introduce some notation that will be used later. Let  $\mathbf{X}'_f$  and  $X'_p$  denote the dual spaces of  $\mathbf{X}_f$  and  $X_p$ , respectively.  $(\cdot, \cdot)_D$  denotes the  $L^2$  inner product in the domain  $D$  ( $D = \Omega_f$  or  $\Omega_p$ ) and  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  denotes the  $L^2$  inner product on the interface  $\Gamma$ . Here, we define the norms  $\|\phi\|_\Gamma = \langle \phi, \phi \rangle_\Gamma^{1/2}, \forall \phi \in X_p$ ,  $\|\vec{\mathbf{v}}\|_\Gamma = (\|\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{n}\|_\Gamma^2 + \|\mathbf{v} \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}\|_\Gamma^2 + \|\psi\|_\Gamma^2)^{1/2}$  and  $\|\vec{\mathbf{v}}\|_S = \langle \langle \vec{\mathbf{v}}, \vec{\mathbf{v}} \rangle \rangle^{1/2}, \forall \vec{\mathbf{v}} = [\mathbf{v}, \psi]^T$ . We have that  $\|\cdot\|_S$  is equivalent to the  $L^2$  norm, i.e.,  $\|\cdot\|_S \sim \|\cdot\|_0$ . In order to derive the variational formulation for the model problem(1)-(5), we define the following Hilbert spaces [71]:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{X}_f &= \{ \mathbf{v} \in [H^1(\Omega_f)]^d : \mathbf{v} = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega_f \setminus \Gamma \}, \\ X_p &= \{ \psi \in H^1(\Omega_p) : \psi = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega_p \setminus \Gamma \}, \\ \overline{\mathbf{X}} &= \mathbf{X}_f \times X_p, \quad M_f = L^2(\Omega_f) \cap H^1(\Omega_f). \end{aligned}$$

We recall the following vector formulas

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \langle \vec{\mathbf{u}}_t, \vec{\mathbf{v}} \rangle \rangle &= (\mathbf{u}_t, \mathbf{v})_{\Omega_f} + gS(\phi_t, \psi)_{\Omega_p}, \\ a(\vec{\mathbf{u}}, \vec{\mathbf{v}}) &= 2\mu(\mathbb{D}(\mathbf{u}), \mathbb{D}(\mathbf{v}))_{\Omega_f} + g(\mathbb{K} \nabla \phi, \nabla \psi)_{\Omega_p} + \alpha_0 \langle \mathbf{u} \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}, \mathbf{v} \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau} \rangle, \\ a_\Gamma(\vec{\mathbf{u}}, \vec{\mathbf{v}}) &= g \langle \phi, \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{n}_f \rangle_\Gamma - g \langle \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n}_f, \psi \rangle_\Gamma, \\ (\vec{\mathbf{f}}, \vec{\mathbf{v}}) &= (\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v})_{\Omega_f} + g(f, \psi)_{\Omega_p}, \\ b(\vec{\mathbf{v}}, q) &= (\text{div} \mathbf{v}, q)_{\Omega_f}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\vec{\mathbf{u}} = [\mathbf{u}, \phi]^T, \vec{\mathbf{v}} = [\mathbf{v}, \psi]^T, \vec{\mathbf{f}} = [\mathbf{f}, gf]^T$ .

The trilinear form is defined as:  $\forall (\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{v}) \in \mathbf{X}_f \times \mathbf{X}_f \times \mathbf{X}_f$ ,

$$(11) \quad C(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{v}) = (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{v})_{\Omega_f}.$$

Especially, these bilinear forms satisfy the following coercive property [7]:

$$(12) \quad a(\vec{\mathbf{u}}, \vec{\mathbf{u}}) \geq (\mu \|\nabla \mathbf{u}\|_0^2 + gK_{\min} \|\nabla \phi\|_0^2 + \alpha_0 \|\mathbf{u} \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}\|_\Gamma^2) \geq C_a \|\nabla \vec{\mathbf{u}}\|_0^2,$$

$$(13) \quad a_\Gamma(\vec{\mathbf{u}}, \vec{\mathbf{u}}) = 0.$$

where  $C_a = \min(\mu, gK_{\min}, \alpha_0) > 0$ ,  $K_{\min}$  is the minimum eigenvalue of  $\mathbb{K}$ , and  $L^2(\Omega)$  and  $L^2(\Gamma)$  are equipped with the norms  $\|\cdot\|_0$  and  $\|\cdot\|_\Gamma$ , respectively.

Finally, we introduce the continuous variational form of the problem (1)-(5). Multiplying (1)-(5) by  $g\psi \in X_p$  and  $(\mathbf{v}, q) \in \mathbf{X}_f \times M_f$ , integrating over the corresponding domains and applying the divergence theorem, we find  $(\vec{\mathbf{u}}, p) \in (\overline{\mathbf{X}}, M_f)$



with  $\phi_t \equiv \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} \in X_p'$  and  $\mathbf{u}_t \equiv \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} \in \mathbf{X}_f'$  for given  $f \in X_p$  and  $\mathbf{f} \in \mathbf{X}_f$  such that, for  $\forall(\vec{\mathbf{v}}, q) \in \bar{\mathbf{X}} \times M_f$ ,

$$(14) \quad \langle \langle \vec{\mathbf{u}}_t, \vec{\mathbf{v}} \rangle \rangle + a(\vec{\mathbf{u}}, \vec{\mathbf{v}}) - b(\mathbf{v}, p) + b(\mathbf{u}, q) + a_\Gamma(\vec{\mathbf{u}}, \vec{\mathbf{v}}) + C(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = (\vec{\mathbf{f}}, \vec{\mathbf{v}}).$$

More detailed results regarding to the problems of (1)-(10) can be found in [2, 68, 69].

### 3. The nonlinear property

In this section, we will analyze the stability of the presented method related to the nonlinear property. Under the classical technique of the coupled problems related to the Navier-Stokes system, the existence and uniqueness of the corresponding coupled NSD problems presented can be obtained. Our main aim is to show the stability of the weak solution in continuous system, which also can be obtained for the discrete finite element system.

Then, we can obtain the following result.

**Lemma 3.1.** [76] *Assume that  $\mathbf{u}$  satisfies the following smallness condition*

$$(15) \quad \|\nabla \mathbf{u}\|_0 \leq \frac{C_a}{8C_0}, \quad \forall t \in [0, T].$$

Then, we have

$$(16) \quad |C(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w})| \leq \frac{C_a}{8} \|\nabla \mathbf{v}\|_0 \|\nabla \mathbf{w}\|_0, \quad \forall \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in \mathbf{X}_f \text{ and } t \in [0, T],$$

**Proof.** Using the assumption (15), we can estimate the trilinear term  $C(\cdot, \cdot, \cdot)$  as follows

$$(17) \quad C(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) \leq C_0 \|\nabla \mathbf{u}\|_0 \|\nabla \mathbf{v}\|_0 \|\nabla \mathbf{w}\|_0 \leq \frac{C_a}{8} \|\nabla \mathbf{v}\|_0 \|\nabla \mathbf{w}\|_0. \quad \square$$

### 4. Time discretization and stability

In this section, we show the rotational pressure-correction method in [60] for approximating the Navier-Stokes equations with complex boundary conditions. Here we will consider two different numerical schemes to solve the system: One is the so-called BE (backward Euler scheme), which is first-order accurate with respect to  $\Delta t$ . Another one is the so-called BDF2 (backward difference formulas scheme) with second-order accurate with respect to  $\Delta t$ .

There are generally many ways to discretize the time-dependent NSD equations in time. Several finite element methods are available for the numerical solution of the system. For convenience, let us introduce the following notation. We denote the real positive parameter  $\Delta t = t^{k+1} - t^k$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , represents the discretization step, while the super-index  $k$  indicates that the quantity under consideration refers to the time  $t^k$ . First, we study the rotational pressure-correction method by using BE.

#### 4.1. The BE rotational pressure-correction method.

For any  $\vec{\mathbf{u}}^k \equiv (\mathbf{u}^k, \phi^k) \in \bar{X}$ ,  $\Delta t > 0$ , find  $\tilde{\vec{\mathbf{u}}}^{k+1} \equiv (\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \phi^{k+1}) \in \bar{\mathbf{X}}$  such that

$$(18) \quad \left\langle \left\langle \frac{D^1 \tilde{\vec{\mathbf{u}}}^{k+1}}{\Delta t}, \vec{\mathbf{v}} \right\rangle \right\rangle + a(\tilde{\vec{\mathbf{u}}}^{k+1}, \vec{\mathbf{v}}) - b(\mathbf{v}, p^k) + a_\Gamma(\vec{\mathbf{u}}^k, \vec{\mathbf{v}}) + C(\mathbf{u}^k, \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \mathbf{v}) = (\vec{\mathbf{f}}^{k+1}, \vec{\mathbf{v}}), \quad \forall \vec{\mathbf{v}} \in \bar{\mathbf{X}},$$

where  $D^1 \tilde{\vec{\mathbf{u}}}^{k+1} = \tilde{\vec{\mathbf{u}}}^{k+1} - \vec{\mathbf{u}}^k$  denotes the difference operator.

Subsequently, compute  $(\mathbf{u}^{k+1}, z^{k+1}) \in \mathbf{X}_f \times M_f$  such that

$$(19) \quad \frac{\mathbf{u}^{k+1} - \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}}{\Delta t} + \nabla z^{k+1} = 0, \quad \text{in } \Omega_f,$$

$$(20) \quad \operatorname{div} \mathbf{u}^{k+1} = 0, \quad \text{in } \Omega_f,$$

$$(21) \quad \mathbf{u}^{k+1} \cdot \mathbf{n}|_{\partial\Omega_f \setminus \Gamma} = 0, \text{ and } z^{k+1}|_{\Gamma} = 0.$$

Furthermore, we update  $p^{k+1}$  and  $\mathbf{u}^{k+1}$  by:

$$(22) \quad \begin{aligned} p^{k+1} &= p^k + z^{k+1} - \chi \mu \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \\ \mathbf{u}^{k+1} &= \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} - \Delta t \nabla z^{k+1}, \end{aligned}$$

where the positive constant  $\chi > 0$  is a given parameter before the computation phase begins.

*Remark 4.1.* In this algorithm, the Beavers-Joseph-Saffman-Jones interface conditions are actually imposed in the interface term  $a_{\Gamma}(\cdot, \cdot)$ , which is a bilinear term, and can be treated via a simple quantity refer to the previous time  $t^k$ . Moreover, the trilinear term  $C(\cdot, \cdot, \cdot)$  is linearized by the Picard scheme.

To prove the stability of the BE scheme, we first estimate the preliminary results of the interface terms, as well as some other important terms, which are necessary and important for the proof of the algorithm. For convenience, some mathematical notations are defined:

$$\delta a^{k+1} = a^{k+1} - a^k.$$

Then, the following result follows from the basic analysis of BE scheme to discretize the time derivative [66].

**Lemma 4.2.** *It holds that*

$$(23) \quad \begin{aligned} & \|\delta \mathbf{u}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \Delta t^2 \|\nabla z^{k+1}\|_0^2 \\ & + \chi \mu \Delta t (\|\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 - \|\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2) + 2\Delta t b(\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta p^k) \\ & = \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \Delta t^2 \|\nabla z^k\|_0^2 + \chi \mu \Delta t \|\operatorname{div} \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2. \end{aligned}$$

For convenience, define the positive constant

$$\alpha = \frac{32C_{ct}^4 C_{tr}^8}{C_a^3} > 0$$

and set  $\|\tilde{\mathbf{u}}\|_i^2 = \|\mathbf{u}\|_i^2 + \|\phi\|_i^2, i = 0, 1$ . To avoid irrelevant technicalities, we assume that there is no external driving force, i.e.,  $\vec{\mathbf{f}} = \vec{\mathbf{0}}$ .

Based on the previous lemmas, we can obtain the following unconditional stability and the long time stability for the transient NSD equations by using the BE rotational pressure-correction scheme.

**Theorem 4.3. (Unconditional stability)** *Under the assumption of Lemma 4.2, let  $T > 0$  be any fixed time. Then, the scheme (18)-(22) is unconditionally stable on  $(0, T]$ .*

**Proof.** Taking the operator  $\delta$  on system (18) and substituting the test function  $\vec{\mathbf{v}} = 2\Delta t \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}$  to obtain the following control of the time increments of the errors

$$(24) \quad \begin{aligned} & 2 \left( \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} - \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k \right) + 2\Delta t a \left( \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} \right) \\ & - 2\Delta t b \left( \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta p^k \right) + 2\Delta t a_{\Gamma} \left( \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} \right) \\ & + 2\Delta t C \left( \mathbf{u}^{k-1}, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} \right) + 2\Delta t C \left( \delta \mathbf{u}^k, \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} \right) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Using the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, yields

$$(25) \quad a_{\Gamma}(\tilde{\mathbf{u}}, \tilde{\mathbf{v}}) \leq C_{ct} \|\tilde{\mathbf{u}}\|_{\Gamma} \|\tilde{\mathbf{v}}\|_{\Gamma}, \quad \forall \tilde{\mathbf{u}}, \tilde{\mathbf{v}} \in \overline{\mathbf{X}},$$

where  $C_{ct}$  is a positive constant depending on  $\sqrt{2}g$  [7]. Furthermore, applying the trace inequality

$$(26) \quad \|\tilde{\mathbf{v}}\|_{\Gamma} \leq C_{tr} \|\tilde{\mathbf{v}}\|_0^{1/2} \|\nabla \tilde{\mathbf{v}}\|_0^{1/2}, \quad \tilde{\mathbf{v}} \in \overline{\mathbf{X}},$$

and the Young inequality

$$(27) \quad a^{1/2} b^{1/2} c \leq \frac{\epsilon}{4} a^2 + \frac{1}{4\epsilon^3} b^2 + \frac{\epsilon}{2} c^2, \quad \forall \epsilon > 0,$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} a_{\Gamma}(\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}) &\leq C_{ct} \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_{\Gamma} \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_{\Gamma} \\ &\leq C_{ct} C_{tr}^2 \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^{1/2} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^{1/2} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0 \\ &\leq C_{ct} C_{tr}^2 \left( \frac{\epsilon}{2} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{\epsilon}{4} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \frac{1}{4\epsilon^3} \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 \right). \end{aligned}$$

Then, setting  $\epsilon = \frac{C_a}{4C_{tr}^2 C_{ct}}$ , we have

$$(28) \quad 2\Delta t a_{\Gamma}(\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}) \leq \frac{C_a \Delta t}{4} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{C_a \Delta t}{8} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \alpha \Delta t \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2.$$

Applying the identity  $(a - b, a) = a^2 - b^2 + (a - b)^2$  and (16) to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 - \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} - \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + C_a \Delta t \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 - 2\Delta t b(\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta p^k) \\ \leq \frac{C_a \Delta t}{4} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \alpha \Delta t \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2, \end{aligned}$$

since

$$\begin{aligned} |C(\delta \mathbf{u}^k, \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1})| &\leq \frac{C_a}{8} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0 \|\nabla \delta \mathbf{u}^k\|_0 \\ &\leq \frac{C_a}{8} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{C_a}{32} \|\nabla \delta \mathbf{u}^k\|_0^2 \\ (29) \quad &\leq \frac{C_a}{8} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{C_a}{32} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2. \end{aligned}$$

Using (23), noting that the bilinear term  $2\Delta t b(\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta p^k)$  and  $\Delta t \chi \|\operatorname{div} \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2$  are absorbed, we find that

$$\begin{aligned} &\|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} - \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \|\delta \mathbf{u}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \\ &\quad + \Delta t^2 \|\nabla z^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \chi \mu \Delta t \|\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{3C_a \Delta t}{2} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \\ &\leq \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \Delta t^2 \|\nabla z^k\|_0^2 + \chi \mu \Delta t \|\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \chi \mu \Delta t \|\operatorname{div} \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \\ &\quad + \frac{C_a \Delta t}{4} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + 4\alpha \Delta t \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2. \end{aligned}$$

Choosing  $\chi < C_a/4d\mu$ , and the estimate

$$(30) \quad \|\operatorname{div} \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0 \leq \sqrt{d} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0,$$

we have

$$(31) \quad \chi \mu \|\operatorname{div} \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \leq \frac{C_a}{4} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \leq \frac{C_a}{4} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2.$$

Then, we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} - \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \|\delta \mathbf{u}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \\
 & + \Delta t^2 \|\nabla z^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \chi \mu \Delta t \|\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{5C_a \Delta t}{4} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \\
 & \leq (1 + 4\alpha \Delta t) \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \Delta t^2 \|\nabla z^k\|_0^2 \\
 (32) \quad & + \chi \mu \Delta t \|\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \frac{C_a \Delta t}{4} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2,
 \end{aligned}$$

which implies

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} - \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \Delta t^2 \|\nabla z^{k+1}\|_0^2 \\
 & + \chi \mu \Delta t \|\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{C_a \Delta t}{4} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \\
 & \leq (1 + 4\alpha \Delta t) \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \Delta t^2 \|\nabla z^k\|_0^2 + \chi \mu \Delta t \|\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \frac{C_a \Delta t}{4} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we complete the proof.  $\square$

Moreover, we will establish the long time stability for the presented algorithm.

**Theorem 4.4. (Long time stability)** *Assume that Lemma 4.2 and the time-step restriction  $16\alpha\Delta t < 1$  are satisfied. Then, the solution to (18)-(22) is uniformly bounded for all time*

$$(33) \quad E_{k+1} \leq E_k,$$

where  $E_k = \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \Delta t^2 \|\nabla z^k\|_0^2 + \chi \mu \Delta t \|\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + C_a \Delta t \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2$ .

**Proof.** Using the same approach as for Theorem 4.3. Taking the operator  $\delta$  on system (18), substituting the test function  $\tilde{\mathbf{v}} = 2\Delta t \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}$  and applying the identity  $(a - b, a) = a^2 - b^2 + (a - b)^2$  to obtain the following control of the time increments of the errors

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 - \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} - \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + 2C_a \Delta t \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \\
 & - 2\Delta t b (\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta p^k) + 2\Delta t C (\mathbf{u}^{k-1}, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}) \\
 (34) \quad & + 2\Delta t C (\delta \mathbf{u}^k, \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}) = -2\Delta t a_\Gamma (\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}).
 \end{aligned}$$

Choosing  $\chi < C_a/8d\mu$ , and the estimate

$$(35) \quad \|\operatorname{div} \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0 \leq \sqrt{d} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0,$$

we have

$$(36) \quad \chi \mu \|\operatorname{div} \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \leq \frac{C_a}{8} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \leq \frac{C_a}{8} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2.$$

Also, using the same approach as for Lemma 4.1 in [72], yields

$$\begin{aligned}
 & a_\Gamma (\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}) = a_\Gamma (\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k - \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}) \\
 & \leq C_{ct} C_{tr}^2 \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k - \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^{1/2} \|\nabla (\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k - \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1})\|_0^{1/2} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0 \\
 & \leq C_{ct} C_{tr}^2 \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k - \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^{1/2} \left( \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^{1/2} + \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^{1/2} \right) \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0 \\
 (37) \quad & \leq C_{ct} C_{tr}^2 \left( \epsilon \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{\epsilon}{4} \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{1}{4\epsilon^2} \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k - \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^{1/2} \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

Choosing  $\epsilon = \frac{C_a}{8C_{tr}^2 C_{ct}}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 2\Delta t a_\Gamma \left( \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} \right) \\
 & \leq \frac{C_a \Delta t}{4} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{C_a \Delta t}{16} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{C_a \Delta t}{16} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 \\
 & \quad + \frac{512 C_{ct}^4 C_{tr}^8 \Delta t}{C_a^3} \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} - \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 \\
 (38) \quad & = \frac{5C_a \Delta t}{16} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{C_a \Delta t}{16} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + 16\alpha \Delta t \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} - \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

Using the identity (23), the bounds (29) of the nonlinear term, and noting that the bilinear term  $2\Delta t b(\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta p^k)$  and  $\Delta t \chi \|\operatorname{div} \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2$  are absorbed, yields

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} - \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \Delta t^2 \|\nabla z^{k+1}\|_0^2 \\
 & \quad + \chi \mu \Delta t \|\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{17C_a \Delta t}{16} C_a \Delta t \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \\
 & \leq \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \Delta t^2 \|\nabla z^k\|_0^2 + \chi \mu \Delta t \|\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 \\
 & \quad + \frac{C_a \Delta t}{8} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + 16\alpha \Delta t \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} - \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2
 \end{aligned}$$

which implies

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + (1 - 16\alpha \Delta t) \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} - \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \Delta t^2 \|\nabla z^{k+1}\|_0^2 \\
 & \quad + \chi \mu \Delta t \|\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + C_a \Delta t \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \\
 & \leq \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \Delta t^2 \|\nabla z^k\|_0^2 + \chi \mu \Delta t \|\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + C_a \Delta t \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the theorem is proved since  $16\alpha \Delta t < 1$ .  $\square$

#### 4.2. The BDF2 rotational pressure-correction method.

Similarly, we will introduce BDF2 and give strict stability proof. For any  $\Delta t > 0$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k \equiv (\mathbf{u}^k, \phi^k) \in \overline{\mathbf{X}}$ . Find  $\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} \equiv (\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \phi^{k+1}) \in \overline{\mathbf{X}}$  such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left\langle \left\langle \frac{D_t^2 \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}}{2\Delta t}, v \right\rangle \right\rangle + a \left( \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \tilde{\mathbf{v}} \right) - b \left( \mathbf{v}, p^k \right) + a_\Gamma \left( \sigma \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k, \tilde{\mathbf{v}} \right) + C \left( \sigma \mathbf{u}^k, \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \mathbf{v} \right) \\
 (39) \quad & = \left( \tilde{\mathbf{f}}^{k+1}, \tilde{\mathbf{v}} \right), \quad \forall \tilde{\mathbf{v}} \in \overline{\mathbf{X}},
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $D_t^2 \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} = 3\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} - 4\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k + \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k-1}$  and  $\sigma \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k = 2\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k - \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k-1}$ .

Subsequently, compute  $(\mathbf{u}^{k+1}, Z^{k+1}) \in \mathbf{X}_f \times M_f$  such that

$$(40) \quad \frac{3\mathbf{u}^{k+1} - 3\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}}{2\Delta t} + \nabla z^{k+1} = 0, \quad \text{in } \Omega_f,$$

$$(41) \quad \operatorname{div} \mathbf{u}^{k+1} = 0, \quad \text{in } \Omega_f,$$

$$(42) \quad \mathbf{u}^{k+1} \cdot \mathbf{n}|_{\partial\Omega_f \setminus \Gamma} = 0, \text{ and } z^{k+1}|_\Gamma = 0.$$

Furthermore, we update  $p^{k+1} \in M_f$  and  $\mathbf{u}^{k+1} \in \mathbf{X}_f$  by:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & p^{k+1} = p^k + z^{k+1} - \chi \mu \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \\
 (43) \quad & \mathbf{u}^{k+1} = \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} - \frac{2\Delta t}{3} \nabla z^{k+1},
 \end{aligned}$$

where the positive constant  $0 < \chi$  is a given parameter before the computation phase begins.

Meanwhile, the following result follows from the basic analysis of BDF2 to discretize the time derivative

**Lemma 4.5.** *It also holds that*

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 3\|\delta \mathbf{u}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{4}{3}\Delta t^2 \|\nabla z^{k+1}\|_0^2 \\
 & + 2\chi\mu\Delta t (\|\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 - \|\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2) + 4\Delta t b (\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta p^k) \\
 (44) \quad & = 3\|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{4}{3}\Delta t^2 \|\nabla z^k\|_0^2 + 2\chi\mu\Delta t \|\operatorname{div} \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

Similar to the stability of BE, we first obtain the following unconditional stability for the transient NSD equations.

**Theorem 4.6. (Unconditional stability)** *Let  $T > 0$  be any fixed time. Then, the scheme (39)-(43) is unconditionally stable on  $(0, T]$ .*

**Proof.** Taking the operator  $\delta$  on system (39) and substituting the test function  $\tilde{\mathbf{v}} = 4\Delta t \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}$  to obtain the following control of the time increments of the errors

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 2 \left\langle \left\langle \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, 3\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} - 4\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k + \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k-1} \right\rangle \right\rangle + 4\Delta t a \left( \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} \right) \\
 & - 4\Delta t b (\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta p^k) + 4\Delta t a_\Gamma (\delta \sigma \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}) \\
 (45) \quad & + 4\Delta t C (\delta \sigma \mathbf{u}^k, \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}) - 4\Delta t C (\sigma \mathbf{u}^{k-1}, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}) = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Using the identity

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 2 (\tilde{a}^{k+1}, 3\tilde{a}^{k+1} - 4a^k + a^{k-1}) \\
 & = 3 (|\tilde{a}^{k+1}|^2 - |a^{k+1}|^2 + |\tilde{a}^{k+1} - a^{k+1}|^2) + (|a^{k+1}|^2 - |a^k|^2) \\
 & + (|\sigma a^{k+1}|^2 - |\sigma a^k|^2) + |\delta^2 a^{k+1}|^2 + 2 (\tilde{a}^{k+1} - a^{k+1}, 3\tilde{a}^{k+1} - 4a^k + a^{k-1}),
 \end{aligned}$$

setting  $a^k = \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k$  and recalling the following result in [66, 72]

$$(46) \quad (\delta \mathbf{u}^{k+1} - \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, 3\delta \mathbf{u}^{k+1} - 4\delta \mathbf{u}^k + \delta \mathbf{u}^{k-1}) = 0$$

yields

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 3 \left( \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 - \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} - \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \right) \\
 & + (\|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 - \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2) + (\|\sigma \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 - \|\sigma \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2) + \|\delta^2 \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \\
 & + 4C_a \Delta t \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 - 4\Delta t b (\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta p^k) \\
 (47) \quad & = -4\Delta t a_\Gamma (\delta \sigma \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}).
 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, using the Young inequality

$$(48) \quad a^{1/2} b^{1/2} c \leq \frac{\epsilon}{8} a^2 + \frac{1}{2\epsilon^3} b^2 + \frac{\epsilon}{2} c^2, \forall \epsilon > 0,$$

we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 & a_\Gamma (\delta \sigma \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}) = a_\Gamma (\sigma \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}) \\
 & \leq C_{ct} \|\sigma \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_\Gamma \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_\Gamma \\
 & \leq C_{ct} C_{tr}^2 \|\sigma \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^{1/2} \|\nabla \sigma \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^{1/2} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0 \\
 & \leq C_{ct} C_{tr}^2 \|\sigma \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^{1/2} \left( \sqrt{2} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^{1/2} + \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k-1}\|_0^{1/2} \right) \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0 \\
 & = C_{ct} C_{tr}^2 (I_1 + I_2).
 \end{aligned}$$

Noting that

$$\sigma \delta \bar{\mathbf{u}}^k = \delta \bar{\mathbf{u}}^k + \delta^2 \bar{\mathbf{u}}^k,$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &\leq \frac{\epsilon}{2} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \|\nabla \delta \bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \frac{1}{2\epsilon^3} (\|\delta \bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \|\delta^2 \bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2), \\ I_2 &\leq \frac{\epsilon}{2} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{\epsilon}{8} \|\nabla \delta \bar{\mathbf{u}}^{k-1}\|_0^2 + \frac{1}{2\epsilon^3} (\|\delta \bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \|\delta^2 \bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2), \end{aligned}$$

yields

$$\begin{aligned} a_\Gamma (\delta \sigma \bar{\mathbf{u}}^k, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}) &\leq C_{ct} C_{tr}^2 \left( \epsilon \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \|\nabla \delta \bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 \right. \\ (49) \quad &\quad \left. + \frac{\epsilon}{8} \|\nabla \delta \bar{\mathbf{u}}^{k-1}\|_0^2 + \frac{1}{\epsilon^3} (\|\delta \bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \|\delta^2 \bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Also, setting  $\epsilon = \frac{C_a}{8C_{tr}^2 C_{ct}}$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} 4\Delta t a_\Gamma (\delta \sigma \bar{\mathbf{u}}^k, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}) &\leq \frac{C_a \Delta t}{2} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{C_a \Delta t}{4} \|\nabla \delta \bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 \\ (50) \quad &\quad + \frac{C_a \Delta t}{16} \|\nabla \delta \bar{\mathbf{u}}^{k-1}\|_0^2 + 16\alpha \Delta t (\|\delta \bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \|\delta^2 \bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2). \end{aligned}$$

Choosing  $\chi < C_a/4d\mu$ , and using

$$(51) \quad \|\operatorname{div} \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0 \leq \sqrt{d} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0,$$

we have

$$(52) \quad 2\chi\mu \|\operatorname{div} \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \leq \frac{C_a}{2} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \leq \frac{C_a}{2} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2.$$

Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} C (\delta \sigma \mathbf{u}^k, \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}) &\leq C_0 \|\nabla \delta \sigma \mathbf{u}^k\|_0 \|\nabla \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0 \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0 \\ &\leq C_0 (2\|\nabla \delta \mathbf{u}^k\|_0 + \|\nabla \delta \mathbf{u}^{k-1}\|_0) \|\nabla \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0 \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0 \\ &\leq \frac{C_0}{8} (2\|\nabla \delta \mathbf{u}^k\|_0 + \|\nabla \delta \mathbf{u}^{k-1}\|_0) \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0 \\ (53) \quad &\leq \frac{C_a}{8} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{C_a}{4} \|\nabla \delta \mathbf{u}^k\|_0^2 + \frac{C_a}{16} \|\nabla \delta \mathbf{u}^{k-1}\|_0^2. \end{aligned}$$

Using (44), observing that the bilinear form  $4\Delta t b(\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta p^k)$  and  $2\Delta t \chi \|\operatorname{div} \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2$  are absorbed, the bounds (53) of the trilinear term, and adding the term  $\frac{C_a \Delta t}{8} \|\nabla \delta \bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2$  for both side of the inequality yields

$$\begin{aligned} &3 \left( \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 - \|\delta \bar{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} - \delta \bar{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \right) \\ &+ (\|\delta \bar{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 - \|\delta \bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2) + (\|\sigma \bar{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 - \|\sigma \bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2) \\ &+ \|\delta^2 \bar{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + 3\|\delta \mathbf{u}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{4}{3} \Delta t^2 \|\nabla z^{k+1}\|_0^2 + 2\chi\mu \Delta t \|\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \\ &+ \frac{5C_a \Delta t}{2} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{C_a \Delta t}{8} \|\nabla \delta \bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 \\ &\leq 3\|\delta \bar{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{4}{3} \Delta t^2 \|\nabla z^k\|_0^2 + 2\chi\mu \Delta t \|\operatorname{div} \bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 \\ &+ \frac{5C_a \Delta t}{8} \|\nabla \delta \bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \frac{C_a \Delta t}{8} \|\nabla \delta \bar{\mathbf{u}}^{k-1}\|_0^2 \\ (54) \quad &+ 16\alpha \Delta t (\|\delta \bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \|\delta^2 \bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2). \end{aligned}$$

Then, using a simple derivation, discarding the form  $3\|\delta\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} - \delta\bar{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\delta\bar{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \|\sigma\bar{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{4}{3}\Delta t^2\|\nabla z^{k+1}\|_0^2 + 2\chi\mu\Delta t\|\operatorname{div}\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \\ & + C_a\Delta t\|\nabla\delta\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{C_a\Delta t}{8}\|\nabla\delta\bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \|\delta^2\bar{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \\ & \leq \|\delta\bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \|\sigma\bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \frac{4}{3}\Delta t^2\|\nabla z^k\|_0^2 + 2\chi\mu\Delta t\|\operatorname{div}\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + C_a\Delta t\|\nabla\delta\bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 \\ & + \frac{C_a\Delta t}{8}\|\nabla\delta\bar{\mathbf{u}}^{k-1}\|_0^2 + 16\alpha\Delta t(\|\delta\bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \|\delta^2\bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2) \end{aligned}$$

which implies

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\delta\bar{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \|\sigma\bar{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{4}{3}\Delta t^2\|\nabla z^{k+1}\|_0^2 + 2\chi\mu\Delta t\|\operatorname{div}\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \\ & + C_a\Delta t\|\nabla\delta\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{C_a\Delta t}{8}\|\nabla\delta\bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \|\delta^2\bar{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \\ & \leq (1 + 16\alpha\Delta t)\|\delta\bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \|\sigma\bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \frac{4}{3}\Delta t^2\|\nabla z^k\|_0^2 + 2\chi\mu\Delta t\|\operatorname{div}\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 \\ & + C_a\Delta t\|\nabla\delta\bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \frac{C_a\Delta t}{8}\|\nabla\delta\bar{\mathbf{u}}^{k-1}\|_0^2 + \|\delta^2\bar{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the proof is proved.  $\square$

To prove the long time stability of the BDF2 rotational pressure-correction method, we utilize the G-stability framework as in [46]. For the BDF2, the positive definite G-matrixs

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -1 \\ -1 & \frac{5}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

and the associated norms can be obtained as

$$|\vec{\mathbf{U}}|_G^2 = (\vec{\mathbf{U}}, G\vec{\mathbf{U}}), \quad \vec{\mathbf{U}} \in [L^2(\Omega)]^d.$$

Also, we apply the  $G$  matrix to functions belonging to  $\bar{\mathbf{X}}$ : for any  $\vec{\mathbf{U}} \in \bar{\mathbf{X}}^2$ , define  $|\vec{\mathbf{u}}|_G^2 = (\vec{\mathbf{u}}, G\vec{\mathbf{u}})$ . Then, for any  $\vec{\mathbf{u}}^i \in \bar{\mathbf{X}}, i = k+1, k, k-1$  [73] of the BDF2,

$$(55) \quad \left\langle \left\langle D_t^2 \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1} \right\rangle \right\rangle = \frac{1}{2}(|\tilde{\mathbf{U}}^{k+1}|_G^2 - |\vec{\mathbf{U}}^k|_G^2) + \frac{1}{4}\|\delta^2\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_S^2$$

where  $\tilde{\mathbf{U}}^{k+1} = [\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k]^T$  and  $\vec{\mathbf{U}}^k = [\bar{\mathbf{u}}^k, \bar{\mathbf{u}}^{k-1}]^T$ .

Moreover, the G-norm and  $L^2$ -norm, and  $\|\cdot\|_S$  and  $\|\cdot\|_0$  are equivalent in the sense that  $|\vec{\mathbf{U}}|_G \sim \|\vec{\mathbf{U}}\|_0$  and  $\|\delta^2\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_S \sim \|\delta^2\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0$  without regards to the positive constants.

**Theorem 4.7. (Long time stability)** *Assume that the time-step restriction  $8\alpha\Delta t < 1$  is satisfied. Then, the solution to (39)-(43) is uniformly bounded for all time.*

**Proof.** Taking the operator  $\delta$  on system (39), substituting the test function  $\vec{\mathbf{v}} = 4\Delta t\delta\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}$  and applying the identity  $(a-b, a) = a^2 - b^2 + (a-b)^2$  to obtain the following control of the time increments of the errors

$$\begin{aligned} & 2|\delta\tilde{\mathbf{U}}^{k+1}|_G^2 - 2|\delta\vec{\mathbf{U}}^k|_G^2 + \|\delta^3\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_S^2 + 4C_a\Delta t\|\nabla\delta\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \\ & - 4\Delta tb(\delta\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta p^k) + 4\Delta ta_\Gamma(\delta\bar{\mathbf{u}}^k, \delta\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}) \\ (56) \quad & + 4\Delta tC(\delta\sigma\mathbf{u}^k, \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}) - 4\Delta tC(\sigma\mathbf{u}^{k-1}, \delta\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta\tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}) = 0. \end{aligned}$$



Choosing  $\chi < C_a/16d\mu$ , and the estimate

$$(57) \quad \|\operatorname{div} \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0 \leq \sqrt{d} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0,$$

we have

$$(58) \quad 2\chi\mu \|\operatorname{div} \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \leq \frac{C_a}{8} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \leq \frac{C_a}{8} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2.$$

Recalling the equivalence between  $\|\cdot\|_0$  and  $\|\cdot\|_S$ , using the Young inequality  $a^{1/2}b^{1/2}c \leq \frac{a^2}{8\epsilon^3} + \frac{\epsilon b^2}{2} + \frac{\epsilon a^2}{2}$  with  $\epsilon = \frac{C_a}{8C_{ct}C_{tr}^2}$ , and noticing

$$a_\Gamma(\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}) = 0,$$

yields

$$\begin{aligned} & 4\Delta t a_\Gamma(\delta \sigma \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}) \\ &= 4\Delta t a_\Gamma(\sigma \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k - \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}) \\ &= -4\Delta t a_\Gamma(\delta^3 \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}) \\ &\leq 4C_{ct}\Delta t \|\delta^3 \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_\Gamma \|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_\Gamma \\ &\leq 4C_{ct}C_{tr}^2\Delta t \|\delta^3 \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^{1/2} \|\nabla \delta^3 \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^{1/2} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0 \\ &\leq 4C_{ct}C_{tr}^2\Delta t \|\delta^3 \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_S^{1/2} \left( \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^{1/2} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sqrt{2} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^{1/2} + \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k-1}\|_0^{1/2} \right) \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0 \\ &\leq C_a\Delta t \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + C_a\Delta t \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \frac{C_a\Delta t}{4} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k-1}\|_0^2 + 8\alpha\Delta t \|\delta^3 \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_S^2. \end{aligned}$$

Using (58), the bounds (53) of the trilinear term, and noting that the bilinear term  $2\Delta t b(\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}, \delta p^k)$  and  $\Delta t \chi \|\operatorname{div} \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2$  are absorbed, yields

$$\begin{aligned} & 2|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{U}}^{k+1}|_G^2 + (1 - 8\alpha\Delta t) \|\delta^3 \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_S^2 + \frac{13C_a\Delta t}{8} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \\ &+ 3\|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{4\Delta t^2}{3} \|\nabla z^{k+1}\|_0^2 + 2\chi\mu\Delta t \|\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \\ &\leq 2|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{U}}^k|_G^2 + \frac{5C_a}{4}\Delta t \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \frac{5C_a\Delta t}{16} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k-1}\|_0^2 \\ (59) \quad &+ 3\|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{4\Delta t^2}{3} \|\nabla z^k\|_0^2 + 2\chi\mu\Delta t \|\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2. \end{aligned}$$

Setting  $8\alpha\Delta t < 1$ , discarding  $\|\delta^3 \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_S^2$ , and adding  $\frac{5C_a\Delta t}{16} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2$  to both side of the above inequality, implies

$$\begin{aligned} & 2|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{U}}^{k+1}|_G^2 + \frac{13C_a\Delta t}{8} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{5C_a\Delta t}{16} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 \\ &+ 3\|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{4\Delta t^2}{3} \|\nabla z^{k+1}\|_0^2 + 2\chi\mu\Delta t \|\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 \\ &\leq 2|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{U}}^k|_G^2 + \frac{25C_a\Delta t}{16} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2 + \frac{5C_a\Delta t}{16} \|\nabla \delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k-1}\|_0^2 \\ (60) \quad &+ 3\|\delta \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\|_0^2 + \frac{4\Delta t^2}{3} \|\nabla z^k\|_0^2 + 2\chi\mu\Delta t \|\operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k\|_0^2. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the theorem is proved.  $\square$

## 5. Fully discretized numerical schemes

In this section, we aim to provide the first order and second order fully discretized rotational pressure-correction method for the coupled NSD system.

We assume that the subdivisions of  $\Omega_f$  and  $\Omega_p$  are  $\mathcal{T}_f$  and  $\mathcal{T}_p$ , respectively. The elements of each of two subdivisions exactly match along  $\Gamma$  [74, 75]. Based on two subdivisions  $\mathcal{T}_f$  and  $\mathcal{T}_p$ , the finite element spaces  $\mathbf{X}_f^h \subset \mathbf{X}_f$ ,  $X_p^h \subset X_p$  and  $M_f^h \subset M_f$  with the mesh scale  $h$  can be defined.

### 5.1. The fully discrete BE.

The standard finite element approximation of (1)-(10) are defined by using the following fully discrete BE rotational pressure-correction method: Given  $\Delta t > 0$ ,  $\vec{\mathbf{f}} \in [H^{-1}(\Omega_i)]^d$ , find  $\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h^{k+1} \equiv (\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h^{k+1}, \phi_h^{k+1}) \in \bar{\mathbf{X}}^h$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \left\langle \left\langle \frac{D_1^t \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h^{k+1}}{\Delta t}, \vec{\mathbf{v}}_h \right\rangle \right\rangle + a(\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h^{k+1}, \vec{\mathbf{v}}_h) - b(\mathbf{v}_h, p_h^k) + a_\Gamma(\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h^k, \vec{\mathbf{v}}_h) + C(\mathbf{u}_h^k, \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h^{k+1}, \mathbf{v}_h) \\ = (\vec{\mathbf{f}}_h^{k+1}, \vec{\mathbf{v}}_h), \quad \forall \vec{\mathbf{v}}_h \in \bar{\mathbf{X}}^h. \end{aligned} \quad (61)$$

Find  $(\mathbf{u}_h^{k+1}, z_h^{k+1}) \in \mathbf{X}_f^h \times M_f^h$  such that  $\forall (\mathbf{v}_h, q_h) \in \mathbf{X}_f^h \times M_f^h$

$$\left( \frac{\mathbf{u}_h^{k+1} - \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h^{k+1}}{\Delta t}, \nabla q_h \right) + (\nabla z_h^{k+1}, \nabla q_h) = 0, \quad \text{in } \Omega_f, \quad (62)$$

$$b(\mathbf{u}_h^{k+1}, q_h) = 0, \quad \text{in } \Omega_f, \quad (63)$$

$$\mathbf{u}_h^{k+1} \cdot \mathbf{n}|_{\partial\Omega_f \setminus \Gamma} = 0, \text{ and } z_h^{k+1}|_\Gamma = 0. \quad (64)$$

Furthermore, update the pressure by

$$p_h^{k+1} = p_h^k + z_h^{k+1} - \chi \mu \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h^{k+1}. \quad (65)$$

Here,  $D_1^t \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h^{k+1} = \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h^{k+1} - \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h^k$  denotes the difference operator.

### 5.2. The fully discrete BDF2.

For the numerical treatment of time derivative term, we use the fully discrete BDF2. The standard finite element approximation of (1)-(10) are defined using the following rotational pressure-correction method: Given  $\Delta t > 0$ ,  $\vec{\mathbf{f}} \in [H^{-1}(\Omega_i)]^d$ , find  $\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h^{k+1} \equiv (\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h^{k+1}, \phi_h^{k+1}) \in \bar{\mathbf{X}}^h$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \left\langle \left\langle \frac{D_2^t \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h^{k+1}}{2\Delta t}, \vec{\mathbf{v}}_h \right\rangle \right\rangle + a(\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h^{k+1}, \vec{\mathbf{v}}_h) - b(\mathbf{v}_h, p_h^k) + a_\Gamma(\sigma \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h^k, \vec{\mathbf{v}}_h) + C(\sigma \mathbf{u}_h^k, \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h^{k+1}, \mathbf{v}_h) \\ = (\vec{\mathbf{f}}_h^{k+1}, \vec{\mathbf{v}}_h), \quad \forall \vec{\mathbf{v}}_h \in \bar{\mathbf{X}}^h. \end{aligned} \quad (66)$$

Find  $(\mathbf{u}_h^{k+1}, z_h^{k+1}) \in \mathbf{X}_f^h \times M_f^h$  such that  $\forall (\mathbf{v}_h, q_h) \in \mathbf{X}_f^h \times M_f^h$

$$\left( \frac{3\mathbf{u}_h^{k+1} - 3\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h^{k+1}}{2\Delta t}, \nabla q_h \right) + (\nabla z_h^{k+1}, \nabla q_h) = 0, \quad \text{in } \Omega_f, \quad (67)$$

$$b(\mathbf{u}_h^{k+1}, q_h) = 0, \quad \text{in } \Omega_f, \quad (68)$$

$$\mathbf{u}_h^{k+1} \cdot \mathbf{n}|_{\partial\Omega_f \setminus \Gamma} = 0, \text{ and } z_h^{k+1}|_\Gamma = 0. \quad (69)$$

Furthermore, update the pressure by

$$p_h^{k+1} = p_h^k + z_h^{k+1} - \chi \mu \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h^{k+1}. \quad (70)$$

Here,  $D_2^t \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h^{k+1} = 3\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h^{k+1} - 4\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h^k + \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h^{k-1}$  denotes the second order difference operator for temporal discretization.

*Remark 5.1.* The quantity  $(u_h^0, \phi_h^0, p_h^0) \in \mathbf{X}_f^h \times X_p^h \times M_f^h$  is set to be a suitable approximation of the initial data of the problem. Then we compute an approximation of the exact solution at time  $t = \Delta t$ , say  $(u_h^1, \phi_h^1, p_h^1) \in \mathbf{X}_f^h \times X_p^h \times M_f^h$  by using the corresponding fully discrete BE.

*Remark 5.2.* Equations (62)-(64) and (67)-(69) can be computed by the following:

Find  $(\mathbf{u}_h^{k+1}, z_h^{k+1}) \in \mathbf{X}_f^h \times M_f^h$  such that  $\forall (\mathbf{v}_h, q_h) \in \mathbf{X}_f^h \times M_f^h$

$$(71) \quad (\nabla z_h^{k+1}, \nabla q_h) = -\frac{2+\theta}{2\Delta t} (\mathbf{u}_h^{k+1} - \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h^{k+1}, q_h), \quad \text{in } \Omega_f,$$

$$(72) \quad \mathbf{u}_h^{k+1} \cdot \mathbf{n}|_{\partial\Omega_f \setminus \Gamma} = 0 \text{ and } z_h^{k+1}|_{\Gamma} = 0.$$

For  $\theta = 0$ , we have the BE. We consider the case of the BDF2 where  $\theta = 1$ .

*Remark 5.3.* These two schemes are, in fact, time-dependent version domain decomposition, which has first-order or second-order accuracy without the incompressibility constraint of the incompressible Navier-Stokes system. In particular especially, the incompressible flow is decoupled by two separate steps to obtain the velocity and pressure, respectively. Therefore, computation load is greatly reduced for the whole coupled large scale system.

## 6. Numerical examples

In this section, we perform several numerical tests to validate proposed rotational pressure-correction projection schemes. In the first numerical example, we present the errors between the analytical solution and approximate solution for the backward-Euler scheme RPC-BE, and second-order rotational pressure-correction projection backward difference formula RPC-BDF2, respectively by taking the exact solution of the model problem. Moreover, several numerical experiments are performed to show the flow speed, streamlines, and pressure contour by constructing a geometrical set-up with the reservoir domain and pipe flow. On the other hand, we also study the long-time stability over the long time interval to show the long-time behavior of the proposed algorithms. To discretize the NSD system, we utilize the well-known MINI elements pair  $P_{1b} - P_1$  for the Navier-Stokes equations to guarantee the stability of the system. Besides, linear Lagrangian element  $P_1$  is used to discretize the Darcy equations. Furthermore, Hood-Taylor element pair  $P_2 - P_1$  is considered for the Navier-Stokes equation and quadratic elements  $P_2$  is considered for the matrix pressure to show the performance with the higher order element of the proposed numerical methods. The code is implemented by using the software package FreeFEM++ [77]

For comparison purposes, the following error indicators will be applied to compute the absolute error between the exact solution and approximate solutions respective part of the domain  $\Omega_f$  and  $\Omega_p$ :

$$e_{h,\tilde{\mathbf{u}}}^k = \mathbf{u}(t^k) - \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^k, \quad e_{h,\mathbf{u}}^k = \mathbf{u}(t^k) - \mathbf{u}^k, \quad e_{h,p}^k = p(t^k) - p^k, \quad e_{h,\phi}^k = \phi(t^k) - \phi^k.$$

In all the numerical tests, we set physical parameters  $\nu, g, \alpha = 1.0$  and  $z = 0$ .

### 6.1. Approximate Accuracy.

To conduct the analytical solution test, the global domain  $\Omega$  is divided into two subdomains with free fluid flow region  $\Omega_f = [0, 1] \times [1, 2]$  and the porous media region  $\Omega_p = [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$  which is separated by a common interface  $\Gamma = (0, 1) \times \{1\}$ .

TABLE 1. Approximate accuracy of varying mesh scales with fixed time step size  $\Delta t = 0.001$  for RPC-BE at  $T = 0.5$ .

$1/h$	$\ \nabla e_{h,\tilde{\mathbf{u}}}^{k+1}\ _0$	Rate	$\ \nabla e_{h,\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\ _0$	Rate	$\ e_{h,p}^{k+1}\ _0$	Rate	$\ \nabla e_{h,\phi}^{k+1}\ _0$	Rate
4	1.29424	-	1.29274	-	0.65610	-	1.49941	-
8	0.64570	1.003	0.64454	1.003	0.21944	1.580	0.78162	0.939
16	0.32177	1.004	0.32154	1.003	0.07884	1.476	0.39529	0.983
32	0.16059	1.002	0.16075	1.000	0.03071	1.360	0.19823	0.995
64	0.08034	0.999	0.08089	0.990	0.01435	1.097	0.09920	0.998

 TABLE 2. Approximate accuracy of varying mesh scales with fixed time step size  $\Delta t = 0.001$  for RPC-BDF2 at  $T = 0.5$ .

$1/h$	$\ \nabla e_{h,\tilde{\mathbf{u}}}^{k+1}\ _0$	Rate	$\ \nabla e_{h,\mathbf{u}}^{k+1}\ _0$	Rate	$\ e_{h,p}^{k+1}\ _0$	Rate	$\ \nabla e_{h,\phi}^{k+1}\ _0$	Rate
4	1.29372	-	1.29269	-	0.65151	-	1.49947	-
8	0.64624	0.805	0.64511	1.011	0.23013	1.509	0.78165	0.940
16	0.32202	1.004	0.32172	1.004	0.08372	1.458	0.39531	0.983
32	0.16064	1.003	0.16074	1.001	0.03111	1.427	0.19824	0.996
64	0.08034	0.999	0.08075	0.993	0.01340	1.215	0.09919	0.999

The following exact solution of the model problem satisfies the interface conditions (6)-(8):

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{u} &= \begin{bmatrix} (x^2(y-1)^2 + y) \cos(t) \\ (-2/3x(y-1)^3 + 2 - \pi \sin(\pi x)) \cos(t) \end{bmatrix}, \\ p &= (2 - \pi \sin(\pi x)) \sin(0.5\pi y) \cos(t), \\ \phi &= (2 - \pi \sin(\pi x)) (1 - y - \cos(\pi y)) \cos(t).\end{aligned}$$

The initial conditions, boundary conditions, and the forcing terms  $\mathbf{f}$  and  $f$  follow the solution with  $S = 1$ .

Tables 1-2, illustrates the errors between the approximate solution and exact solutions of the RPC-BE and RPC-BDF2 respectively, with a fixed time step  $\Delta t = 0.001$  and varying mesh size  $h = 1/4, 1/8, 1/16, 1/32, 1/64$ . The tables shows that, we achieve the optimal convergence order with  $O(h)$  for  $\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h$ ,  $\mathbf{u}_h$  and  $\phi_h$  in  $H^1$ -norm and  $p_h$  in  $L^2$ -norm in space for both schemes. On the other hand, to confirm the theoretical prediction with time step size  $\Delta t$ , for RPC-BE, we set  $h = O(\Delta t)$  for  $\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h$ ,  $\mathbf{u}_h$  and  $\phi_h$  in  $H^1$ -norm and  $p_h$  in  $L^2$ -norm. Besides, we consider  $h = O(\Delta t^2)$  for  $\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h$ ,  $\mathbf{u}_h$  and  $\phi_h$  in  $H^1$ -norm and  $p_h$  in  $L^2$ -norm to check the convergence order of the algorithm RPC-BDF2. Tables 3-4 presents that first order in time for the rotational pressure-correction projection backward-Euler scheme RPC-BE and second order for rotational pressure-correction projection backward finite difference scheme RPC-BDF2, which completely agrees with the optimal predicated rates.

Furthermore, we listed the errors in Table 5 of the RPC-BES for the  $P_2 - P_1 - P_2$  finite element triple with the fixed time step size  $\Delta t = 0.001$ , varying mesh size  $h = 1/4, 1/8, 1/16, 1/32, 1/64$  and final time  $T = 0.5$ . One can clearly observe that we achieve almost second-order accuracy for  $\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h$ ,  $\mathbf{u}_h$  and  $\phi_h$  in  $H^1$ -norm. However, we lose approximate accuracy in the last step of the computations. In Table 5, due to the mismatch between the time step and the space step, the accuracy of the calculation results began to lose with the decrease of the space step when the time step was fixed. To improve the convergence order, we set  $\Delta t = h^2$  in Table 6 and obtain the second order accuracy  $O(h^2)$  for  $\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h$ ,  $\mathbf{u}_h$  and  $\phi_h$  in  $H^1$ -norm and  $p_h$  in  $L^2$ -norm.

Finally, the analytical solution test is carried out, and the whole region  $\Omega$  is divided into two sub-regions. Free fluid flowing area  $\Omega_f = [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \times [1, 2]$  and porous media region  $\Omega_f = [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$  by public interface  $\Gamma = (0, 1) \times (0, 1) \times \{1\}$ . The following exact solutions of the model problem satisfy the interface

TABLE 3. Approximate accuracy of time step size for RPC-BE with  $h = O(\Delta t)$  at  $T = 0.5$ .

$1/\Delta t$	$1/h = 2/\Delta t$	$\ \nabla e_{h,u}^{k+1}\ _0$	Rate	$\ \nabla e_{h,u}^{k+1}\ _0$	Rate	$\ e_{h,p}^{k+1}\ _0$	Rate	$\ \nabla e_{h,\phi}^{k+1}\ _0$	Rate
4	8	0.80019	-	1.07930	-	0.45027	-	0.78341	-
8	16	0.41687	0.940	0.65730	0.715	0.25187	0.838	0.39746	0.978
16	32	0.17821	1.226	0.22255	1.562	0.07747	1.700	0.19861	1.000
32	64	0.08436	1.078	0.09428	1.238	0.03383	1.195	0.09934	0.999
64	128	0.04115	1.035	0.04439	1.086	0.01429	1.242	0.04966	1.000

TABLE 4. Approximate accuracy of time step size for RPC-BDF2 with  $h = O(\Delta t^2)$  at  $T = 0.5$ .

$1/\Delta t$	$1/h = 16/\Delta t^2$	$\ \nabla e_{h,u}^{k+1}\ _0$	Rate	$\ \nabla e_{h,u}^{k+1}\ _0$	Rate	$\ e_{h,p}^{k+1}\ _0$	Rate	$\ \nabla e_{h,\phi}^{k+1}\ _0$	Rate
8	4	1.34178	-	0.65730	-	0.51856	2.389	1.50209	-
16	16	0.34690	1.994	0.22255	1.951	0.09895	2.389	0.39534	1.925
32	64	0.09097	1.989	0.09428	1.931	0.02684	1.882	0.09920	1.994
64	256	0.02558	1.984	0.04439	1.830	0.00627	2.096	0.02483	1.998

TABLE 5. Approximate accuracy of varying mesh scales with fixed time step size  $\Delta t = 0.001$  for RPC-BE at  $T = 0.5$  by using  $P_2 - P_1 - P_2$  finite elements.

$1/h$	$\ \nabla e_{h,u}^{k+1}\ _0$	Rate	$\ \nabla e_{h,u}^{k+1}\ _0$	Rate	$\ e_{h,p}^{k+1}\ _0$	Rate	$\ \nabla e_{h,\phi}^{k+1}\ _0$	Rate
4	0.14123	-	0.14121	-	0.04647	-	0.27693	-
8	0.03550	1.991	0.03550	2.008	0.01110	2.065	0.07201	1.943
16	0.00895	1.988	0.00895	1.988	0.00302	1.875	0.01823	1.981
32	0.00233	1.936	0.00234	1.931	0.00122	1.302	0.00458	1.992
64	0.00080	1.535	0.00081	1.517	0.00091	0.421	0.00115	1.982

TABLE 6. Approximate accuracy of time step size for RPC-BE with  $h = O(\Delta t^2)$  at  $T = 0.5$  by using  $P_2 - P_1 - P_2$  finite elements.

$1/h$	$1/\Delta t = 1/h^2$	$\ \nabla e_{h,u}^{k+1}\ _0$	Rate	$\ \nabla e_{h,u}^{k+1}\ _0$	Rate	$\ e_{h,p}^{k+1}\ _0$	Rate	$\ \nabla e_{h,\phi}^{k+1}\ _0$	Rate
4	16	0.192146	-	0.198534	-	0.162541	-	0.277336	-
8	64	0.044445	2.112	0.043909	2.176	0.038446	2.079	0.072064	1.944
16	256	0.009297	2.257	0.009344	2.232	0.004698	3.023	0.018247	1.981
32	1024	0.002332	1.994	0.002335	2.000	0.001207	1.959	0.004581	1.993
64	4096	0.000573	2.023	0.000573	2.025	0.000273	2.142	0.001147	1.997

conditions (6)-(8):

$$\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} (2x \sin(xy) + y(x^2 + y^2 - 8) \cos(xy)) e^{-t} \\ (2y \sin(xy) + x(x^2 + y^2 - 8) \cos(xy)) e^{-t} \\ 1 + ((x^2 + y^2)(x^2 + y^2 - 8) \sin(xy) - 4 \sin(xy) - 8xy \cos(xy)) z e^{-t} \end{bmatrix},$$

$$p = (-16xy \cos(xy) + (x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 8)(2x^2 + 2y^2 + 2z^2 - 1) \sin(xy) - 8 \sin(xy)) e^{-t},$$

$$\phi = -z - (x^2 + y^2 - 8) e^{-t} \sin(xy) \cos(z).$$

The initial conditions, boundary conditions, and the forcing terms  $\mathbf{f}$  and  $f$  follow the solution with  $S = 1$ .

For convenience, we are defined as follows

$$\rho_{k,v} = \frac{\|v^{h,k} - v^{h,k/2}\|_0}{\|v^{h,k/2} - v^{h,k/4}\|_0},$$

where  $v = \vec{u}, p, \phi$ . In particular, when  $\rho_{k,v} \approx 4$ , the corresponding convergence order is 2. Thus, let  $h = 1/10, \Delta t = 1/40, 1/80, 1/160, 1/320$  to calculate the time convergence order of model (2.1)-(2.5). It can be seen from Table 7 that for BE schemes, the optimal convergence order of  $\vec{u}, p, \phi$  are  $O(\Delta t)$  in  $L^2$ -norm. Meanwhile, it can be seen from Table 8 that for BDF2 schemes, the optimal convergence order of  $\vec{u}, p, \phi$  are  $O(\Delta t^2)$  in  $L^2$ -norm.

TABLE 7. Approximate accuracy of time step size for RPC-BE with  $h = 1/10$  by using  $P_2 - P_1 - P_2$  finite elements.

$1/\Delta t$	$\ \vec{u}^{h,k} - \vec{u}^{h,k/2}\ _0$	Rate	$\ p^{h,k} - p^{h,k/2}\ _0$	Rate	$\ \phi^{h,k} - \phi^{h,k/2}\ _0$	Rate
40	9.01254e-04	-	0.0747446	-	2.38021e-03	-
80	4.44203e-04	1.02071	0.0364006	1.03801	1.16908e-03	1.02571
160	2.20507e-04	1.01039	0.0179628	1.01895	5.79351e-04	1.01287
320	1.09856e-04	1.00521	0.0089227	1.00946	2.88386e-04	1.00643

TABLE 8. Approximate accuracy of time step size for RPC-BDF2 with  $h = 1/10, \Delta t = 1/40, 1/80, 1/160, 1/320$  at  $T = 0.5$  by using  $P_2 - P_1 - P_2$  finite elements.

$1/\Delta t$	$\ \vec{u}^{h,k} - \vec{u}^{h,k/2}\ _0$	Rate	$\ p^{h,k} - p^{h,k/2}\ _0$	Rate	$\ \phi^{h,k} - \phi^{h,k/2}\ _0$	Rate
40	9.80649e-06	-	0.000555998	-	2.32204e-05	-
80	2.41939e-06	2.01909	0.000137021	2.02069	5.72404e-06	2.02029
160	6.00865e-07	2.00953	3.40102e-05	2.01036	1.42099e-06	2.01014
320	1.49721e-07	2.00476	8.47198e-06	2.00519	3.54003e-07	2.00507

## 6.2. Vertical Production Wellbore Attached with a Reservoir.

In this numerical experiments, we construct a simplified computational domain with the reservoir flow, which represents the porous media region  $\Omega_p$  governed by the Darcy's law and the vertical production wellbore  $\Omega_f$  describes the conduit region modeled by the Navier-Stokes equations. Several numerical tests are conducted to show the streamlines, magnitudes, and pressure contour by applying the proposed RPC-BE and RPC-BDF2, respectively. On the other hand, we compare the computational results of the proposed methods with the traditional backward-Euler scheme (T-BE).

Figure 2 presents the computational domain consists of a porous medium  $\Omega_p$  and pipe region  $\Omega_f$ . On the interface  $\Gamma = \Gamma_1 \cup \Gamma_2 \cup \Gamma_3$  between the porous medium region and pipe region, we utilize the corresponding interface conditions (6)-(8). No-slip boundary condition  $\mathbf{u} = 0$  is considered on the boundaries  $\partial\Omega_f \setminus \Gamma$  of the vertical production wellbore. Homogeneous Neumann boundary condition  $(-p\mathbb{I} + 2\mu\mathbb{D}(\mathbf{u})) \cdot \mathbf{n}_f = 0$  is imposed on the top of the vertical well for the free outflow. The porous media flow velocity is computed by setting  $\vec{u}_p = -\mathbb{K}\nabla\phi$ . On the boundaries of the porous medium  $\partial\Omega_p \setminus \Gamma$ , we use constant inflow boundary condition by setting  $\phi = 10^2$ .

We set the parameters value in the following way  $\mathbb{K} = k\mathbb{I}$ , ( $k = 0.1$ ), and  $S = 10^{-5}$ . The body forces  $\mathbf{f}$  and  $f$  are taken as 0. The Navier-Stokes pressure  $p = 0$  on all the boundaries of  $\partial\Omega_f$ . The mesh size, time step size and final time are assumed as  $h_{max} = 0.025$ ,  $\Delta t = 0.001$  and  $T = 5.0$ , respectively.

Figure 3, illustrate the flow speed and streamlines around a vertical production wellbore attached with a reservoir for the T-BE, RPC-BE and RPC-BDF2, schemes with final time  $T = 5.0$  by using  $P_{1b} - P_1 - P_1$  finite element triple. The basic properties of fluid and mass transfer in natural fractured reservoirs indicate that the high pressure in the porous media region pushes the fluid to the production wellbore. As expected, flowlines show flow from the reservoir to the vertical production wellbore. In addition, red indicates the highest flow rate in the wellbore and blue indicates the lowest flow rate in the reservoir. On the other hand, Figure 4 shows a higher pressure in the porous media area, which gradually decreases towards the wellbore.

Figure 5, presents the magnitudes and streamlines for the proposed numerical methods T-BE, RPC-BE and RPC-BDF2, respectively by using  $P_2 - P_1 - P_2$  finite element triples. Obviously, we can see that the left and right figures are similar to Figure 3.

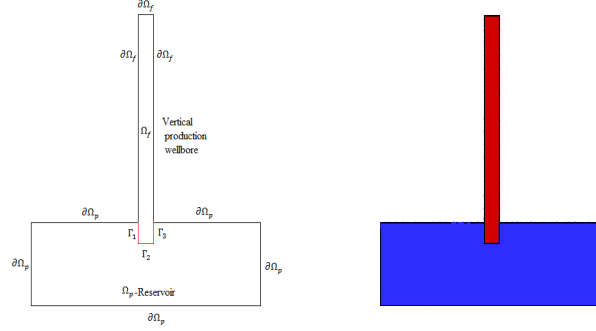


FIGURE 2. Left: the computational domain with free flow region  $\Omega_f$  and porous media flow region  $\Omega_p$ ; Right: the illustration of the computational mesh.

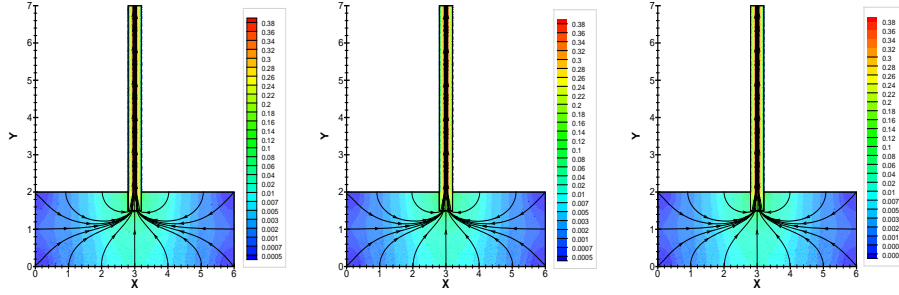


FIGURE 3. The flow speed and streamlines around a vertical production wellbore attached with a reservoir for  $\phi = 10^2$  on  $\partial\Omega_p \setminus \Gamma$ ,  $\Delta t = 0.001$  and  $T = 5.0$ . Left: T-BE; Middle: RPC-BE; Right: RPC-BDF2.

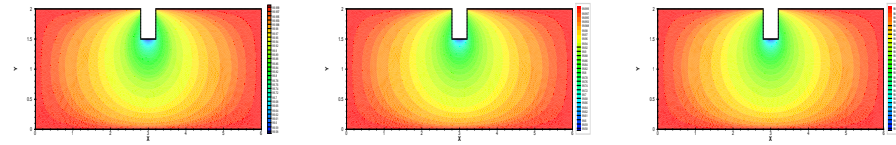


FIGURE 4. Representation of the pressure in the reservoir for  $\phi = 10^2$  on  $\partial\Omega_p \setminus \Gamma$ ,  $\Delta t = 0.001$ , and  $T = 5.0$ . Left: T-BE; Middle: RPC-BE; Right: RPC-BDF2.

Figure 6, shows that less pressure on the boundary of the reservoir  $\phi = 10.0$  supplies smaller amount of fluid, which decreases the magnitudes of the fluid flow in the vertical production wellbore.

In Figure 7-8, we show the unconditional stability of the proposed finite element methods by fixing the temporal step sizes  $\Delta t = 0.001$  with varying mesh sizes

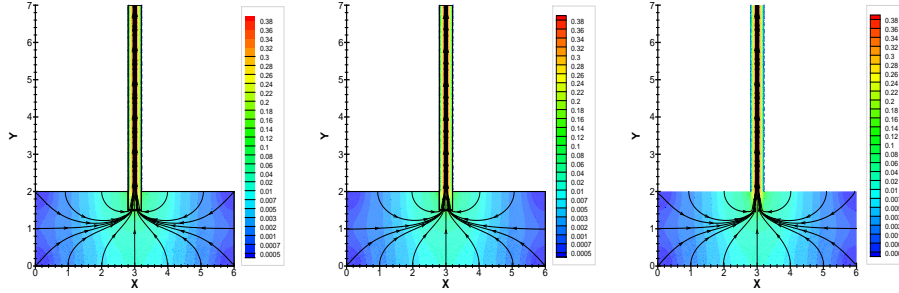


FIGURE 5. The flow speed and streamlines around a vertical production wellbore attached with a reservoir for  $\phi = 10^2$  on  $\partial\Omega_p \setminus \Gamma$ ,  $\Delta t = 0.001$  and  $T = 5.0$  using  $P_2 - P_1 - P_2$  finite elements. Left: T-BE; Middle: RPC-BE; Right: RPC-BDF2.

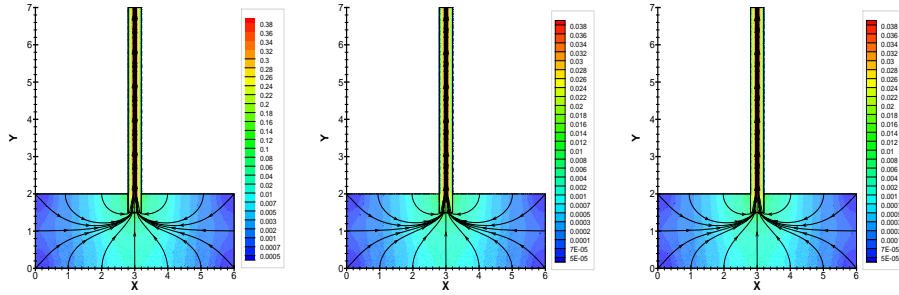


FIGURE 6. The flow speed and streamlines around a vertical production wellbore attached with a reservoir for  $\phi = 10.0$  on  $\partial\Omega_p \setminus \Gamma$ ,  $\Delta t = 0.001$  and  $T = 5.0$ . Left: T-BE; Middle: RPC-BE; Right: RPC-BDF2.

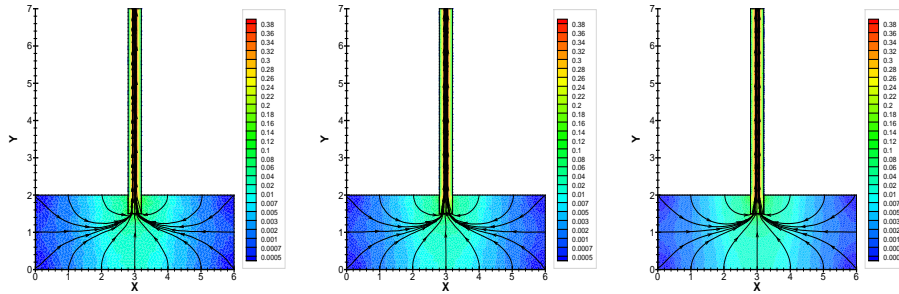


FIGURE 7. The flow speed and streamlines around a vertical production wellbore attached with a reservoir of the proposed algorithm RPC-BE for  $\phi = 10^2$  on  $\partial\Omega_p \setminus \Gamma$ ,  $\Delta t = 0.001$  and  $T = 5.0$  with different mesh scales. Left:  $h_{max} = 0.01$ ; Middle:  $h_{max} = 0.075$ ; Right:  $h_{max} = 0.05$ .



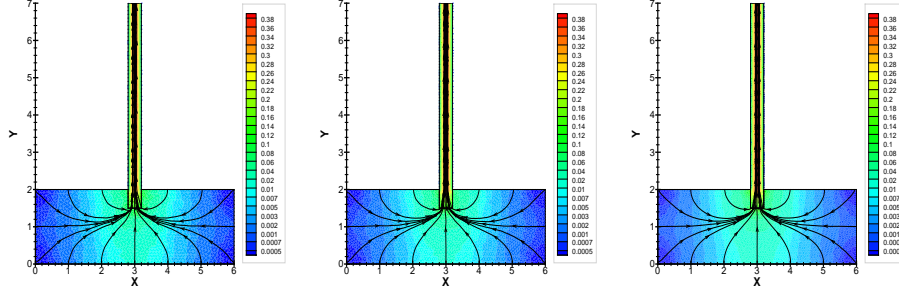


FIGURE 8. The flow speed and streamlines around a vertical production wellbore attached with a reservoir of the proposed algorithm RPC-BDF2 for  $\phi = 10^2$  on  $\partial\Omega_p \setminus \Gamma$ ,  $\Delta t = 0.001$  and  $T = 5.0$  with different mesh scales. Left:  $h_{max} = 0.01$ ; Middle:  $h_{max} = 0.075$ ; Right:  $h_{max} = 0.05$ .

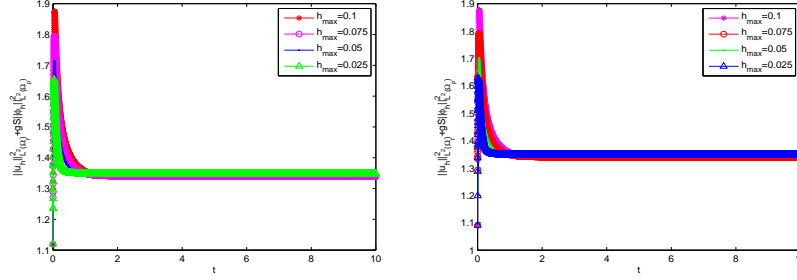


FIGURE 9. ‘Energy versus Time’ on the time step levels with different mesh scales. Left: RPC-BE; Right: RPC-BDF2.

$h_{max} = 0.1, 0.075$  and  $0.05$ . Figure 9 presents the long-time stability of the proposed T-BE, RPC-BE and RPC-BDF2. Herein we illustrate the energy  $\|\mathbf{u}_h\|_{L^2(\Omega_f)} + gS\|\psi_h\|_{L^2(\Omega_p)}^2$  at a time step level  $\Delta t = 0.001$  with the final time  $T = 10.0$  by gradually decreasing mesh sizes  $h_{max} = 0.1, 0.075, 0.05$ , and  $0.025$ , respectively. The numerical results demonstrate that the stability of the proposed methods is independent of the varying mesh sizes and presents the long-time behavior as well.

Theorem 4.7 has a time-step restriction, where we set up the experiment shown in Figure 10. We simulated the effects of different permeability and time steps on the experimental results. In Figure 11, we show the velocity within the calculated region at different permeability. With the increase of permeability, the fluid velocity in the calculated region increases gradually. In Figure 12, we show the long-time behavior of the proposed finite element methods by varying temporal step sizes  $\Delta t = 0.001, 0.05$  and  $0.1$ . As the time step increases, the results begin to become unstable. A time-step restriction is necessary for the long-time stability of the system (2.1)-(2.10).

### 6.3. 3D horizontal wellbore with open hole.

In order to simulate the horizontal wellbore with open hole. Assume that  $\Omega_f = [0.1, 0.4] \times [0.2, 0.3] \times [0, 0.5]$  is the free flow region and  $\Omega_p = [0, 0.5]^3 \setminus \Omega_f$  is the

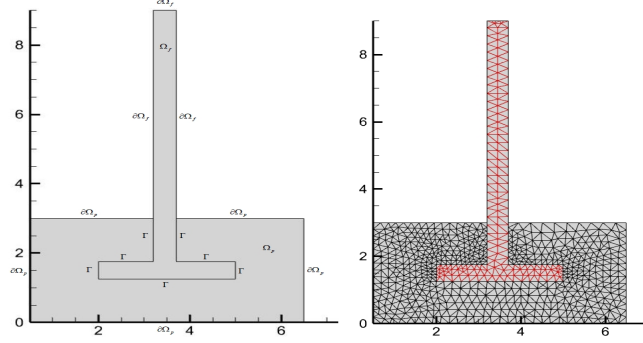


FIGURE 10. Left: the computational domain with free flow region  $\Omega_f$  and porous media flow region  $\Omega_p$ ; Right: the illustration of the computational mesh.

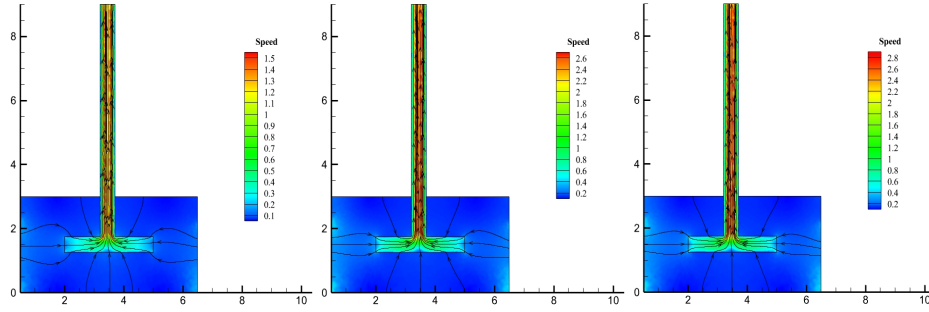


FIGURE 11. The flow speed and streamlines around a production wellbore attached with a reservoir of the proposed algorithm RPC-BDF2 for  $\phi = 10^4$  on  $\partial\Omega_p \setminus \Gamma$ ,  $\Delta t = 0.001$  and  $T = 5.0$  with different permeability  $k$ . Left:  $k = 10^{-12}$ ; Middle:  $k = 10^{-8}$ ; Right:  $k = 10^{-4}$ .

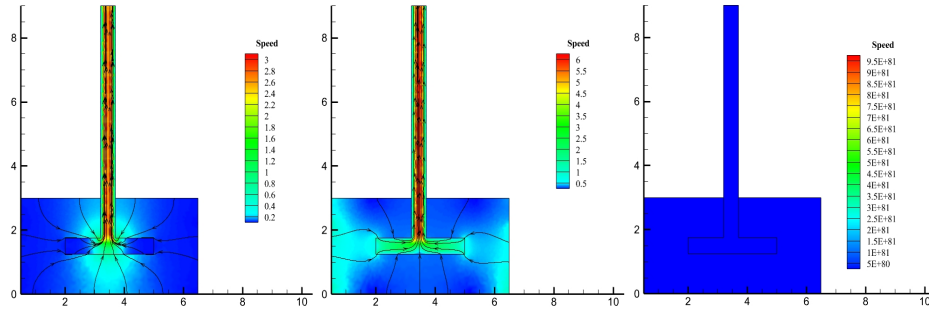


FIGURE 12. The flow speed and streamlines around a production wellbore attached with a reservoir of the proposed algorithm RPC-BDF2 for  $\phi = 10^4$  on  $\partial\Omega_p \setminus \Gamma$  and  $T = 20.0$  with different time steps  $\Delta t$ . Left:  $\Delta t = 0.001$ ; Middle:  $\Delta t = 0.05$ ; Right:  $\Delta t = 0.1$ .

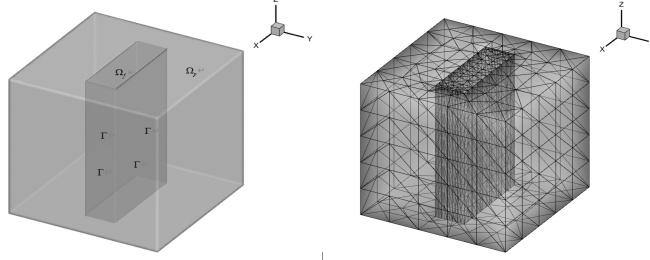


FIGURE 13. Model region and finite element mesh parting

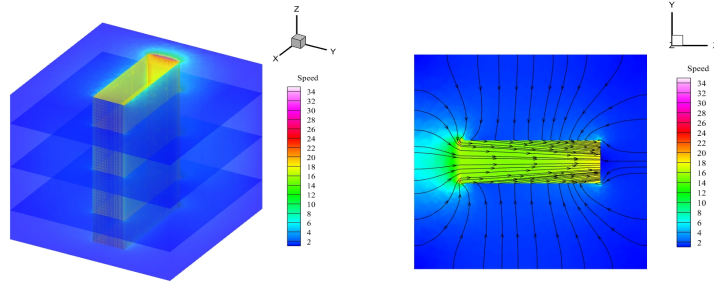


FIGURE 14. The flow speed and streamlines of the proposed algorithm T-BE(CPU times=101916s). Left: 3D velocity view; Right: 2D cross section velocity streamline.

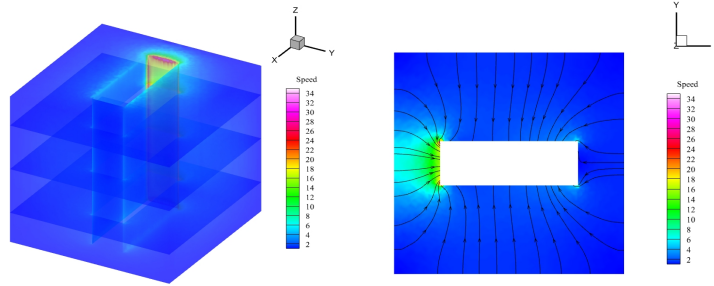


FIGURE 15. The flow speed and streamlines around wellbore of the proposed algorithm T-BE. Left: 3D velocity view; Right: 2D cross section velocity streamline.

porous media region. The interface  $\Gamma = \Omega_f \cap \Omega_p = [0.1, 0.4] \times \{0.2\} \times [0, 0.5] \cup \{0.4\} \times [0.2, 0.3] \times [0, 0.5] \cup [0.1, 0.4] \times \{0.3\} \times [0, 0.5] \cup \{0.1\} \times [0.2, 0.3] \times [0, 0.5]$  (see Figure 13). In order to obtain the expected results, the interface conditions of this numerical experiment are still used by equations (2.5)-(2.7). In particular, the following conditions are used on interface  $\{0.4\} \times [0.2, 0.3] \times [0, 0.5]$ :  $(-p\mathbb{I} + 2\mu\mathbb{D}(\mathbf{u})) \cdot \mathbf{n}_f = 0$ . No-slip boundary condition  $\mathbf{u} = 0$  is considered on the boundaries  $\partial\Omega_f \setminus \Gamma$  of the open hole. The porous media flow velocity is computed by setting  $\mathbf{u}_p = -\mathbb{K}\nabla\phi$ . On the boundaries of the porous medium  $\partial\Omega_p \setminus \Gamma$ , we use constant inflow boundary condition by setting  $\phi = 10^2$ .

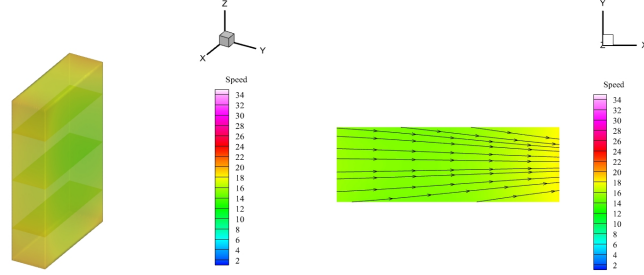


FIGURE 16. The flow speed and streamlines in wellbore of the proposed algorithm T-BE. Left: 3D velocity view; Right: 2D cross section velocity streamline.

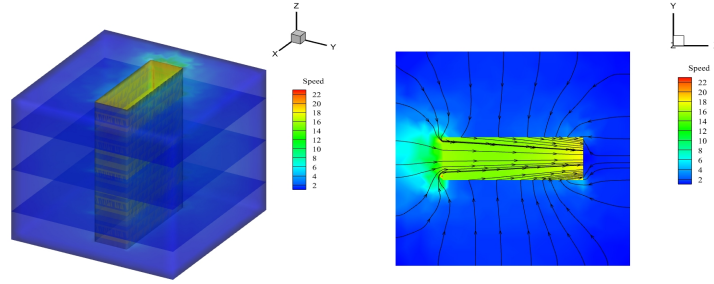


FIGURE 17. The flow speed and streamlines of the proposed algorithm RPC-BE(CPU times=80323s). Left: 3D velocity view; Right: 2D cross section velocity streamline.

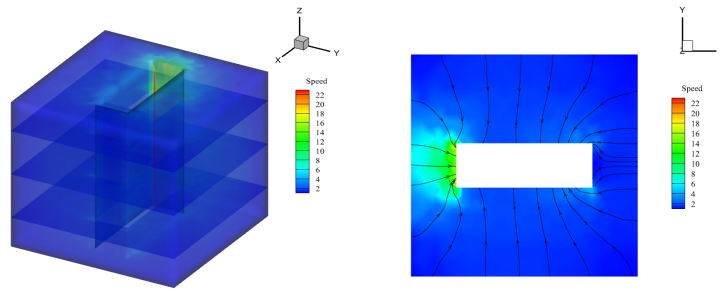


FIGURE 18. The flow speed and streamlines around wellbore of the proposed algorithm RPC-BE. Left: 3D velocity view; Right: 2D cross section velocity streamline.

The other parameters value of the model are considered as  $\mathbb{K} = k\mathbb{I}$ , ( $k = 0.01$ ),  $S = 10^{-5}$ ,  $\Delta t = 0.001$ ,  $T = 3$ ,  $h = 50$ .

From the velocity diagram in Figure 14-19, it can be seen that the fluid in the porous medium can directly enter the wellbore region (free flow region). The fluid velocity increases as it enters the pipe. From the numerical results, the solution results of RPC-BE method and T-BE method are consistent. In terms of computational efficiency, RPC-BE method is more efficient than T-BE method. These valid

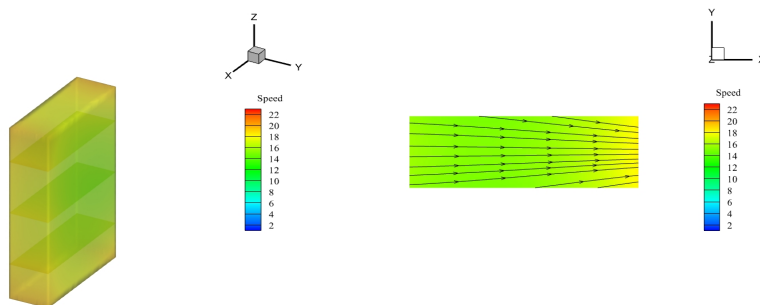


FIGURE 19. The flow speed and streamlines in wellbore of the proposed algorithm RPC-BE. Left: 3D velocity view; Right: 2D cross section velocity streamline.

numerical results illustrate the complex dynamic characteristics of the NSD model and further confirm the feasibility of the proposed rotational pressure-correction method.

## 7. Conclusion

In this article, the rotational pressure-correction scheme for the NSD system is developed and analyzed. The main advantage of this projection method is that it replaces incompressible conditions. The rotational pressure-correction scheme is a special projection algorithm, which distributes the velocity and pressure in different equations. The main algorithm can be completed in two steps. The first step is the viscous step. After the algorithm explicitly processes the pressure gradient, the intermediate velocity can be obtained. The second step is the projection step, which first projects the intermediate velocity onto a divergence-free space, and then corrects the velocity and pressure. In this way, large-scale problems can be transformed into small-scale problems, thus reducing the effort of equation solving. The results of numerical experiments confirm the accuracy of the theoretical analysis, and we can see that the rotational pressure-correction schemes can improve the computational efficiency. Finally, three numerical experiments also verify the applicability of numerical method.

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