BLENDING LIQUID AND GRAINS ACCRETION DYNAMICS ON WET GRANULAR MATERIALS



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INDUSTRIAL PROCESSES : GRAINS AND SUSPENSIONS

Building materials: cement, concrete, mortars, plasters





Suspensions of bubbles in yield stress fluids



e.g. L. Ducloué, O. Pitois, J. Goyon, X. Chateau, & G. Ovarlez, J. non-Newton. Fluid Mech. (2015).

Glass and substrates



Glass wool: fibers





A. Sauret, F. Boulogne, E. Dressaire & H.A. Stone, EPJE (2015)

INDUSTRIAL PROCESSES : WET COATING







INTERFACIAL EFFECTS IN SUSPENSIONS



Furbank & Morris, Phys. Fluids (2004)



Bonnoit *et al.*, Phys. Fluids (2012)



Lubbers et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. (2014)





Buchanan *et al.,* Langmuir (2007)

DIP COATING



Presence of particles during coating processes ?







 $U = 7.3 \,\mu \mathrm{m/s}$ $h = 14 \,\mu \mathrm{m}$

 $U = 17 \,\mu \mathrm{m/s}$ $h = 24 \,\mu \mathrm{m}$

 $U = 36 \,\mu \mathrm{m/s}$ $h = 40 \,\mu \mathrm{m}$

LIQUID CURTAIN



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Bossa & Villermaux, JFM (2011) Vernay et al., PRL (2015)

duration: 15 ms

 $t = 7 \mathrm{~ms}$

PARTICLE-LADEN LIQUID SHEET



Expansion : captured using the viscosity of the suspension

S. Arora, C. Ligoure, & L. Ramos, Phys. Rev. Fluids (2016)



Role of the interfacial effects in suspension flows: Particles modify thin film dynamics through viscous and local effects

Blending Liquid and Grains



How to prepare a dense suspension or a wet granular media ?

BLENDING LIQUID AND GRAINS



Hydration of plaster



Preparation of mortar





Preparation of adhesive wheels



Wet granulation in powder

How to efficiently blend liquid and grains ?

FROM DRY GRANULAR MATERIALS TO SUSPENSIONS



funicular



Suspension

Saturation rate

Moller & Bonn, EPL (2007) Herminghaus Adv. Phys. (2005) Mitarai & Nori Adv. Phys. (2006)



pendular



capillary

r $F_{cap} = 2\pi\gamma r \cos\theta_{c}$ Willett et al., Langmuir (2000)



Scheel et al., Nat. Mater. (2008)

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dry state



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Pakpour et al., Sci. Rep. (2012) Nowak et al., Nat. Phys. (2005)

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Cazacliu & Noquet, Cem. Concr. Res. (2009) Betz *et al., Int. J. Pharma*. (2003)

BLENDING LIQUID AND GRAINS



Haddadi et al., PRF (2016)



Wang et al. Powder Tech. (2017)

 $V = 0.6 \mu L$

INTERACTION BETWEEN A GRANULAR FLOW AND A LIQUID

dry granular flow





cohesive wet grains

GRANULAR TOWER



acheco-Vazquez *et* PRE (2012)

GRANULAR TOWER



CAPILLARY IMBIBITION VS VERTICAL ACCRETION



Lucas-Washburn law:
$$h^2(t) \sim \frac{R\gamma\cos\theta}{\eta}t$$

Jurin's height:
$$h_{max} = \frac{2\gamma \cos \theta}{\rho g R}$$

GRANULAR TOWER





Growth dynamics cannot be fitted by the Lucas-Washburn law

GRANULAR TOWER



The growth of the wet aggregate only depends on the particle/liquid/air interface where the grains are impacting



LIQUID DISTRIBUTION

X-Ray tomography: visualization of liquid phase (water+iode), air and beads













Viscous regime: $\tau_{visc} \gg \tau_{capt}$

Aggregate growth is limited by the fluid flow in the granular packing

$$l^{v}(t) = \sqrt{\frac{2 \, k \, \Delta p}{\eta} \, t}$$





Capture regime: $\tau_{visc} \ll \tau_{capt}$

Growth limited by the fraction of dry grains trapped by the wet aggregate

$$\ell^c(t) = \frac{Q_g}{\rho_s \phi S} \, \mathcal{P}_{capt} \, t$$

INITIAL VELOCITY

Evolution of \mathcal{P}_{capt} with Δh : transition between the 2 regimes



Initial growth velocity: $v(\Delta h, t = 0) = v_0 \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta h}{h^*}\right) = \frac{Q_g}{\rho_s \phi S} \mathcal{P}_{capt}(\Delta h)$ Capture probability: $\mathcal{P}_{capt}(\Delta h) = \mathcal{P}_0 \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta h}{h^*}\right)$

CAPTURE MECHANISM

Accretion efficiency assumed to be captured by the liquid availability at the interfaces



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TRANSITION BETWEEN REGIMES

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Capture regime:

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Transition: $u^v = u^c$





VERTICAL GROWTH: GRANULAR TOWERS





$$\mathcal{P}_{capt}(\Delta h) = \mathcal{P}_0 \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta h}{h^\star}\right)$$

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DENSE FLOW







t = 0 min



t = 15 min



t = 2 h



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$$h(t) = h^* \ln\left(1 + \frac{V_0}{h^*}t\right)$$





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SUMMARY

- Accretion: local phenomenon associated to the curvature of the meniscus

- Two regimes :

viscous: limited by the fluid flow in the porous media capture: limited by trapping efficiency



EDITORS' SUGGESTION

Accretion Dynamics on Wet Granular Materials

The probability that a jet of dry grains will stick to a wet granular pile depends on the amount of liquid available at the pile's surface.

Guillaume Saingier, Alban Sauret, and Pierre Jop Phys. Rev. Lett. **118**, 208001 (2017)



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Many open questions : three-phase systems

- How does the morphology of the grains/liquid mixture couple with its rheology?
- How does the reorganization of the capillary bridges affect the rheology ? Granular
- Liquid/Liquid/Particles mixtures?

Koos & Willenbacher, Science (2011) Koos, Curr. Opin. Colloid Interface Sci. (2014)



material





Pendular state

Spherical Bijel agglomeration

Pickering emulsion

Capillary state

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