



# Sediment transport & beach morphodynamics

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## **LEGI: Geophysical and Industrial Flows Lab**



Human Ressources  $\approx 110$  people

Permanent staff ~ 40 people PhD & Postdocs ~ 50 people





#### **CORIOLIS** platform

#### The largest rotating hydraulic basin in the world

#### D = 13m ; m=350T







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## **Motivations**

Soulac-sur-mer, France (source: twitter, L. Theillet Sud-Ouest)

Luijendijk et al. CE (2017)



#### At the European scale

- 20% of European coasts are in erosion 15 km<sup>2</sup> / year 1.
- Sandy beaches are mostly in erosion 2.
- Coastal marshes are mostly in accretion 3.

Majority of European coasts are at moderate to high risk of erosion

Tendances	Types géomorphologiques						
	Côtes rocheuses		Plages		Rivages limono- vaseux		
	%	km	%	km	%	km	
Engraissement	NS	34	10,4	232	<mark>48,6</mark>	119	
Stabilité	64,4	1216	45,8	1022	35,1	86	
Erosion	23	436	41,4	924	11,8	29	
Pas de données	10,6	200	2,3	52	4,5	11	
Total	100	1886	100	2230	100	245	

#### The focus of this lecture is on sandy beaches

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## **Motivations**



## **Philosophy of this lecture**

## In coastal morphydynamics there are mainly 2 approaches:

## **Reductionism: Process-based modeling**

« Reductionism is the modeling methodology whereby the development and behavior of large (pattern)-scale features are reduced entirely to their underlying fundamental processes. » Werner (2015)

## Our Content of Cont

« Universality is the modeling methodology whereby the overall characteristics of behaviors and patterns are modeled with the simplest system within a class of systems sharing these same behaviors and characteristics, despite being composed of very different building blocks »

In what follows, I present you my personal vision of coastal erosion which rely on process-based modeling

and not reduced-complexity modeling

Werner (2015)



## Morphodynamics: a multi-scale problem





## **1.** Coastal modeling at « large scale »

## 2. Sediment transport modeling at the grain scale : turbulent and granular processes

## **3. Upscaling of fine-scale processes at intermediate scales**

## Outline



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## Outline

## Wave energy spectrum in the ocean



Figure 3.2: Sketch of the relative amounts of energy as a function of wave period in ocean waves. The top line gives the classification based on wavelength, the line below the classification based on the wave-generating force, and the bottom line the classification based on the restoring force. After Munk (1950) and Kinsman (1965). 11

Bosboom & Stive (2020)



For a perfect irrotational fluid flow, a velocity potential  $\phi$  exists such that

$$\overrightarrow{u} = \overrightarrow{\nabla} \phi$$

and the Navier-Stokes equations reduces to:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta \phi(x, z, t) &= 0, \quad \forall (x, z) \in \mathbb{R}^2, \, \forall t \in \mathbb{R}^+ \\ \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} &+ \frac{(\nabla \phi)^2}{2} + \frac{p}{\rho} + gz = C(t) \end{aligned}$$

HAsymptotic expansion in wave steepness:  $\epsilon = -$ :

$$\phi(x, z, t) = \phi_0 + \epsilon \ \phi_1(x, z, t) + \epsilon^2 \ \phi_2(x, z, t) + \epsilon^3 \ \phi_3(x, z, t) + \epsilon^3 \ \phi_3(x$$

$$\eta(x,t) = \eta_0 + \epsilon \ \eta_1(x,t) + \epsilon^2 \ \eta_2(x,t) + \epsilon^3 \ \eta_3(x,t) + .$$

Stokes (1847)





More advanced lecture by G. Richard tomorrow



## **Stokes wave model: linear theory**

Potential: 
$$\phi(x, z, t) = \frac{a g}{\omega} \frac{\cosh(k(z+h))}{\cosh(kh)} \cos(kh)$$

• Dispersion relation: 
$$\omega^2 = g k \tanh(kh)$$



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## Stokes wave model: limits of the linear theory

#### Linear theory valid for

Small steepness: 
$$\epsilon = \frac{H}{L} < < 1$$

Large relative depth:  $\frac{h}{L} > > 1$ 

Limit of the linear theory is given by the Ursell number:

$$U_r = \frac{H}{L} \left(\frac{L}{h}\right)^3 \propto \frac{\phi_2}{\phi_1} < <1$$

# Not very relevant for beach morphodynamics but still very useful



## **Stokes wave model: non-linear effects**

#### 2nd order velocity potential:



- Non-linear waves are velocity skewed: peak crest velocity is larger than trough velocity
- Mean water level is not zero
- Non-closed trajectories of « fluid particles » implies mass flux toward the coast = Stokes drift

Stokes (1847)



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## Stokes wave model: Wave energy

### **Total wave energy:**

- Potential energy contained in one wavelength: associ  $E_P = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L \int_0^\eta \rho g \ z dz \ dx = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L \frac{1}{2} \rho g$
- Kinetic energy contained in one wavelength:  $E_C = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L \int_{-h}^{\eta} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx = -\frac{1}$
- Equipartition between potential and kinetic energy:  $E_{c}$

**Total energy :** 
$$E_w = \frac{1}{2}\rho g a^2 = \frac{1}{8}\rho g H^2$$
 Wave height:  $H =$ 

Wave power: 
$$P = E_w C_g$$
 with group celerity:  $C_g = \frac{C}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{2kh}{\sinh(2kh)} \right)$ 

$$E_w = E_P + E_C$$

ciated with wave motion  

$$g \eta^2 dx = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L \frac{1}{2} \rho g a^2 \sin^2(kx) dx = \frac{1}{4} \rho g a^2$$

$$\frac{1}{L} \int_0^L \int_{-h}^0 \frac{1}{2} \rho \left( u^2 + w^2 \right) dz \, dx + o(\epsilon) = \frac{1}{4} \rho g a^2$$

$$E_C = E_P$$



### **Stokes wave model: wave groups**

#### Superposition of 2 linear solutions: bi-chromatic waves

- 2 wave frequency:  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  ( $\omega_1 \approx \omega_2$ )
- If  $\exists (n; m) \in \mathbb{N}^2$  such that  $\omega_g = n\omega_1 = m\omega_2$ **Then** smallest value of  $\omega_g$  = wave group frequency



Free surface elevation:

$$\eta^{T} = A_{1} \left( sin(k_{1}x - \omega_{1}t) + sin(k_{2}x - \omega_{2}t) \right)$$
$$\eta^{T} = A_{1} 2 \sin\left(\frac{(k_{1} + k_{2})x - (\omega_{1} + \omega_{2})t}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{(k_{1} - k_{2})x - (\omega_{2}t)}{2}\right)$$

with  $\omega_1 - \omega_2 < < \omega_1 + \omega_2$ 





### Stokes wave model: wave groups



#### **Credits: Nate Lawrence**

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## Irregular waves modeling



f[Hz]

JONSWAP (Hasselman et al., 1973) : North Sea

Bosboom & Stive (2020)











## Irregular waves modeling

#### **Transport equation for wave action spectral density:**



Large number of DoF per node:  $N_{\theta} \times N_{\omega}$ 

Community models: WW3 (USA), SWAN (Dutch), TOMAWAC (French)

#### Data predicted by Fleet Numerical Meteorology and Oceanography Center (FNMOC) for now

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### **Irregular waves nearshore**





 $D_w$  : Wave dissipation due to breaking

 $D_w = \frac{3\sqrt{1}}{16}$ 16

Thornton and Guza (1986)

$$\frac{\pi}{2} \rho g \frac{B_b^3}{\gamma^4 h^5} f_p H_{rms}^7$$

 $\gamma_b = \frac{H_{rms}}{L} \approx 0.3 - 0.8$ : wave breaking parameter h

Bosboom & Stive (2020)

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## Wave induced mass flux: Stokes drift



Return current that compensate the onshore mass flux due to breaking waves

Ardhuin (2006) Bosboom & Stive (2020) From Stokes 2nd order theory:

$$M = \rho \int_{-h}^{\eta} u(x, z) dz = E \frac{C_g}{C}$$

The mass flux is

- Proportional to energy flux
- Preferentially located near the surface
- Oriented toward the beach (wave propagation direction)
- May be on the order of 0.5 m/s

#### **Stokes drift**

Mass conservation implies a return current: undertow

- Located near the bottom
- Oriented offshore



## Wave effects on currents



Bosboom & Stive (2020)

#### **Radiation stress**

depth-integrated and wave-averaged flux of momentum due to waves

(Longuet-Higgins and Stewart, 1964)

- Raises the mean water level in the surf zone (set-up);
- Drives a longshore current (oblique waves).





## **Coastal flooding in the context of climate change**



#### **Atmospheric contributions**

- Pressure:  $\Delta P_{atm} = 10 \ hPa \leftrightarrow \Delta h = 0.1 \ m$
- Winds: dynamical effects

#### Wave contributions

- Wave set-up
- Swash

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Possible non-linear interactions between sea level rise, wave propagation and coastal bathymetric evolution but these processes have not been addressed so far...

**Open question**?

![](_page_24_Picture_12.jpeg)

## Links with sediment transport and morphodynamics

![](_page_25_Picture_1.jpeg)

PhD F.X. Chassagneux (2010)

PhD F. Grasso (2009)

![](_page_25_Picture_6.jpeg)

# Sediment transport regimes

![](_page_26_Picture_1.jpeg)

### **Dimensionless numbers**

![](_page_26_Picture_6.jpeg)

![](_page_26_Picture_7.jpeg)

## **Sediment transport modeling**

## **Conventional model**

#### Pros

- Simple
- Applicable at large-scale

#### Cons

- Empirical formulas
  - Especially bed-load
  - ► Large scatter (~100%)
  - Missing physics
- Arbitrary separation between bed-load and suspended-load

![](_page_27_Figure_11.jpeg)

Jenkins and Hanes JFM (1998)

![](_page_27_Picture_14.jpeg)

# **Bed-load transport**

Bed-load formula: 
$$\vec{\Phi} = \frac{\vec{q_b}}{\sqrt{(s-1)gd_{50}^3}}$$

**Current:** 
$$\overrightarrow{\Phi_c} = \max \left[ K(\theta_c - \theta_{cr})^n; 0 \right] \quad \frac{\overrightarrow{\tau_c}}{\tau_c}$$

Waves: 
$$\overrightarrow{\Phi_{w}} = \frac{1}{T} \int_{0}^{T} \max \left[ K(\theta_{w}(t) - \theta_{cr})^{n}; 0 \right] \frac{\overrightarrow{\tau_{w}}}{|\tau_{w}|} dt$$
  
 $\overrightarrow{\Phi_{w}} \approx \max \left[ K(\tilde{\theta_{w}} - \theta_{cr})^{n}; 0 \right] \frac{\overrightarrow{\tau_{w}}}{|\tau_{w}|} \text{ sinusoidal}$ 

#### Waves + current:

complex problem - no simple solution

Bosboom & Stive (2020)

![](_page_28_Figure_7.jpeg)

oidal waves = no sand-flux

![](_page_28_Figure_9.jpeg)

# **Bed-load transport**

#### **Bed-load formula for wave and currents**

$$\vec{\Phi} = \frac{q_b}{\sqrt{(s-1)gd_{50}^3}} = \max\left[12\theta^{1/2}(\theta_{sf} - \theta_c); 0\right] \frac{\tau_{sf}}{\tau_{sf}}$$

#### **Dirty kitchen of coastal engineering**

$$\vec{\Phi} = \left(\Phi_{||}; \Phi_{\perp}\right)^{T} \text{ with } \Phi_{||} = \text{transport in direction of current}$$
$$\Phi_{||} = \max\left[\Phi_{||1}; \Phi_{||2}\right] \text{ with } \Phi_{||1} = 12\theta_{m}^{1/2}(\theta_{m} - \theta_{c}) \text{ and}$$
$$\Phi_{\perp} = 12\frac{0.1907\theta_{w}^{2}}{\theta_{x}^{3/2} + 3/2\theta_{m}^{3/2}} \left(\theta_{m}\sin(2\phi) + 1.2\gamma_{w}\theta_{w}\sin(\phi_{w})\right)$$

 $\gamma_w$ : wave asymmetry factor

#### **Empirical formula providing (very) limited success to predict sandbar migration**

![](_page_29_Figure_7.jpeg)

nt and  $\Phi_{\perp}$  = transport perpendicular to the current

 $|\Phi_{||2} = 12 \left( (0.9534 + 0.1907 \cos(2\phi_w)) \theta_w^{1/2} \theta_m + 0.229 \gamma_w \cos(\phi_w) \theta_w^{3/2} \right)$ 

(Soulsby and Damgaard, 2005)

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![](_page_29_Picture_12.jpeg)

![](_page_29_Picture_13.jpeg)

# **Bed-load transport**

### Half-wave cycle concept (Dibajnia and Watanabe, 1992)

- Asymmetric transport by non-linear waves
- Effect of phase lag between mobilization and transport

Dohmen-janssen et al. (2002)

### **Sediment load**

On-going wave-cycle: 
$$\Omega_i = \max\left(11\left(\left|\theta_i\right| - \theta_{cr}\right)^{1.2}, 0\right)$$

Previous wave-cycle:  $\Omega_{tc/ct}$  phase-lag/unsteady contributions **Velocity scale:** Based on friction velocity:  $\sqrt{\theta_i}$ 

**Direction:** Aligned with the shear stress direction:

where *i* stands for crest or trough

$$\vec{\Phi} = \frac{1}{T} \left[ \sqrt{\theta_c} T_c \left( \Omega_{cc} + \frac{T_c}{2T_{cu}} \Omega_{tc} \right) \frac{\vec{\theta_c}}{\left| \theta_c \right|} + \sqrt{\theta_t} T_t \left( \Omega_{tt} + \frac{T_t}{2T_{tu}} \Omega_{ct} \right) \frac{\vec{\theta_t}}{\left| \theta_t \right|} \right]$$
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 $\theta_i$ 

![](_page_30_Figure_11.jpeg)

Camenen and Larson (2007) Van Der A et al. (2013)

![](_page_30_Picture_13.jpeg)

# **Suspended-load and bed evolution**

Adv.-Diff equation for C: 
$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{U}C) - \frac{\partial W^c C}{\partial z} = \vec{\nabla}_h (K_h^C \vec{\nabla} C) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (K_z^C \frac{\partial C}{\partial z})$$

Settling velocity :  $W^{c}$ 

**Bed morphological evolution:** 

$$\frac{\partial z_b}{\partial t} + \frac{f_{mor}}{1-p} \overrightarrow{\nabla}_h \cdot \overrightarrow{q_b} = \frac{1}{1-p} \left( E - D \right)$$

= Hyperbolic equation

Erosion flux :  $E = E_0 \max(\tau_{sf}/\tau)$ 

Morphological factor :  $f_{mor}$  (may be up to 100)

Morphological time scales >> Hydrodynamic time scales

=> Speed-up morphodynamics effects

Useful in practice but questionable from a mathematical perspective...

$$\tau_{ce} - 1; 0)$$

![](_page_31_Picture_15.jpeg)

# Summary of nearshore model equations

$$\frac{\partial \zeta}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial hu}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial hv}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w^*}{\partial \sigma} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{w^*}{h} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \sigma} = fv - \frac{1}{\rho_0} \frac{\partial F}{\partial x}$$

$$\frac{\partial A}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial C_{gx}A}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial C_{gy}A}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial C_{g\theta}A}{\partial \theta} = -\frac{D_w}{\sigma}$$

$$\frac{\partial S_r}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial c_x S_r}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial c_y S_r}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial c_\theta S_r}{\partial \theta} = D_w - D_r$$

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \left( \overrightarrow{U}C \right) - \frac{\partial W^c C}{\partial z} = \nabla_h \left( K_h^c \nabla C \right) + \frac{\partial z_h}{\partial t} + \frac{f_{mor}}{1 - p} \nabla_h \cdot \overrightarrow{q_h} = E - D$$

#### 8 non-linearly coupled PDEs

 $\frac{P}{x} + F_x + M_x + \frac{1}{h^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma} \left( \nu_V \frac{\partial u}{\partial \sigma} \right) \dots \text{ same for } v + w$ 

![](_page_32_Picture_4.jpeg)

#### **Roller energy**

 $+\frac{\partial}{\partial z}\left(K_z^C\frac{\partial C}{\partial z}\right)$ 

![](_page_32_Picture_8.jpeg)

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![](_page_32_Picture_11.jpeg)

![](_page_32_Picture_12.jpeg)

![](_page_32_Figure_13.jpeg)

# Numerical simulation of sandbar migration

- CROCO with spectral wave model
- Bedload: van Der A et al. (2013)
- Domaine size : 200 m cross-shore
- Grid resolution : 1.5 m ; time step: 0.1s
- Measurements:
  - Wave height
  - Current profiles
  - Sediment concentration profiles
  - Bathymetry
- 2 Wave conditions

	Hs (m)	Tp (s)	Duration (h)
LIP1B	1.4	5	18
LIP1C	0.6	8	13

![](_page_33_Figure_12.jpeg)

#### Roelvink and Reniers (1995)

# Hydrodynamic calibration

![](_page_34_Figure_1.jpeg)

Shafiei et al. (submitted to ocean modeling)

![](_page_34_Figure_4.jpeg)

Friction coefficient, breaking parameter and roller coefficients are tuned (same parameters for both configurations)

# **Morphodynamic simulations**

#### Hs = 1.4 m - Tp = 5 s

![](_page_35_Figure_2.jpeg)

Shafiei et al. (submitted to ocean modeling)

![](_page_35_Figure_5.jpeg)

Onshore/offshore sandbar migration reproduced for varying wave conditions
# **Morphodynamic simulations**



Offshore sandbar migration is due to suspended load undertow driven sand transport

Shafiei et al. (submitted to ocean modeling)

Onshore sandbar migration is due to wave skewness effect on sand transport



# **1st open question**

### **Open question:** What are the stability conditions for the coupled system of equations?

0.6

(m)

0.2 p

200





- Coupling between morphodynamics and wave-current model
- Stability associated with morphological acceleration?

This is just an example but we have observed instabilities in other situations





# Numerical simulation of the Truc vert ECORS 2008 field campaign







# Measured bathymetries Truc vert ECORS 2008 field campaign





### April 4th 2008



Senechal et al. (2011)



# Morphodynamic simulations: bar positions & quantification

### **Brier Skill Score :**

Depth (m)









Long-shore (m)

-500 0 500 Long-shore (m) 41







# Vidéos





CROCO

# **Best BSS with CROCO**





## **Conclusion on coastal modeling at « large scale »**

### ► Summary

- morphodynamics at time-scales of storm events
- Main sources of errors:
  - Wave-current interactions
  - Wave propagation in shallow coastal zones (H  $\sim$  L/2)
  - Sediment transport modeling

### Perspectives

- Use wave-resolving models for beach morphodynamics

P. Marchesiello LEGOS is developing the non-hydrostatic version of CROCO

PhD of Hung funded by IMPT at LAMA/LEGI, co-supervised by M. Kazakhova

- Improve sand transport formula (Camenen and Larson, 2007; van Der A et al., 2013)

Active research field in coastal engineering

Use multi-phase flow approaches to infer the fine-scale processes and improve parametrizations (collab. with T. Hsu UD)

**Open question:** What are the stability conditions of nearshore numerical models when  $\Delta x$  and  $\Delta t$  tends to zero? What is the role of sandy beaches morphodynamical evolution on coastal flooding risks?

- Coupled hydrodynamic-spectral wave-sediment transport equations models allows to simulate nearshore

- Predictability of nearshore morphodynamics is still poor and highly sensitive to empirical coefficients of the model



# **Perspectives**



### Wave-resolving models coupled with sediment transport

- CROCO model P. Marchesiello (LEGOS, Toulouse)
  - 3D non-hydrostatic model
  - suspended-load and bed evolution
- Less modeling hypothesis but limited to shorter time-scales







### 1. Coastal modeling at « large scale »

## 2. Sediment transport modeling at the grain scale : turbulent and granular processes

**3. Upscaling of fine-scale processes at intermediate scales** 

### Outline



## **Motivations**

## **Conventional model**

### Pros

- Simple
- Applicable at large-scale

### Cons

- Empirical formulas
  - Especially bed-load
  - ► Large scatter (~100%)
  - Missing physics
- Arbitrary separation between bed-load and suspended-load



### **Two-phase flow model**

### Pros

- Resolve continuously sediment transport profile
- Incorporate fine-scale processes:
  - ► Turbulence
  - Turbulence-particle interactions
  - Particle-particle interactions
- No arbitrary separation

### Cons

max

- Complexity of the processes to be modeled
- Very expensive
- Limited to 'small scale' applications



## The role of granular interactions & fluid turbulence



$$d_p = 2 \text{ mm} ; \frac{\rho^p}{\rho^f} = 1.19$$
$$Re \approx 1 ; \theta \approx 0.5 ; S \approx \infty$$

Shields number: 
$$\theta = \frac{\rho^f u_*^2}{\Delta \rho g d_p} > 0.3$$

**Suspension number:**  $S = \frac{W_s}{M_s}$  $\mathcal{U}_*$ 



$$d_p = 3 \text{ mm} ; \frac{\rho^p}{\rho^f} = 1.19$$
  
 $Re \approx 10^5 ; \theta \approx 0.5 ; S \approx 1$ 

### **Dimensionless numbers**

Stokes number: 
$$St = \frac{t_p}{t_f}$$
  
Reynolds number:  $Re = \frac{UE}{\nu^f}$ 

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## **Granular interactions**



### Gaseous regime <--> kinetic theory of granular flows

- Dilute and rapid flow
- Particles interact by collision

### Liquid regime $\langle - \rangle \mu(\mathbf{I}) - \phi(\mathbf{I})$ rheology

- Dense granular media flows like a liquid
- particles interact through both collision and frictional contacts

### **Dense quasi-static regime** <-> elasto-plastic model

- Very slow deformation
- Particles interact through frictional contacts

GDR Midi (2004), Forterre and Pouliquen (2008)







## **Kinetic theory of dense granular flows**

The granular gas may be described using Navier-Stokes equations:

$$\nabla \cdot \overrightarrow{u^{p}} = 0$$

$$\phi \rho_{p} \left( \frac{\partial \overrightarrow{u^{p}}}{\partial t} + \overrightarrow{u} \cdot \nabla \overrightarrow{u^{p}} \right) = \phi \rho_{p} \overrightarrow{g} - \nabla P^{p} + \nabla \left( 2\eta^{p} \overline{\overrightarrow{e}} \right)$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \phi \rho_{p} \left( \frac{\partial \Theta}{\partial t} + \overrightarrow{u^{p}} \cdot \nabla \Theta \right) = 2\eta^{p} \overline{\overrightarrow{e}} : \overline{\overrightarrow{e}} + \nabla (K \nabla \Theta) - \Gamma$$
Granular products:  $P^{p} = \rho_{p} \phi \left( 1 + 2 \left( 1 + e \right) \phi \phi \left( \phi \right) \right)$ 

with

Granular pressure:  $P^{-} = \rho_{p} \phi (1 + 2 (1 + e) \phi g_{0}(\phi)) \Theta$ Granular viscosity:  $\eta^P = f_2(\phi) \rho_p \ d \ \Theta^{1/2}$ Collisional dissipation:  $\Gamma = f(\phi) \frac{\rho_p}{d} (1 - e^2) \Theta^{3/2}$ 

- Particles interact through binary and instantaneous collisions only - The granular media is dense:  $\phi$  is close to  $\phi_m$  or s < d- Granular temperature:  $\Theta = \langle \delta v^2 \rangle$  (Ogawa, 1978)

Radial distribution function:

$$g_0(\phi) = \frac{2 - \phi}{2(1 - \phi)^3}$$

*e*: restitution coefficient for binary collisions

Haff (1983); Andreotti, Forterre and Pouliquen (2013)



## **Granular interactions:** $\mu$ **(I) rheology**





\_ Monodisperse spherical particles with density  $ho_p$  and diameter dImposed pressure P and velocity V on the top plate  $\Rightarrow \dot{\gamma} = \frac{V}{H}$ 

- Measure the shear stress  $\tau$  that develops on the top plate

 $\frac{\dot{\gamma} d}{\overline{\phantom{\alpha}}}$ For large system H>>d a single dimensionless number control the system: I = -

$$\mu(I) = \mu_s + \frac{\mu_2 - \mu_s}{I_0/I + 1}$$
$$\phi(I) = \phi_{max} + (\phi_{min} - \phi_m)$$

$$\tau = \mu(I) P$$

Da Cruz et al. (2004), Lois et al. (2005)





## **Eulerian-Lagrangian model derivation**



Fluid phase mass and momentum equations

$$\frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial t} + \nabla \left( \epsilon \langle \overrightarrow{u} \rangle^f \right) = 0$$

$$\Phi^f \left[ \frac{\partial \epsilon \langle \overrightarrow{u} \rangle^f}{\partial t} + \nabla \left( \epsilon \langle \overrightarrow{u} \rangle^f \otimes \langle \overrightarrow{u} \rangle^f \right) \right] = \nabla \sigma^f - n \overrightarrow{f} + \epsilon \rho^f g$$

$$+\nabla .(\rho \vec{u} \otimes \vec{u}) = \nabla .\overline{\overline{\sigma}} + \rho \vec{g}$$

Maurin (2015) ; Maurin et al. (2015) **Discrete Element Modeling** Newton's eq.:  $m_p \frac{d\vec{v}^p}{dt} = \vec{f}_c^p + \vec{f}_g^p + \vec{f}_f^p + angular mom.$ Contact forces:  $\vec{f}_c^{\vec{p}} = \sum \vec{f}_c^{pk}$  (spring-dashpot model) Gravity force:  $\vec{f}_g^{\vec{p}} = (\pi/6) \ d^3 \ \rho^p \ \vec{g}$ Fluid-particle coupling forces Buoyancy force:  $\vec{f}_{p}^{\vec{p}} = -\pi d_{p}^{3}/6\nabla p$ rce:  $\vec{f}_d^{\vec{p}} = \frac{1}{2} \rho^f C_D \frac{\pi d_p^2}{4} \left| \vec{u}^f - \vec{v}^{\vec{p}} \right| \left( \vec{u}^f - \vec{v}^{\vec{p}} \right)$ Drag force:







$$(1-\phi)\rho^{f}\frac{\partial \langle u_{x}^{f} \rangle}{\partial t} = \underbrace{\frac{\partial R_{xz}^{f}}{\partial z}}_{Turb. \ stress} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial \tau_{xz}^{f}}{\partial z}}_{Visc. \ stress} + \underbrace{(1-\phi) \ \rho^{f} \ g \ S_{0}}_{Gravity} - \underbrace{r_{xz}}_{Gravity}$$

- Validation on Frey (2014) experiments (not shown here)

Maurin PhD (2015) ; Maurin et al. PoF (2015)



## **Dense granular flow rheology in bed-load transport**



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Maurin et al. JFM (2016)



## **Dense granular flow rheology in bed-load transport**



- 27 simulations

### • Granular rheology for Eulerian model:

with

$$\mu_s = 0.35$$
;  $\mu_2 = 0.97$ ;  $I_0 = 0.69$ ;  $\phi^m = 0.61$ ;  $b_\phi = 0.31$ 

→ 3 diameters (d=3, 6, 12 mm), 3 density ratio (s=1.375, 1.75, 2.5), 3 Shields numbers (0.1, 0.3, 0.6)

Collapse for I < 2 => the inertial number is the control parameter of the granular flow rheology

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$$\phi(I) = \frac{\phi_m}{1 + b_{\phi}I} \iff P^p = \left(\frac{b_{\phi}\phi}{\phi_m - \phi}\right)^2 \rho^p d^2$$
$$\mu(I) = \frac{\tau^p}{P^p} \iff \tau^p = \mu(I)P^p \propto \dot{\gamma}^{p^2}$$





## Frictional kinetic theory of granular flow in bed-load transport



$$g_0(\phi) = \frac{2 - \phi}{2(1 - \phi)^3} + \frac{2.71\phi^2}{(\phi_m - \phi)^{3/2}}$$

## **Eulerian-Eulerian model derivation**



$$\frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial t} + \nabla \left( \epsilon \langle \vec{u} \rangle^f \right) = 0$$

$$p^f \left[ \frac{\partial \epsilon \langle \vec{u} \rangle^f}{\partial t} + \nabla \left( \epsilon \langle \vec{u} \rangle^f \otimes \langle \vec{u} \rangle^f \right) \right] = \nabla \sigma^f - n\vec{f} + \epsilon \rho^f g$$

### **Two-phase flow « two-fluid » equations**

$$\frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial t} + \nabla \left( \epsilon \langle \overrightarrow{u} \rangle^{f} \right) = 0$$
$$\rho^{f} \left[ \frac{\partial \epsilon \langle \overrightarrow{u} \rangle^{f}}{\partial t} + \nabla \left( \epsilon \langle \overrightarrow{u} \otimes \overrightarrow{u} \rangle \right) \right]$$

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} + \nabla \left( \phi \langle \overrightarrow{u} \rangle^p \right) = 0$$
$$\rho^p \left[ \frac{\partial \phi \langle \overrightarrow{u} \rangle^p}{\partial t} + \nabla \left( \phi \overrightarrow{u} \right)^p \otimes \overrightarrow{u} \right]$$

**Effective fluid stress** 

**Viscous effects** 

 $\rangle^{f} = -\nabla p^{f} + \nabla \tau^{f} - n \langle \vec{f}^{p} \rangle^{p} + \epsilon \rho^{f} \vec{g}$ 

### Fluid-particle interactions

Drag + Buoyancy

 $\vec{u}\rangle^{p}\Big] = -\nabla p^{p} + \nabla \tau^{p} + n\langle \vec{f}^{p}\rangle^{p} + \phi \rho^{p} \vec{g}$ 

Granular stresses

 $\mu$ (I) or Kinetic theory of granular flows



## sedFoam: 3D two-phase numerical model for sediment transport

- Based on twoPhaseEulerFoam from H. Rusche (2002) and sedFoam-1.0 from Cheng & Hsu (2014)  $\bullet$
- Finite Volume Method 2nd order accuracy in space and time
- **PISO algorithm** for pressure-velocity coupling
- **Publically available** on github: *https://github.com/SedFoam/sedfoam*

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	demonstrated by two validation test cases, sedimentation of suspended particles and laminar bed-lo	ad. Two applicati	ons are then in	ivestigated



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## Sedimentation of polystyrene particles in silicon oil

**Physical parameters:** LMSGC experiment - MRI measurements Pham Van Bang et al. (2006)

Fluid phase:

•  $\eta_f = 20.10^{-3} \text{ Pa s} (200 \times \text{water})$ 

 $ho_f = 0.95 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$ 

### **Model ingredients:**

- Stokes drag + hindrance function
- Particle pressure due to enduring contacts:

### **Numerical parameters:**

•  $\Delta y=3 \ 10^{-4} \text{ m}$ ;  $\Delta t=2 \ 10^{-1} \text{s}$  first order upwind scheme for advection - Euler scheme in time

## Solid phase:

$$d = 0.29 \pm 0.03 \text{ mm}$$

$$\rho_p = 1.05 \, \text{kg m}^{-1}$$
 $\phi^0 = 0.48$ 

$$p_e^p = \Pi_0 \frac{\left(\max(\phi - \phi_{rlp}; 0)\right)^3}{\left(\phi_m - \phi\right)^5}$$

Johnson & Jackson (1987)

where  $\Pi_0$  is a modulus (in Pa) and  $\phi_{rlp}$  is the random loose packing fraction



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Chauchat et al. GMD (2017)



# 2nd open question

## The two-fluid model is ill-posed for certain parameter values

Stewart (JCP 1979) :

The conclusions seem to suggest using the two-fluid model when coarse modeling is appropriate, in spite of ill-posedness. However, there are reservations. [...] Furthermore, our analysis merely suggests reasonable physical limits on the applicability of [the two-fluid equations]. Whether they, in fact, model reality is a question for confrontation with experiments

Dinh et al. (2003) :

Mathematical awkwardness of the two-fluid formulation has led mathematically-minded researchers to caution the utility of the two-fluid model [...]. In the contrary, another camp of engineering researchers sees intrinsic values of the two-fluid transport equations [...]. They regard ill-posedness as a minor artifact, which should be dealt with on a fitness-for-purpose basis. Consequently, researchers in this group focused their effort on developing sets of constitutive laws that allow simulation of practical two-phase processes.

Bresch et al. (2018) : Multi-Fluid Models Including Compressible Fluids

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### **Index-matching experiments**

- Particles:  $d_p=2mm PMMA$ ;  $\rho_p/\rho_f = 1.2$
- Fluid: Triton X-100
- Re ~ 1

(Aussillous et al., JFM 2013)



### **Analytical solution**

- Einstein viscosity:  $\nu_{e\!f\!f} = \nu^f (1 + 2.5\phi)$
- Coulomb friction:  $\mu$  = constant  $\bullet$
- Parabolic velocity profile

(Ouriemi et al., JFM 2009)



## **Granular stresses: particle-particle interactions**

### **Dense granular flow rheology:** $\mu(I)$ (GDR Midi, 2004)

Represent frictional-collisional interactions in dense granular flows

 $\overline{\overline{\tau^p}} = \mu(I)p^p \ \frac{\overline{S^p}}{||\overline{\overline{S^p}}||}$ **Shear stress** with  $\overline{\overline{S^p}} = \nabla \overrightarrow{u^p} + \nabla \overrightarrow{u^p}^T - \frac{2}{3}tr(\nabla \cdot \overrightarrow{u^p})$ 

Visco-plastic rheology: contain a yield stress (need regularization) and a non-linear viscous term

Viscosity regularization (Chauchat and Médale, JCP 2014)

By definition: 
$$\overline{\overline{\tau^p}} = \eta_p \ \overline{\overline{S^p}} \rightarrow \eta_p = \frac{\mu_s p^p}{||\overline{\overline{S^p}}||}$$
  $\eta_p = \eta_p \overline{\overline{S^p}}$ 

Control parameter = Inertial number:  $I = \frac{||\overline{S^p}||d}{\sqrt{p^p/\rho^p}}$ 



$$= \frac{\mu(I)p^{p}}{\left( \left| \left| \overline{S^{p}} \right| \right|^{2} + \lambda^{2} \right)^{1/2}}$$

where  $\lambda$  is a small parameter

Plastic transition is approximated by a very viscous fluid rheology controlled by  $\lambda$ 



## **Granular stresses: particle-particle interactions**

**Particle pressure:** 

$$p^p = p_e^p + p_s^p$$

2 contributions

**Rate independent:**  $\bullet$ 

$$p_e^p = \Pi_0 \frac{\left(\phi - \phi_{rlp}\right)^2}{\left(\phi_m - \phi\right)^5}$$

pressure due to enduring contact (Johnson & Jackson, 1987)

**Shear induced:**  $\bullet$ 

$$p_s^p = \left(\frac{b \phi}{\phi_m - \phi}\right)^2 \rho^p$$

Shear-induced pressure: lead to bed decompaction (Maurin et al., 2016)







- Comparison with analytical solution: Coulomb rheology + Einstein viscosity model
  - Numerical implementation of granular flow rheology is validated
- Numerical parameters: Δy=3 10<sup>-4</sup> m



### Sensitivity to regularization parameter

Simple: 
$$\eta_p = \frac{\mu(I)p^p}{||\overline{\overline{S^p}}|| + r}$$



Chauchat and Médale (2010)





- Comparison with numerical solution:  $\mu(I)$  rheology + Einstein viscosity model
  - Numerical implementation of granular flow rheology is validated
- Numerical parameters: Δy=3 10<sup>-4</sup> m

# **3rd open question**

# The $\mu(I)$ rheology is ill-posed for certain parameter values and inertial numbers

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### Use a modified kinetic theory of granular flows to account for friction

Perturbation analysis :

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{u}(x,t)\\ \hat{p}(x,t) \end{bmatrix} = \exp(i\boldsymbol{\xi}\cdot x + \lambda t) \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{u}\\ \tilde{p} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\mu = \mu(I) = \mu_s + \frac{\Delta\mu}{I_0/I + 1}$$

### 2 options discussed in the literature:

### Develop a compressible $\mu(I)$ rheology

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## **Turbulence-particle interactions**



Balachandar (IJMF 2009)

• Stokes number:  $St = \tau_p / \tau_\eta > 1$ 

- Particle response time:  $\tau_p$  ; Kolmogorov time scale  $\tau_\eta$
- Inertial effects: particles do not respond instantaneously to all turbulent flow scales

• Particulate Reynolds number:  $\Re_p = \frac{|u_r| d_p}{\nu^f} > \Re_p^c \approx 400$ 

 Vortex shedding in the wake of particles is generated = produce turbulence at the particle scale

### **Regimes:**

- (II) Gravitational settling
- (III) Kolmogorov Interactions

**(IV) Inertial range dissipation** 

(V) Inertial range production



## Favre-averaged two-phase flow equations

• Ensemble averaging: 
$$\langle \phi \rangle = \lim_{N \to \infty} \sum_{k=1}^{N} \phi_k$$
 Favre-averaged velocities  $\overrightarrow{u^t} = \frac{\langle (1 - \phi) \overrightarrow{u^t} \rangle}{1 - \langle \phi \rangle}$   $\overrightarrow{u^p} = -$   
• Favre-averaged two-phase flow equations:  

$$\frac{\partial \langle c \rangle}{\partial t} + \nabla \left( \langle e \rangle \overline{\langle \overrightarrow{u} \rangle^f} \right) = 0$$

$$\rho^f \left[ \frac{\partial \langle e \rangle \overline{\langle \overrightarrow{u} \rangle^f}}{\partial t} + \nabla \left( \langle c \rangle \overline{\langle \overrightarrow{u} \rangle^f} \otimes \overline{\langle \overrightarrow{u} \rangle^f} \right) \right] = -\rho^f \nabla \left( \langle c \rangle \Delta u^f \otimes \Delta u^f \right) + \nabla \sigma^f - \langle n \langle \overrightarrow{f^p} \rangle \rangle + \langle c \rangle \rho^f \overrightarrow{g}$$

$$\frac{\partial \langle \phi \rangle}{\partial t} + \nabla \left( \langle \phi \rangle \overline{\langle \overrightarrow{u} \rangle^p} \right) = 0$$

$$\rho^p \left[ \frac{\partial \langle \phi \rangle \overline{\langle \overrightarrow{u} \rangle^p}}{\partial t} + \nabla \left( \langle \phi \rangle \overline{\langle \overrightarrow{u} \rangle^p} \otimes \overline{\langle \overrightarrow{u} \rangle^p} \right) \right] = -\rho^p \nabla \left( \langle \phi \rangle \Delta u^p \otimes \Delta u^p \right) + \nabla \sigma^p + \langle n \langle \overrightarrow{f^p} \rangle \rangle + \langle \phi \rangle \rho^p \overrightarrow{g}$$

$$\mathbf{Granular stresses}$$

$$\mu(0) \text{ or Kinetic theory of granular flows}$$

Ensemble averaging: 
$$\langle \phi \rangle = \lim_{N \to \infty} \sum_{k=1}^{n} \phi_k$$
 Favre-averaged velocities  $\overline{u'} = \frac{\langle (1 - \phi)u' \rangle}{1 - \langle \phi \rangle}$   $\overline{u''} = -$   
Favre-averaged two-phase flow equations:  

$$\frac{\partial \langle e \rangle}{\partial t} + \nabla \left( \langle e \rangle \langle \overline{u'} \rangle^f \right) = 0$$

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$$\frac{\partial \langle \phi \rangle}{\partial t} + \nabla \left( \langle \phi \rangle \langle \overline{u'} \rangle^p \otimes \langle \overline{u'} \rangle^p \right) = 0$$

$$\rho^p \left[ \frac{\partial \langle \phi \rangle \langle \overline{u'} \rangle^p}{\partial t} + \nabla \left( \langle \phi \rangle \langle \overline{u'} \rangle^p \otimes \langle \overline{u'} \rangle^p \right) \right] = -\rho^p \nabla \left( \langle \phi \rangle \Delta u^p \otimes \Delta u^p \right) + \nabla \sigma^p + \langle n \langle \overline{f}^p \rangle \rangle + \langle \phi \rangle \rho^p \overline{g}$$
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## Fluid turbulence modeling

# **Reynolds shear stress:** $\sigma_{ij}^{f\Delta} = -\rho^f \langle \epsilon \rangle \Delta u^f \otimes$

### Large Eddy Simulation: Dynamic Smagorinsky

Subgrid stresses

$$\begin{split} \sigma_{ij}^{f\Delta} &= 2\rho^{f} \langle \epsilon \rangle \Delta^{2} || \overline{\overline{S^{f}}} || \left( C_{1}^{f} S_{ij}^{f} - C_{2}^{f} \frac{1}{3} S_{kk}^{f} \delta_{ij} \right) \\ \sigma_{ij}^{p\Delta} &= 2\rho^{p} \langle \phi \rangle \Delta^{2} || \overline{\overline{S^{p}}} || \left( C_{1}^{p} S_{ij}^{p} - C_{2}^{p} \frac{1}{3} S_{kk}^{p} \delta_{ij} \right) \end{split} \qquad \overline{\overline{S^{f}}} = \nabla \overline{u^{f}} + \nabla \overline{u^{f}}^{T} - \frac{2}{3} tr(\nabla . \overline{u^{f}}) \end{split}$$

$$\bigotimes \Delta u^f$$
 and  $\sigma_{ij}^{p\Delta} = -\rho^p \langle \phi \rangle \Delta u^p \bigotimes \Delta u^p$ 

Coefficients  $C_n^k$  are computed using a dynamical procedure by assuming invariance of turbulent kinetic energy dissipation between the resolved and the sub grid scales
## Sheet flow lab experiments (Revil-Baudard PhD, 2014)

- Tilting flume:
  - ► L = 10m ; W = 0.35m ; Slope = 0.5% ; Q = 30 L/s
- **PMMA** particles:
  - $d_p = 3 \text{ mm}$
  - ρ<sup>p</sup>/ρ<sup>f</sup>=1.19
  - $\mu_{\rm s} = 0.7$









## Two-phase flow LES of sheet flow (Cheng PhD, 2016)

### **Kinetic Theory of Granular Flows**

$$\nu^{t} = C_{s}^{f} \Delta^{2} \parallel \overline{S^{f}} \parallel \text{ where } C_{s}^{f} = \frac{\langle L_{ij}L_{i}^{d}}{\langle L_{ij}^{d}L_{i}^{d}}$$

$$\textbf{velocity model:} \quad \vec{u^{d}} = \widehat{\phi C_{D} \ \vec{u^{r}}} - \widehat{\phi C_{D} \ \vec{u^{r}}}$$





# **Conclusion on sediment transport modeling at the grain-scale**

### • Eulerian-Lagrangian modeling $\Rightarrow$ granular rheology in bed-load transport

- $\Rightarrow$   $\mu$ (I) rheology is accurate in the dense region ( $\phi$ >0.3)
- $\Rightarrow$  Frictional kinetic theory : works reasonably well over the full range of  $\phi$

- Eulerian-Eulerian modeling
  - $\rightarrow \mu(I)$  rheology successfully implemented using a regularization technique
  - Two-fluid LES: resolve turbulence-particle interactions
- Opens new perspectives for upscaling and application to complex flow configurations

**Open question:** Is it possible to derive a well-posed two-fluid model?

**Open question:** How to develop a well-posed granular rheology ?  $\mu(I)$  or kinetic theory?

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## Outline

## Sand transport by waves: unsteady effects



Waves: Dohmen-Janssen et al. (2002) Current: Sumer *et al.* (1996)

Oscillating Water Tunnel - O'Donoghue & Wright (2004)

$$\frac{\delta_s^m}{d_p} = \alpha \ \theta \quad \text{with } \alpha = 10 - 13$$

### Why?





### Configuration

O'Donoghue & Wright (2004)

Sine wave:

- 
$$T = 5 s$$

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$$U_m^f = 1.5 \text{ m/s}$$

- Stokes layer thickness  $\delta = 1.26 \times 10^{-3}$  m

### **Particles:**

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$$\rho^p = 2650 \ kg \ m^{-3} \ s$$

		Medium sand	Fine sand
	<b>d</b> p (µm)	280	150
	Vs (cm/s)	4	1.6
$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\Delta^{+}} = \frac{\Delta}{\Delta}$	$\frac{\mathcal{U}_{*}}{\mathcal{V}^{f}}$		











Isocontours of concentration :  $\overline{\phi} = 0.5$  (brown) and  $\overline{\phi} = 0.08$  (silver)

Turbulent coherent structures : Q criterion













Behavior is different between medium and fine sand

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Turbulent coherent structures : Q criterion









### **Flow reversal**

- Medium sand deposited
- Fine sand still suspended
- Sheet-fow layer thickness not in phase with free stream velocity









### **Acceleration phase**

- Flow instabilities are triggered -
- Stronger for medium sand







### Flow peak

- Flow instabilities are well-developped
  - stronger for fine sand
- Sheet-flow layer thickness
  - in-phase for medium sand
  - phase-lag for fine sand









### **Deceleration phase**

- Flow instabilities are welldevelopped
  - stronger for fine sand
- Sheet-flow layer thickness
  - in-phase for medium sand
  - phase-lag for fine sand









**Density stratification** 

Richardson number:

 $Ri = \frac{g}{\rho^m} \frac{\partial \rho^m / \partial y}{(\partial u^f / \partial y)^2}$ 

Buoyancy dissipation / production of TKE

- Flow reversal
  - ► For medium sand:
    - Density stratification is strong enough to damp turbulence
  - ► For fine sand:
    - Density stratification overcome turbulence production
    - The flow is laminarized by the presence of the particles
- Flow peak
  - always unstable = no effect of particles on turbulence









**Sediment fluxes** 

**Reynolds-averaged sediment mass conservation** 



Turbulent flux = erosion

Settling flux = deposition

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Flow reversal

- Essentially stable for medium sand
- Stable for fine sand => strong turbulence reduction

Flow peak

always unstable = no effect on turbulence





All sediments are deposited



### **Medium sand**

Acceleration

phase

- Acceleration phase:
  - Flow instabilities generates strong turbulence & erosion
- ► Flow peak:
  - Equilibrium between settling and erosion
- Deceleration phase:
  - Gravitational settling dominates
- Flow reversal:
  - Sediments have settled back to the bed







Stably stratified



### **Fine sand**

- Acceleration phase:
  - Stably stratified flow: still deposition
  - Shear instabilities delayed
- ► Flow peak:
  - Still net erosion
- Deceleration phase:
  - Delayed settling phase
  - Density stratification => laminarization
  - Formation of concentration plateau
- Flow reversal:
  - Stably stratified flow
  - Reminiscent suspended sediments from previous half-wave cycle

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Acceleration

phase







# **Conclusion on upscaling of fine-scale processes**

 Two-phase flow simulations allows to study complex sediment-flow interactions such as sediment transport under waves with a process-based approach

### Physical explanation for the phase-lag or unsteady effect associated with fine sand

- Stratification => turbulence damping
- Reduced turbulent fluxes/erosion
- Non-linear sedimentation

### Perspectives

- Characterize regime transitions
  - Controlling dimensionless numbers?
- Infer sediment transport parametrization
  - ➡ Upscaling





# **General conclusion & perspectives**

### **Open question 1:**

What are the stability conditions for the coupled system of equations wave-current-sediment?

### **Open question 2:**

How to develop a well-posed granular rheology ?  $\mu(I)$  or kinetic theory ?

### **Open question 3:**

Is it possible to derive a well-posed two-fluid model?

18 months postdoc is available to work on a coastal morphodynamic at LEGI (MEPELS project - SHOM)

- develop a mid term (1 to 24 months) hierarchical model
- combine process-based models with reduced complexity approach potentially using AI...

### Job opportunity

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