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Can we explain the SO₄²⁻ concentration by the observed occurrence of gypsum and modelled groundwater flow?





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Problem definition

 May it be that the high [SO₄²⁻] in the SW part of Latvia is a relict from geological past when groundwater flow patterns were different?



Method

- Interpolation with radius 20 km (2E4 m)
- [SO₄²⁻] the maximum value observed in the sampling point for each *strat* of V0
- Gypsum a thickness normalised index for each strat of V0:
 - If gyps as primary mineral, score: 3
 - If gyps as secondary mineral, score: 2
 - No gypsum, score: 1

Gyps in D3 st-el formations



Gyps in D3 og-kt formations



Gyps in D2 nr formation



D3 pl-dg formations



The SO₄²⁻ in D₃ gj-am formations





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So what?

- Generally the observed SO₄²⁻ concentration in the groundwater can be well explained by the V0 model
- There is some water that seems to be formed at a time when different flow pattern persisted
- Tracer tests with score counting could provide some interesting statistics

Thanks for Your attention!



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