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Multiphase Turbulent Flow



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Overview



Multiphase Flow Basics

- General Features and Challenges
- Characteristics and definitions

Conservation Equations and Modeling Approaches

- Fully Resolved
- Eulerian-Lagrangian
- Eulerian-Eulerian
 - Averaging & closure
- When to use what approach?
- Preferential concentration
- Examples
 - Modified instability of a Shear Layer
 - Sediment suspension in a turbulent channel flow
 - Numerical simulation example: Mesh-free methods in multiphase flow

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What is a multiphase flow?



- In the broadest sense, it is a flow in which two or more phases of matter are dynamically interacting
 - Distinguish multiphase and/or multicomponent
 - Liquid/Gas or Gas/Liquid
 - Gas/Solid
 - Liquid/Liquid
 - Technically, two immiscible liquids are "multi-fluid", but are often referred to as a "multiphase" flow due to their similarity in behavior

	Single component	Multi-component
Single phase	Water Pure nitrogen	Air H ₂ 0+oil emulsions
Multi-phase	Steam bubble in H ₂ 0 Ice slurry	Coal particles in air Sand particle in H ₂ 0

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Dispersed/Interfacial



- Flows are also generally categorized by distribution of the components
 - "separated" or "interfacial"
 - both fluids are more or less contiguous throughout the domain

- "dispersed"

- One of the fluids is dispersed as noncontiguous isolated regions within the other (continuous) phase.
- The former is the "dispersed" phase, while the latter is the "carrier" phase.
- One can now describe/classify the geometry of the dispersion:
 - Size & geometry
 - Volume fraction





Gas-Liquid Flow



Bubbly Pipe Flow – heat exchangers in power plants, A/C units



Figure 1.6: Upward Cocurrent Flow in a Vertical Pipe Air-water Flow Patterns (Roumy, 1969) (1) Independent bubbles, (2) Packed bubbles, (3) Slug flow, (4) Churn flow, (5) Annular flow. Pipe diameter : 32 mm

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Gas-Liquid Flow (cont)



Aeration:

- -produced by wave action
- used as reactor in chemical processing
- enhanced gas-liquid mass transfer







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Gas-Liquid Flow (cont)

Ship wakes – detectability Cavitation – noise, erosion of structures





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Liquid-Gas Flow



Weather – cloud formation Biomedical – inhalant drug delivery



FIG. 1. Rapid accessitation of a 0.1 ml water droplet forced by strapped actuation at 1000 Hz. The Suma rate is 2000 Fps.







Vukasinovic, Glezer, Smith (2000)





http://www.mywindpowersystem.com/2009/07/wind-power-when-nature-gets-angry-the-worst-wind-disasters-of-the-world/

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Gas-Liquid Flow

Energy production – liquid fuel combustion **Biomedical** – inhalant drug delivery









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Gas-Solid Flow

Environmental – avalanche, pyroclastic flow, ash plume, turbidity currents









Gas-Solid (dense)



Granular Flow – collision dominated dynamics; chemical processing



http://www.its.caltech.edu/~granflow/homepage.html



http://jfi.uchicago.edu/~jaeger/group/

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Chemical production – mixing and reaction of immiscible liquids





http://www.physics.emory.edu/students/kdesmond/2DEmulsion.html



Solid-Liquid

Cross-stream position, y⁺

Sediment Transport –

pollution, erosion of beaches, drainage and flood control





Solid-Liquid

Settling/sedimentation, turbidity currents





http://www.physics.utoronto.ca/~nonlin/turbidity/turbidity.html



FIG. 1. Visualization of fluid vorticity (red) and solid particles (white) of an initially spherical suspension falling due to gravity. Case A: (a)-(c); Case B: (d)-(f).

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Material processing – generation of particles & composite materials Energy production – coal combustion



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Aerosol formation – generation of particles & environmental safety





FIGURE 1.1 (a) Coal-burning power plant. (b) Scanning electron microscope (SEM) photograph of coal fly ash particles.





FIGURE 1.2 (a) Granite cutting. (b) SEM photograph of quartz particles. Magnification 2650×.

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Classification by regime

Features/challenges

- Dissimilar materials (density, viscosity, etc)
- Mobile and possibly stochastic interface boundary
- Typically turbulent conditions for bulk motion

Coupling

- **One-way coupling:** Sufficiently dilute such that fluid feels no effect from presence of particles. Particles move in dynamic response to fluid motion.
- **Two-way coupling:** Enough particles are present such that momentum exchange between dispersed and carrier phase interfaces alters dynamics of the carrier phase.
- Four-way coupling: Flow is dense enough that dispersed phase collisions are significant momentum exchange mechanism
 - Depends on particle size, relative velocity, volume fraction
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Viscous response time

- To first order, viscous drag is usually the dominant force on the dispersed phase



This defines the typical particle "viscous response time"

$$\tau_p = \frac{\rho_p D^2}{18\mu}$$

• Can be altered for finite Re drag effects, added mass, etc. as appropriate

Stokes number:

- ratio of particle response time to fluid time scale: $St = \frac{\tau_p}{\tau_c}$

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Modeling approach?



- How to treat such a wide range of behavior?
 - A single approach has not proved viable
 - Fully Resolved : complete physics
 - Eulerian-Lagrangian : idealized isolated particle
 - Eulerian-Eulerian : two co-existing fluids



Fully Resolved Approach



- Solve conservation laws in coupled domains
 - 1. separate fluids
 - Each contiguous domain uses appropriate transport coefficients
 - Apply boundary jump conditions at interface
 - Boundary is moving and may be deformable
 - 2. single fluid with discontinuous properties
 - Boundary becomes a source term

Examples

- Stokes flow of single liquid drop
 - Simple analytical solution



- Small numbers of bubbles/drop
 - Quiescent or weakly turbulent flow



FIG. 11. The interface grid fre a ming bubble corresponding to the last time in Fig. 10a.



G Tryggvason, S Thomas, J Lu, B Aboulhasanzadeh (2010)

Eulerian-Lagrangian



- Dispersed phase tracked via individual particles
 - Averaging must be performed to give field properties
 - (concentration, average and r.m.s. velocity, etc.)
- Carrier phase is represented as an Eulerian single fluid
 - Two-way coupling must be implemented as distributed source term



Collins & Keswani (2004)



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Particle Motion: tracer particle

Equation of motion for spherical particle at small Re_{p} :

$$m_p \frac{dv_p}{dt} = 3\pi\mu D \left(u - v_p \right) + \frac{1}{2} m_f \left[\frac{Du}{Dt} - \frac{dv_p}{dt} \right]$$





Inertia

Viscous drag

Added mass

Pressure gradient

buoyancy

Where

$$m_p = \rho_p \frac{\pi D^3}{6}$$
, the particle mass
 $m_f = \rho_f \frac{\pi D^3}{6}$, fluid mass of same volume as particle
 D = particle diameter
 μ = fluid viscosity

$$\dot{u}$$
 = fluid velocity
 \dot{v}_p = particle velocity
 ρ_g = fluid density
 ρ_p = particle material density

Possible alterations:

- Finite Re_p drag corrections
- Influence of local velocity gradients (Faxen Corrections)
- Lift force (near solid boundary, finite Re_p)

Two-Fluid Equations

- Apply averaging operator to mass and momentum equations
 - Drew (1983), Simonin (1991)
 - Phase indicator function



• Averaging operator







- Assume no inter-phase mass flux, incompressible carrier phase
 - Mass

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\alpha_k \rho_k) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (\alpha_k \rho_k U_{k,j}) = 0$$

• Momentum



 $\frac{\mathcal{H}}{\partial} + \mathcal{H}_{ij} \frac{\mathcal{H}}{\partial i} = 0$



$$\alpha_{k}\rho_{k}\left(\frac{\partial U_{k,i}}{\partial t}+U_{k,j}\frac{\partial U_{k,i}}{\partial x_{j}}\right)=-\alpha_{k}\frac{\partial P_{1}}{\partial x_{i}}+\alpha_{k}\rho_{k}g_{i}+\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}}\left(\alpha_{k}\tau_{k,ij}\right)-\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}}\left(\alpha_{k}\rho_{k}\left\langle u_{i}^{\prime}u_{j}^{\prime}\right\rangle \right)+I_{k,i}$$

Two-Fluid Equations (cont)



Interphase momentum transport

- For large particle/fluid density ratios, quasi-steady viscous drag is by far the dominant term
- For small density ratios, additional force terms can be relevant
 - Added mass
 - Pressure term
 - Bassett history term
- For sediment, $\rho_2/\rho_1 \sim 2.5 > 1$ (*k*=1 for fluid, *k*=2 for dispersed phase)
 - Drag still first order effect, but other terms will likely also contribute



$$C_{D} = \frac{24\left[1 + 0.15 \operatorname{Re}_{p}^{0.687}\right]}{\operatorname{Re}_{p}} \qquad R_{p} = \frac{\mathcal{A}\left[1 + 0.15 \operatorname{Re}_{p}^{0.687}\right]}{\mathcal{A}}$$

Closure requirements



Closure

- Closure is needed for:
 - Particle fluctuations
 - Particle/fluid cross-correlations
 - Fluid fluctuations
- Historically, the earliest models used a gradient transport model
 - Shown to be inconsistent for many applications
- Alternative: Provide separate evolution equation for each set of terms
 - Particle kinetic stress equation
 - Particle/fluid covariance equation
 - Fluid kinetic stress equation
 - Also required for single-phase RANS models
 - Also will require third-moment correlations models to complete the closure

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Simpler Two-Fluid Models

- For St < 1, the particles tend to follow the fluid motion with greater fidelity
 - Asymptotic expansions on the equation of motion lead to a closed expression for the particle field velocity, in terms of the local fluid velocity and spatial derivatives (Ferry & Balachandran, 2001)

$$\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u} + \begin{cases} -St(1-\beta)\frac{D\mathbf{u}}{Dt} & \text{for } |\mathbf{w}| \ll St \\ \mathbf{w} - St(1-\beta)\frac{D\mathbf{u}}{Dt} & \text{for } |\mathbf{w}| \sim O(St) \\ \mathbf{w} - St \left[(1-\beta)\frac{D\mathbf{u}}{Dt} + \mathbf{w} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u} \right] & \text{for } |\mathbf{w}| \sim O(1). \end{cases}$$

- Where $St = \frac{\tau_p}{\tau_f}$ $\mathbf{w} = \tau_p \mathbf{g}$ $\beta = \frac{3}{2\rho + 1}$
- This is referred to as the "Eulerian Equilibrium" regime (Balachandar 2009).
 - Also, similar to "dusty gas" formulation by Marble (1970)

For larger St, the dispersed phase velocity at a point can be multivalued!

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• When is a given approach best?

- What approach is best, depends on:
 - D/η : Particle size and fluid length scales (typically Kolmogorov)
 - $\Box \tau_p / \tau_f$: Particle response time and fluid time scales
 - Total number of particles: Scale of system
 - $\Box \alpha, \Phi = \rho_p \alpha$: Loading of the dispersed phase (volume or mass fraction)



Preferential Concentration

- From early studies, it was observed that inertial particles can be segregated in turbulent flows
 - Heavy particles are ejected from regions of strong vorticity
 - Light particles are attracted to vortex cores

• Small St approx. shows trend

- Taking divergence of velocity...

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}_{p} = -St(1-\beta) \left[\left| S_{ij} \right|^{2} - \left| \Omega \right|^{2} \right]$$





Wood, Hwang & Eaton (2005)

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PDF formulation

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Consequences of inertia

- Implies history of particle matters
- Particles can have non-unique velocity
 - How can models account for this?

Probability distribution function

 $- f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}, t) =$ phase space pdf

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} = -\nabla_x \cdot \left(\mathbf{u}_p f \right) - \nabla_{u_p} \cdot \left(\mathbf{a}_p f \right)$$

$$\mathbf{u}_{p} = \frac{d\mathbf{x}_{p}}{dt} \qquad \nabla_{x} \cdot (\mathbf{y}) = \partial \partial \hat{x}_{i} \qquad \nabla_{u_{p}} \cdot (\mathbf{y}) = \partial \partial \hat{u}_{p,i}$$
$$\mathbf{a}_{p} = \frac{d\mathbf{u}_{p}}{dt} = \frac{1}{m_{p}} \left[3\pi\mu D \left(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}_{p} \right) + \frac{1}{2} m_{f} \left[\frac{Du}{Dt} - \frac{d\mathbf{v}_{p}}{dt} \right] + m_{f} \frac{Du}{Dt} - m_{p} \left(1 - \frac{\rho_{g}}{\rho_{p}} \right) \right] \mathbf{g}_{p}$$

 Instantaneous point quantities come as moments of the pdf over velocity phase space

$$n(\mathbf{x},t) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(\mathbf{x}_{p},\mathbf{u}_{p},t) d\mathbf{u}_{p} \qquad \hat{u}_{p}(\mathbf{x},t) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} u_{p}f(\mathbf{x}_{p},\mathbf{u}_{p},t) d\mathbf{u}_{p}$$

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Effect of particles on shear layer instability

Particle-Fluid Coupling in sediment transport

Case studies in interface tracking methods

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Effect of particles on KH Instabilty



How does the presence of a dynamics dispersed phase influence the instability growth of a mixing layer?



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Results

• Effect of particles

- At small St, particles follow flow exactly, and there is no dynamic response. Flow is simply a heavier fluid.
- As St is increased, dynamic slip becomes prevalent, and helps damp the instability
- At large St, particles have no response to perturbation and are static
- Effect is stronger, for higher loadings, but shear layer remains weakly unstable



Mechanism

Particles damp instability

 Particles act as a mechanism to redistribute vorticity from the core back to the braid, in opposition to the K-H instability

 $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}$

$$\Omega|_{y=0} = -\frac{C_f \left(iku_p + \frac{dv_p}{dy}\right)}{(\omega - kU)(\omega - kU + i(C_f + C_p))} \frac{dU}{dy}$$

Limitations

 Results at large St do not capture effects of multi-value velocity



Meiburg et al. (2000)

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Sediment Transport in Channel Flow



Planar Horizontal Water Channel

- $4 \times 36 \times 488$ cm, recirculating flow
- Pressure gradient measurements show fully-developed by x = 250 cm
- Particles introduce to settling chamber outlet across span

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Experimental Conditions

- Both single-phase and two-phase experiments conducted
- Carrier Fluid Conditions
 - Water, Q = 7.6 l/s
 - $U_c = 59 \text{ cm/s}, u_\tau = 2.8 \text{ cm/s}, Re_\tau = 570$
 - Flowrate kept the same for two-phase experiments
 - Tracer particles: 10 μ m silver-coated, hollow glass spheres, SG = 1.4

Dispersed Phase Conditions

- Glass beads: (specific gravity, SG = 2.5)
- Standard sieve size range: $180 < D < 212 \mu m$
- Settling velocity, $v_s = 2.2$ to 2.6 cm/s
- Corrected Particle Response Time, τ = 4.5 ms
- $-St^{+} = \tau_{p}/\tau^{+} \sim 4 \qquad p$
- Bulk Mass Loading: dM/dt = 4 gm/s, $M_p/M_f \sim 5 \times 10^{-4}$
- Bulk Volume Fraction, $\alpha = 2 \times 10^{-4}$

Mean Concentration Profile

- Concentration follows a power law

• Equivalent to Rouse distribution for infinite depth





• Based on mixing length theory, but still gives good agreement







- Particles alter mean fluid profile
 - Skin friction increased by 7%; qualitatively similar to effect of fixed roughness
- Particles lag fluid over most of flow
 - Observed in gas/solid flow (much large Stokes number... likely not same reasons)
 - Particles on average reside in slower moving fluid regions?
 - Reported by Kaftori et al, 1995 for $\rho_p/\rho_f = 1.05$ (current is heavier ~ 2.5)
 - Organization of particles to low speed side of structures a la Wang & Maxey (1993)?
- Particles begin to lead fluid near inner region transport lag across strong gradient

Particle Slip Velocity, $\overline{\mathcal{U}} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}_{\mathcal{P}} \langle \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{U} \rangle_{\mathcal{P}}$



- Streamwise direction
 - Particle-conditioned slip (+) is generally small in outer flow
 - Mean slip (\bullet) and particle conditioned slip are similar in near wall region
- Wall-normal direction
 - Mean slip (•) is negligible
 - Particle-conditioned slip (+) approximately 40% of steady-state settling velocity (2.4 cm/s)

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Particle Conditioned Fluid Velocity





- Average fluid motion at particle locations:

- Upward moving particles are in fluid regions moving slower than mean fluid
- Downward moving particles are in fluid regions which on average are the same as the fluid
- Indicates preferential structure interaction of particle suspension

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Suspension Quadrant Analysis



- Conditionally sampled fluid velocity fluctuations
 - Upward moving particles primarily in quadrant II
 - Downward moving particles are almost equally split in quadrant III and IV



- Persistent behavior
 - Similar quadrant behavior in far outer region
 - Distribution tends towards axisymmetric case in outer region



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Expected Structure: Hairpin "packets"



- Visualization of PIV data in single-phase boundary layer
 - Adrian, Meinhart & Tomkins (2000), JFM
 - Use "swirl strength" to find head of hairpin structures
 - Eigenvalues of 2-D deformation rate tensor, swirl strength is indicated by magnitude of complex component



Spacing ~ 200 wall units

Swirl

- Packet growth angle can increase or decrease, +10° on average
- Packets were observed in 80% of images ($Re_{\theta} = 7705$)

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Event structures: Quadrant II hairpin



Similar structures found

- Appropriate spacing
- Not as frequent
 - Re effects? ($\text{Re}_{\theta} = 1183$)
 - Smaller field of view?

Evidence suggests packets contribute to particle suspension





Particle Kinetic Stress



Turbulence budget for particle stresses

• (Wang, Squires, Simonin, 1998)

 $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + U_{2,m} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_m} \end{bmatrix} \left\langle u_{2,i}' u_{2,j}' \right\rangle_2 = P_{2,ij} + D_{2,ij} + \Pi_{2,ij}^d + \Pi_{2,ij}^p$

Production by mean shear

$$P_{2,ij} = -\left\langle u_{2,i}' u_{2,m}' \right\rangle \frac{\partial U_{2,j}}{\partial x_m} - \left\langle u_{2,j}' u_{2,m}' \right\rangle \frac{\partial U_{2,i}}{\partial x_m}$$

Transport by fluctuations

$$D_{2,ij} = -\frac{1}{\alpha_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_m} \left[\alpha_2 \left\langle u'_{2,i} u'_{2,j} u'_{2,m} \right\rangle_2 \right]$$

- Momentum coupling to fluid $\Pi_{2,ij}^{d} = -\left\langle \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_2} \frac{3}{2} \frac{C_d}{d} |\mathbf{v}_r| u'_{2,i} u'_{2,j} \right\rangle_2$ - (destruction)
- Momentum coupling to fluid $\Pi_{2,ij}^{p} = \left\langle \frac{\rho_{1}}{\rho_{2}} \frac{3}{4} \frac{C_{d}}{d} |\mathbf{v}_{r}| \left[u_{1,i}' u_{2,j}' + u_{1,j}' u_{2,i}' \right] \right\rangle_{2}$ (production)

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Particle Kinetic Stress Budget



- Streamwise Particle/Fluid Coupling: $\Pi^{d}_{2,11}$, $\Pi^{p}_{2,11}$
 - Compare results to Wang, Squires, & Simonin (1998)
 - Gas/solid flow ($\rho_2/\rho_1=2118$), Re_t = 180, No gravity, St⁺~700
 - Computations, all 4 terms are computed; Experiments, all but D_{2,ij}computed



- Interphase terms are qualitatively similar Similar general shapes, $\Pi^{d}_{11} > \Pi^{p}_{11}$
- Quantitative difference
 - Magnitudes different: $\Pi_{11}^{d} / \Pi_{11}^{p} \sim 1.3$ vs 3, overall magnitudes are 10 to 20 times greater
 - Interphase terms are expected to increase with decreased St^+
 - Dominant interphase transfer (Π) greatly diminishes importance of mean shear (P)
 - Turbulent transport (D) has opposite sign because of small shear production (P)

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