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**Abstract:** Carbon dioxide geological utilization and storage (CGUS) is an effective way to mitigate climate warming. In this paper, we resorted to Lo's model to analyze the dispersion and attenuation characteristics of unsaturated porous media. Based on this, we analyzed the sensitivity of the first compressional wave (P1) and the shear wave (S) to various physical parameters. In addition, the modified models of live oil's velocity and density were proposed, which were verified by experimental data under the consideration of CO<sub>2</sub> dissolution. It is shown that the velocities and attenuations of P1 and S waves are influenced by various parameters, especially CO<sub>2</sub> saturation and pore fluid parameters, such as density and velocity. In particular, with increasing CO<sub>2</sub> saturation, the sensitivity of P1 velocity decreases, while that of the S velocity increases. Better monitoring results can be achieved by combining P1 and S waves. Finally, the acoustic response was analyzed under the modified model. With the increase in CO<sub>2</sub> saturation, the P1 velocity decreases, while the S velocity becomes almost constant and then linearly increases, with the trend changing at the critical saturation. The study provides a more precise basis for monitoring the security of CO<sub>2</sub> injection in CGUS.

**Keywords:** propagation characteristics; dissolution effect; two immiscible fluids; porous media; seismic monitoring; CGUS

## 1. Introduction

With the intensification of the greenhouse effect, carbon capture and storage (CCS) and carbon capture, utilization, and storage (CCUS) have attracted much attention in recent years [1]. Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) geological utilization and storage (CGUS) is one of the most common methods to achieve CCUS. However, it requires careful monitoring to ensure the security of CGUS [2]. Seismic monitoring is an essential technology with the advantages of a wide detection range and high accuracy [3]. For seismic monitoring, it is vital to clarify the physical nature of acoustic wave propagation with varying environmental parameters, which can be used in identifying CO<sub>2</sub> migration status, spatial distribution, and providing guidance for CGUS strategy.

Most underground formations can be classified as porous media; the fluid-holding capacity of pore space is the basis for CGUS. When  $CO_2$  is injected into the reservoir, the pore fluid is replaced by  $CO_2$ , accompanying the dissolution effect, which affects the energy exchange of the acoustic wave [4]. Thus, understanding the changes of seismic attributes form the foundations for successful monitoring. Therefore, analyzing the wave propagation in the reservoir filled with supercritical  $CO_2$  and other fluids is crucial. In particular, changes in  $CO_2$  injection in pore fluid parameters via different temperatures and pressures significantly impact how waves propagate.

Formations in CGUS are typical unsaturated porous media, composed of a solid grain and two fluids (usually  $CO_2$  and oil in the oil reservoir), where acoustics theories for multi-phase porous media are appropriate for studying wave propagations [5]. To date,



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**Copyright:** © 2022 by the authors. Licensee MDPI, Basel, Switzerland. This article is an open access article distributed under the terms and conditions of the Creative Commons Attribution (CC BY) license (https:// creativecommons.org/licenses/by/ 4.0/). many models have described the porous media saturated by two immiscible fluids, such as Biot–Gassmann–Wood (BGW) theory [6–8], White's model [9], Johnson's model [10], the Biot–Rayleigh (BR) theory [11], Santos's model [12] and Lo's model [13,14]. Among them, the BGW theory is based on the effective media theory, which can be used at low frequencies [15]. The BR, White, and Johnson's models describe patchy saturation's mesoscopic dissipation mechanisms [16]. Santos and Lo's models are the theory of the unsaturated porous media, considering both changes in capillary pressure and inertial and viscous coupling. Santos's model is derived on the Lagrangian description, and Lo's model is deduced on the Eulerian description. Compared with Santos's model, Lo's model derives from basic equations of the dynamic problem and the equation of state, and provides a detailed mathematical description of viscous coupling parameters, so that the parameters have clearer physical meaning. Currently, the BGW theory is commonly used in the seismic monitoring of CGUS [17]. However, the essence of this model is still a fluid–solid porous media, which replaces the parameters in Biot theory with the equivalent parameters of the mixed fluid. As a result, the BGW theory ignores fluid-fluid interactions [18]. In contrast, Lo's model considers the coupling of fluid–fluid, which is more suitable to match the actual situation of unsaturated porous media in CGUS. Lo [13,14] validated the correctness by degenerating the model into the fully saturated porous media (Biot [6,7]; Berryman [19]) and the unsaturated porous media (Santos [12]; Tuncay [20]). Jardani [21] used Lo's model to analyze the acoustic propagation in the unsaturated porous media.

The fluid type,  $CO_2$  content, and dissolution are the key factors causing changes in pore fluid parameters [22]. In the monitoring of CGUS, many scholars used Batzle's model [23] to describe the gas dissolution effect on fluid parameters [17]. Batzle's model was proposed for hydrocarbon gases. The influence of hydrocarbon gases and  $CO_2$  on oil, however, are different [24]. Therefore, it is inaccurate to treat  $CO_2$  as a hydrocarbon gas. Han developed a preliminary model to explain the velocity and density of live oil (Han's model) [24], but the model has limits when used with other oil samples.

The above studies show that it is necessary to understand the acoustic propagation of unsaturated porous media for seismic monitoring. The current models, however, cannot consider the influence of fluid–fluid interactions and is not accurate enough to describe the physical parameters of the  $CO_2$ –oil mixtures. Therefore, to precisely illuminate the acoustic properties of porous media during  $CO_2$  injection, a more realistic model, including the pore fluid parameter models and the unsaturated porous media model should be used.

In this paper, we selected Lo's model to describe the acoustic propagation in unsaturated porous media, considering the dissolution effect of  $CO_2$ . With the change of frequency and  $CO_2$  saturation, we calculated the phase velocities and attenuations of four mode waves (three types of compressional waves and one shear wave). We analyzed the sensitivity of phase velocities and attenuations of P1 and S, which reflected the importance of pore fluid parameters for monitoring. Furthermore, we modified the live oil's density and velocity models and validated them against experimental data. Finally, we compared the application of the fluid parameter models before and after the correction.

#### 2. Fundamental Theory

Considering the influences of inertial coupling and viscous coupling, the motion equation of unsaturated porous media can be obtained, which is aided by the closure relation for porosity change and the balance of mass and momentum. For a more concise representation, the equation of motion is expressed as the vector–matrix form (Equation (1)). The description of the 3D three-component form of the motion equation is given in Appendix B.

$$\rho \ddot{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{A} \ddot{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{R} \dot{\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{M} \nabla \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{N} \nabla \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u}, \tag{1}$$

where  $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} \overrightarrow{u}^s, \overrightarrow{u}^1, \overrightarrow{u} \end{bmatrix}^T$  denotes the displacement matrix; the superscripts *s*, 1, and 2 refer to the solid grain, the nonwetting fluid, and the wetting fluid, respectively;  $\rho$  denotes the mass densities matrix; **A** denotes the inertial coefficients matrix; **R** denotes the viscous

$$\boldsymbol{\rho} = \begin{bmatrix} \rho_{s}(1-\phi) & 0 & 0\\ 0 & \rho_{1}S_{1}\phi & 0\\ 0 & 0 & \rho_{2}S_{2}\phi \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}+N/3 & a_{12} & a_{13}\\ a_{12} & a_{22} & a_{23}\\ a_{13} & a_{23} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{N} = \begin{bmatrix} N & 0 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$
$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -A_{11}-2A_{12}-A_{22} & A_{11}+A_{12} & A_{12}+A_{22}\\ A_{11}+A_{12} & -A_{11} & -A_{12}\\ A_{12}+A_{22} & -A_{12} & -A_{22} \end{bmatrix},$$
$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} -R_{11}-R_{22}-R_{12}-R_{21} & R_{11}+R_{21} & R_{12}+R_{22}\\ R_{11}+R_{12} & -R_{11} & -R_{12}\\ R_{21}+R_{22} & -R_{21} & -R_{21} \end{bmatrix},$$
(2)

where  $\rho_l$  denotes the density of phase  $l, l = s, 1, 2; \phi$  is the porosity;  $S_1$  is the saturation of nonwetting fluid,  $S_2$  is the saturation of wetting fluid, and  $S_2 = 1 - S_1$ ; N is the shear modulus;  $A_{11}$  denotes the inertial coupling between solid grain and nonwetting fluid,  $A_{22}$ denotes the inertial coupling between solid grain and wetting fluid, and  $A_{12}$  is the inertial coupling between nonwetting fluid and wetting fluid;  $R_{11}$  represents the viscous coupling between solid grain and nonwetting fluid,  $R_{22}$  denotes the viscous coupling between solid grain and wetting fluid,  $R_{12}$  and  $R_{21}$  are the viscous coupling between nonwetting fluid and wetting fluid;  $a_{ij}$  (i, j = 1, 2, 3) denotes the elastic coefficients, which are derived from the closure relation for porosity change, the balance of mass, and the equation of state, as shown in Appendix A. We list  $A_{ij}$ ,  $R_{ij}$ , and  $a_{ij}$  in Appendix A, which are functions of rock parameters ( $\phi$ ,  $\kappa$ ,  $K_s$ , N,  $K_m$ ,  $\rho_s$ ) and fluid parameters ( $K_1$ ,  $K_2$ ,  $\rho_1$ ,  $\rho_2$ ,  $S_1$ ,  $S_2$ ).

According to the Helmholtz theorem, applying the divergence and rotational operators to the motion equation (Equation (1)), we can obtain the governing equations of compressional and shear waves:

$$\rho \ddot{\boldsymbol{\varphi}} + \mathbf{A} \ddot{\boldsymbol{\varphi}} + \mathbf{R} \dot{\boldsymbol{\varphi}} = (\mathbf{M} + \mathbf{N}) \nabla^2 \boldsymbol{\varphi},$$
  
$$\rho \ddot{\boldsymbol{\psi}} + \mathbf{A} \ddot{\boldsymbol{\psi}} + \mathbf{R} \dot{\boldsymbol{\psi}} = \mathbf{N} \nabla^2 \boldsymbol{\psi}.$$
(3)

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where  $\boldsymbol{\varphi} = [\varphi^s, \varphi^1, \varphi^2]^T$ ,  $\varphi^l = \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u}^l$  represents the potential functions of compressional waves,  $l = s, 1, 2; \psi = \begin{bmatrix} \neg^s & \neg^1 & \neg^2 \\ \psi & , \psi & , \psi \end{bmatrix}^T$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\psi}^l = \nabla \times \boldsymbol{u}^l$  represents the potential functions of shear waves, l = s, 1, 2. The definition of potential functions in porous media also refers to Refs. [7,12,25].

Next, the governing equations (Equation (3)) are subjected to the steady-state analysis, i.e., the single-frequency plane waves (Equation (4)) are substituted into the governing equations (Equation (3)). The final governing equations of compressional and shear waves can be written as Equation (5).

$$\begin{pmatrix} \varphi^{s} \\ \varphi^{1} \\ \varphi^{2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha^{s} \\ \alpha^{1} \\ \alpha^{2} \end{pmatrix} \exp\left[i\left(\mathbf{k_{p}}\cdot\mathbf{r} - \omega t\right)\right], \begin{pmatrix} \overrightarrow{\psi} \\ \overrightarrow{\psi} \\ \overrightarrow{\psi} \\ \overrightarrow{\psi} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \overrightarrow{\beta} \\ \overrightarrow{\beta} \\ \overrightarrow{\beta} \\ \overrightarrow{\beta} \\ \overrightarrow{\beta} \end{pmatrix} \exp\left[i\left(\mathbf{k_{s}}\cdot\mathbf{r} - \omega t\right)\right], \quad (4)$$

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where  $\alpha^l$  and  $\vec{\beta}$  are wave amplitudes;  $\omega$  is the angular frequency;  $\mathbf{k}_p$  and  $\mathbf{k}_s$  are the complex wave number vectors of the compressional and shear waves, respectively.

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\omega^{2}(\mathbf{\rho} + \mathbf{A}) - i\omega\mathbf{R} + k_{p}^{2}(\mathbf{M} + \mathbf{N}) \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha^{s} \\ \alpha^{1} \\ \alpha^{2} \end{pmatrix} = 0,$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\omega^{2}(\mathbf{\rho} + \mathbf{A}) - i\omega\mathbf{R} + k_{s}^{2}(\mathbf{N}) \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \stackrel{\rightarrow s}{\beta} \\ \stackrel{\rightarrow 1}{\beta} \\ \stackrel{\rightarrow 2}{\beta} \end{pmatrix} = 0$$
(5)

Therefore, we can obtain the dispersion relation of compressional (Equation (6)) and shear waves (Equation (7)).

$$\det\left(-\omega^{2}(\boldsymbol{\rho}+\mathbf{A})-i\omega\mathbf{R}+k_{p}^{2}(\mathbf{M}+\mathbf{N})\right)=0$$
(6)

$$\det\left(-\omega^{2}(\boldsymbol{\rho}+\mathbf{A})-i\omega\mathbf{R}+k_{s}^{2}(\mathbf{N})\right)=0$$
(7)

Since the dispersion equation of compressional wave (Equation (6)) is a cubic polynomial in  $\omega^2/k_p^2$ , there exist six complex roots of  $k_p$ . With the physical constraint that the elastic wave always diminishes along the propagation direction (i.e., Im  $(k_p) > 0$ ), we finally obtained three complex roots of Equation (6) about  $k_p$ . Similarly, we obtained one complex root about  $k_s$  in the dispersion equation of shear wave (Equation (7)). We used phase velocity v and inverse quality factor  $Q^{-1}$  to analyze the dispersion and attenuation, which can be written as

$$v_i = \omega / \operatorname{Re}(k_i), \ i = \operatorname{P1}, \operatorname{P2}, \operatorname{P3}, \operatorname{S},$$
  
 $Q_i^{-1} = 2\operatorname{Im}(k_i) / \operatorname{Re}(k_i), \ i = \operatorname{P1}, \operatorname{P2}, \operatorname{P3}, \operatorname{S},$ 
(8)

where  $k_i$  denotes the roots of dispersion equations of compressional (Equation (6)) and shear waves (Equation (7)).

In summary, there are three types of compressional waves (the first compressional wave (P1), the second compressional wave (P2), and the third compressional wave (P3), respectively) and one shear wave (S) in unsaturated porous media. The phase velocities and attenuations of each mode wave are influenced by various factors, including rock parameters and fluid parameters. We will analyze the propagation characteristics of each mode wave via Lo's model to explore the acoustic response of the unsaturated porous media during CGUS.

## 3. Numerical Analysis

#### 3.1. Wave Modes Characteristics

According to the results in Section 2, we calculated the propagation characteristics of acoustic waves at different  $CO_2$  saturations and frequencies, including phase velocities and attenuations in the porous media. The physical parameters of the porous media are presented in Table 1. In particular, we consider the dissolution effect on the live oil parameters, given by Batzle's model [23].

Table 1. Physical parameters of unsaturated porous media.

Туре	Parameters	Value
Utsira sand	grain bulk modulus <i>, K</i> s (GPa)	40 <sup>1</sup>
	frame bulk modulus, $K_m$ (GPa)	1.37 <sup>1</sup>
	shear modulus, N (GPa)	0.82 1
	grain density, $\rho_s$ (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	2600 <sup>1</sup>
	porosity, $\phi$	0.36 1
	permeability, $\kappa$ (D)	$1.6^{\ 1}$

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Туре	Parameters	Value
Nonwetting fluid—CO <sub>2</sub> , ( $p = 10.3 \text{ MPa}, T = 45 \degree \text{C}$ )	density, $\rho_1$ (kg/m <sup>3</sup> ) bulk modulus, $K_1$ (MPa) viscosity, $\mu_1$ ( $\mu$ Pa · s) CO <sub>2</sub> gravity, G	539.07 <sup>2</sup> 30.6 <sup>2</sup> 38.9 <sup>2</sup> 1.5281 <sup>2</sup>
Wetting fluid—oil, ( $p = 0.101$ MPa, $T = 25$ °C)	density, $ ho_0$ (kg/m <sup>3</sup> ) viscosity, $\mu_0$ (mPa · s) Molar Weight, $M_W$ (g/mol)	799 <sup>3</sup> 2.76 <sup>3</sup> 223 <sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> The physical parameters of the solid grain are from Ref. [17]. <sup>2</sup> The physical parameters of the nonwetting fluid are from Ref. [26]. <sup>3</sup> The physical parameters of the wetting fluid are from Ref. [27].

We first examine the impact of  $CO_2$  dissolution on the pore fluid's phase state. Following Carcione's work [17], we assume that when the  $CO_2$  content in the pore is greater than the maximum  $CO_2$  dissolution of crude oil, there are two phase fluids in the pore (live oil and free  $CO_2$ ); otherwise, the pore contains one type of fluid (live oil). It can be written as [17]

$$S_{1}' = \begin{cases} 0, S_{1} < S_{c} \\ \frac{S_{1} - S_{c}}{1 - S_{c}}, S_{1} \ge S_{c} \end{cases}$$
(9)

where  $S_1'$  denotes the actual CO<sub>2</sub> saturation after CO<sub>2</sub> dissolution;  $S_1$  denotes the saturation of injection;  $S_c$  denotes the critical saturation, calculated by the maximum dissolution of crude oil, which can be written as

$$S_c = \frac{\rho_{CO2s}\rho_{oil}GOR}{\rho_{CO2s}\rho_{oil}GOR},$$
(10)

where  $\rho_{CO2s}$  and  $\rho_{CO2}$  are the density of CO<sub>2</sub> at the surface (15.6 °C and 1 atm) and reservoir, respectively;  $\rho_0$  and  $\rho_{oil}$  are the density of crude oil at the surface and reservoir, respectively; *GOR* is the gas–oil ratio at the standard condition, which can be calculated by Emera [28].

According to the above description, we calculated the phase velocities and attenuations as functions of frequency and  $CO_2$  saturation. The results are shown in Figures 1 and 2. Firstly, the P1 and S waves propagate fairly fast and have low attenuation. Thus, the waves can be observed at the seismic exploration (10–100 Hz) frequency. In contrast, the P2 and P3 waves propagate slowly and have high attenuation, which is difficult to be observed at the seismic exploration frequency. Secondly, as frequency increases, the phase velocities of all four mode waves increase, and the attenuations of P2 and P3 decrease. That is because the effect of inter-fluid viscosity dominates in the low-frequency range. As the frequency increases, the inertial effect becomes increasingly dominant. Obviously, due to the dissolution effect, the phase velocities and attenuations of the four mode waves all change significantly at the critical saturation (42% in this case). When CO<sub>2</sub> saturation is less than critical saturation, the pore contains only one fluid. At this time, P3 has low velocity and high attenuation in the entire frequency range, without fluid-fluid interaction. When the critical saturation is exceeded, two fluids in the porous media interact with each other, resulting in a decrease in P2 velocity and an increase in P3 velocity. In addition, with the increase in CO<sub>2</sub> saturation, the transition zone between low and high frequencies of P3 moves toward high frequency, while P2 and S move toward low frequency.



**Figure 1.** Effects of frequency and CO<sub>2</sub> saturation on the phase velocities of four waves: (**a**) the first compressional wave (P1); (**b**) the shear wave (S); (**c**) the second compressional wave (P2); (**d**) the third compressional wave (P3).



**Figure 2.** Effects of frequency and CO<sub>2</sub> saturation on the attenuations of four waves: (**a**) P1; (**b**) S1; (**c**) P2; (**d**) P3.

From Figures 1 and 2, we chose a typical seismic frequency (f = 100 Hz) to ensure each mode wave propagates more clearly. Figure 3 displays the results for the P1 wave and S wave. It can be observed in Figure 3 that when CO<sub>2</sub> saturation increases, the S velocity increases, while the P1 velocity decreases. At high CO<sub>2</sub> saturation, the change in P1 velocity is not obvious. This results from both the density and velocity of the pore fluid mixture. The pore fluid velocity significantly impacts the P1 velocity, which decreases as the fluid velocity decreases. Only the pore fluid density affects S velocity, which increases as the fluid density decreases. Due to the dissolution effect, the critical saturation marks the point at which the pore fluid changes from a single phase to two phases. When the free CO<sub>2</sub> appears, the attenuations of P1 and S increase rapidly. With the above results, we can expect that Lo's model can be used for the seismic monitoring of CO<sub>2</sub> migration.



**Figure 3.** Effect of CO<sub>2</sub> saturation on the velocities and attenuations of P1 and S, f = 100 Hz, P = 10.3 MPa, T = 45 °C: (**a**) phase velocities of P1 and S; (**b**) attenuations of P1 and S.

#### 3.2. Sensitivity Analysis

Numerous factors influence the phase velocities and attenuations of the four mode waves, including  $CO_2$  saturation, porosity, permeability, density, and velocity of pore fluid. The sensitivity can be used to describe the effect of each parameter on the phase velocities and attenuations at different frequencies. The sensitivity can be expressed as [29]

$$S_p(v) = \frac{p\partial v}{v\partial p}, S_p\left(Q^{-1}\right) = \frac{p\partial Q^{-1}}{Q^{-1}\partial p},\tag{11}$$

where *p* denotes the media parameter;  $S_p$  denotes the sensitivity of *p*; and *v* and  $Q^{-1}$  denote the velocity and inverse quality factor, respectively.

Sensitivity greater than or less than 0 indicates that the velocities and attenuations increase or decrease with increasing parameters. The sensitivities of different parameters to the velocities and attenuations of P1 and S are shown in Figure 4. Among them, the initial value of  $CO_2$  saturation is taken as 0.5, and the initial values of other parameters are taken from Table 1.

The sensitivity of P1 and S velocities are independent of the frequency to all parameters in Figure 4. Among them, the increase in porosity increases the velocities of P1 and S, and the increase in  $CO_2$  saturation decreases the velocity of P1 and increases the velocity of S. At the same time, permeability has almost no effect on the velocities of P1 and S. Moreover, the attenuations of P1 and S show the same pattern of sensitivity to pore fluid density, porosity, and permeability. Notably, the sensitivity of P1 and S attenuations to  $CO_2$  saturation is higher than other parameters in Figure 4c,d, and the attenuation of P1 is more sensitive than that of S at seismic frequency. It indicates that using attenuation to monitor  $CO_2$  migration is feasible. In addition, whereas the velocity of  $CO_2$  and oil only affects the velocity and attenuation of P1 wave, the density has an impact on the velocities and attenuations of both P1 and S waves, which corresponds to the analysis in Figure 3. Obviously, the sensitivity of P1 to the pore fluid velocity is higher than that to the pore fluid density.



**Figure 4.** The sensitivities of velocities and attenuations of P1 and S to different parameters, including CO<sub>2</sub> density ( $\rho_{CO2}$ ) and velocity ( $v_{CO2}$ ), live oil density ( $\rho_{Oil}$ ) and velocity ( $v_{Oil}$ ), CO<sub>2</sub> saturation ( $S_{CO2}$ ), porosity ( $\phi$ ), and permeability ( $\kappa$ ): (**a**) P1 velocity; (**b**) S velocity; (**c**) P1 attenuation; (**d**) S attenuation.

In CGUS,  $CO_2$  saturation, the ultimate inversion result of seismic monitoring, is the underlying cause of the change in acoustic propagation characteristics. Therefore, we focus on the sensitivity of  $CO_2$  saturation to the acoustic response, which represents the inversion accuracy of monitoring  $CO_2$  migration. Figure 5 shows the sensitivity of P1 wave and S wave phase velocities to different  $CO_2$  saturations, corresponding to the change in Figure 3. With  $CO_2$  saturation increases, the sensitivity of the S velocity increases, while the sensitivity of P1 velocity initially increases and then decreases. Near the critical  $CO_2$  saturation, the P1 velocity is most sensitive. It indicates that the closer to the critical saturation, the more precise the inversion of P1 velocity. Further, the inversion of P1 velocity is less reliable, and the inversion of S velocity is more reliable with higher  $CO_2$  saturation. Therefore, the combined inversion of P1 and S can achieve better monitoring results.



**Figure 5.** The sensitivities of velocities of P1 and S to CO<sub>2</sub> saturation, CO<sub>2</sub> saturation of 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8 are considered: (**a**) P1 velocity; (**b**) S velocity; (**c**) P1 attenuation; (**d**) S attenuation.

For the porous media with certain porosity, the propagation characteristics of P1 and S are related to pore fluid parameters. Moreover, the density and velocity of the pore fluid are affected by various factors, such as temperature, pressure, and  $CO_2$  saturation. It is an effective way to use the more precise fluid parameter model to reduce the uncertainty of seismic monitoring simulations.

## 4. Fluid Parameters Model Correction

## 4.1. Density Correction for the CO<sub>2</sub>–Oil Mixture

Han developed an empirical model for the density of the gas–oil mixture [30], by introducing the effective density of the gas. On the basis of Han's work, we proposed a density model for the  $CO_2$ –oil mixture, through the ideal mixing rule and the effective density of  $CO_2$  (Saryazdi [31]). The model is expressed as follows:

$$\rho_{o,CO2} = \frac{\rho_0 + W_{CO2}}{1 + W_{CO2} / \rho_{a,CO2}} + \Delta \rho_{P,T} + \Delta \rho_{X_{CO2}},$$
(12)

where  $\rho_{a,CO2}$  denotes the effective density of CO<sub>2</sub>;  $W_{CO2}$  denotes the dissolved mass of CO<sub>2</sub>;  $\Delta \rho_{P,T}$  and  $\Delta \rho_{X_{CO2}}$  are temperature–pressure and solubility correction factors, respectively. The above parameters can be written as [30,31]

$$\rho_{a,CO2} = 2.3349 \exp[-0.003157(T + 273.15)] \cdot \exp\{4.12 \times 10^{-4}P + [-0.3233 + 0.001897(T + 273.15)][1 - \exp(-1.37 \times 10^{-2}P)]\}, 
W_{CO2} = 0.001223 * GOR * G, 
\Delta\rho_{P,T} = \Delta\rho_P - \Delta\rho_T + b_{00} + b_{01}T + b_{02}T^2 + (b_{10} + b_{11}T)P, 
\Delta\rho_{X_{CO2}} = b_{20} + b_{21}X_{CO2},$$
(13)

where *P* is the reservoir pressure; *T* is the reservoir temperature;  $\Delta \rho_P$  and  $\Delta \rho_T$  are given in Han [30];  $b_{ij}(i, j = 0, 1, 2)$  is the fitting parameter, obtained from the experimental data in Calabrese [32] and given in Table 2;  $X_{CO2}$  denotes the mole fraction of CO<sub>2</sub> in crude oil.

**Table 2.** Fitting correction coefficients of temperature–pressure and solubility correction factors in Equation (13).

b <sub>ij</sub>	<i>j</i> = 0	<i>j</i> = 1	<i>j</i> = 2
i = 0 i = 1 i = 2	$\begin{array}{c} 4.034 \times 10^{-3} \\ -7.016 \times 10^{-5} \\ -5.85 \times 10^{-4} \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1.319 \times 10^{-4} \\ -1.286 \times 10^{-6} \\ 2.477 \times 10^{-2} \end{array}$	$-5.814 \times 10^{-7}$

Figure 6 depicts the measured values (Calabrese [32]) of density in the  $CO_2$ -oil mixture, compared with the density of Han's model [24] and the modified model in this paper. The correlation coefficient of Han's model is 0.7548, and the modified model is 0.9807. As shown in Figure 6, the predicted densities resulting from the modified model are generally consistent with the experimental data. The modified model achieved better application results.



**Figure 6.** Comparison of model results with experimental data (Calabrese [32]),  $X_{CO2} = 0.2$  (mole fractions): (a) Han's model; (b) the modified model.

To verify the applicability of the modified model, we compare the predicted densities with measured densities in different oil samples, as shown in Figure 7. Due to the differences in oil samples, environment, and other factors, the model prediction results may be slight deviations from the experimental data. In this case, we could fit a correction for  $b_{ij}$  by Table 2 and the experimental data. The solid lines in Figure 7 are the results of the corrected model. In summary, compared with the density model of Han's model, the modified model for live oil's density has a more efficient physical meaning and considers the effect of CO<sub>2</sub> solubility. The modified model can be obtained by simple coefficient correction for a certain oil sample, which has better applicability.



**Figure 7.** Density model validation of live oil in different oil samples: (**a**) oil sample from DeRuiter [33]; (**b**) oil sample from Al Ghafri [34].

## 4.2. Velocity Correction for the CO<sub>2</sub>–Oil Mixture

Han proposed a model for the velocity of the CO<sub>2</sub>–oil mixture at various temperatures, pressures, and CO<sub>2</sub> solubilities, expressed as [24]

$$V = A - BT + C\left(\frac{1 - D^P}{1 - D}\right) + FTP,$$
(14)

where *A*, *B*, *C*, *D*, and *F* are functions of  $\rho_{v\_seu}$ , given in Han [24].  $\rho_{v\_seu}$  denotes the velocity pseudo density of live oil, written as [24]

$$\rho_{a1} = M_{s1} + M_{s2}API + (N_{s1} + N_{s2}API) \ln(G), 
\rho_{a2} = \left[ M_g + N_g \left( \frac{1 + W_{C02}/\rho_0}{1 + W_{C02}/\rho_{a1}} \right) \right] \rho_{a1}, 
\rho_{v\_seu} = \frac{\rho_0 + \varepsilon W_{C02}}{1 + W_{C02}/\rho_{a2}},$$
(15)

where *API* denotes the oil gravity, developed by American Petroleum Institute (API);  $M_{s1}$ ,  $M_{s2}$ ,  $N_{s1}$ ,  $N_{s2}$ ,  $M_g$ , and  $N_g$  are experimental fitting parameters, which are related to the CO<sub>2</sub> gravity (*G*) and the dissolution effect.  $\varepsilon$  is the effective gas parameter, which indicates the contribution of the gas to the pseudo-liquid velocity,  $\varepsilon = 0.113$  in this paper [24].

As can be seen in Figure 8a, Han's model overestimates the velocities of the CO<sub>2</sub>-oil mixture, which may result from the overestimation of the contribution of CO<sub>2</sub> solubility to pseudo density. We performed a parameter fitting correction for the parameters related to CO<sub>2</sub> solubility, including  $M_{s1}$ ,  $M_{s2}$ ,  $N_{s1}$ ,  $N_{s2}$ ,  $M_g$ , and  $N_g$ . In order to find the best correction parameters, a part of the experimental data (Ratnakar [35]) was selected for parameter fitting correction, and the others were used as the validation data of the corrected model. The correlation coefficient (R<sup>2</sup>) was used to evaluate the reliability of the model predictions, and the results are shown in Table 3. The combination of  $M_g$  and  $N_g$  has the best correction effect, which can produce better predictions with fewer data. The fitted parameters of the modified model are  $M_g = 8.8680$ ,  $N_g = -8.5132$ . The results of the corrected model are shown in Figure 8b.

In summary, this section proposes a modified method for the density and velocity models of the CO<sub>2</sub>–oil mixture, respectively. The density-modified model can be referred to Equations (12) and (13), and the velocity-modified model can be referred to Equations (14) and (15). Due to differences in regions and oil samples, there may be deviations between the measured and predicted data. At this time, the parameters could be corrected according to the specific experimental data ( $b_{ij}$  for the density model;  $M_g$  and  $N_g$ for the velocity model).



**Figure 8.** Comparison of model calculation results and experimental data (Ratnakar [35]): (**a**) before correction; (**b**) after correction.

Range of Experimental Data (46 Data Points in Total)	$R^2$ of Correction for $(M_g, N_g)$	$R^2$ of Correction for $(M_{s1}, M_{s2})$	$R^2$ of Correction for $(N_{s1}, N_{s2})$
$P \leq 40 MPa$ (22 data points)	0.9927	0.9634	0.9633
$T \le 40 \ ^{\circ}C$ (23 data points)	0.9931	0.9629	0.9630
$X_{CO2} \ge 40\%$ (15 data points)	0.9644	0.9637	0.9637
$X_{CO2} \ge 8\%$ (31 data points)	0.9943	0.9637	0.9636
Random (20 data points)	0.9940	0.9636	0.9633
Random (10 data points)	0.9896	0.9637	0.9608

Table 3. Comparison of correlation coefficients (R<sup>2</sup>) of different correction parameters.

### 5. Propagation Characteristics under the Modified Model

Following the previous section, we obtained the modified models for live oil's density and velocity, which are the functions of temperatures, pressures, and  $CO_2$  solubility. It provides a basis to accurately describe the changes of the pore fluid physical parameters in CGUS. Figure 9 shows the phase velocities and attenuations of P1 and S waves at different  $CO_2$  saturation and frequencies, combining Lo's model and the modified models of fluid parameters.

Comparing Figures 1, 2 and 9, it can be seen that the trend of wave velocities and attenuations with frequency and  $CO_2$  saturation in Figure 9 is essentially unchanged, except for the S velocity. In fact, the velocity of S is almost constant before the critical saturation because of little change in the live oil's density due to  $CO_2$  dissolution. After the critical saturation, the velocity of S linearly increases with increasing free  $CO_2$ . To show the effect of fluid parameters models more obviously, we calculated the P1 and S phase velocities and attenuations at the typical seismic frequency (f = 100 Hz), as shown in Figure 10. The fluid parameters of Batzle's model overestimate the attenuations of P1 and S. There is a considerable variation in the prediction of S velocity, with a lower prediction for P velocity at low  $CO_2$  saturation and a higher prediction at high  $CO_2$  saturation. The above results indicate that the fluid parameters of Batzle's model are inaccurate for characterizing the physical parameters of the  $CO_2$ -oil mixture.



**Figure 9.** Effects of frequency and CO<sub>2</sub> saturation on the phase velocities and attenuations of waves: (a) P1 velocity; (b) S velocity; (c) P1 attenuation; (d) S attenuation.



**Figure 10.** Effects of fluid parameter model on the phase velocities and attenuations of waves: (**a**) P1 velocity; (**b**) S velocity; (**c**) P1 attenuation; (**d**) S attenuation.

# 6. Conclusions

In this paper, we proposed Lo's model to study the effect of  $CO_2$  injection on the acoustic responses of the porous media containing two immiscible fluids. We calculated the variation of phase velocities and attenuations of waves, with frequency and  $CO_2$  saturation. In addition, we analyzed the sensitivities of phase velocities and attenuations to various parameters, especially  $CO_2$  saturation. Moreover, we proposed a method to modify the velocity and density models of the  $CO_2$ -oil mixture based on experimental data. Finally, the wave propagation was compared between Batzle's model and the modified model under Lo's model. The conclusions are as follows:

- 1. There are four kinds of mode waves (three compressional waves and one shear wave) in the unsaturated porous media with pore fluid composed by  $CO_2$  and oil. However, only two mode waves, P1 and S, can be observed at seismic frequencies. The velocity and attenuation characteristics are sensitive to  $CO_2$  saturation, and the combined P1 and S waves can monitor the  $CO_2$  migration more accurately.
- 2. In the analysis of acoustic wave modes, the accuracy of the features of pore fluid is crucial. The pore fluid density has an effect on both the velocities and attenuations of P1 and S, while the pore fluid velocity only has an effect on the velocity and attenuation of P1.
- 3. The fluid parameter of Batzle's model is based on hydrocarbon gas, which cannot accurately describe the physical parameters of the CO<sub>2</sub>–oil mixture. Compared with experimental data, the modified model can provide more exact data.

The numerical simulations show that Lo's model, combined with the modified parameters models of live oil, can realistically describe the wave propagation characteristics of unsaturated porous media. The velocities and attenuations of waves in unsaturated porous media are closely related to  $CO_2$  saturation, considering the effect of dissolution, temperature, and pressure. The model of pore fluid parameters and the theory of unsaturated porous media in this paper can be used to explore the changing pattern of the acoustic field after  $CO_2$  injection. Meanwhile, this study provides a more accurate basis to monitor the security of  $CO_2$  injection in CGUS.

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## Appendix A

The inertial coupling coefficients are expressed as [14]

$$A_{11} = -(F_s - 1)\rho_1 S_1 \phi, A_{22} = -(F_s - 1)\rho_2 S_2 \phi,$$
  

$$A_{12} = -0.1\sqrt{F_s^2 \rho_1 S_1 \rho_2 S_2 \phi^2},$$
(A1)

where  $F_s$  is the structure factor, which can be expressed as [36]

$$F_s = 0.5 \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\phi} \right). \tag{A2}$$

The viscous coupling coefficients are expressed as [14]

$$R_{11} = -\frac{1+\xi}{2\xi} \frac{\mu_1}{\kappa k_{r_1}} S_1^2 \phi^2, R_{22} = -\frac{1+\xi}{2\xi} \frac{\mu_2}{\kappa k_{r_2}} S_2^2 \phi^2,$$
  

$$R_{12} = \frac{1-\xi}{2\xi} \frac{\mu_2}{\kappa k_{r_2}} S_1 S_2 \phi^2, R_{12} = \frac{1-\xi}{2\xi} \frac{\mu_1}{\kappa k_{r_1}} S_1 S_2 \phi^2,$$
(A3)

where  $\xi$  denotes coupling coefficient of the fluid–fluid interface,  $\xi = 1$  in this paper [37];  $\mu_l$  denotes the viscosity of fluid phase l, l = 1, 2;  $\kappa$  denotes the absolute permeability of porous media; and  $k_{rl}$  denotes the relative permeability of fluid phase l, l = 1, 2, which can be expressed as [38]

$$k_{r1} = S_1^{\eta} \left( 1 - S_2^{1/m} \right)^{2m}, k_{r2} = S_2^{\eta} \left[ 1 - \left( 1 - S_2^{1/m} \right)^m \right]^2, \tag{A4}$$

where  $\eta$  and *m* are model fitting parameters, which can be obtained by experiment,  $\eta = 0.5$ , m = 0.56 in this paper [39].

With the assumption of homogeneous media, the mass balance equations of unsaturated porous media are expressed as [13]

$$\frac{\frac{\partial [\rho_s(1-\phi)]}{\partial t}}{\frac{\partial (\rho_l S_l \phi)}{\partial t}} + \rho_s(1-\phi)\nabla \cdot \overrightarrow{V}^s = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial (\rho_l S_l \phi)}{\partial t} + \rho_l S_l \phi \nabla \cdot \overrightarrow{V}^l = 0, l = 1, 2,$$
(A5)

where V denotes the vibration velocity of phase l, l = s, 1, 2. According to the equation of state, the mass balance equations can be written as [13]

$$\frac{\partial p_s}{\partial t} = -\frac{K_s}{1-\phi} \frac{\partial(1-\phi)}{\partial t} - K_s \nabla \cdot \overrightarrow{V}^s, 
\frac{\partial p_l}{\partial t} = -\frac{K_s}{S_l \phi} \left( \phi \frac{\partial S_l}{\partial t} + S_l \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} \right) - K_l \nabla \cdot \overrightarrow{V}^l, l = 1, 2,$$
(A6)

where  $K_l$  refers to the bulk modulus of phase l, l = s, 1, 2;  $p_s$  is the mean principal dilatational stress in the solid grain;  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  are the pressure in nonwetting fluid and wetting fluid, respectively. In the equations of mass balance (Equation (A6)),  $\partial S_l / \partial t$  can be expressed through the capillary pressure (Equation (A7) [40]), and  $\partial \phi / \partial t$  can be expressed through the closure relation for porosity change (Equation (A8)).

$$\frac{\partial S_1}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{p'_c} \left( \frac{\partial p_1}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial p_2}{\partial t} \right), \frac{\partial S_2}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial S_1}{\partial t},$$

$$p'_c = \frac{\rho_2 g}{mn\chi} \left( S_2^{-1/m} - 1 \right)^{-m} S_2^{-(1/m+1)},$$
(A7)

where  $p'_c$  represents the first-order derivative of capillary pressure on the nonwetting fluid saturation; m, n, and  $\chi$  model-fitting parameters, m = 1 - 1/n, n = 2.28,  $\chi = 0.69$  in this paper [39].

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} = \delta_s \nabla \cdot \overrightarrow{V}^s + \delta_1 \nabla \cdot \overrightarrow{V}^1 + \delta_2 \nabla \cdot \overrightarrow{V}^2, \tag{A8}$$

where  $\delta_s$ ,  $\delta_1$ , and  $\delta_2$  are the nondimensional parameters of the closure relation for porosity change, which can be obtained by the "unjacked experiment" and "jacked experiment", which can be written as [14]

$$\delta_{s} = \frac{(1 - \phi - K_{m}/K_{s})K_{s}}{K_{s} + M_{2}(K_{m}/K_{s} - 1 + \phi)/M_{1}},$$
  

$$\delta_{1} = K_{1} \left(S_{1} + \frac{K_{2}}{p_{c}'S_{2}}\right) \delta_{s}/(K_{s}M_{1}), \delta_{2} = K_{2} \left(S_{2} + \frac{K_{1}}{p_{c}'S_{1}}\right) \delta_{s}/(K_{s}M_{1}),$$
(A9)

where  $K_m$  denotes the bulk modulus of the solid frame; and  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are parameters related to capillary pressure, which can be written as [14]

$$M_1 = -\left(\frac{K_1}{p_c'S_1} + \frac{K_2}{p_c'S_2} + 1\right), M_2 = \frac{K_1K_2}{p_c'\phi S_1S_2} + \frac{K_1S_1}{\phi} + \frac{K_2S_2}{\phi}.$$
 (A10)

Finally, with the assumption of small deformation, the linear stress–strain relations can be expressed as Equation (A11), after integrating Equation (A6).

$$\begin{bmatrix} -(1-\phi)p_s \\ -\phi S_1 p_1 \\ -\phi S_2 p_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \nabla \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \overrightarrow{u} \\ \overrightarrow{u} \\ \overrightarrow{u} \\ \overrightarrow{u} \\ u^2 \end{bmatrix},$$
(A11)

where  $a_{ij}$  denotes the elastic coefficient, which can be expressed as Equation (A12) [14]. According to Tuncay's [20] work, the solid grain's mean principal dilatational stress ( $p_s$ ) can be replaced by the macroscopic stress tensor of solid grain ( $t^s$ ).

$$a_{11} = K_{s}(1 - \phi - \delta_{s}), a_{12} = a_{21} = -K_{s}\delta_{1}, a_{13} = a_{31} = -K_{s}\delta_{2}, 
a_{22} = -\frac{1}{M_{1}} \left[ \left( \frac{K_{1}K_{2}}{p'_{c}} + \frac{K_{1}K_{2}S_{1}}{p'_{c}S_{2}} + K_{1}S_{1} \right) \delta_{1} + \frac{K_{1}K_{2}S_{1}\phi}{p'_{c}S_{2}} + K_{1}S_{1}\phi \right], 
a_{23} = a_{32} = -\left( \frac{\delta_{1}\delta_{2}}{\delta_{s}}K_{s} + \frac{K_{1}K_{2}\phi}{p'_{c}M_{1}} \right), 
a_{33} = -\frac{1}{M_{1}} \left[ \left( \frac{K_{1}K_{2}}{p'_{c}} + \frac{K_{1}K_{2}S_{2}}{p'_{c}S_{1}} + K_{2}S_{2} \right) \delta_{2} + \frac{K_{1}K_{2}S_{2}\phi}{p'_{c}S_{1}} + K_{2}S_{2}\phi \right].$$
(A12)

### Appendix **B**

According to the balance of momentum, the equation of motion of unsaturated porous media can be written as Equation (A13), under the consideration of inertial coupling and viscous coupling.

$$\rho_{s}(1-\phi)\frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{s}}{\partial t^{2}} + A_{11}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{s}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) + A_{12}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{2}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{s}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) + A_{12}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{s}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) + A_{12}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{s}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) + A_{22}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{2}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{s}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) + R_{11}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{1}}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{s}}{\partial t}\right) + R_{12}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{1}}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{s}}{\partial t}\right) + R_{21}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{1}}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{s}}{\partial t}\right) + R_{22}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{2}}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{s}}{\partial t}\right) = \frac{\partial^{4}u_{i}^{s}}{\partial t_{i}},$$

$$\rho_{1}S_{1}\phi\frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}} - A_{11}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{s}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) - A_{12}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{2}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{s}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) - R_{11}\left(\frac{\partial^{1}u_{i}^{1}}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial^{1}u_{i}^{s}}{\partial t}\right) - R_{12}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{2}}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{s}}{\partial t}\right) = -\phi S_{1}\frac{\partial p_{1}}{\partial x_{j}},$$

$$\rho_{2}S_{2}\phi\frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{2}}{\partial t^{2}} - A_{12}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{s}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) - A_{22}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{2}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{s}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) - R_{21}\left(\frac{\partial^{1}u_{i}}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial^{1}u_{i}^{s}}{\partial t}\right) - R_{22}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{i}^{2}}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial^{1}u_{i}^{s}}{\partial t}\right) = -\phi S_{2}\frac{\partial p_{2}}{\partial x_{j}}.$$
(A13)

In addition, the linear stress-strain relations can be expressed as

$$t_{ij}^{s} = 2N\varepsilon_{ij} + [(a_{11} - 2/3N)e - a_{12}\theta_1 - a_{13}\theta_2]\delta_{ij},$$
  

$$\phi S_1 p_1 = -a_{12}e - a_{22}\theta_1 - a_{23}\theta_2,$$
  

$$\phi S_2 p_2 = -a_{13}e - a_{23}\theta_1 - a_{33}\theta_2,$$
(A14)

where  $\varepsilon_{ij}$  is the strain component of solid grain; *e* denotes the volumetric strain of solid grain, which is the same as  $\varphi^s$ ;  $\theta_l$  represents the volume content change of phase *l*, *l* = 1, 2. The above parameters can be expressed as

$$\varepsilon_{ij} = \left(u_{i,j}^s + u_{j,i}^s\right)/2, e = \varepsilon_{11} + \varepsilon_{22} + \varepsilon_{33},$$
  

$$\theta_1 = -u_{i,j}^1, \theta_2 = -u_{i,j}^2.$$
(A15)

Substituting the stress–strain relationship (Equation (A14)) into the equation of motion (Equation (A13), the motion equation of displacement form can be obtained. As an example, we only develop the motion equation of solid grain in the paper, which can be expressed as

$$\begin{split} \rho_{s}(1-\phi)\frac{\partial^{2}u_{x}^{s}}{\partial t^{2}} + A_{11}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{x}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{x}^{s}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) + A_{12}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{x}^{2}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{x}^{s}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) + A_{12}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{x}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{x}^{s}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) + A_{12}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{x}^{1}}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{x}^{s}}{\partial t}\right) + R_{22}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{x}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{x}^{s}}{\partial t}\right) = N\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{x}^{s}}{\partial x^{2}} + \frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{s}}{\partial x^{2}} + \frac{\partial^{2}u_{x}^{s}}{\partial x^{2}}\right) \\ + \left(a_{11} + \frac{1}{3}N\right)\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{x}^{s}}{\partial x^{2}} + \frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{s}}{\partial x\partial y} + \frac{\partial^{2}u_{x}^{s}}{\partial z\partial x}\right) + a_{12}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{x}^{1}}{\partial x^{2}} + \frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{1}}{\partial x\partial y} + \frac{\partial^{2}u_{x}^{s}}{\partial z\partial x}\right) + a_{12}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{x}^{1}}{\partial x^{2}} + \frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{1}}{\partial x\partial y} + \frac{\partial^{2}u_{x}^{s}}{\partial z\partial x}\right) + a_{13}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{x}^{2}}{\partial x^{2}} + \frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{s}}{\partial x\partial y} + \frac{\partial^{2}u_{x}^{s}}{\partial z\partial x}\right) \\ + \left(a_{11} + \frac{1}{3}N\right)\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{x}^{s}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{s}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) + A_{12}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{s}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) + A_{12}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{s}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) + A_{12}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) + A_{22}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) + A_{22}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) + A_{12}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) + A_{22}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) + A_{12}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) + A_{22}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) + A_{22}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) + A_{22}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) + A_{2}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) + A_{2}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}$$

Therefore, the motion equation of the unsaturated porous media is the same in all three directions. Furthermore, the motion equation of the solid strain (Equation (A16)) can be written as the vector form

$$\rho_{s}(1-\phi)\frac{\partial^{2}\vec{u}^{s}}{\partial t^{2}} + A_{11}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}\vec{u}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}\vec{u}^{s}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) + A_{12}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}\vec{u}^{2}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}\vec{u}^{s}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) + A_{12}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}\vec{u}^{1}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}\vec{u}^{s}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) + A_{22}\left(\frac{\partial^{2}\vec{u}^{2}}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{2}\vec{u}^{s}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) + R_{11}\left(\frac{\partial\vec{u}^{1}}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial\vec{u}^{s}}{\partial t}\right) + R_{21}\left(\frac{\partial\vec{u}^{1}}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial\vec{u}^{s}}{\partial t}\right) + R_{22}\left(\frac{\partial\vec{u}^{2}}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial\vec{u}^{s}}{\partial t}\right) = \nabla\left[\left(a_{11} + \frac{1}{3}N\right)\nabla\cdot\vec{u}^{s} + a_{12}\nabla\cdot\vec{u}^{1} + a_{13}\nabla\cdot\vec{u}^{2}\right] + N\nabla\cdot\nabla\vec{u}^{s}.$$
(A17)

Under the above derivation, the motion equation (Equation (A17)) yields the same result as Lo's work [14]. Moreover, the motion equation can be expressed in vector–matrix form, as shown in Equation (1).

## Appendix C

Typically, the injected  $CO_2$  is in a supercritical state, which is more soluble, less viscous, and has a higher density. The phase state of  $CO_2$  is sensitive to temperature and pressure, as shown in Figure A1. The supercritical point of  $CO_2$  is 7.38 MPa and 31.1 °C. Therefore, with a geothermal gradient of 30 °C/km and a pressure gradient of 10 MPa/km [17], the depth of injection should be preferably higher than 1000 m (as shown by the black line in Figure A1).



**Figure A1.** The phase diagram of pure CO<sub>2</sub> (refer to Ref. [26]), the black line is the temperatures and pressures of different depths, with a geothermal gradient of 30  $^{\circ}$ C/km and a pressure gradient of 10 MPa/km.

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