

# **Project Title: Use of a DNS Method to Reduce Uncertainties in Two-Fluid Models**

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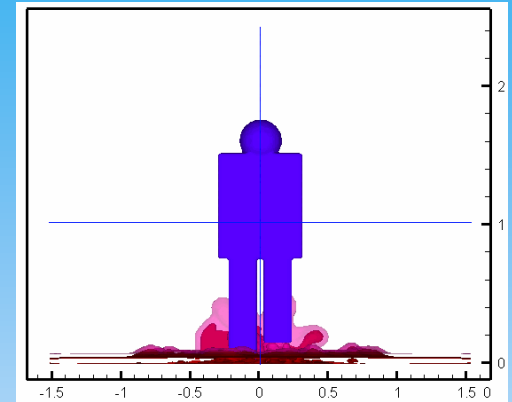
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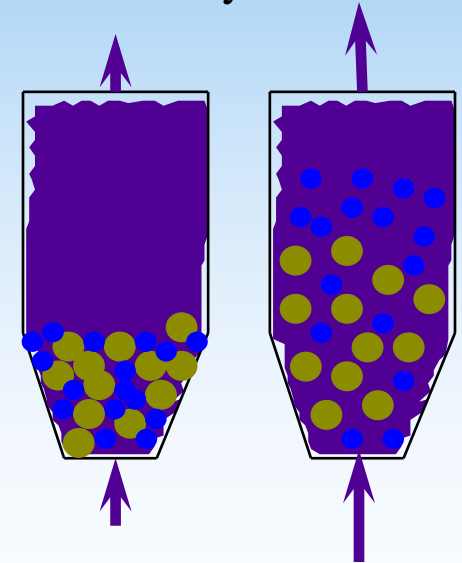
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# Background on Particulate Flows

- Particulate flows
  - Solid-gas flows, solid-liquid flows, liquid-gas flows, liquid-solid-gas flows
- Particle fluidization in a bed
  - Fluid injected from the bottom of the bed (distributor)
  - Particles remains packed if the fluid velocity is low (solid-like state, or packed bed)
  - Particles will be lifted when the flow velocity is high enough (fluid-like state)
- Advantages of particle fluidization
  - Large contact area between particles and fluid, better interaction: excellent for energy transfer, combustion and reactions between particles and fluid.
  - Low cost, easy to implement, suitable for continuous operation



Dusty flow



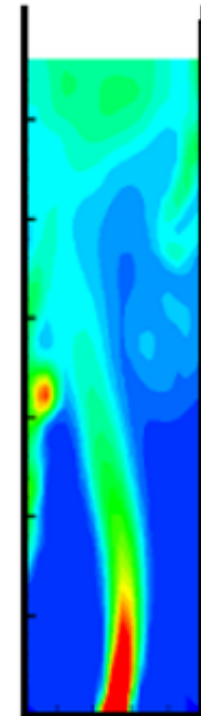
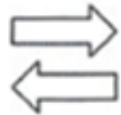
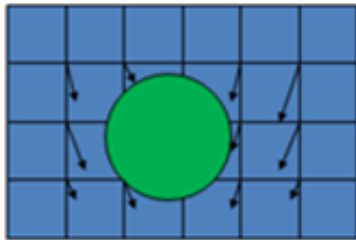
fluidization

# Multiscale Modeling for Particulate Flows

**Resolved Discrete Particle  
(Direct Numerical Simulation)  
Model**

**Unresolved Discrete Particle  
(Discrete Element)  
Model**

**Two-Fluid  
(Continuum)  
Model**

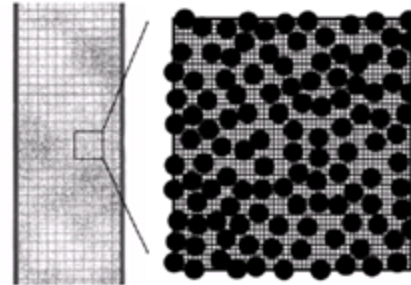


Larger geometry



# Direct Numerical Simulation (DNS)

Also called Resolved Discrete Particle Method (*RDPM*)



**Fluid phase**

$$\partial_t(\rho_f \vec{u}) + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\rho_f \vec{u} \vec{u}) = - \vec{\nabla} P - \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\boldsymbol{\tau}) + \text{“boundary conditions”}$$

**Solid phase**

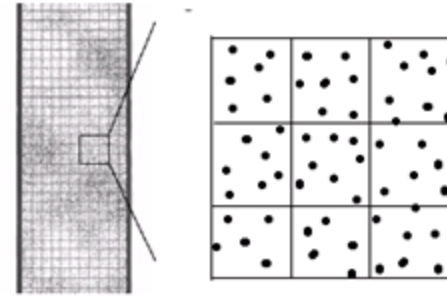
$$\frac{d}{dt} m \vec{v}_i = \sum_j \vec{F}_{ij} + \sum \vec{F}_b + \oint_{as} \vec{\sigma} \cdot d\vec{s}; \quad \tilde{I}_i \frac{d\vec{\omega}_i}{dt} = \oint_{as} (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_i) \times (\vec{\sigma} \cdot d\vec{s})$$

Particle-fluid interactions;  
**(Direct calculated)**

**Fluid:** CFD (Eulerian)      **Solid:** Particles tracking (Lagrangian)

# Discrete Element Method (DEM)

Also called Unresolved  
Discrete Particle (*UDPM*)



## Fluid phase

$$\partial_t(\rho_f \vec{u}) + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\rho_f \vec{u} \vec{u}) = -\varepsilon \vec{\nabla} P - \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\varepsilon \boldsymbol{\tau}) + \beta(\vec{v} - \vec{u})$$

## Solid phase

$$\frac{d}{dt} m \vec{v}_i = \sum_j \vec{F}_{ij} + \frac{\beta V_i}{1 - \varepsilon} (\vec{u} - \vec{v}_i)$$

Particle-particle interactions  
(Collision forces)

Particle-fluid interactions  
(**Estimated/Modeled**)

**Fluid:** CFD (Eulerian)    **Solid:** Particles tracking (Lagrangian)

# Two-Fluid Model (TFM)

Also called Continuum Model



**Fluid phase**

$$\partial_t(\rho_f \vec{u}) + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\rho_f \vec{u} \vec{u}) = -\varepsilon \vec{\nabla} P - \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\varepsilon \tau) + \beta(\vec{v} - \vec{u})$$

**Solid phase**

$$\partial_t(\rho_s \vec{v}) + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\rho_s \vec{v} \vec{v}) = -\varepsilon_s \vec{\nabla} P_s - \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\varepsilon_s \tau_s) - \beta(\vec{v} - \vec{u})$$

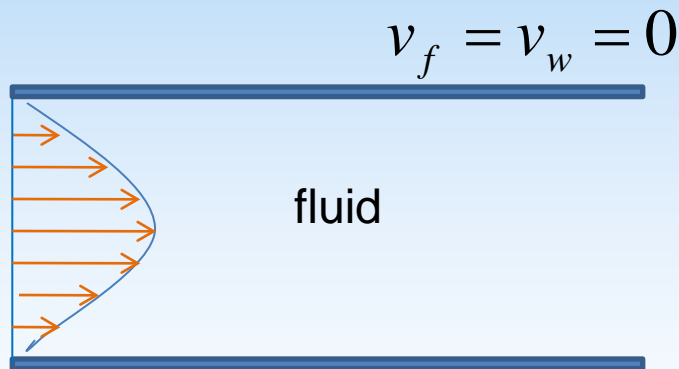
$$\tau_s = -\mu_s \left[ (\vec{\nabla} \vec{v}) + (\vec{\nabla} \vec{v})^T - \frac{2}{3} (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{v}) I \right]$$

**Fluid:** CFD (Eulerian)

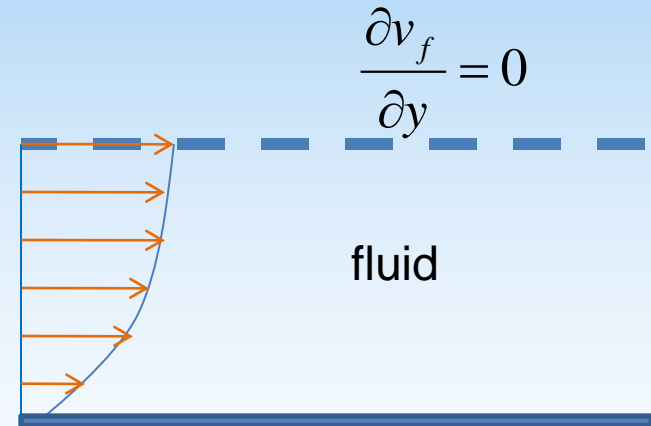
**Solid:** CFD (Eulerian)

# Importance of Boundary Conditions in CFD Simulations

- Industrial scale simulations require two-fluid model
- Simulation results of two-fluid model strongly depend on the boundary conditions of solid phase
- Uncertainties on boundary conditions affect the accuracy of simulation results



No-slip boundary condition on top



free-slip boundary condition on top

# Wall Boundary Condition of Solid Phase for Two-Fluid Model

- Uncertainties on velocity b.c. of solid phase

- No slip condition

$$v_s = v_w$$

- Free slip condition

$$\frac{\partial v_s}{\partial n} = 0$$

- Johnson and Jackson boundary condition\*

$$\frac{\mathbf{n} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{|\mathbf{v}|} + \sigma_{yy}^f \tan \delta' + \frac{\phi' \sqrt{3} \pi \rho_p \nu T^{1/2} |\mathbf{v}|}{6\nu_0 [1 - (\nu/\nu_0)^{1/3}]} = 0$$

- Rarely used

- Experimental results show that particles slip at wall

- **Partial slip boundary condition**

- $\frac{\partial v_s}{\partial n} + \beta(v_s - v_w) = 0$ ,  $\beta$  is the slip coefficient; effect of fluid field is not included

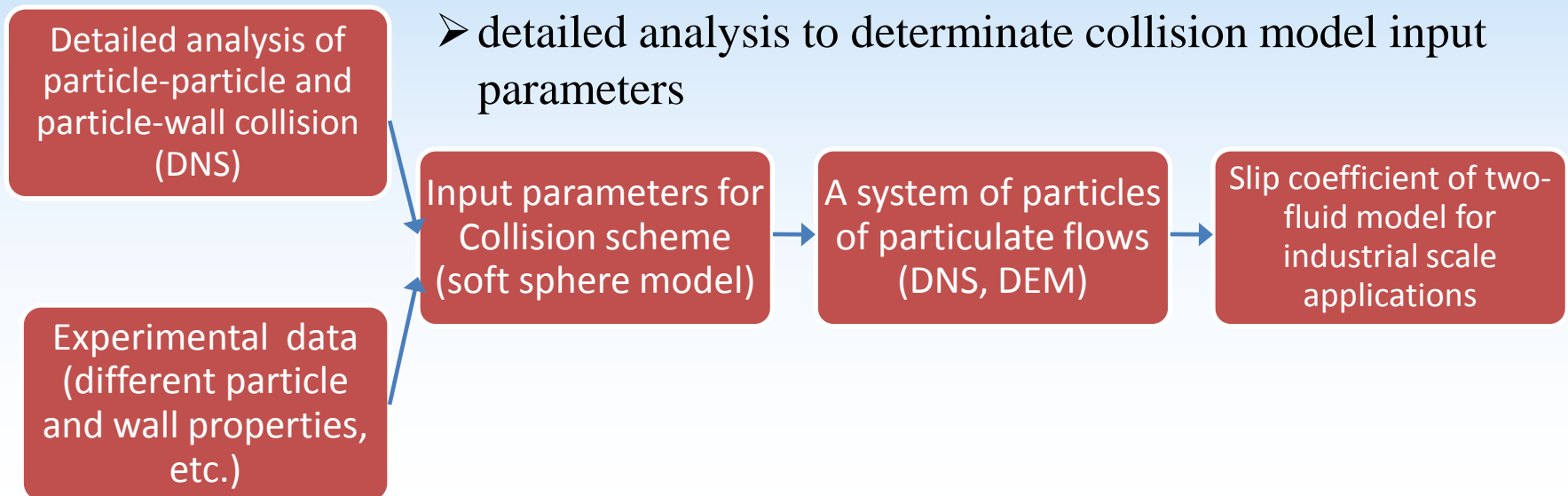
- Need better partial slip model

\* Johnson, P.C., and Jackson, R. (1987), “Frictional-collisional constitutive relations for granular materials, with application to plane shearing,” *J. Fluid Mech.*, vol.176, pp.67.



# A Multi-scale Modeling Approach to Reduce Uncertainties on Wall B.C.

- two-fluid model simulations for industrial applications
  - reliable partial slip boundary condition for solid phase
    - solid phase velocity profile near wall
      - statistical average velocity of a large number of particles
        - **DNS + Collision Model** (resolved discrete particle method with the capability of handling particle-particle and particle-wall collisions)



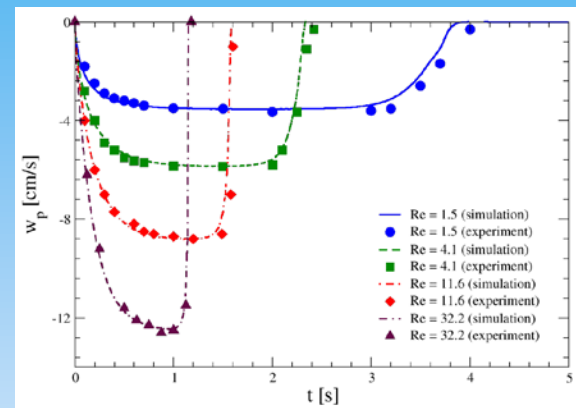
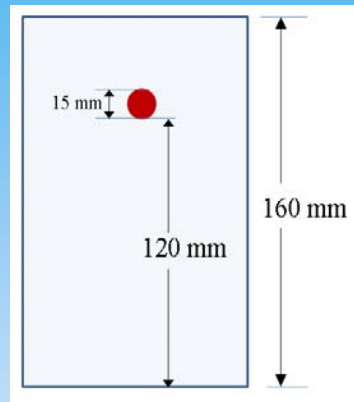
# DNS simulation method: *Proteus*\*

- Fluid velocity and pressure fields
  - Lattice-Boltzmann method or finite difference method based Navier-Stokes fluid solver; fixed regular grid.
- Particle-fluid interactions
  - Immersed boundary method; moving boundary nodes
- Particle-particle interactions
  - Soft-sphere collision scheme
  - Hybrid repulsive-force/lubrication scheme
- Particle dynamics
  - Newton's equations of motion (translational and rotational motions)

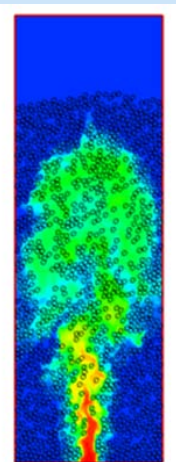
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# Validations of DNS

- Sedimentation of a spherical particle in a viscous fluid
  - Experiment measurement using PIV by ten Cate et al.\*



- Fluidization of 3000 glass beads\*\*



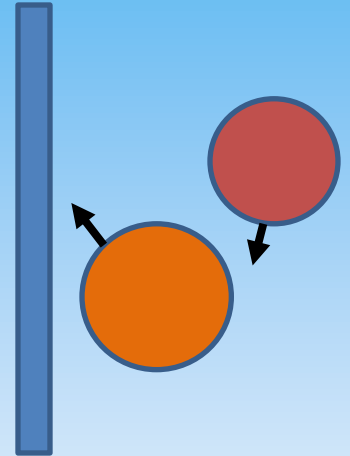
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# **Determination of soft-sphere collision model parameters**

# Particle-Wall and Particle-Particle Collisions

- Collisions occur frequently, especially for dense particulate flows
- Collision models
  - Hard-sphere model
    - No overlap; inefficient for a large number of particles.
  - **Soft-sphere model**
    - Most widely used; allow small overlap; collision forces are computed based on overlap distance; need input parameters.
  - Lubrication force model
    - Not allow to contact; not applicable for high velocity and low viscosity flows



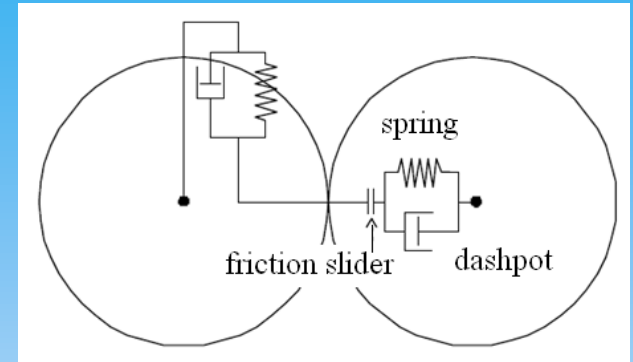
# The Soft-Sphere Collision Model

- Collision force components\*

- normal  $f_{ij}^n = -k_n \delta_{ij}^n - \eta_n v_{ij}^n$

- tangential

$$f_{ij}^t = \begin{cases} -k \delta_{ij}^t - \eta v_{ij}^t, & \text{if } |f_{ij}^t| \leq \mu_s |f_{ij}^n| \\ \mu_s |f_{ij}^n| \frac{\delta_{ij}^t}{|\delta_{ij}^t|}, & \text{if } |f_{ij}^t| > \mu_s |f_{ij}^n| \end{cases}$$



- Model parameters

- spring stiffness,  $k$ ; cause the rebound off the colliding particles
- damping coefficient,  $\eta$ ; mimic the dissipation of kinetic energy due to inelastic collisions.
- friction coefficient,  $\mu$ ; allow sliding.

- Collision model parameters depend on fluid and particle properties.

- How to choose the right model parameters?

- matching numerical results with experimental data

\* Cundall, P.A. and O. D. L. Strack, "A discrete numerical model for granular assemblies," *Géotechnique*, **29**:47 (1979).

# Central Particle-Wall Collision (1)

- Experimental study\*
  - Joseph et al. measured the particle rebounding velocity in various viscous fluids using spheres of different materials.
- DNS + Collision Model
  - fluid field is directly solved by DNS
  - collision is handled by soft-sphere model
    - select model parameters to match experimental data

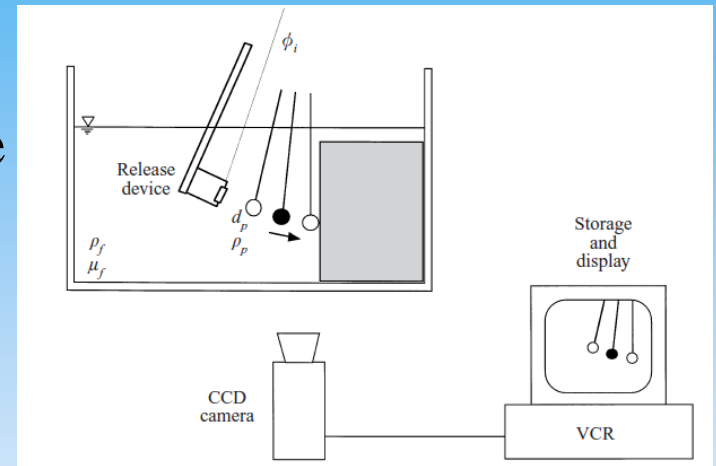
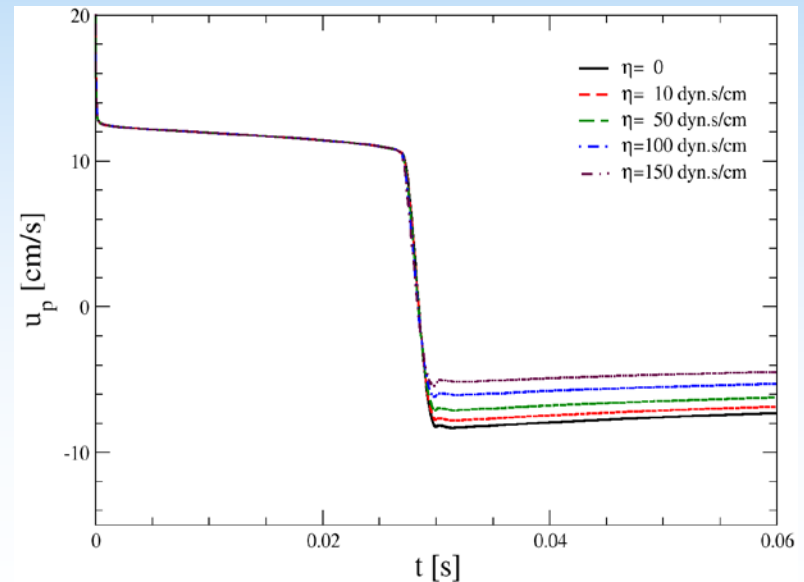
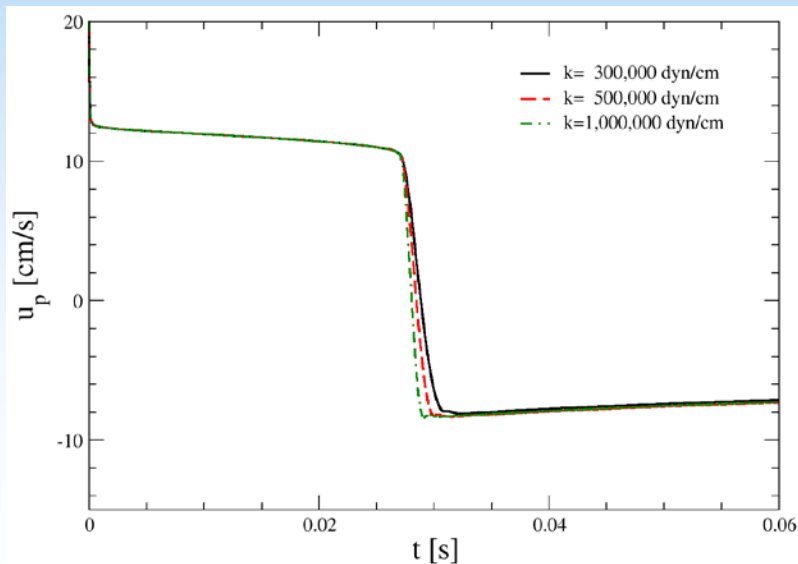


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# Central Particle-Wall Collision (2)

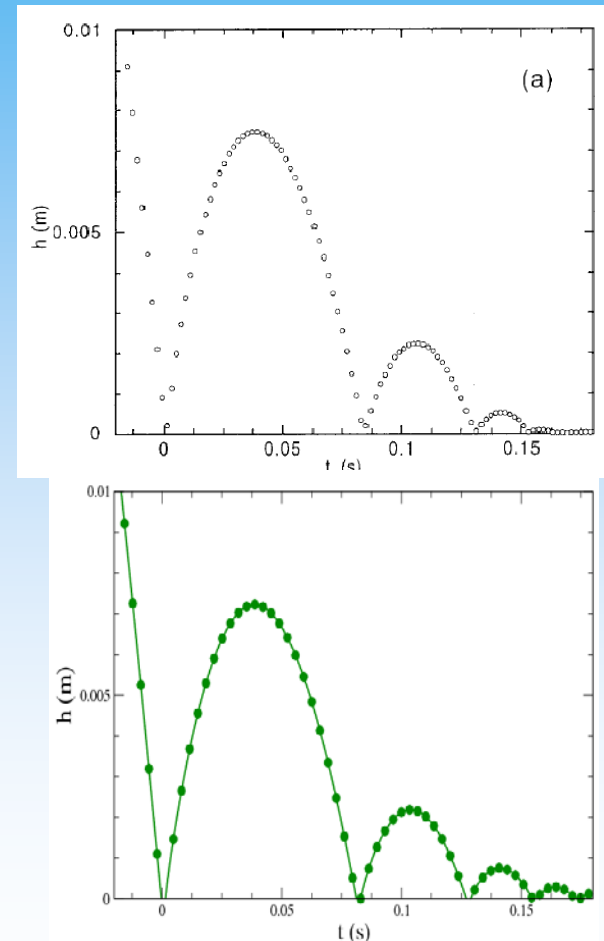
- Simulations are done using DNS combined with the soft-sphere collision model
- Study the effect of model parameters to the dynamics of particle in collision
  - Spring stiffness affects the duration time of collision
  - Damping coefficient affects the rebounding velocity





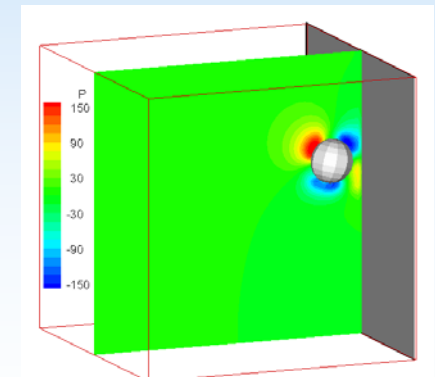
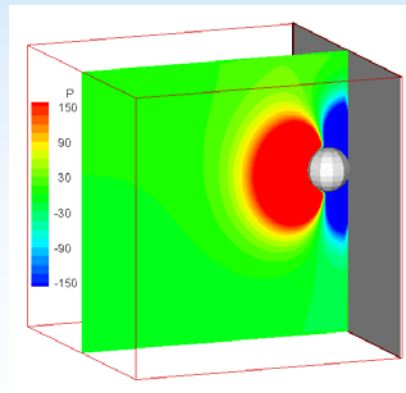
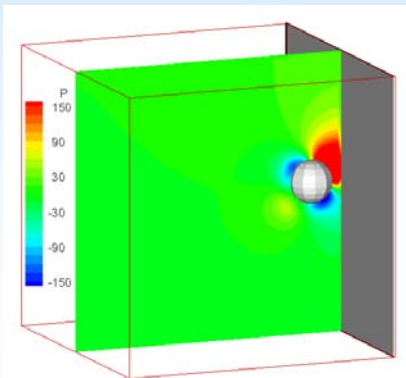
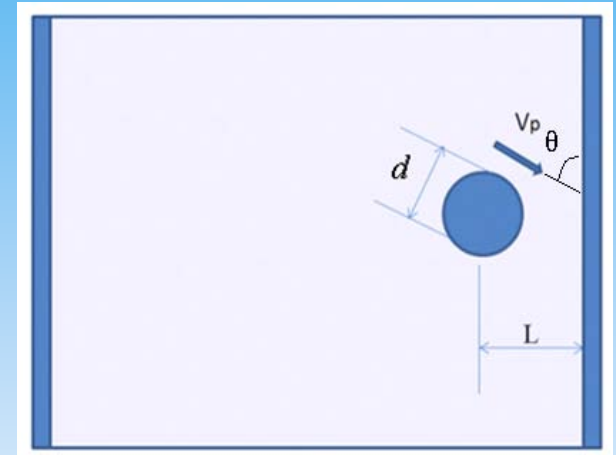
# Bouncing Motion of a Sphere in a Viscous Fluid due to Gravity

- Experimental study\*
  - Sphere falling onto a plate in viscous fluid (in silicon oil RV10).
  - trajectory of a sphere (diameter is 3mm) was recorded.
- DNS numerical simulation
  - $k=317,000$  dyn/cm,
  - $\eta=140$  dyn.s/cm



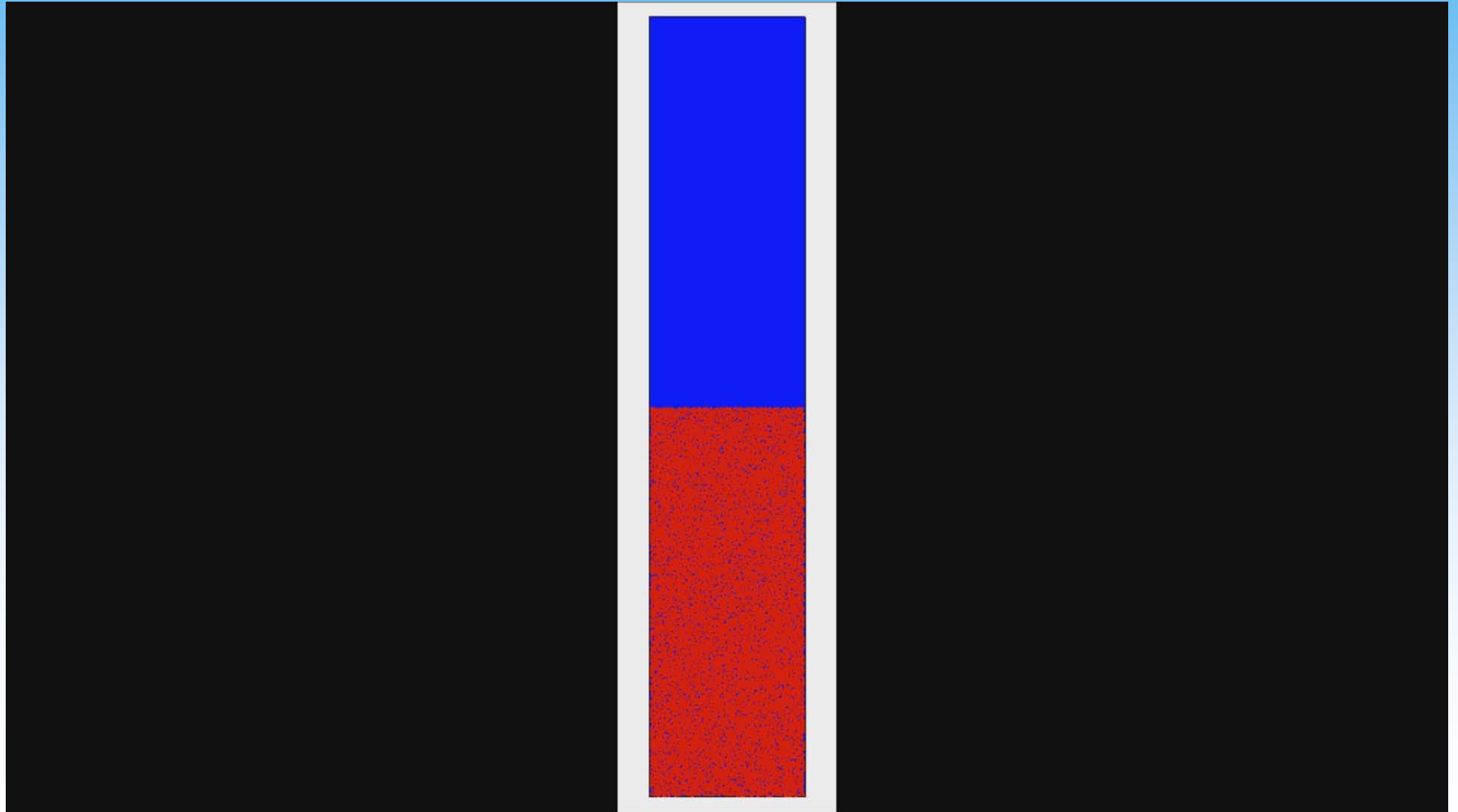
# Oblique Particle-Wall Collision (1)

- A particle of diameter  $d=0.635$  cm and density  $2.54$  g/cm<sup>3</sup> is given an initial velocity  $v_p \approx 10$  cm/s; it then collides with a wall in water
- Collision angle  $\Theta=45^\circ$
- The soft-sphere model is applied



# Derivation of velocity profile of solid phase at a wall

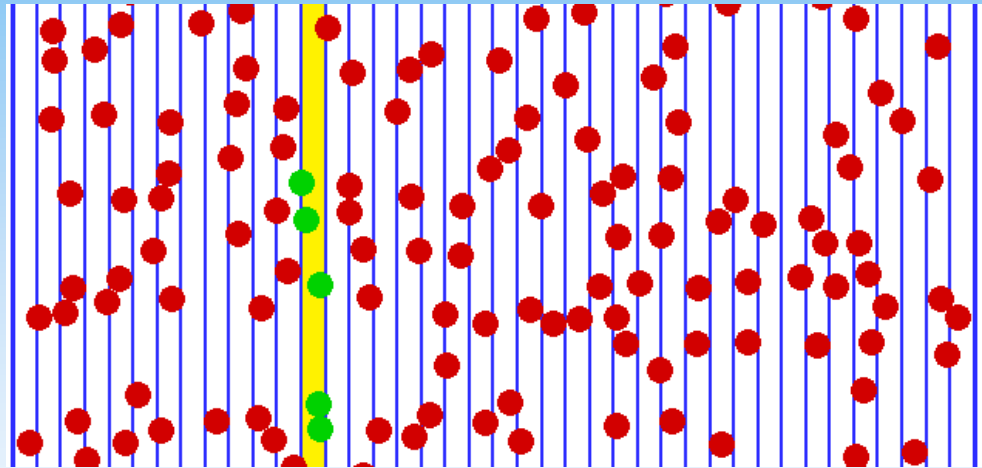
# Particles fluidization by a jet



# Decomposition domain

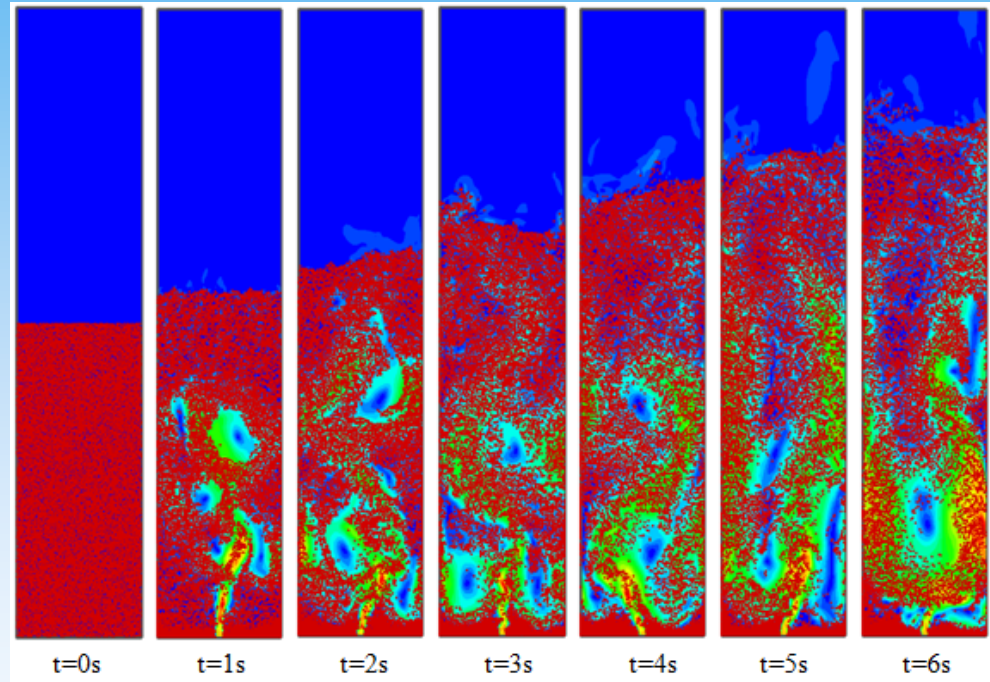
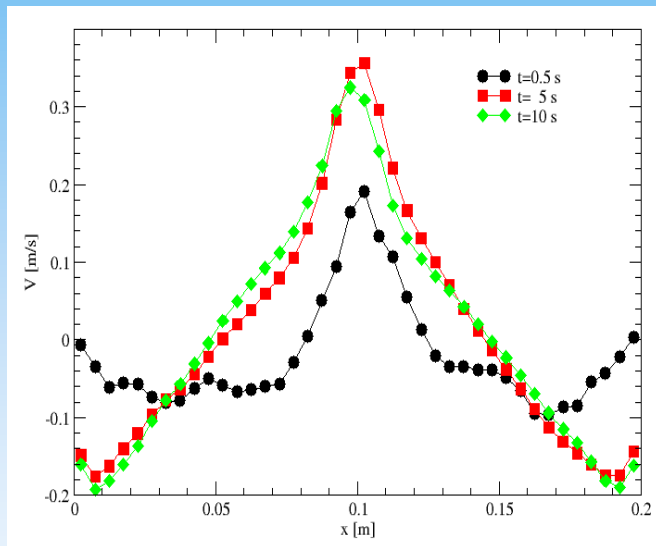
- The width of each section equals to the diameter of the particle
- Statistical velocity
  - Velocity at ith column

$$V_i = \frac{1}{N_{\delta t}} \sum_k \left( \frac{\sum_j V_j(t_k)}{N_i(t_k)} \right)$$



- $N_{\delta t}$  is the total time steps
- $N_i$  is the total number of particles within the ith column.

# Slip velocity of solid particles at a solid wall

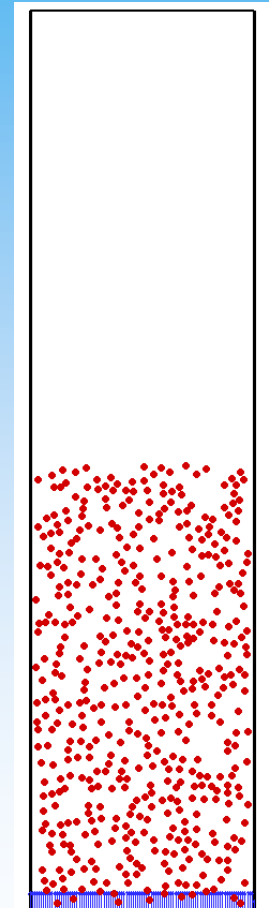


Time-space averaged velocity

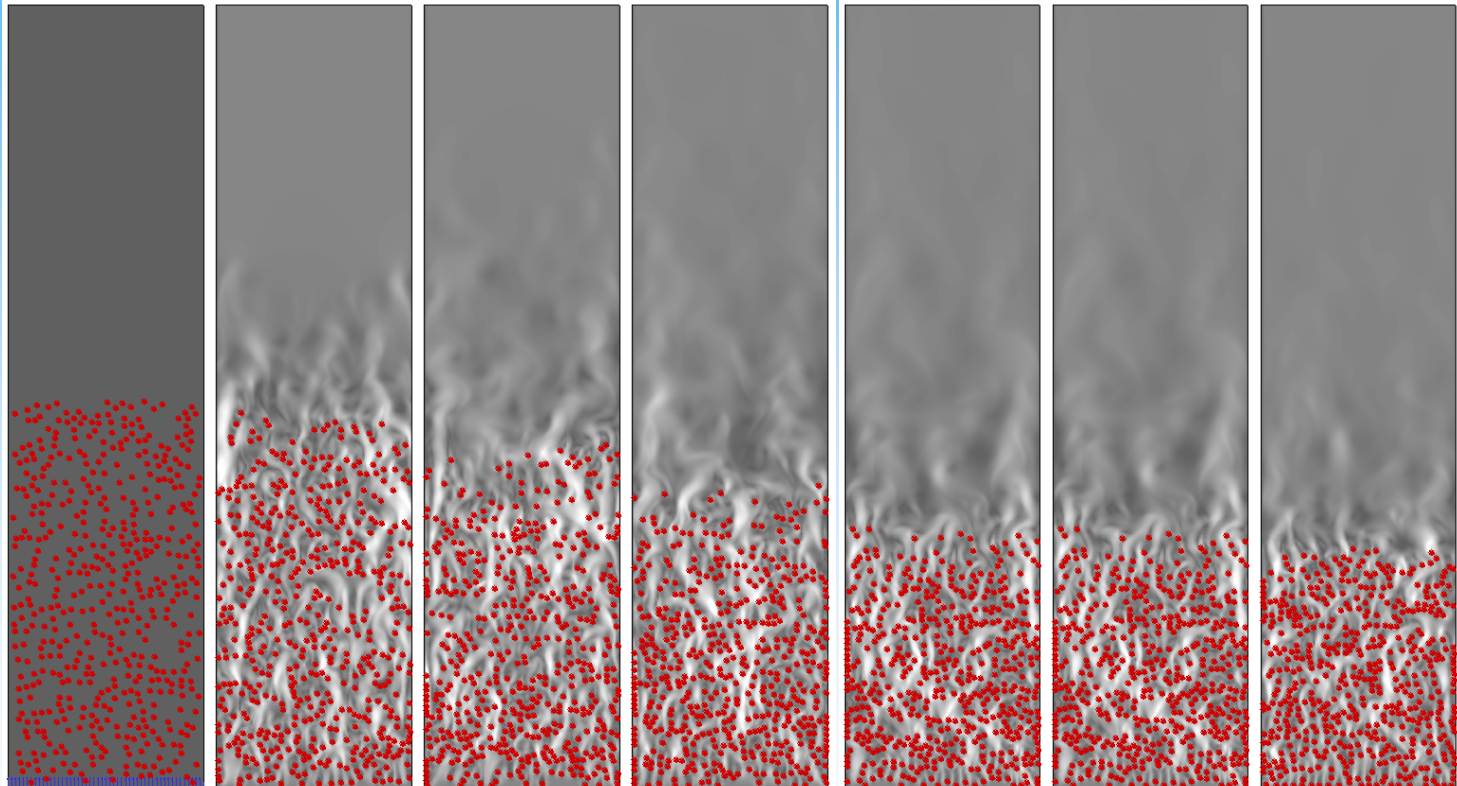
10,000 spherical particles in a jet fluidized bed

# DNS Simulation of particle fluidization by a uniform flow

- Simulation Parameters
  - Width  $w=0.2$  m; height  $h=0.8$  m
  - Particle radius  $r=0.002$  m;
  - Fluid density  $1000$  kg/m<sup>3</sup>; viscosity  $0.001$
  - Particle density  $2300$  kg/m<sup>3</sup>
  - Uniform fluid velocity at inlet,  $v=0.12$  m/s
  - $Dx=0.0004$ , CFL=1.2
  - Total particles 1274, randomly distributed



# Uniform Fluidization velocity $V=12$ cm/s

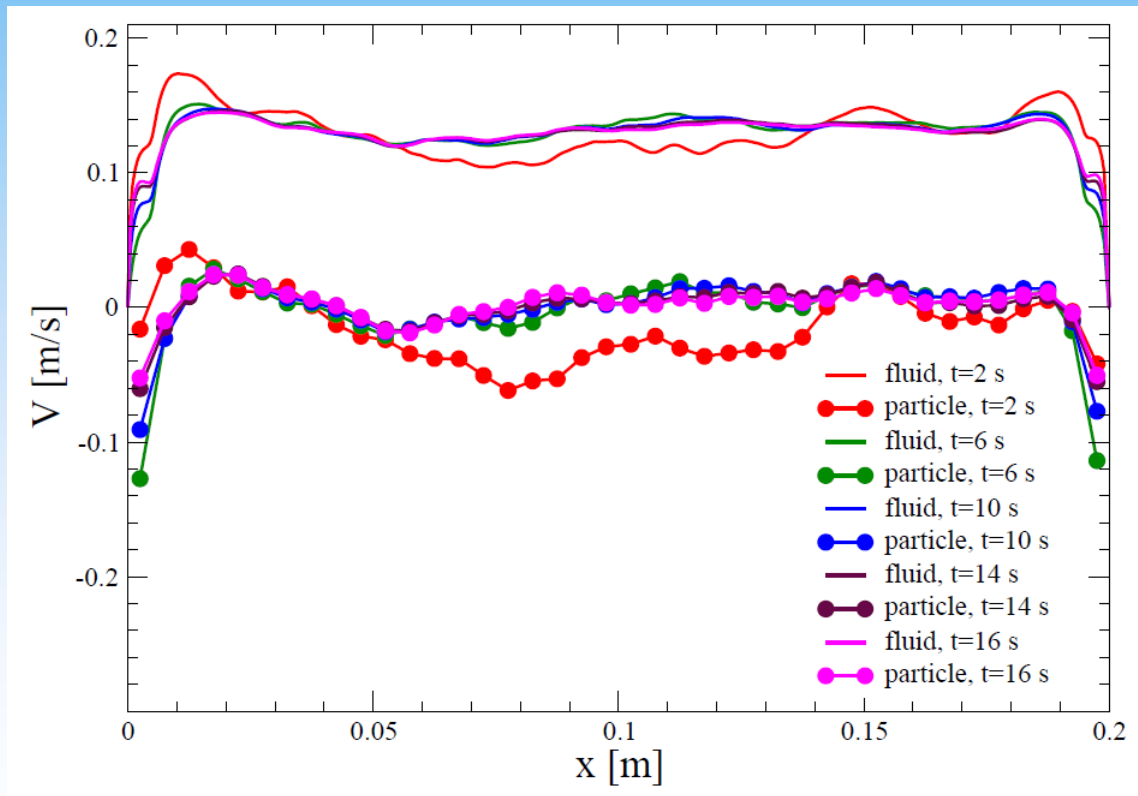


Snapshot at time  $t=0$ , 1s, 2s, 3s, 4s, 6s, and 10s.

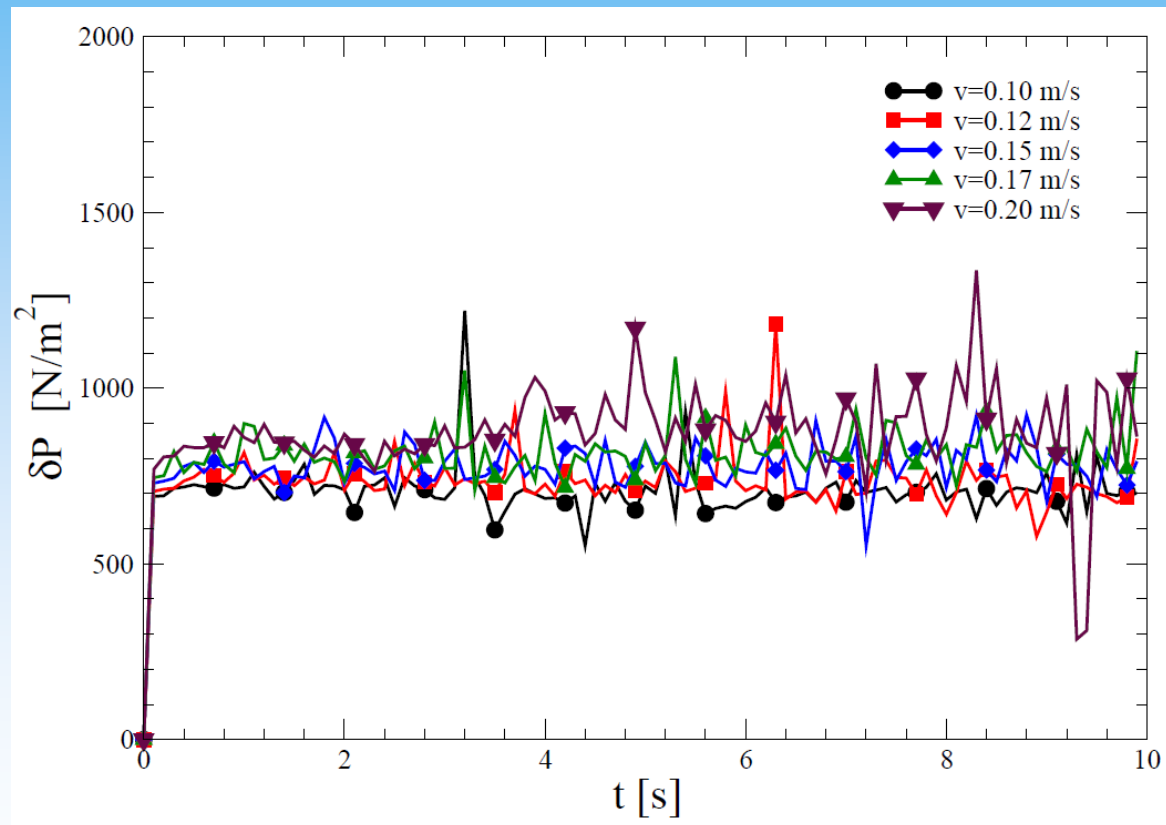


# Velocity profiles of solid phase and fluid phase

- Time and space averaged

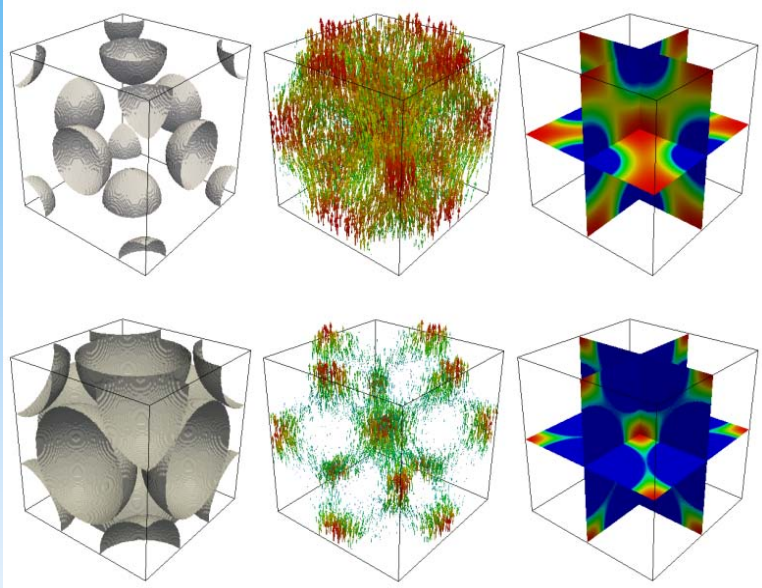


# Pressure drop over the bed

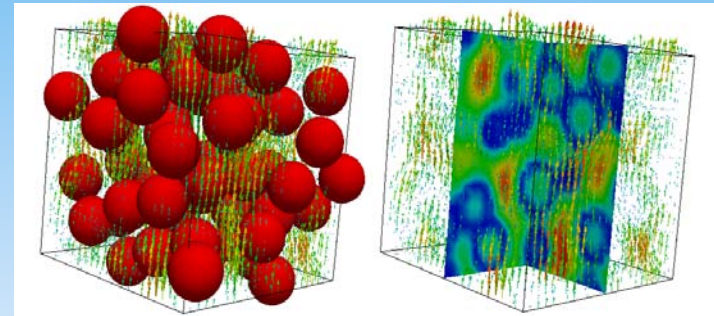


# **Influence of neighboring particles**

# Flow over arrays of fixed spheres



Face centered arrays of spheres

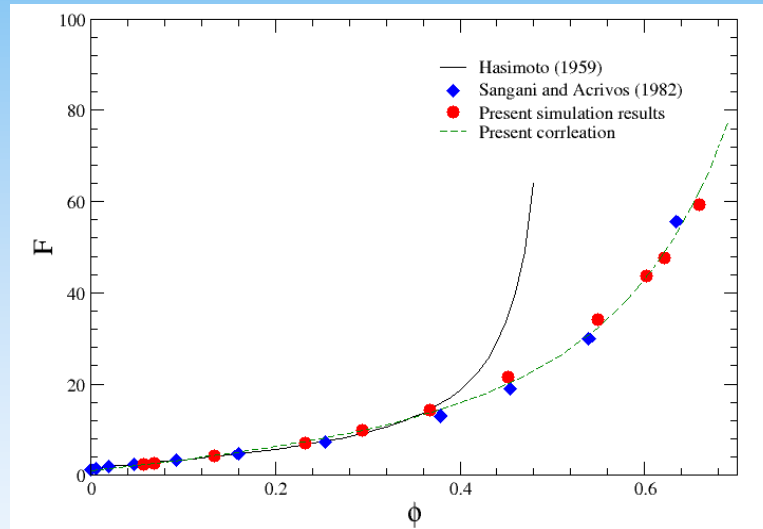


Random arrays of spheres

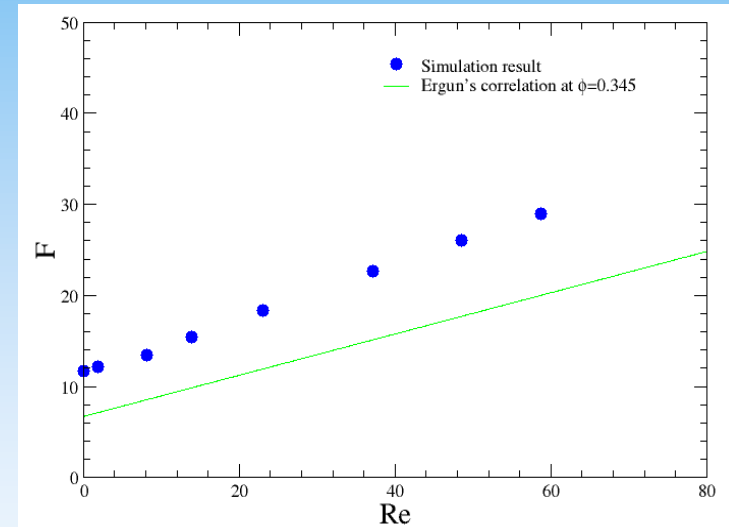
# Affect of drag laws due to the neighboring particles

Define dimensionless drag force

$$F = \frac{F_d(\phi)}{6\pi\mu aU}$$



Stoke flows



Flows of different Reynolds number at volume fraction 0.35.

# Influence of neighboring particles when particles are in motion

- Physical properties (\*)
  - Settling particle diameter  $d=15\text{mm}$ , density  $\rho_p=1500\text{kg/m}^3$ ;
  - Fluid viscosity  $0.058\text{ kg/m.s}$ , density= $960\text{ kg/m}^3$ .
- Simulation parameters:
  - $\delta x=d/16$ ;  $\delta t=2.5\times 10^{-4}\text{ s}$ ;
  - Flow domain: regular grid  $96\times 96\times 480$ ;
  - Particle: 789 surface nodes for one particle
  - Periodic boundary conditions
  - At zero solid fraction,  $U_\infty = 0.27\text{m/s}$  ; flow Reynolds number  $\sim 68$ .

\*A ten Cate, C. H. Nieuwstad, J. J. Derksen, and H. E. A. van den Akker(2002), "Particle imaging velocimetry experiments and lattice-Boltzmann simulations on a single sphere settling under gravity," *Phys. Fluids*, **14**: 4012-4025 .

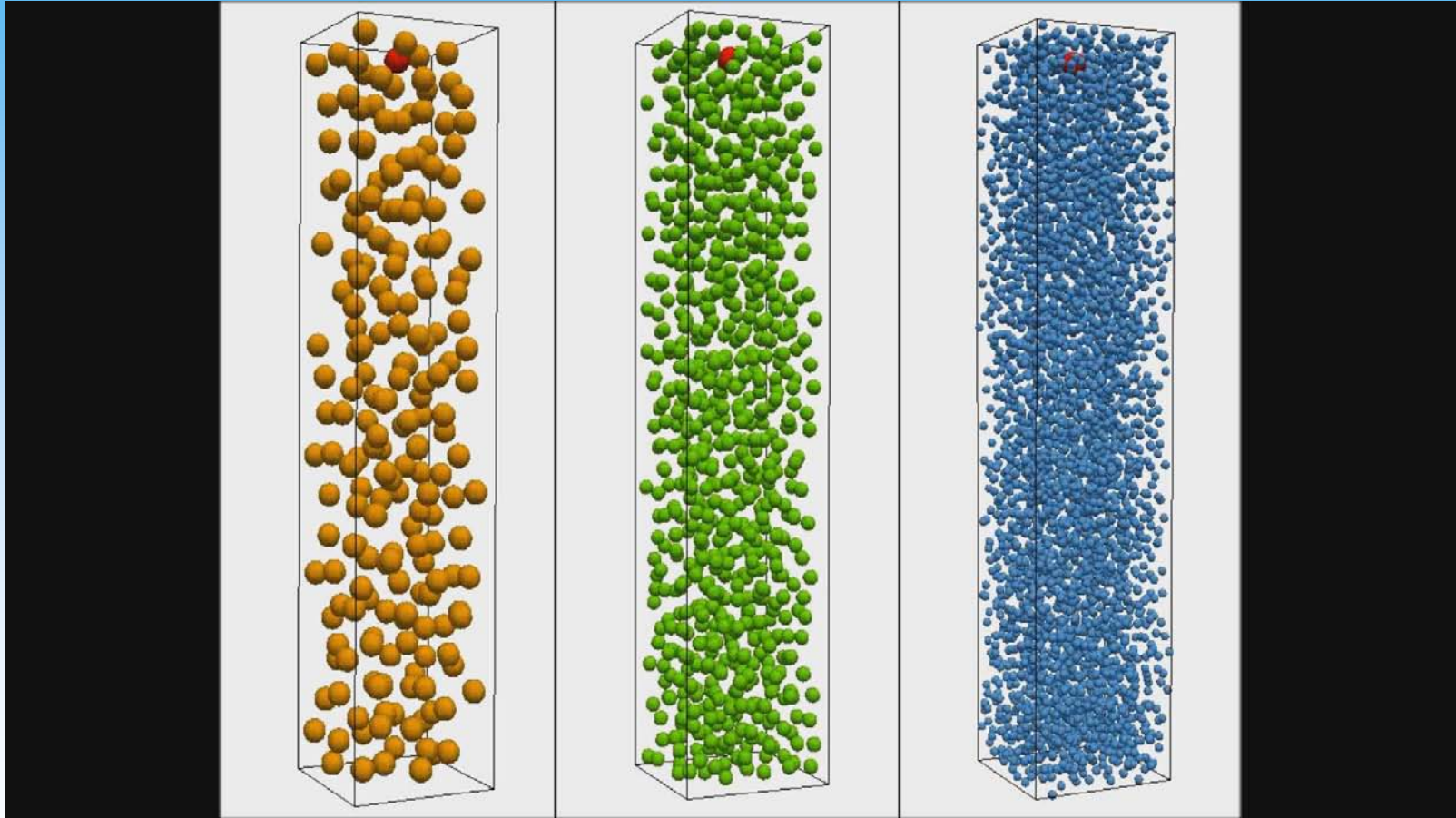
# Effect of the size of neighboring particles

- Consider three cases at the same solid volume fraction  $\phi = 10\%$

Case No.	Diameter of neighboring particles	Number of neighboring particles
1	1d	200
2	0.625d	819
3	0.375d	3793

- Question:
  - Which case the heavy particle falls the fastest?

# Settling of a heavy particle in suspension flows with different size of particles



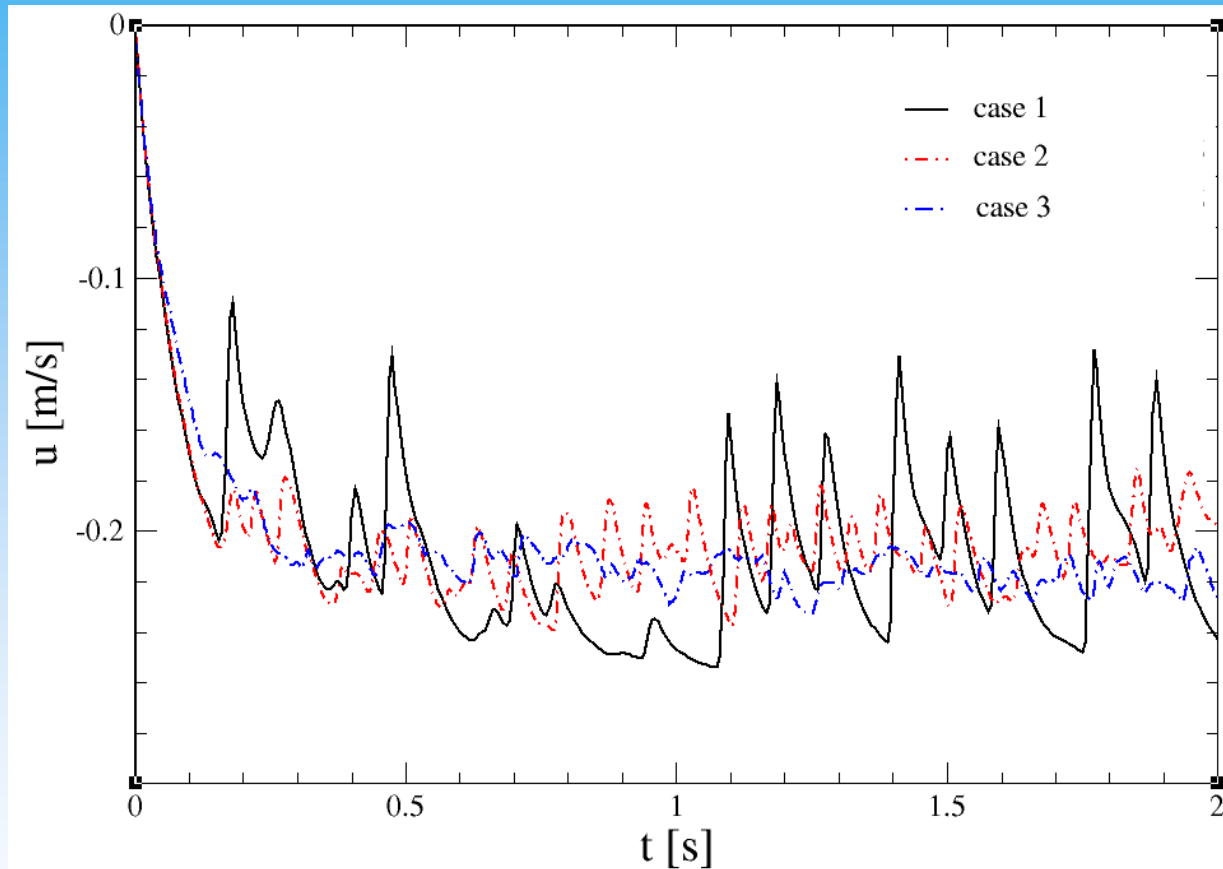
Case 1:  $N=200$

case 2:  $N=819$

case 3:  $N=3793$

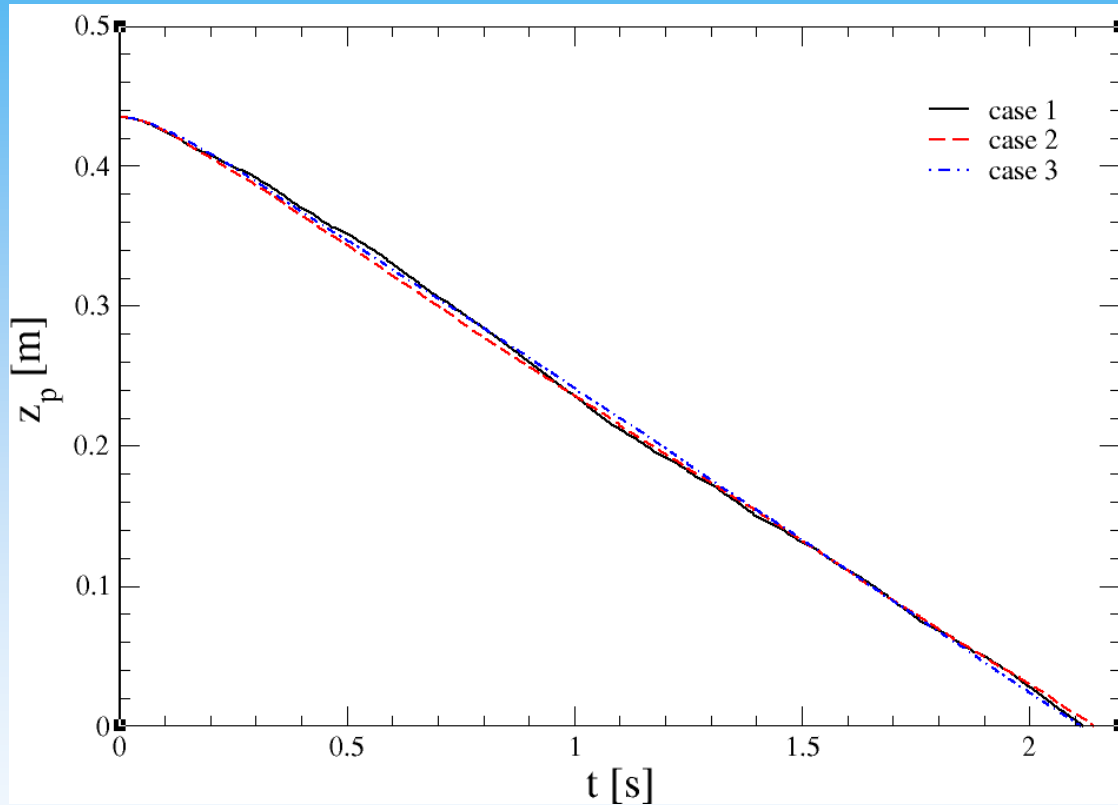


# Settling velocity of the heavy particle



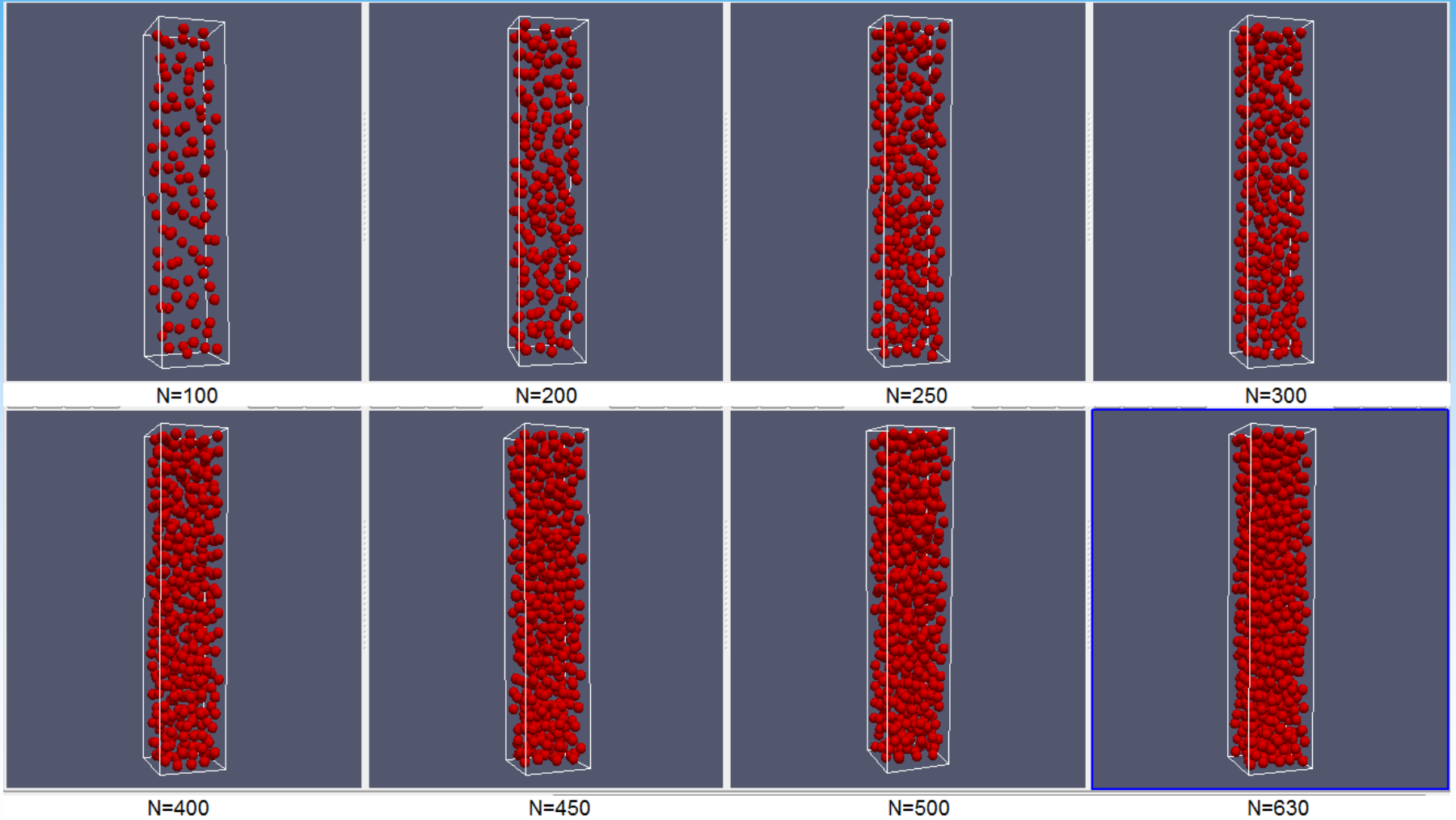
Resistance: drag force + collision force

# Vertical position of the heavy particle

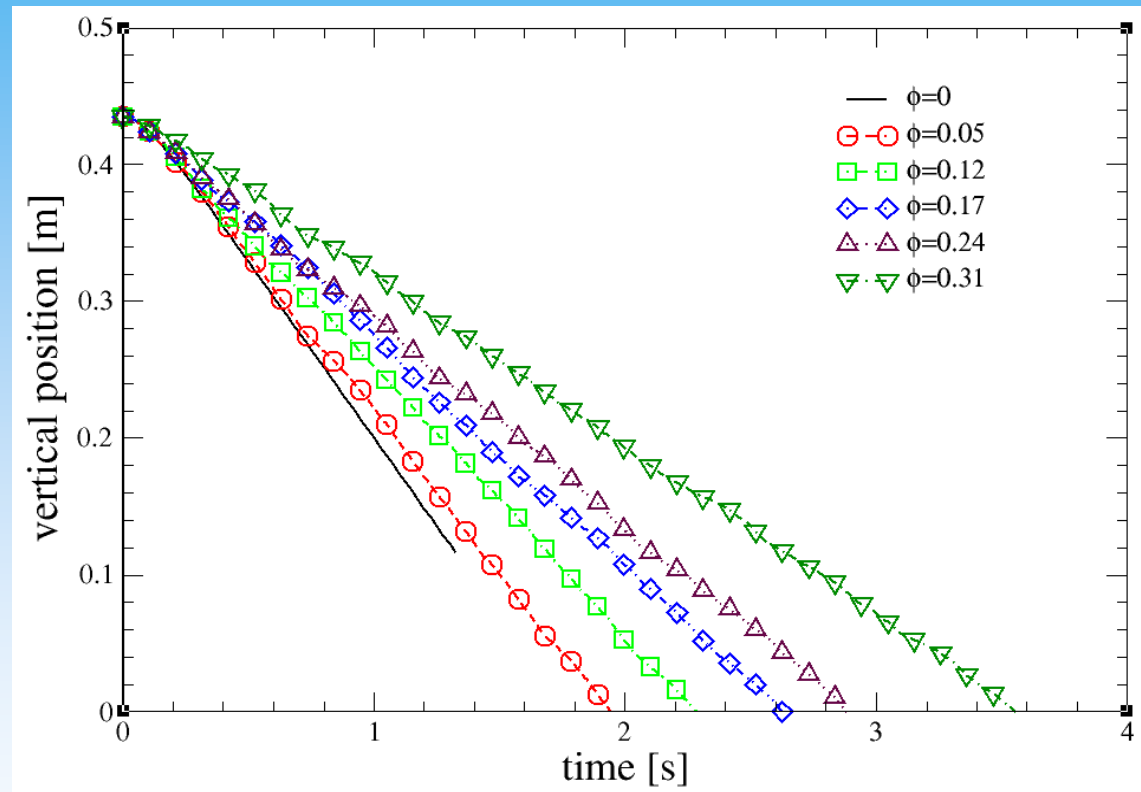


Almost the same slope in  $z-t$  graph. The mean settling velocity=slope=0.21 m/s.

# Initial distributions of particles at eight different solid fractions



# Vertical position of the settling particle at different solid fractions



After a brief unsteady transition at the beginning, the slope in  $z-t$  graph is nearly a const for each case.

# Mixture theory

- Effective density and viscosity of solid-liquid suspension:

$$\rho_m = \rho_f, \quad \mu_m \approx \mu_f (1 + 2.5\phi + 5.2\phi^2 + \dots) \quad (\text{Batchelor}^*)$$

or

$$\mu_m \approx \mu_f (1 + 2.5\phi + 10.05\phi^2 + \dots) \quad (\text{Thomas}^{**})$$

Force balance:

$$C_d(\phi) \frac{1}{2} \rho_m V_t^2(\phi) \frac{\pi d^2}{4} = (\rho_p - \rho_f) \frac{1}{6} \pi d^3$$

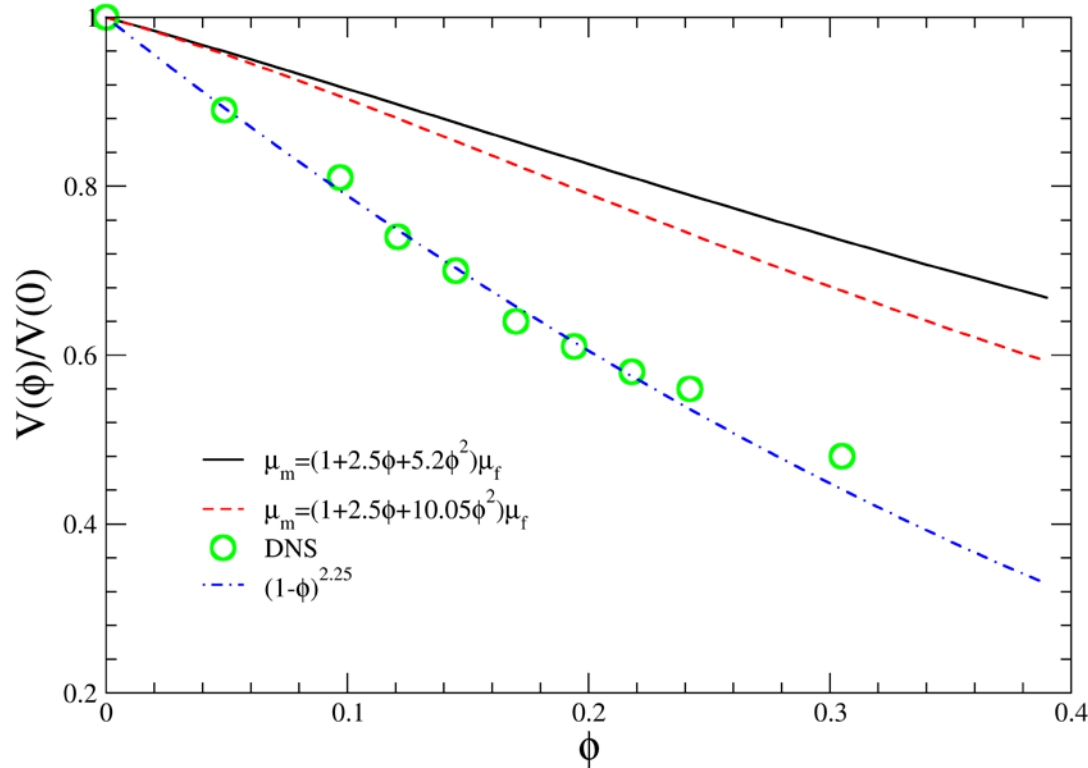
Empirical drag law:  $C_d(\phi) = \left(0.63 + \frac{4.8}{\sqrt{\text{Re}(\phi)}}\right)^2$

Only unknown:  $V_t(\phi)$

\*G.K. Batchelor, 1967, *An Introduction to Fluid Dynamics*, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge

\*\* Thomas, D., Transport characteristics of suspensions: VIII. A note on the viscosity of Newtonian suspensions of uniform spherical particles, *J. Colloid Sci.*, 20, 267–277, 1965.

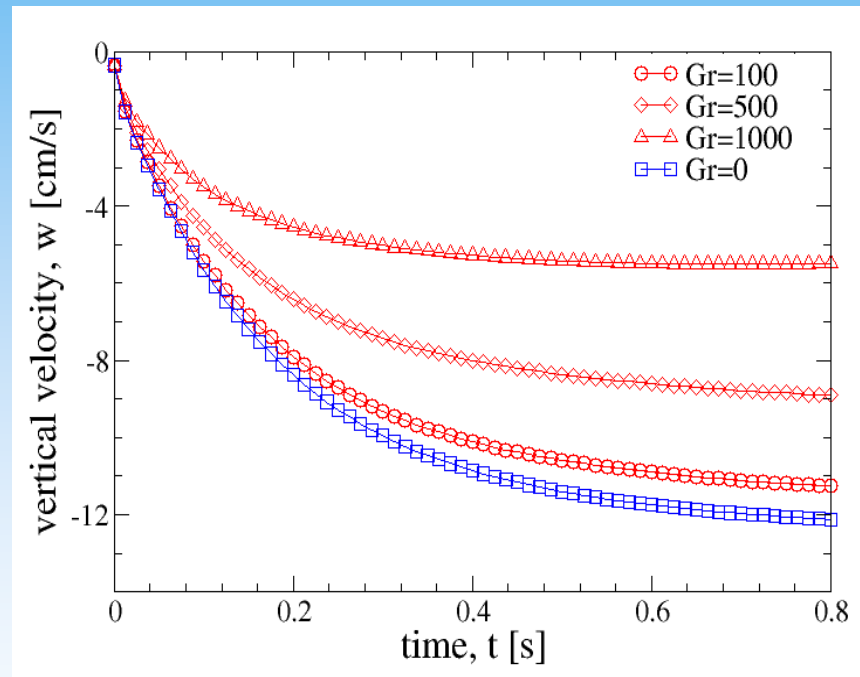
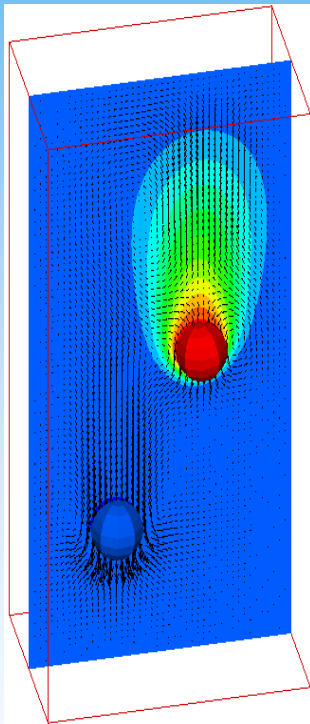
# Theory and simulation results



Possible cause: the mixture theory doesn't account for the particle-particle collisions which are critical when particles have comparable sizes.

# **DNS for heat transfer between particles and fluid**

# Effect of thermal buoyancy effect to the motion of particles



Falling of spheres of different temperatures



# Particle clustering

# Summary

- A *Direct Numerical Simulation (DNS)* method has been successfully developed and extensively validated.
- *DNS* is able to produce detailed information of particles and fluid dynamics in particulate flows.
- *DNS* combined with the soft-sphere collision model (with proper input parameters) is able to capture the dynamics of particle-wall collisions.
- *DNS* has been used to study particles slip velocity at a solid wall.
- The drag force on a particle is strongly influenced by its neighboring particles.
- *DNS* can be used to predict particles clustering/agglomeration in particulate flows.
- *DNS* has been used to investigate the influence of a particle temperature to its motion.

# Papers Published

- **Peer Reviewed Journal Papers:**

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