

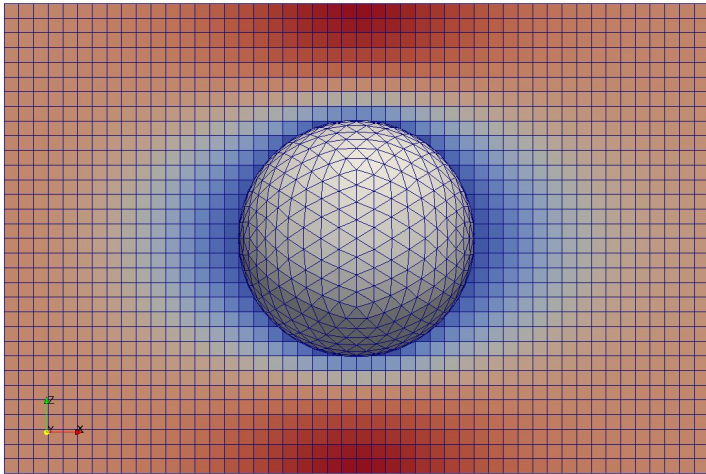
# Fine grained fluid coupling with the Immersed Boundary Method

An overview

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# Immersed Boundary Method

Fluid flow modelled with Computational Fluid Dynamics



Add forces to fluid Eqs. to impose No-Slip, No-Penetration condition at IB points.

1. Velocity of IB point

$$\mathbf{U}^{\text{IB}}(\mathbf{X}_l) = \mathbf{u}_c + \mathbf{w}_c \times (\mathbf{X}_l - \mathbf{x}_c)$$

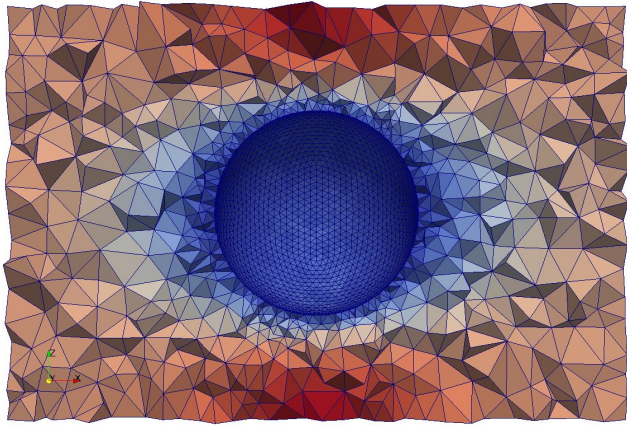
2. Fluid velocity interpolated at IB point

$$\mathbf{U}^*(\mathbf{X}_l) = \sum \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}) \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{X}_l)$$

3. Forcing at IB points

$$\mathbf{F} = \frac{\mathbf{U}^{\text{IB}} - \mathbf{U}^*}{\Delta t} - \mathbf{RHS}$$

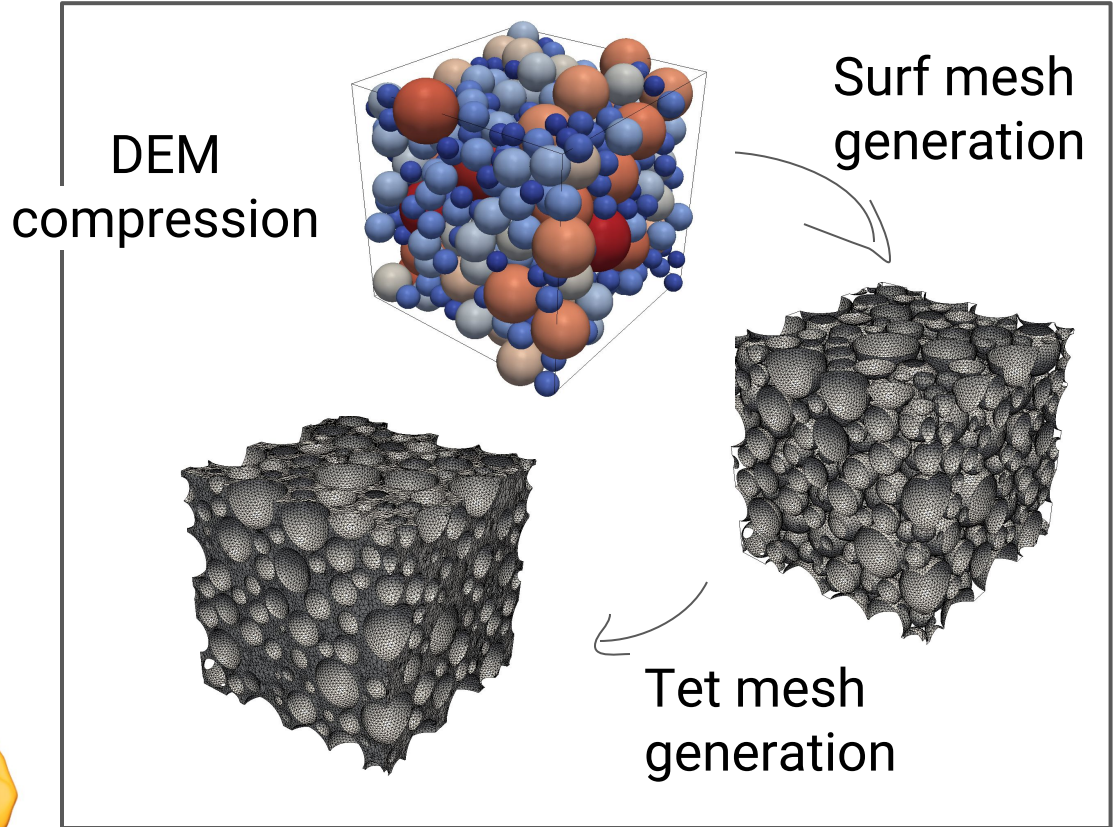
# Vanilla CFD with Boundary Fitted Grids



Higher accuracy with conformal meshes 😊

...*but* no dynamics 😞

Good for IBM validation 🙌



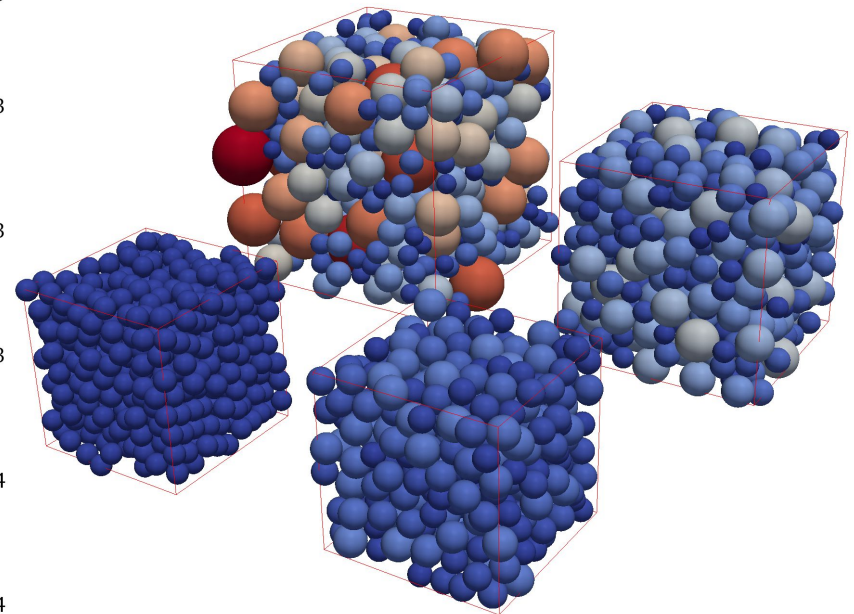
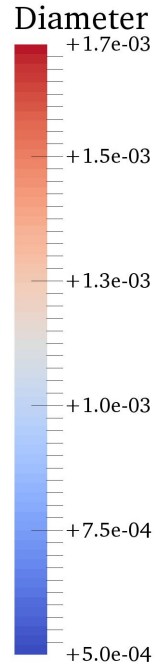
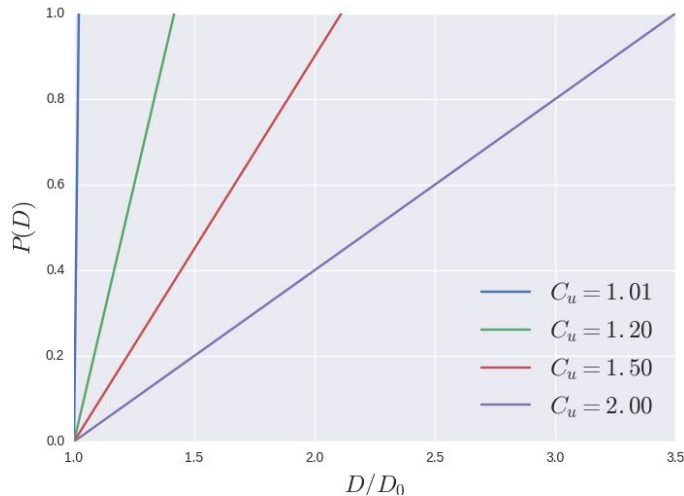
# Polydispersity and Drag

Investigate drag in polydisperse packings with “linear gradings”

- Vary uniformity coefficient

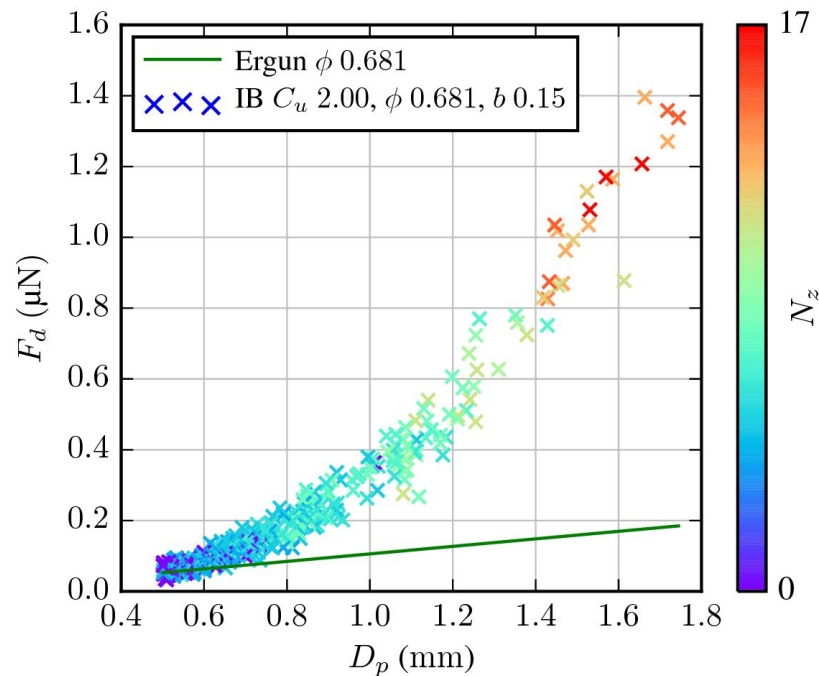
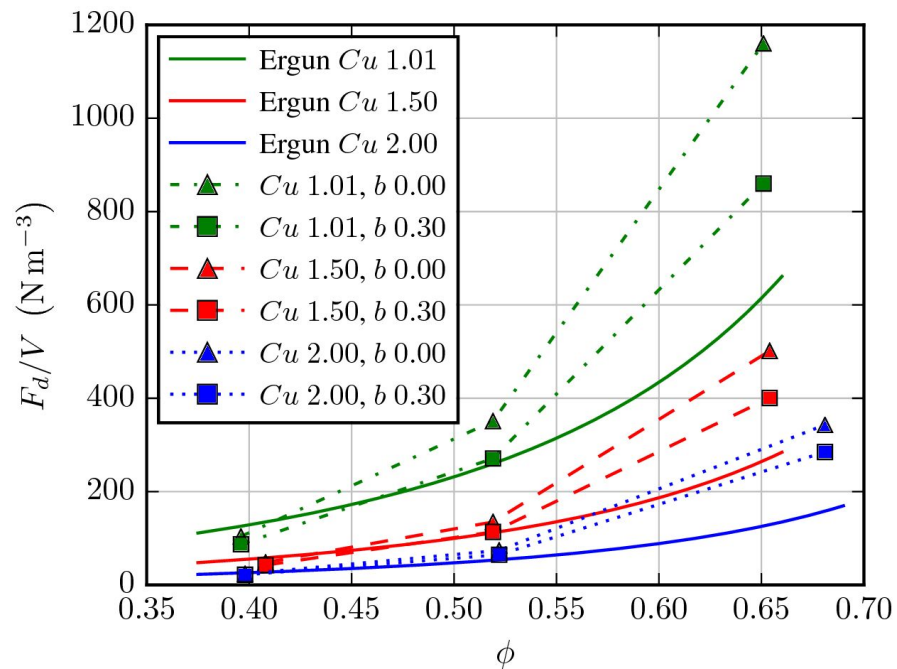
$$C_u = D_{60}/D_{10}$$

- Vary solids concentration



# Polydispersity and Drag

Large departure from widely used Ergun 1952 correlation



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...and *thank you* for listening