

# DualSPPhysics Current Developments: SPH-DCDEM

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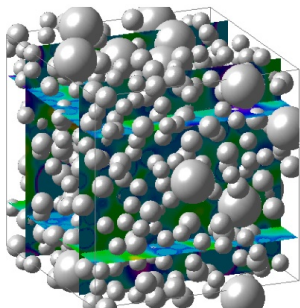
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# General motivation

- Common in **natural** and industrial processes, with dimensions ranging from  $O(10^{-9})$  to  $O(1)$  m.



Polydispersed flow. CBE-MFG,  
Princeton University



Debris flow in Switzerland, 2007.

# Granular-fluid flows

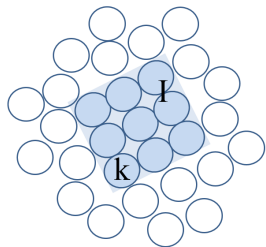
The motion of the granular phase is **difficult** to model:

- At **macro-scale**, complex rheologies requiring highly non-linear formulations with tuning parameters are required;
- At **grain-scale**, detailed description of particle-particle and fluid particle interactions induce high computational cost.

The proposed model will attempt a general **grain-scale** description, with the **potential** delivery of **phenomenological insight**.

# Rigid bodies in DualSPHysics

Conserving the **relative positions** of a group of particles, these can be made to describe a solid body.



$$M_I \frac{d\mathbf{V}_I}{dt} = \sum_{k \in I} m_k \frac{d\mathbf{v}_k}{dt}$$

$$I_I \frac{d\boldsymbol{\Omega}_I}{dt} = \sum_{k \in I} m_k (\mathbf{r}_k - \mathbf{R}_I) \times \frac{d\mathbf{v}_k}{dt}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_k = \mathbf{V}_I + \boldsymbol{\Omega}_I \times (\mathbf{r}_k - \mathbf{R}_I)$$

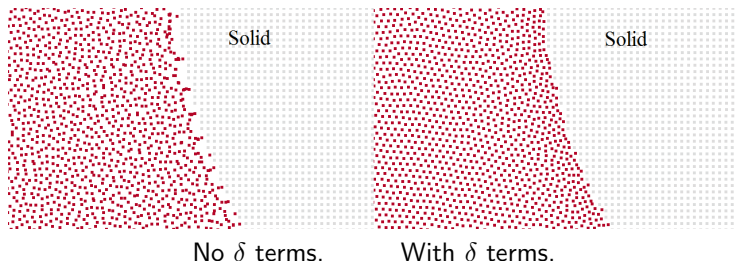
The **inertia tensor** is computed for the fly for the system of material points, making no assumptions on shape, i.e. it **is exact for the discretized system**.



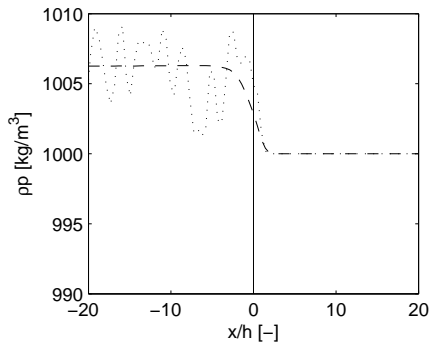
## Resolving the interface

The force at every point of the interface is computed by the **momentum equation**. **Pressure** and **viscous** terms are computed for each particle, making the coupling seamless.

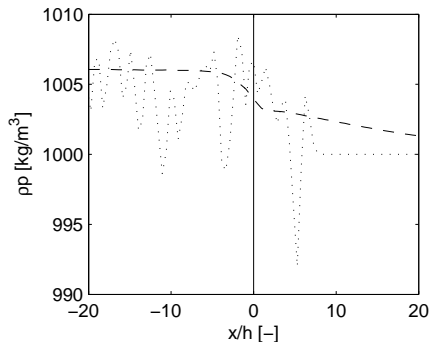
The **kernel sampling** across the interface is however **unbalanced**, since particles from the solid phase are kept in a rigid, **regular lattice distribution**.



# Resolving the interface



Static interface.

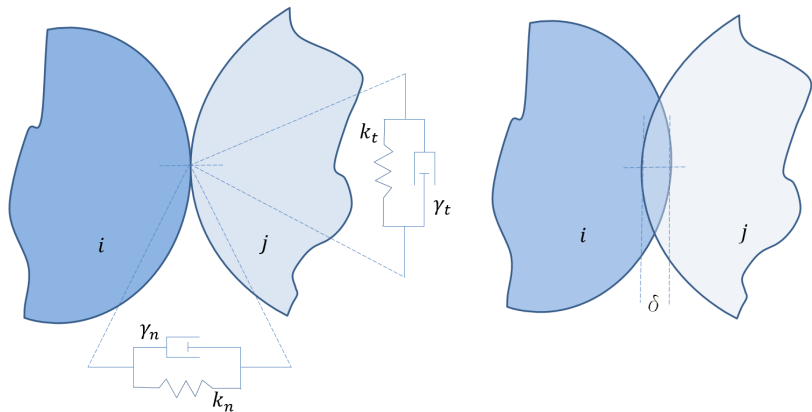


Moving interface.

Interface (---); No delta terms (···); Delta terms (-·-·-).

# DEM - Soft body model

Approximate contacts with a **spring model**:



Spring displacement is given by **body overlap**,  $\delta$ , hence 'soft' body. This translates into a penalty method, solved with the same **explicit** schemes as the SPH equations.

# DEM - Soft body model

**Normal** forces:

$$\mathbf{F}_{n,ij} = \mathbf{F}_n^r + \mathbf{F}_n^d = k_{n,ij} \delta_{ij}^{3/2} \mathbf{n}_{ij} - \gamma_{n,ij} \delta_{ij}^{1/2} \dot{\delta}_{ij} \mathbf{n}_{ij}$$

$$k_{n,ij} = \frac{4}{3} E^* \sqrt{R^*}; \quad \gamma_{n,ij} = -\frac{\log e_{n,ij}}{\sqrt{\pi^2 + \log^2 e_{n,ij}}}$$

$$\frac{1}{E^*} = \frac{1 - \nu_I^2}{E_I} + \frac{1 - \nu_J^2}{E_J}; \quad R^* = \frac{r_i r_j}{r_i + r_j}; \quad M^* = \frac{m_I m_J}{m_I + m_J}$$

**Tangential** forces:

$$\mathbf{F}_{t,ij} = \min(\mu_{IJ} |\mathbf{F}_{n,ij}| \tanh(8 \dot{\delta}_{ij}^t) \mathbf{t}_{ij}; \quad \mathbf{F}_t^r + \mathbf{F}_t^d)$$

$$\mathbf{F}_t^r + \mathbf{F}_t^d = k_{t,ij} \delta_{ij}^t \mathbf{t}_{ij} - \gamma_{t,ij} \dot{\delta}_{ij}^t \mathbf{t}_{ij}$$

# DEM - adding stability constraints

$$\Delta t = \min_i \left[ C \min_i \left( \sqrt{\frac{h}{|\mathbf{f}_i|}} \right); \right. \quad \text{Force terms}$$

$$C \min_i \left( \frac{h}{c_0 + \max_j \left| \frac{h \mathbf{u}_{ij} \mathbf{r}_{ij}}{r_{ij}^2} \right|} \right); \quad \text{CFL and viscosity terms}$$

$$\min_i \left( \frac{3.21}{50} \left( \frac{M^*}{k_{n,ij}} \right)^{2/5} u_{n,ij}^{-1/5} \right) \quad \text{DEM terms}$$

# Implementation

## Computationally

- Forces per particle are computed during main interaction cycle - both SPH and DEM;
- Separate cycle across rigid bodies, to sum forces and update positions according to rigid body equations - main overhead.

## For the user

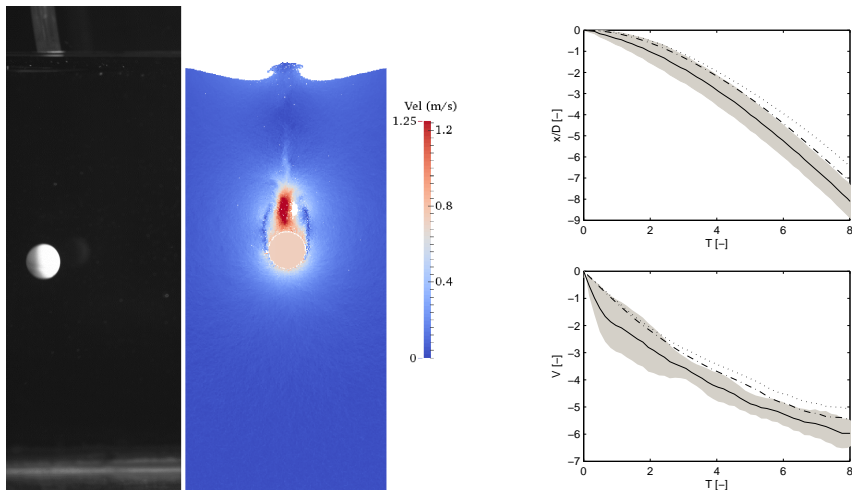
- Both SPH and DEM forces will be available on V4.0 vanilla release;
- Selecting materials is trivial with a xml list file.

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  <PoissonRatio value="0.23" comment="Poisson Ratio (-)" />  
  <Kfric value="0.45" comment="Kinetic friction coefficient" />  
  <Restt value="0.80" comment="Restitution coefficient" />  
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# Implementation advances

- Increased efficiency;
- Increased stability;
- Maximum number of bodies increased to 2048;
- Periodic conditions.

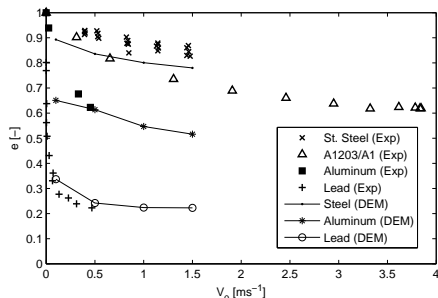
# SPH - Buoyancy - Experimental



**High speed camera with object tracking algorithm.** Position (top) and velocity (bottom).



# DCDEM - Normal Dry Collisions

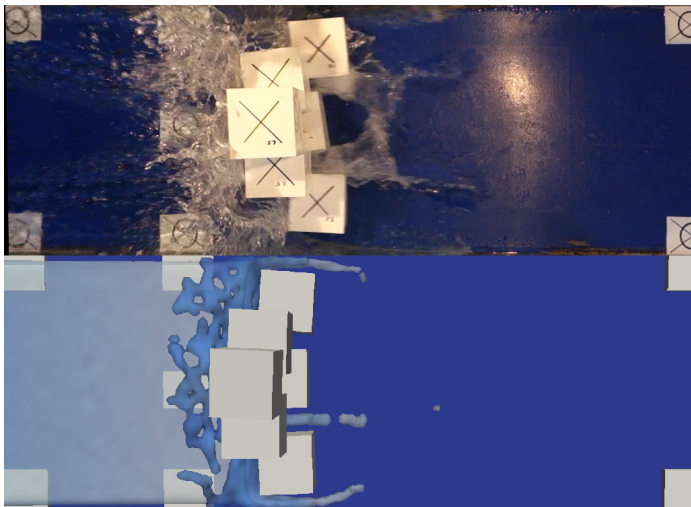


	$E [Nm^{-2}]$	$\nu_p [-]$	$e [-]$
Steel	$200 \times 10^9$	0.30	0.85
Alum.	$65 \times 10^9$	0.33	0.75
Lead	$16 \times 10^9$	0.42	0.40

Reproducing **restitution coefficients** with changing **impact velocity**.

# SPH-DCDEM - Complex interactions

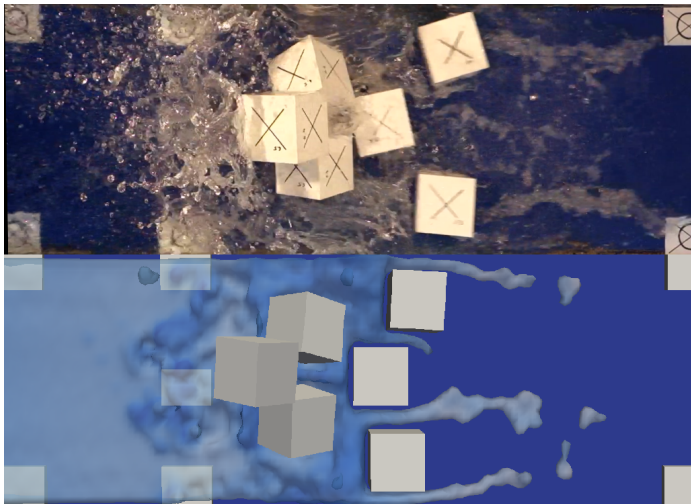
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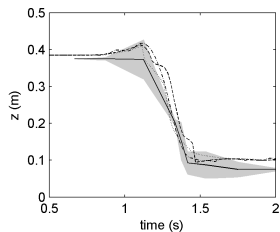
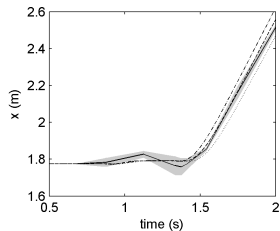
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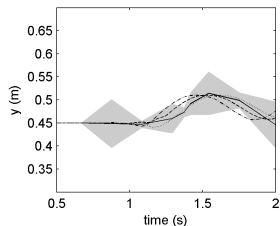
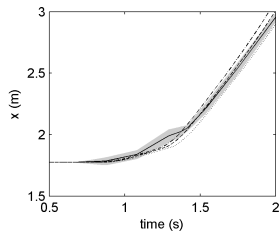
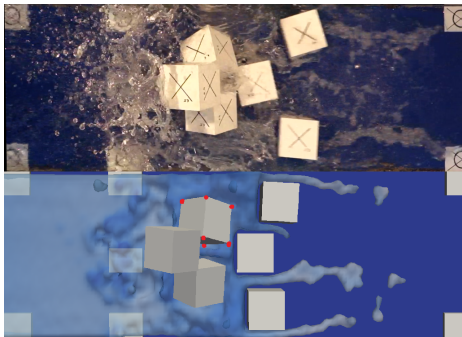
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Experimental( $\cdots$ )/numerical(-) barycenter coordinate positions over time for **top cube**.

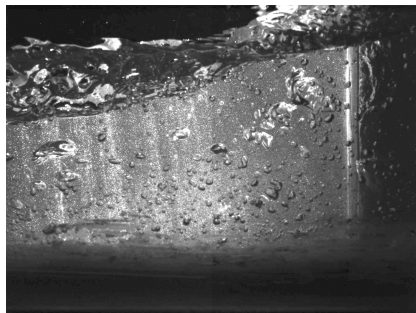
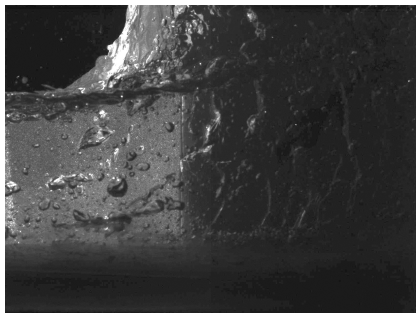
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Experimental( $\cdots$ )/numerical(-) barycenter coordinate positions over time for **middle left cube**.

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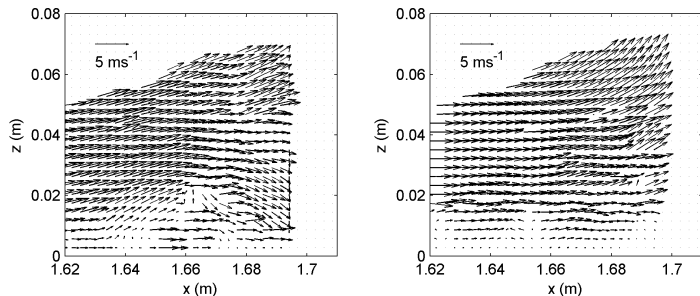
Experimental work. **PIV** at the impact locus.



Very difficult conditions with free-surface splashing, air entrainment and large velocities.

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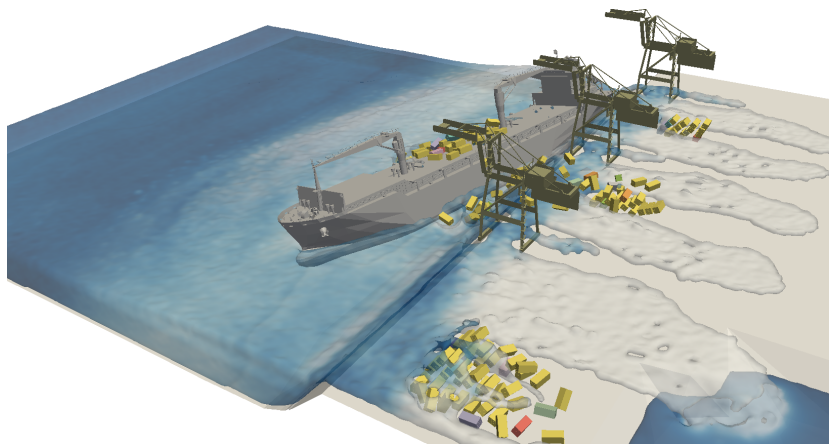
Experimental work. **PIV** and SPH **velocity fields**.



Velocity fields on impact locus. Left - PIV; Right - SPH



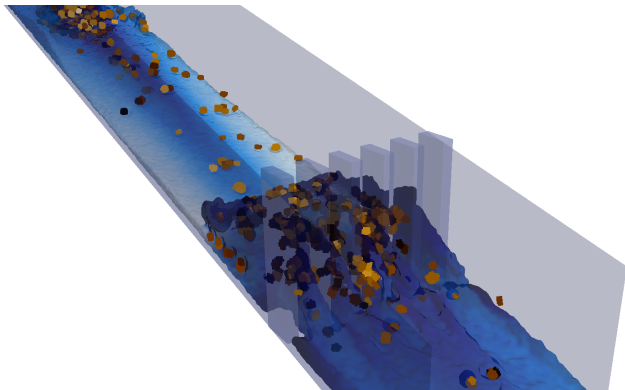
# Large scenarios



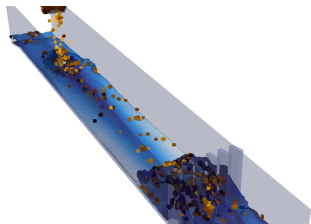
$D_p = 0.50$  m,  $12 \times 10^6$  particles, 57 h computation.

# Debris flows

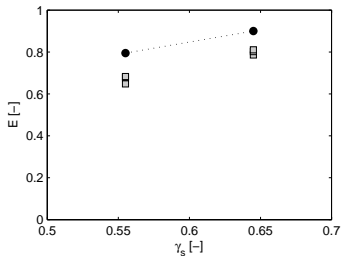
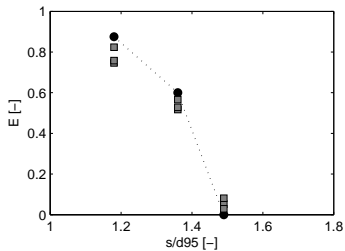
What do we need to start modeling a convincing debris flow? Reproduction of a given **granulometric curve**; **3D scans** of debris, a semi-random way to generate **initial conditions**.



# Resolved modeling of debris flows



$D_p = 0.008$  m,  $1.6 \times 10^6$  particles, 280 h computation.



# Conclusions and future work

- The model, together with an optimal implementation, allows for the **resolved** study of **scenarios in large scales**;
- **New classes of flows** are now within modeling capabilities: solid laden debris flows, massive rock slides, urban flooding; with a **minimal number of approximations**;
- As **high resolution** simulations become possible, **new research prompts** should be created;
- Implement **unresolved granular** phase models;
- Explore **adaptive** and **multi-resolution** formulations;
- Explore alternative, more robust turbulence models;
- Implement **elasto-plastic** constitutive equations for the bodies;

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