Granular matter and interstitial fluids Devaraj van der Meer



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How does the presence of an interstitial fluid affect the dynamics of granular materials?







Role of intersitial fluid: single particle

$$F_{drag} = 3\pi\eta dV$$

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$$F_{g} = \frac{1}{6}\pi d^{3}\rho_{p}g$$

$$d = \text{particle diameter}$$

$$V = \text{typical particle velocity}$$

$$\eta = \text{air viscosity } (2 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ Pa} \cdot \text{s})$$

$$\rho_{p} = \text{part. density } (2.5 \cdot 10^{3} \text{ kg/m}^{3})$$

$$g = \text{grav. acceleration } (10 \text{ m/s}^{2})$$

$$B \equiv \frac{F_{drag}}{F_g} = \frac{18\eta V}{\rho_p g d^2}$$

$$B \approx 1 \rightarrow d \approx \sqrt{\frac{18\eta V}{\rho_p g}}$$

$$V \approx 1 \text{ m/s} \rightarrow d \approx 120 \ \mu \text{m}$$

 $V \approx \sqrt{2gd} \rightarrow d \approx 16 \ \mu \text{m}$

Role of interstitial fluid: packed particle

$$F_{f \to s} = 2k \frac{1-\varepsilon}{\varepsilon^3} F_{drag}$$

$$\int \int \int F_g = \frac{1}{6}\pi d^3 \rho_p g$$

 $\varepsilon = 1 - \varphi = \text{porosity} (\approx 0.5)$ k = Kozeny constant (≈ 5)

$$B_p \equiv \frac{F_{f \to s}}{F_g} \approx 40 \frac{18\eta V}{\rho_p g d^2}$$

$$B_p \approx 1 \to d \approx \sqrt{40} \sqrt{\frac{18\eta V}{\rho_p g}}$$

$$V \approx 1 \text{ m/s} \rightarrow d \approx 760 \ \mu \text{m}$$

 $V \approx \sqrt{2gd} \rightarrow d \approx 190 \ \mu \text{m}$

Why this difference?











Example 1

When air is forced through a granular layer

Faraday heaping

... goes back all the way to Michael Faraday

M. Faraday, On a peculiar class of acoustical figures; and on certain forms assumed by groups of particles upon vibrating elastic surfaces, Philos. Trans. R. Soc. London **52**, 299 (1831).





Not: Chladni patterns

Chladni patterns



Faraday heaping

23.52000 s

Particle diameter: 0.5 mm Width of box: 10 cm Number of particles: 13500 Vibration frequency: 6.25 Hz Vibration amplitude: 1.0 cm Maximum acceleration: 1.6 g Number of CFD elements: 80 x 60 x 1



Numerical simulation of heaping with a hybrid GD-CFD code



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Force analysis (x-direction)



How does heaping start ?









Example 2

The influence of air on drag in a granular bed

Preparing the sand







very loose packing:

solid fraction = 41 %

Controlled experiments

Ball dropped on decompactified, very fine sand



Controlled experiments

Ball dropped on **decompactified**, very fine sand



Ball impact on sand



Mechanism similar to disk impact on water



Disk impact on water (side view)

 $v_{\text{impact}} \approx 1.0 \text{ m/s}$ $R_{\text{disk}} = 0.03 \text{ m}$

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What is the role of air in granular jet formation ?

Royer, Corwin, Flior, Cordero, Rivers, Eng, and Jaeger, *Nature Physics* 1, 164 (2005).

Caballero-Robledo, Bergmann, DvdM, Prosperetti, and Lohse, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 99, 018001 (2007)



Jet height vs. pressure




Final depth vs. pressure













Drag reduction in literature

Impact Carbopol droplet



drag reduction ≈ 85 %

Luu, Forterre, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 110, 184501 (2013).

Impact heated sphere



above Leidenfrost temperature

drag reduction ≥ 85 %

Vakarelski, Marston, Chan, Thoroddsen, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 106, 214501 (2011).

Drag *F* **versus velocity** $U(P_{\theta} \le 1 \text{ bar})$



(drag *F* measured at z = 10 cm below surface)

Model

assumption: air modifies the contact forces between grains.

drag without air: grains perform work against contact forces ~ hydrostatic pressure $\rho_s gz$ $\frac{F}{\rho_s gz D^2} = f$



drag with air:

excess air pressure ΔP works against hydrostatic pressure and therefore decreases the contact forces

$$\frac{F}{\rho_s g z \, D^2} = f\left(\frac{\Delta P}{\rho_s g z}\right)$$

Problem: f() is unknown



Drag *F* **versus pressure** P_0 (*U*=200 mm/s)



Calculate \widetilde{H}_s from P_0 and f from F in this limit of large UFit to functional form: $f(\widetilde{\Pi}) = f_s + f_0 \exp(-\widetilde{\Pi}/\widetilde{\Pi}_0)$



Turn back to the time evolution $\widetilde{\Pi} = \frac{\Delta P}{\alpha \rho_s g z} = \frac{1}{\beta} \frac{1}{\beta}$

For all of our $F(z, U, P_0)$ da

$$\zeta = \frac{P_0 z}{\eta U}$$
$$\tilde{I}^* = \frac{\rho_s g D}{P_0} \tilde{\Pi}$$



with $\widetilde{\Pi}$ determined from the dimensionless drag force *f* by inverting $f(\widetilde{\Pi})$.

which turns the equation into:

$$\widetilde{\Pi}^* = \frac{\left[1 - \exp(-\beta\zeta)\right]}{\beta\zeta}$$

Does this single parameter equation fit the data?

comparison





Granular matter and water Wet granular matter capillary bridges water $F_{cap} \sim F_g$ $\sigma \, \pi d \sim \frac{1}{6} \pi d^3 \, \rho \, g$ $d \sim \sqrt{\frac{6\sigma}{\rho q}} \approx 4 \text{ mm}$ little liquid, much particles liquid consolidates granular material $\frac{F_{cap}}{F_q} \sim \frac{1}{d^2}$

Granular matter and water

Wet granular matter



little liquid, much particles

liquid consolidates granular material



Granular matter and water

Wet granular matter







little liquid, much particles liquid consolidates granular material *equal amount of liquid and grains much liquid, few particles particles determine suspension rheology*



diameter: 5-20 μ m, flat distribution of sizes (numbers) Irregular shapes $\rho = 1.5$ g/cm³

"shear thickening suspension"

Cornstarch on a shaker



Walking on cornstarch



How is this possible?



added mass provides force

Waitukaitis & Jaeger, *Nature* (2012)

Is this force large enough?



bottom view

above a critical impact velocity a solid-like (jammed) front moves towards bottom and provides the force

Mukhopadhyay, Allen & Brown, cond-mat (2014)

How fast is the shock wave?





shock wave speed > 2,000 m/s (!)

Lim, Barés & Behringer, youtube (2016)

Example 3

Settling in a cornstarch suspension





Liquid vs suspension



Liquid vs suspension



Increasing packing fraction ϕ



Increasing sphere mass μ $\varphi = 0.44$



Equation of motion

$$m\ddot{x} = \mu g + D$$

Added mass corrected mass:

$$m = m_{sphere} + m_{added} = m_{sphere} + \frac{1}{12}\pi d^3 \rho_{susp}$$

Buoyancy corrected mass:

$$\mu = m_{sphere} - m_{buoy} = m_{sphere} - \frac{1}{6}\pi d^3 \rho_{susp}$$

use this equation to calculate drag D vs velocity \dot{x}









A minimal model

$$\begin{cases} m\ddot{x} = \mu g + D & \text{when } \phi < \phi_{cr} \\ \dot{x} = 0 & \text{when } \phi \ge \phi_{cr} \end{cases}$$

$$\dot{\phi} = -c\frac{\dot{x}}{x} - \kappa(\phi - \phi_{eq})$$

increases ϕ decreases ϕ due to compression due to relaxation $(-\dot{x}/x = \text{compression rate})$

Comparing to experiment



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THANK YOU !