

Objective: Building tools and improving the science base to address key questions related to environmental impacts from potential release of CO₂ or brine from the storage reservoir, and potential ground-motion impacts due to injection of CO₂





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NRAP's approach to quantifying performance relies on reduced-order models to probe uncertainty in the system.





NRAP developed detailed component models where needed and used existing high fidelity physics-based model when available.





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Many scientific and technical advances were needed to develop appropriate reduced-order models.





Investigated most critical reservoir and seal parameters for risk



Identified necessary conditions for coupling system components

order models (ROMs)

component model

predictions



Studied the decoupling of hydrology and geochemistry in GW models





NRAP's Integrated Assessment Model simulates carbon storage system behavior, probing uncertainty in the system.





Monte-Carlo simulation allows robust, time-dependent uncertainty quantification



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NRAP Phase I Accomplishments



- Pioneered the movement into quantitative risk assessment, uncertainty quantification, and reduced order modeling for carbon storage
- Developed insights into key technical issues
 - Reservoir behavior
 - Wellbore-risk relationships
 - Geochemical impacts to fracture flow
 - Groundwater impact assessments
 - Induced Seismicity risk
- Key findings published
 - IJGGC Virtual Special Issue
 - Other journal publications
 - TRS Report Series

Ten NRAP tools available to others for testing and use









NRAP Tool	Recorded Webinar Link	
	SLIDES	VIDEO
Integrated Assessment ModelCarbon Storage (NRAP-IAM-CS)		
Natural Seal ROM (NSealR)		
Reservoir Evaluation and Visualization (REV) Tool		
Wellbore Leakage Analysis Tool (WLAT)	- -	
Aquifer Impact Model (AIM)		
Design for Risk Evaluation and Monitoring (DREAM)	CITIERA EStates.	
Short Term Seismic Forecasting (STSF)	FL.	1. 11 17 Torraning
NRAP-IAM-CS and RROM-Gen Webinar	-	

Final release, https://edx.netl.doe.gov/nrap





NRAP CO₂ Storage Risk Assessment Toolset Tool Beta Testing Link: www.edx.netl.doe.gov/nrap





NRAP's Integrated Assessment Model for Carbon Storage

- Simulates long-term, fullsystem behavior (reservoir to aquifer/atmosphere)
- Results can be used to:
 - Compute risk profiles (timedependent probability of leakage and GW impact)
 - Quantitatively estimate storage permanence amidst system uncertainty
 - Identify key drivers of risk in context of uncertainty





Reservoir Evaluation & Visualization (REV) Tool and Reservoir ROM Generator (RROMGEN)



Reservoir Evaluation and Visualization (REV) Tool -

Generates pressure and CO₂ plumes sizes over time

- Suitable for Area of Review (AoR) determination
- Visualizes reservoir behavior probabilistically

Reservoir ROM Generator (RROMGEN) – Converts reservoir simulation results into reduced order models (ROMs) for input to NRAP-IAM-CS











Well- and seal-related tools addresses vertical migration for a variety of possible scenarios.



<u>Wellbore Leakage Analysis Tool (WLAT)</u> – Evaluates leakage potential primarily for existing wells

- Explores leakage response as a function of well disposition
- Evaluates the implications of permeable overburden zones





<u>Natural Seal ROM (NSealR)</u> - Estimates flux through a fractured or perforated seal

Accounts for storage outside of primary target zone









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<u>Aquifer Impact Model (AIM)</u> - Estimation aquifer volume impacted by a leak (for pH, TDS, select metals and organics)

- Distinguishes between CO₂ and brine leaks
- Used to determine impact of threshold criteria.





<u>Multiple Source Leakage ROM (MSLR)</u> – Characterizes atmospheric dispersion of leaked CO_2

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Determines probability that the monitors are able to detect CO_2 in the atmosphere based on their location.

Prototype DREAM monitoring optimization tool. (Design for Risk Evaluation and Management)



Design for Risk Evaluation and Management (**DREAM**) -Selects monitoring design that is

optimized for minimum time to detection

- Can incorporate budget and operational constraints
- Uses a set of subsurface simulation realizations









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Two other tools can help prepare for and manage the risk of induced seismicity.



<u>Short Term Seismic Forecasting (STSF)</u> - Forecasts seismic event frequency during injection, over hours/days

• Potential to complement stoplight approach for induced seismicity planning and permitting





Ground Motion Prediction application for potential

Induced Seismicity (GMPIS) - Predicts ground motion response from potential induced earthquakes

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Based on global dataset, usable when site-specific data is sparse

NRAP Phase II is beginning this FY.



- Focus is on Risk Management and Uncertainty Reduction
- Looking for opportunities to benchmark models/tools
- Major Tasks for Phase II:
 - Containment Risk
 - >Induced Seismicity and probabilistic hazard/risk
 - Strategic Monitoring
 - > Field Validation, Demonstration
 - Key Insights around Risk Management







Thank you!

Interested to learn more about or beta test the NRAP tools?

Visit: www.edx.netl.doe.gov/nrap

NRAP Beta Tool Training Materials

Presenter(s)

NRAP Tool

Training Materials

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Workflow Example



Reservoir Simulation to Risk Profile and Reservoir Simulation to AoR Characterization











Example Scenario: Candidate Injection Site in Continental U.S.



- Multi-layered limestone-dolostone reservoir
- Depth approximately 2,500 meters
- Permeability: 1-210 mD; porosity 5-15%
- Lateral and vertical heterogeneities in the reservoir
- Numerical simulations done using FEHM with16 x 16 km² domain
- Simulation time on order of 10 hours per realization







AIM has utility as a site screening tool to compare groundwater quality impacts due to CO2 or brine leaks

- Two aquifer models:
 - Unconfined, oxidizing carbonate aquifer (based on Edwards Aquifer)
 - Confined alluvium aquifer (based on High Plains Aquifer)
- Calculates volume of aquifer beyond threshold concentrations:
 - pH
 - TDS
 - Trace metals: arsenic, barium, cadmium, lead
 - Organics: benzene, naphthalene, phenol
- Two threshold values for each volume calculation:
 - MCL
 - No-impact (background 95th percentile) (Last, 2013)







Saturation plume (>0.01) evolution over 100 years 1MT injected/yr for 10 years; 90 years post-injection





37 equiprobable realizations,







Tool for estimating leakage through fractured seal (NSealR)



- Estimates flux through a fractured or perforated seal
- Accounts for storage outside of primary target zone
- Uses inputs of pressure and saturation at the reservoir/seal interface
- Computes two-phase (brine and supercritical CO₂) flux and includes fluid thermal/pressure dependence
- Predicts leakage through a Barrier (Seal) Layer
- Allows for various levels of complexity to model barrier response
- Accounts for effective stress dependence of aperture



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Pressure Increase Area (> 0.628 MPa) evolution over 100 years - 1MT/yr for 10 years, 90 years post-injection







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NRAP analyzed key risk-based metrics for the reservoir component of the storage system using tools.



- Size of CO₂ plume injection
 - Rate of growth for early phase
 - Rate of growth for long-term phase
 - Plume radius at end of injection
- Size of pressure plume
 - Maximum size of plume
 - Various pressure thresholds, relevant to:
 - Brine rise
 - Fault-slip criteria
- Pressure at a location
 - Maximum pressure increase



Bromhal et al., 2014



Ground Motion Prediction application to potential Induced Seismicity (GMPIS)



- Ground motion prediction from potential induced earthquakes based on global dataset
- Tectonic scenario earthquakes could provide a valuable planning tool due to potential of injection to stimulate the rate of natural seismicity

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- Two approaches to characterizing ground motion: peak ground acceleration (PGA) and peak ground velocity (PGV)
- Database includes induced seismicity (IS) from global active geothermal locations producing nearly 4,000 records
- Implements IS empirical ground motion prediction equations (Douglas et al., 2013)
- Applicable for cases where little site-specific seismic data are available
- Incorporates published models for site-specific amplification corrections (Boore and Atkinson, 2008; Abrahamson and Silva; 2008.





Induced Seismic Event: Near the Pond-Poso Fault- median ground motions predicted for a hypothetical Mw 4.0 earthquake





Site Response Map Location: N35.500 W119.250, Mw 4.0, Depth: 1.0 km, Max Acc.: 0.2914g, T: 0.05sec, Site Amp.: A&S. Vs30: topo



Large Scale Map of Site response showing the detail accelerations in Kimberlina area



NOTE: Hypothetical case for demonstration purposes only



Multiple Source Leakage ROM (MSLR) Tool



- MSLR handles single- or multiple-source CO₂ leakage using a reduced-order model (ROM).
- Determines the probability that the monitors are located within the extent of plume above a critical concentration.

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- Adapts single-source correlation method (Britter and McQuaid, 2008) to multiple source releases
- Predicts plume extent and concentration of dense gases near the ground surface
- Focuses on the large volume release events, such as those simulated by the NRAP-IAM-CS open well option



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Pressure and saturation plume size through time with 30 years of injection at 5 MT/yr ($\Delta P > 1.25$ Mpa, Sat > 0.01)









ΔP and saturation plume extend for 37 reservoir simulation realizations ($\Delta P > 0.628$ Mpa, Sat > 0.01)





Max, Mean, Min ∆ pressure plume at t=13 years scenario: 10 year injection at 1 MT/yr









Example Scenario: Unknown leaky well at candidate injection site in continental U.S.



What happens if we place an uncharacterized well in the storage domain?

Alberta Basin: 4.6% of wells fail over life history (Carey, 2014)





scenario: 30 years of injection at 1 MT/yr









Example Scenario: Atmospheric Leakage 1000 realizations, 300 years site performance





There is no predicted impact volume based on MCL threshold (pH < 6.5 or TDS > 500 ppm)

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NRAP's Integrated Assessment Model simulates carbon storage system behavior.

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- Integrates ROMs of system components including: storage reservoir, cemented and open wellbores, groundwater aquifer, and atmosphere
- Quantifies flux of CO₂ and brine to overlying receptors (groundwater and atmosphere), and impacts to groundwater aquifers
- Monte-Carlo simulation allows robust, timedependent uncertainty quantification
- Uses built-in and user-defined models
- Quantitative risk profiles with realistic storage conditions
 - Over 100s to 1000s of years









Well Leakage Scenarios in WLAT





Rapid exploration of trends in potential well leakage













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- Generates pressure and CO₂ plumes size relationships over time
- Facilitates determination of Area of Review (AoR)
- Visualizes reservoir behavior probabilistically
- Uses pressure and saturation values from reservoir simulation(s) - modular design accommodates different file types
- Outputs plume sizes through time and pressure values in specified grid blocks at each time step.
- Functions for a single realization or accepts multiple simulations and outputs probabilistic values for defined thresholds.

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NRAP Phase I CO₂ Storage Risk Assessment Toolset

<u>Integrated Assessment Model – Carbon Storage (NRAP-IAM-CS)</u> - Simulates long-term full system leakage and containment behavior (reservoir to aquifer/atmosphere)

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