

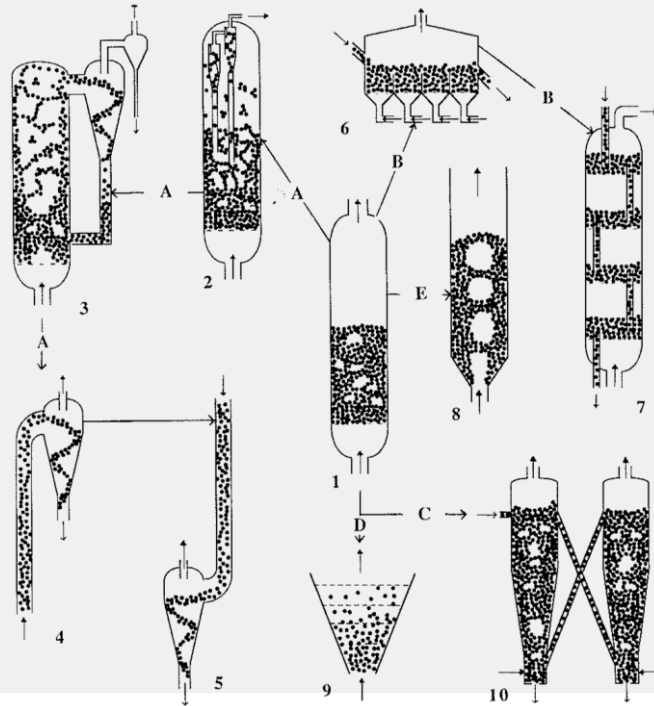


COMPUTATIONAL FLUID MECHANICS OF GAS-SOLID SYSTEMS

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Chemical Engineering and Chemistry, Multiscale Modeling of Multiphase Flows

Dense Gas-Particle Flows fluidized bed family of gas-solid contactors



- 1: bubbling bed
- 2: turbulent bed
- 3: circulating bed
- 4: riser
- 5: downer
- 6: lateral staged bed
- 7: vertical staged bed
- 8: spouted bed
- 9: floating bed
- 10: twin bed

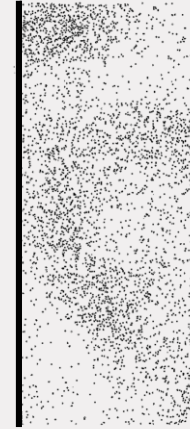
Dense Gas-Particle Flows

clusters in co-current vertical gas-solid flows

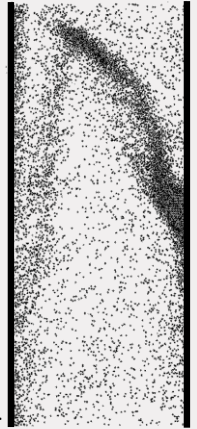


gas

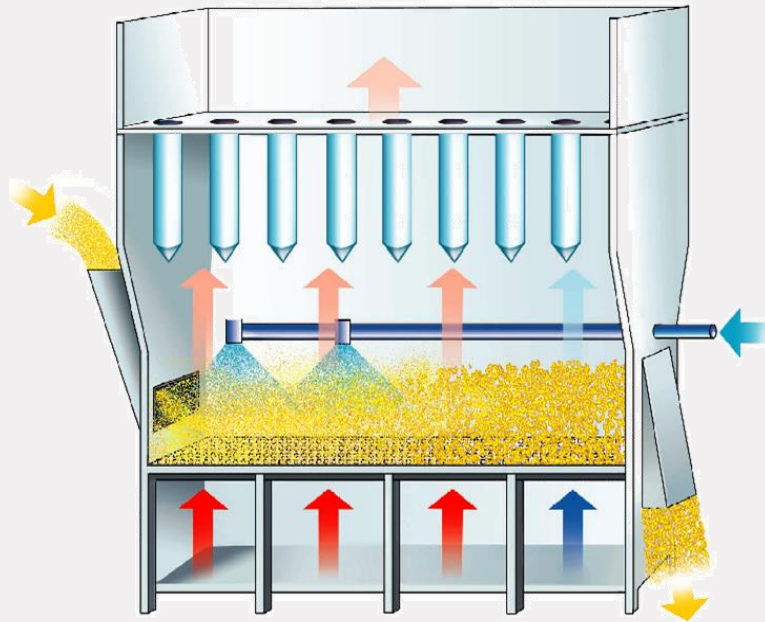
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 $\mu = 0.0$



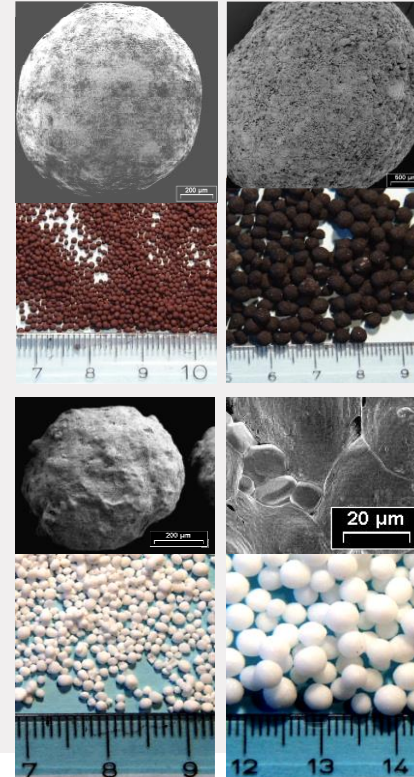
$e = 0.96$
 $\mu = 0.24$



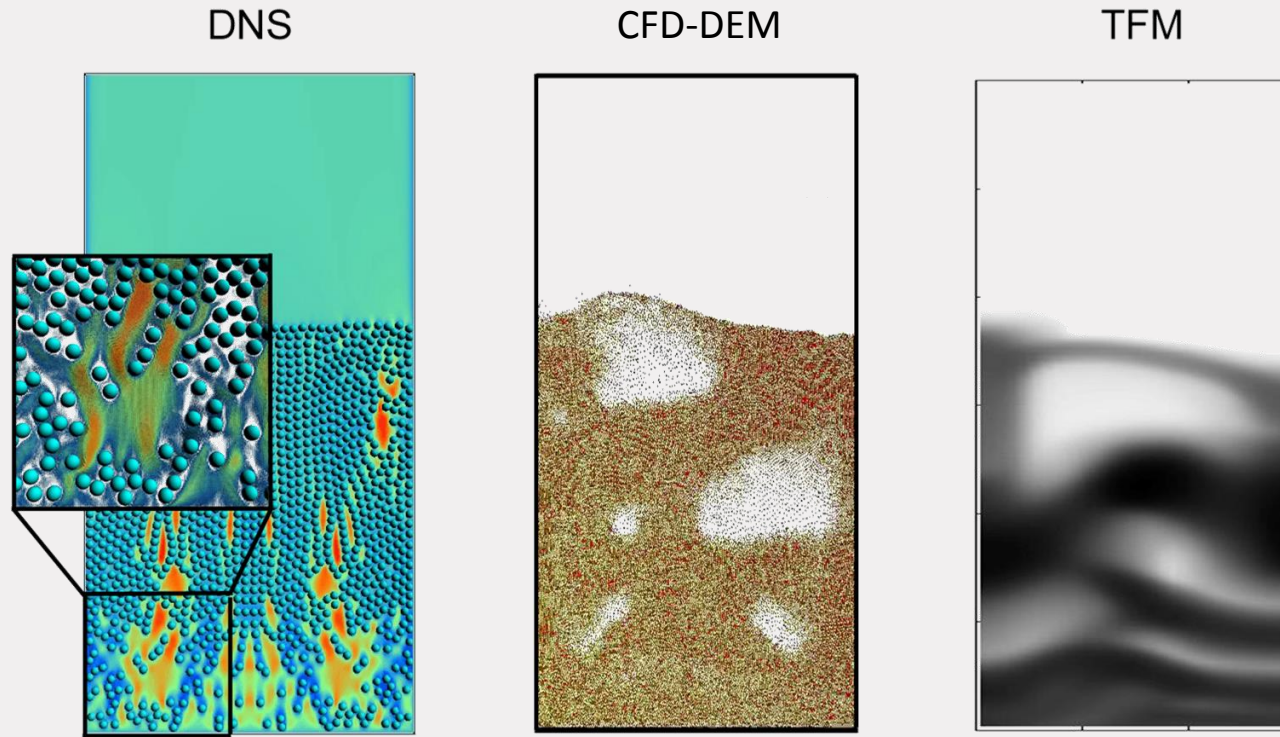
Dense Gas-Particle Flows with Coupled Mass Momentum and Heat Transport (spray granulation)



Prof. Stefan Heinrich (TUHH)

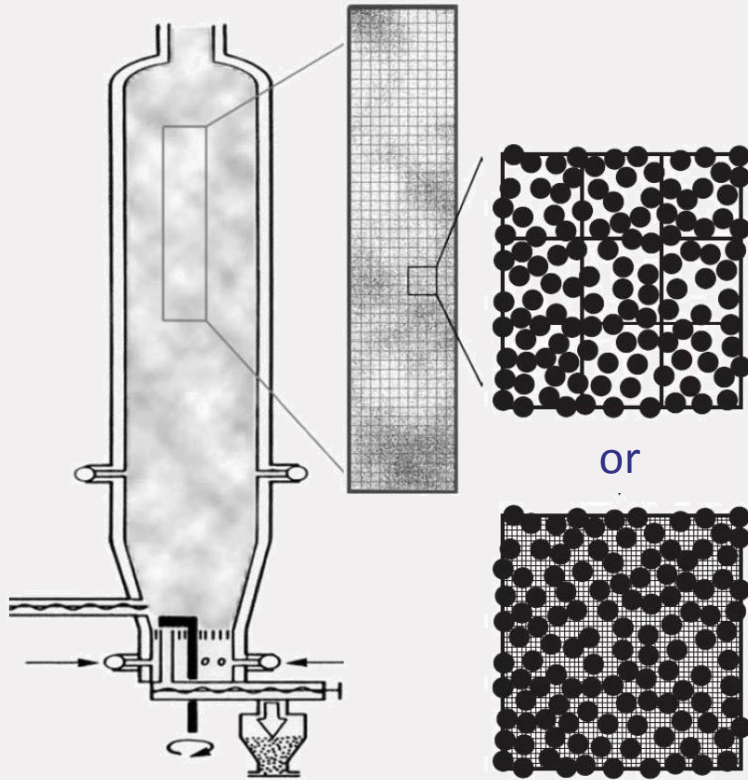


Multiscale Modeling



larger geometry, lower detail

CFD-DEM vs DNS



CFD-DEM

- grid cell size $>$ particle diameter
- particle unresolved
- needs fluid-particle closure relations

DNS

- grid cell size \ll particle diameter
- particle resolved
- no-slip boundary conditions at particle surface

Computational Fluid Dynamics

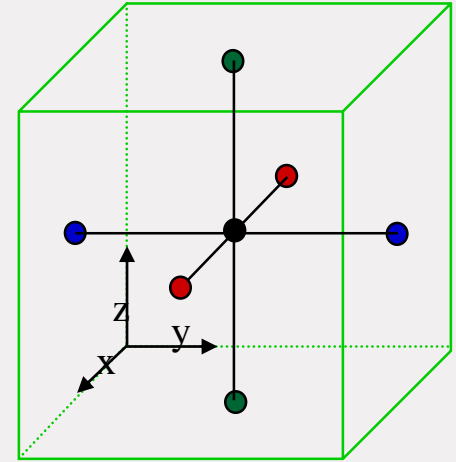
Discretize Navier-Stokes equation

Spatial discretization

- Finite difference on Cartesian staggered grid
- Viscous/diffusion terms: central differencing
- Convective term: second order total variation diminishing

Temporal discretization

- Convective terms explicit
- Viscous term and source term (semi) implicit
- Fractional step discretization: pressure correction by solving Poisson equation



- scalar variables
- x-velocity component
- y-velocity component
- z-velocity component

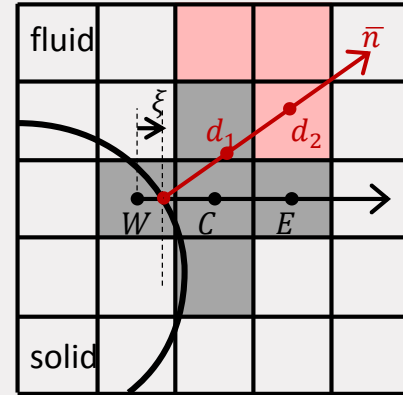
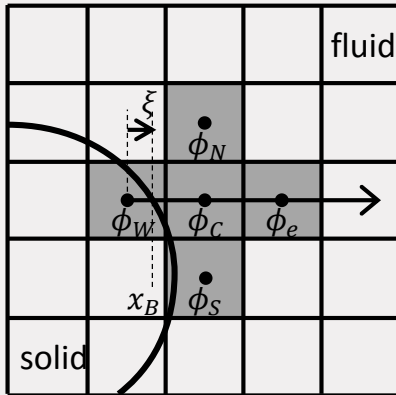
Particle-resolved Direct Numerical Simulation

Grid size \ll particle size

After discretization general matrix equation for unknowns ϕ_i : $a_c \phi_c = \sum_{nb} a_{nb} \phi_{nb} + b_c$

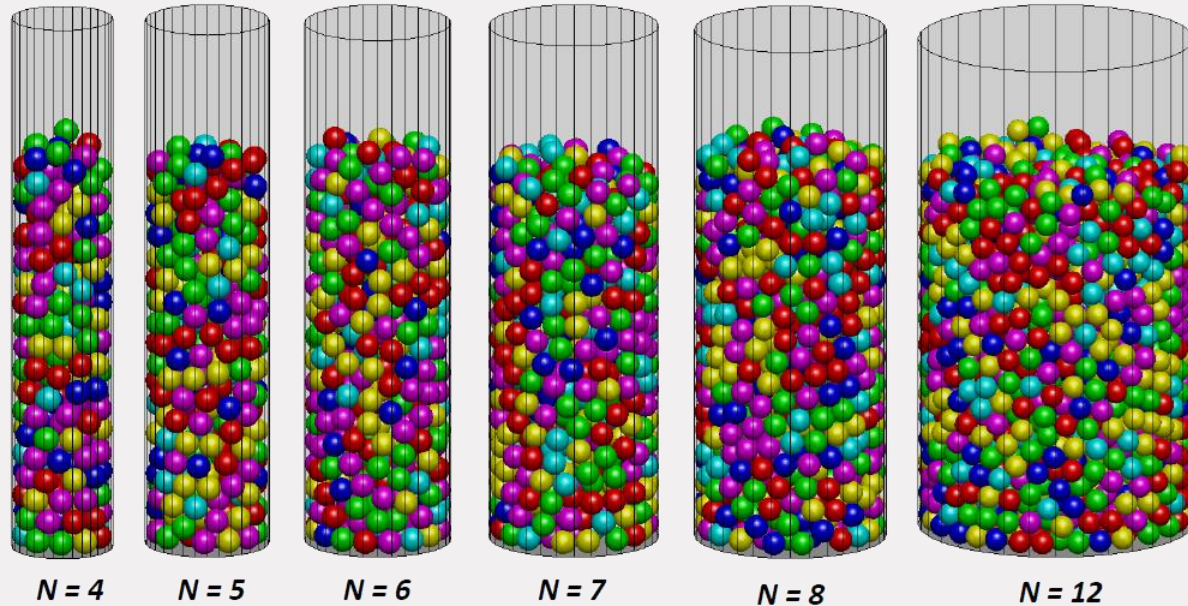
Immersed Boundary Method: eliminate nodes inside solid by extrapolation

$$\phi_w = \frac{2}{(1-\xi)(2-\xi)} \phi_B - \frac{2\xi}{1-\xi} \phi_C + \frac{\xi}{2-\xi} \phi_E$$



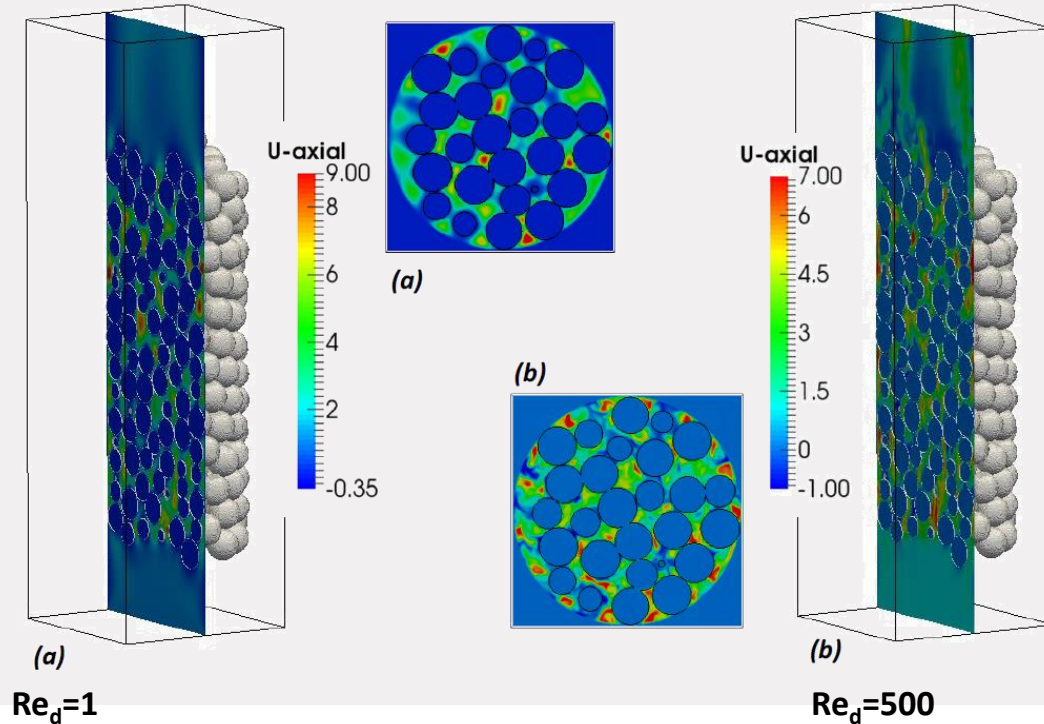
Results DNS/IB Model

transport phenomena in packed bed reactors: DEM generated beds



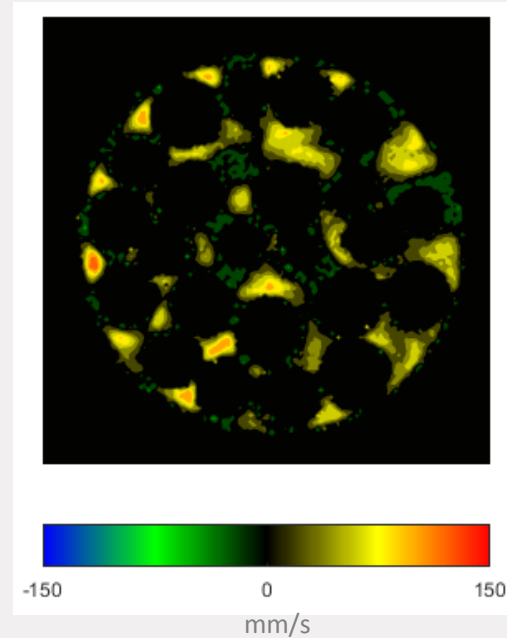
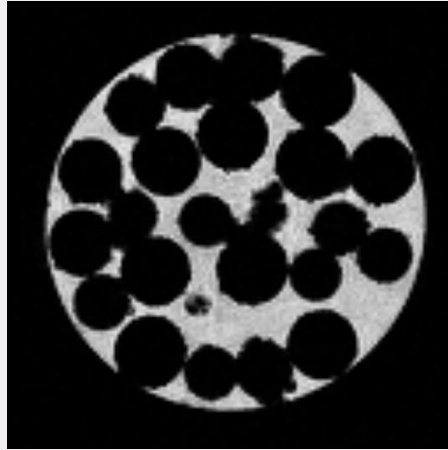
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transport phenomena in packed bed reactors: velocity profiles ($N=6$)



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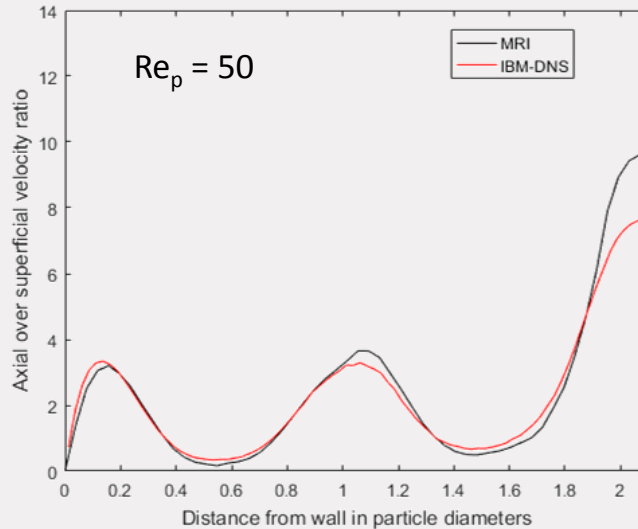
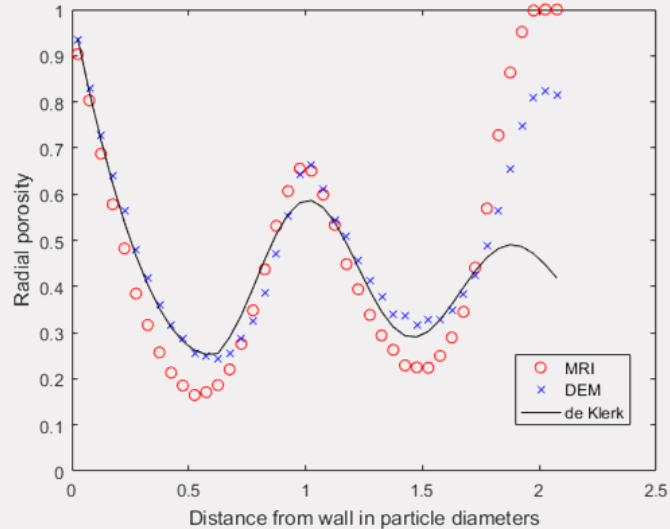
comparison with experiment (MRI flow imaging)



phase fractions (left) and axial velocity map (right) for a packed bed of spheres with a diameter of 4 mm

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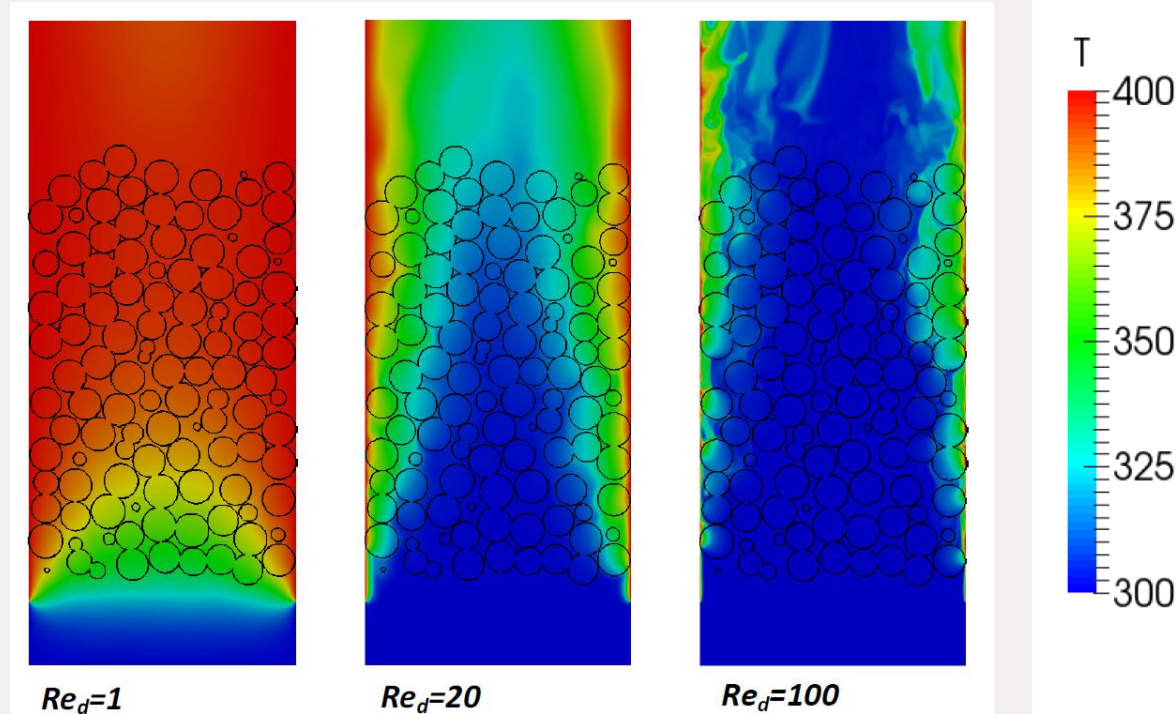
comparison with experiment (MRI flow imaging)



radial porosity profile (left) and axial velocity profile (right)
for a packed bed of spheres with a diameter of 5 mm

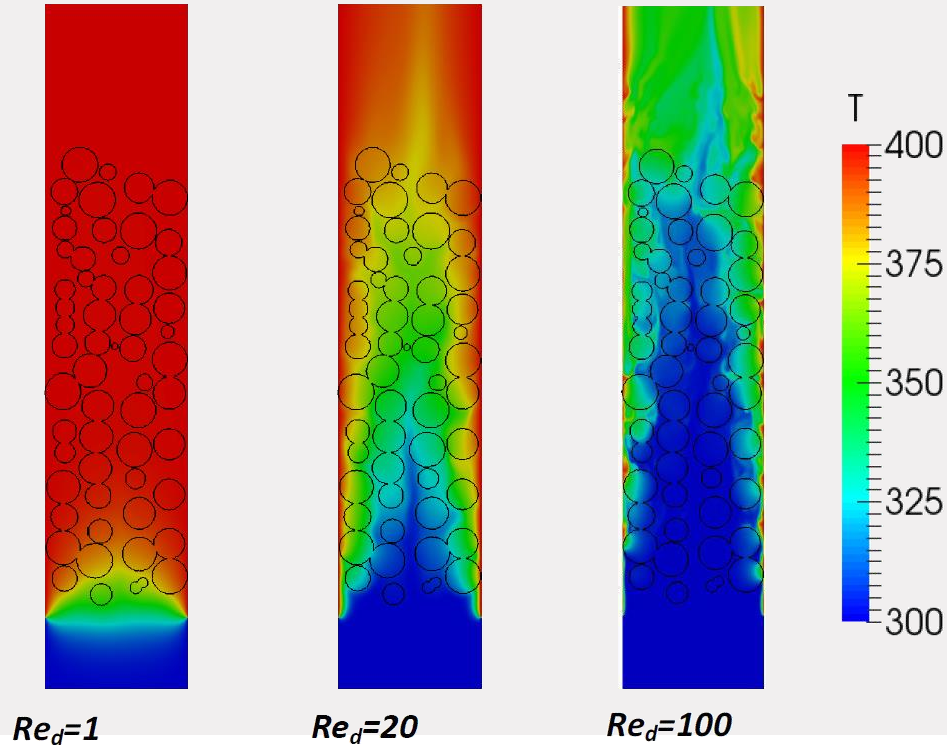
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transport phenomena in packed bed reactors: temperature profiles



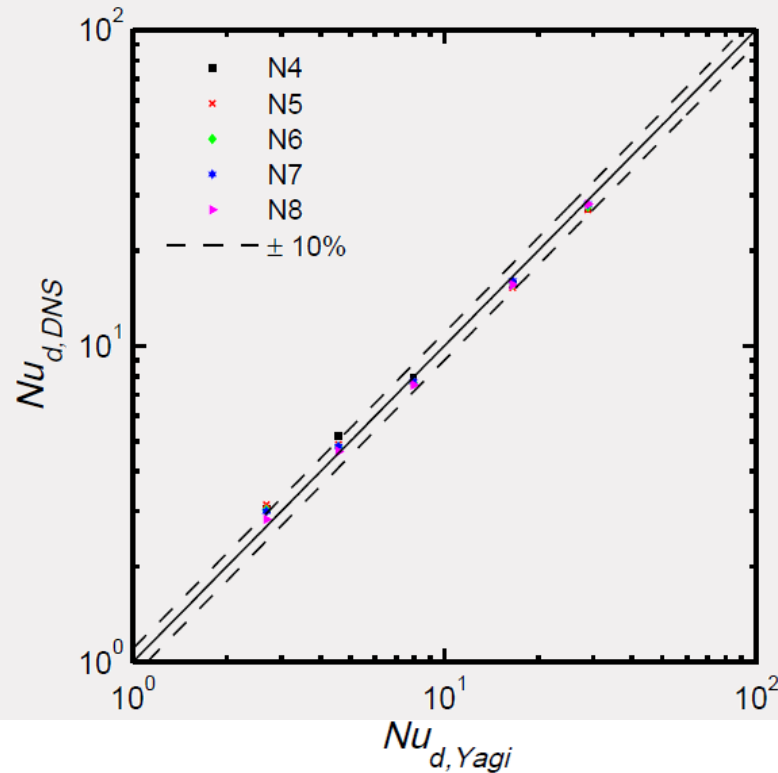
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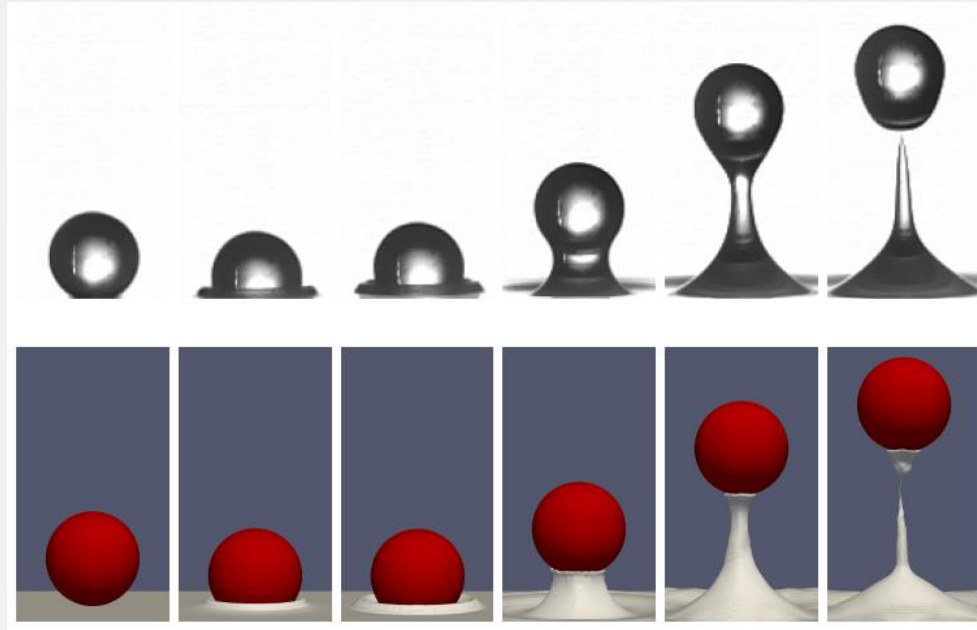


Results DNS/IB Model

transport phenomena in packed bed reactors: wall-to-bed heat transfer



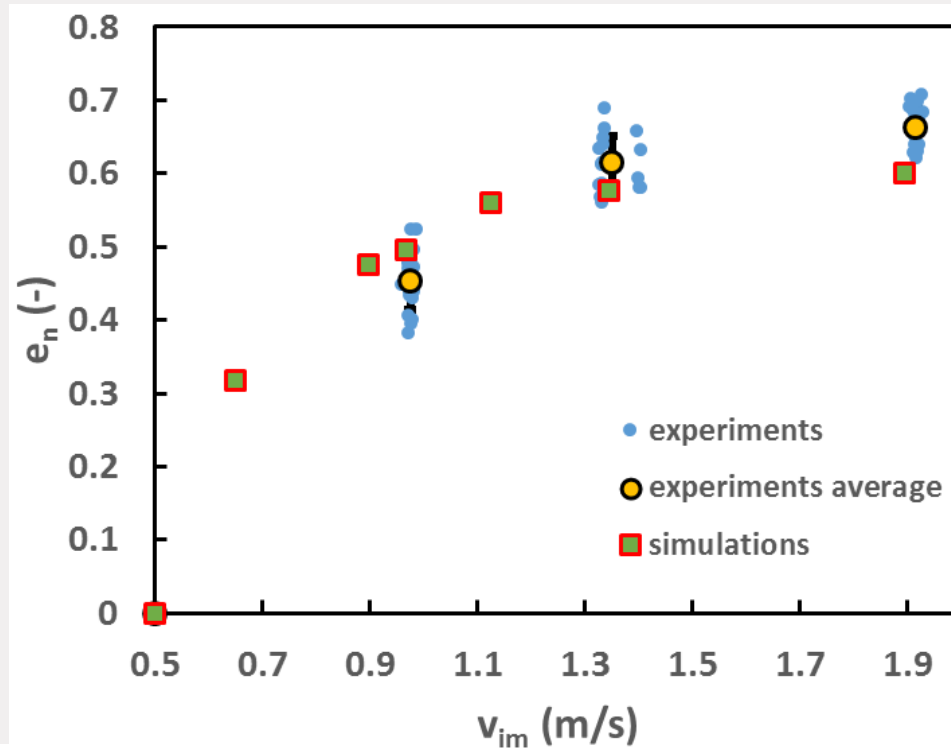
Results: Wet collisions



Snapshot sequence of a spherical particle (1.74 mm) impacting on a wet plate with 400 μm liquid layer at an impact velocity of 1.13 m/s: experimental measurements (top) and simulation results (bottom).

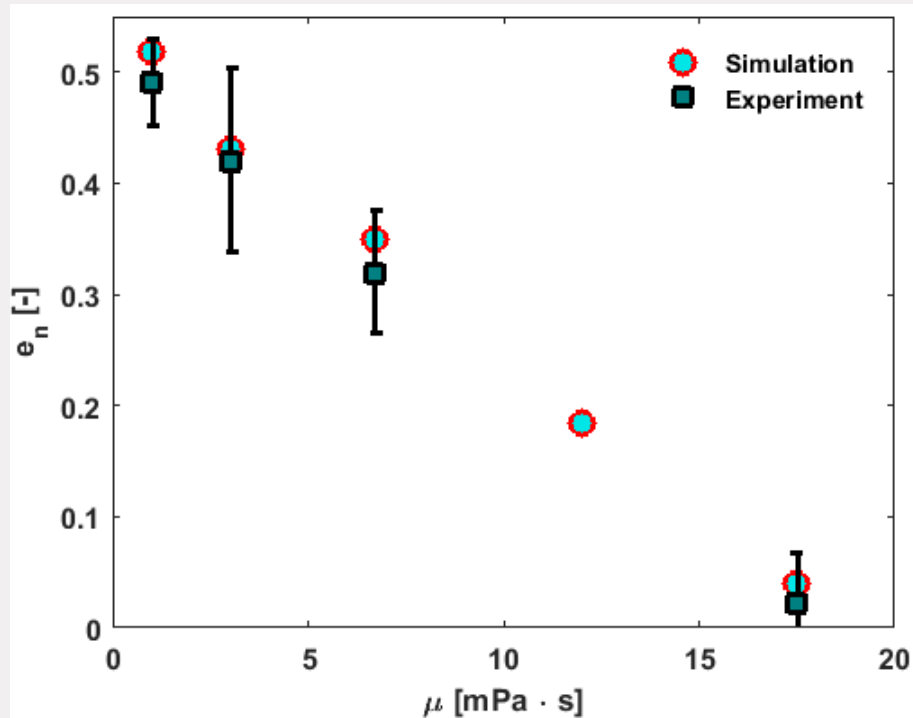
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collision of particle with a flat plate with thin liquid layer



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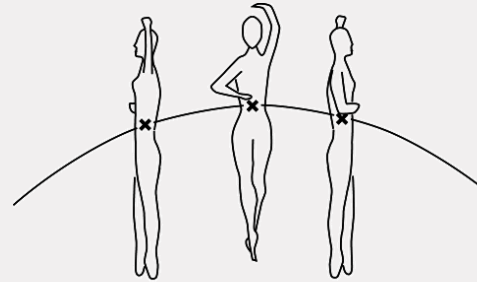
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Particle dynamics

Translation of center-of-mass

$$m_i \frac{d\mathbf{v}_i}{dt} = \mathbf{F}_i$$

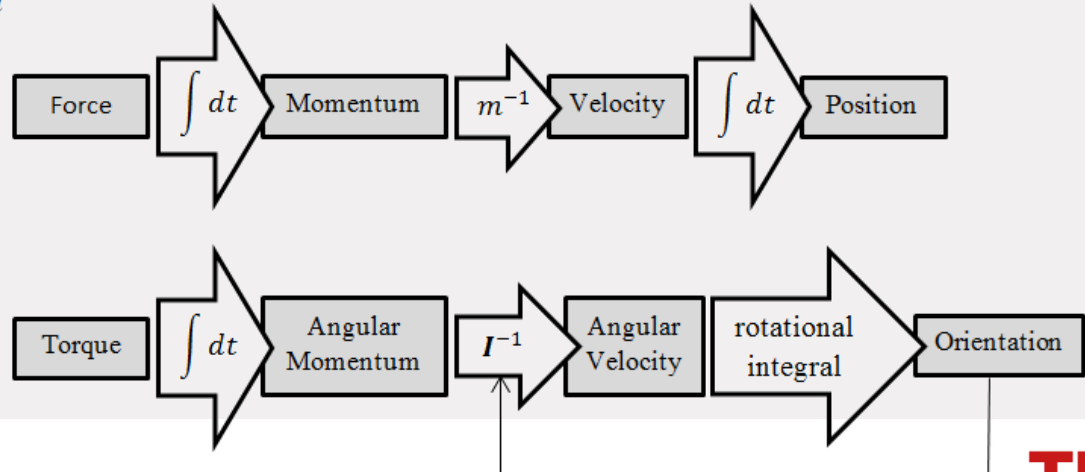


Rotation around c.o.m.

$$\frac{d}{dt} (\mathbf{I}_i \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega}_i) = \mathbf{T}_i$$

—x— center of mass

generally
a complex
problem



Forces and Torques on Particles

$$\mathbf{F}_i = \mathbf{F}_{fluid,i} + m_i \mathbf{g} + \mathbf{F}_{contact,i} + \mathbf{F}_{pp,i}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_i = \mathbf{T}_{fluid,i} + \mathbf{T}_{contact,i} + \mathbf{T}_{pp,i}.$$

Fluid-induced forces & torques

Gravity force

Direct contact forces & torques

Other particle-particle forces & torques, such as Van der Waals and charge interactions

Contact Models

Contact model = a model specifying the forces and torques on granular particles due to direct collisions

Usually approximated as pair sums:

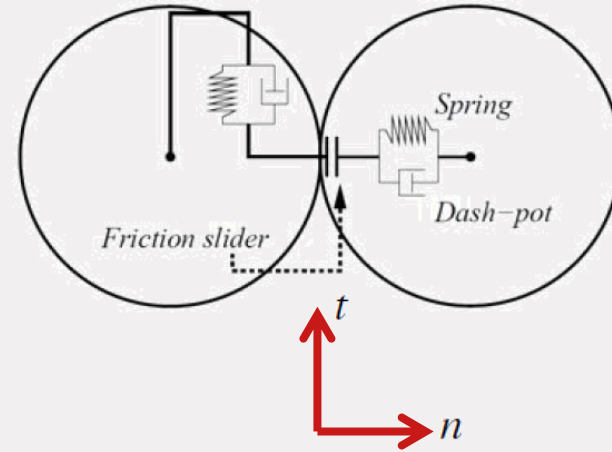
$$\mathbf{F}_{contact,i} = \sum_{j \neq i} \mathbf{F}_{ij}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{contact,i} = \sum_{j \neq i} \mathbf{T}_{ij}$$

- Short ranged interactions
- Momentum is conserved
- Energy is not conserved (or lost as heat): dissipation

Contact Forces: Soft Sphere Model

- Spheres can partly overlap (up to few %)
- Normal spring and dashpot
- Tangential spring and dashpot
- Friction slider for stick \rightarrow slip transition



$$\mathbf{F}_{ij} = \mathbf{F}_{ij,n} + \mathbf{F}_{ij,t}$$

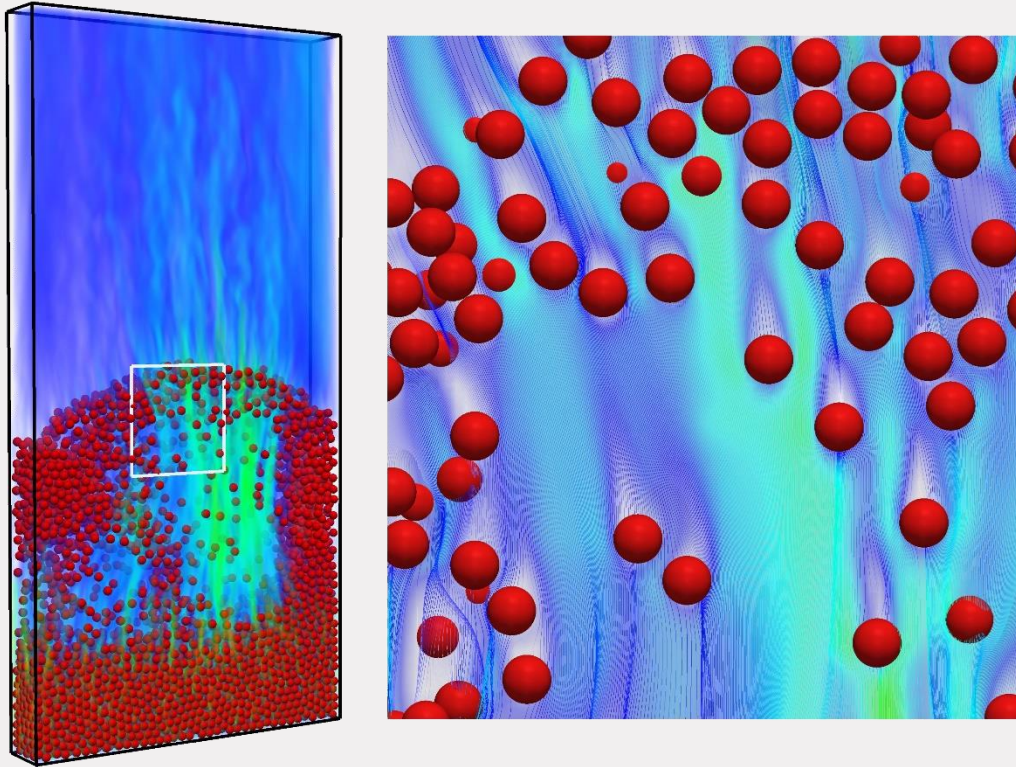
Fluid-particle Forces in DNS

- Forces exerted on particle by fluid
- Integrate computed stresses and pressure on particle surface

$$\mathbf{F}_{fluid,i} = \oiint (\boldsymbol{\tau} \cdot \mathbf{n} - p \mathbf{n}) dA$$

- Use values defined on staggered grid to approximate this integral

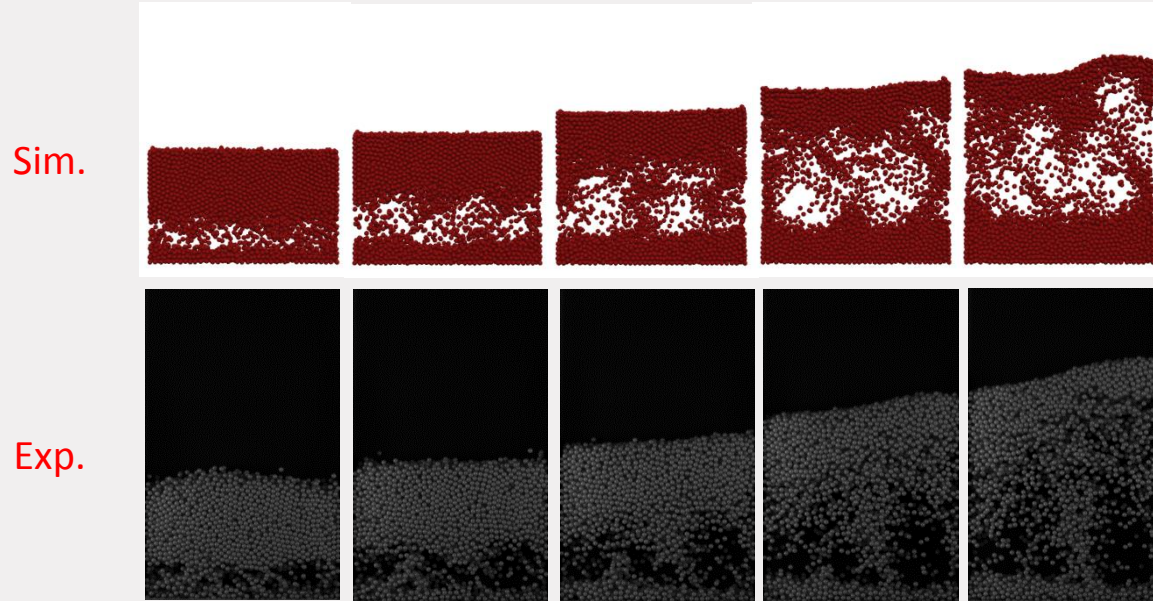
Results: Particle-resolved DNS Fluidized Bed



Pseudo-2D fluidized bed with 3000 particles

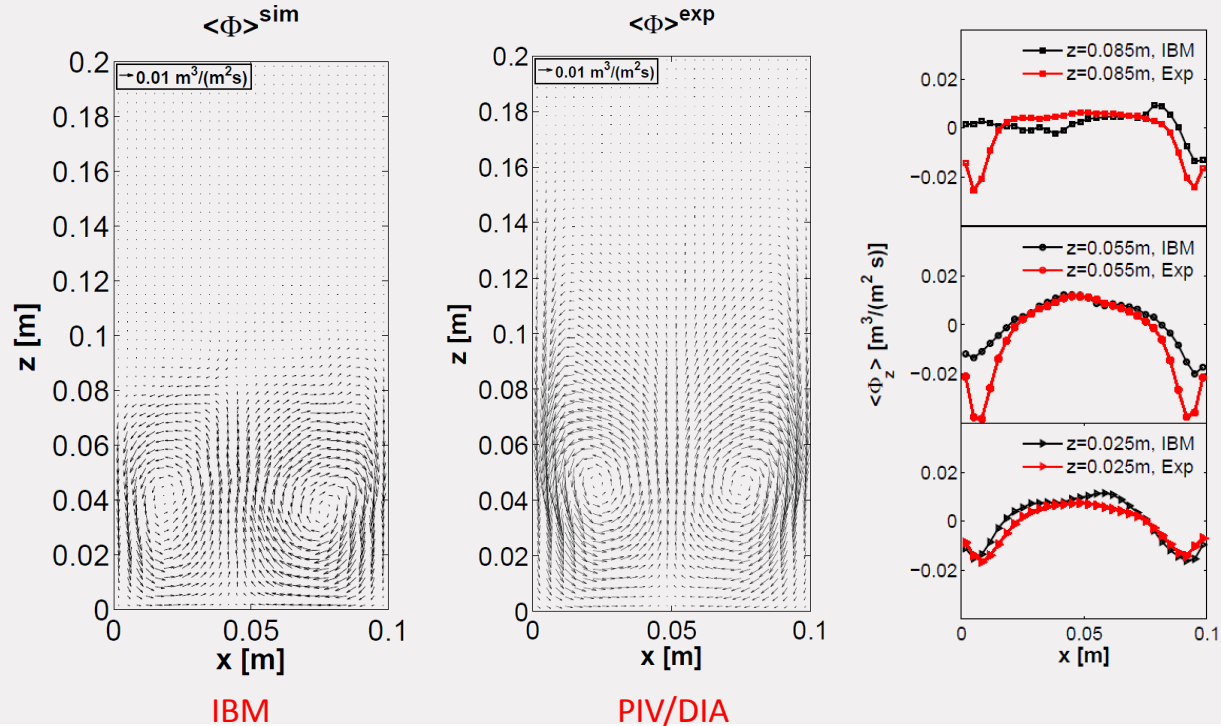
Dynamics in a Small Pseudo-2d Fluidized Bed

Flow regime



Dynamics in a small pseudo-2D fluidized bed

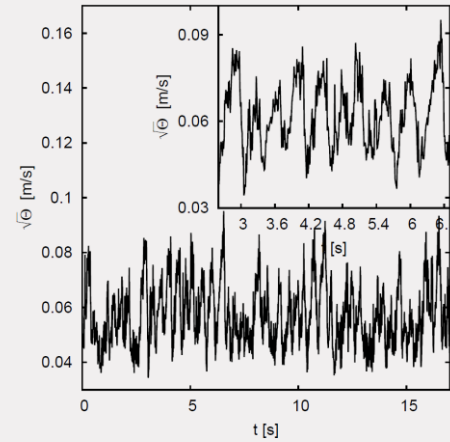
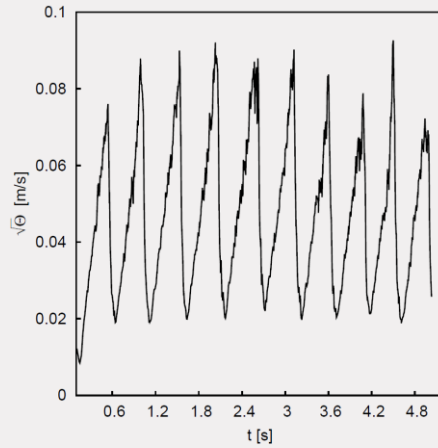
Time-averaged solids flux



Dynamics in a small pseudo-2D fluidized bed

Granular temperature

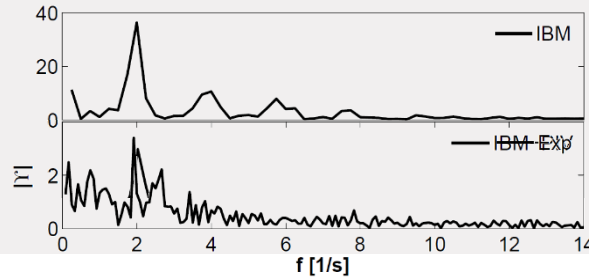
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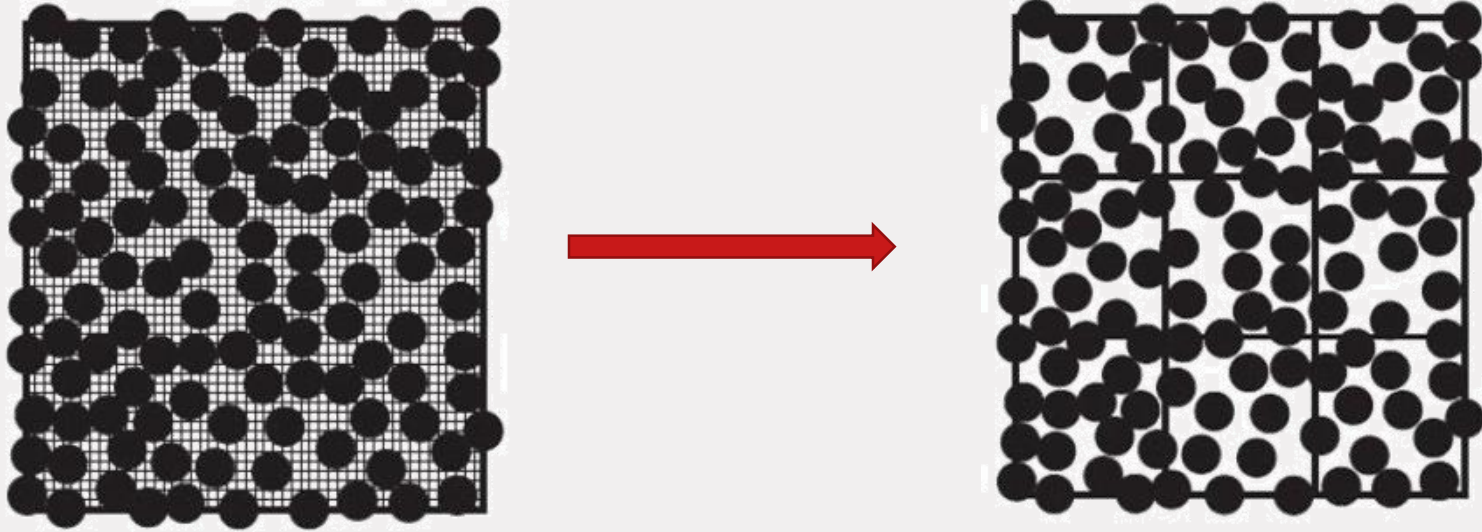
PIV

Characteristic frequency

$$f = 2 \pm 0.3 \text{ s}^{-1}$$



Multiscale approach: DNS to CFD-DEM



Closure relations obtained from DNS

Drag Correlations

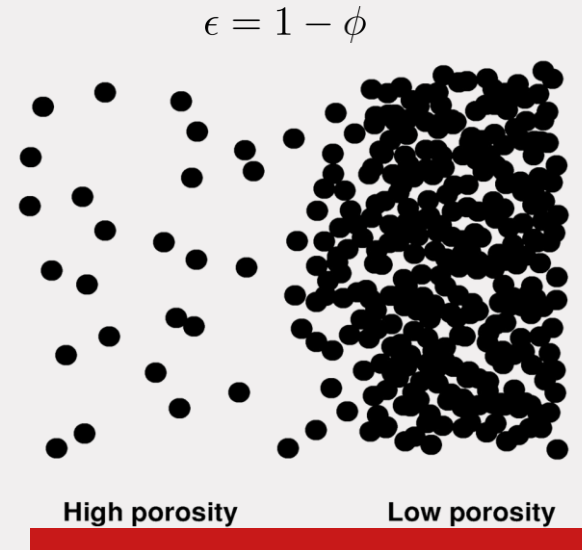
DNS: measure average drag force as a function of solids volume fraction ϕ

particle Reynolds number Re

$$Re = \frac{(1 - \phi) \rho_g |\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}_i| d}{\mu}$$

non-dimensionalize with Stokes drag in dilute limit

$$\frac{F_{drag}}{3\pi\mu d |\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}_i|} = \frac{1}{18\phi} \frac{\beta d^2}{\mu}$$
$$F(Re, \phi) \equiv \frac{\beta d^2}{\mu}$$



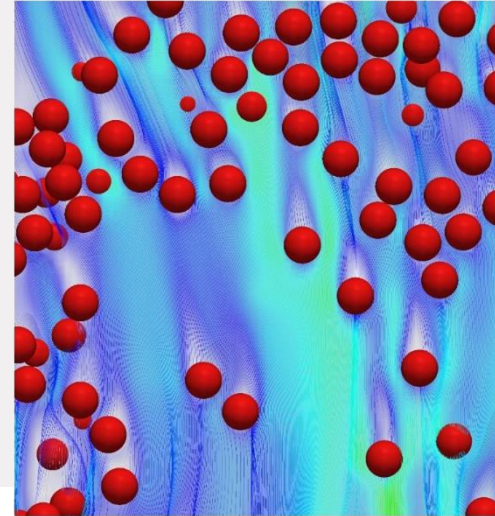
Drag correlation from DNS/IBM

$$F_d(\phi, \text{Re}) = 10\phi(1 - \phi)^{-2} + (1 - \phi)^2(1 + 1.5\sqrt{\phi}) \quad \text{low-Re flow} \quad \text{inertial effects}$$
$$+ \text{Re} \cdot \{0.11\phi(1 + \phi) - 0.00456(1 - \phi)^{-4} + [0.169(1 - \phi) + 0.0644(1 - \phi)^{-4}] \cdot \text{Re}^{-0.343}\}$$
$$+ 2.98\text{Re}_T\phi(1 - \phi)^{-2} \quad \text{mobility effect}$$

with

ϕ : solids volume fraction

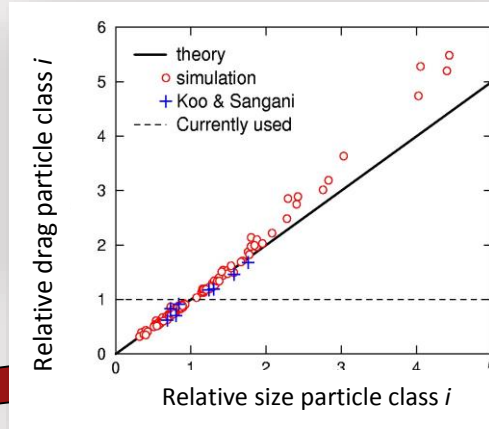
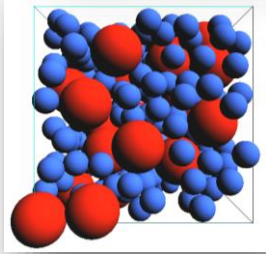
$$\text{Re} = \frac{\rho_g d_p U}{\mu_g}, \text{Re}_T = \frac{\rho_g d_p \sqrt{\Theta}}{\mu_g}$$



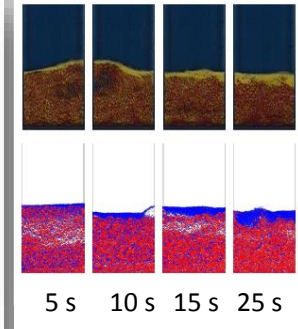
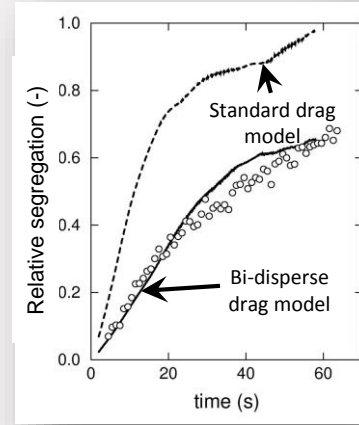
Drag in Binary Mixtures of Particles

multiscale approach to segregation in binary system

$O(10^2)$ particles



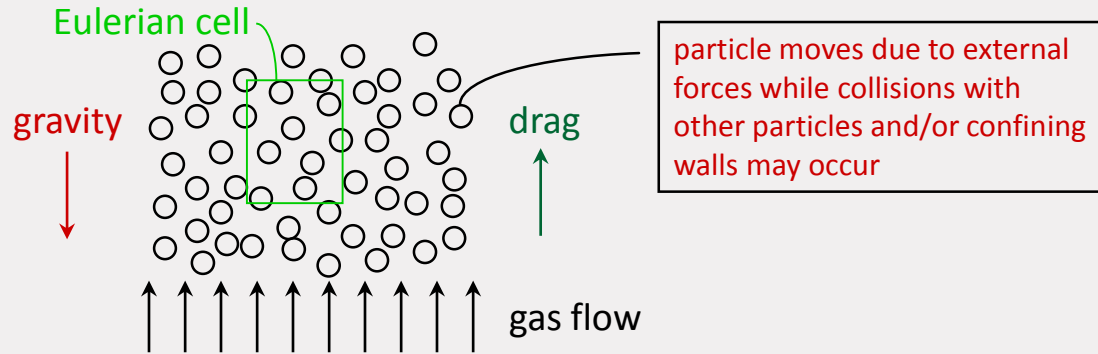
$O(10^5)$ particles



$$F_i = \left(\varepsilon_g y_i + \varepsilon_s y_i^2 + 0.064 \varepsilon_g y_i^3 \right) F(\varepsilon_s, \text{Re}) \quad \text{with} \quad y_i = \frac{d_i}{\langle d \rangle}$$

$$F(\varepsilon_s, \text{Re}) = \frac{10\varepsilon_s}{\varepsilon_g^2} + \varepsilon_g^2 (1 + 1.5\varepsilon_s^{1/2}) + \frac{0.413}{24\varepsilon_g^2} \left[\frac{\varepsilon_g^{-1} + 3\varepsilon_s \varepsilon_g + 8.4 \text{Re}^{-0.343}}{1 + 10^3 \varepsilon_s \text{Re}^{-(1+4\varepsilon_s)/2}} \right]$$

CFD-DEM: Key Ingredients



+ particle collision dynamics

+ gas phase flow field

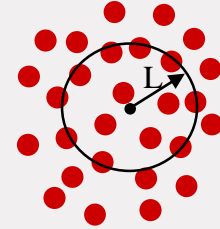
+ drag force on particles

+ bed voidage and source terms in momentum equation gas phase

CFD-DEM: Gas phase Hydrodynamics

- Gas phase conservation equations

equations formulated and solved at length scale
which is large compare to the particle size but small
compared to the macroscopic system size



- Volume-averaged Navier-Stokes equations

+ continuity equation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}((1 - \phi)\rho_g) + \nabla \cdot ((1 - \phi)\rho_g \mathbf{u}) = 0$$

+ momentum equation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}((1 - \phi)\rho_g \mathbf{u}) + \nabla \cdot ((1 - \phi)\rho_g \mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}) = -(1 - \phi)\nabla P - \nabla \cdot ((1 - \phi)\bar{\mathbf{S}}) - \mathbf{S}_p + (1 - \phi)\rho_g \mathbf{g}$$

+ interaction with solids phase

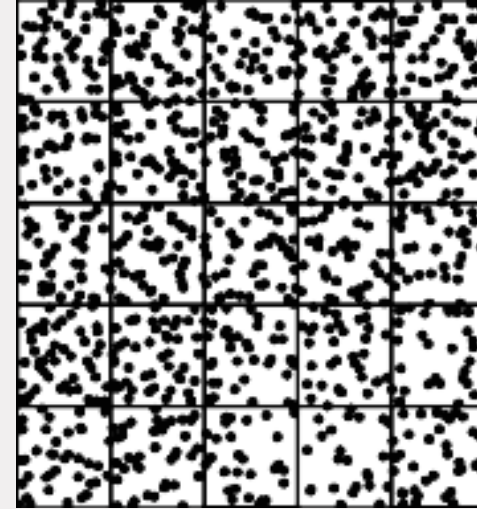
ϕ : solids volume fraction, \mathbf{S}_p : - drag of solids on fluid

CFD-DEM: Fluid-particle interactions

fluid-induced force on particle:

- buoyant force
- effective drag force:
- $\mathbf{F}_{fluid,i} = -V_i \nabla P + \frac{V_i \beta_i}{\phi} (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}_i)$
- local gas velocity, \mathbf{u}
- local solid volume fraction, ϕ
- local inter-phase momentum transfer coefficient, β

solids-induced force on fluid (action = - reaction)



$$\phi = \sum_{i=1}^N V_i \delta_h(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_i)$$
$$\mathbf{S}_p = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{V_i \beta_i}{\phi} (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}_i) \delta_h(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_i) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \beta \mathbf{u} - \alpha$$

regularized delta function

$$\iiint \delta_h(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_i) dV = 1$$

CFD-DEM: Force Distribution & Velocity Interpolation

Exchange information between Lagrangian points, \mathbf{r}_i , and Eulerian mesh, \mathbf{r}_k

$$\delta_h(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_i) \rightarrow \frac{1}{V_{cell}} D(\mathbf{r}_k - \mathbf{r}_i), \quad \sum_k D(\mathbf{r}_k - \mathbf{r}_i) = 1$$

Particle-fluid forces at Lagrangian points, \mathbf{r}_i , distributed to Eulerian grid positions, \mathbf{r}_k

$$\mathbf{S}_p(\mathbf{r}_k) = \frac{1}{V_{cell}} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{V_i \beta_i}{\phi} (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}_i) D(\mathbf{r}_k - \mathbf{r}_i)$$

Velocities known at Eulerian positions needed at Lagrangian points

$$\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{r}_i) = \sum_{k=1}^N \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{r}_k) D(\mathbf{r}_k - \mathbf{r}_i)$$

CFD-DEM: Volume Weighing

Simplest approach: volume weighing = tri-linear interpolation

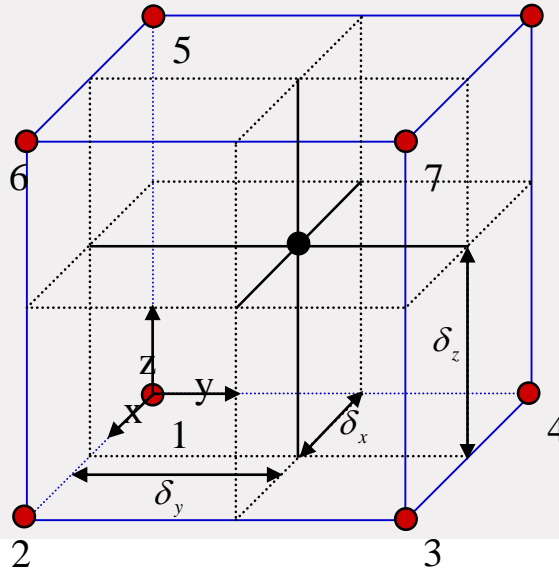
● particle

● velocity nodes

$$\lambda_x = \frac{\delta_x}{\Delta x}$$

$$\lambda_y = \frac{\delta_y}{\Delta y}$$

$$\lambda_z = \frac{\delta_z}{\Delta z}$$



$$D(\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_p) = (1 - \lambda_x)(1 - \lambda_y)(1 - \lambda_z)$$

$$D(\mathbf{r}_2 - \mathbf{r}_p) = \lambda_x(1 - \lambda_y)(1 - \lambda_z)$$

$$D(\mathbf{r}_3 - \mathbf{r}_p) = \lambda_x \lambda_y (1 - \lambda_z)$$

$$D(\mathbf{r}_4 - \mathbf{r}_p) = (1 - \lambda_x) \lambda_y (1 - \lambda_z)$$

$$D(\mathbf{r}_5 - \mathbf{r}_p) = (1 - \lambda_x)(1 - \lambda_y) \lambda_z$$

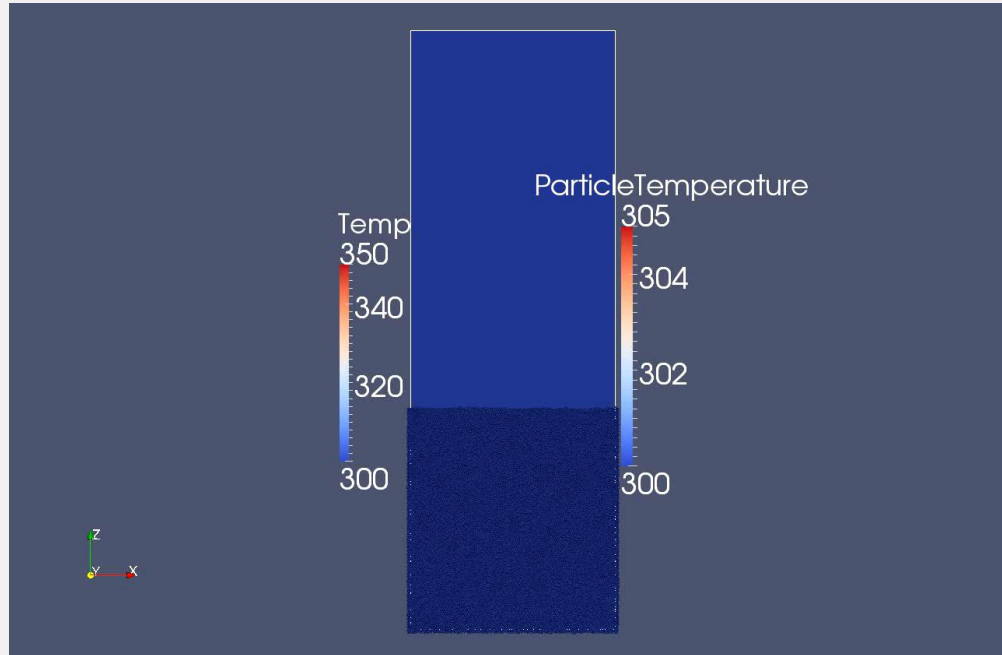
$$D(\mathbf{r}_6 - \mathbf{r}_p) = \lambda_x(1 - \lambda_y) \lambda_z$$

$$D(\mathbf{r}_7 - \mathbf{r}_p) = \lambda_x \lambda_y \lambda_z$$

$$D(\mathbf{r}_8 - \mathbf{r}_p) = (1 - \lambda_x) \lambda_y \lambda_z$$

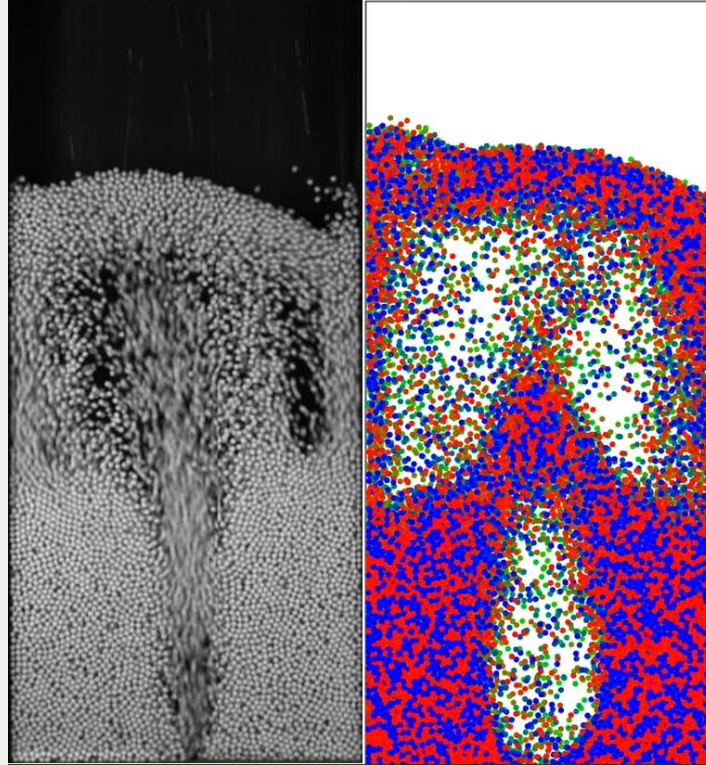
Larger scale CFD-DEM simulations

Uses correlations from DNS



Results CFD-DEM

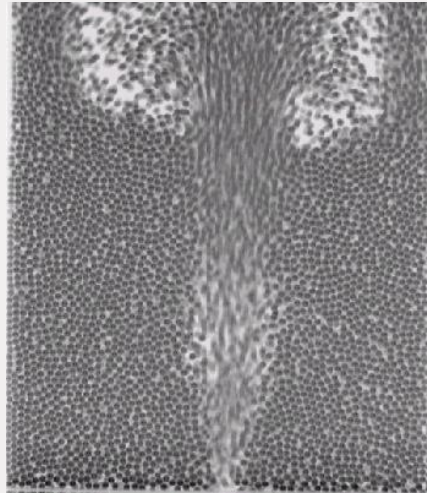
spouted bed



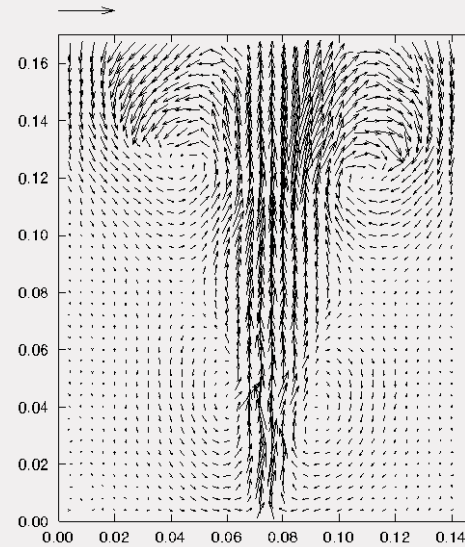
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spouted bed

$$u_{sf} / u_{mf} = 16.0 \leftrightarrow u_{bf} / u_{mf} = 1.2$$



particle configuration

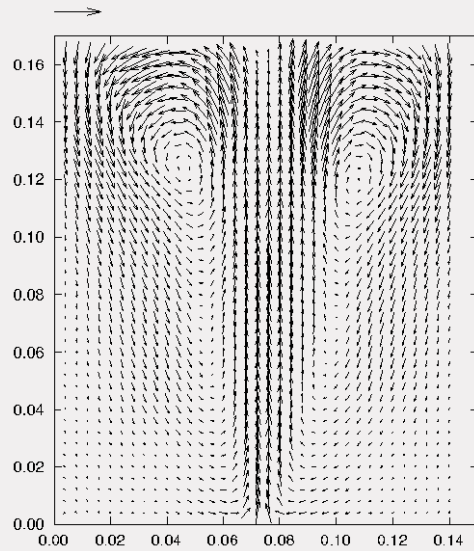


particle velocity map

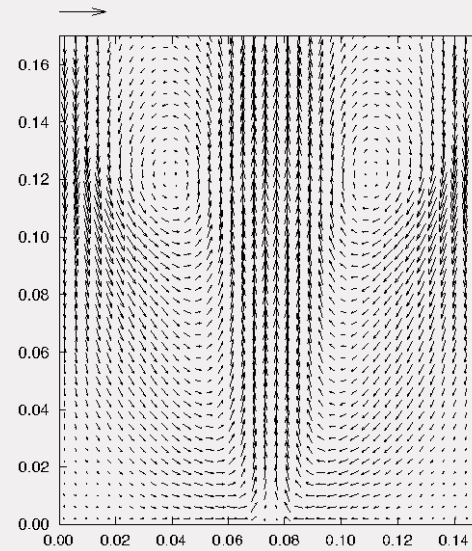
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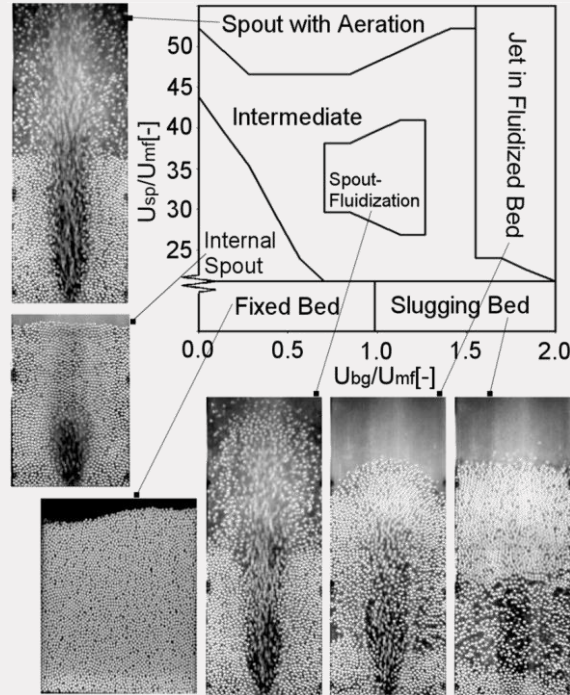
experimental



simulated

Results CFD-DEM

spouted bed



“CAPABILITIES” OF CFD-DEM
(COLLISION PARAMETERS!!!)

(Link et al., CES, 2005)

REGIME PREDICTION

GAS BUBBLES BEHAVIOUR

PRESSURE FLUCTUATIONS

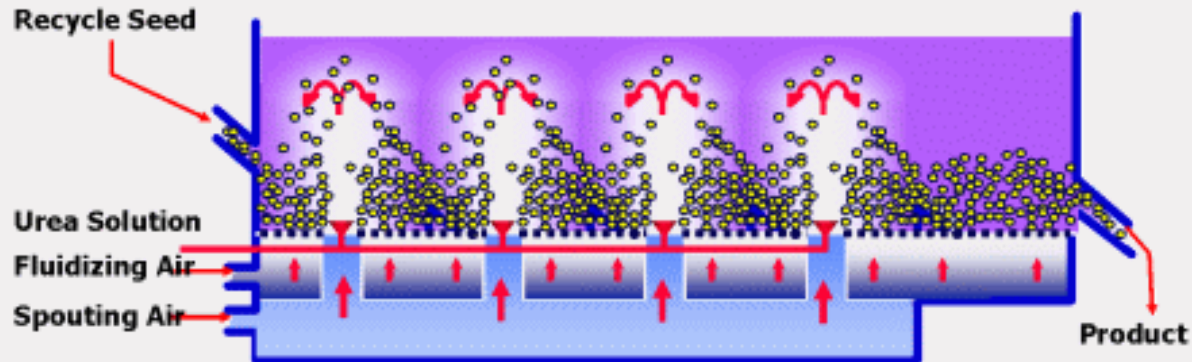
SOLIDS MOTION

Results CFD-DEM

multiple spouts with interaction

RATIONAL DESIGN OF FLUID BED GRANULATORS:

OPTIMAL DISTANCE BETWEEN SPOUTS ?

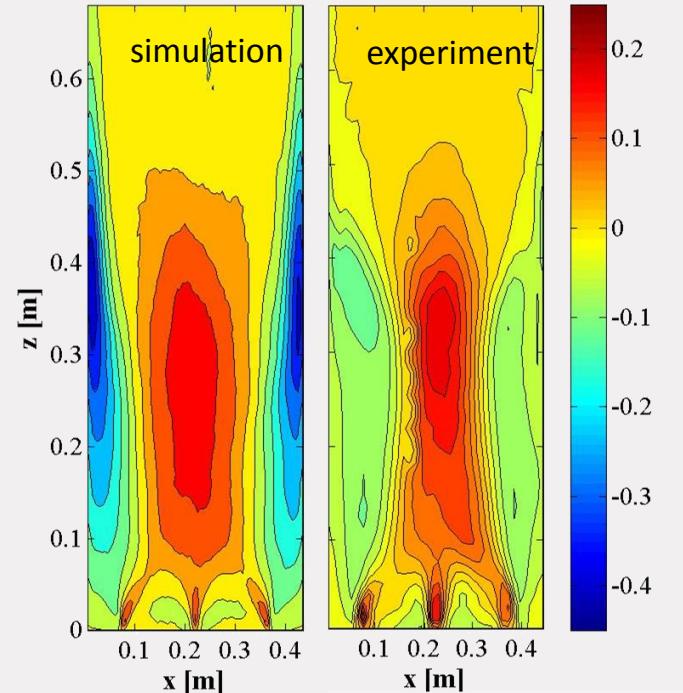


Optimal Arrangement of Multi-stage Spouted Bed

- Round and Uniform Product
- High Drying Efficiency

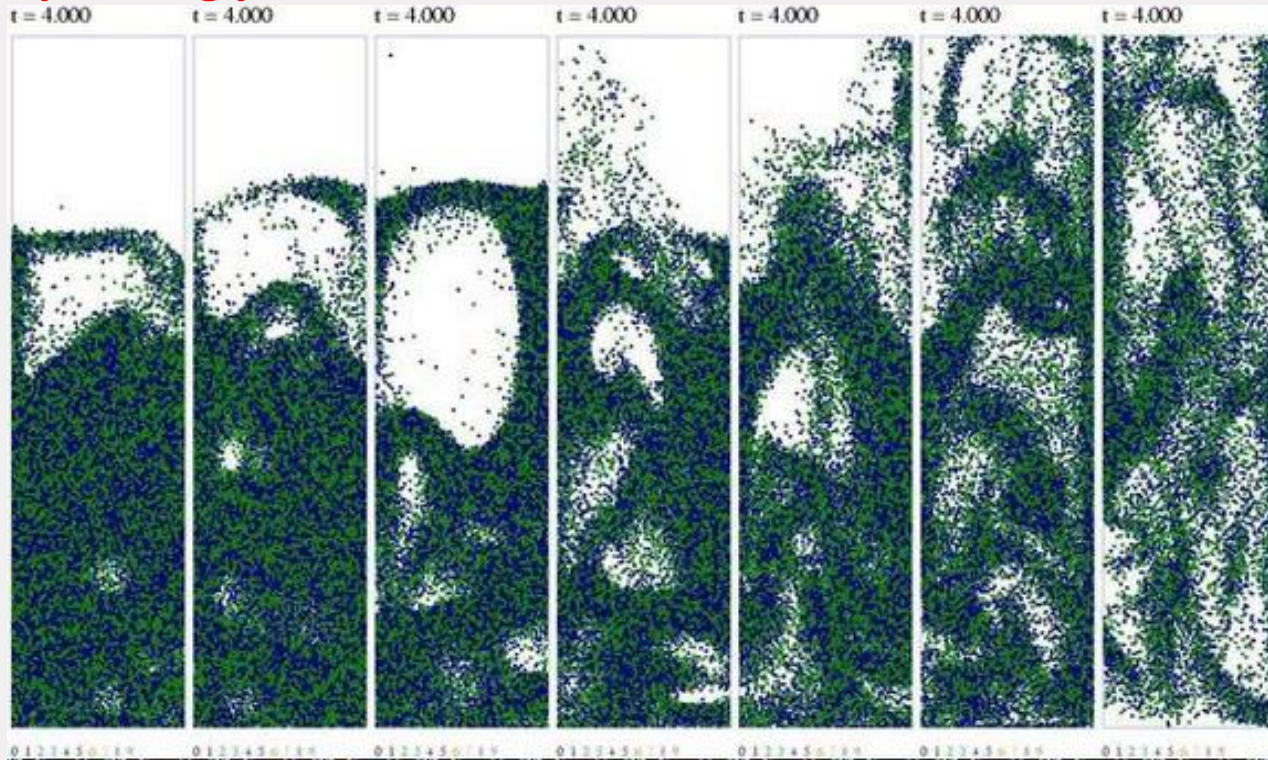
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multiple spouts with interaction (?)



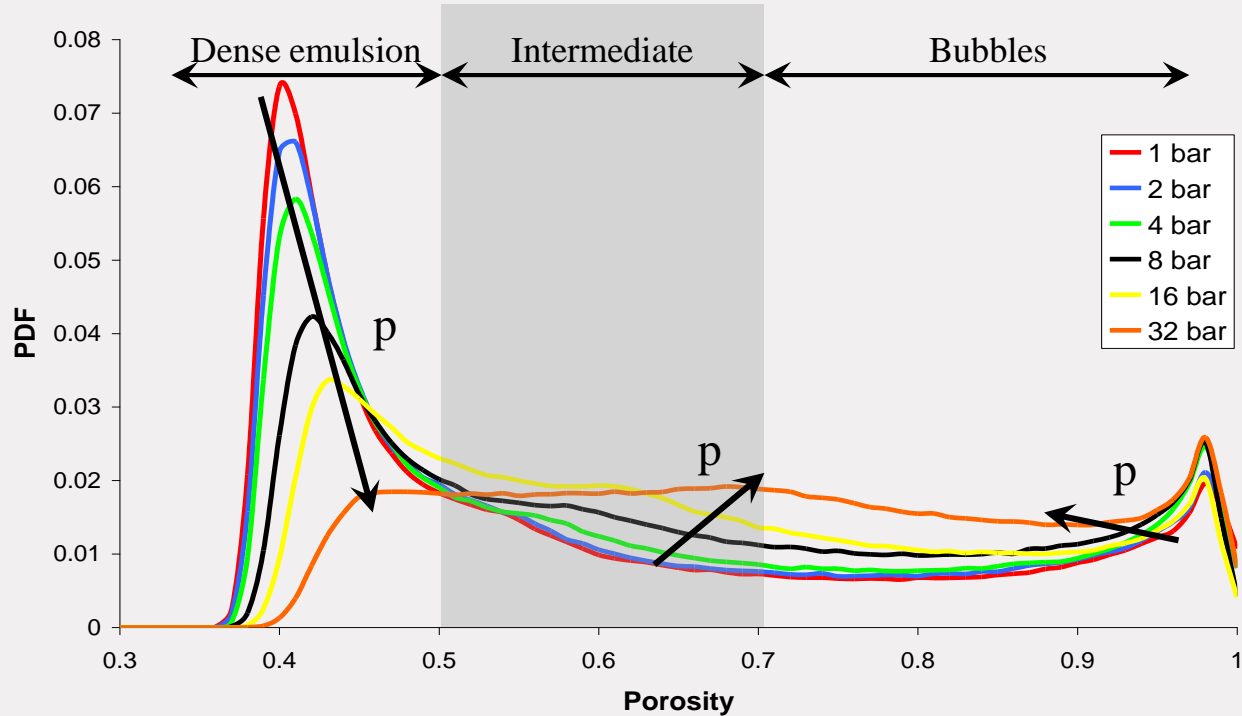
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effect of operating pressure



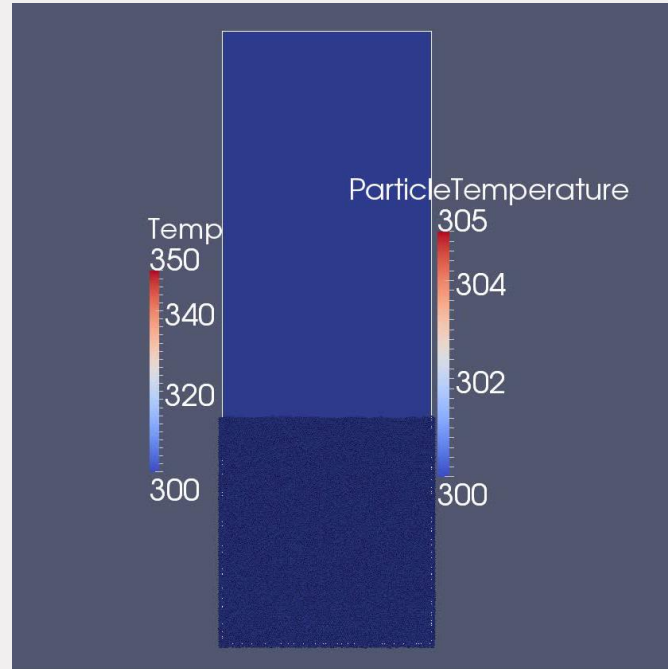
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effect of operating pressure



CFD-DEM: Extension To Heat Transfer

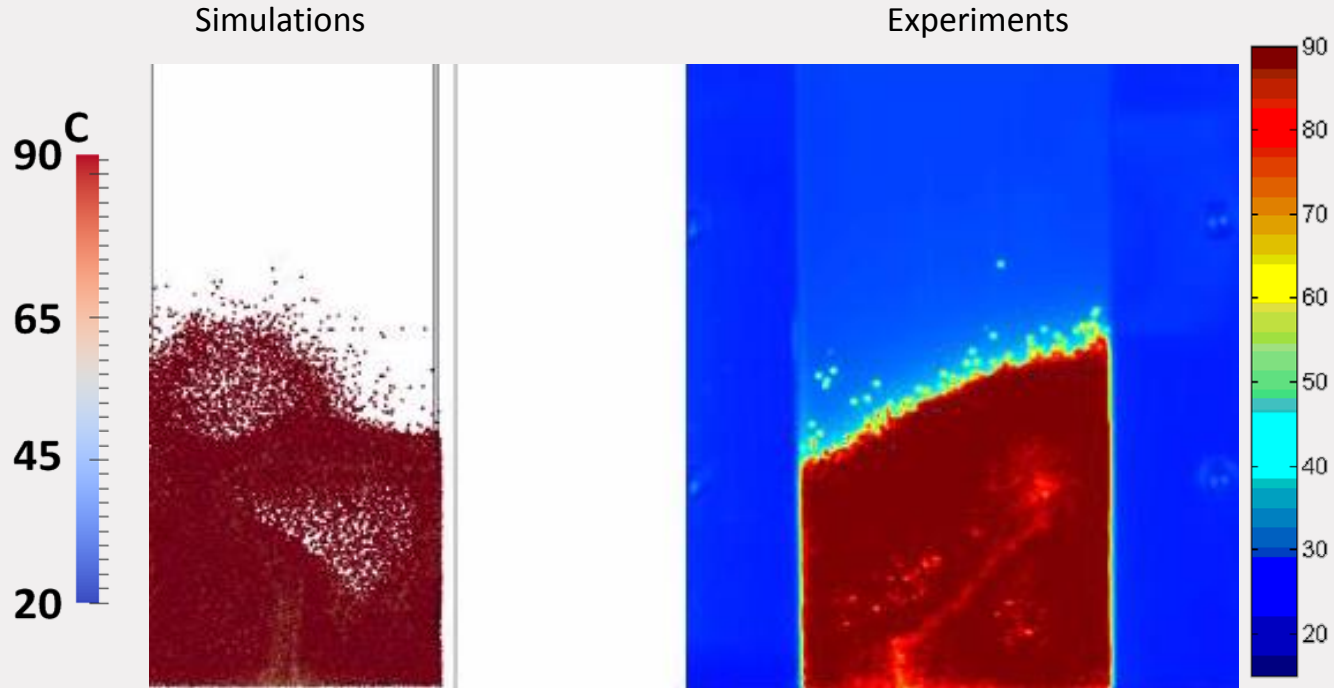
Relevance: in many fluidized beds particles catalytic with large heat effects



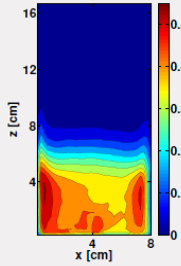
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lab-scale experiments for validation

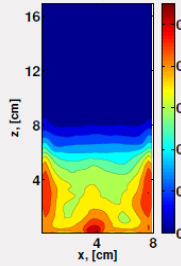
Cooling of a hot fluidized bed by injection of a cold gas



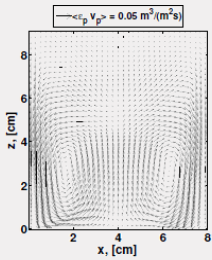
Quantitative Comparison



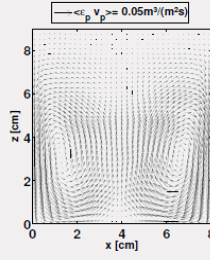
(a) $\langle \varepsilon_p \rangle$ experiments



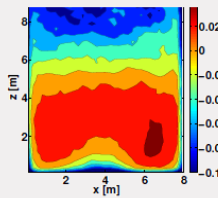
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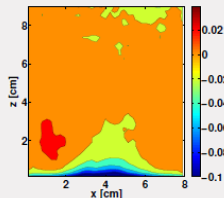
(c) $\langle \varepsilon_p v_p \rangle$ experiments



(d) $\langle \varepsilon_p v_p \rangle$ simulations



(e) Temperature distribution Γ experiments



(f) Temperature distribution Γ simulations

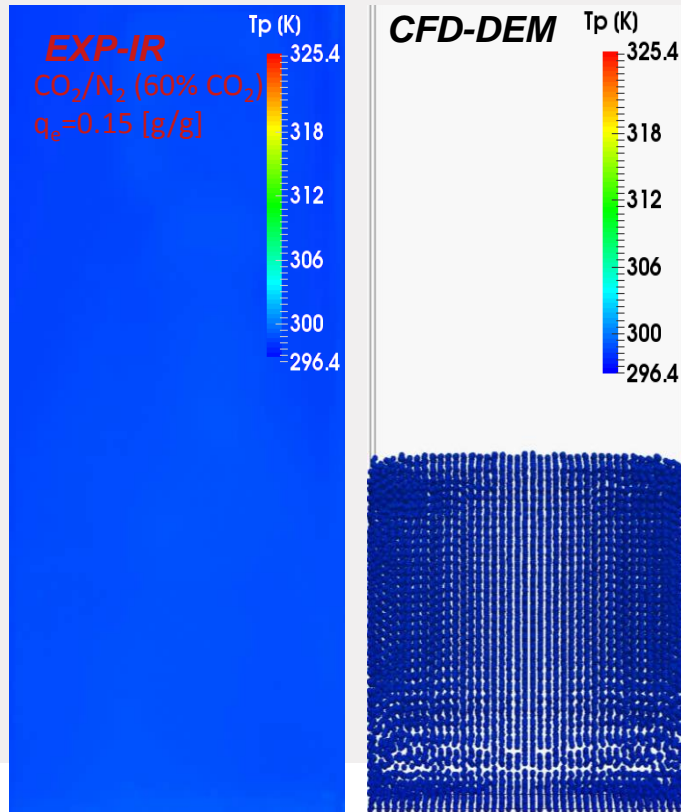
$$\overline{\varepsilon_p(i, j)} = \frac{1}{N_t} \sum_t \varepsilon_p(t, i, j)$$

$$\overline{\Phi_p(i, j)} = \frac{1}{N_t} \sum_t \varepsilon_p(t, i, j) \mathbf{v}_p(t, i, j)$$

$$\overline{\Gamma_p(i, j)} = \frac{1}{\sum_t \varepsilon_p(t, i, j)} \sum_t \varepsilon_p(t, i, j) \frac{T_p(t, i, j) - \langle T_p(t) \rangle_\varepsilon}{\langle T_p(t) \rangle_\varepsilon - T_{g, \text{in}}(t)}$$

CFD-DEM Modelling of Heat Transfer in Gas-fluidized Beds

experiment (l) versus simulation (r)



experimental system

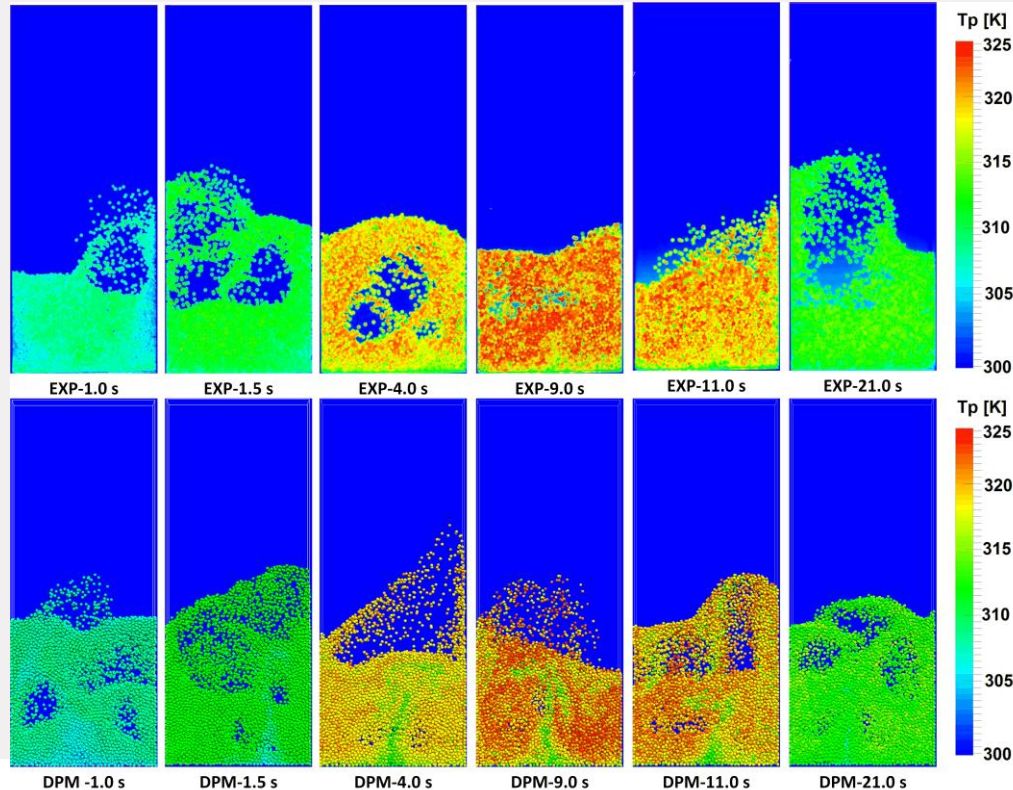
CO_2 absorption on Zeolite particles in pseudo 2D gas-fluidized bed to represent heat liberation due to exothermic chemical reaction

PIV +DIA

IR-thermography for temperature distribution in particulate phase

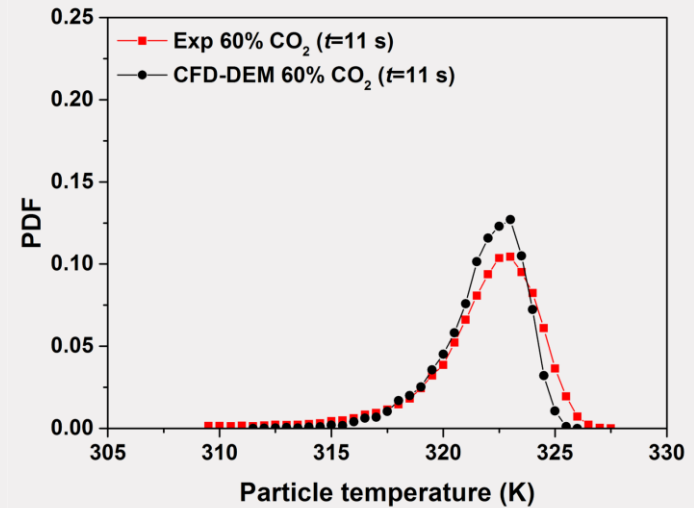
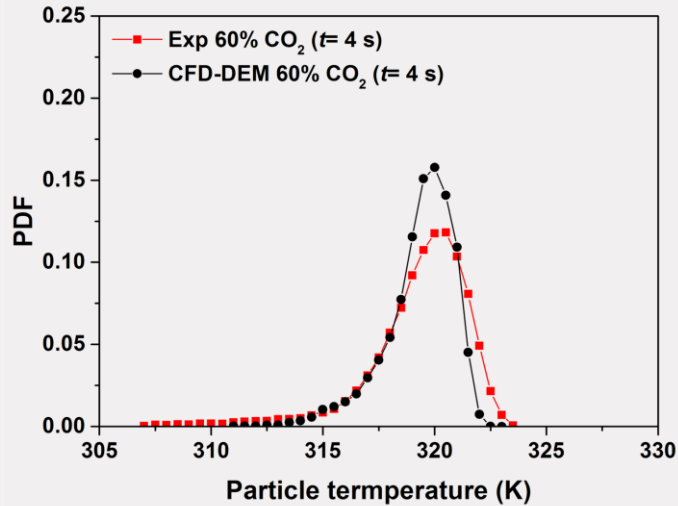
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experiment (top) versus simulation (bottom)



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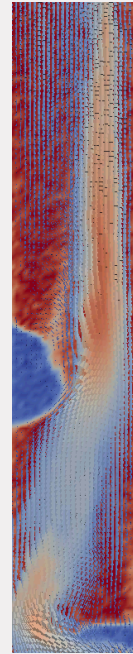
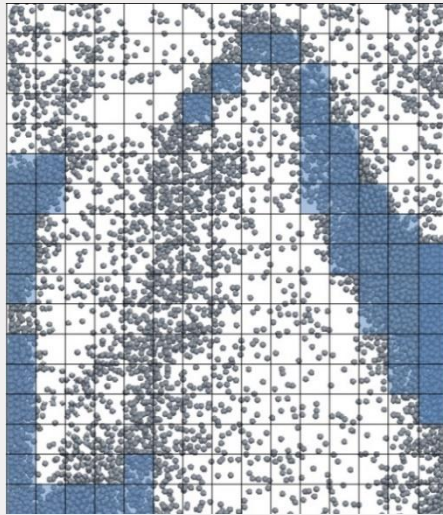
PDF of particle temperature



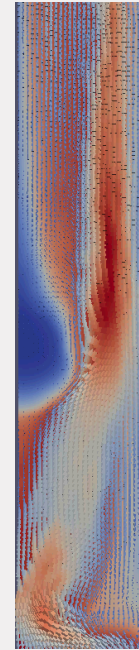
Riser Flow

influence of particle clusters on mass transfer

CFD-DEM simulations of riser flow

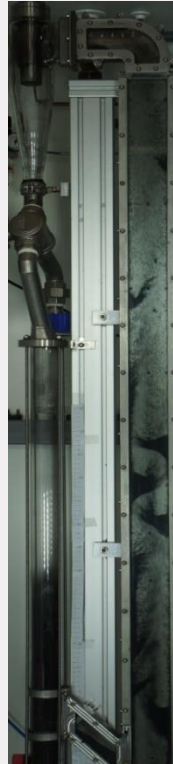
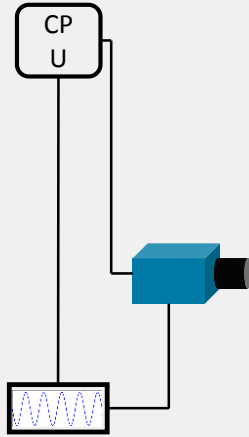


porosity



mass fraction

Experimental Validation of Lab-scale CFB



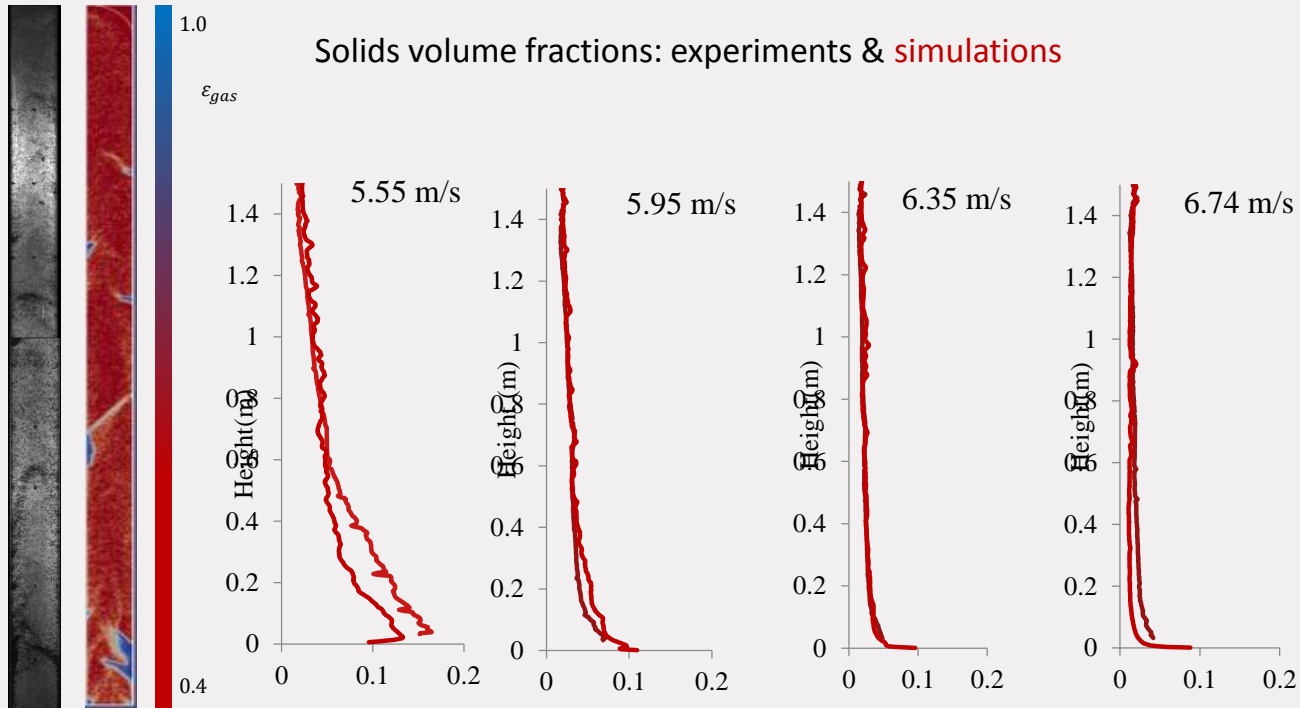
experimental setup



computational domain

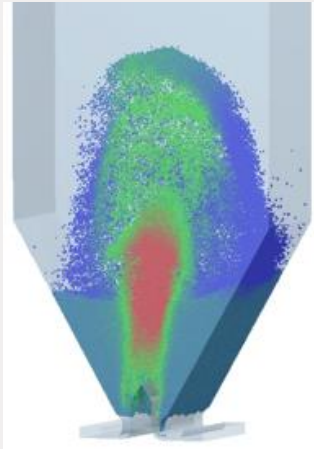
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time-averaged results



Wet Collisions In Fluid Bed Granulation Processes

CFD-DEM

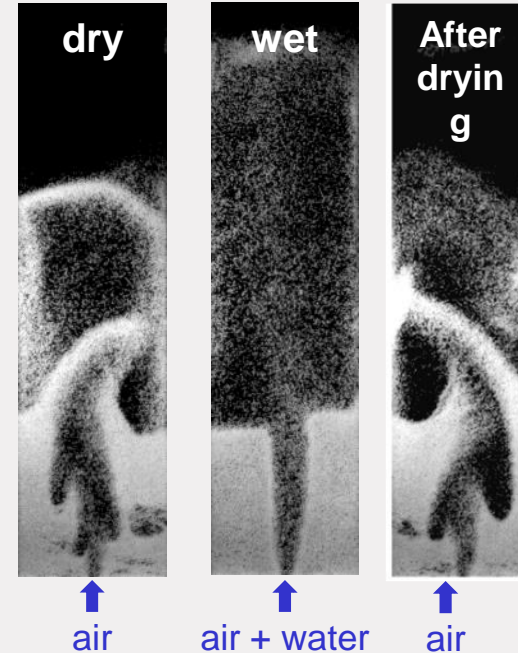
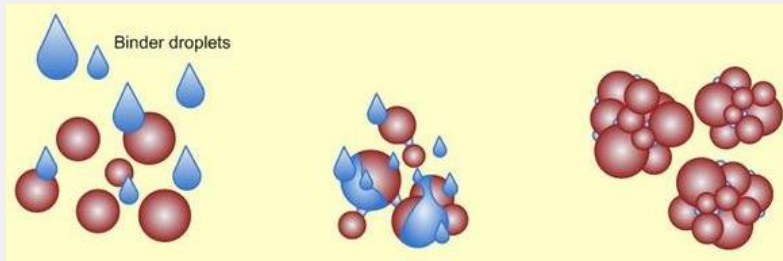


Particulate flows involving liquid:

- Granulation
- Agglomeration
- Coating

Particle interactions:

- Different from dry particles
- Liquid bridge formation



Antonyuk et al., 2009
Particuology

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Take home messages

Multi-scale approach fruitful

Experimental validation of numerical models important

Particle-resolved DNS can simulate small fluid-particle systems

Provides closure relation for coarser models

CFD-DEM numerical laboratory for fluidized systems

Can simulate lab-scale gas-solid systems

Suited for investigating influence meso-scale structures (bubbles, particle clusters)

Developments: towards realistic (reactor) systems

Heat & mass transfer, wet collisions