# Environmental multiphase flow - A new frontier

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## Outline

- **♦** What is a multiphase flow?
- **♦ What is an environmental multiphase flow?**
- **♦ Several Examples** 
  - → Characteristics of environmental multiphase flows
  - **→** Open questions
  - **→** Scientific challenges
  - **→** Impact or environmental implications
- **♦ Comments on research methods and approach**

## **Multiphase flows**

- ♦ Simultaneous flow of materials with:
  - → different states or phases (i.e. gas, liquid or solid)
  - → different chemical properties but in the same state or phase (i.e. liquid-liquid systems such as oil droplets in water)
- ♦ The primary and secondary phases:
  - → One of the phases is continuous (primary) while the other(s) (secondary) are dispersed within the continuous phase
  - → The dispersed phase may be described by:
    - a particle size distribution
    - different chemical compositions
    - viscous drag, latent heat, reaction rate, etc.

## Multiphase flow regimes (unbounded)

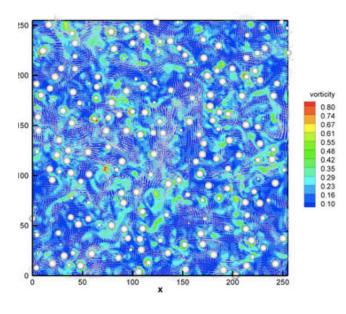
- → Bubbly flow: discrete gaseous bubbles in a continuous liquid
- → Droplet-laden or particle-laden flow: discrete liquid droplets or solid particles in a continuous fluid
- → Stratified and free-surface flow: immiscible fluids separated by a clearly-defined interface



free-surface flow



bubbly flow



particle-laden flow



Stratified flow

## Elemental definitions and governing parameters

♦ Dilute versus dense phase:

Refers to the volume fraction of the dispersed phase  $\Phi_{\rm V}$ 

Volume of the phase in a cell/domain

Volume of the cell/domain

♦ Phase couplings

momentum, mass loading  $\Phi_m \!\!=\!\! \Phi_V \times \rho_p/\rho_f$  mass transfer due to reaction / condensation / evaporation energy coupling due to sensible heat and latent heat transfer

♦ For turbulent particle-laden flow

particle size relative to flow length scale: D /  $\eta$  particle sedimentation / bubble rising: W /  $V_K$ 

## Equation of motion for small particles ( $a < \eta$ )

$$m_{p} \frac{d\vec{V}(t)}{dt} = \left(m_{p} - m_{f}\right) \vec{g} + m_{f} \frac{D\vec{U}}{Dt} \bigg|_{\vec{Y}(t)} + \frac{1}{2} m_{f} \frac{d}{dt} \left(\vec{U} + \frac{1}{10} a^{2} \nabla^{2} \vec{U} \bigg|_{\vec{Y}(t)} - \vec{V}(t)\right) + 6\pi a \mu \left(U + \frac{1}{6} a^{2} \nabla^{2} \vec{U} \bigg|_{\vec{Y}(t)} - V\right)$$

$$+ 6a^{2} \sqrt{\pi \rho_{f} \mu} \int_{0}^{\tau} \frac{d / d\tau \left(U + \frac{1}{6} a^{2} \nabla^{2} \vec{U} \bigg|_{\vec{Y}(t)} - V\right)}{\sqrt{(t - \tau)}} + \text{lift} + \text{others} \qquad for \quad \text{Re}_{p} << 1$$

$$m_{p} \frac{d\vec{V}(t)}{dt} = \left(m_{p} - m_{f}\right) \vec{g} + 6\pi a\mu \left(U - V\right) \phi(\text{Re}_{p}) + m_{f} \frac{D\vec{U}}{Dt} \Big|_{\vec{Y}(t)} + m_{f} C_{M} \left(\frac{D}{Dt} \vec{U} - \frac{d}{dt} \vec{V}(t)\right) + 6a^{2} \sqrt{\pi \rho_{f} \mu} \int_{0}^{\tau} K(t, \tau) \frac{d}{d\tau} \left(\vec{U} - \vec{V}\right) + \text{lift} + \text{others}$$
 finite Re<sub>p</sub>

Heavy particles: 
$$\rho_p >> \rho_f$$

$$\frac{d\vec{V}(t)}{dt} = -\frac{\vec{V}(t) - U(\vec{Y}(t), t)}{\tau} - \vec{g}$$

$$\frac{d\vec{Y}(t)}{dt} = \vec{V}(t)$$

$$\tau_p = 2\rho_p a^2 / (9\mu), \quad W = \tau_p g$$

Microbubbles:  $\rho_p \ll \rho_f$ 

$$\frac{d\vec{V}(t)}{dt} = -\frac{\vec{V}(t) - \vec{U}(\vec{Y}(t), t) - \vec{W}}{\tau_{\scriptscriptstyle R}} + 3\frac{D\vec{U}}{Dt}$$

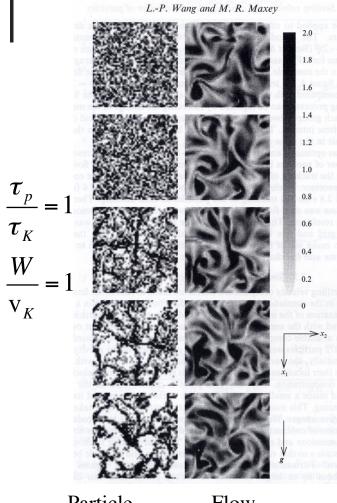
$$\frac{d\vec{Y}(t)}{dt} = \vec{V}(t)$$

$$\tau_p = a^2/(9\nu), \quad \vec{W} = -2\tau_B \vec{g}$$

Maxey & Riley (1983), Balachandar and Eaton (2010)

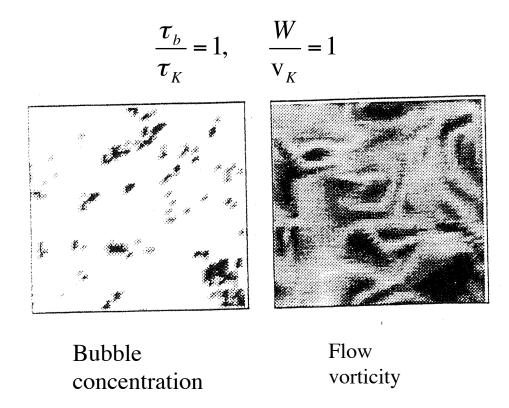
### **Interactions with flow eddies:**

## Dynamics significant different from tracers



Particle concentration

Flow vorticity



Wang & Maxey, J. Fluid Mech., **256**:27-68, 1993. Wang & Maxey, Applied Sci. Res., **51**:291-296, 1993.

## **Environmental multiphase flow**

Multiphase flows occurring in the environment

An important topic of environmental fluid mechanics

Flows in the atmosphere and on Earth, including weather systems, oceanic circulation, coastal processes, overland flows, river, lake and estuary dynamics, groundwater flow, and geophysical fluid dynamics.

Multiple scales ranging from molecular diffusion, to droplet formation, to the spectrum of vortical structures, to the size of the planet (e.g. weather systems, tides and oceanic circulation).

## Length, velocity, and time scales (from Cushman-Roisin, 2006)

	Horizontal Length Scale	Vertical Length Scale	Velocity Scale	Time scale
	L	Н	U	T
Processes:				
Microturbulence	$1{-}10~\mathrm{cm}$	$1-10~\mathrm{cm}$	$1{\text -}10~{ m cm/s}$	few seconds
Shear turbulence	0.1-10  m	$0.1-10 \ \mathrm{m}$	0.1-1  m/s	few minutes
Water waves	0.1-10  m	$1-100~\mathrm{cm}$	1-10  m/s	seconds to minutes
Convection	10-1000  m	$1-1000 \mathrm{\ m}$	0.1-1  m/s	hours, days or seasons
Atmospheric system	us:			
Urban airshed	1–10 km	100–1000 m	1–10 m/s	hours
Sea breeze	1-10  km	100-1000 m	1-10  m/s	hours
Thunderstorms	1-10  km	100-5000 m	1-10  m/s	hours
Mountain waves	10-100 km	10-1000 m	1-10  m/s	days
Tornado	10-100 m	100-1000 m	100  m/s	minutes to hours
Hurricane	100-1000  km	10 km	100 m/s	days to weeks
Weather patterns	100-1000  km	10  km	1-10  m/s	days to weeks
Climatic variations	global	50  km	1–10 m/s	decades and beyond
$Water\ systems:$				
Aquifers	1-1000  km	10–100 m	1-10  mm/s	seasons to decades
Wetlands	10-100 m	10–1000 m	0.1 - 10  cm/s	days to seasons
Small stream	1-10 m	$0.1-1  \mathrm{m}$	10-100  cm/s	seconds to minutes
Major river	10-1000 m	1-10  m	$1-100~\mathrm{cm/s}$	minutes to hours
Lakes	1-100  km	10-1000  m	1-10  m/s	days to seasons
Ocean tides	basin scale	basin depth	0.1-10  m/s	hours
Estuaries	1-10  km	1-10  m	0.1-1  m/s	hours to days
Coastal ocean	1-100  km	10-1000  m	$0.1-1 \mathrm{\ m/s}$	few days
Deep ocean	basin scale	basin depth	0.01-1  m/s	weeks to decades

## Scientific methods

- > Field observation
- ► Laboratory experimentation
- Theory (conservation laws, thermodynamics, chemistry, ...)
- ➤ Computer simulations

In 1922, Lewis F. Richardson has envisioned computer simulation of weather.

# Description for the turbulent carrier phase (e.g., atmospheric convection, ocean circulation)

Turbulence transport, buoyancy, thermal / density stratification, rotation, ...

## An example: moist turbulence

Air turbulence

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{U}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{U} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{U} = -\frac{\nabla P}{\rho_0} - \mathbf{g} \left[ \frac{T'}{T_0} + 0.608 q_v' - q_c' \right] + \nu \nabla^2 \mathbf{U}$$

Temperature 
$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{U}T) - W\Gamma_d + \frac{L}{c_p}C_d + \kappa_a \nabla^2 T$$
 cooling heating

Water vapor mixing ratio 
$$rac{\partial q_v}{\partial t} = -
abla \cdot (\mathbf{U} q_v) - C_d + D_v 
abla^2 q_v$$

Vaillancourt et al. (2001) J. Atmos. Sci. 58: 1945 - 1964.

W = vertical draft

 $\Gamma_d = \text{dry adiabatic lapse rate}$ 

 $C_d = \text{condensation rate per unit mass}$ 

 $c_p = \text{specific heat of dry air}$ 

## Description for the dispersed phase

(i.e., aerosols, dust particles, droplets, ice particles, bubbles, phytoplankton, ....)

- $\Leftrightarrow$  Depending on Stokes number and  $d_p / \eta$
- ♦ Particles are usually not resolved
- → Eulerian approaches
  - → Dusty gas or pseudo-fluid with modified properties (density, viscosity)
  - **→** Equilibrium Eulerian
  - → Two-fluids (i.e., dispersed phase as a second fluid)
  - **→** Method of moments (concentration, mass, reflectivity)
  - → Particle size distribution and general population dynamics
     Discrete bin microphysics
- ♦ Lagrangian approaches
   Discrete element method
   motion of individual particles
   super-droplets or pseudo-particles
- ♦ Particle-resolved simulation

## The global climate system

- ♦ Heating by the incoming solar radiation
- ♦ Cooling by the outgoing long-wave (infrared) radiation
- ♦ Factors that disturb these (i.e., radiative forcing)

External: changes in incident solar flux, Earth orbit variation

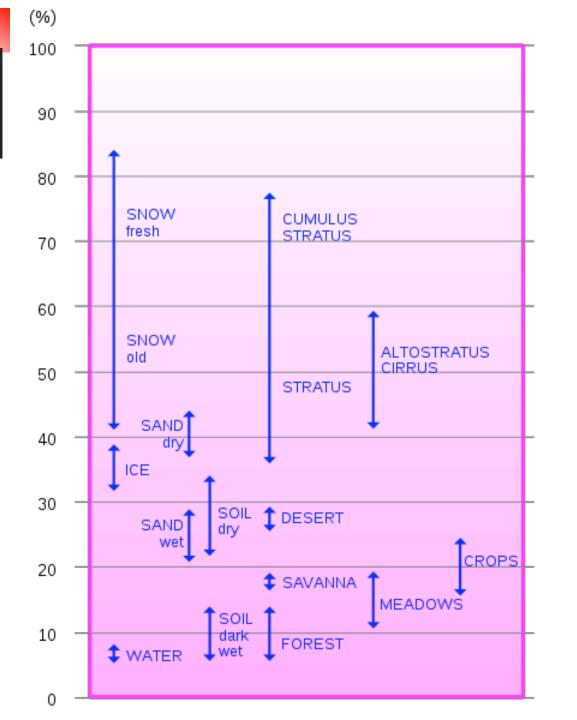
#### Internal:

Volcanic activity and wild fires

Changes in the composition of the atmospheric constituents

green house gases ( $CO_2$  – warming by  $\sim 1$  C in last 100 yrs)

aerosols, dusts (natural or anthropogenic), droplets, ice particles

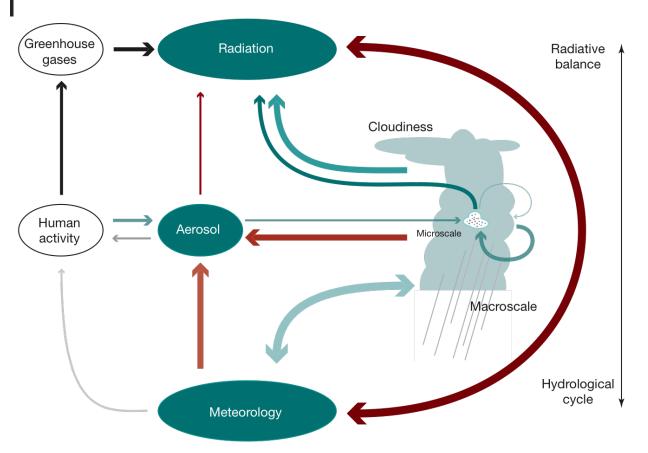


#### Albedo

Percentage of diffusely reflected sun light in relation to various surface conditions of the Earth

wikipedia.org

## **Aerosol-cloud-precipitation-climate interactions**



Cloud albedo: How much incoming solar radiation is reflected back / how much is transmitted

Precipitation - The water cycle

Cloud lifetime, cloud coverage

Autoconversion rate? A factor of 10 uncertainty!

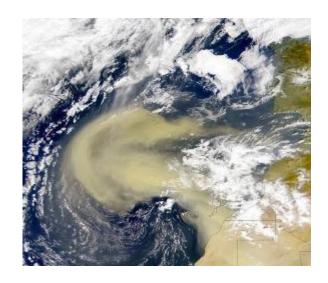
Stevens and Feingold, 2009, Nature, 461, doi:10.1038.

# Example 1

Dust particle transport

## **Dust particle transport**

Saharan dust and soil dust transport in the atmosphere – particles



Satellite photo of a large Saharan sandstorm showing a dust cloud over the Atlantic Ocean. This is a crop of a photo taken by NASA 26 February 2000. This cloud had reached the northeast coast of South America by 4 March 2000.

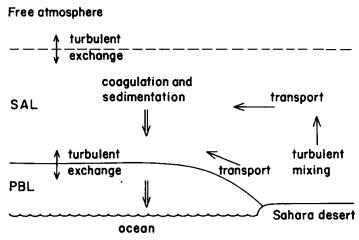


Fig. 1. Schematic illustration of Saharan dust transport and removal processes.

From: Lee, J.Climate & Applied Meteorology 22

Storms entrain sand particles (0.5-120 micron size range) to heights of 6,000 metres in the dry, hot Saharan Air Layer (SAL) that overlays the cooler, moist PBL over the ocean

## Phoenix Dust Storm (July 21, 2012)



..... a wall of dust almost 1 1/2 miles high and 100 miles wide that deposited an estimated 40,000 tons of sand and dust in just two hours.

..... more deadly traffic accidents, more harmful pollution and more health problems for people breathing in the irritating dust particles.

www.usatoday.com

## Questions in modeling dust particle transport

- **♦ What factors affect dust particle transport?** 
  - $\bullet$  wind intensity: i.e., surface dust flux ~ [surface wind]<sup>3</sup>
  - → vegetated cover (leaf area index below a certain level)
  - → soil moisture (below a certain threshold)
  - → Also from volcanic dust, sea salt, natural sulphate, forest fires

Current source flux model is very crude: estimated surface dust fluxes by different models may differ by a factor of > 10

How do changes in vegetation cover affect dust entrainment?

How to include seasonal changes in potential source regions?

How to couple the dust phase with atmospheric convection?

What is the wet deposition rate (i.e., deposition due to rain)?

Many open questions in production, transport, and removal

- **♦** What are the implications of dust particle transport
  - ★ the global climate (i.e., radiative forcing, micronutrients to the ocean)

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e.g., estimated radiative forcing of dust, -2 to +0.5 Wm<sup>-2</sup> (compared to \sim +1.5 Wm<sup>-2</sup> for CO<sub>2</sub>)
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- visibility (optical depth, affecting driver safety)
- → Health impact (size distribution; e.g., desert fever fungus carried by soil particles)

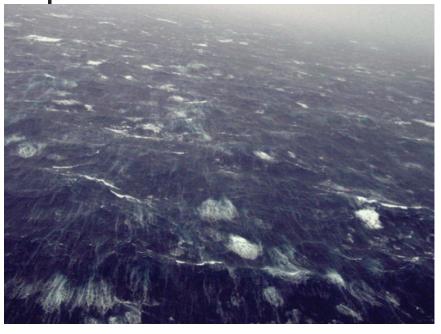
How to model the radiative properties of dust particles?

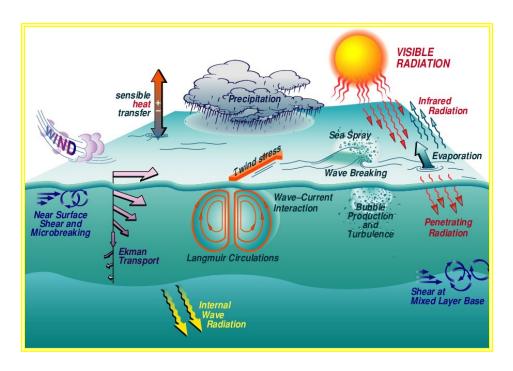
N. Mahowald, J. Geophys. Res. 104, 1999; Satheesh & Moorthy, Atmos. Env. 39, 2005.

# Example 2

Air-sea interaction

## Air-sea interaction





Sea surface and breaking waves in Hurricane Isabel

#### **Questions:**

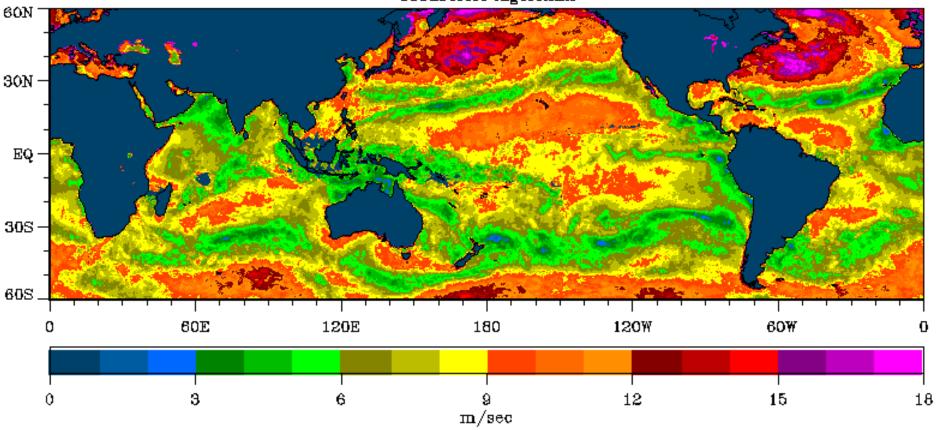
Wind-driven waves versus wave-driven winds?

How do sea sprays affect the drag coefficient within the atmospheric boundary layer?

How do air bubbles affect mixing and gas transport?

P.P. Sullivan and J.C. McWilliams, 2010, Annu Rev Fluid Mech 2010: 42: 19-42.

January 26 - 30, 2004 SSM/I Marine Wind Speed



Surface wind: ~ 1 m/s to 50 m/s Ocean water: ~ 0.1 m/s or 1 m/s

## Surface drag coefficient in a hurricane

$$\mathbf{\tau}_a = \rho_a C_d |\mathbf{U}_a| \mathbf{U}_a,$$

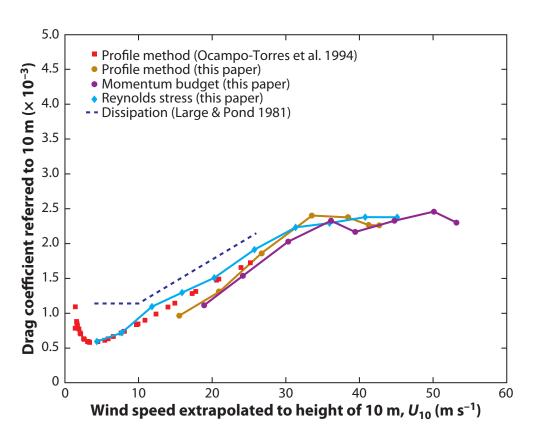


Figure 4

Variation of the neutral stability drag coefficient  $C_d$  with wind speed  $U_a$  derived from laboratory measurements using various methods from Donelan et al. (2004). The dotted line is the drag coefficient formula developed to fit the field measurements of Large & Pond (1981). Note the saturation at high wind speeds  $U_a > 30 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . Results provided by Mark Donelan, used by permission from the American Geophysical Union.

## More questions related to the air-sea interactions

- **♦** Factors affect air-sea interactions
  - **→** Surface wind speed
  - → Bursting of air bubbles
  - ★ Wave breaking and sea sprays

Particle mass flux may depend exponentially on the surface wind speed

Also non-sea salt particles originated from DMS (CH<sub>3</sub>-S-CH<sub>3</sub>) release from marine phytoplankton

#### What are the implications of air-sea interactions?

Generation of sea salt aerosol: more CCN, more cloud droplets, increased cloud albedo

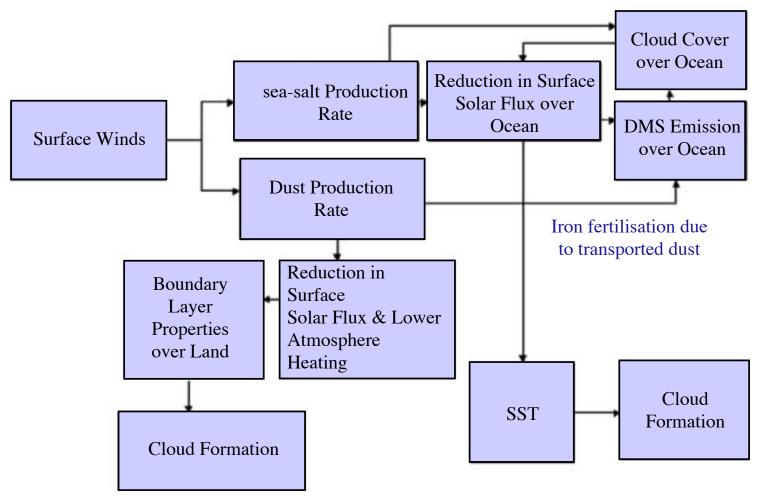
How to reduce uncertainty in estimating sea-salt aerosol radiative forcing? e.g., estimated radiative forcing of sea-salt aerosols, -0.5 to -2 Wm<sup>-2</sup> at low wind speeds; -1 to -6 Wm<sup>-2</sup> at high wind speeds (compared to  $\sim +1.5$  Wm<sup>-2</sup> for CO<sub>2</sub>)

How to make accurate measurements of aerosol flux and surface drag at <u>high wind speeds</u>? How does transported soil dust affect marine life cycle?

How to model interactions of natural aerosols with anthropogenic aerosols?

Satheesh & Krishna Moorthy (2005)

## Climate impact of natural aerosols



Satheesh & Moorthy, 2005, Atmos. Environ. 39.

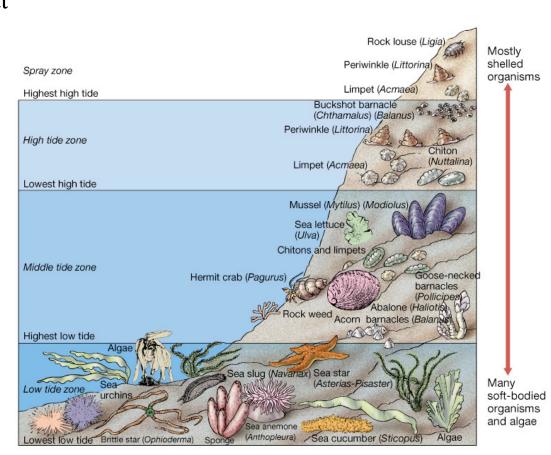
DMS =dimethyl sulphide  $(CH_3)_2S$  from the oceanic phytoplankton

## Example 3

# Benthic organism – flow interactions: physical-biological coupling

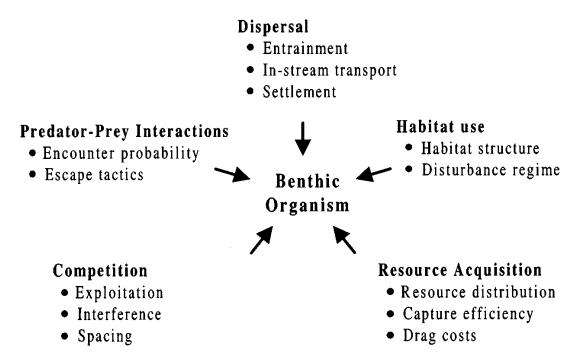
# Benthic organism – flow interactions: physical-biological coupling

- ❖ Benthic organisms are those that live in or on the ocean / lake / river floor: e.g., corals, sea squirts, oysters, the mobile shellfish such as clams, snails, crabs, sea stars, worms and sea cucumbers
- More than 98% of known marine species are benthic
- → The vast majority of benthic species live within the shallow continental shelf



H.V. Thurman & A.P. Trujillo, 2001, Essentials of Oceanography.

## Ecological processes affected by flow



Organisms may be viewed as biologically active, flexible, finite-size, irregular particles

How do flow-induced drag and lift forces and mass transfer affect the growth and population of benthic organisms?

How do turbulent bursts lift and transport organisms?

How does turbulence affect their transport and settlement?

How does sediment transport affect the local living environment and food sources? How does the physical-biological coupling at coarse scales is linked to fine-scale coupling?

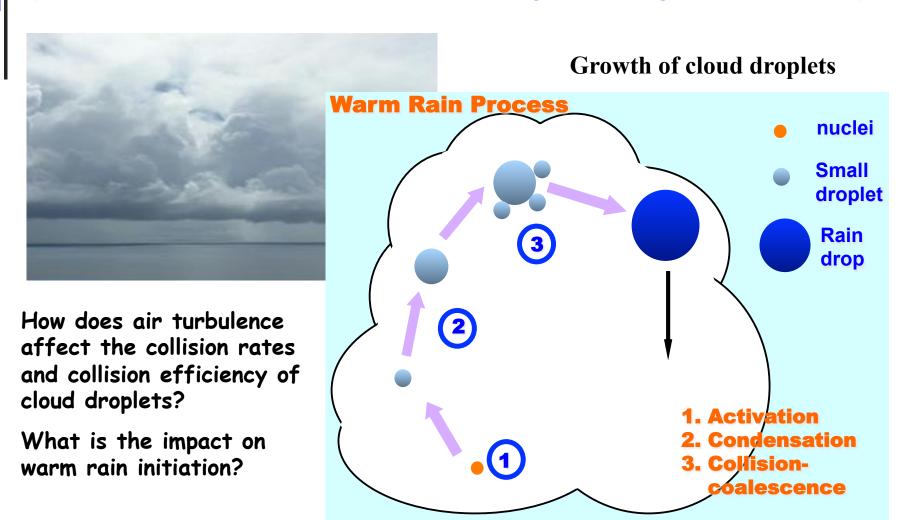
D.H. Hart and C.M. Finelli, *Annu. Rev. Ecol. Syst.* 1999. 30:363–95

## Example 4

Warm Rain Process and Cloud Microphysics

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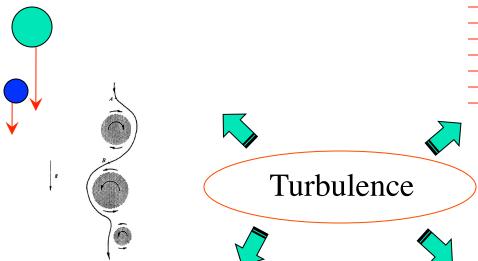
(with Grabowski at NCAR; Aliseda at U. Washington, Chuang at UC Santa Cruz)



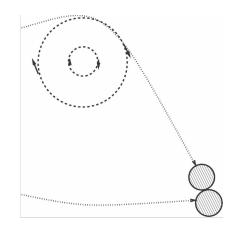
$$\frac{d\mathbf{V}}{dt} = -\frac{\mathbf{V} - [\mathbf{U}(\mathbf{Y}(t), t) + \mathbf{u}]}{\tau_p} + \mathbf{g}$$

## **Mechanisms for geometric collision**

#### Differential sedimentation

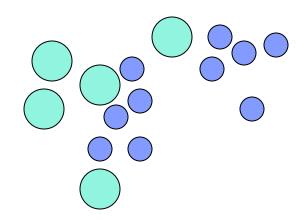


### Inertial memory or sling effect



### Droplet clustering

Local flow shear



## Cloud turbulence, scales, scale separation

#### Large scales

Large eddy size (integral length scale)  $l \sim 100 m$  rms fluctuation velocity  $u' \sim 1 m/s$ 

Large eddy time scale  $T \sim \frac{l}{u'} \sim 100 \text{ s}$ 

Rate of volumetric energy input

$$\rho \varepsilon \sim \rho \frac{\left(u'\right)^3}{l} \sim 0.01 \frac{J}{\mathbf{s} \cdot \mathbf{m}^3}$$

$$\frac{l}{\eta} \sim 120,000, \quad \frac{T}{\tau_K} \sim 2,400, \quad \frac{u'}{v_K} \sim 50$$

#### Time evolution of real clouds

2 hours played in 47 seconds 1 s is 2.5 minutes in real time

Prof. Joe Zehnder Department of Atmospheric Sciences Creighton University

#### Small scales

$\epsilon$	$ au_{ m k}$	$\eta$	$ u_{\mathrm{k}}$
$(\mathrm{cm}^2\mathrm{s}^{-3})$	(s)	(cm)	$(\mathrm{cm}\mathrm{s}^{-1})$
10	0.1304	0.1488	1.142
<b>→</b> 100	0.0412	0.0837	2.031
400	0.0206	0.0592	2.872

## Deliverables after about ~10 years

Hybrid direct numerical simulation tool

Theoretical parameterization of turbulent collision kernel

#### Two review papers:

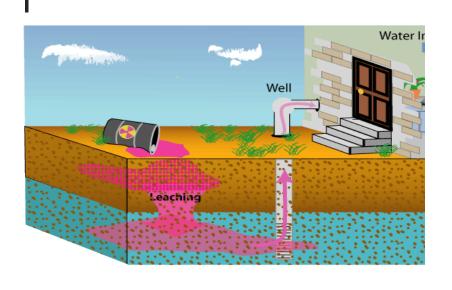
Devenish, Bartello, Brenguier, Collins, Grabowski, IJzermans, Malinowski, Reeks, Vassilicos, Wang, Warhaft, 2012, Droplet growth in warm turbulent clouds, *Q. J. R. Meteorol. Soc.*, DOI:10.1002/qj.1897

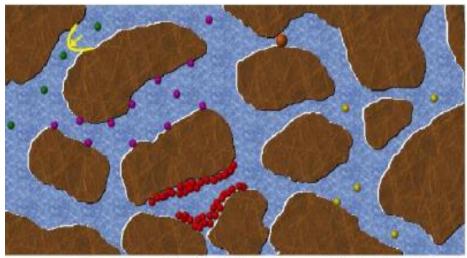
Grabowski and Wang, 2013, Growth of cloud droplets in a turbulent environment, *Annu. Rev. Fluid Mech.*, to appear.

# Example 5

Colloid transport in soil

# Colloid transport in saturated or unsaturated soil: groundwater contamination





How far will contaminants (biocolloids, nanoparticles) be transported?

What are the relative role of fluid transport and physico-chemical interactions?

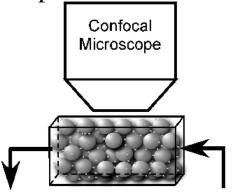
How to quantitatively model the transport process?

## Experimental settings

## 2D and 3D geometries for simulation



3D pore-scale micromodel used for experimental observation



Colloid suspension

from micromodel to

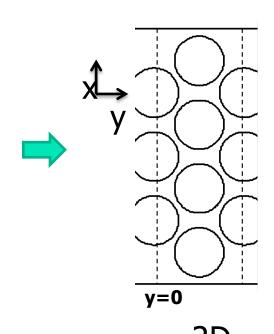
syringe pump

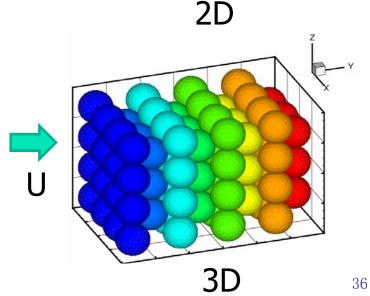
Jin's Group in Soil Science at UD

Colloid suspension

from syringe pump to

micromodel





### Pore-scale deposition mechanisms

Interception: follow stream line

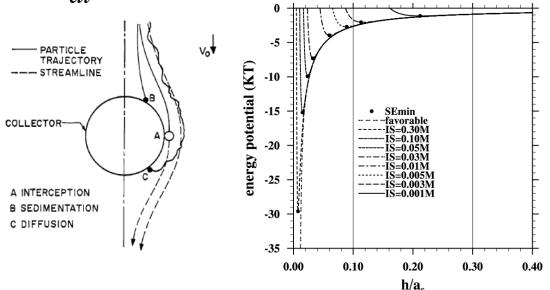
Sedimentation: gravity + buoyancy

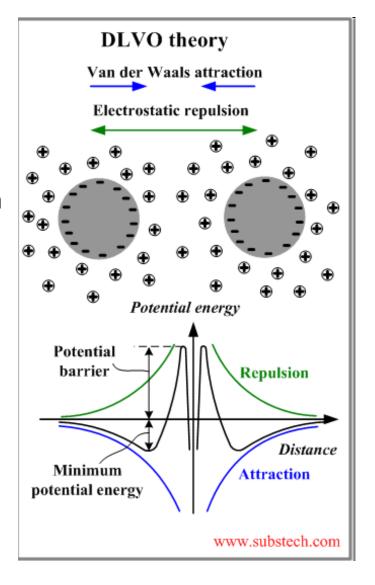
Diffusion: Brownian motion

Colloid-collector interaction: DLVO forces etc

**Lagrangian approach:** a more direct approach for studying individual colloid transport and retention

$$m_p \frac{dV_p}{dt} = F^{drag} + F^{DLVO} + F^{Brownian} + F^{G}$$





Favorable condition: colloid and collector surface are oppositely-charged Unfavorable condition: colloid and collector surface are like-charged

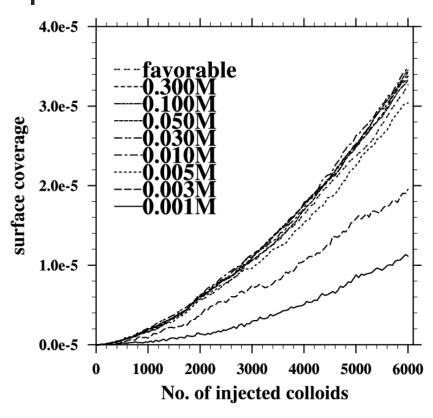
### Comparison of colloid retention at different conditions 53m/d, 0.001M 53m/d, 0.001M 5.3m/d, 0.001M 5.3m/d, 0.001M (a) (b) 800 700 500 100 pm 53m/d, 0.1M 5.3m/d, 0.1M 53m/d, 0.1M 5.3m/d, 0.1M (c) (d)

Simulations

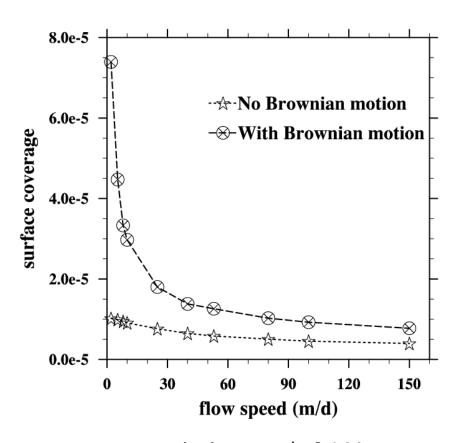
Experimental visualizations

Qiu CQ, Han J, Gao H, Wang L-P, Jin Y, 2012, Vadose Zone J., 11, DOI:10.2136/vzj2011.0071.

### Effects of Ionic strength and flow speed on colloid retention



flow speed: 8m/d colloid concentration: 5ppm

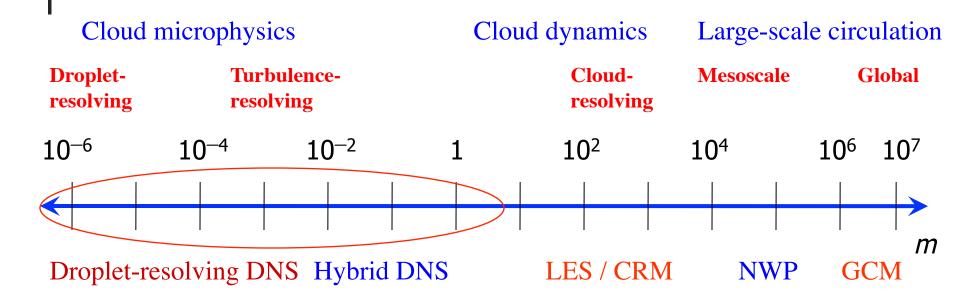


ionic strength: 0.1 M colloid concentration: 5ppm

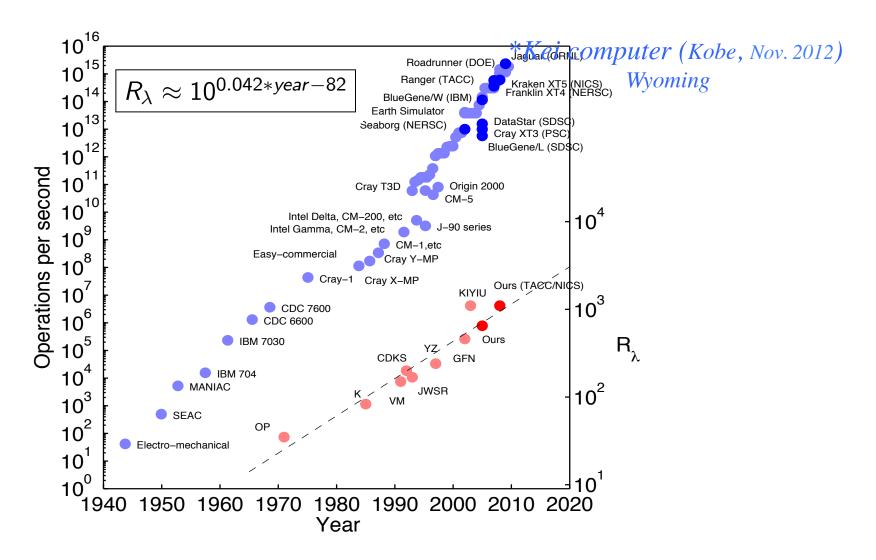
# Extreme multi-scales

### Cloud physics and atmospheric circulation:

A multi-scale problem down to droplet size and more



# High-performance computing



Computation is an independent research method.

After Donzis, 2010



### **Modeling atmospheric circulations (i.e., weather / climate)**

### Past (N~100)

**Near Future (N~10,000)** 

GCM:  $L \sim 10^7 \text{ m}$ ,  $\Delta x \sim 10^5 \text{ m}$ 

Global-scale CRM:  $L \sim 10^7 \text{ m}$ ,  $\Delta x \sim 10^3 \text{ m}$ 

NWP:  $L \sim 10^6$  m,  $\Delta x \sim 10^4$  m

Cloud-ensemble LES: L  $\sim 10^4$  m,  $\Delta x \sim 1$  m

CRM:  $L \sim 10^6$  to  $10^5$  m,  $\Delta x \sim 10^4$  m to  $10^3$  m

Scaled-up hybrid DNS: L ~ 10 m,  $\Delta x \sim 10^{-3}$  m

PBL LES:  $L \sim 10^4$  m,  $\Delta x \sim 10^2$  to 10 m

Significant overlaps in scales

### Challenges:

- **→** Better mathematical formulations and new algorithms
- **→** Scale-aware parameterization
- → Parallel implementation with significant data communication
- → Data-intensive post processing (transferring data is a bottleneck)
- → Theory: how to transform data to better parameterizations?
- **+** .....

# Better field data and laboratory experiments

- ♦ Fine-scale in-situ field observations
  - **→** ACTOS (Siebert, Shaw et al.)
  - → mountain-top facilities (Colorado, France, Switzerland, Germany)
  - **→** Bodenschartz (mountain measurements)
- ♦ Controlled laboratory experiments
  - → cloud chambers to look at ice and droplet microphysics
  - → wave tanks to examine phenomena at the air-water interface
  - → better instrumentation (fast camera, PIV, phase Doppler, etc.)
- ♦ Direct comparisons between field data / lab data /simulations

http://wwwobs.univ-bpclermont.fr/atmos/fr/index.php

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# Why are research collaborations necessary?

- ♦ Understanding the application context and literature
  - + May take years
  - → Venture into a new community
  - → Interactions among physicists, engineers, and geoscientists, ecologists, chemists, biologists, ....
- ♦ Need to combine theory, simulations, lab experiments, field observations to advance the field
  - + A single approach cannot solve the whole problem
- Understanding various components of methodology
  - → Flow simulation vs dispersed phase modeling
  - → Incorporation of physics at various length scales
  - → Incorporation physics (dynamics, thermodynamics), chemistry, biology
  - → The same applies to experimental work (i.e., multiple instrumentation)

# Some challenging problems to be addressed in the next decade

Climate variability on the ecosystem and civil infrastructure

Atmosphere-ocean coupling

Storms and freak waves (> 5m height)

Earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, and landslides

Coastal sediment transport, morphodynamic bed change

Floods and debris flows

The dispersion and fate of waterborne micro-organisms (safe drinking water)

Flow turbulence and marine life

Ice mechanics (related to climate change, offshore oil and gas industry)

Conversion of environmental flow energy to electricity

# **Crazy idea – geoengineering?**

Geoengineering: restoring Earth's environment on a large scale to suit human needs and enhance habitability.

Inject sea salt particles into the low atmosphere to alter cloud coverage

Launch mirrors into orbit to shield Earth from the Sun

Reforesting the globe on a massive scale to absorb CO<sub>2</sub>

Inject sulfate particles into stratosphere to block sunlight

Also weather modification or weather engineering

# Why Environmental Multiphase Flow?

#### New scientific challenges

- $\diamondsuit$  Multi-scale: e.g., atmospheric circulation, from  $10^7$  m to  $10^{-6}$  m
- ♦ Multidisciplinary: e.g., momentum, thermodynamics, chemistry, radiation, biology, etc.

#### Great motivations

- ♦ societal impact

#### Interdisciplinary (the reason why we have this workshop)

- ♦ breaking you own boundary
- ♦ collaborations

# Questions and discussions

# Notes:

- 1. Try the projector or load your talks.
- 2. Leave a copy of your talk for others to review
- 3. Tuesday Boulder walking mall
- 4. Thursday more serous hiking!
- 5. Internet

# Comparing to engineering multiphase flows

- Characteristics
   unbounded
   low average flow dissipation (clouds ~0.01 m2/s3, ocean)
   large flow Reynolds numbers
- Complications

   a huge range of scales
- Simplifications low volume fraction ( $10^{-6}$  in clouds)

# **Outcomes of this workshop**

- ♦ learn a lot from other speakers / participants
  - → a book on Environmental multiphase flow?
  - → or a special journal issue?
  - **+** .....

### **♦ Some suggestions**

- → more discussions during your talk
- **+** .....