DualSPHysics Current Developments: SPH-DCDEM

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General motivation

• Common in **natural** and industrial processes, with dimensions ranging from $O(10^{-9})$ to O(1) m.



Polydispersed flow. CBE-MFG, Princeton University

Debris flow in Switzerland, 2007.

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Rigid bodies in DualSPHysics

Conserving the **relative positions** of a group of particles, these can be made to describe a solid body.



$$M_{I}\frac{d\mathbf{V}_{I}}{dt} = \sum_{k \in I} m_{k}\frac{d\mathbf{v}_{k}}{dt}$$

$$I_{I}\frac{d\mathbf{\Omega}_{I}}{dt} = \sum_{k\in I} m_{k}(\mathbf{r}_{k} - \mathbf{R}_{I}) \times \frac{d\mathbf{v}_{k}}{dt}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_k = \mathbf{V}_I + \mathbf{\Omega}_I imes (\mathbf{r}_k - \mathbf{R}_I)$$

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The **inertia tensor** is computed for the fly for the system of material points, making no assumptions on shape, i.e. it **is exact for the discretized system**.

Resolving the interface

The force at every point of the interface is computed by the **momentum** equation. Pressure and viscous terms are computed for each particle, making the coupling seamless.

The **kernel sampling** across the interface is however **unbalanced**, since particles from the solid phase are kept in a rigid, **regular lattice distribution**.



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Interface (---); No delta terms (\cdots) ; Delta terms (--).

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DEM - Soft body model

Approximate contacts with a **spring model**:



Spring displacement is given by **body overlap**, δ , hence 'soft' body. This translates into a penalty method, solved with the same **explicit** schemes as the SPH equations.

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Normal forces:

$$\mathbf{F}_{n,ij} = \mathbf{F}_{n}^{r} + \mathbf{F}_{n}^{d} = k_{n,ij}\delta_{ij}^{3/2}\mathbf{n}_{ij} - \gamma_{n,ij}\delta_{ij}^{1/2}\dot{\delta}_{ij}\mathbf{n}_{ij}$$
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Tangential forces:

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DEM - adding stability constraints

$$\Delta t = \min\left[C\min_{i}\left(\sqrt{\frac{h}{|\mathbf{f}_{i}|}}\right);\right]$$

$$C\min_{i}\left(\frac{h}{c_{0} + \max_{j}\left|\frac{h\mathbf{u}_{ij}\mathbf{r}_{ij}}{\mathbf{r}_{ij}^{2}}\right|}\right);\right]$$

$$\min_{i}\left(\frac{3.21}{50}\left(\frac{M^{*}}{k_{n,ij}}\right)^{2/5}u_{n,ij}^{-1/5}\right)$$

Force terms

CFL and viscosity terms

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DEM terms

Implementation

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<property name="pvc">
<Young_Modulus value="90000000.0" comment="Young Modulus (N/m2)" />
<PoissonRatio value="0.23" comment="Poisson Ratio (-)" />
<Kfric value="0.45" comment="Kinetic friction coefficient" /
<Restt value="0.80" comment="Restitution coefficient" />
</property>
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Implementation advances

- Increased efficiency;
- Increased stability;
- Maximum number of bodies increased to 2048;
- Periodic conditions.

SPH - Buoyancy - Experimental



High speed camera with **object tracking algorithm**. Position (top) and velocity (bottom).

DCDEM - Normal Dry Collisions



Reproducing restitution coefficients with changing impact velocity.

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Experimental work. **PIV** at the impact locus.



Very difficult conditions with free-surface splashing, air entrainment and large velocities.

Large scenarios

Dp = 0.50 m, 12×10^6 particles, 57 h computation.

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Debris flows

What do we need to start modeling a convincing debris flow? Reproduction of a given **granulometric curve**; **3D scans** of debris, a semi-random way to generate **initial conditions**.

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