# **Impact:** Void collapse and jet formation

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- Nature 432, 689 (2004)
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# Astroid impact on earth







# Speculation on crater formation

Source: Jan Smit, Amsterdam, Dept. Geology







Downscaled experiments: Impact of steel ball on fine sand



# **Problem: reproducibility**







#### Jet height vs release height







# **Impact: planetary vs. lab**



#### How to look into the sand?

1. Analogy to (opaque) liquid

- 2. "2D" experiments (falling cylinder)
- 3. Discrete particle simulations

# **1. Ball or drop impact on water**



# Air entrainment through impact





Detlef Lohse Phys. Today 56, No. 2, p. 36 (2003)

#### Mechanism

- 1. Void formation
- 2. Void collapse due to hydrostatic pressure
- 3. Jet formations at singularity point
- 4. Bubble formation

Quantitative analysis of void collapse in liquid

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# Pulled disk through a liquid $v_{impact} = 1.0 \text{ m/s}$ $R_{disk} = 0.03 \text{ m}$ $Fr = v_{impact}^2 / R_{disk} g = 3.4$

#### Void profiles as function of time



#### **Dimensional analysis**

Relevant parameters:

- disk radius R<sub>disk</sub>
- mean velocity V
- gravity g

Irrelevant parameters:

- surface tension (We)
- viscosity (Re)

 $Fr = \frac{V^2}{gR_{disk}}$ 

#### **Dimensional analysis**

Closure time  $t_s \sim R_{disk}^{1/2} / g^{1/2}$ Depth at closure time  $h_s \sim V t_s$ 



 $d_s \sim h_s$ 



#### **Experimental & numerical scaling law**







# **Comparison BI simulation with experiment**



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Simplified potential flow analysis: 2D Rayleigh-Plesset equtation



At the end, ln to -inf neglect the rest, simplifies, great agreement








# Very close to pinch-off



Zoom in, to increase 12.8 fps, capillary waves, instrability



Instability clearer, 48 fps, air rushing out, Kelvin Helmholtz, frequency bubble cloud +/- 10 kHz, 1 mm bubble radius, pure lyinertial collapse of the neck



#### Collapse of Non-axisymmetric Cavities

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# **Back to granular matter:**

Rayleigh-Plesset type model for collapse of sand void



#### **Rayleigh-type dynamics of cavity collapse**



Rayleigh model at high impact velocity		
	bubble formation !	

## **Experiments vs. hydrodynamic theory**



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T = 100ms





T = 191ms







# How to look into the sand?

Analogy to water
 "2D" experiments (falling cylinder)
 Discrete particle simulations



#### **2D** experiment: high impact velocity



Just as in water: 1. void formation 2. void collapse 3. two jets (sheets

two jets (sheets in 2D)
 bubble formation

## **3. Discrete particle simulations**

- soft sphere code
- N = 1000000
- $d_s = 0.5 \text{ mm}$
- $d_b = 15 \text{ mm}$
- quasi 2D (8 grains thick)
- pre-fluidized







# Sandbed does not support weight





# Myth from Lawrence of Arabia...





# Jet height vs mass: threshold behavior





#### **Model: Coulomb friction**





# Surface seal, just as in water







#### Conclusions

Series of events in both liquid and sand:

- 1. void formation
- 2. void collapse
- 3. two jets
- 4. bubble formation

Hydrodynamic description seems to work at least semiquantitatively (for soft sand)

D. Lohse et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 93, 198003 (2004)

#### Granular void collapse analyzed by...

- •Experiment
- •Analogy to liquid
- •Boundary Integral simulations
- •Dimensional analysis
- •Discrete particle simulations
- •Simple continuum Rayleigh type model

# Breakdown of hydrodynamic description

.. at large enough compactification of sand when strong enough force chains will have built up.

But how?

- sudden breakdown?
- continuous breakdown?



# Is this the full story?




## Effect of ambient pressure on...

- ... splash
- ... jet
- ...penetration depth



Ejectie 9 mbar calibratie



Jet much less pronounced under reduced pressure!

see also Royer et al., Nature Phys. 1, 164 (2005)



## Jet height vs ambient pressure: saturation effects: two regimes



## **Ball trajectory in sand**





## Final depth described by force balance model



#### **Coulomb friction coefficient depends on ambient pressure**







#### **Closure time: nearly constant**





## **Final question:**

What causes the sphere to penetrate less at lower pressures (i.e., the friction reduction)?

The sand bed is fluidized by the air flow around the impacting ball ( $\text{Re}_{\text{sand grains}} \approx 5$ )!

### Impact of ball on decompactified sand



#### Height of sand bed vs time at impact



## **Conclusions II**

- Ambient air pressure strongly influences the penetration depth of the ball and thus the jet height
- Ambient air pressure hardly affects the collapse of the cavity
- **Two regimes:** high p: trajectories unchanged up to closure low p: trajectories deviate: jet height <-> depth
- Autofluidization effect

Gabriel Caballero et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 99, 018001 (2007)

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## **Scaling for position of singularity**

 $t_{touch}(z) = t_{get}(z) + t_{collapse}(z)$ 

Minimize:

→ 
$$h_s(Fr) \sim Fr^{1/3}$$

Different from scaling law in water!



 $h_{s}/R = 0.69 \text{ Fr}^{1/3}$ 





## **Oblique impact on water**



<b>Rayleigh model: low impact velocity</b>		
	Collapse without air entrainment	





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Again refer to the big feet of the lizard.

#### **Dimensional analysis**

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#### **Experimental & numerical scaling law**



## Air entrainment by shaking fluid: The Faraday experiment





# How much air is entrained?

Void profile just before singularity







Strong tools to look at such questions as air entrainment

Profile of void just before singularity



## **Differences liquid vs soft sand**



nb gamma = adiabatic exponent

#### **Preparation of sand in our experiments**

- Grain size =  $40\mu m$
- Let air bubble through it
- Slowly turn off air stream
- Resulting packing density: only 41%!
- → Model system for sedimented fine sand in the desert after a sand storm


Include correction, but nevertheless at low froude there's a significant deviation. The observed anomalous powerlaw of the neck radius must reflect itself in the in time evolution of the void. Define R, R exp increasing with froude

## **Dimensional numbers at singularity**

scaling:  $h(t)/R_{disk} \sim t^{1/2}$   $Re = \frac{h\dot{h}}{\nu} \sim const$   $Fr = \frac{\dot{h}^2}{gh} \sim t^{-3/2}$   $We = \frac{\rho h\dot{h}^2}{\sigma} \sim t^{-1/2}$  $Ca = \frac{\rho \nu \dot{h}}{\sigma} \sim t^{-1/2}$ 

## Intrinsic scales at singularity (for water)

$$v_{viscous} = \frac{\sigma}{\eta} = 72m/s$$

$$l_{viscous} = \frac{\rho \nu^2}{\sigma} = 13nm$$

$$\tau_{viscous} = \frac{l_{viscous}}{v_{viscous}} = \frac{\rho^2 \nu^3}{\sigma^2} = 20ns$$
Below this,  $h(t) \sim t$ 

$$r = \frac{\rho_l}{\rho_g} = 10^3$$

## Intrinsic scales at singularity (for glycerol)

$$\nu_{glycerol} = 1000 \nu_{water}$$

$$v_{viscous} = \frac{\sigma}{\eta} = 0.07 m/s$$

$$l_{viscous} = \frac{\rho \nu^2}{\sigma} = 13mm$$
  
$$\tau_{viscous} = \frac{l_{viscous}}{v_{viscous}} = \frac{\rho^2 \nu^3}{\sigma^2} = 20s$$
  
Below this,  $h(t) \sim t$ 

