

Intense Bed-Load Transport: From Laminar Bed-Load to Turbulent Sheet Flow

On the relevancy of dense granular flow rheology for bed-load transport

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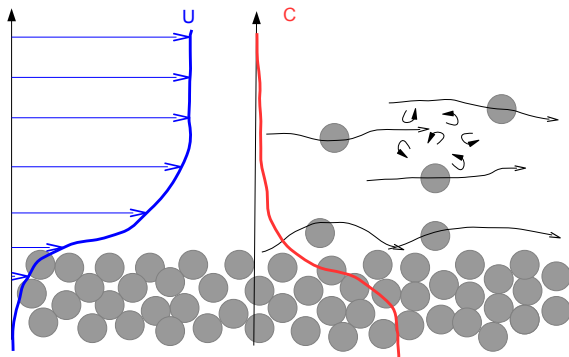
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Sediment transport



Sediment transport modes:

- **suspended-load**
particles are transported without contact with the bed.
- **bed-load**
particles are transported with intermittent or permanent contact with the bed

Suspended-load is dominated by fluid particle turbulent interactions

Bed-load is dominated by particle-particle interactions: collisions and friction

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- **Suspension number:** $\frac{w_s}{u_*}$

$$\frac{w_s}{u_*} > 1 \Rightarrow \text{No suspended-load}$$

- **Stokes number:** $St = \frac{\tau_p}{\tau_f}$

where τ_f : fluid timescale and τ_p : particle relaxation time scale

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Threshold of motion

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$$\theta \sim 0.05$$

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Ripples Transition

$$U \sim 0.22 \text{ m/s}$$

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!!! $\theta \approx 0.085$!!!

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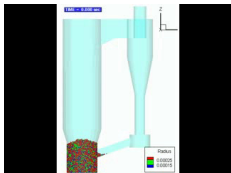
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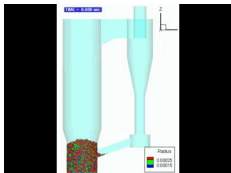
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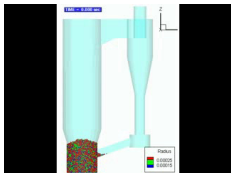
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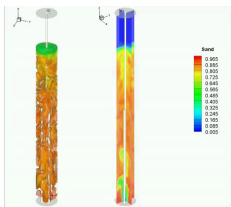


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- The solution of the Lagrangian model *would provide more detailed information than it is usually needed. Indeed, a knowledge of the average values of the velocity of the fluid, the velocities and angular velocities of the particles, and the fluid pressure, over some appropriately small region in the neighbourhood of each point [...], is usually all that is required.*

Jackson (1997)

⇒ **Eulerian - Eulerian approach** (Idea 3)

Two-phase "two-fluid" equations

ϵ, ϕ	: Volume fractions
\vec{u}^f, \vec{u}^p	: Average velocities
n^f	: Force fluid \leftrightarrow particle

• Continuity equations

$$\frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\epsilon \vec{u}^f) = 0 \quad \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\phi \vec{u}^p) = 0 \quad \phi + \epsilon = 1$$

• Momentum equations

$$\rho_f \left[\frac{\partial \epsilon \vec{u}^f}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\epsilon \vec{u}^f \otimes \vec{u}^f) \right] = -\vec{\nabla} p^f + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\overline{\tau}^f) - n^f + \epsilon \rho_f \vec{g}$$

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Closure issue: relate the fluid and particulate phase stress tensors $\overline{\sigma}^f = -p^f \overline{I} + \overline{\tau}^f$, $\overline{\sigma}^p = -p^p \overline{I} + \overline{\tau}^p$ and the interaction term n^f to the average variables $\epsilon, \phi, \vec{u}^f, \vec{u}^p$

Remark: The mixture is incompressible $\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\phi \vec{u}^p + \epsilon \vec{u}^f) = 0$

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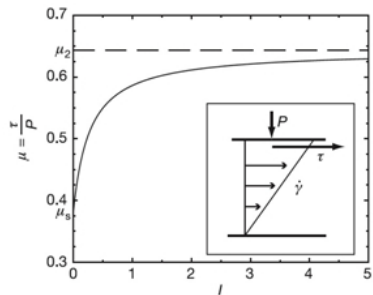
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- **Dense systems** ($\phi \in [0.3; \phi_{max}]$): $\overline{\overline{\sigma^p}} \neq 0$
→ Enduring contact between particles exists ⇒ Frictional and collisional stresses

Dense granular rheology $\mu(I)$ (inertial regime)

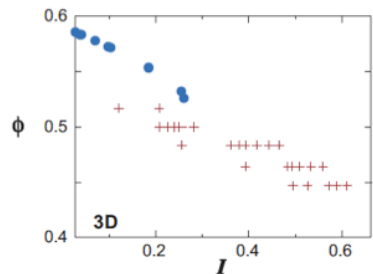


Dimensional analysis

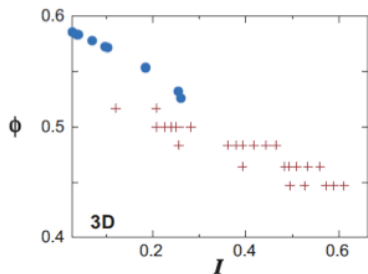
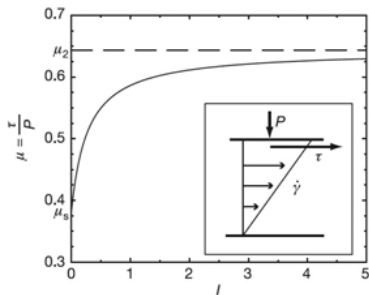
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$$\text{with } \mu(I) = \mu_s + \frac{\mu_2 - \mu_s}{\frac{I_0}{I} + 1}$$

with typical values for monodisperse beads:

$$\mu_s = 0.38 ; \mu_2 = 0.65 ; I_0 = 0.3$$

Simplified frictional rheology (Coulomb):

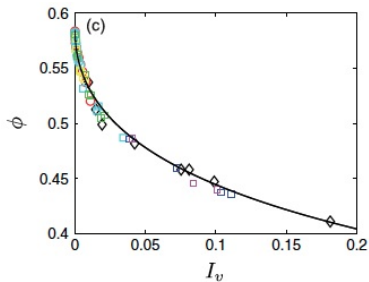
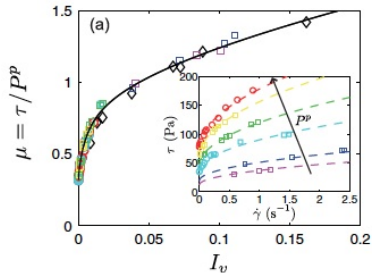
$$\rightarrow \mu = \mu_s = \text{constant}$$

$$\text{Dilatancy law: } \phi(I) = \phi_{max} + (\phi_{min} - \phi_{max}) I$$

$$\phi_{max} = 0.6 ; \phi_{min} = 0.4$$

See Olivier Pouliquen's talk during this workshop for details

Dense granular rheology $\mu(I_v)$ (viscous regime)



$$\text{If } t_{micro}^{viscous} = \frac{\eta_f}{p^p} \gg t_{micro}^{inertial} = \frac{d}{\sqrt{p^p / \rho_p}}$$

$$\text{Then control parameter: } I_v = \frac{\eta_f |\dot{\gamma}|}{p^p}$$

From pressure-imposed rheometry measurements:

$$\mu(I_v) = \mu_s + \frac{\mu_2 - \mu_s}{I_0/I_v + 1} + I_v + \frac{5}{2} \phi_{max} I_v^{1/2}$$

$$\phi(I_v) = \frac{\phi_{max}}{1 + I_v^{1/2}}$$

That can be recasted as follows:

$$\mu^c(I_v) = \mu_s + \frac{\mu_2 - \mu_s}{I_0/I_v + 1}$$

$$\frac{\eta_e}{\eta_f} = 1 + \frac{5}{2} \phi \left(1 - \frac{\phi}{\phi_{max}} \right)^{-1}$$

with typical values for monodisperse beads in neutrally buoyant conditions:

$$\mu_s = 0.32 ; \mu_2 = 0.7 ; I_0 = 0.005 ; \phi_{max} = 0.585$$

Tensorial formulation of the local rheology

For **3D configurations** the granular media can be sheared in different directions. Therefore a generalisation of the scalar constitutive laws to a **tensorial formulation** is required:

$$\overline{\overline{\sigma}}^p = -p^p \overline{\overline{I}} + \overline{\overline{\tau}}^p,$$

where p^p is the isotropic pressure and $\overline{\overline{\tau}}^p = \mu(I) p^p \frac{\overline{\overline{\dot{\gamma}}^p}}{\|\overline{\overline{\dot{\gamma}}^p}\|}$ is the shear stress tensor.

Hypothesis and consequence:

- These relationships are based on the assumption that the shear stress tensor $\overline{\overline{\tau}}^p$ is colinear to the shear rate tensor $\overline{\overline{\dot{\gamma}}^p}$.
- One can define an effective viscosity such that: $\overline{\overline{\tau}}^p = \eta^p \overline{\overline{\dot{\gamma}}^p}$

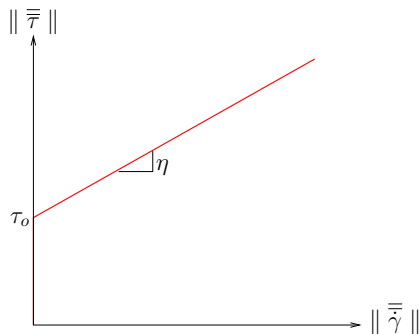
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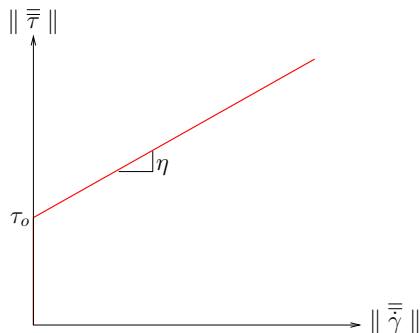


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Coulomb rheology: $\mu(I) = \mu_s$

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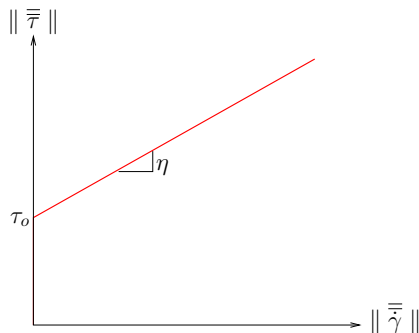
\Leftrightarrow Purely plastic material: $\eta = 0$ and $\tau_0 = \mu_s p^p$

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$\mu(I)$ granular rheology: $\mu(I) = \mu_s + \frac{\mu_2 - \mu_s}{I_0/I + 1}$ with $I = \frac{\|\bar{\dot{\gamma}}^p\|}{f(p^p, \dots)}$

$$\bar{\tau}^p = \mu(I) p^p \frac{\bar{\dot{\gamma}}}{\|\bar{\dot{\gamma}}^p\|} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \eta^p = \frac{\mu_s p^p}{\|\bar{\dot{\gamma}}^p\|} + \frac{(\mu_2 - \mu_s) p^p}{I_0 f(p^p, \dots) + \|\bar{\dot{\gamma}}^p\|}$$

\Leftrightarrow visco-plastic material $\eta(\bar{\dot{\gamma}}^p) = \frac{(\mu_2 - \mu_s) p^p}{I_0 f(p^p, \dots) + \|\bar{\dot{\gamma}}^p\|}$ and $\tau_0 = \mu_s p^p$

\rightarrow non-conventional shear thinning rheology

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Regularisation of the $\mu(I)$ rheology

$$\eta_{mc}^p = \left[\mu_s + \frac{(\mu_2 - \mu_s) \|\overline{\dot{\gamma}^p}\|}{I_0 f(p^p, \dots) + \|\overline{\dot{\gamma}^p}\|} \right] \frac{p^p}{\left(\|\overline{\dot{\gamma}^p}\|^2 + \lambda^2 \right)^{1/2}}$$

see Chauchat and Medale (2010, 2013)

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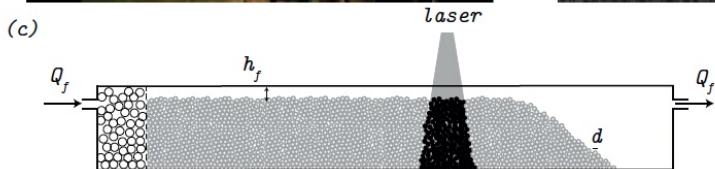
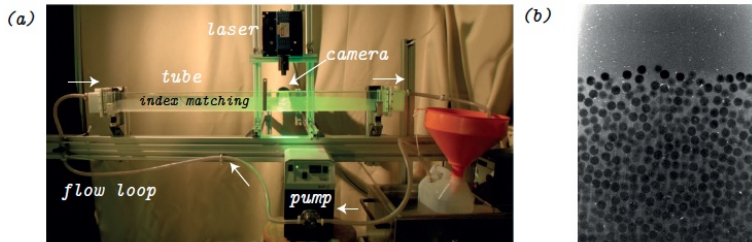
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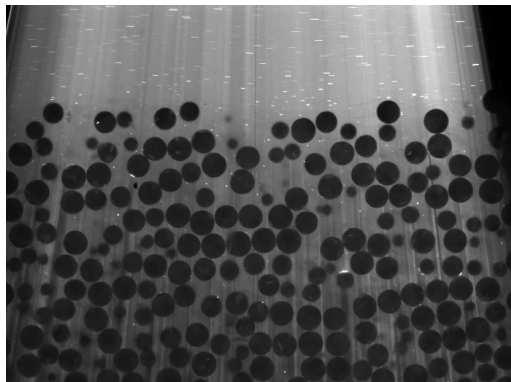


- $H = 6.5$ cm
- $W = 3.5$ cm
- $L = 100$ cm
- Laser 2000, 532 nm, 100 mW
- digital camera (Basler Scout): 1392x1040; 20 fps
- dye: Rhodamine 6G fluoresces at $\lambda > 555$ nm
- fluid tracers: Finger print powder (white dots)

Borosilicate: $d_p = 1.1$ mm; $\rho_p = 2230$ kg.m⁻³; $\rho_f = 1060$ kg.m⁻³; $\eta_f = 320 \cdot 10^{-3}$ Pa.s

PMMA: $d_p = 2.04$ mm; $\rho_p = 1190$ kg.m⁻³; $\rho_f = 1070$ kg.m⁻³; $\eta_f = 270 \cdot 10^{-3}$ Pa.s

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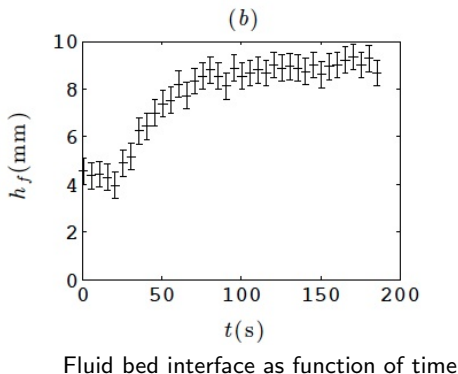
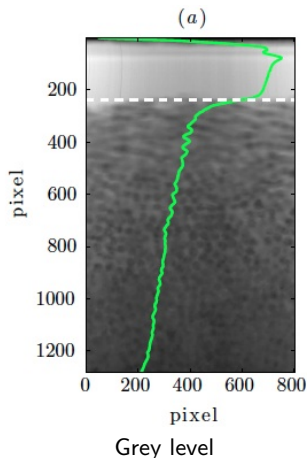


- Laminar viscous regime: $Re \in [0.2; 1.2]$
- Mobile dense granular medium $\phi \approx 0.55$ (constant)

\Rightarrow Intense bed-load: $\theta \gg \theta_c$ with $\theta \in [0.2; 1.2]$ and $\theta_c = 0.12$

Thickness of the layer $>$ particle size

Bed interface tracking

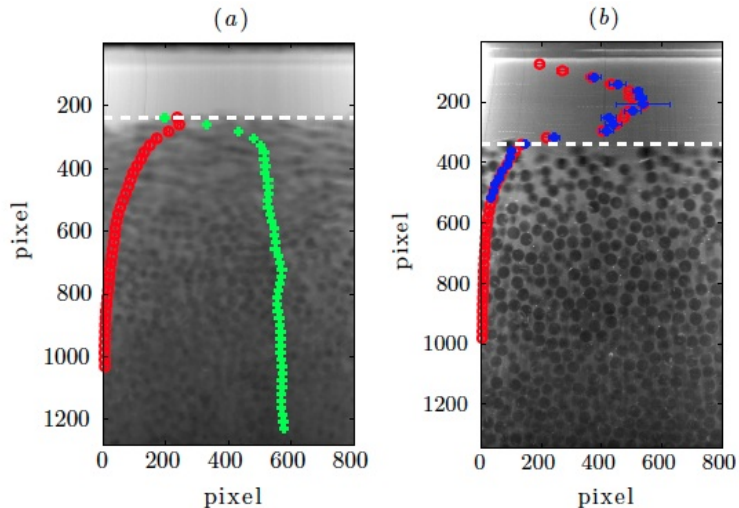


h_f is deduced from a threshold criteria on the average grey level profile (over 10 frames)

$h_f(t)$ is measured every 5 s

Initial decrease of h_f is due to dilatation of the granular layer

Velocity and concentration profiles



Green = Volume fraction (100 pix = 0.1)

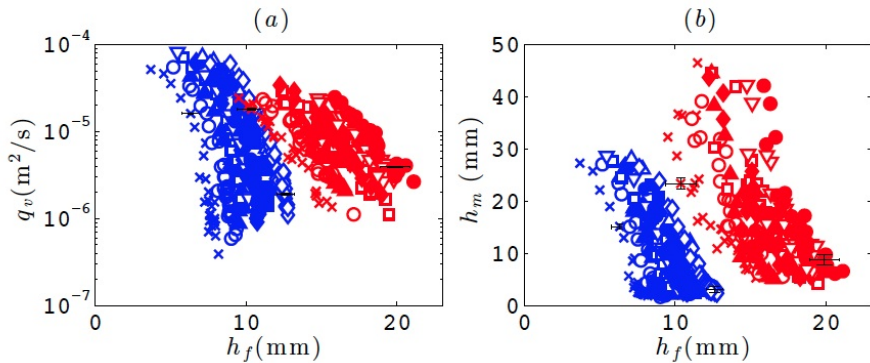
Red = Particles velocity (110 pix = 2.5mm/s)

Blue = Fluid Velocity

No velocity slip between fluid and particles

PIV : DPIVsoft (Meunier & Leweke 2003)

Particle velocity flux and flowing layer thickness



300 velocity profiles \Rightarrow 300 points

$q_v = \int_{h_c}^{h_p} u_s dz$: particle velocity flux \Rightarrow Less uncertainty than particle flux

$h_m = h_p - h_c$ where h_c is defined from a velocity threshold (0.09 mm/s)

Red = Borosilicate 1mm and Blue = PMMA 2mm

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Two-phase model for laminar bed-load regime

ϵ, ϕ	: Volume fractions
\vec{u}^f, \vec{u}^p	: Average velocities
$\overline{\sigma}^f, \overline{\sigma}^p$: Stress tensors
$n \vec{f}$: Force fluid \leftrightarrow particle

- **Continuity equations**

$$\frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\epsilon \vec{u}^f) = 0 \quad \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\phi \vec{u}^p) = 0 \quad \epsilon + \phi = 1$$

- **Momentum equations**

$$\rho_f \left[\frac{\partial \epsilon \vec{u}^f}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\epsilon \vec{u}^f \otimes \vec{u}^f) \right] = -p^f \bar{I} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\overline{\tau}^f) - n \vec{f} + \epsilon \rho_f \vec{g}$$

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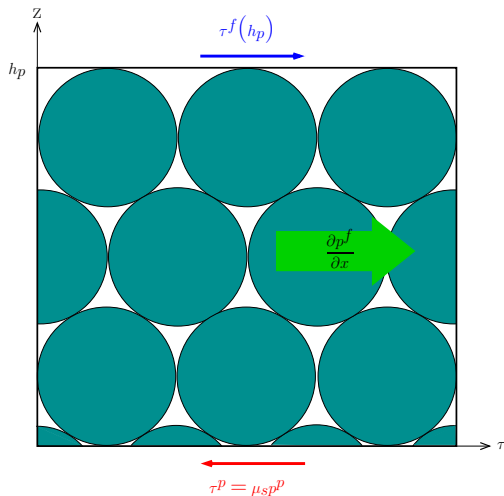
Closures

- **Newtonian rheology** for the fluid phase \rightarrow Einstein correction (bed layer)
- **Granular rheology** for the particle phase \rightarrow **Friction**: $\mu(I_v)$ or **Coulomb**
- **Particle-fluid interaction** \rightarrow Darcy + Buoyancy

A simple calculation

Mixture momentum balance at steady state

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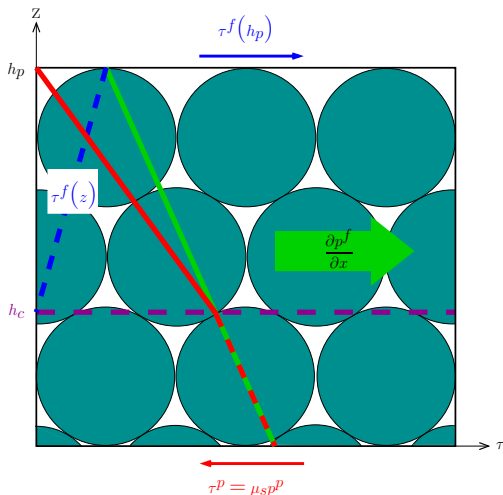
$$p^p = \phi_0 \Delta \rho g (h_p - z)$$

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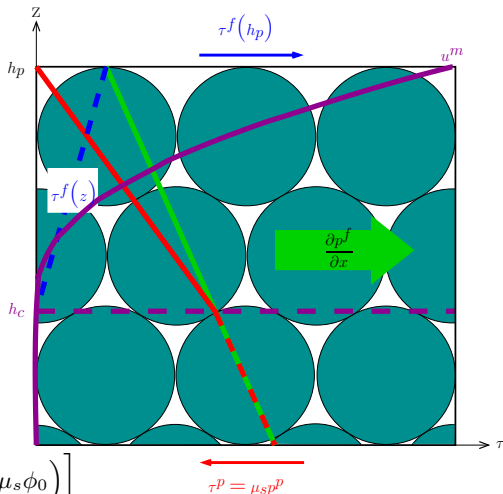
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Mixture velocity profile:

$$u^p \approx u^f = \frac{(\mu \phi_0 \Delta \rho g + \frac{\partial p^f}{\partial x})(z - h_c)^2}{2}$$

Particle flux:

$$q^p = \frac{\Delta \rho g h_f^3}{\eta_f} \left[\frac{\phi_0}{6} \frac{\eta_f}{\eta_e} \left(\frac{h_m}{h_f} \right)^3 \left(\frac{\partial p^f / \partial x}{\Delta \rho g} + \mu_s \phi_0 \right) \right]$$



(Ouriemi et al., 2009)

Three rheological laws tested

(i) Coulomb model: (Ouriemi *et al.*, 2009)

- Constant friction coefficient: $\mu = \mu_s$
- Einstein viscosity: $\eta_e = \eta_f(1 + 2.5 \phi_0) \approx 2.4\eta_f$
- Constant volume fraction: $\phi = 0.55$

(ii) Dense granular rheology:

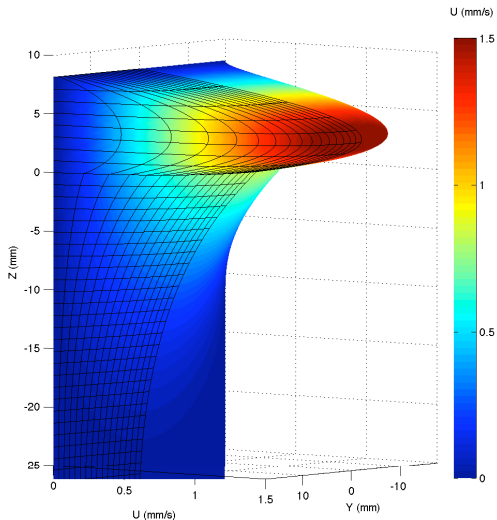
- Shear-rate-dependent friction coefficient $\mu(I_v)$ (e.g. Forterre & Pouliquen 2008)
- Effective viscosity: $\eta_e = \eta_f \beta$
- Constant volume fraction: $\phi = 0.55$

(iii) Dense granular rheology+variable volume fraction

- Shear-rate-dependent friction coefficient $\mu(I_v)$
- Effective viscosity: $\frac{\eta_e}{\eta_f} = 1 + \frac{5}{2}\phi \left(1 - \frac{\phi}{\phi_{max}}\right)^{-1}$
- Volume fraction: $\phi(I_v) = \frac{\phi_{max}}{1 + I^{1/2}}$

both are deduced from pressure-imposed rheological measurements of dense suspensions of neutrally-buoyant spheres (Boyer *et al.*, 2011)

Finite Element Model



Numerical model (M. Médale)

- 3D Navier-Stokes equations
- Finite Element Method
 - Velocity: Quadratic elements
 - Pressure: Linear elements
- Newton-Raphson algorithm

Rheology implementation and BC's

- Regularisation technique for the frictional rheology
- No-slip boundary conditions at the walls

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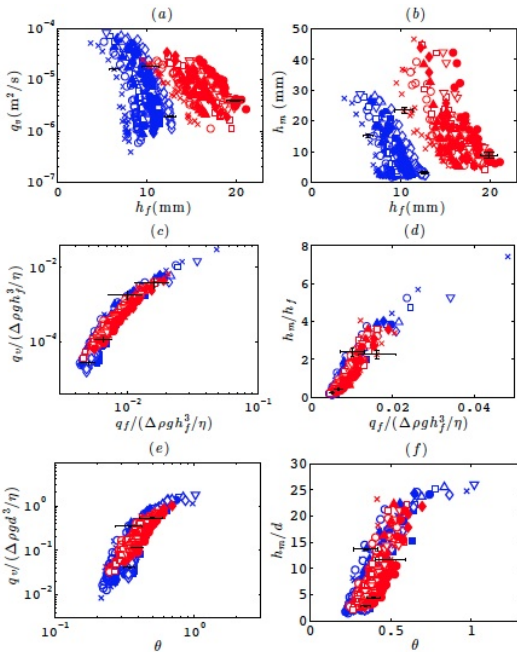
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Scaling laws



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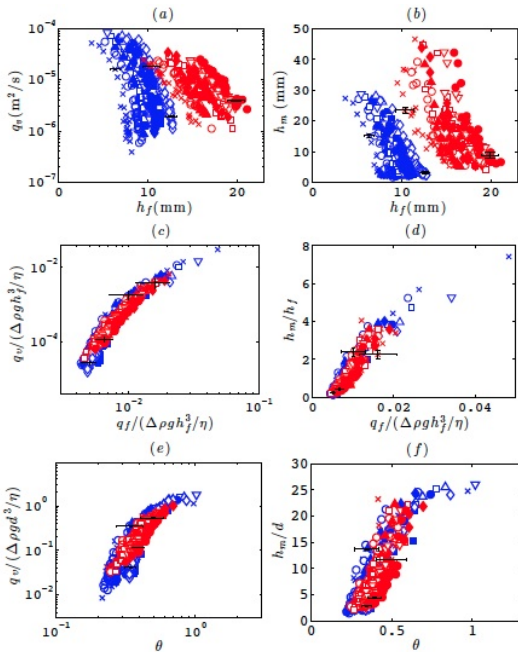
$$L = h_f \text{ and } T = \frac{\eta}{\Delta \rho g h_f}$$

$\Rightarrow \frac{q_f}{\Delta \rho g h_f^3 / \eta}$ good control parameter

Classic bed-load scaling:

control parameter: Shields number θ

Scaling laws



Better collapse of the data with the two-phase scaling

But still the Shields scaling can be seen as appropriate

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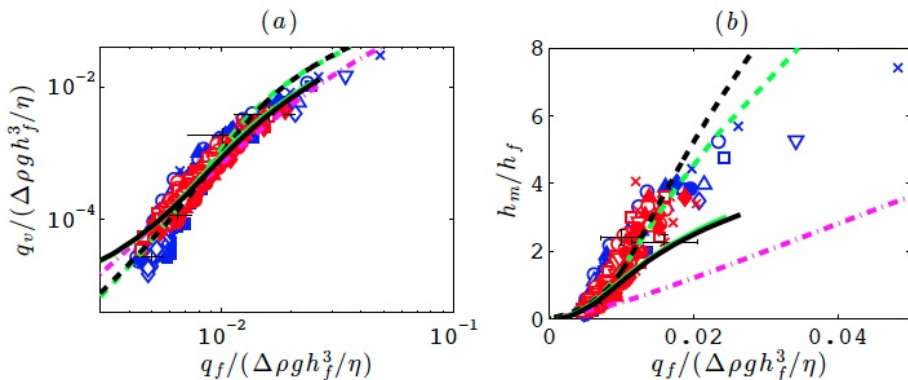
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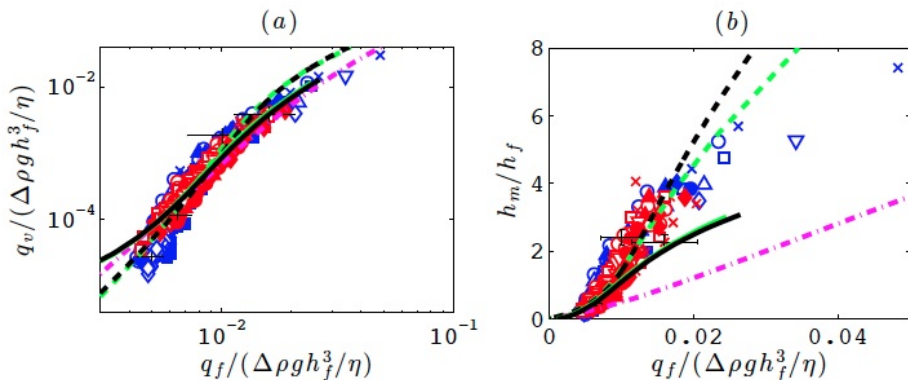
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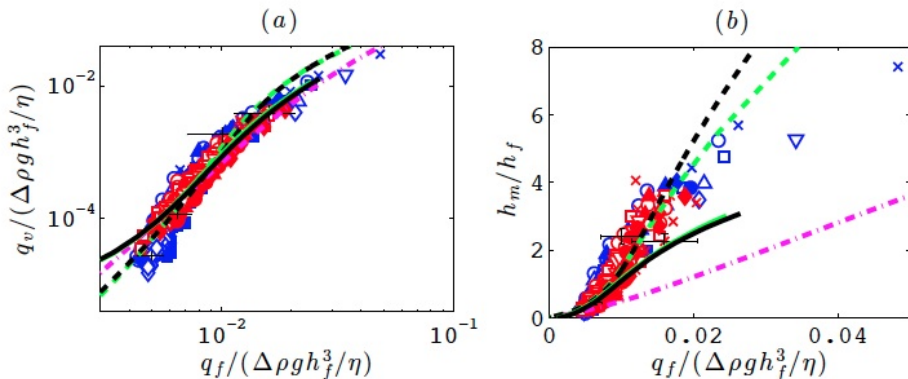
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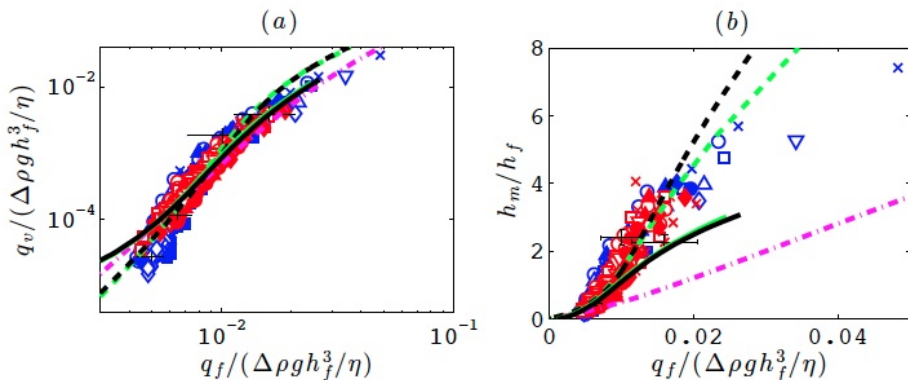


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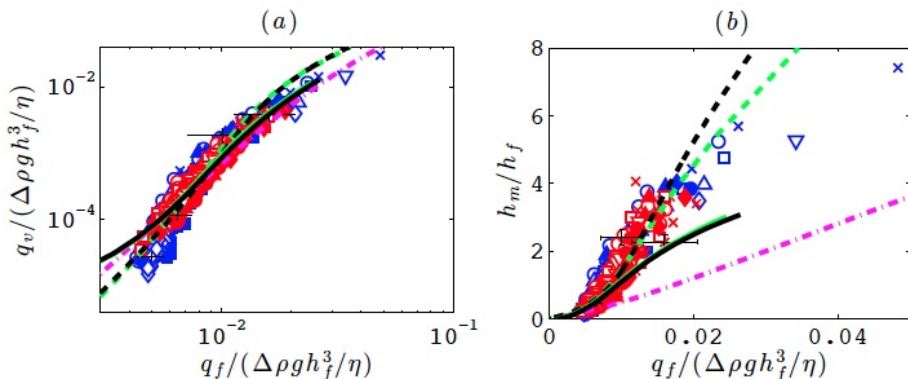
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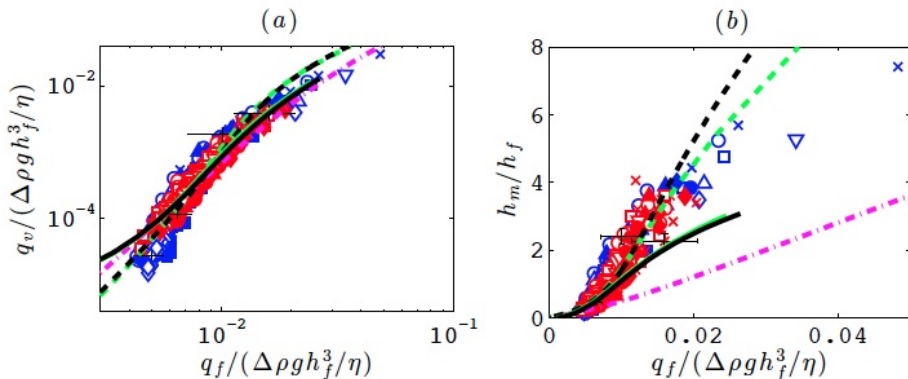
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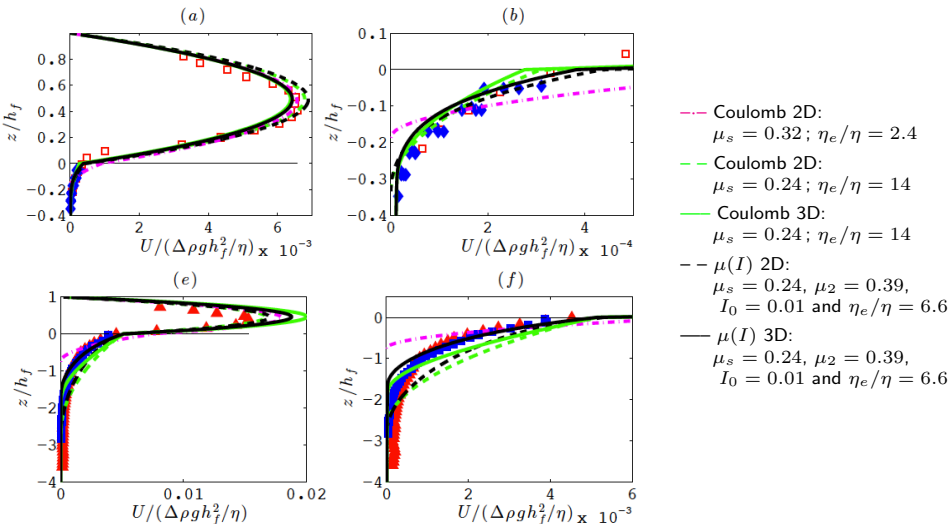
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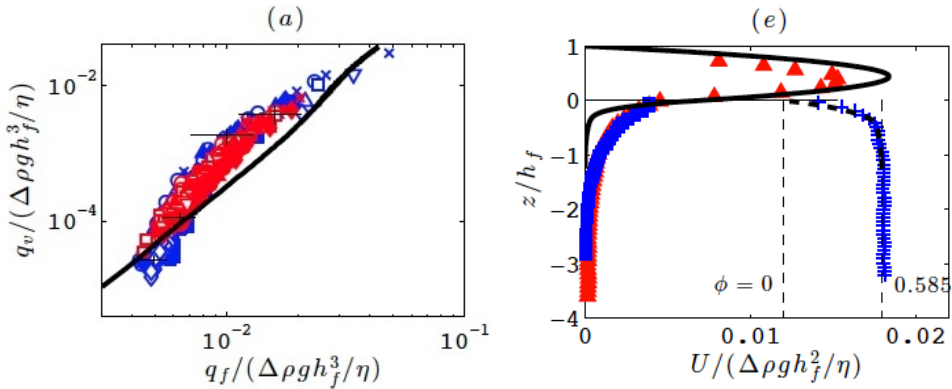
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Data model comparison: Velocity profiles



- Coulomb 2D $\mu_s = 0.32; \eta_e/\eta = 2.4$
 $\rightarrow h_m$ underestimated and $U(z)$ overestimated \Rightarrow compensation on q_v
- Fitted Coulomb and $\mu(I)$ rheologies \Rightarrow Clear 3D effects for both
 \rightarrow More refined $\mu(I)$ rheology has a much reasonable effective viscosity

Data model comparison: Dense granular rheology+variable volume fraction



Good order of magnitude but too stiff velocity profiles however ϕ is good ($\phi \approx cst$)

→ Non-buoyant rheology \neq Buoyant rheology

→ Validity of a continuum approach at the fluid-bed interface

→ Pore pressure effects

Conclusions: laminar bed-load

Experiments

- No significant slip between fluid and particles
- Volume fraction approximately constant (except at the bed interface)
- Scaling: fluid height as length scale / Viscous timescale
→ Shields OK but not that good

Models

- Coulomb → good prediction for q_v but not for h_m and $U(z)$
- Fitted rheological parameters → good predictions and 3D effects recovered
→ $\mu(I)$ corresponds to more realistic effective viscosity
- Boyer *et al.* (2011) rheological model ($\mu(I)$ and $\phi(I)$)
→ Good trend and order of magnitude but fails in predicting velocity profiles

⇒ Why original parameters do not fit: non-equilibrium experiments? rheology is different for neutrally-buoyant and buoyant particles? Modelling a sharp interface as continuum?

⇒ **Two-Phase continuum model having a frictional rheology is able to describe intense bed-load transport in laminar shearing flows.**

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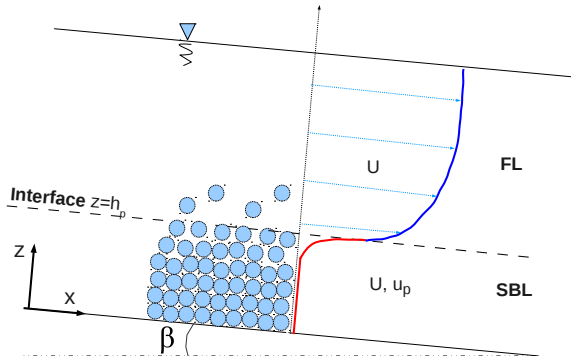
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Two-phase model for turbulent sheet-flow regime



Two layers:

- Fluid Layer (FL)
 - single fluid model
 - passive scalar
 - Sediment Bed Layer (SBL)
 - two-phase model
- Unidirectional: $u^f = u^f(z)$ and $u^p = u^p(z)$
 - Uniform: $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} = 0$
 - Steady: $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} = 0$ and $w^f = w^p = 0$

Two-phase model in the SBL

ϵ, ϕ	: Volume fractions
\vec{u}^f, \vec{u}^p	: Average velocities
\vec{n}_f	: Force fluid \leftrightarrow particle

- **Continuity equations**

$$\frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\epsilon \vec{u}^f) = 0 \quad \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\phi \vec{u}^p) = 0 \quad \epsilon + \phi = 1$$

- **Momentum equations**

$$\rho_f \left[\frac{\partial \epsilon \vec{u}^f}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\epsilon \vec{u}^f \otimes \vec{u}^f) \right] = -\vec{\nabla} p^f + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\overline{\overline{\tau^f}} + \overline{\overline{R^f}}) - \vec{n}_f + \epsilon \rho_f \vec{g}$$

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- **Newtonian rheology** for the fluid phase ($\overline{\overline{\tau^f}}$) \rightarrow Boyer *et al.* (2011)
- **Mixing length** for the Reynolds stresses ($\overline{\overline{R^f}}$) \rightarrow Li and Sawamoto (1995)
- **Granular rheology** for the particle phase ($\overline{\overline{\tau^p}}$) \rightarrow **Friction:** $\mu(I)$
- **Particle-fluid interaction** (\vec{n}_f) \rightarrow Drag (Dallavalle+R&Z) + Buoyancy
- **Concentration profile** \rightarrow Dilatancy $\phi(I)$ + Rouse (turbulent dispersion)

Two-phase equations

Global volume conservation: $\epsilon + \phi = 1$

Vertical momentum equations:

$$0 = -\frac{dp^f}{dz} - n f_z - \epsilon \rho_f g \cos \beta \qquad 0 = -\frac{dp^p}{dz} + n f_z - \phi \rho_p g \cos \beta$$

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$$\frac{dp^p}{dz} = -\phi(\rho_p - \rho_f)g \cos \beta$$

\Rightarrow **Hydrostatic pressure distribution for both phases**

Horizontal momentum equations

$$0 = \frac{dR_{xz}^f}{dz} + \epsilon \frac{d\tau_{xz}^f}{dz} - C_D (U - u^p) + \epsilon \rho_f g \sin \beta$$

$$0 = \frac{d\tau_{xz}^p}{dz} + \phi \frac{d\tau_{xz}^f}{dz} + C_D (U - u^p) + \phi \rho_p g \sin \beta$$

where C_D is given by:
$$C_D = \frac{\rho_f \phi}{d_p (1 - \phi)^{3.1}} \left(0.3 (U - u^p) + 18.3 \frac{\eta_f}{\rho_f d_p} \right)$$

Dallavalle (1943) + Richardson and Zaki (1954)

Fluid closures:

Effective viscous stresses: $\tau_{xz}^f = \eta_e \frac{dU}{dz}$ where $\frac{\eta_e}{\eta_f} = 1 + 2.5\phi \left(1 - \frac{\phi}{\phi_{max}} \right)^{-1}$

→ Boyer *et al.* (2011) (similar to Krieger-Dougherty's effective viscosity)

Reynolds stresses: $R_{xz}^f = \eta_t \frac{dU}{dz}$ with $\eta_t = \rho_f (1 - \phi) l_m^2 \left| \frac{dU}{dz} \right|$

and $l_m = \kappa \int_0^z \frac{\phi_{max} - \phi}{\phi_{max}} dz$ (Li and Sawamoto; 1995)

→ used by Dong and Zhang (1999) to model oscillatory sheet flows.

Dense granular rheology

Frictional stress: $\tau_{xz}^p = \mu(I)p^p$

where $\mu(I) = \mu_s + \frac{\mu_2 - \mu_s}{I_0/I + 1}$ and $I = \frac{\left| \frac{du^p}{dz} \right| d_p}{\sqrt{p^p / \rho_p}}$

We have shown that in sheet flow regime the granular flow is in the inertial regime

→ This is consistent with Bagnold's (1956) model

see Revil-Baudard and Chauchat (2013)

Dilatancy law: $\phi(I) = \frac{\phi_{max}}{1 + b I^{1/2}}$

- validity range $\phi \in [0.3; \phi_{max}]$
- same relationship as in the viscous regime
- $b = 0.75$ is added as a tunable parameter to account for non-sphericity

Single-phase model in the FL

Horizontal fluid momentum equation:

$$0 = \frac{d\tau_{xz}^f}{dz} + \frac{dR_{xz}^f}{dz} + \rho_f g \sin \beta$$

Same closures for τ_{xz}^f and R_{xz}^f as in the SBL layer

Concentration profile:

$$\text{Vertical equilibrium: } w_s \phi + \frac{\eta_t}{\rho_f} \frac{d\phi}{dz} = 0$$

$$\phi(z) = \phi_{h_p} \exp \left(-\rho_f w_s \int_{h_p}^z \eta_t^{-1} dz \right)$$

Sumer *et al.*(1996) have shown that a Rouse profile is observed above a sheet flow layer provided that the reference level is taken high enough above the mobile bed ($\phi \geq 0.25$)

Rouse profile and dilatancy law ($\phi(I)$) can cover the whole range of concentration from the static bed up to the dilute suspension.

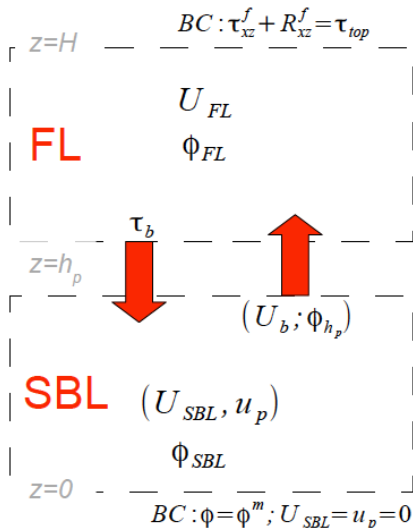
Resolution strategy and boundary conditions

Numerical method:

- pseudo-time integration and an implicit finite difference discretisation
- FL \rightarrow tridiagonal system solved using a doublesweep algorithm
- SBL \rightarrow Moore-Penrose solver (Matlab®)
- Under-relaxation for the dilatancy law

Lagrangian mesh adaptation:

- SBL \rightarrow mass conservation in each cell
 $\Rightarrow \Delta z$ is varied to account for bed decomposition
- FL \rightarrow the eroded volume of sediment is subtracted from the SBL (uniformly)
 \Rightarrow The sediment volume conservation is about 99.9%



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Comparison with Sumer *et al.* experiments: velocity profiles

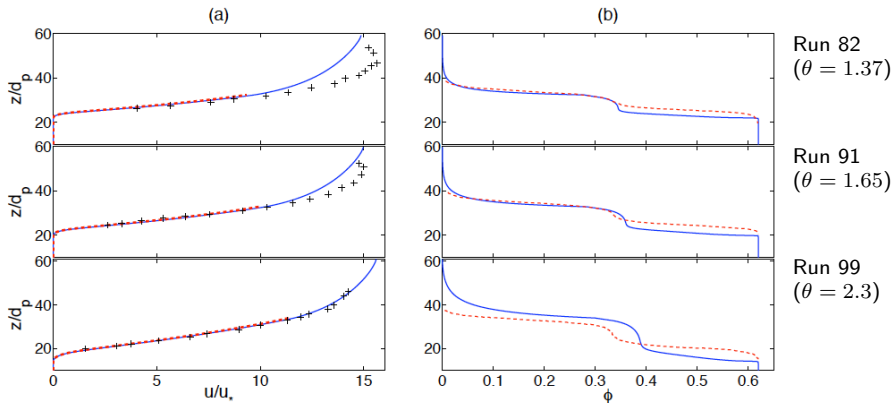


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$$\mu_s = 0.51; d_p = 2.6 \text{ mm}; \rho_p = 1140 \text{ kg.m}^{-3}; \mu_2 = 0.7; I_0 = 0.3 \text{ and } \kappa = 0.35$$

- Good overall agreement in velocity profiles (discrepancy \leftrightarrow turbulence model)
- Similar concentration profiles obtained with phenomenological model and kinetic theory \rightarrow both exhibit a concentration shoulder

Solid load comparison with literature data

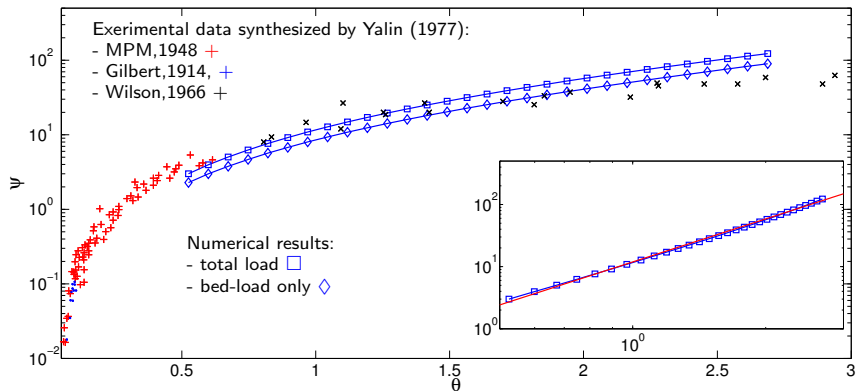


Fig. : Dimensionless sediment transport rate $\psi = q_p / \rho_p \sqrt{(\rho_p - \rho_f) g d_p^3 / \rho_f}$ and SBL contribution $\psi^{SBL} = q_p^{SBL} / \rho_p \sqrt{\rho_p g d_p^3 / \rho_f}$ versus Shields parameter θ .

- Good predictions of solid load on a large range of Shields numbers $\theta \in [0.5; 2.5]$
- Power law predicted by the model: $\psi = 11.9 \theta^{2.3}$

Comparison with Sumer *et al.* experiments: sheet layer thickness

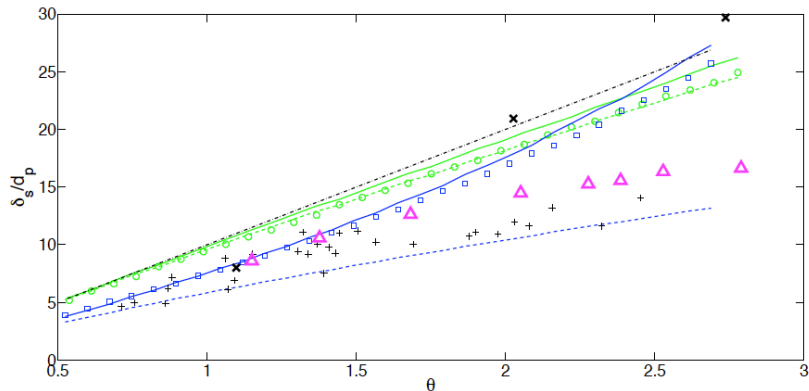
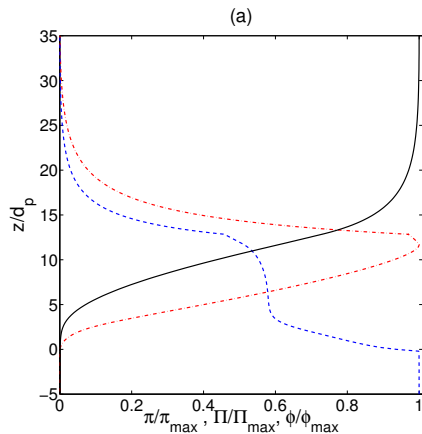


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$$\frac{\delta_s}{d_p} = \frac{\theta}{\mu_s \bar{\phi} \cos \beta - [\rho_f / (\rho_p - \rho_f) + \bar{\phi}] \sin \beta} \quad (32)$$

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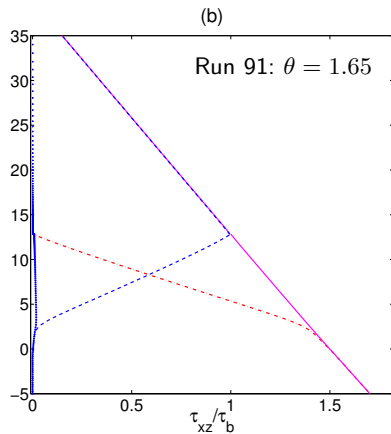
Comparison with Sumer *et al.* experiments: Flux and stresses repartition



Concentration profile (---)

Local volume flux (---): $\pi(z) = \phi(z)u^p(z)$

Cumulative flux (—): $\Pi(z) = \int_0^z \phi(\xi)u^p(\xi)d\xi$



- Effective viscous stresses are negligible

- Sheet layer divided into two parts:

upper \leftrightarrow turbulence

lower \leftrightarrow intergranular interactions

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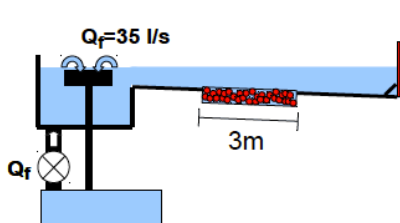
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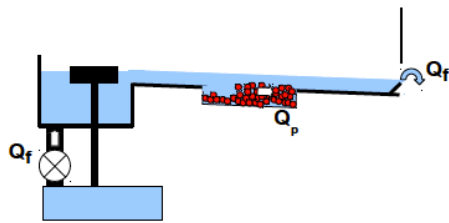
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$T=0$



$T>0$

Parameters:

$$\begin{aligned} L &= 10\text{m} & Q_f &= 35 \text{ L/s} \\ W &= 0.35\text{m} & S &= 0.5\% \\ H_f &\approx 0.1\text{m} \end{aligned}$$

PMMA particles

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_p &= 1192 \text{ kg/m}^3 \\ d_{50} &= 3 \text{ mm} \\ \mu_s &= \tan(35^\circ) \approx 0.7 \end{aligned}$$

Measurement devices:

- HighSpeed Camera (max 300 Hz)
- Acoustic Doppler profilers:
 - Vectrino II (Nortek):
 - $f = 10 \text{ MHz}$
 - $H_{meas} = 3\text{cm}$
 - $\Delta z = 1 \text{ mm} / f_{acq} = 100 \text{ Hz}$
 - ADVP:
 - $f = 1.25 \text{ MHz}$
 - $H_{meas} = 20\text{cm}$
 - $\Delta z = 3 \text{ mm} / f_{acq} = 30 \text{ Hz}$

Experiments: Unidirectional, quasi-Uniform and quasi-Steady sheet flow



Dimensionless numbers:

$$\theta \approx 0.5 - 0.6$$

$$Re = \frac{U H_f}{\nu_f} \approx 10^5$$

$$Re_p = \frac{w_s d_p}{\nu_f} \approx 2.10^2$$

$$\frac{w_s}{u_*} = 1.4 \text{ (no suspension)}$$

$$St = \frac{\tau_p}{\tau_f} \approx 25 \text{ with } \tau_f = \frac{\nu_f}{u_*^2}$$

$$\text{with } \tau_p = \frac{w_s}{g}$$

Experimental set-up

- The same experiment is repeated 10 times
- Upper and lower interface positions are deduced from greylevel threshold on the images
- Lower interface position can also be deduced from acoustic measurement
- Velocity profiles are obtained from two different acoustic doppler profilers and space-time correlation method on the images

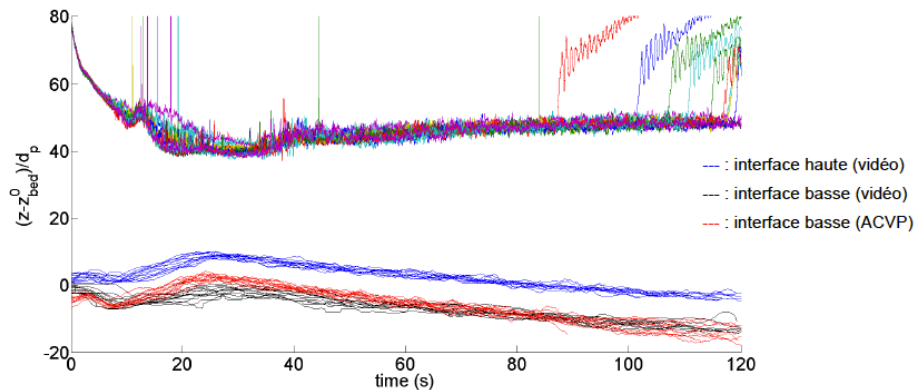
Space-time correlation:

Time stack of horizontal ROI (1 dp thick)

slope = mean velocity → example on the left

(collaboration with P. Snabre, University of Bordeaux, France)

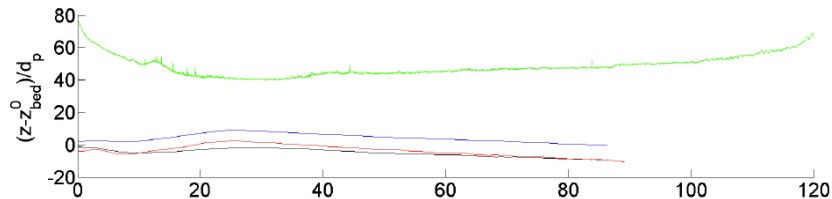
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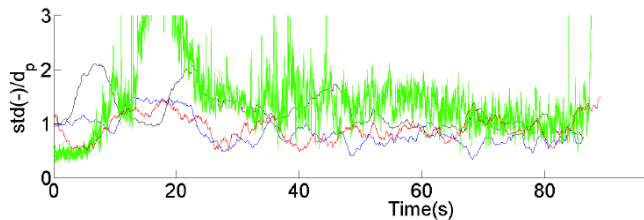
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Ensemble averaged experiment:

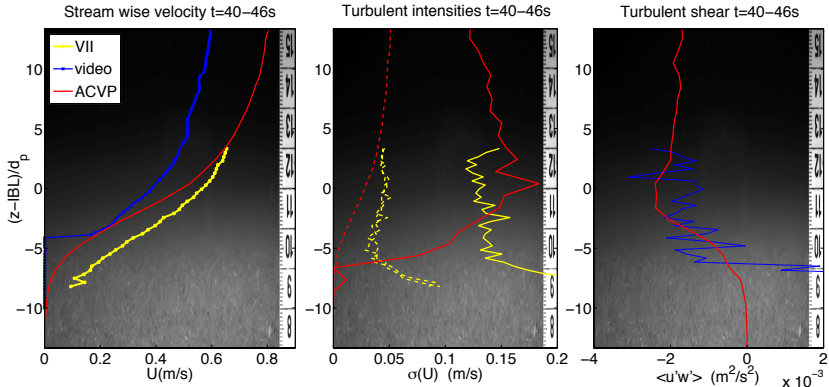


Standard deviation:



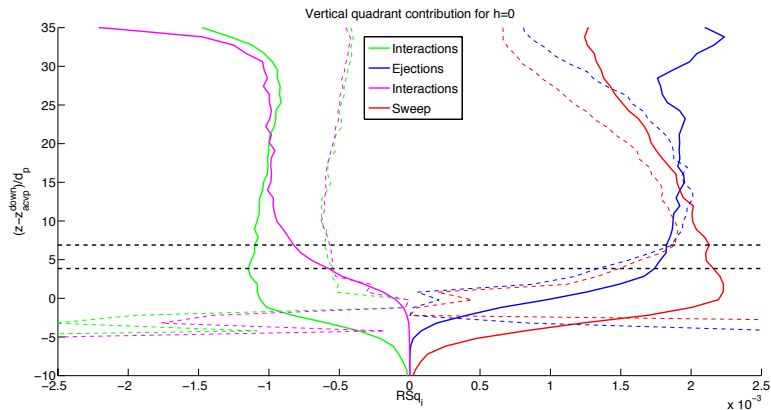
→ Experiments are reproducible

Experimental results



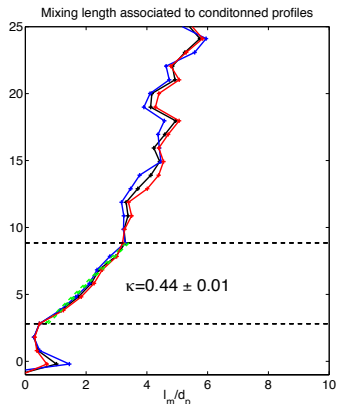
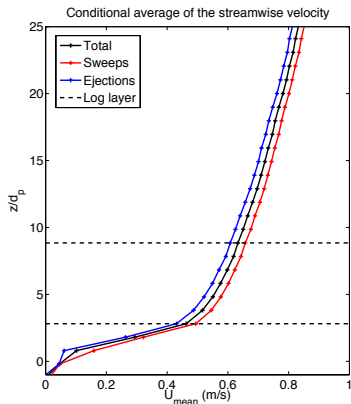
- Acoustic Doppler profilers recovers the same velocity at the top of the sheet flow layer
- Velocity profile deduced from the digital images is much lower than the acoustic ones
→ particles velocity (video) is smaller than the fluid velocity (acoustic doppler)
- Turbulent quantities are not converged with the vectrino II (not enough statistics)

Quadrant analyses: Moving bed Vs Fixed bed



- Sheet layer: Sweeps $>$ Burst // Fixed bed: Sweeps \approx Bursts
- Crossing between Sweeps & Burst occurs higher under sheet flow conditions
- Interactions are two times larger than in the fixed bed case

Logarithmic profile: Fixed bed experiments



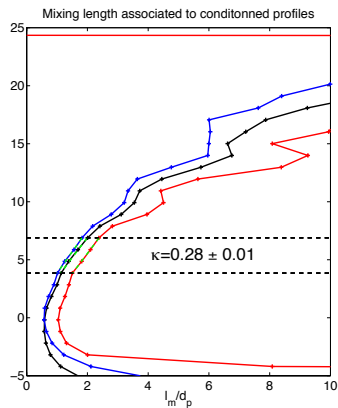
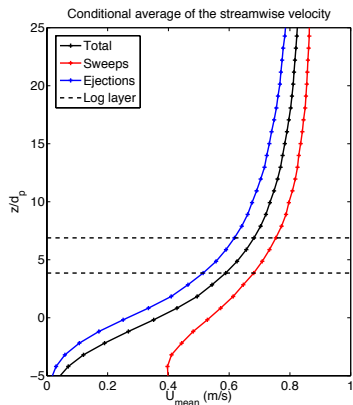
Logarithmic profile: $\frac{\partial U}{\partial z} = \dot{\gamma} = \frac{u_*}{l_m}$ with $l_m = \kappa z$

u_* is deduced from Reynolds shear stress measurements

$\dot{\gamma}$ is deduced from mean velocity profile

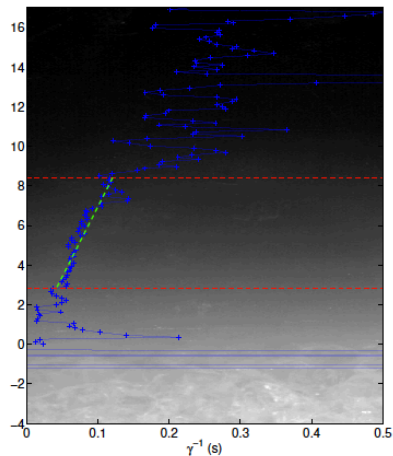
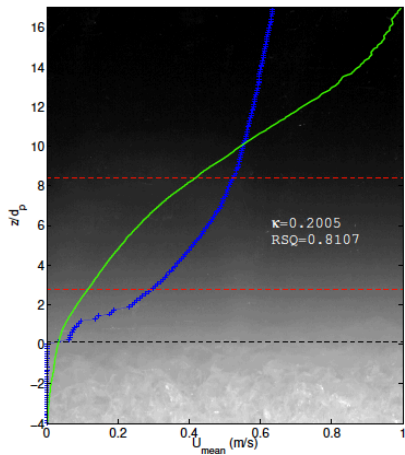
If a log layer exists $\dot{\gamma}$ should be linear in $z \Rightarrow \kappa = \frac{u_* \dot{\gamma}^{-1}}{z} = \text{constante}$

Logarithmic profile: Moving bed experiments (acoustic measurements)



A log layer is still observed: $\kappa = 0.28$ (lower than in clear water)

Logarithmic profile: Moving bed experiments (video measurements)



A log layer is again observed with $\kappa \approx 0.2 \Rightarrow \kappa = \frac{\kappa_{CW}}{2}$

Density stratification ?

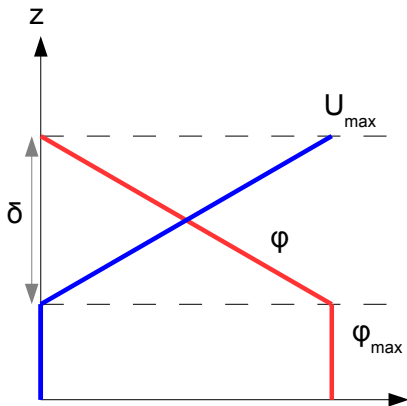
Gradient Richardson number: $Ri = \frac{g \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial z}}{\rho \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right)^2}$

Rough estimates:

- $\delta \approx 5 - 10 d_p$
- $U_{max} \approx 0.4 - 0.6 \text{ m/s}$
- $\bar{\phi} = \frac{\phi_{max}}{2}$

$$Ri = \frac{g \delta \phi_{max} \Delta \rho}{(\rho_f + \bar{\phi} \Delta \rho) U_{max}^2} \approx 0.1$$

Does density stratification is responsible for the damping of turbulence through the sheet-flow layer?



Conclusions

- Dense granular rheology can be used to describe intergranular stresses in sheet-flow
- First turbulence measurements down to the fixed bed has been obtained under sheet flow conditions

On-going work

- Improve the sheet-flow model by accounting for turbulent dispersion inside the "sediment bed layer"
- Implementation in a 3D numerical model...
- Analysis of the measurements to understand why the turbulent structures are so strongly modified by the presence of a movable bed
- Experiments with spherical particles and smaller particles (non-spherical)
i.e non-massive particles $w_s/u_* < 1$

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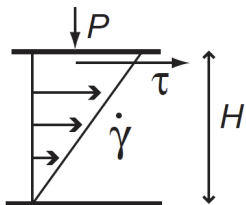
Summary

- Dense granular rheology can be used to describe intense bed-load transport (laminar and turbulent)
- Regularization technique can be used to implement this rheology in 3D numerical model
- First turbulence measurements down to the fixed bed has been obtained under sheet flow conditions

Open questions

- Does the buoyancy plays a role in the dense granular rheology?
- What happens to the turbulence at the transition between the dilute suspension and the dense static bed? How can we model it?

Plane shear experiments: Dimensional analysis (1/2)



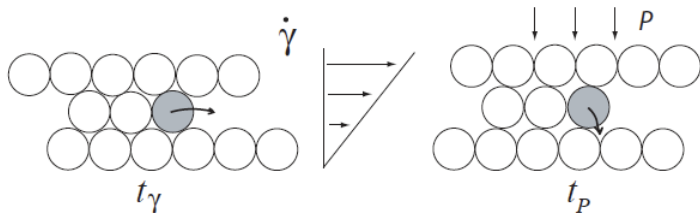
- Monodisperse spherical particles with density ρ_p and diameter d
- Imposed pressure P and velocity V on the top plate $\Rightarrow \dot{\gamma} = \frac{V}{H}$.
- Measure the shear stress τ that develops on the top plate

For large system ($H \gg d$) a single dimensionless number control the system:

$$\text{Inertial number: } I = \frac{\dot{\gamma} d}{\sqrt{P/\rho_p}}$$

Da Cruz et al. (2004), Lois et al. (2005)

Plane shear experiments: Dimensional analysis (2/2)



Andreotti, Forterre and Pouliquen (2011)

Interpretation of the Inertial number:

$$I = \frac{\dot{\gamma} d}{\sqrt{P/\rho_p}} = \frac{t_{micro}}{t_{macro}} \quad \text{where} \quad t_{micro} = \frac{d}{\sqrt{P/\rho_p}} \quad \text{and} \quad t_{macro} = \frac{1}{\dot{\gamma}}$$

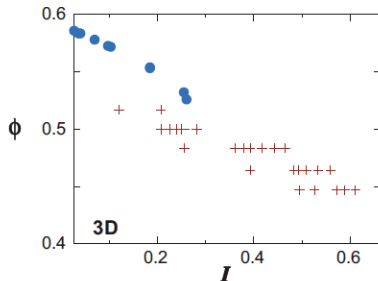
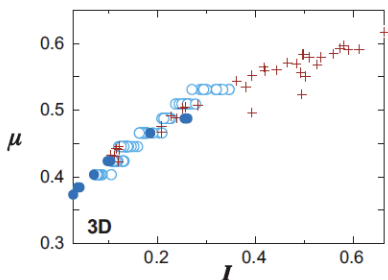
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The shear stress is proportional to the pressure and depends on I , also the volume fraction depends on I :

$$\tau = \mu(I) P \quad \text{and} \quad \phi = \phi(I)$$

Local rheology: dry granular flows / inertial regime

The following curves are obtained from experiments and tends to confirm the previous postulated constitutive laws



GDR Midi (2004), Pouliquen (1999), Baran et al. (2006), Savage and Sayed (1984) from Forterre and Pouliquen (2008)

Functions can be fitted to these data in order to get explicit relationship for the constitutive laws:

$$\mu(I) = \mu_s + \frac{\mu_2 - \mu_s}{I_0/I + 1} \quad \text{and} \quad \phi(I) = \phi_{max} + (\phi_{min} - \phi_{max}) I$$

with typical values for monodisperse glass beads:

$$\mu_s = \tan(21^\circ) ; \mu_2 = \tan(33^\circ) ; I_0 = 0.3 ; \phi_{max} = 0.6 \text{ and } \phi_{min} = 0.4$$

Two-phase equations

Horizontal momentum equations:

$$0 = \frac{d\tau_{xz}^f}{dz} + \frac{dR_{xz}^f}{dz} - n f_x + \epsilon \rho_f g \sin \beta$$

$$0 = \frac{d\tau_{xz}^p}{dz} + n f_x + \phi \rho_p g \sin \beta$$

Generalized buoyancy and drag force: $n f_x = \phi \frac{d\tau_{xz}^f}{dz} + C_D (U - u^p)$

$$0 = \frac{dR_{xz}^f}{dz} + \epsilon \frac{d\tau_{xz}^f}{dz} - C_D (U - u^p) + \epsilon \rho_f g \sin \beta$$

$$0 = \frac{d\tau_{xz}^p}{dz} + \phi \frac{d\tau_{xz}^f}{dz} + C_D (U - u^p) + \phi \rho_p g \sin \beta$$

where C_D is given by: $C_D = \frac{\rho_f \phi}{d_p (1 - \phi)^{3.1}} \left(0.3 (U - u^p) + 18.3 \frac{\eta_f}{\rho_f d_p} \right)$

Dallavalle (1943) + Richardson and Zaki (1954)

Closure issue: relate τ_{xz}^f , R_{xz}^f and τ_{xz}^p to averaged quantities