Summer School: Granular Materials from Simulations to Astrophysical Applications

Hosted by CSCAMM and the University of Maryland Burgers Program in Fluid Dynamics

#### **Granular Experiments**

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# Outline

#### On Monday

Intro: What are granular materials?

Granular Materials Jam

Granular Materials Age and Strengthen

#### <u>Today</u>

Granular Gas (Particle tracking) 2D Granular Flow (PIV and flow fields) 3D Granular Flows (3D imaging approaches) Shape Analysis

#### Granular Gas – 2D particle tracking

An example of a granular gas Energy input into a granular gas



### Image analysis



#### **Implementations**

Eric Weeks (Emory, IDL) http://www.physics.emory.edu/~weeks/idl/

Dan Blair (Georgetown, Matlab) http://physics.georgetown.edu/matlab/

<u>Steps in 2D particle tracking</u> <u>http://www.physics.emory.edu/~weeks/idl/tracking.html</u> [subtract mean image]

Bandpass

Threshold

Interpolate

# Notes on 2D particle tracking

- Interpolation yields location of particle with better than pixel accuracy
- Can distinguish between different particle types (e.g. large and small particles) by the width and height of the interpolated peak
- Be careful about pixelation
- Tracking assumes no mean flow

# **Velocity Distribution**



Velocity distribution best fit by  $P(v) \propto v$  in agreement with recent theoretical predictions.

Granular gases have non-Gaussian velocity distribution

### Energy of particle mixtures



No Equipartition of energy

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#### On dense granular flows

#### GDR MiDi<sup>a</sup>

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 $\mu = \mu_s + (\mu_2 - \mu_s)/(1 + I_0/I)$ 

Inertia Number I

$$I = |\dot{\gamma}| d / \sqrt{\dot{P} / \rho}$$

d: particle diameter ρ: particle density



# Steady state flow reached immediatel



# Puzzle: Role of the boundary in the localization of the shear band



Rough bottom connected to inner cylinder:

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Shear Band position depends on particle size

# Steady state flow reached immediatel



#### **Contact network depends on jamming history**

# Isotropic compression

Anisotropic compression



#### **Direct imaging of forces in 2D** From Majumdar/Behringer, Nature, 2005

### **Reversal of shear direction**







Falk, Toiya, and Losert



E. Wandersman, J. Dijksman, M. van Hecke

### Long Runout Rock Avalanches

The Blackhawk event in California



**Field Data:** Rock avalanche probabilities are correlated with the direction of prior shear (Friedmann, Kwon & Losert, J. Geophys. Res 2003)

### Anisotropic yield surface





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# 3D imaging approaches

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X-ray microtomography Delannay Group, Rennes

Confocal microscopy Refractive Index Matched Scanning (RIMS)

#### Synchrotron X-ray tomography (with R. Delannay and P. Richard, Univ. Rennes)

Useful for a range of **dry** granular materials

Few images can be taken (large, shared facility, >=10 min per 3D image)

Grain shapes and positions extracted from tomography data. Colored to distinguish particles 10 µm pixel resolution

PHYSICAL REVIEW E 68, 020301(R) (2003)

Analysis by x-ray microtomography of a granular packing undergoing compaction

Patrick Richard,<sup>1,\*</sup> Pierre Philippe,<sup>2</sup> Fabrice Barbe,<sup>3</sup> Stéphane Bourlès,<sup>1</sup> Xavier Thibault,<sup>4</sup> and Daniel Bideau<sup>1</sup>

X-ray tomography images of lunar simulant (M. Toiya, w. R. Delannay and P. Richard, Univ Rennes)



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Confocal microscopy Laser Sheet Scanning



- Non-spherical amorphous silica particles  $2\sim 150\mu m$  and index matching oil produce transparent model soil.
- Imaging by confocal or 2-photon laser scanning microscopy.

#### Refractive Index Matched Scanning (RIMS)

#### **Refractive Index Matched Scanning of Dense Granular Materials**

Joshua A. Dijksman,<sup>1,2</sup> Frank Rietz,<sup>3,4,5</sup> Kinga A. Lőrincz,<sup>6</sup> Martin van Hecke,<sup>2</sup> and Wolfgang Losert<sup>7</sup>

Submitted to Review of Scientific Instruments

material	index $n20_D$	diameter range [mm]	price	company
soda lime	$\sim 1.52$	0.1-10	++	Sigmund Lindner
crystal	$\sim 1.59$	3	++++	Sandoz Fils SA
borosilicate	$\sim 1.5$	0.1-5	++	Sigmund Linder
fused silica	1.45-1.46	2-3	+++++	Sandoz Fils SA
BK7	1.5168	2-3	+++++	Worf Glaskugeln GmbH
PMMA	1.47-1.50	0.1-10	++++	Engineering Labs/Spherotech
Hydrogel	1.33-1.34	10-100	+	Educational Innovations

solvent	$n_D$ (range)
Triton X-100	1.49
DMSO	1.479
1-Methylnaphthalene	1.615
SodiumPolyTungstate (aq)	1.33 - 1.55
Eugenol	1.541
NaI (aq)	1.33 - 1.502
Methyl Salicylate	1.536
$CS_2$	1.627
Cargille index matching liquids	1.30-2.11
Cyclohexyl bromide	1.495
Glycerine	1.474
Sucrose (aq)	1.33-1.49
para-Cymene	1.49



dye	$\lambda_{abs}$ [nm]	$\lambda_{emi}$ [nm]
Nile Blue 690 Perchlorate	633	650 - 690
Rhodamine 6G	530	555 - 585
Atto 633	633	650
Pyrromethene 597-8C9	525	590
Pyrromethene 567A	523	543

#### Particle Motion Revealed by Difference Images



- The shear zone extends 3-4 rod diameters ahead of the tip.
- Note the shape of the shear zone.

#### **Confocal Imaging**



Schematic Contact network steady shear





Toiya et al. PRL 2004

#### **Observations**

- Notable rolling/sliding during steady shear
- Significantly different motion during shear reversal



Masahiro Toiya

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Toiya *et al. Granular Matter (2007)* Slotterback *PRL (2008)* 



#### 3D convolution (see Gollub/Tsai for 2D version)







Slotterback et al PRL (2008)

#### Voronoi volume distribution



# Compaction through thermal cycling



# Dynamics viewed at the particle level





#### Voronoi volume vs time

Cross section through sample vs time

- A. Rahman, JCP (1966): Computer simulations of local liquid structure Shape of Voronoi volume related to displacement of particles
  - **u** vector pointing toward center of voronoi vertices
  - v displacement of particle at following time step.
  - $\theta$  Angle between **u** and **v** (in three **v** dimensions) **uv**



# Voronoi vertices



Slotterback et al PRL (2008)

# From the perspective of the particle View along u vector





Vertices of Voronoi volume =
"Escape directions" of particle from local cage

#### Aging/Strengthening in Astrophysics?

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DEMO



Thermal Cycling on the Moon Daytime: +120°C Night: -150°C [lunarpedia.org]



The pole is a regions not exposed to thermal cycling. Will it be equally compacted?



Steven





Toiya et al. Granular Matter (2007) Slotterback PRL (2008)

#### 3D imaging of flow - continuum flow fields



Move bottom disk in 3<sup>o</sup> slowly Stop to take a 3D picture



J. Dijksman, E. Wandersman, S. Slotterback, C. Berardi, M. van Hecke, W. Losert PRE 060301 (2010)



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#### **Convection Rolls** during "step"-flow

Joost



Large Particles ullet



#### Small Particles



# Characterizing motion of two neighboring particles: Angle α



Steven Slotterback



#### Motion of nearby particles in steady shear

Region of Interest



Disk Edge +/- 3 D

 $dr \le 1.04 \text{ D} \rightarrow$  "Touching"  $dr > 1.04 \text{ D} \rightarrow$  "Not-Touching"

#### Which particles are neighbors?



Granular flow on the mesoscale

 Quantification of mesoscale structure and dynamics?





Network characterization of granular **dynamics** 

Mark Herrera

Persistent Network	<b>Broken Link Network</b>	
	Reference Frame	



Experimentally observed fraction of broken links used as input in the model

Breaking probability ~local longitudinal strain

#### Giant Component of the Network



**Percolation transition** 



#### Cumulative Size distribution



#### **Clustering Coefficient**





#### Data are more clustered



Peak to Peak Amplitude 10° (~1.5 D) 2° steps between frames

Contrast enhanced for easy viewing



3D reconstruction <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of the system Credit: Mitch Mailman





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#### Forces in Astrophysical Applications

#### Holding Granular Matter together:

Gravity Van der Waals Charges <u>Rearranging Granular</u> <u>Matter:</u>

Tidal forces Seismic forces Centrifugal forces