

# DENSE GAS-PARTICLE FLOWS WITH WET PARTICLE-PARTICLE INTERACTION

CURRENT STATUS AND FUTURE CHALLENGES

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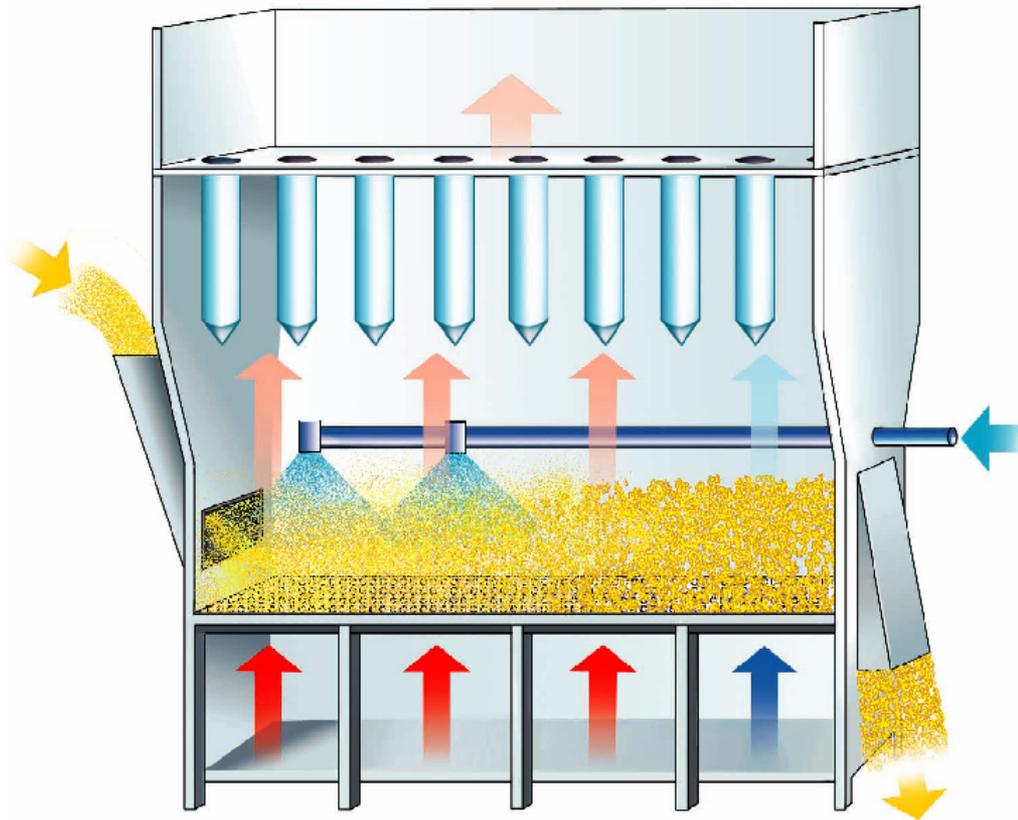
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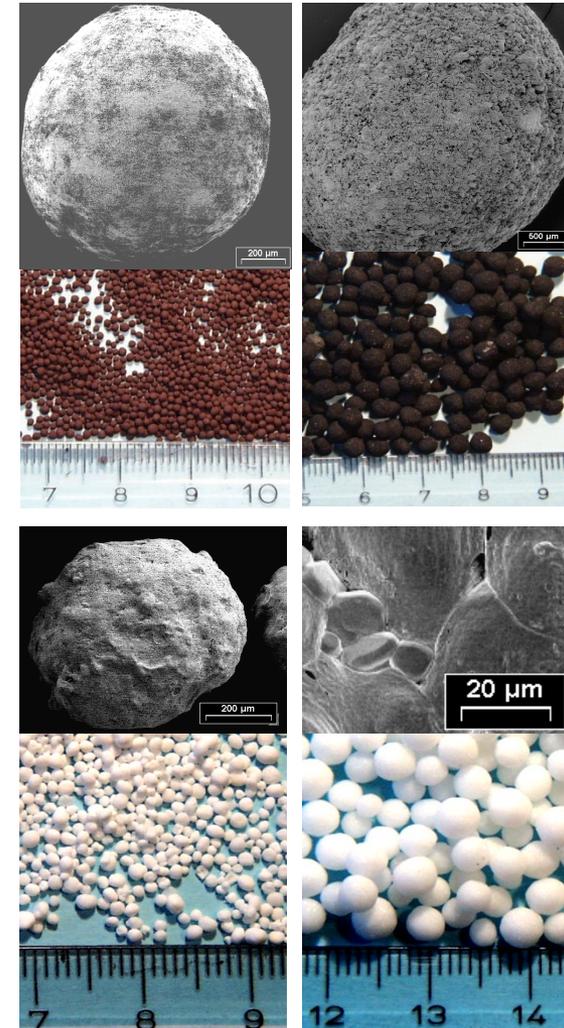
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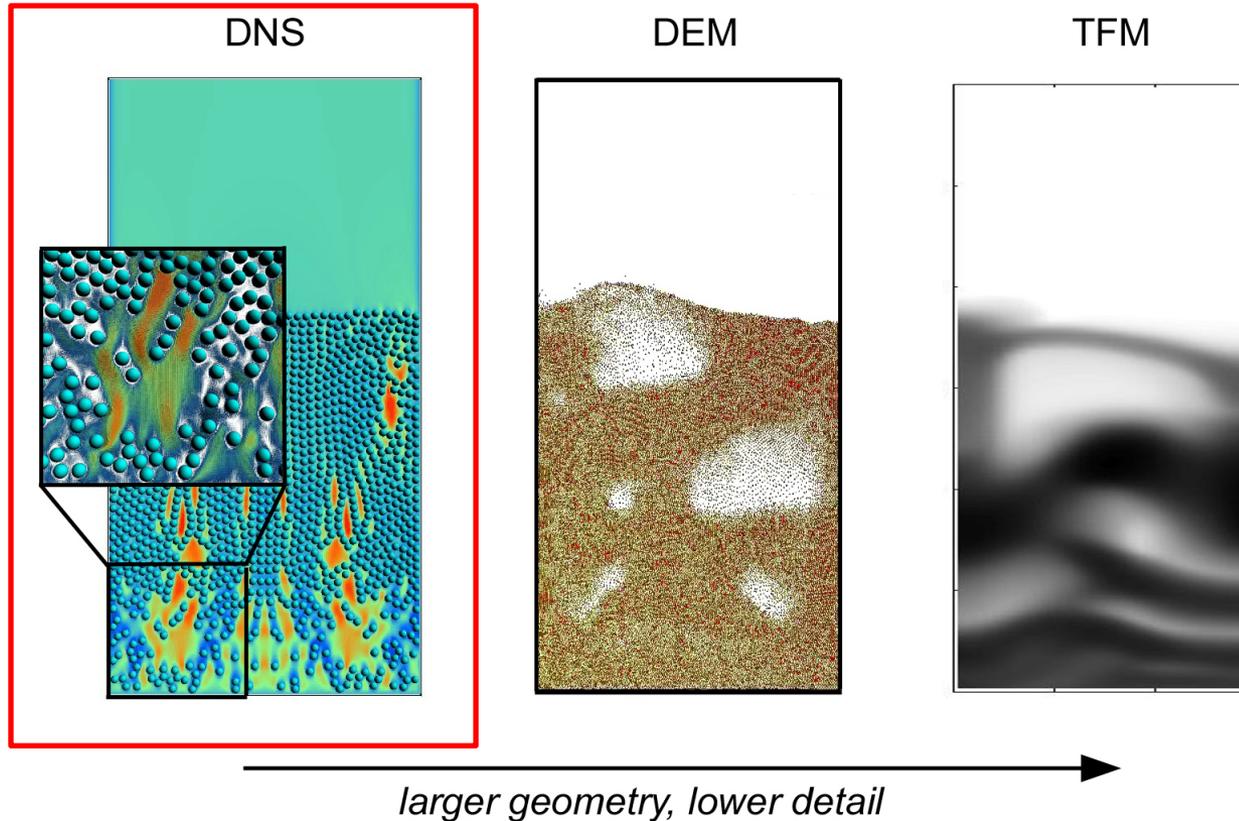
## fluidized bed spray granulation



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# MULTI-SCALE MODELLING OF SYSTEMS WITH WET PARTICLE-PARTICLE INTERACTION



mass, momentum and heat transport in polydisperse particulate systems

droplet-droplet interaction + droplet-particle interaction

# IB-VOF-DP (DNS) MODEL

- FEATURES

- + Eulerian grid + implicit boundary condition treatment at IB
- + VOF module for free surface tracking and wetting behavior

- ADVANTAGES

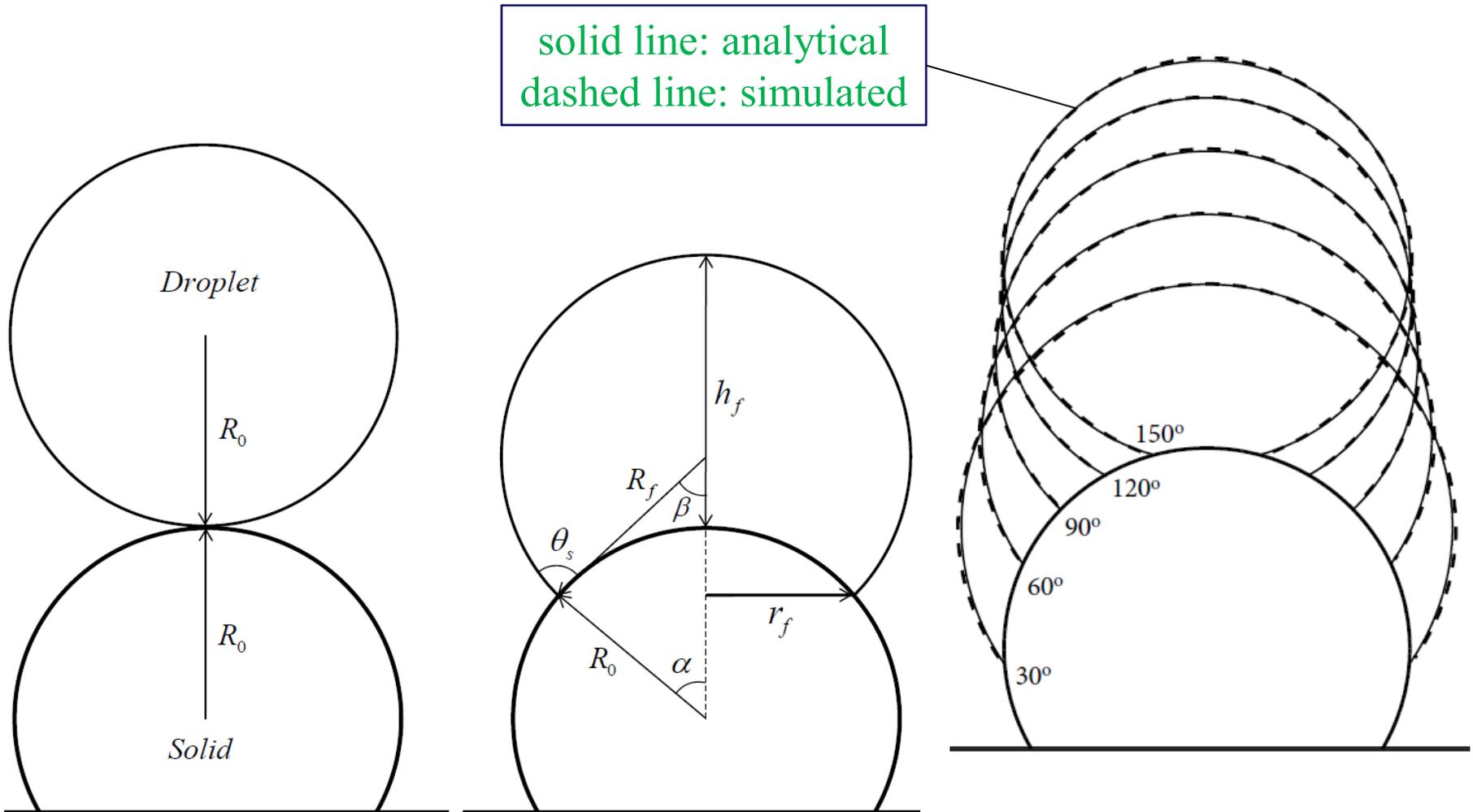
- + details of continuous phase flow field and interface dynamics captured
- + arbitrary shape of solid particles can be accounted for

- DISADVANTAGES

- + IB-VOF-DP simulations are CPU-demanding (especially in 3D)
- + limited to relatively small number of solid bodies (typically  $10^3$ )

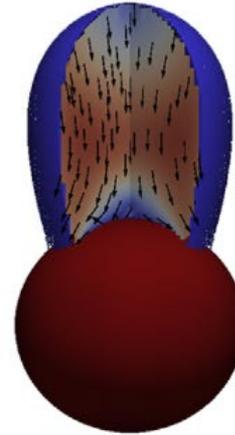
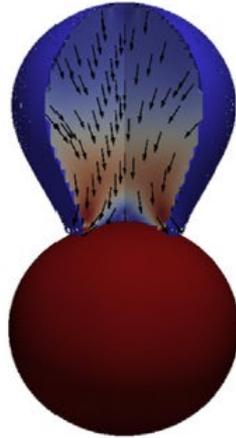
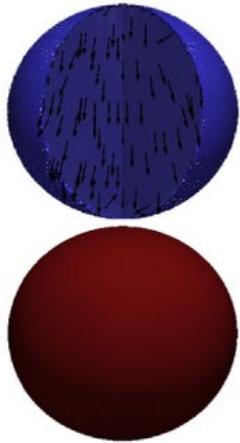
# DROPLET-PARTICLE INTERACTION

## equilibrium shape of droplet: effect of contact angle

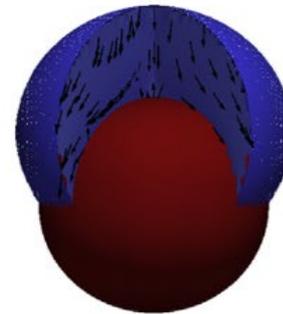
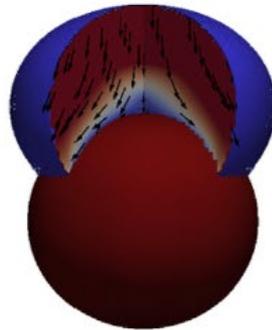
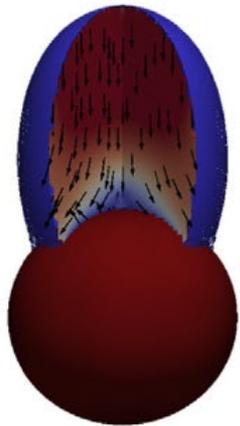


# DROPLET-PARTICLE INTERACTION

## contact and droplet spreading regimes



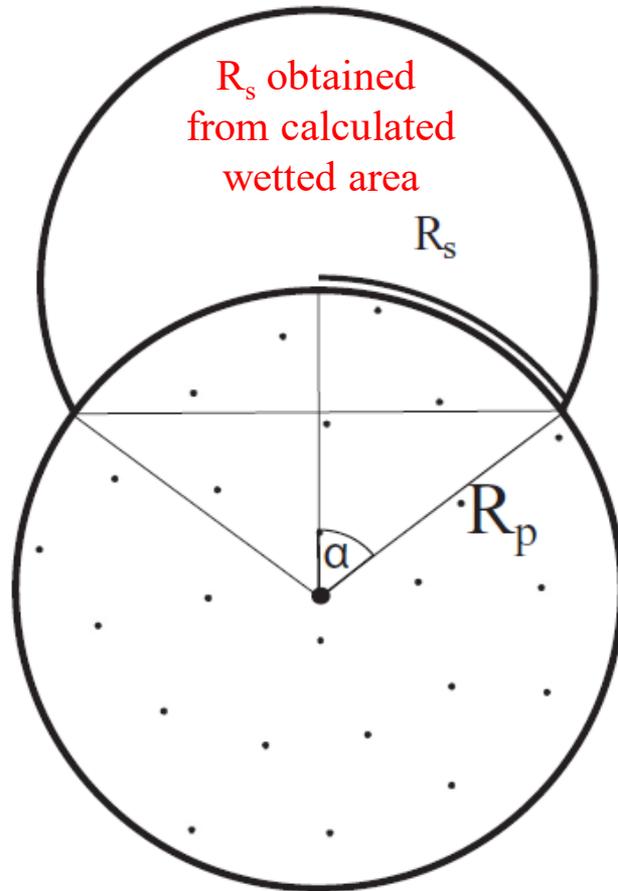
initial state  
and kinematic  
spreading phase



inertial and (slow)  
viscous  
spreading phase

# DROPLET-PARTICLE INTERACTION

## definitions



surface area ratio  $F$

$$F = \left( \frac{R_d}{R_p} \right)^2$$

dimensionless time

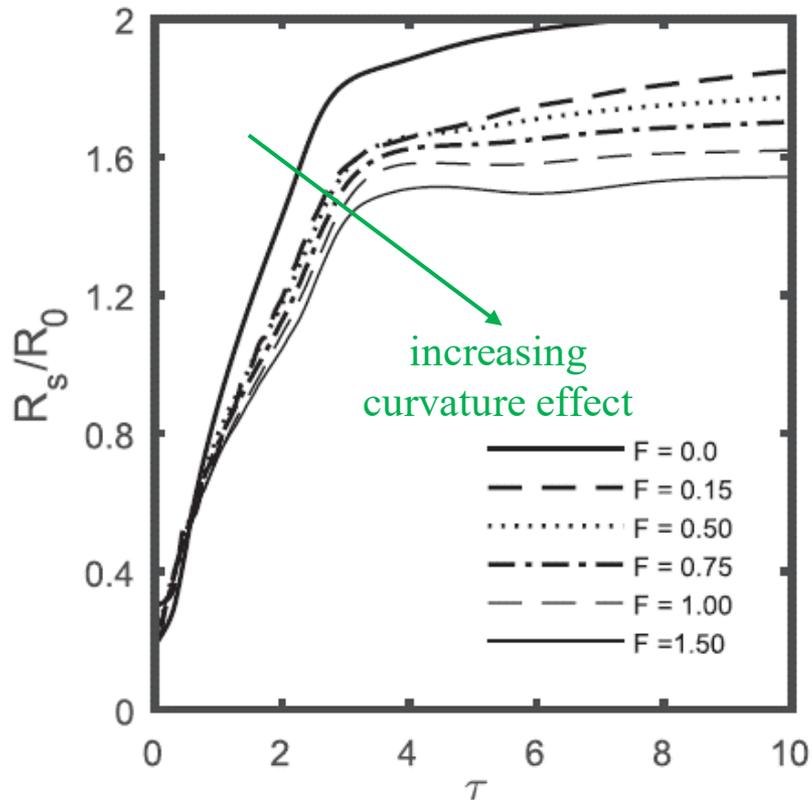
$$\tau = \frac{t}{\sqrt{\frac{\rho R_0^3}{\sigma}}}$$

dimensionless spreading parameter

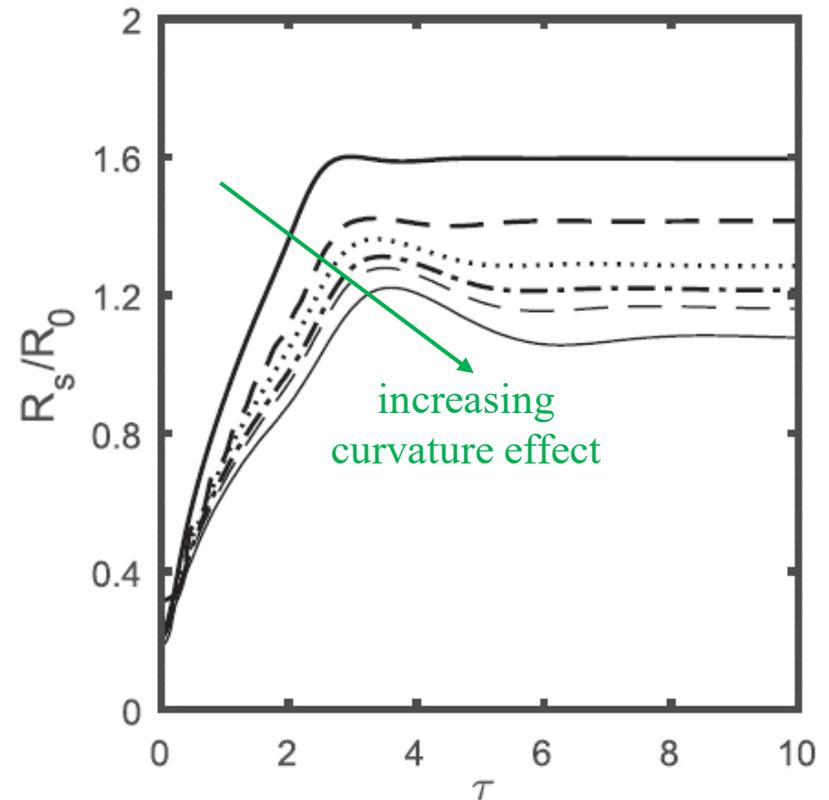
$$\frac{R_s}{R_0}$$

# DROPLET-PARTICLE INTERACTION

## curvature effect on dynamics of droplet spreading



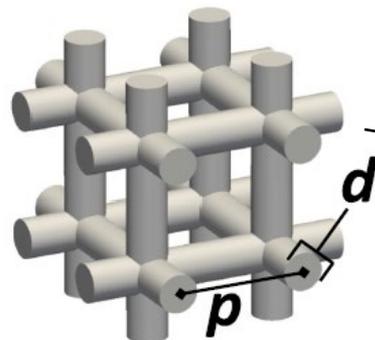
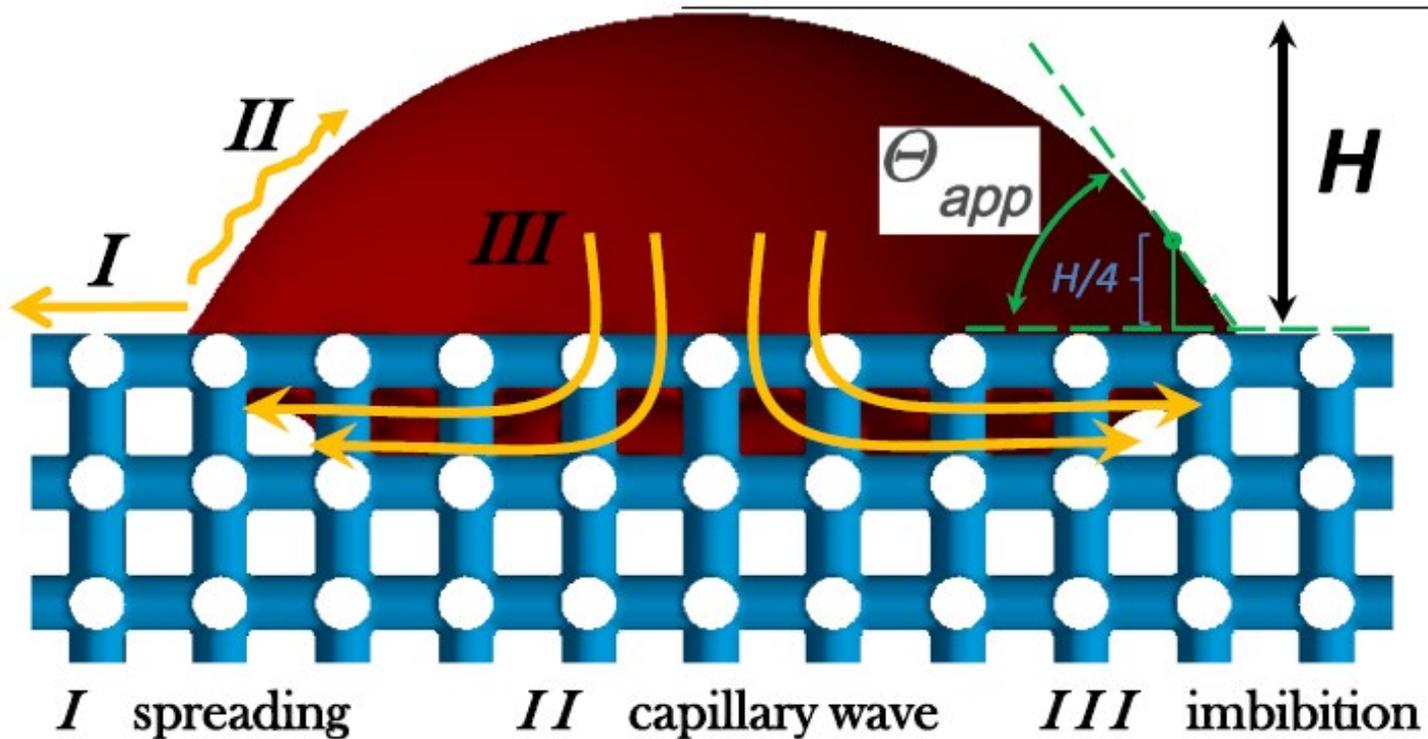
$D_0 = 0.1 \text{ mm}$   $\theta = 30^\circ$



$D_0 = 0.1 \text{ mm}$   $\theta = 60^\circ$

# DROPLET-POROUS-MEDIUM INTERACTION

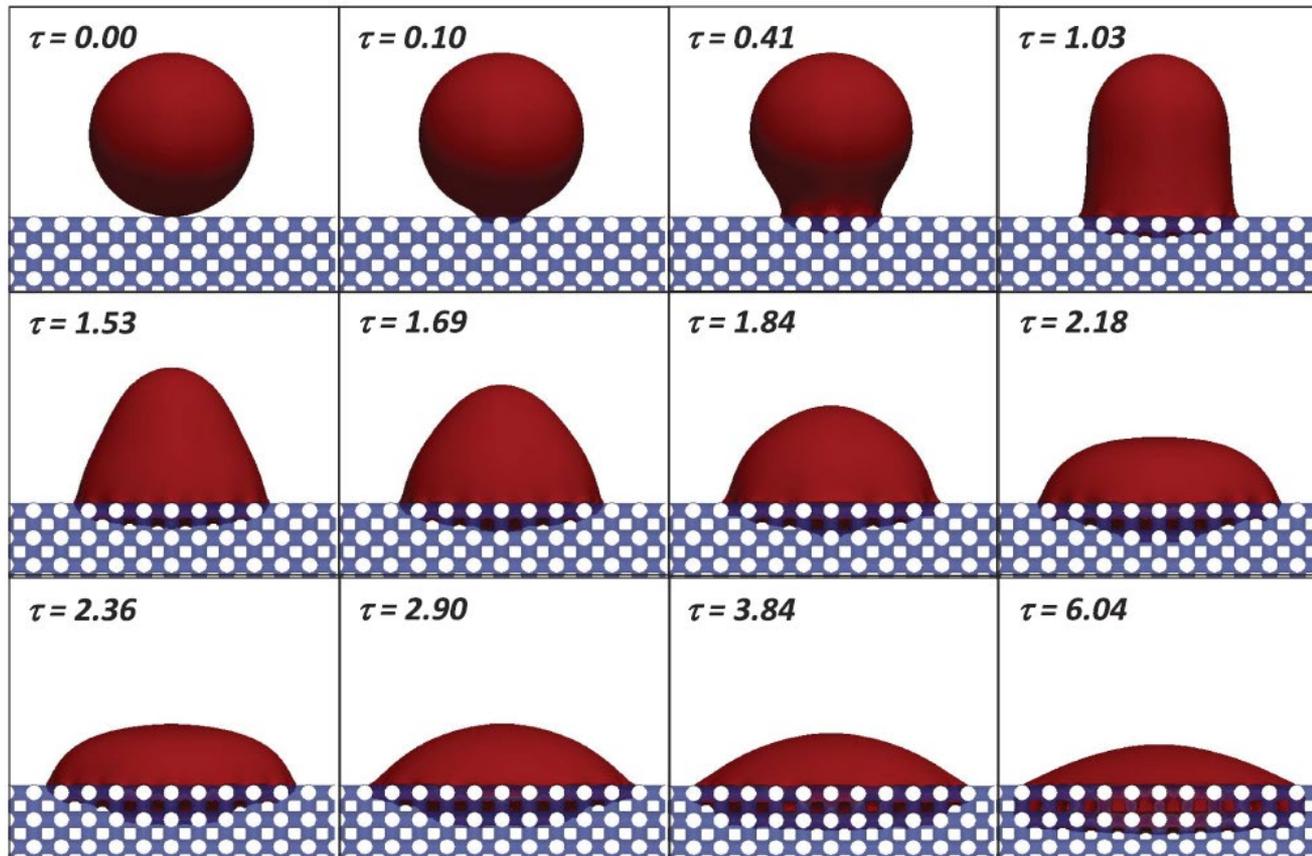
## IB-VOF-DP simulation



porosity is defined by the diameter  $d$  of the cylinders and pitch  $p$

# DROPLET-POROUS-MEDIUM INTERACTION

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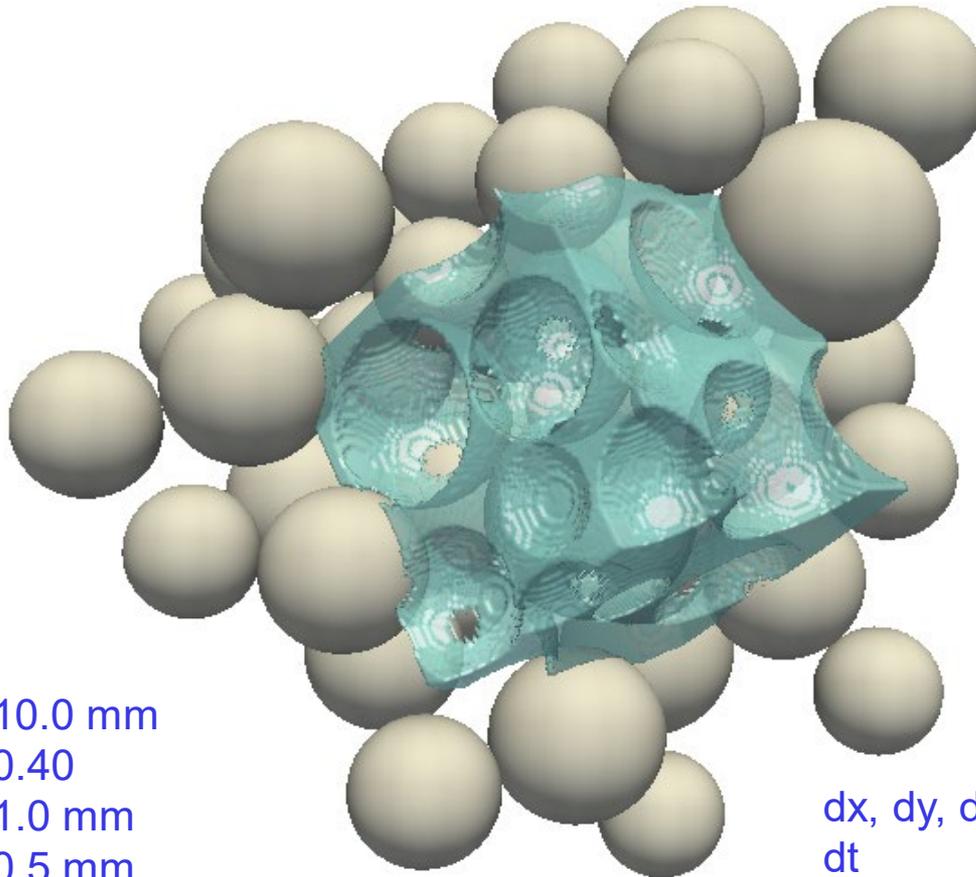
$d_d$  = 0.2 mm  
 $\epsilon_{\text{void}}$  = 0.5  
Gas = air  
Liquid = squalane  
 $\Theta$  = 30°

$$La = \frac{\rho_l \sigma R_d}{\mu_l^2} = 45$$

$dx, dy, dz$  = 3  $\mu\text{m}$   
 $dt$  = 10<sup>-7</sup> s  
Fluid-interface = VOF  
Solid-interface = IBM

# DROPLET-PARTICLE-CLUSTER INTERACTION

## IB-VOF-DP simulation

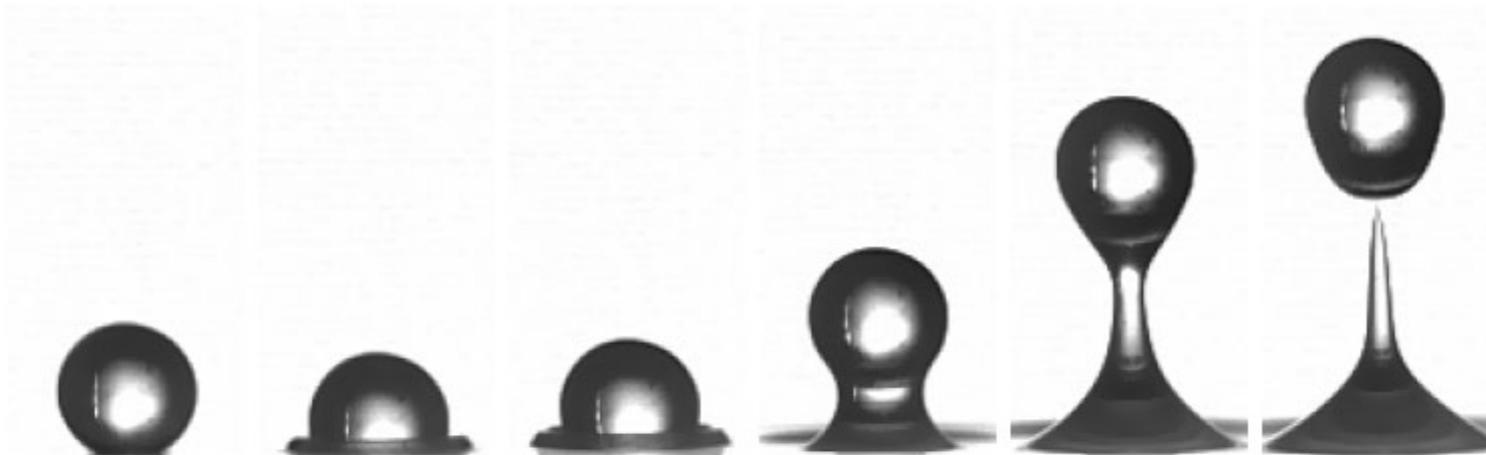


$d_{\text{cub}}$  = 10.0 mm  
 $\epsilon_{\text{void}}$  = 0.40  
 $\langle d_p \rangle$  = 1.0 mm  
 $\sigma$  = 0.5 mm  
Gas = air  
Liquid = squalane  
 $\Theta$  = 30°

$dx, dy, dz$  = 0.1 mm  
 $dt$  =  $10^{-7}$  s  
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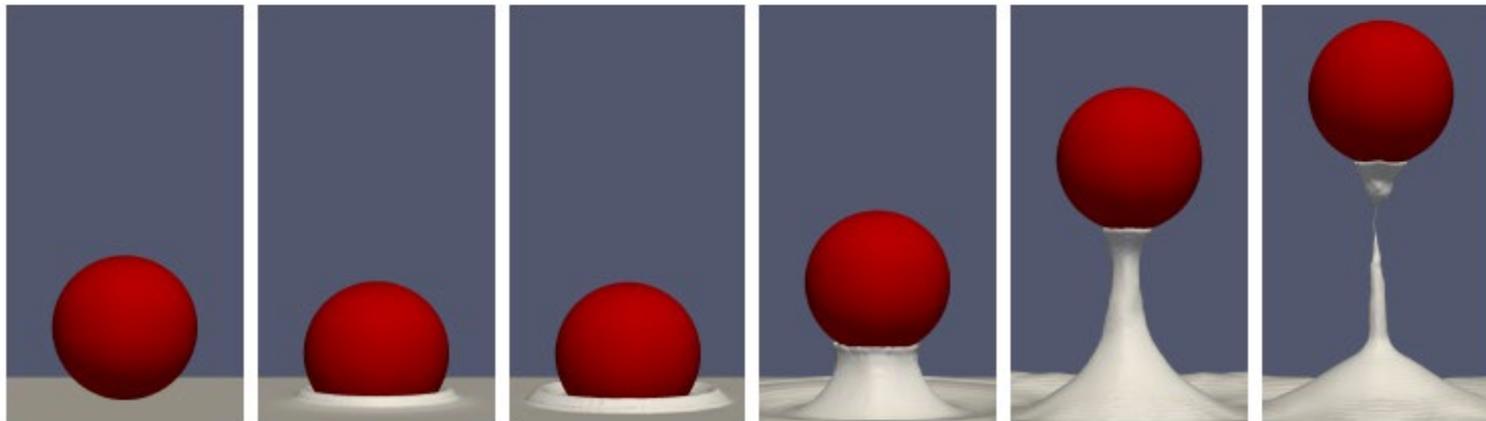
# PARTICLE COLLISION WITH A FLAT PLATE COVERED WITH A VISCOUS LIQUID

particle impact with liquid bridge formation and rupture



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Liquid layer:

water  
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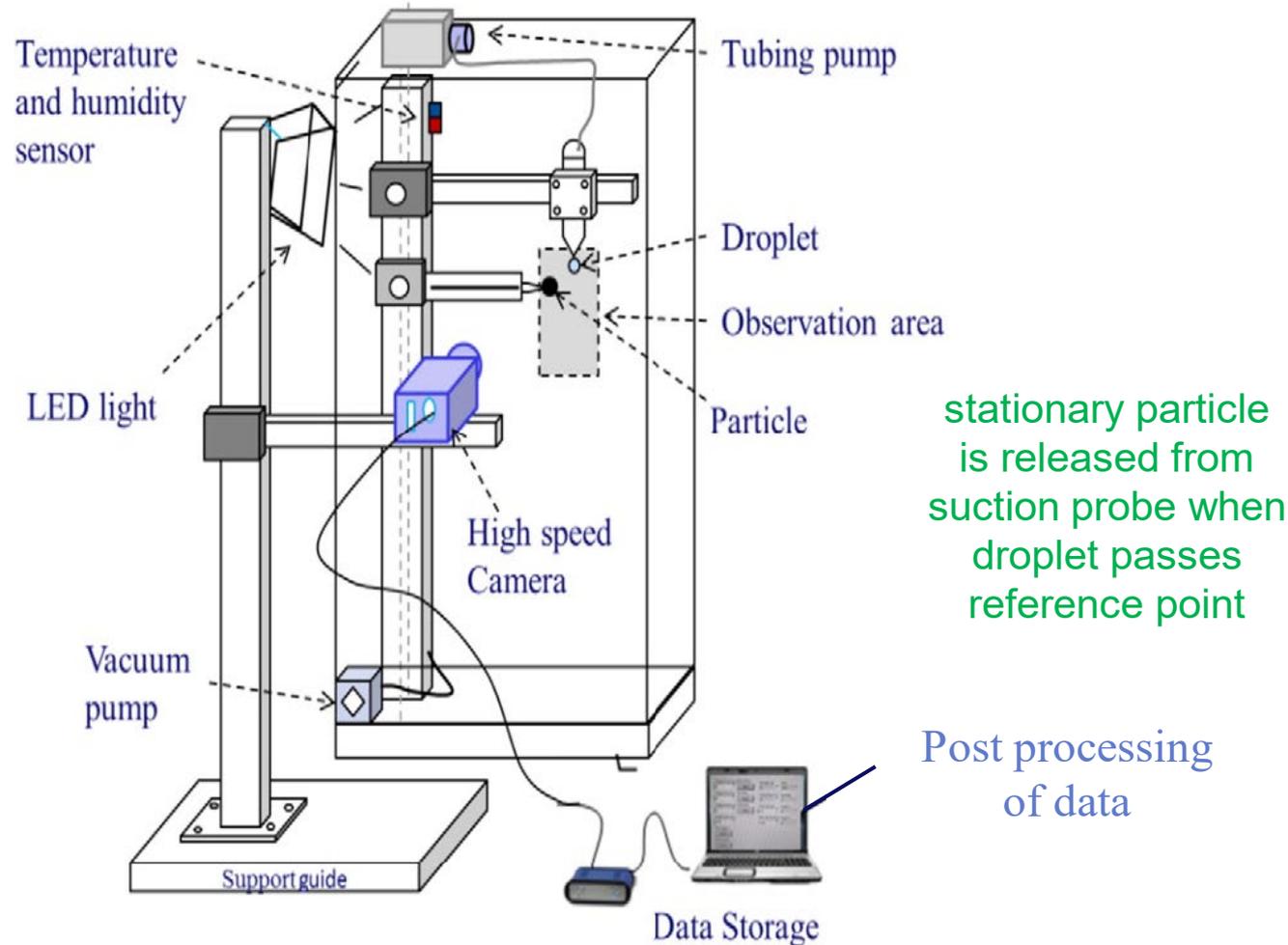
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# DROPLET-PARTICLE COLLISIONS

## experimental setup



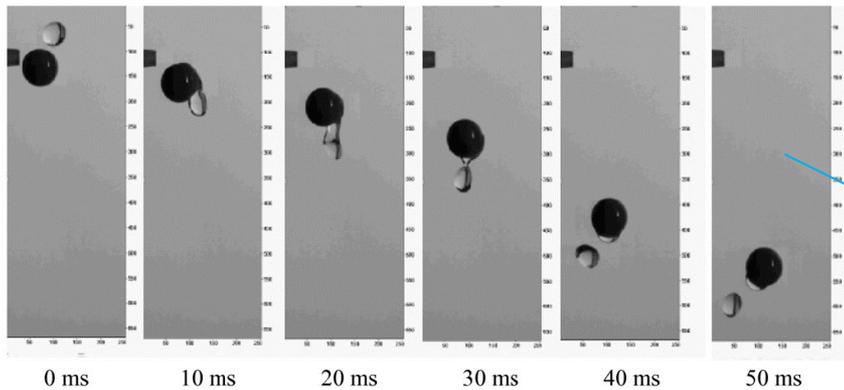
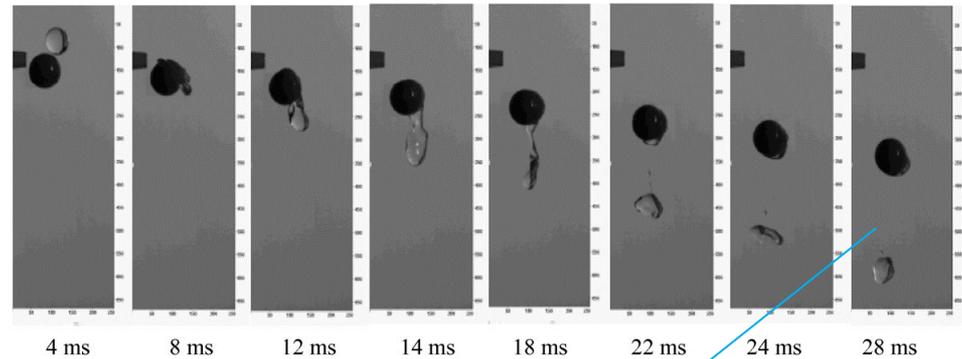
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## regime map development

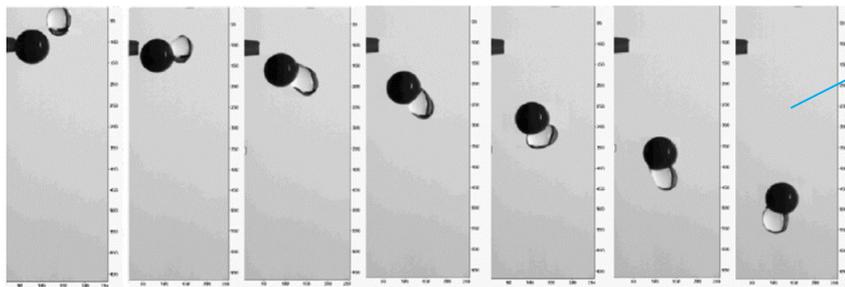
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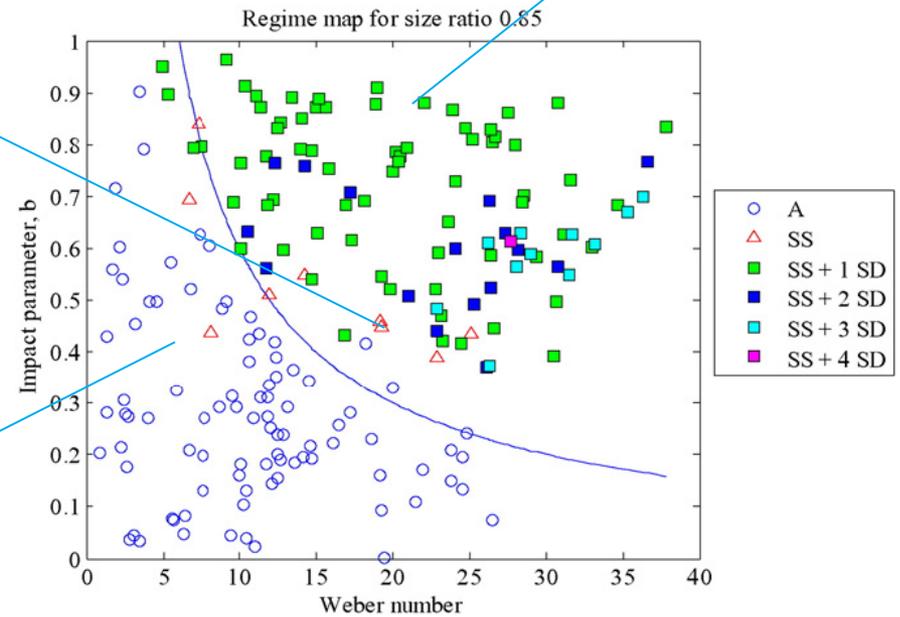
SD  
STRETCHING SEPARATION  
WITH SATELLITE DROPS



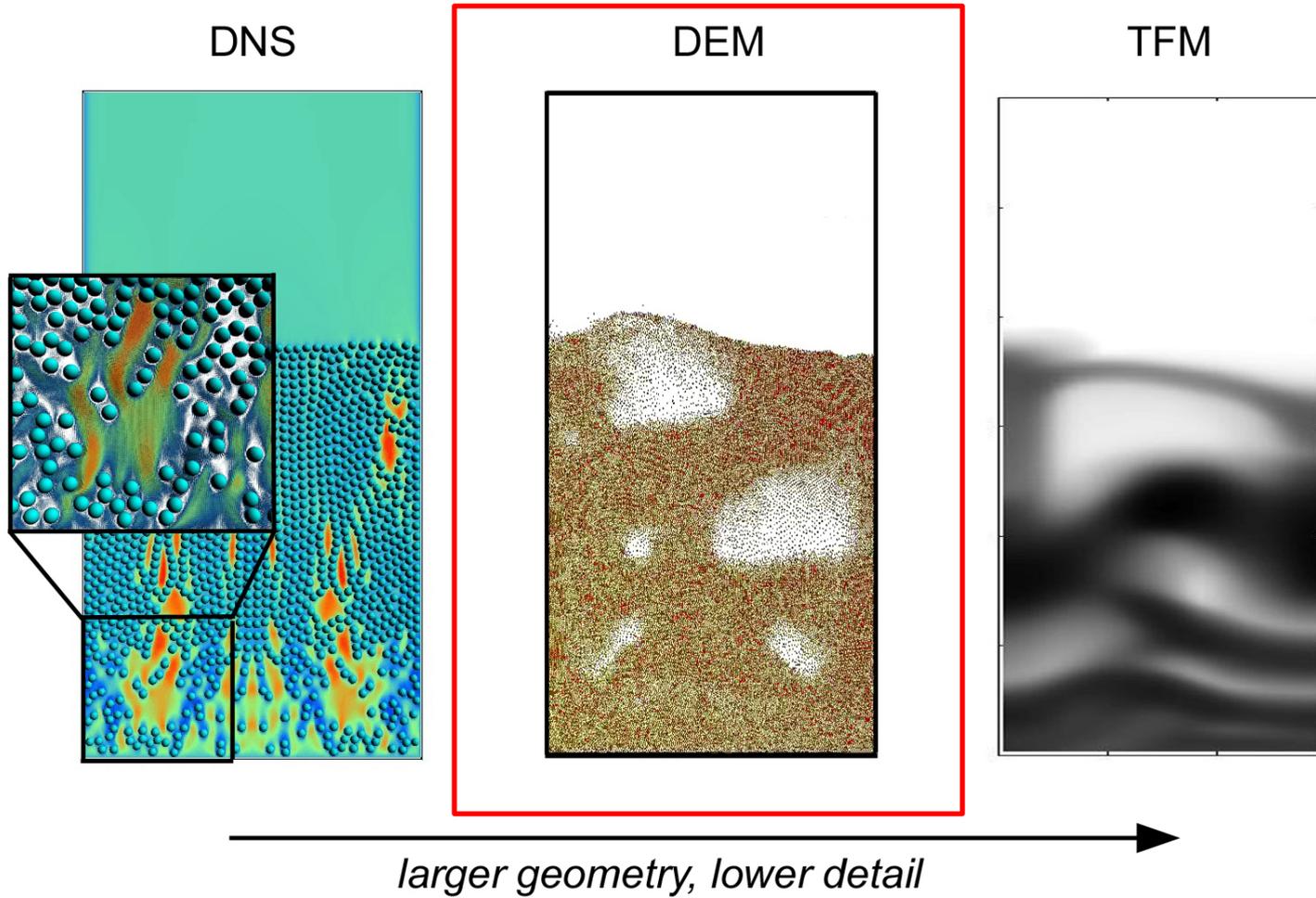
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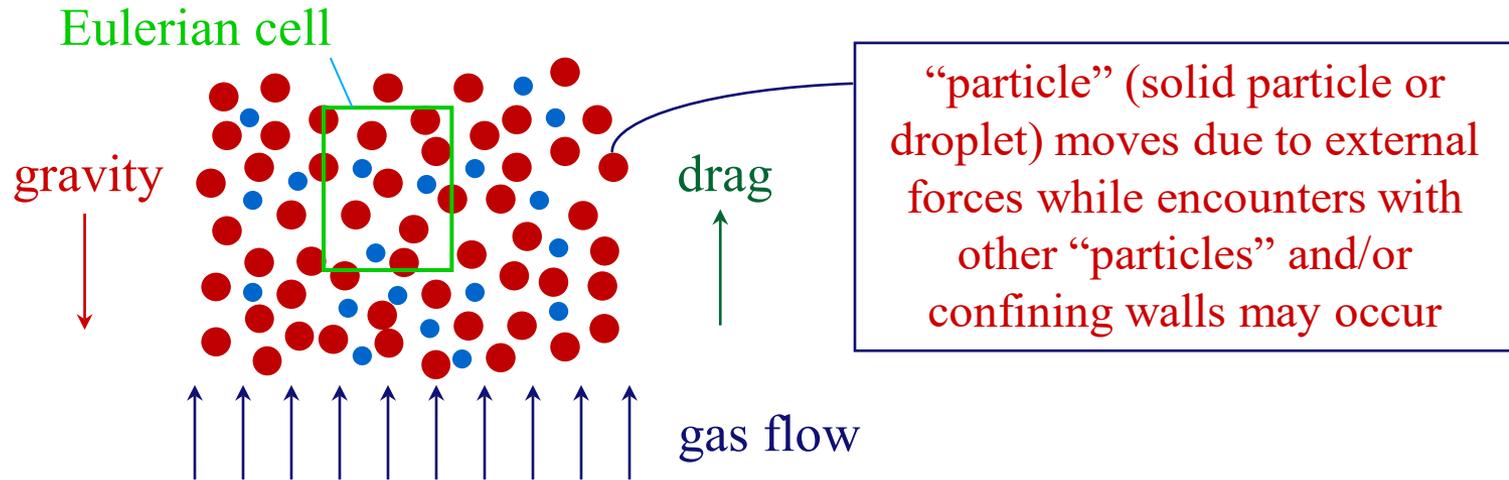


# MULTI-SCALE MODELLING



# DISCRETE “PARTICLE” MODELS (CFD-DEM)

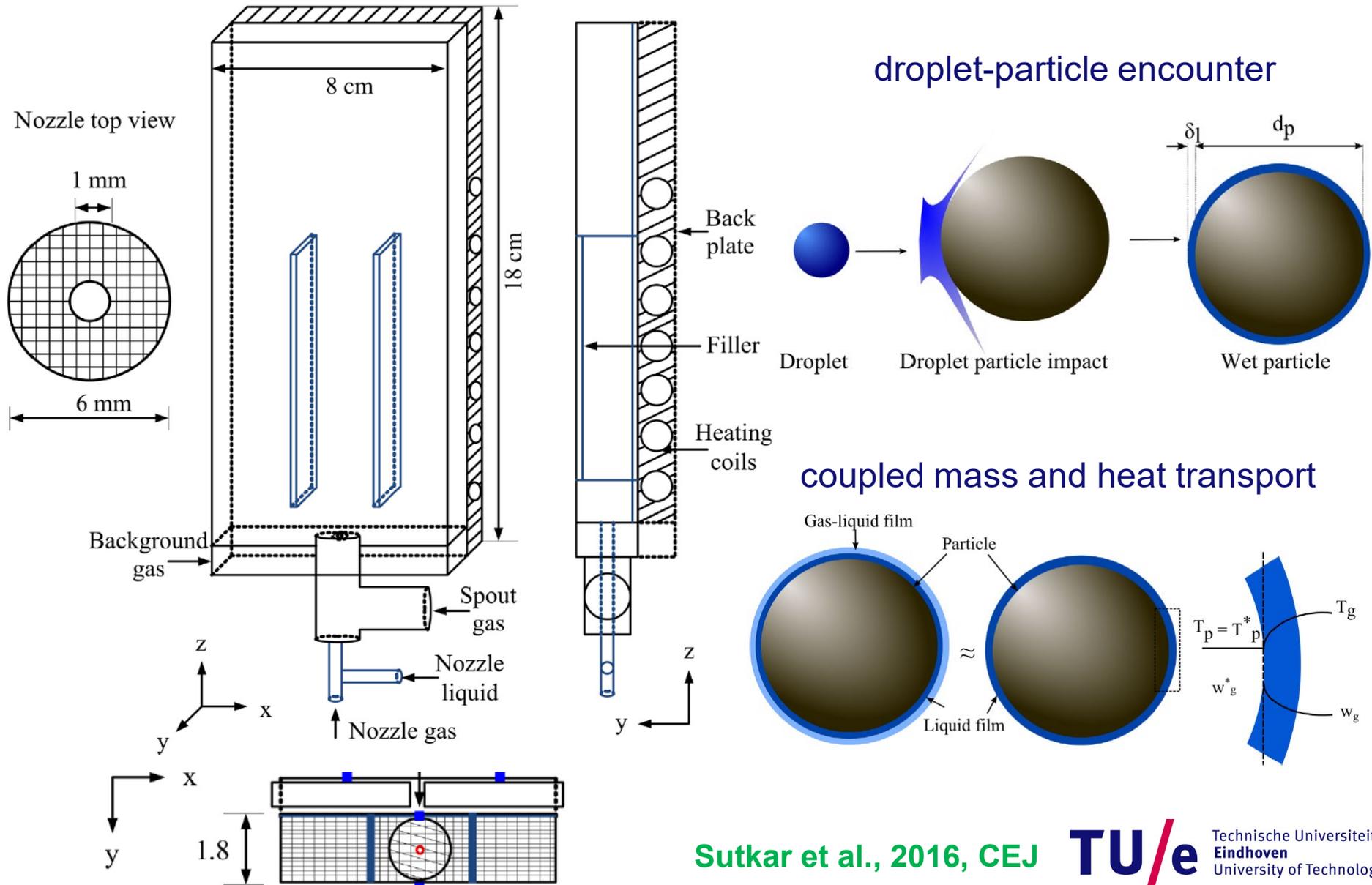
## KEY STEPS IN DISCRETE “PARTICLE” MODELS



- + gas phase flow field
- + encounter times and associated partners (efficiency)
- + encounter dynamics
- + bed voidage and source terms in momentum equation gas phase

# CFD-DEM MODELLING OF COUPLED MASS & HEAT TRANSFER IN GAS-FLUIDIZED BEDS WITH LIQUID INJECTION

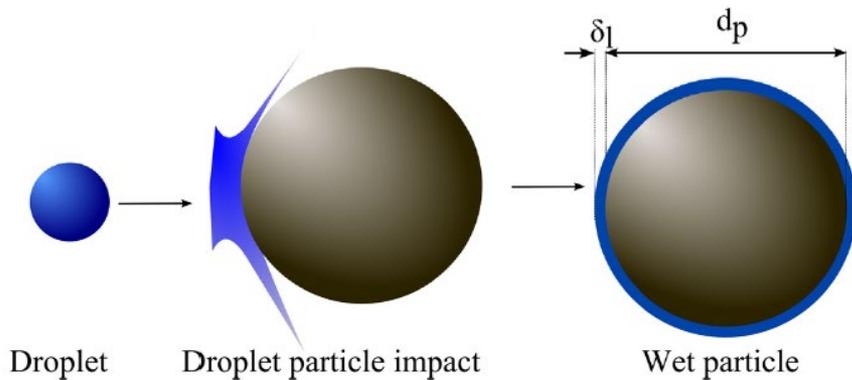
## spout fluidized bed with draft plates



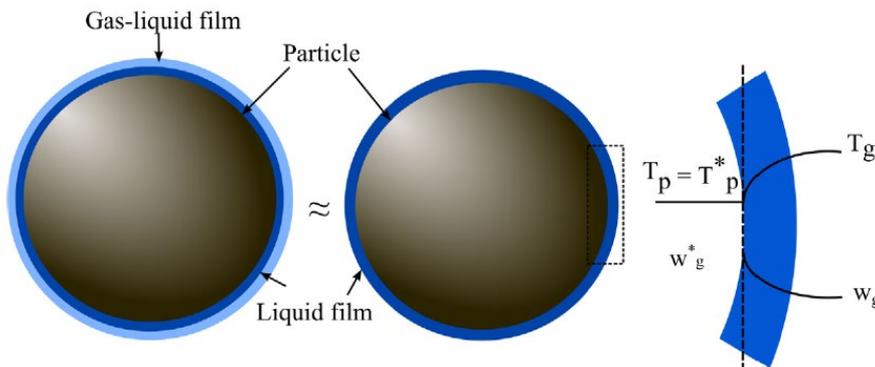
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## micro scale phenomena

### droplet-particle encounter



### coupled mass and heat transport



main assumptions in CFD-DEM

no droplet fragmentation upon impact on particle ( $We_d < 1$ )

uniform wetting after droplet-particle encounter

wet restitution follows simplified model of Davis et al. (2002):

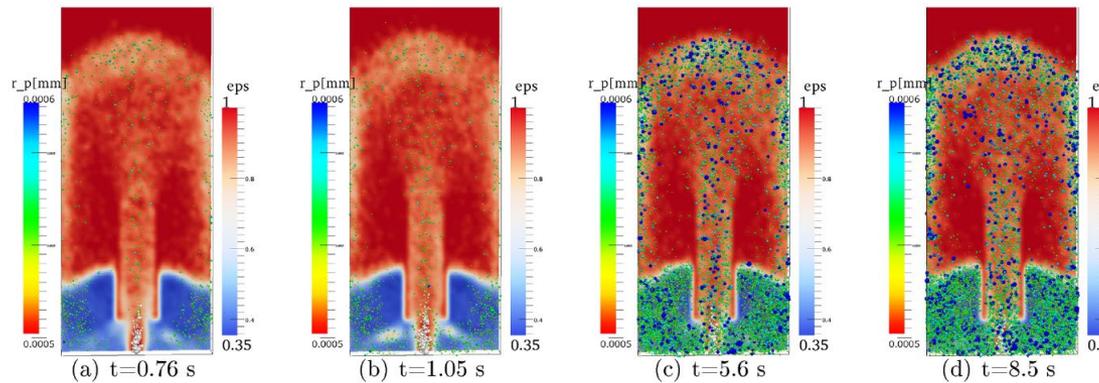
$$e_{wet} = \begin{cases} e_{dry} \left(1 - \frac{St_c}{St}\right) & \text{if } St > St_c \\ 0 & \text{if } St < St_c \end{cases}$$

negligible intra-particle temperature gradients ( $Bi \ll 1$ )

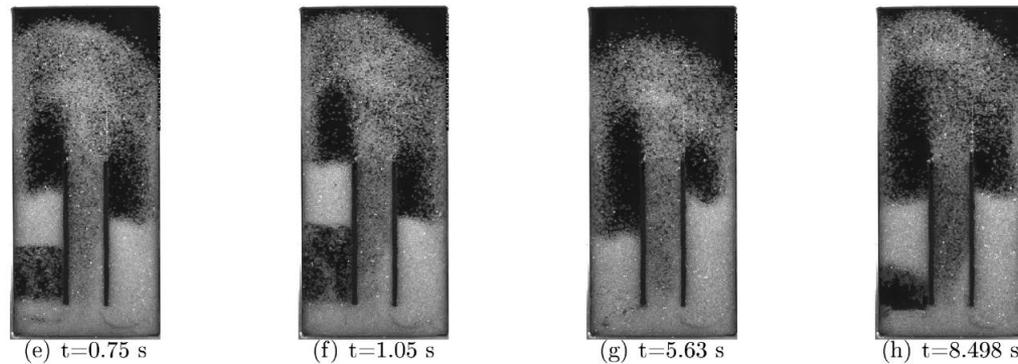
external mass and heat transfer follows Gunn (1978) correlation

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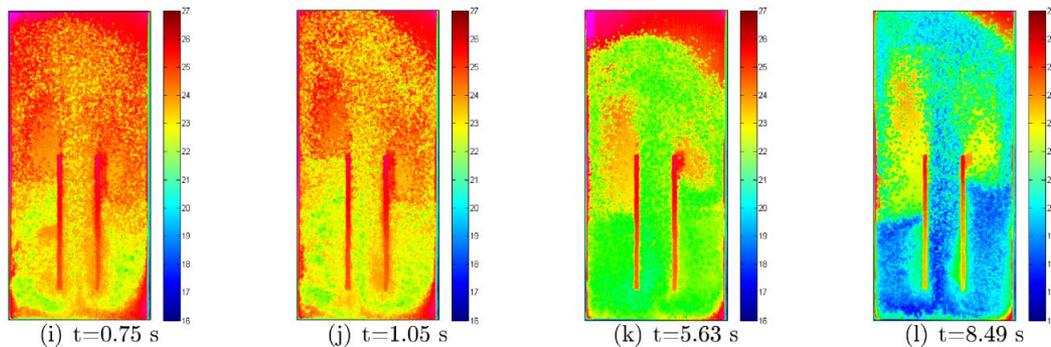
## results



particle size (CFD-DEM)



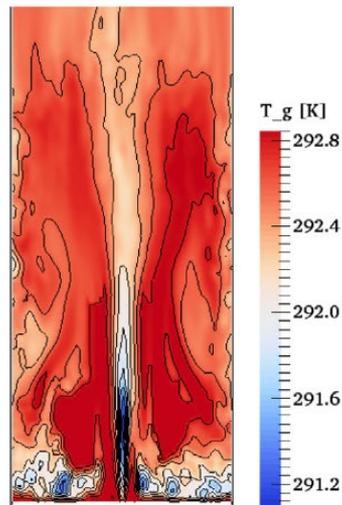
bed behavior (visual)



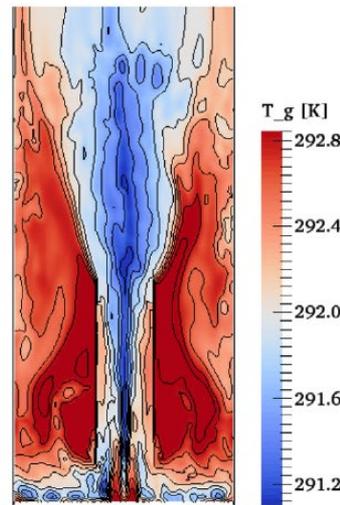
bed behavior (IR-thermography)

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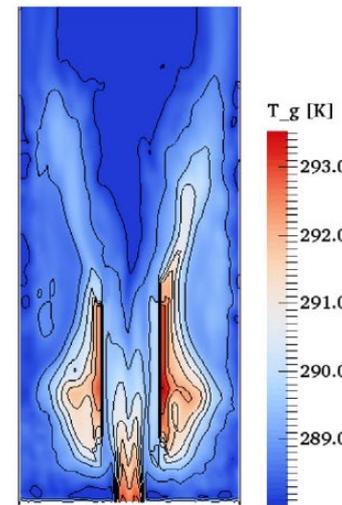
## gas phase temperature distribution: effect of draft plates



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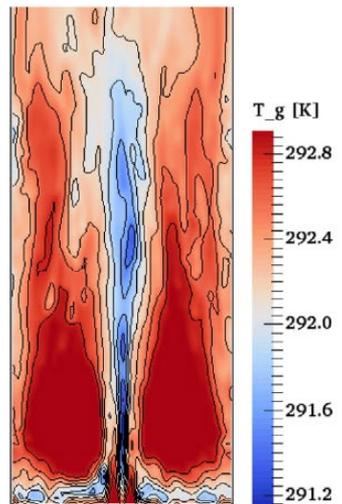


(b)  $t=1.06$  s

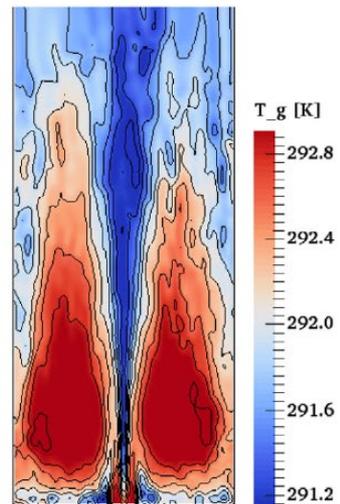


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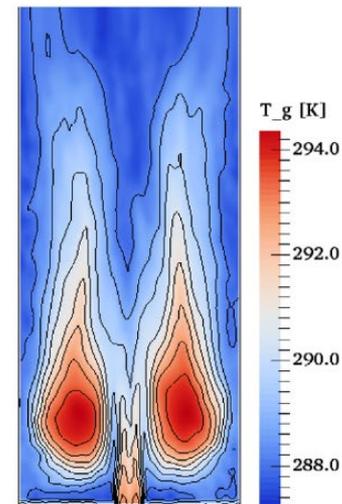
with draft  
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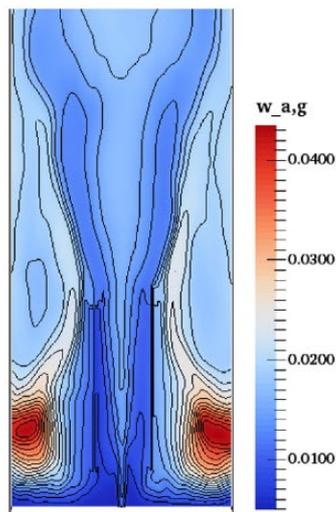


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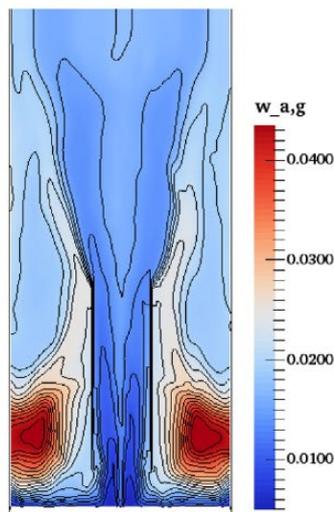
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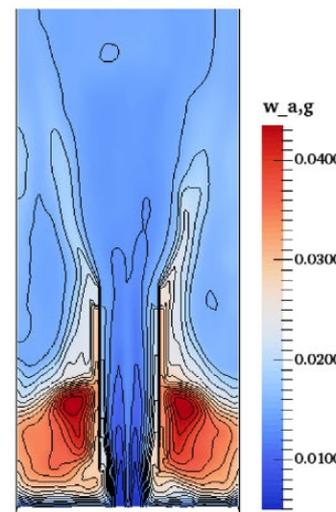
moisture fraction in the gas phase ; effect of draft plates



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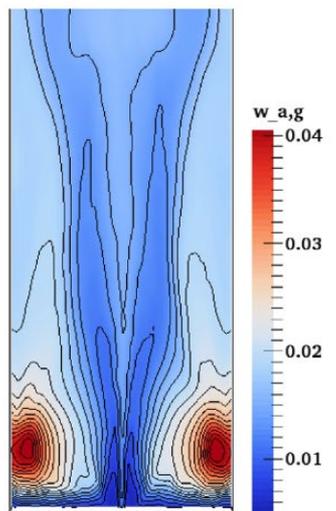


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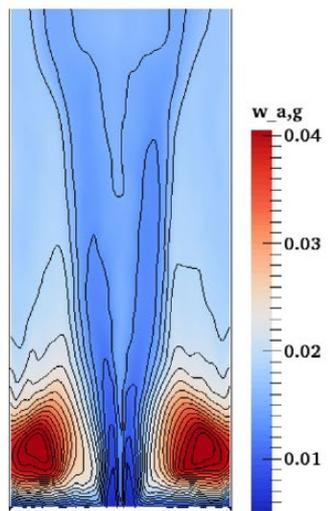


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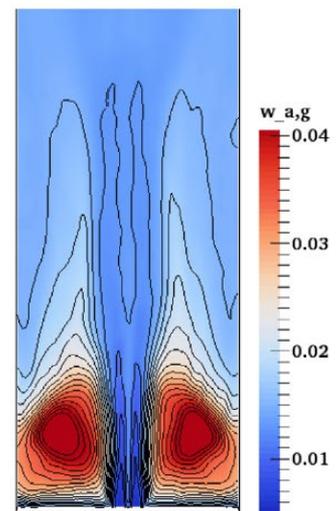
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# CONCLUSIONS & FUTURE WORK

- DENSE PARTICULATE FLOWS WITH LIQUID INJECTION
  - + very complex interactions at micro-scale with strong impact on macro-scale
  - + important role for multi-scale approach (experiments & simulations)
- WET PARTICLE-PARTICLE INTERACTION
  - + DNS approach promising but much more work required (complex fluids)
  - + moving + non-spherical (porous) particles + thermal aspects
- MAJOR CHALLENGES
  - + development and incorporation of reliable closures for CFD-DEM (ML ?)
  - + acceleration of CFD-DEM (scaled particles, DSMC, R-CFD)

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