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## Abstract

Adopting sustainable strategies to manage water resources of karst reservoirs requires to understand the carbonate rock reactivity that is responsible for the formation of these reservoirs, as well as the role of the rock mineralogy in the conduit formation. To this end, three carbonate rocks (chalk, crinoidal limestone and dolomite) with different mineralogy and internal structure are submitted to laboratory dissolution experiments by injecting an acid solution under atmospheric conditions and various hydrodynamic conditions with a homemade experimental device. The core samples are characterized by petrophysical investigations with laboratory and imagery techniques before and after the experiments, and the changes in chemical and hydraulic properties are recorded during the experiment. The resulting carbonate dissolution leads to the formation of preferential conduits and the increase in porosity and permeability of the samples. For the three rock types, the dissolution rate mainly depends on the mineral composition, the flow conditions and the initial structural properties. In addition, we observe that (i) for each rock type, the lower Péclet conditions applied to the samples, the lower global dissolution rate, (ii) for each hydrodynamic condition, chalk and crinoidal limestone have the highest and smallest dissolution rates, respectively, (iii) for a similar amount of injected acid, the dissolution is lower in dolomite than in calcite, and (iv) high rock heterogeneities in the chalk samples are responsible for high renewal rates that induce high dissolution rates.

# **Keywords**

Carbonate rock, Reactive transport, Dissolution rate, Micro-tomography, Karst, Wormholes

## 1 1. Introduction

- The reactivity of carbonate rocks in natural or anthropogenic environ-
- ment is a well-known fact in the scientific community. Nevertheless, there
- 4 are still a lot of questions about this reaction process whereas its understand-
- 5 ing is particularly essential as carbonate rocks reservoirs play an important
- 6 role in human development. They are often used for water, oil or gas ex-
- <sup>7</sup> traction, as well as for geothermal energy production or CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration
- 8 (Rege and Fogler, 1989; Chilingarian et al., 1992; Noiriel et al., 2005; Moore
- and Wade, 2013; Akono et al., 2019).
- Carbonate rocks display very heterogeneous media due to their high mineralogy variety and the high complexity of their structural properties over
  scales (Choquette and Pray, 1970; Lucia, 1983; Lønøy, 2006). A thermodynamic disequilibrium between a fluid and this medium is responsible for
  dissolution and karst formation for instance (Ford and Williams, 2007). In
  order to better understand dissolution processes inside carbonate rocks, laboratory experiments and numerical simulations are conducted under variable

conditions on different carbonate rock types. The two adimensional numbers Péclet (Pe) and Damköhler (Da) are generally used to link the initial conditions of experiments and the resulting dissolution patterns inside the rock (Golfier et al., 2002). The Péclet number defines the dominant mechanism, between advection and diffusion, for transport processes occurring inside the rock, whereas the Damköhler number characterizes the importance of this transport compared to reaction (Lasaga, 1984; de Marsily, 1986; Daccord et al., 1993). They are both dependent on the velocity at which the reactive fluid passes through the system, and on the characteristic length of Different experimental conditions are then related to different dissolution patterns, going from uniform dissolution to compact wormholes. The properties of the fluid injected inside the rock are shown as the most decisive factors in the development of dissolution regimes in a lot of experimental and numerical studies (Fredd and Fogler, 1998; Golfier et al., 2002; Noiriel et al., 2004; Luquot and Gouze, 2009; Smith et al., 2013; Vialle et al., 2014; Menke et al., 2015; Rohmer et al., 2016; Lebedev et al., 2017; Akono et al., 2019). In order to better understand the impact of the dissolution process on the rock, laboratory dissolution experiments are usually conducted on samples where the rock properties were initially characterized by laboratory measurements and/or from 3D-images calculations. Acidic fluid is then injected at various concentrations and flow rates in the samples. The evolution of rock properties, such as porosity, permeability, structural and mechanical properties, is monitored during the experiments. The effects of dissolution on limestone at room and reservoir conditions were studied (Fredd and Fogler, 1998; Noiriel et al., 2004; Luquot and Gouze, 2009; Noiriel et al., 2009; Vialle and Vanorio,

2011; Gharbi et al., 2013; Mangane et al., 2013; Vialle et al., 2014; Steefel et al., 2015; Lebedev et al., 2017; Akono et al., 2019), as well as the ones on dolomite, preferentially at reservoir conditions (Smith et al., 2013; Luhmann et al., 2014; Tutolo et al., 2014; Wang et al., 2021). Few studies analyze the role of the rock mineralogy or the initial internal rock structure, or concentrate on more complex rocks with pluri-minerals rock composition. Some studies showed that a heterogeneous pore size or pore shape distribution will affect the dissolution mechanisms and lead to different dissolution patterns inside the rock (Hoefner and Fogler, 1988; Noiriel et al., 2005; Vialle et al., 2013; Luquot et al., 2014; Wang et al., 2021). Others defined new dissolution patterns associated with internal rock structure (Menke et al., 2017). Recently, we demonstrated that local heterogeneities have a stronger control on dissolution localization than Pe and Da conditions (Leger et al., 2022). At large scale, large structural heterogeneities such as fractures impact the dissolution rate and shape since the dissolution preferentially takes place along these large heterogeneities, leading to dissolution mechanisms controlled by transport (Elkhoury et al., 2013; Garcia-Rios et al., 2017).

By studying dissolution patterns on different carbonate types in similar conditions, some studies partially tried to establish the role of local structural properties and mineral composition compared to flow and chemical boundary conditions. Sandstone and limestone show specific responses to dissolution (Rohmer et al., 2016). Silicates inside sandstone favoring dissolution due to non-reactive grains inside silicates, which leads to a larger reaction surface and then a higher dissolution rate and a more homogeneous dissolution (Garcia-Rios et al., 2017). Additionally, structural properties inside these

two rock types are responsible for different dissolution patterns at local scale inside the studied samples (Vialle et al., 2013). It has been demonstrated that textural differences inside various fractured limestone rock types influence dissolution patterns but do not have a significant impact on dissolution rates (Levenson et al., 2015). These studies do not allow seeing the impact of mineralogy differences in the dissolution of carbonate rock types.

In order to acquire further insights on this matter, the present study pre-73 dominantly focuses on the differences in dissolution patterns depending on the mineralogy and on the structure of different carbonate rock types, as well as on the experimental hydrodynamic conditions. To this end, three distinct carbonate rock types are selected for their differences in structure and mineralogy: chalk, crinoidal limestone and dolomite. Acid injections are conducted on samples cored from these three rock types at atmospheric conditions. With the same acidic fluid, four Péclet conditions, associated to different flow rates depending on the rock type, were applied to the samples with a homemade experimental device. Samples are characterized with laboratory and images methods before and after these experiments, during which chemical and hydraulic properties are recorded. The rock properties evolution, associated with the initial structural and mineral differences between the three rock types and the experimental conditions, is analyzed in order to determine the influence of each of these parameters on the dissolution patterns induced by the acid injection into the rocks. The discussion of this study will focus on the role of initial properties until the conduits formation.

#### 2. Materials and Methods

The studied rock samples and the full experimental protocol used here are presented in details in Leger and Luquot (2021) and Leger et al. (2022), and the key parts of the experimental protocol are reminded in Supplementary Material. In this section, basic information are provided in order to understand the methodology and the obtained results.

# 96 2.1. Rock properties and characterization

The eleven cores samples studied are part of three different carbonate types. They were cored in three rock blocks in the same orientation in cores of 20-30 mm length and 18 mm diameter, surrounded with epoxy resin and PVC pipe for a total diameter of 25 mm, i.e., one inch. Four samples come from a chalk cave near Le Havre, Normandie, north-western France, and are characterized by flint chalk from the lower Senonian. This group of samples 102 is named *Normandie* and the samples labels are N03, N05, N08 and N09. A 103 set of five samples was cored into a limestone block from Euville quarry near 104 Nancy, north-eastern France, and is defined as crinoidal limestone from the Oxfordian. It is called *Euville* and the cores are named E01, E02, E04, E05 106 and E08. The two last samples were cored in the Lexos quarry near Toulouse, 107 south-western France, described as a reddish recrystallized limestone from 108 the Bajocian lately dolomitized. The set of samples is named Lexos with samples L01 and L04. 110

111 X-ray Diffraction (XRD) on a Bruker D8 Discover, X-ray Fluorescence 112 (XRF) measurements and Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM) on a FEI 113 Quanta 200 FEG observations show that Normandie and Euville rocks are 114 fully composed of calcite (CaCO<sub>3</sub>), whereas Lexos is made up of dolomite (CaMg(CO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>). The dolomite formula is determined using the Ca and Mg outlet concentrations during the percolation experiments assuming that the dissolution is stoechiometric and no precipitation reaction occurs from the dissolution. For the two experiments on dolomite, constant  $\frac{Ca}{Mg}$  ratio is observed at the outlet and the dolomite formula is established to be Ca<sub>1.06</sub>Mg<sub>0.94</sub>(CO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>. Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM) and 3D X-ray micro-tomography (XRMT) display images where structural differences between the three rocks are shown, especially in pores size and shape. As it can be seen in Figure 1, Euville displays the largest pores followed by Lexos and then Normandie.

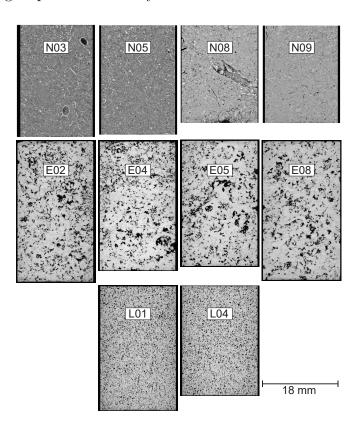


Figure 1: 2D vertical slices from 3D X-ray micro-tomography (XRMT) images of the initial structure of all the samples from the three rock types.

To characterize the cores samples, petrophysical measurements were done 124 by non-destructive laboratory methods. Porosity, permeability and velocities 125 of P and S waves are carried out on dry and/or saturated samples. Current injection inside the saturated samples gives the rock conductivity and allows to calculate structural properties from Archie's law (Archie, 1942), such as the formation factor F, cementation index m and electrical tortuosity  $\tau_e$ . 129 Characterization of pore size distribution between 0.5 and 140  $\mu m$  is carried 130 out by centrifugation. XRMT images are collected with a pixel size of 12  $\mu$ m and are analyzed with a homemade software to obtain complementary infor-132 mation about the samples. The properties calculated from the 3D images 133 are porosity, permeability, hydraulic tortuosity  $\tau_h$  and relative pores size  $\frac{S}{V}$ . 134 A pore size distribution is also obtained from a probabilistic method display-135 ing chord lengths. Details on rock types, calculation methods and protocols, complete results and discussion on the samples properties are provided in Leger and Luquot (2021).

## 2.2. Experimental protocol

The experimental protocol described here is the same as the one used in Leger et al. (2022). Under atmospheric pressure and temperature conditions, acidic solution is injected through the samples. The injected solution is composed of water previously balanced with the different rock types, acetic acid CH<sub>3</sub>COOH and sodium acetate CH<sub>3</sub>COONa. The acid concentration is about 10<sup>-2</sup> mol/L with a pH of 4. Figure 2 displays the homemade experimental device used for the percolation experiments. The acid solution is stored in a beaker where conductivity and pH are monitored continuously, and is injected through the core sample by a peristaltic pump. Sensors of

absolute and differential pressure continuously record the pressure difference between the sample inlet and outlet. At the device outlet, samplings of 5 mL are continuously carried out during day time and punctually during night time. pH, conductivity and cation concentrations are measured for each sampled fluid.

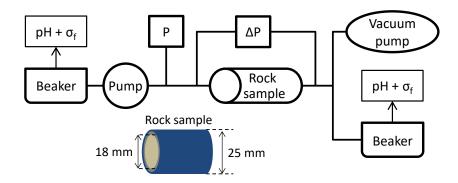


Figure 2: Top: Homemade experimental device used for the percolation experiments, with P the absolute pressure sensor and  $\Delta P$  the differential pressure sensor. Bottom: Scheme of the cylindrical core rock sample fixed inside a PVC tube.

The aim of this study being to compare the behavior of three different 154 rock types during percolation experiments, similar experimental conditions 155 are applied to the samples from the different rock types. In order to evaluate 156 the impact of the hydraulic conditions, four Péclet numbers  $(Pe_1, Pe_2, Pe_3)$ and  $Pe_4$ ) are chosen and the corresponding flow rates are applied to the 158 samples. Pe is defined as  $Pe = \frac{ul}{d}$  with u the flow velocity injected in 159 each sample [m/s], l the characteristic length of the pores [m] and d the 160 molecular diffusion coefficient for fresh water at 25°C set to  $5 \times 10^{-9}$  m<sup>2</sup>/s. The characteristic length l is based on the pore size distribution calculated in Leger and Luquot (2021) and is displayed in ranges that depend on the considered rock type. Therefore, average Pe values for each rock type are

resulting from these l ranges, and the average values between the three rock types are considered to simplify the description. Péclet numbers stand as  $Pe_1 = 0.09, Pe_2 = 0.65, Pe_3 = 1.97$  and  $Pe_4 = 5.26$ .

The experimental conditions and the associated samples are summarized in Table 1. Note that the experiments conducted on the Normandie samples come from Leger et al. (2022). Reproduction experiments are conducted for Normandie and Euville with similar conditions for N03 and N08 on one side, and E01 and E02 on the other side. To simplify the results interpretation, the experiments conducted with the hydraulic conditions  $Pe_3$  and  $Pe_4$  will be discussed together in Sections 3 and 4.

	Normar	ndie	Euvil	le	Lexos			
Pe	Sample	Q	Sample	Q	Sample	Q		
$Pe_1$	N09	8.0e-10	E08	9.3e-11				
$Pe_2$	N03 & N08	7.0e-9	E01 & E02	5.0e-10	L01	3.2e-9		
$Pe_3$	N05	1.8e-8	E05	2.5e-9	L04	7.6e-9		
$Pe_4$			E04	6.0e-9				

Table 1: Experimental transport conditions, Péclet numbers Pe [-] and flow rates Q [m<sup>3</sup>/s], of the percolation experiments.

## 75 2.3. Experimental output

The measurement of pressure difference allows to calculate the evolution of the samples permeability k during the experiment using the Darcy law:

$$k = \frac{QL\mu}{A\Lambda P},\tag{1}$$

where Q is the flow rate  $[m^3/s]$ , L the sample length [m],  $\mu$  the dynamic viscosity of water [Pa.s] set to 0.001 Pa.s, A the surface of fluid injection  $[m^2]$ 

and  $\Delta P$  the differential pressure between the inlet and outlet of the sample [Pa].

Concentration of Ca ions for the three rock types and that of Mg for Lexos 182 rock are measured by ICP-AES (Inductively Coupled Plasma Atomic Emis-183 sion Spectroscopy, Cirad, Montpellier) in the outlet samplings collected at 184 time  $t_i$  (i = 1, ..., N) with N the number of samples. The porosity is deduced 185 from these concentrations based on the equivalence between the quantity 186 of Ca or Ca Mg collected in the outlet fluid samples and the quantity of dissolved calcite or dolomite from the rocks, respectively. The calcium car-188 bonate mass dissolved between times  $t_{i-1}$  and  $t_i$ ,  $m_{\text{CaCO}_{3t_i}}$ , is then expressed 189 190

$$m_{\text{CaCO}_{3t_i}} = \frac{([\text{Ca}]_{t_i} - [\text{Ca}]_{t_0})(t_i - t_{i-1})Q}{M_{\text{Ca}}} M_{\text{CaCO}_3}$$
 (2)

with  $[Ca]_{t_i}$  the calcium concentration at the sampling time  $t_i$   $[g/m^3]$ ,  $[Ca]_{t_0}$  the initial calcium concentration  $[g/m^3]$ ,  $t_i - t_{i-1}$  the time spent since the last sampling [s], Q the flow rate  $[m^3/s]$ , and  $M_{Ca}$  and  $M_{CaCO_3}$  the molecular masses of calcium and calcium carbonate, respectively [g/mol]. Concerning the dolomite rock type, the proportion of the mass of Ca and Mg from the dolomite formula  $Ca_{1.06}Mg_{0.94}(CO_3)_2$  allows to calculate  $m_{CaMg(CO_3)_2t_i}$ . The equivalent volume of dissolved calcite and dolomite in the rock sample between each sampling step,  $V_{t_i}$ , is calculated by dividing  $m_{t_i}$  by the density of calcite and dolomite. Finally, the porosity  $\phi_{t_i}$  is obtained from

$$\phi_{t_i} = \phi_{t_{i-1}} + \frac{V_{t_i}}{V_{ech}} \tag{3}$$

with  $V_{ech}$  the sample volume [m<sup>3</sup>]. The initialization of the previous equation

for t=0 is made by using the initial laboratory porosity  $\phi_L$  while the final value at the end of the experiment is labeled  $\phi_{ch}$ .

After dissolution, in order to estimate the impact of the experiments on the rock properties, the same laboratory and imaging characterization as before the experiments is conducted on the samples (Section 2.1). To this purpose, centrifugation is conducted in the direction of the pressure difference and in the opposite one, which allows to characterize a possible anisotropy in pore size distribution.

## 3. Results

# 3.1. Hydro-chemical results from percolation experiments

Chemical data obtained over time for all the percolation experiments are 211 displayed in Figure 3. In a general way, we observe that the outlet pH values  $(pH_{out})$ , fluid conductivities  $(\sigma_f)$  and Ca and Mg concentrations ([Ca] 213 and [Mg]) are higher than the inlet values. The increase in these values 214 indicates that calcite and dolomite dissolution is occurring during the experiments. The curve shapes are globally the same for each parameter, with a first point corresponding to the mixing between water at equilibrium with rock and acidic fluid, a plateau reached when the dissolution begins and then 218 a decrease more or less pronounced at different times depending on the sam-219 ples. We observe that the decrease in the parameters occurs much sooner for the samples from Normandie than for the samples from Euville and Lexos, whatever the Péclet condition applied. 222

Even if the curves shape are similar, several observations can be done.

The values reached on the plateau for pH, conductivity and Ca and Mg concentrations depend on the rock types and on the Péclet number applied.

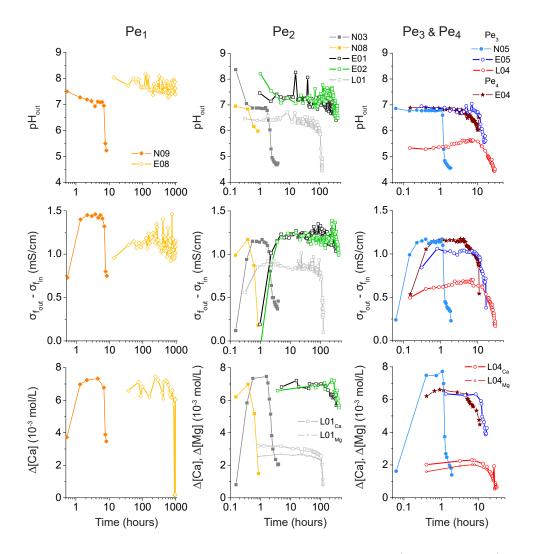


Figure 3: Evolution of the pH at the outlet of the experiments (pH<sub>out</sub>, first row), the differences in fluid conductivity ( $\sigma_f$ , second row) and calcium and magnesium concentrations between the outlet and inlet of the percolating experiments ( $\Delta$ [Ca] and  $\Delta$ [Mg], third row), with Péclet numbers  $Pe_1 = 0.09$  (first column, diamonds),  $Pe_2 = 0.65$  (second column, squares),  $Pe_3 = 1.97$  (third column, circles) and  $Pe_4 = 5.26$  (third column, stars). Samples labels with N stand for Normandie chalk, E for Euville crinoidal limestone and L for Lexos dolomite.

Firstly, for each rock type, the plateau values reached for pH and conductivity are independent from the Péclet condition applied. They are similar

for each sample from Normandie and Euville, as they are all considered to be REV. However, we observe a change in the plateau value for Lexos be-220 cause of the high heterogeneity initially located in  $L04_{Pe_3}$ . Concerning outlet 230 ions concentrations, samples from Normandie display similar values on the plateau regardless of the Péclet number applied to them, while the plateau 232 values for Euville and Lexos samples decrease with the increase in Pe. Sec-233 ondly, whatever the Pe is, fluid conductivity and ions concentration obtained 234 for dolomite samples (Lexos) are always lower than the ones of full calcite samples (Normandie and Euville). Concerning  $Pe_3$ , the outlet pH of  $L04_{Pe_3}$ is lower of 1.5 than the one of  $N05_{Pe_3}$  and  $E05_{Pe_3}$ , whereas the conductivity 237 difference is twice lower. The difference is less pronounced for  $Pe_2$ , where 238  $\mathrm{L}01_{Pe_{2}}$  displays a plateau of  $\mathrm{pH}_{out}$  lower of 0.5 than Normandie and lower of 1 than Euville, and a plateau of conductivity lower of 1 than Normandie and Euville ones. The lower values of  $pH_{out}$  in Lexos experiments are due to the smaller quantity of dolomite molecules dissolved compared to calcite ones. 242 Even if the dissolution of one mole of dolomite consumes two times more H<sup>+</sup> than one mole of calcite, limestone samples (Normandie and Euville) display more than twice Ca concentration than dolomite samples. Additionally, we observe that the ratio between Ca and Mg is almost constant during the two experiments for Lexos samples and established to be representative of a 247 stoichiometric dissolution. The corresponding formula is then used for mass balance calculation as explained in Section 2.3. 249

As explained in Section 2.3, permeability evolution over time during the percolation experiments is calculated from the differential pressure monitoring, and is displayed in Figure 4. We observe an increase in permeability

when we previously observed a decrease in ion concentrations in the effluent.

As previously mentioned and explained in Leger et al. (2022), some decreases

in permeability can be noticed during the experiments, and are probably due

to pores clogging and particles dragging inside the samples (Noiriel et al.,

2005; Luquot et al., 2014; Garing et al., 2015).

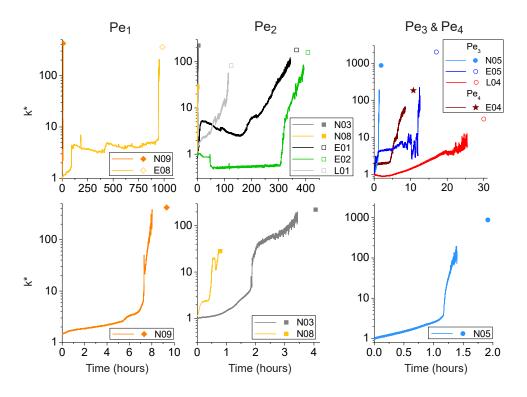


Figure 4: Evolution of the normalized rock permeability  $k^*$  [-] during the percolating experiments, where  $k^*$  is defined as the permeability of the sample along the experiment normalized by its initial permeability. The dot represents the final value of permeability. Graphics are displayed according to Péclet numbers, in columns ( $Pe_1$ ,  $Pe_2$  and  $Pe_3\&Pe_4$ ). Due to the large differences in experiments duration, a zoom of Normandie values is displayed on the second row.

Depending on the Pe applied to the samples, the normalized permeability  $(k^*)$  evolves in different ways. An important and sudden increase in permeability occurs at different times depending on the samples, and is due to

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the percolation inside the core, already defined in previous studies (Daccord, 1987; Fredd and Fogler, 1998; Golfier et al., 2002; Brosse et al., 2005; Luquot 262 and Gouze, 2009; Szymczak and Ladd, 2009; Guarracino et al., 2014; Vialle 263 et al., 2014; Menke et al., 2016; Akono et al., 2019). For Normandie and 264 Euville samples, this sharp increase is followed by a more moderate one, less 265 visible for samples submitted to  $Pe_1$ . However, permeability of Lexos sam-266 ples increases gradually during the experiments. Concerning the importance 267 of the increase in permeability, it is not linear with the Péclet numbers applied to the samples. Indeed,  $N08_{Pe_2}$  and  $L04_{Pe_3}$  display both the lowest 269  $k^*$  increase, with an increase of only 28 of their permeability. N05<sub>Pe3</sub> and 270  $E05_{Pe_3}$  present the highest final relative permeability, with 879 and 2035, respectively. Concerning the other samples, those with  $Pe_2$  display all similar final  $k^*$  between 100 and 200; whereas  $N09_{Pe_1}$  and  $E08_{Pe_1}$  both increase their permeability of about 400. Finally,  $E04_{Pe_4}$  displays an increase of 186. 274

## 275 3.2. Effective petrophysical and hydraulic parameters

In this section, a focus is made on the petrophysical and hydraulic properties obtained from laboratory measurements and 3D X-ray tomographic images before and after the percolation experiments. These results are displayed in Table 2 and Table 4. The sample  $E01_{Pe_2}$  from Euville rock type was not imaged before, so it is not discussed in this part.

Results presented in Table 2 firstly show that the initial properties differ between each rock type. Indeed, Normandie samples are the most porous ones and Euville are the least. Euville samples have the highest formation factors  $F_L$  &  $F_{XR}$  and tortuosities  $\tau_e$  &  $\tau_h$ , while Normandie samples have the lowest, and Lexos samples have parameter values situated between them.

However, permeabilities and cementation indexes are relatively similar for the three rock types. More results on initial rock properties and discussion are available in Leger and Luquot (2021) and in Supplementary Material.

The final porosities of each sample are obtained from laboratory measurements  $(\phi_L)$ , microtomographic images  $\phi_{XR}$  and are also calculated from Ca
and Mg concentrations with Equation (3)  $(\phi_{ch})$ . The dissolution experiments
of the three rock types are not responsible for a significant change in porosity, especially in  $\phi_L$  where some porosity variations are so tiny that they are
included in the error measurement, while permeability  $k_L$  and  $k_{XR}$  increase.
Other structural parameters (i.e., formation factor  $F_L$  &  $F_{XR}$  and tortuosity  $\tau_e$  &  $\tau_h$ ), calculated from electrical measurements and X-ray images, decrease.

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$\tau_h$	1.68	1.74	1.67	1.64	2.80	1	2.40	2.38	2.17	2.74	1.48	$\tau_h$	1.65	1.48	1.63	1.53	2.41	2.14	1.98	2.01	2.03	1.44	1.41
$ au_e$	2.57	1.78	2.77	1.72	4.75	3.91	3.87	5.34	3.87	2.99	3.59	$ au_e$	2.08	1.36	2.03	1.38	3.68	2.06	2.06	2.53	2.48	1.68	2.21
$F_{XR}$	31.3	36.2	28.8	34.1	140.6	1	71.6	95.6	65.1	102.1	47.1	$F_{XR}$	27.3	24.7	25.5	56.6	87.8	56.1	39.8	57.0	52.6	23.1	35.5
$F_L$	24.2	8.3	26.6	2.8	178.6	116.2	101.0	222.2	103.1	49.0	68.5	$F_L$	15.0	5.2	11.7	5.2	105.3	29.0	26.1	50.3	41.5	13.7	25.3
$k_{XR}$	65.2	12.6	505	25.5	5.4	1	10.9	24.8	112.2	1.1	10.8	$k_{XR}$	1291	8028	1497	11304	28	18231	2092	7481	5502	229550	5556
$k_L$	0.71	11.19	8.14	9.07	90.0	0.28	0.44	1.47	3.77	1.82	11.61	$k_L$	300	2500	230	8000	20	20	20	3000	200	150	320
												$\phi_{ch}$	27.4	38.3	28.8	38.2	13.5	15.0	16.9	13.2	15.1	21.0	20.0
$\phi_{XR}$	9.1	8.3	9.7	7.9	5.6	1	8.0	5.9	7.2	7.4	4.7	$\phi_{XR}$	10.0	8.9	10.4	8.8	9.9	8.2	8.6	7.1	7.8	8.9	5.6
$\phi_{L}$	27.2	38.0	28.8	37.8	12.6	13.2	14.8	12.8	14.6	18.2	18.8	$\phi^T$	27.2	35.7	29.7	36.5	12.9	14.7	16.3	12.8	14.8	20.6	19.3
Péclet	$\mathrm{Pe}_{1}$	$\mathrm{Pe}_2$	$\mathrm{Pe}_2$	$\mathrm{Pe}_3$	$Pe_1$	$\mathrm{Pe}_2$	$\mathrm{Pe}_2$	$\mathrm{Pe}_3$	$\mathrm{Pe}_4$	$\mathrm{Pe}_2$	$\mathrm{Pe}_3$	Pe	$\mathrm{Pe}_{1}$	$\mathrm{Pe}_2$	$\mathrm{Pe}_2$	$\mathrm{Pe}_3$	$Pe_1$	$\mathrm{Pe}_2$	$\mathrm{Pe}_2$	$\mathrm{Pe}_3$	$\mathrm{Pe}_4$	$\mathrm{Pe}_2$	$\mathrm{Pe}_3$
Samples	0N	N03	80N	N05	E08	E01	E02	E05	E04	L01	L04	Samples	60N	N03	80N	N05	E08	E01	E02	E05	E04	L01	L04
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laboratory measurements (porosity  $\phi_L$  [%], permeability  $k_L$  [mD], formation factor  $F_L$  [-], electrical tortuosity  $\tau_e$  [-]) and 3D X-ray imaging calculations (porosity  $\phi_{XR}$  [%], permeability  $k_{XR}$  [mD], formation factor  $F_{XR}$  [-], electrical tortuosity  $\tau_h$  [-]). Table 2: Petrophysical properties of samples at initial and final states, i.e., before and after the percolation experiments, from The index L stands for Laboratory measurements, XR for X Ray tomographic images and  $\phi_{ch}$  is the porosity from chemistry calculations. The sample E01 was not imaged before experiments. For each rock type, the samples are ordered according to increasing Péclet values.

Each rock type does not react in the same way to percolation experiments. 297 Firstly, concerning Normandie, two groups of samples can be defined.  $N03_{Pe_2}$ 298 and  $N05_{Pe_3}$  samples both increase the most their permeability and decrease 299 the most their structural properties, contrary to  $N08_{Pe_2}$  and  $N09_{Pe_1}$  samples. 300 Therefore,  $N03_{Pe_2}$  and  $N05_{Pe_3}$  samples begin with the lowest permeability 301 to finally reach the highest. Their high decrease in formation factor and 302 tortuosity leads to similar final values between all the samples.  $N08_{Pe_2}$  is the 303 sample with the lowest increase in permeability, while it displays the highest 304 decrease in formation factor and tortuosity. A full description of this rock 305 type can be found in Leger et al. (2022). 306

Secondly, for Euville rock, the samples  $E01_{Pe_2}$  and  $E02_{Pe_2}$  display the 307 highest increase in porosity, whereas the increase in permeability is the low-308 est. They also display the highest decrease in formation factors and tortuosities.  $E05_{Pe_3}$  is the sample which increases the most its permeability. How-310 ever,  $E08_{Pe_1}$  stays the one with the lowest permeability, before and after the 311 experiment. With the highest step in permeability, the sample  $E05_{Pe_3}$  also 312 presents the highest decrease in structural properties, starting with higher 313 values than the other samples and finishing with similar values than all, except  $E08_{Pe_1}$ . Formation factors and tortuosity values do not decrease much 315 for this latter, which displays the highest final values of structural properties. 316 Finally, the Lexos set is only composed by two samples. Before the perco-317

lation experiments, L04 $_{Pe_3}$  has higher initial permeability, formation factor  $F_L$  and tortuosity  $\tau_e$ . The experiments lead to a higher increase in porosity and permeability for the sample L01 $_{Pe_2}$ , along with a higher decrease in structural factors ( $F_L$  &  $F_{XR}$  and  $\tau_e$  &  $\tau_h$ ).

## 3.3. Pore size and dissolution shape

#### 3.3.1. Pore diameter distribution

For each rock type, pore diameter distributions are obtained before and after the experiments by centrifugation method, and the results are displayed in Figure 5. A distribution is obtained in both drainage directions with slightly different diameter classes depending on the rock type. For Normandie samples, a strong anisotropy is observed after the dissolution experiments, discussed in Leger et al. (2022), and we concluded that the drainage in the opposite direction of dissolution flow is the most representative of the pore size distribution. Euville and Lexos samples do not present as much anisotropy as Normandie samples, and therefore, only distributions obtained from the opposite drainage direction are shown in Figure 5.

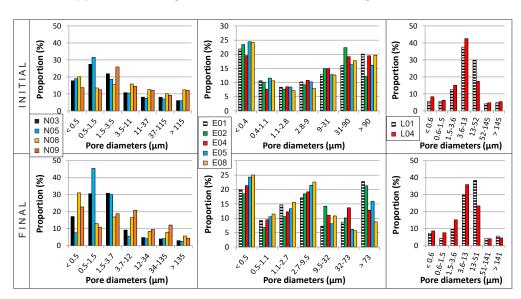


Figure 5: Pore diameters distribution for each sample in each rock type from centrifugation measurements. The Péclet conditions applied to the samples are:  $Pe_1$  (N09, E08),  $Pe_2$  (N03, N08, E01, E02, L01),  $Pe_3$  (N05, E05, L04) and  $Pe_4$  (E04).

In a general way, we observe that the changes in the pore diameters dis-

tributions before and after the percolation experiments are dependent on the rock type. Indeed, samples from Normandie and Euville show a large increase 336 in their proportion of micropores (pores smaller than the XR pixel size equal to 12  $\mu$ m) with a decrease in large pores proportion. On the opposite, the two samples from Lexos display only few changes between before and after dissolution with a relatively small decrease in micropores proportion, leading 340 to a small increase in macropores proportion. More specifically, concerning 341 Normandie, the evolution depends on the samples.  $N03_{Pe_2}$  and  $N05_{Pe_3}$  samples display an increase in pores with sizes between 0.5 and 3.7  $\mu$ m, while a decrease in all the other classes is observed. However,  $N08_{Pe_2}$  and  $N09_{Pe_1}$ samples show a global increase in all the small pore diameters classes. All the samples from Euville rock display similar trends in the evolution of small pores. The proportion of very small pores (smaller than  $0.5 \mu m$ ) globally remains the same, and the proportion of pores with sizes between 0.5 and 9.5  $\mu$ m increases. Then, the proportion of large pores decreases for the majority of the samples with more pores larger than 73  $\mu$ m in E01<sub>Pe2</sub> and E02<sub>Pe2</sub> than in the other samples. 351

#### 3.3.2. Pore size distribution and orientation

The homemade software allows to extract the chord length probability distribution of each sample from the 3D images. The equivalent pore size distributions from these calculations are displayed in Figure 6. On one hand, we observe that the pore size globally increases with the experiments, the quantity of small pores (below 24  $\mu$ m) decreasing and the quantity of large pores (over 100  $\mu$ m) increasing. On the other hand, the three rock types show different behaviors, before and after experiments, and samples of each

360 rock type also display differences.

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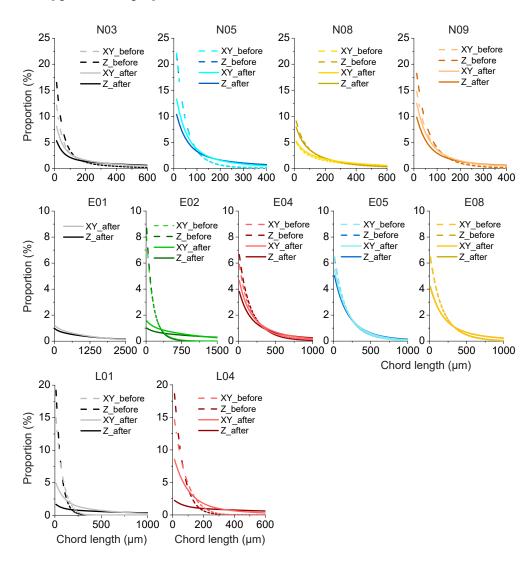


Figure 6: Chord lengths distribution for each sample before (dotted lines) and after (solid lines) percolation. Lines with light colors are for average lengths along X and Y axes, while lines with dark colors are for chord lengths along Z axis. Normandie, Euville and Lexos samples are located on the first, second and third rows, respectively. The Péclet conditions applied to the samples are:  $Pe_1$  (N09, E08),  $Pe_2$  (N03, N08, E01, E02, L01),  $Pe_3$  (N05, E05, L04) and  $Pe_4$  (E04).

Focusing on the global evolution of pore diameters, Normandie samples

are divided into two groups.  $N03_{Pe_2}$  and  $N05_{Pe_3}$  change the most with the experiment, dividing by two their quantity of small pores and doubling their quantity of large pores, while  $N08_{Pe_2}$  and  $N09_{Pe_1}$  barely change. This is the same for Euville samples, where  $E02_{Pe_2}$  sample decreases a lot its quantity of small pores compared to the other samples. Conversely, the two samples from Lexos change similarly even if the sample  $L04_{Pe_3}$  keeps more small pores after experiment than  $L01_{Pe_2}$ .

An evolution in the pore shapes is also visible. For the Normandie set, 369  $N05_{Pe_3}$  is the only sample displaying spherical pores before the experiments, 370 the others mostly presenting large pores transverse to the flow direction (XY). 371 The dissolution barely changes  $N08_{Pe_2}$  pore shape, while large pores in the 372 other samples get longer along the flow direction (Z). Concerning Euville 373 samples, they all present spherical pores before the experiments. The sample  $E08_{Pe_1}$ , performed with  $Pe_1$  conditions, keeps this shape. However, for 375 the other samples, the large pores enlarge along the flow direction (Z) in different proportion,  $E02_{Pe_2}$  displaying the highest difference between the 377 two directions. Lexos samples also have spherical pores before the experi-378 ments and display large pores that are larger in the flow direction than in the transverse one after dissolution.

#### 3.3.3. Resulting main flow paths

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Micro-tomography images acquisition allows seeing the resulting main flow paths formed during the dissolution experiments (Figure 7). Preferential flow paths created by the acid injections are clearly visible for all the rock types. Initially, these conduits were not present in the cores but some heterogeneities were, as it is shown in Figure 1. A pre-existing filled channel exists

in the central part of  $N08_{Pe_2}$ , while  $N09_{Pe_1}$  displays some micro-cracks. Results for Normandie samples are fully discussed in Leger et al. (2022).  $E04_{Pe_4}$ 388 and  $E05_{Pe_3}$  both present some zones of initial higher porosity. The first one is composed of two areas, one at the inlet and the other one at the outlet, the acid injection creating a conduit between them, where the rock was more 391 cemented. Inside  $E05_{Pe_3}$ , the initial higher porosity zone is located on one 392 side (the left one in Figure 7), inducing a preferential dissolution there. The 393 samples  $E08_{Pe_1}$  and  $L04_{Pe_3}$  both have pre-existing conduits which were not connected to the core sides but help the dissolution process. Additionally, 395 the conduit shapes are different according to the rock type. Dissolution in 396 Normandie chalk samples allows less ramifications than dissolution in Euville 397 crinoidal limestone samples. Indeed, conduits are more linear and precise in the first case. Inside Lexos dolomite samples, dissolution seems to create very linear conduits with few ramifications.

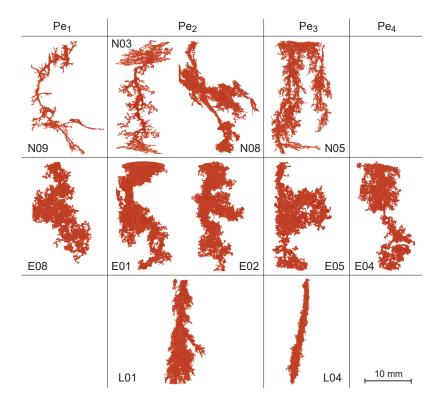


Figure 7: Main path conduits of each sample depending on the four Péclet numbers (in columns) and the rock type (in rows). The samples are all displayed with the acid injection above them. The scale in the bottom right applies to all the samples.

# 4. Discussion

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# 4.1. Changes in porosity and percolation time

The results presented in Section 3 show that the percolation experiments induce an increase in porosity ( $\phi_{ch}$  from  $\phi_L$ , see Equation (3)) for the three rock types. The evolution of porosity is calculated from outlet cations concentrations (only Ca or both Ca and Mg depending on the rock type) and is displayed in Figure 8. Porosity does not change in the same way depending on the rock type and the Péclet condition of each sample. In a general way, Normandie samples present the lowest increase in porosity, between 0.08 and o.35%, whereas porosity in Euville samples increases between 0.39 and 2.06% and porosity in Lexos between 1.28 and 2.84% (Figure 8).

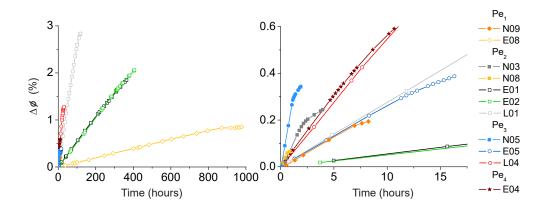


Figure 8: Evolution of rock porosity change,  $\Delta \phi$ , defined as the porosity measured at time t minus the initial porosity measured in laboratory  $\Delta \phi(t) = \phi(t) - \phi_L$  evaluated from Ca and Mg ions concentrations analyzed in the outlet fluid during percolating experiments and using Equation (3). The graph on the right is a zoom of the graph on the left.

As observed in Section 3.1, a break in the porosity curves occurs at differ-412 ent times for each sample (Figure 8). It is more or less pronounced depending on the samples and it defines the percolation time  $t_p$ . The corresponding values for each sample are noted in Table 3. For each rock type, we observe in Figure 8 that the higher the Péclet condition applied to the samples, the faster the break in the curves happens and percolation occurs, inducing a lower  $t_p$ . The sample  $N08_{Pe_2}$  is an exception here due to an important ini-418 tial heterogeneity, and explanations about this are discussed in Leger et al. 419 (2022). Additionally, concerning rock types only composed of calcite, chalk 420 (Normandie) having a higher initial porosity than crinoidal limestone (Eu-421 ville), its initial poral volume is higher. To create a conduit, the quantity of rock needed to be dissolved is then less important, inducing a lower increase in its absolute porosity.

Samples	Pe	$t_p$	R	R'
N09	$Pe_1$	7.3	5.86e-9	7.33
N03	$Pe_2$	1.9	5.17e-8	7.39
N08	$Pe_2$	0.45	4.49e-8	6.41
N05	$Pe_3$	1.2	1.31e-7	7.49
E08	$Pe_1$	893	6.26e-10	6.73
E01	$Pe_2$	160	3.41e-9	6.82
E02	$Pe_2$	309	3.45e-9	6.90
E05	$Pe_3$	11.9	1.58e-8	6.32
E04	$Pe_4$	4.4	3.86e-8	6.49
L01	$Pe_2$	105	8.75e-9	2.76
L04	$Pe_3$	7.7	1.65e-8	2.17

Table 3: Table of experimental properties of each sample. Pe is the Péclet condition applied, R the dissolution rate per acid injection time [mol/s], R' the dissolution rate per acid injection volume [mol/m<sup>3</sup>] and  $t_p$  is the percolation time [h].

Inside each rock type, the absolute increase in porosity shown in Figure 8 425 does not seem correlated with the experimental conditions. For Normandie 426 samples, except  $N08_{Pe_2}$ , porosity increases more when a higher Péclet is ap-427 plied. In  $N08_{Pe_2}$ , we observe a minimal increase of 0.08% while it is dissolved 428 with  $Pe_2$ . For Euville, samples dissolved with  $Pe_2$  (E01<sub>Pe2</sub> and E02<sub>Pe2</sub>) display a larger increase in porosity than  $E08_{Pe_1}$  that is dissolved with  $Pe_1$ . However, these three samples increase their porosity more than samples for which  $Pe_3$  and  $Pe_4$  conditions are applied. For Lexos,  $L01_{Pe_2}$  increases more its porosity than  $L04_{Pe_3}$ . However, when considering each Péclet condition applied, the absolute increase in porosity  $\Delta \phi$  is always higher in Lexos samples than Euville samples, which have higher increases than Normandie ones. 435 This result seems inconsistent as dolomite dissolution rate is lower than that of calcite (up to one order of magnitude) in similar conditions (Chou et al.,

1989; Gautelier et al., 1999; Morse and Arvidson, 2002; Liu et al., 2005; Pokrovsky et al., 2005). Indeed, in Figure 3, we observe that the outlet 439 Ca concentration for Lexos samples is between one half and one third of Euville samples. This apparent higher porosity increase for Lexos samples than for limestone samples in similar conditions is linked to two different properties. The first one is the mineral molar volume that is higher for 443 the dolomite than for calcite with 64.3 cm<sup>3</sup>/mol and 37 cm<sup>3</sup>/mol, respec-444 tively. The dissolved volume corresponding to one molecule of dolomite is then higher than calcite. The porosity increase in dolomite sample is thus higher than in limestone sample for a same quantity of dissolved mineral. The second important property is the flow rate. In fact, for a similar Pe number, the imposed constant flow rate is different from one rock type to another due to the differences in pore size distribution. Consequently, flow rates applied to dolomite (Lexos) samples are higher than flow rates applied 451 to calcite (Euville) samples (Table 1). 452

453 4.2. Impact of the hydraulic conditions and mineral composition on the dis-454 solution rates

Applying higher flow rates for Lexos samples than for Euville samples, in similar Péclet conditions, induces a larger acid renewal inside dolomite samples. It leads to a higher dissolution rate, which is defined as R = $[Ca] \times Q$  and expressed in mol/s, and related to a higher increase in the porosity that is previously described. Indeed, the slope of the increase in this porosity is directly related to the dissolution rate R, standing between  $10^{-10}$  and  $10^{-7}$  mol/s, depending on the sample (Table 3). This is consistent with existing studies, where for experiments realized in  $Pe_2$  conditions, R is about  $5 \times 10^{-8}$  mol/s in Noiriel et al. (2009) and  $2 \times 10^{-8}$  mol/s in Luquot et al. (2014); whereas experiments realized with higher Pe lead to R about  $8 \times 10^{-7}$  mol/s (Vialle et al., 2014). Note also that the dissolution rates are similar for the reproductive experiments (E01 $_{Pe_2}$ -E02 $_{Pe_2}$ ). The slope of the increase in porosity and the dissolution rate R are then both correlated with the Péclet conditions applied to the samples. Indeed, inside each rock type, samples dissolved with lower Pe display lower slopes in Figure 8 and lower R in Table 3. At the same time, when considering each Péclet condition, samples from Normandie always have higher porosity slopes and R than samples from Lexos, which are higher than Euville samples.

For identical Pe numbers, different flow rates are used depending on the 473 rock pore diameters. Therefore, conversely, for two different Pe numbers, a similar flow rate could be applied. Indeed, relatively similar flow rates are applied to  $N03_{Pe_2}$ ,  $E04_{Pe_4}$  and  $L04_{Pe_3}$ , dissolved with  $Pe_2$ ,  $Pe_4$  and  $Pe_3$ , respectively.  $N03_{Pe_2}$  displays a dissolution rate 1.3 times higher than  $E04_{Pe_4}$ , 477 which is 2.3 times higher than  $L04_{Pe_3}$ . The rate between the quantity of 478 dissolved calcite and the quantity of injected acid is calculated as  $R' = \frac{R}{Q}$ , 479 and is displayed in Table 3. Lexos samples rates R' are three times lower than Normandie and Euville ones. Therefore, dolomite dissolution is much 481 smaller than calcite one for similar quantity of injected acid. Concerning only 482 samples fully composed of calcite, chalk displays similar but a bit higher R'483 than crinoidal limestone, which can be explained by a higher reactive surface area in Normandie samples characterized by a higher quantity of small grains.

## 4.3. Link between the initial rock structure and dissolution rate

Inside each rock type, we observe that the higher the Péclet number 487 applied to the sample, the higher the dissolution rate. In these conditions, 488 the sample  $N05_{Pe_3}$  has the highest R while  $E08_{Pe_1}$  has the lowest. We observe 489 that some samples from different rock types display similar values of R while 490 they are submitted to different Péclet conditions, such as  $N09_{Pe_1}$  with  $E01_{Pe_2}$ 491 and  $E02_{Pe_2}$ , or  $E04_{Pe_4}$  with  $N03_{Pe_2}$  and  $N08_{Pe_2}$ . In order to see the impact of the initial rock structure and the experimental conditions on the dissolution rate, Figure 9 displays the dissolution rate R of each sample depending on 494 the initial formation factor  $F_L$  and the Pe applied during the corresponding 495 experiment. 496

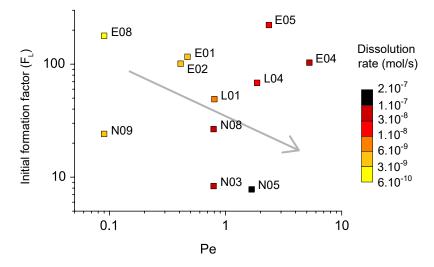


Figure 9: Dissolution rate of each sample, depending on the initial formation factor  $F_L$  and the Péclet number Pe applied during the experiments. The color scale shows darker colors for higher dissolution rates R.

Firstly, the higher the Péclet number, the darker the dots representing the samples in Figure 9, showing again that when the acid is injected with high Péclet conditions, the dissolution rate is higher inside the sample. Secondly,

samples from Normandie are situated on the bottom of the graph, while Euville samples are situated on the top and Lexos samples in between. This 501 is due to the difference in formation factors, Normandie having the lowest 502 and Euville the highest. We observe that the lower the formation factor, the 503 darker the dots. The formation factor being defined as the ratio between the 504 electrical conductivity of the fluid and that of the rock sample, it depends 505 on the porosity that is accessible to the fluid and on the heterogeneities of 506 the paths followed by the fluid. Small formation factors are for example associated to fractured rocks where the renewal rate is higher than in porous rocks (Schön, 2015; Roubinet et al., 2018). The higher renewal rate is directly 509 linked to a higher dissolution rate. Here, Normandie samples display the 510 lowest formation factors and highest dissolution rates. Therefore, chalk seems 511 to be a more heterogeneous carbonate rock than crinoidal limestone and dolomite, probably due to its very high proportion of small pores associated to its higher porosity, leading to a lower cohesion compared to the two other 514 rock types. 515

We observed in Section 3.3.2 that the experimental conditions do not seem to deeply affect the evolution of pore shape inside chalk (Normandie) and dolomite (Lexos) samples (Figure 6). However, concerning crinoidal limestone (Euville), a strong difference exists between  $E01_{Pe_2}$  and  $E02_{Pe_2}$  and the other samples of the set. After the experiments, the quantity of small pores sharply decreases and the quantity of large pores increases. A link can be established between the quantity of acid injected into the samples during the experiments and the evolution of pore shape. Indeed, even if the percolation experiment in  $E08_{Pe_1}$  lasts longer than experiments in  $E01_{Pe_2}$ 

and  $E02_{Pe_2}$ , the difference in flow rates between the experiments leads to a higher total quantity of acid injected inside  $E01_{Pe_2}$  and  $E02_{Pe_2}$  than in  $E08_{Pe_1}$ . Therefore, the total quantity of acid injected into a sample has more impact than the time during which the acid is injected. A very high quantity of acid is then responsible of strong changes in pore shape inside crinoidal limestone. Consequently, it seems that neither the flow condition nor the petrophysical properties changes are the main parameters controlling the reaction but that it is the amount of injected acid and the initial rock properties.

Finally, the conduits shapes displayed in Figure 7 show that dolomite samples are dissolved by creating very linear conduits with few ramifications. This conduit formation explains the linear increase in permeability during the experiments done on Lexos samples. These two observations can be related to the low dissolution kinetic of dolomite compared to calcite. Indeed, the very low rate R' calculated in these samples means a very low quantity of rock dissolved per quantity of injected acid and induces a more localized dissolution than in limestone samples, showing again the strong impact of the initial rock properties on the dissolution process.

## 5. Conclusions

This study investigates the impact of mineralogy differences on the dissolution of carbonate rock through percolation experiments in similar conditions conducted on samples from three different carbonate rock type: chalk, crinoidal limestone and dolomite. At first, we demonstrated that inside each rock type, the lower the Péclet condition applied to the samples, the lower the dissolution rate. Looking at each Péclet condition, chalk samples display the highest dissolution rates whereas crinoidal limestone samples display the lowest, and dolomite ones stand in between. Secondly, we highlight that the dolomite dissolution rate is much smaller than the calcite one for similar quantities of acid injected into the samples. This is correlated with a lower dissolution kinetic, inducing localized linear conduits associated with a linear increase in permeability during dissolution experiments.

Then, inside full calcite rock type, the chalk has a larger reactive surface
area due to its higher quantity of small grains and it displays slightly higher
dissolution rates than crinoidal limestone for similar quantity of acid injected.
For a similar quantity of injected acid during the experiments, the flow rate
injected is higher in Normandie chalk and induces a higher renewal rate and
a lower formation factor.

Finally, for all rock types studied, the dissolution rate seems to be mainly linked to the mineral composition and the acid flow rate, as well as the amount of injected acid in the case of crinoidal limestone. The initial structure of the rock also plays an important role, as we observed that strong heterogeneities and structural parameters affect the dissolution rate and porosity increase.

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# Supplementary

#### 569 Materials and methods

## 570 Laboratory measurements

The liquid porosity  $(\phi_L)$  and permeability  $(k_L)$  of the rock samples are 571 measured by double-weighing saturated and oven-dried samples and from an 572 experimental device applied to saturated samples, respectively. The electrical impedance is defined by injecting electric current in the saturated samples and used to define the rock conductivity, formation factor  $(F_L)$ , cementation 575 index  $(m_L)$  and electrical tortuosity  $(\tau_e)$  from the well-known equations pro-576 vided in Waxman and Smits (1968); Archie (1942); Clennell (1997). The P and S waves velocities (Vp and Vs) are obtained by injecting ultrasonic frequency waves of 500 kHz with two piezoelectrical transducers. The pore size distribution is obtained by centrifugation. Following the method de-580 scribed by Reatto et al. (2008); Rötting et al. (2015), increasing velocities 581 are applied on saturated samples. After each cycle of velocity, the water loss is determined by weighing the samples, providing the proportion of a given range of pores size from Young-Laplace equation. Using velocities from 32 to 471 rad/s leads here to pores sizes ranging from approximately 100 to  $0.5~\mu\mathrm{m}$ .

# X-ray micro-tomography

3D X-ray micro-tomography (XRMT) images are obtained using the Xray Computed Tomography (XRCT) scanner (EasyTom 150) of the Institute of Evolution Sciences of Montpellier (ISEM, Montpellier, France) with a pixel size of 12 μm. A homemade imaging software (Gouze et al., 2008) is used to treat the images with filters to improve images quality by smoothing the

pixels histogram and correcting brightness. The two-phase segmentation is done with a region growing method resulting in the macropore and matrix 594 phase, the former corresponding to pores larger than the pixel size and giving the macropore porosity  $\phi_{XR}$ . The sample skeleton is defined as the paths 596 connecting the center of each connected pore and is used to compute the 597 permeability  $(k_{XR})$ , hydraulic tortuosity  $(\tau_h)$ , formation factor  $(F_{XR})$  and 598 cementation index  $(m_{XR})$  (Kozeny, 1927; Clennell, 1997; Ghanbarian et al., 599 2013). The software also provides the pore volume and surface, giving the surface-volume ratio  $(\frac{S}{V})$ , the pore size distribution with the chord length 601 method (Torquato and Lu, 1993) and the proportion of the percolating phase 602 into the volume sample (PV) from statistics calculations. 603

# 4 Petrophysical properties changes

In this section, we present supplementary data of petrophysical properties that we do not discussed in the main manuscript. In particular, cementation index  $m_L$  and  $m_{XR}$ , P and S waves velocities, relative pore size  $\frac{S}{V}$  and the proportion of the percolating volume from the full porosity PV are presented in Table 4.

Mechanical factors (Vp and Vs velocities) are globally larger for Euville and Lexos samples than for Normandie ones. For the Normandie set,  $N08_{Pe_2}$ is the sample with the highest increase in P and S waves velocity.  $N03_{Pe_2}$ and  $N05_{Pe_3}$  both present the lowest increase in Vp. A full description of this rock type can be found in Leger et al. (2022).

Both  $E05_{Pe_3}$  and  $E08_{Pe_1}$  show a smaller increase in Vp than the other samples. A particularity occurs with the sample  $E05_{Pe_3}$ , which is the only one with a decreasing Vs over the dissolution.

Finally, both lexos samples present similar values of P waves velocity and cementation index  $m_L$ . However,  $L04_{Pe_3}$  has a smaller initial S wave velocity. The sample  $L04_{Pe_3}$  displays the highest increase in Vp. The two samples differ in Vs evolution, which decreases for the sample  $L01_{Pe_2}$  and increases for the sample  $L04_{Pe_3}$ .

For all the rock types, structural properties  $(m_{XR})$  and surface ratio  $(\frac{S}{V})$  generally decrease, except for  $m_{XR}$  of  $N09_{Pe_1}$  for which we observe no significant changes. No significant changes are also observed for the percolating volume (PV) for Normandie and Euville samples, while Lexos samples show an important increase.

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 $\frac{S}{V}$  is lower for Euville than Lexos and then Normandie. Percolating volumes are higher than 93% for all Euville samples, while they stand from 84.7 to 95.9% for Normandie samples, and are below or equal to 68.3% for Lexos samples.

Every sample of each rock type does not change in the same way with dissolution. Concerning Normandie, two groups of samples can be defined.  $N03_{Pe_2}$  and  $N05_{Pe_3}$  samples both decrease the most their structural properties and surface ratio, contrary to  $N08_{Pe_2}$  and  $N09_{Pe_1}$  samples. However, final  $\frac{S}{V}$  values are about  $100 \text{ mm}^{-1}$  for the samples  $N03_{Pe_2}$ ,  $N05_{Pe_3}$  and  $N09_{Pe_1}$ , while it equals  $85 \text{ mm}^{-1}$  for the sample  $N08_{Pe_2}$ . For Euville rock type,  $E02_{Pe_2}$  displays the highest decrease in  $m_{XR}$  and  $\frac{S}{V}$ , on the contrary to  $E04_{Pe_4}$ . For Lexos rock type, the properties of the sample  $L01_{Pe_2}$  change the most between before and after the experiments. We observe that the dissolution barely affects the cementation index of  $E04_{Pe_3}$ , while both samples reach similar final values in  $m_{XR}$ ,  $\frac{S}{V}$  and PV. The experiments lead to a higher

 $_{\text{643}}$  decrease in structural factors  $(m_L)$  for the sample  $\text{L01}_{Pe_2}.$ 

	Samples	$m_L$	$m_{XR}$	Vp	Vs	$\frac{S}{V}$	PV
Initial	$N09_{Pe_1}$	2.45	1.43	2.97	1.64	103.0	94.9
	$N03_{Pe_2}$	2.19	1.44	2.36	1.18	113.0	84.7
	$N08_{Pe_2}$	2.63	1.44	2.33	1.30	87.6	95.9
	$N05_{Pe_3}$	2.12	1.39	2.35	1.25	111.4	86.1
	$E08_{Pe_1}$	2.51	1.71	3.86	2.10	33.7	93.0
	$E01_{Pe_2}$	2.35	-	3.08	1.90	-	-
	$E02_{Pe_2}$	2.42	1.69	2.32	1.30	41.9	99.1
	$E05_{Pe_3}$	2.63	1.61	3.73	2.04	37.4	98.9
	$E04_{Pe_4}$	2.41	1.59	2.56	1.42	40.8	95.1
	$L01_{Pe_2}$	2.29	1.77	3.40	2.00	68.5	42.1
	$L04_{Pe_3}$	2.53	1.26	3.10	1.86	65.8	68.3
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	Samples	$m_L$	$m_{XR}$	Vp	Vs	$\frac{S}{V}$	PV
	$N09_{Pe_1}$	$\frac{m_L}{2.08}$	$\frac{m_{XR}}{1.44}$	3.89	$\frac{Vs}{1.83}$	$\frac{\frac{5}{V}}{98.9}$	94.8
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	$N09_{Pe_1}$	2.08	1.44	3.89	1.83	98.9	94.8
	$ \begin{array}{c} N09_{Pe_1} \\ N03_{Pe_2} \end{array} $	2.08 1.60	1.44 1.33	3.89 2.76	1.83 1.65	98.9 103.5	94.8 86.4
nal	$ \begin{array}{c} N09_{Pe_1} \\ N03_{Pe_2} \\ N08_{Pe_2} \end{array} $	2.08 1.60 2.03	1.44 1.33 1.43	3.89 2.76 3.74	1.83 1.65 2.01	98.9 103.5 85.0	94.8 86.4 95.7
Final	$     \begin{array}{c}                                     $	2.08 1.60 2.03 1.63	1.44 1.33 1.43 1.35	3.89 2.76 3.74 2.80	1.83 1.65 2.01 1.85	98.9 103.5 85.0 100.9	94.8 86.4 95.7 89.1
Final	$ \begin{array}{c} N09_{Pe_1} \\ N03_{Pe_2} \\ N08_{Pe_2} \\ N05_{Pe_3} \\ E08_{Pe_1} \end{array} $	2.08 1.60 2.03 1.63 2.27	1.44 1.33 1.43 1.35 1.65	3.89 2.76 3.74 2.80 5.33	1.83 1.65 2.01 1.85 2.18	98.9 103.5 85.0 100.9 33.1	94.8 86.4 95.7 89.1 92.5
Final	$ \begin{array}{c} N09_{Pe_1} \\ N03_{Pe_2} \\ N08_{Pe_2} \\ N05_{Pe_3} \\ E08_{Pe_1} \\ E01_{Pe_2} \end{array} $	2.08 1.60 2.03 1.63 2.27 1.75	1.44 1.33 1.43 1.35 1.65 1.61	3.89 2.76 3.74 2.80 5.33 5.27	1.83 1.65 2.01 1.85 2.18 2.07	98.9 103.5 85.0 100.9 33.1 29.8	94.8 86.4 95.7 89.1 92.5 99.6
Final	$\begin{array}{c} N09_{Pe_{1}} \\ N03_{Pe_{2}} \\ N08_{Pe_{2}} \\ N05_{Pe_{3}} \\ E08_{Pe_{1}} \\ E01_{Pe_{2}} \\ E02_{Pe_{2}} \end{array}$	2.08 1.60 2.03 1.63 2.27 1.75 1.80	1.44 1.33 1.43 1.35 1.65 1.61 1.59	3.89 2.76 3.74 2.80 5.33 5.27 5.08	1.83 1.65 2.01 1.85 2.18 2.07 2.00	98.9 103.5 85.0 100.9 33.1 29.8 34.8	94.8 86.4 95.7 89.1 92.5 99.6 99.5
Final	$\begin{array}{c} N09_{Pe_{1}} \\ N03_{Pe_{2}} \\ N08_{Pe_{2}} \\ N05_{Pe_{3}} \\ E08_{Pe_{1}} \\ E01_{Pe_{2}} \\ E02_{Pe_{2}} \\ E05_{Pe_{3}} \end{array}$	2.08 1.60 2.03 1.63 2.27 1.75 1.80 1.90	1.44 1.33 1.43 1.35 1.65 1.61 1.59	3.89 2.76 3.74 2.80 5.33 5.27 5.08 5.45	1.83 1.65 2.01 1.85 2.18 2.07 2.00 1.81	98.9 103.5 85.0 100.9 33.1 29.8 34.8 34.4 38.2	94.8 86.4 95.7 89.1 92.5 99.6 99.5

Table 4: Petrophysical properties of samples at initial and final states, i.e., before and after the percolation experiments from laboratory measurements and 3D X-ray imaging calculations with cementation index  $m_L$  [-] &  $m_{XR}$  [-], and P and S wave velocities Vp and Vs [km/s], ratio of pore surface over pore volume  $\frac{S}{V}$  [mm<sup>-1</sup>] and proportion of percolating volume PV [%]. The index L stands for Laboratory measurements and XR for 3D microtomographic images. The sample E01 was not imaged before experiments. For each rock type, the samples are ordered according to increasing Péclet values.

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