

Consultant Feedback

Process System Engineering

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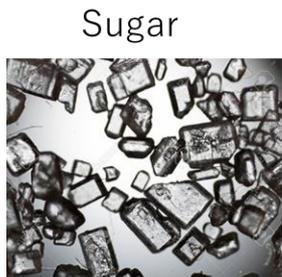
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Background

In the industrial application, there is a big request for handling of real fine powder with commercial scale.

Most cases, size of fine cohesive powder is ranging between 10 to 100 μm and commercial equipment size is at least 100kg.



100 μm



Tablespoon(10g)

1 Million



Measuring cup(100g)

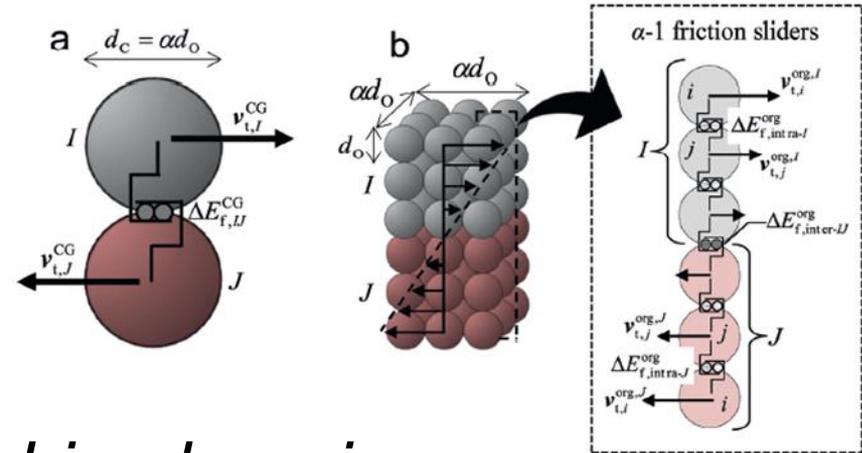
10 Million



Manufacturing scale (100kg)

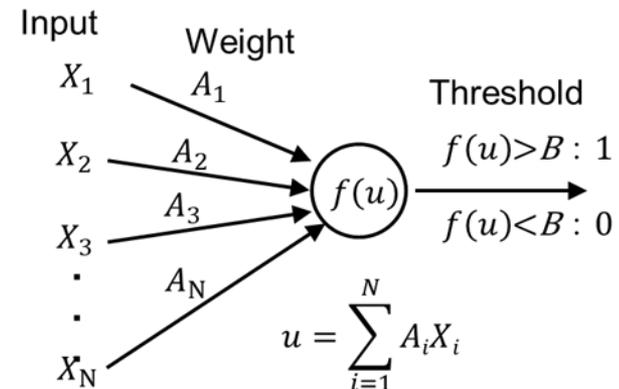
1 Billion

⚽ Coarse grain model



⚽ Prediction by using machine learning

⚽ Parameter tuning



Coarse-grained DEM

Multiphase (Gas-solid) flow

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Contact dominant granular flow

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Cohesive powder flow

Prof. Kimiaki Washino
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Machine learning

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Parameter calibration

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Review: Calibration of the discrete element method



Future direction of powder technology

Development of decarbonization and sustainable technologies from the view point system engineering



1. Cost effective processing

Optimum and energy efficient operation, decrease in loss

Decrease in energy i.e., shift from wet to dry processing

Desolventizing process i.e. use of alternative solvent, Supercritical CO₂
Supercritical H₂O

2. Development of energy storage materials

All solid type Lithium ion battery

Hydrogen storage alloy