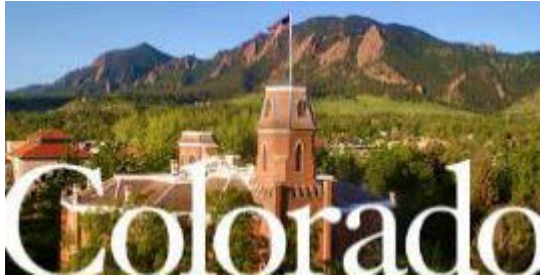


Validation and Uncertainty Quantification of MFIX-DEM Simulations of a Semicircular Fluidized Bed with Horizontal Air Jets: Preliminary Results



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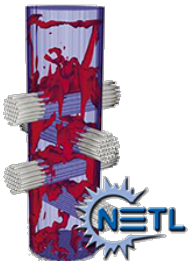
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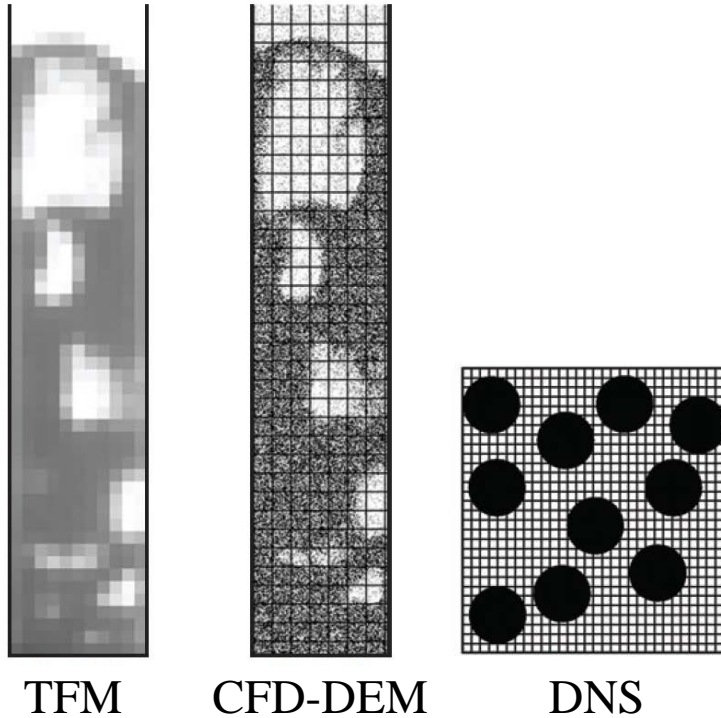


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Background:

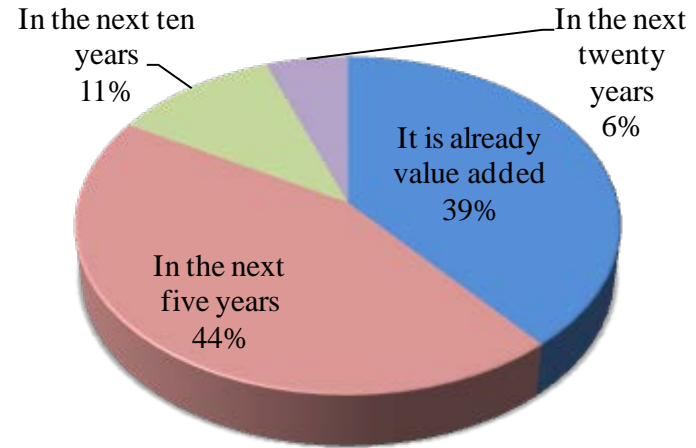
Numerical Methods for Studying Gas-solid Flows



More detail, fewer closures

Less CPU time

Expected value added through DEM



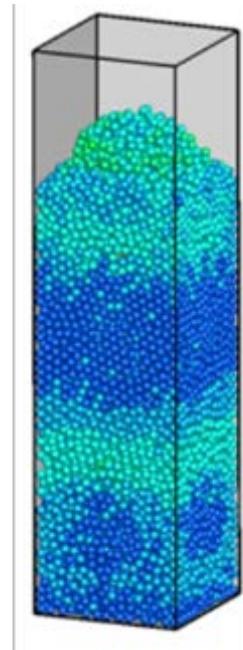
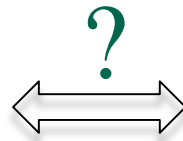
Expected value added through DEM:
PSRI Industrial Survey
(Cocco et al., *Chem. Eng. Prog.*, in press)

**DEM: a balance between
computational overhead and
sources of uncertainty**

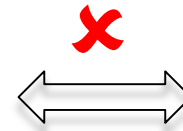
Motivation



Laboratory
 $N_p \sim 10^{10}$



CFD-DEM
 $N_p \sim 10^4 - 10^7$



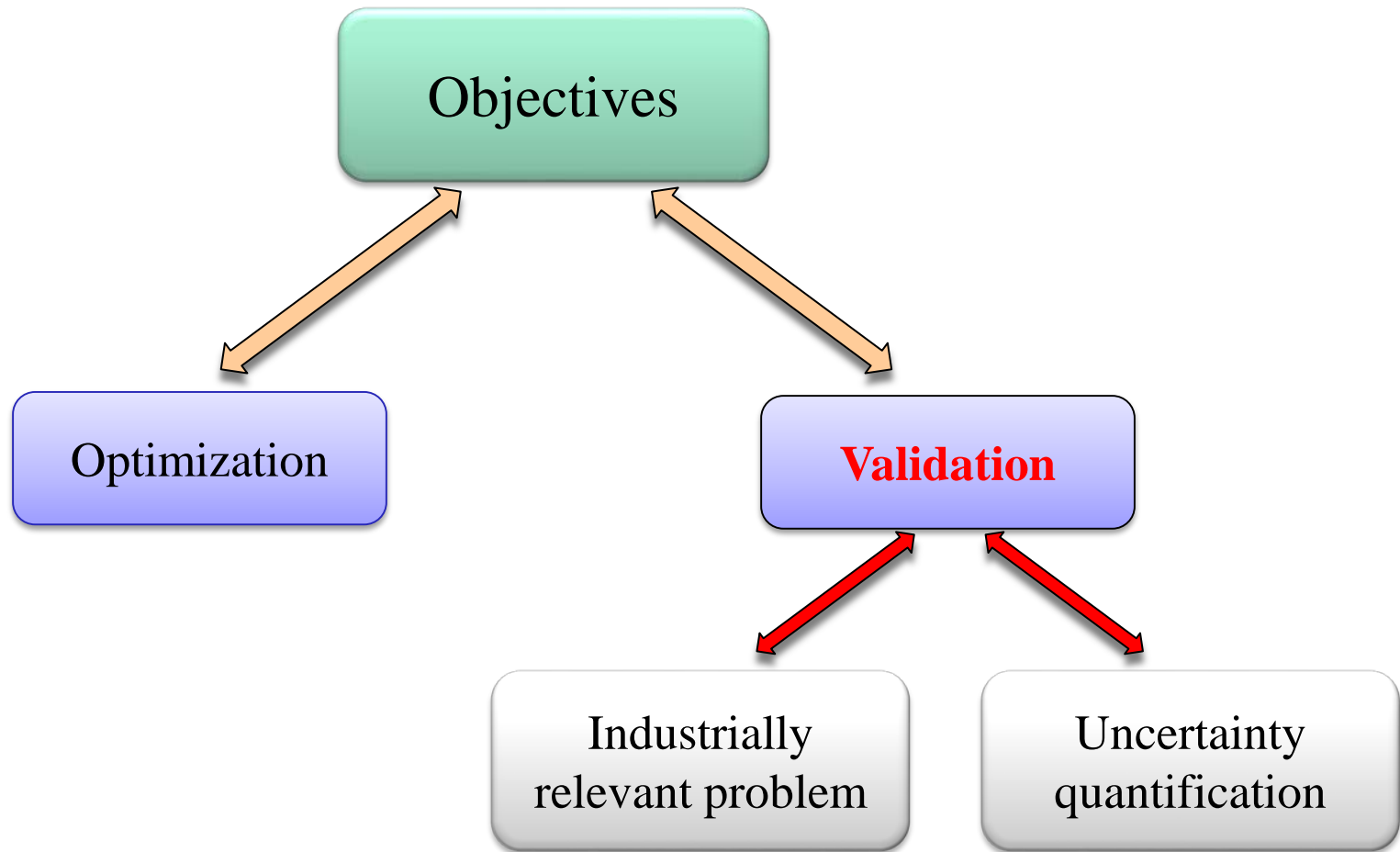
Industry
 $N_p \sim 10^{14}$

Goal: DEM application toward industrially relevant flows

Challenges

- Speed \Rightarrow Optimization
- Results reliability \Rightarrow **Validation (this talk)**

Overall Project: MFIX-DEM Enhancement towards Industrial Applications

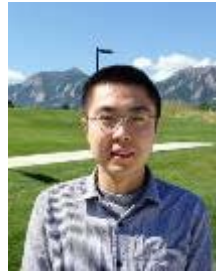


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DEM modeling of granular and gas-solid flows, MFIX



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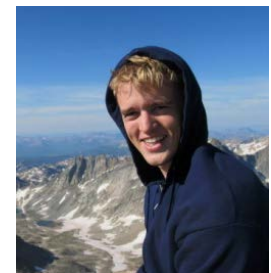
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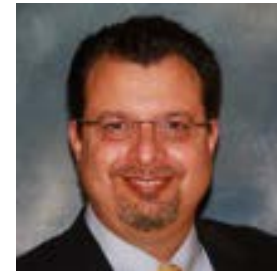
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*Industrial Application and
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CFD-DEM Validation: Literature Survey

Common system

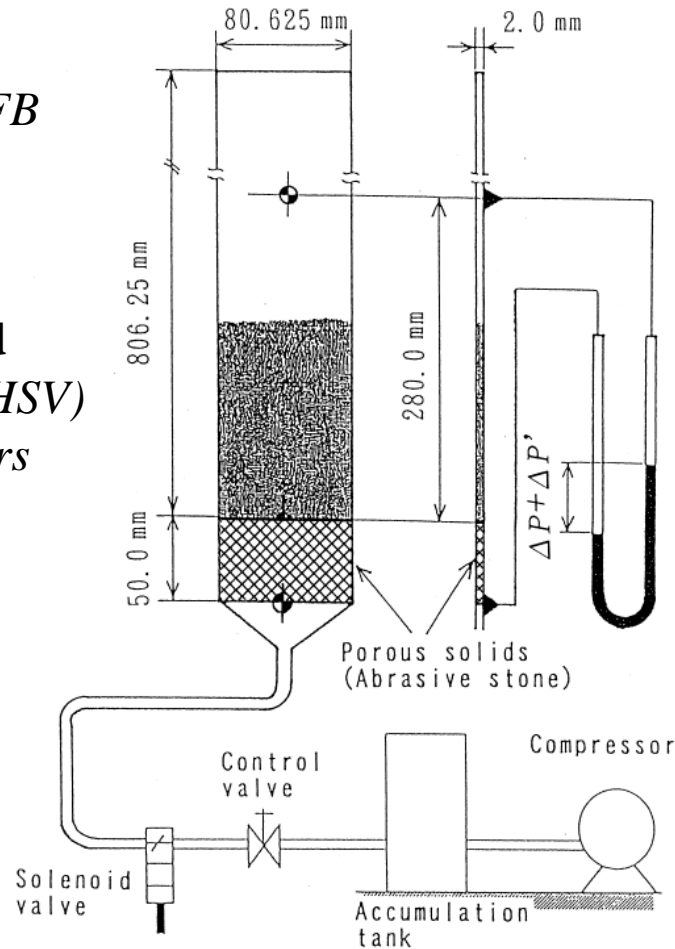
- *Small rectangular FB*
- *Group D particles*
- $N_p \sim 10^5$

Experimental method

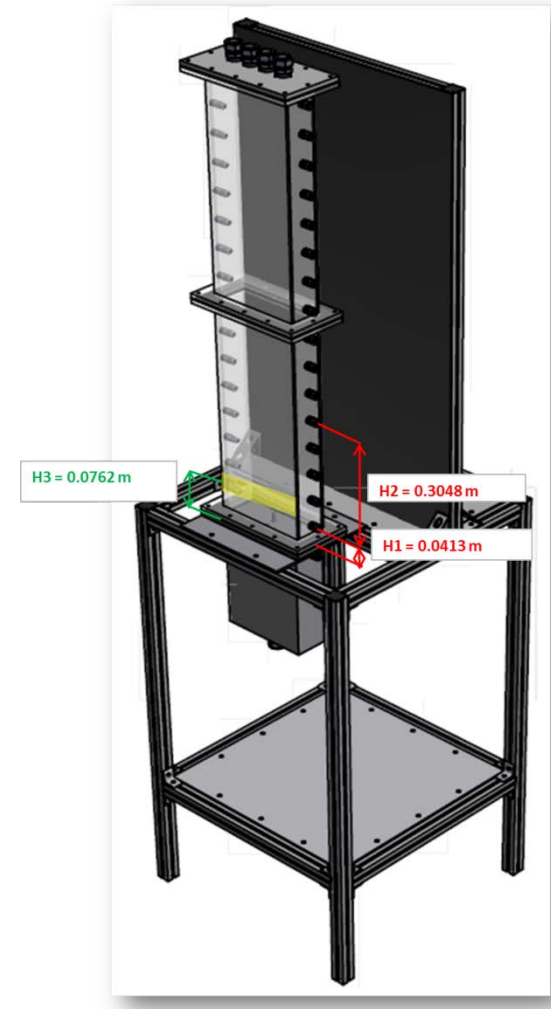
- *High speed video (HSV)*
- *Pressure transducers*
- *PIV/MRI*

Metrics to compare

- *Flow patterns*
- *Pressure drop*
- *Velocity profiles*



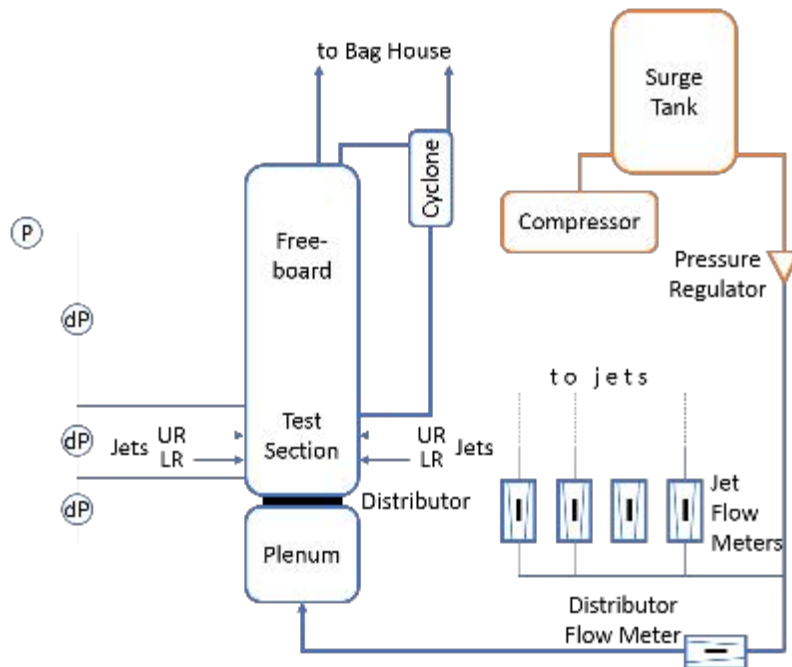
(Yuu et al., Powder Technol., 2000)



NETL Small-Scale Challenge Problem I
(Gopalan et al., Powder Technol., 2016)

Experimental setup

Semi-circular Fluidized Bed with Multiple Horizontal Jets



| Dimensions | Values (cm) |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| Bed width, W | 28.575 ± 0.159 |
| Bed depth, D | 15.169 ± 0.317 |
| Bed height, H_s | 29.14 ± 0.285 |
| Jet diameter, d_j | 0.386 |

| Flow conditions | Values (cm/s) |
|----------------------------|---|
| Distributor flow, U | 146.68 ± 9.77 ($\sim 1.1 U_{mf}$) |
| Jet velocity, U_j (cm/s) | $\sim 20,000$ |

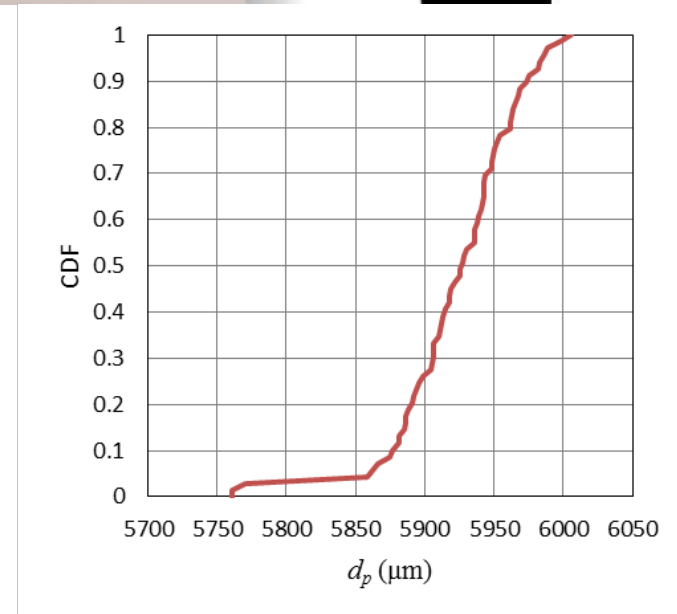
Materials

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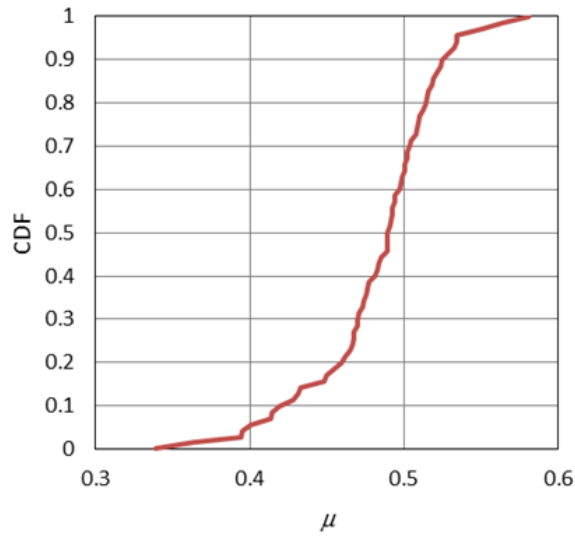
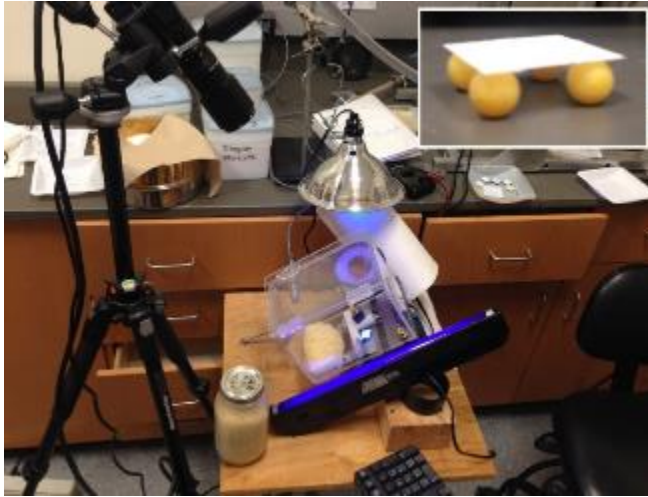
| | |
|------------------------|--------------------------|
| 6.0 mm plastic: | $N_p \sim 6 \times 10^4$ |
| 3.0 mm ceramic: | $N_p \sim 4 \times 10^5$ |
| 1.6 mm mix: | $N_p \sim 3 \times 10^6$ |
| 1.5 mm glass: | $N_p \sim 4 \times 10^6$ |
| 1.0 mm ceramic: | $N_p \sim 1 \times 10^7$ |
| 0.8 mm glass: | $N_p \sim 3 \times 10^7$ |

Particle size characterization

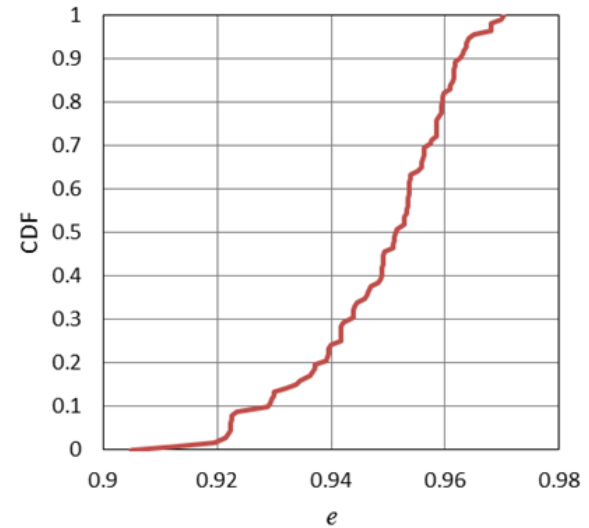
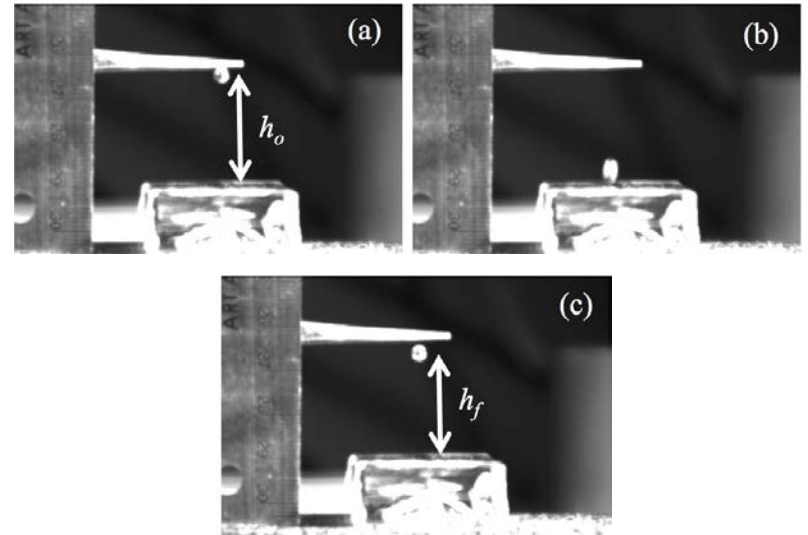


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Sliding friction measurement

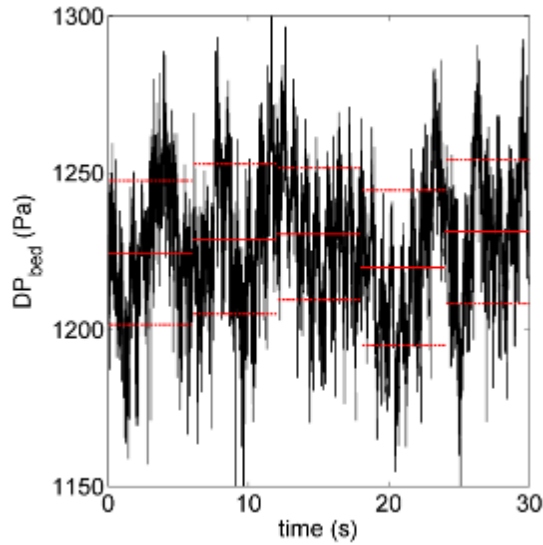


Coefficient of restitution measurement

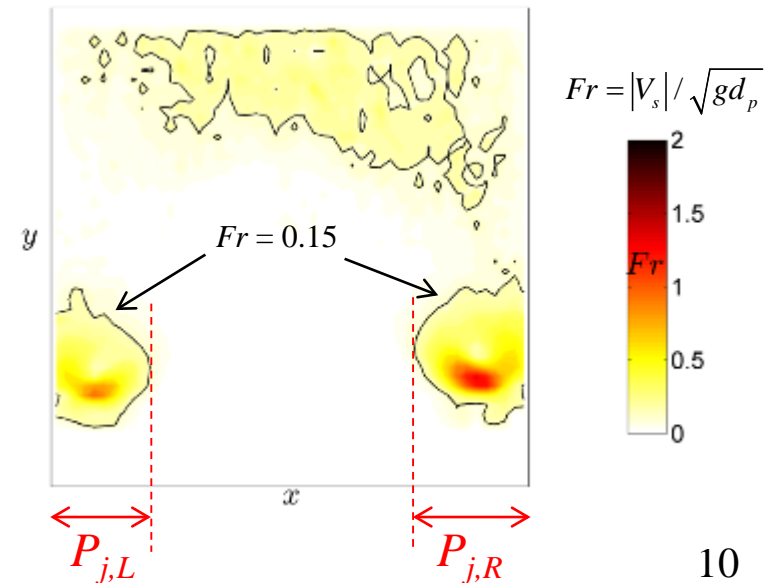
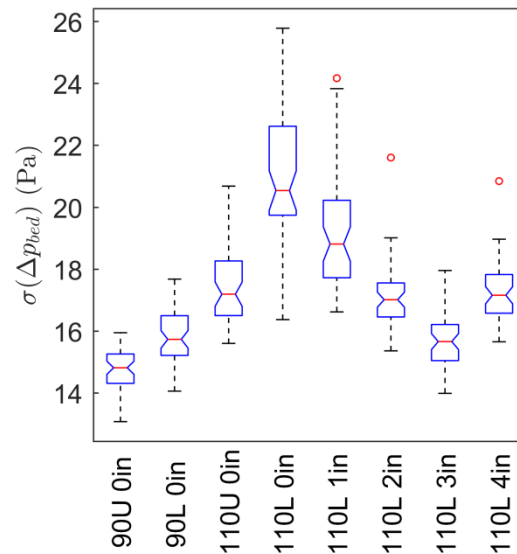
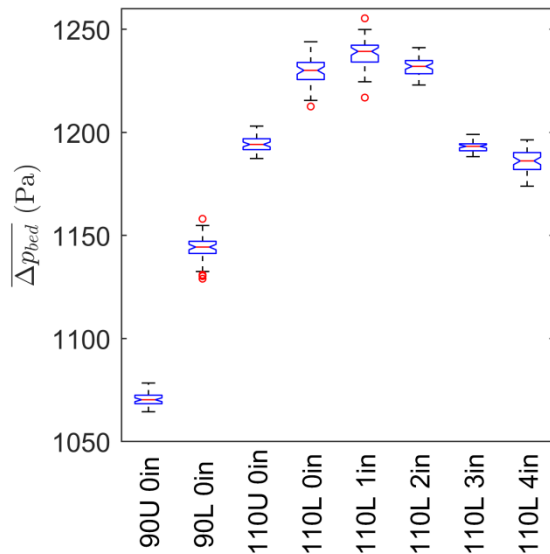


Experimental Results (SRQs)

Bed pressure drop

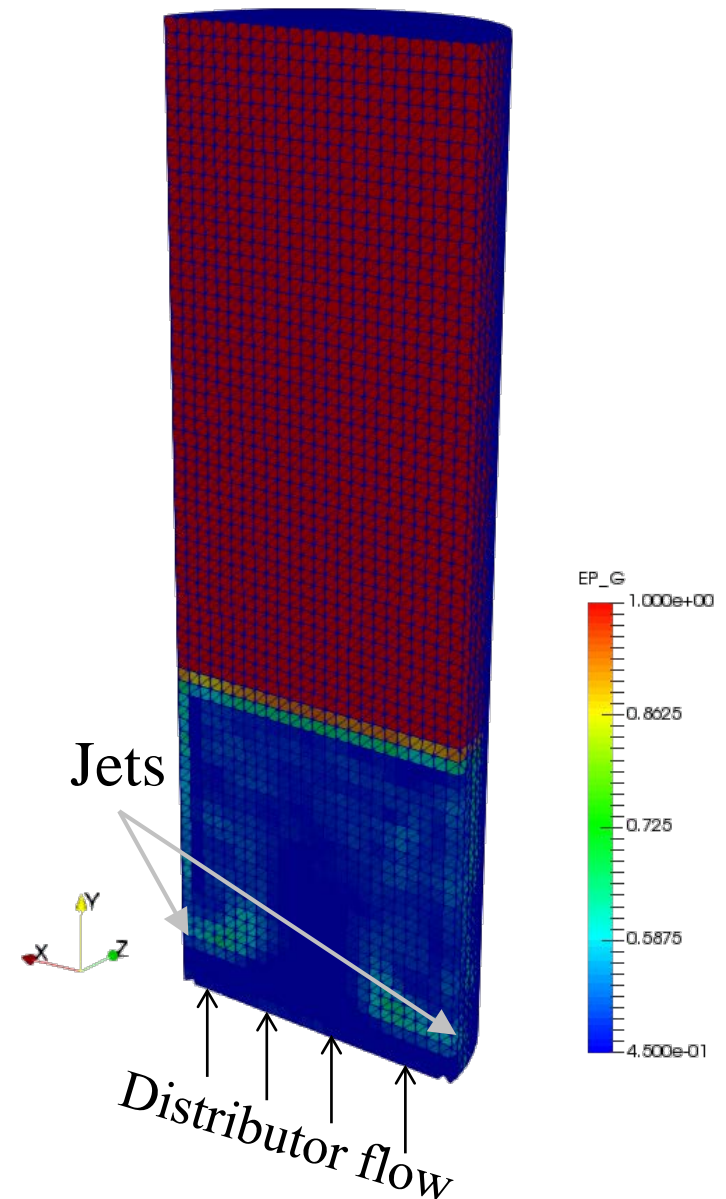


Jet penetration depth

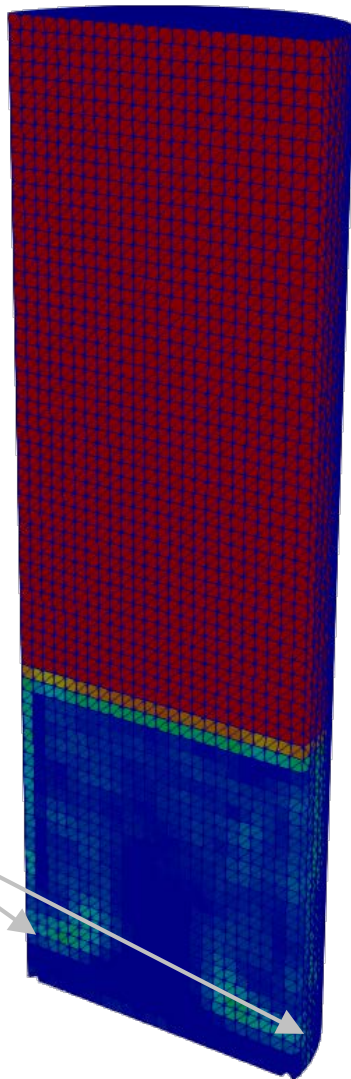


CFD-DEM Simulation Conditions: Base Case

| Parameters (base case) | Values |
|---|--------------------------------|
| Dimensions | |
| Static Height, H (cm) | 85.725 |
| Bed width, W (cm) | 28.575 |
| Bed depth, D (cm) | 15.169 |
| Static bed height, H_s (cm) | 29.14015 |
| Total number of particles, N_p | 54459 |
| Particle properties | |
| Diameter, d_p (cm) | 0.5924 |
| Density, ρ_p (g/cm ³) | 1.0435 |
| Spring constant, k (dyne/cm) | 10^6 |
| Sliding friction coefficient, μ_s | 0.4821 |
| Restitution coefficient, e | 0.9482 |
| Gas properties (compressible) | |
| Viscosity, μ_g (g·cm ⁻¹ ·s ⁻¹) | 1.80×10^{-4} |
| Superficial velocity, U (cm/s) | 146.6825568 |
| Jet diameter, D_j (cm) | 0.38608 |
| Jet height, H_j (cm) | 5.1460 (L), 5.4559 (R) |
| Jet protrusion, D_z (cm) (from top face) | 1.6669 (L), 1.7463 (R) |
| Jet protrusion, D_s (cm) (from side walls) | 0.6072 (L), 0.6072 (R) |
| Jet velocity, U_j (cm/s) | 20000.8537 (L), 19400.3746 (R) |
| Jet gas mass flow rate, $\dot{m} = \pi\rho_g U_j D_j^2/4$ (g/s) | 2.7388 (L), 2.6566 (R) |
| Drag model | Wen_Yu |

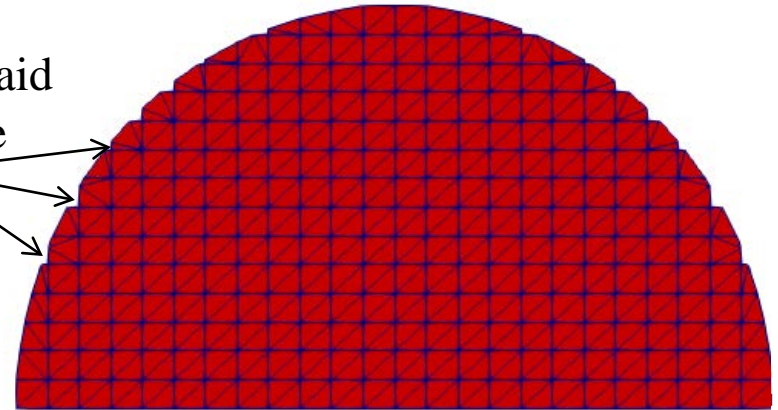


Simulating Bed Geometry with Cartesian Cut-Cells

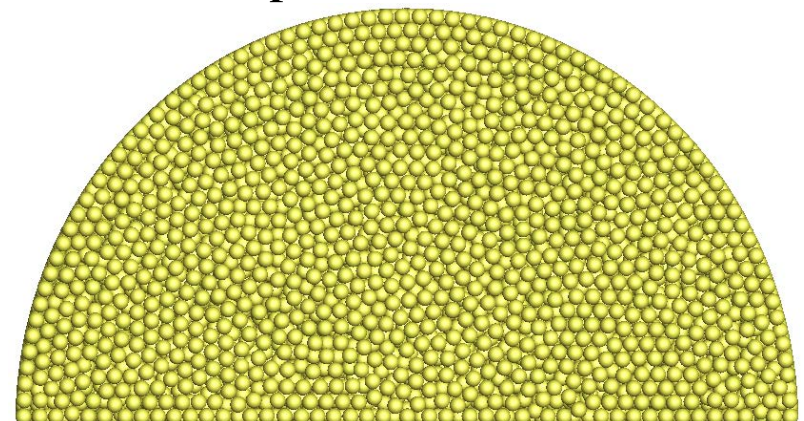
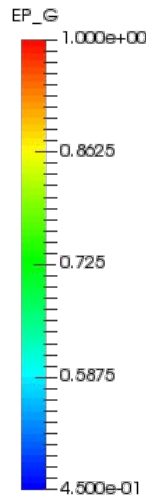


Point sources

Small cells removed to aid convergence



Top view (CFD cells)



Top view (particles)

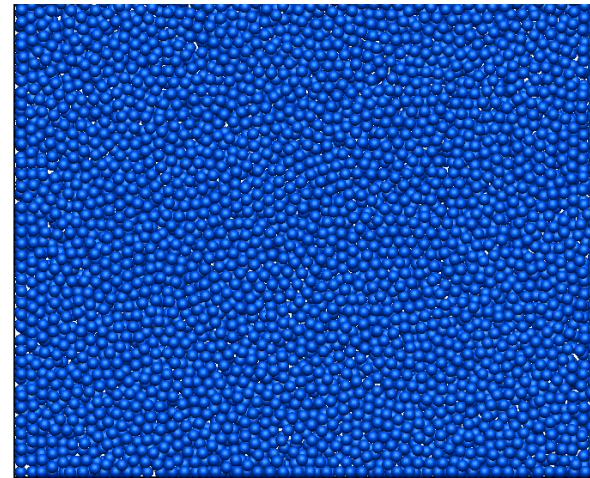
Jet diameter < CFD cell size

MFIX-2016-1 used to perform the simulations

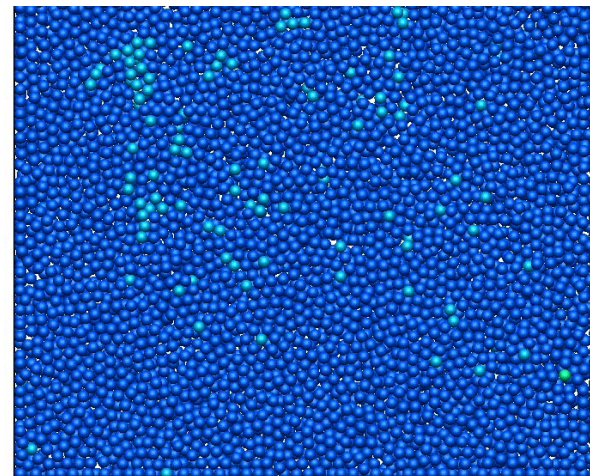
Results Comparison for the Base Case: Flow Patterns



Experiment

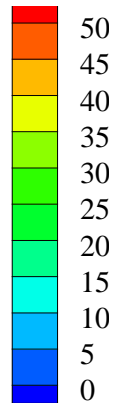


CFD-DEM



CFD-DEM (rectangular)

v (cm/s)



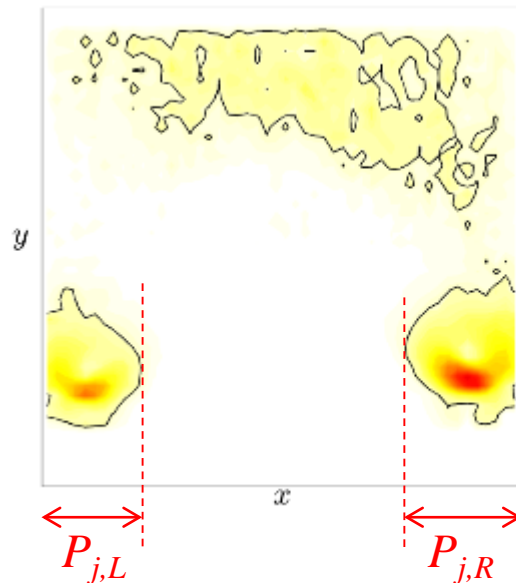
Considering true bed geometry in CFD-DEM leads to better agreement

Results Comparison for the Base Case: Pressure Drop and Jet Penetration Depth

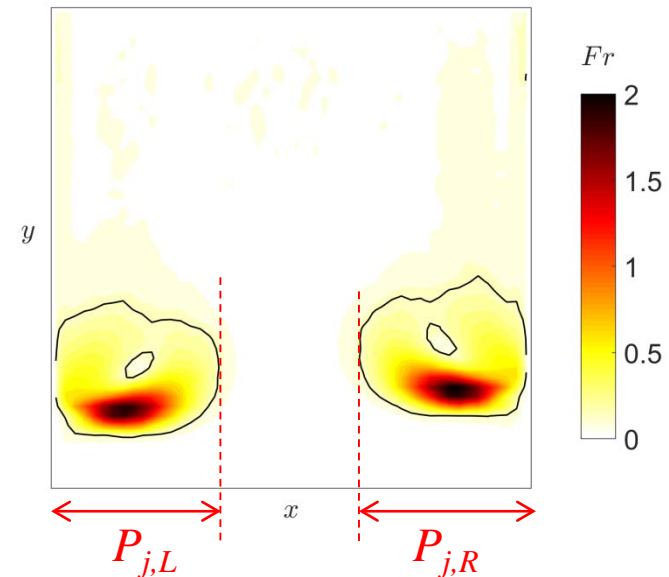
| Pressure drop | Mean (Pa) | Std (Pa) |
|---------------|-----------|----------|
| Experiment | 1229.6 | 22.06 |
| CFD-DEM | 1421.3 | 109.9 |

| Jet penetration | Left (cm) | Right (cm) |
|-----------------|-----------|------------|
| Experiment | 8.034 | 8.770 |
| CFD-DEM | 9.398 | 9.620 |

CFD-DEM results in reasonable agreement with measurements



Experiment



CFD-DEM

Local Sensitivity to Uncertainties in Input Parameters

Input uncertainties {

| Parameter | Lower bound | Base case | Upper bound |
|------------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|
| Bed width, W (cm) | 28.4160 | 28.5750 | 28.7340 |
| Bed height, H_s (cm) | 28.7909 | 29.1402 | 29.4259 |

CFD-DEM



$\overline{\Delta p_{bed}}$ (Pa) {

| Parameter | Lower bound | Base case | Upper bound |
|------------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|
| Bed width, W (cm) | 1422.7 | 1421.3 | 1424.8 |
| Bed height, H_s (cm) | 1399.6 | 1421.3 | 1442.5 |

Square “error” relative to the base case

$$|\delta Y_i^{(j)}|^2 = (Y_i^{(j+)} - Y_i^{(0)})^2 + (Y_i^{(j-)} - Y_i^{(0)})^2$$



| Parameter | $ \delta Y_i^{(j)} ^2$ (Pa ²) |
|------------------------|---|
| Bed width, W (cm) | 13.81 |
| Bed height, H_s (cm) | 922.25 |

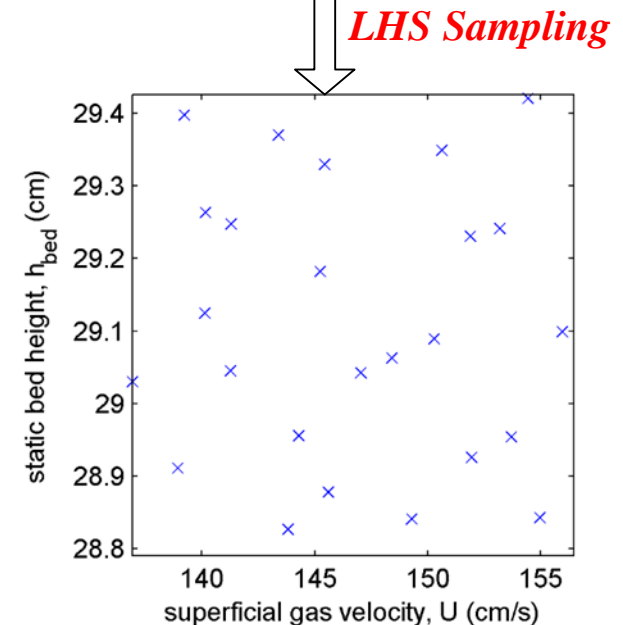
H_s more important than W in affecting $\overline{\Delta p_{bed}}$

Next Step: UQ tests

Parameter Identification and Ranking Table

| Input Uncertainties | | | | | SRQ Ranking | | |
|---|-------------|-----------|-------------|------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Parameter | lower bound | base case | upper bound | type | P _{j,L} | P _{j,R} | ΔP _{mean} |
| Bed | | | | | | | |
| U (cm/s) | 136.9132 | 146.6826 | 156.4519 | e | 100.000000 | 100.000000 | 37.385600 |
| U _{j,L} (m/s) | 189.2253 | 200.8537 | 212.4821 | e | 15.032656 | 1.459381 | 1.581862 |
| U _{j,R} (m/s) | 182.8222 | 194.3746 | 205.9270 | e | 0.520213 | 38.775714 | 2.029440 |
| h _{bed} (cm) | 28.7909 | 29.1402 | 29.4259 | e | 0.072480 | 1.439458 | 56.249878 |
| W (cm) | 28.4160 | 28.5750 | 28.7340 | e | 0.337803 | 2.042138 | 0.842206 |
| D (cm) | 14.8520 | 15.1690 | 15.4860 | e | 1.121335 | 2.948648 | 0.101814 |
| U _{mf} (cm/s) | 126.0000 | 135.6000 | 145.2000 | e | 1.884692 | 0.762066 | 100.000000 |
| Left Jets | | | | | | | |
| A _{j,L} (cm ²) | 0.1168 | 0.1171 | 0.1174 | e | | | |
| y _{j,L} (cm) | 5.0667 | 5.1460 | 5.2254 | e | 0.000000 | 0.000000 | 0.000000 |
| z _{j,L} (cm) | 1.5875 | 1.6669 | 1.7463 | e | 0.000000 | 0.000000 | 35.085184 |
| d _{j,L} (cm) | -0.3175 | 0.0000 | 0.3175 | e | | | |
| Right Jets | | | | | | | |
| A _{j,R} (cm ²) | 0.1168 | 0.1171 | 0.1174 | e | | | |
| y _{j,R} (cm) | 5.3765 | 5.4559 | 5.5353 | e | 0.000000 | 0.000000 | 0.000000 |
| z _{j,R} (cm) | 1.6669 | 1.7463 | 1.8256 | e | 0.000000 | 0.000000 | 0.000000 |
| d _{j,R} (cm) | -0.3175 | 0.0000 | 0.3175 | e | | | |
| Particle-phase Properties | | | | | | | |
| d _p (μm) | 5761.2441 | 5923.7773 | 6005.5477 | a | 2.590285 | 4.866265 | 4.125328 |
| φ | 0.9309 | 0.9427 | 0.9478 | a | 0.000000 | 0.000000 | 0.000000 |
| ρ _p (g/cm ³) | 1.0420 | 1.0435 | 1.0450 | e | 0.086299 | 1.085820 | 1.412422 |
| e _{pp} | 0.8187 | 0.9482 | 0.9900 | a | 1.798462 | 6.265876 | 16.935445 |
| μ _{pp} | 0.3384 | 0.4821 | 0.5812 | a | 0.214815 | 7.750162 | 16.360982 |
| e _{pw} | 0.9050 | 0.9482 | 0.9703 | a | 0.217821 | 0.966280 | 0.554787 |
| μ _{pw} | 0.3384 | 0.4821 | 0.5812 | a | 0.734406 | 1.558998 | 0.592837 |
| Gas-phase Properties | | | | | | | |
| rg (g/cm ³ x 10 ³) | 1.1104 | 1.1697 | 1.2290 | e | | | |
| mg (g/cm-s x 10 ⁵) | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.9 | e | 0.263699 | 2.550182 | 1.441958 |
| T (K) | 277.4 | 293.0 | 303.5 | e | 0.967773 | 0.846740 | 0.422388 |

| | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| > 10 ^{1.5} | Important |
| 10 ^{1.5} – 10 ^{1.0} | Mildly Important |
| 10 ^{1.0} – 10 ^{0.5} | Marginal |
| 10 ^{0.5} – 10 ^{0.0} | Mildly Insignificant |
| < 10 ^{0.0} | Insignificant |



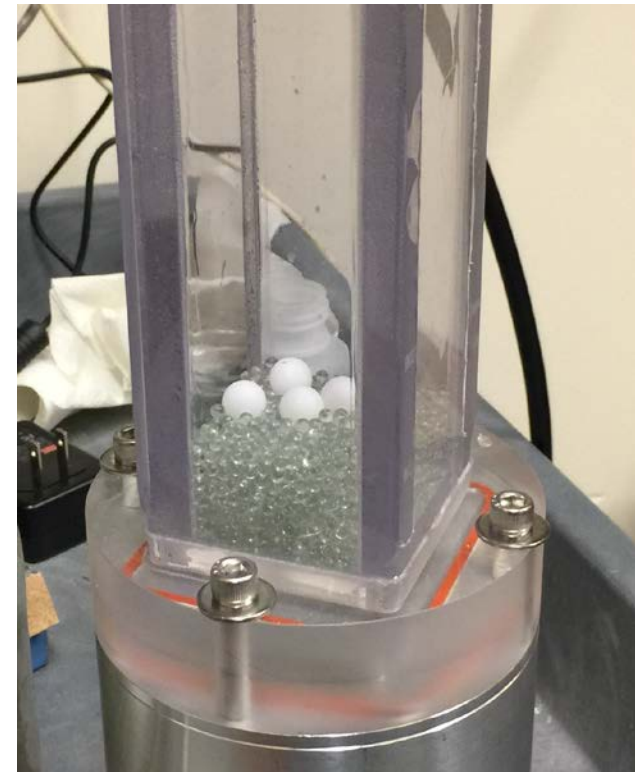
Summary

So far

- Performed experiments and material characterization
- Measured SRQs for direct comparison
 - Pressure drop
 - Jet penetration depth
- Established the PIRT

Next steps

- UQ for important parameters in PIRT ($\sim 10^4$ simulations)
- Explore simpler systems with $\sim 10^3$ particles (VVSSP)



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