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The 1st Challenge

Particulate have complex geometries, requiring complex meshing



Li et al. (2016) Portrait and Classification of Individual Haze Particulates. Journal of Environmental Protection, 7, 1355-1379.

- Slow-moving particles have a long-range influence, and require very large domains.
- Finite-volume method not very efficient for single particulate, and not tractable for large numbers of interacting particles.

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$$oldsymbol{v} = rac{oldsymbol{f}}{8\pi\mu} \cdot \left[rac{\mathbb{I}}{\|oldsymbol{r}\|} + rac{oldsymbol{r}oldsymbol{r}}{\|oldsymbol{r}\|^3}
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Drag on a sphere





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Going beyond the Stokes equations



- Boltzmann equation too expensive; Navier-Stokes too inaccurate.
- Extended continuum equations offer a best-of-both-worlds solution

The linearised G13 equations

- Continuum equations derived from the Boltzmann equation
- Grad's 13-moment equations (and Regularised set, R13) obtained from Hermite polynomial expansion of the velocity distribution function about a local equilibrium state
- Linearised steady form of Grad's 13 moment equations:

$$\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v} = 0$$
$$\nabla p + \nabla \cdot \mathbb{S} = 0$$
$$\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{q} = 0$$
$$\mathbb{S} = -2Kn'\overline{\nabla \boldsymbol{v}} - \frac{4}{5}Kn'\overline{\nabla \boldsymbol{q}},$$
$$\boldsymbol{q} = -\frac{15}{4}Kn'\nabla\theta - \frac{3}{2}Kn'\nabla \cdot \mathbb{S}$$

Fundamental solutions to G13 equations

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G13 boundary conditions

• The velocity boundary condition:

$$\boldsymbol{v}_{j} = \boldsymbol{v}_{w,j} - \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \boldsymbol{n}_{j} \cdot \boldsymbol{S}_{j} \cdot (\boldsymbol{I} - \boldsymbol{n}_{j} \boldsymbol{n}_{j}) - \frac{1}{5} \boldsymbol{q}_{j} \cdot (\boldsymbol{I} - \boldsymbol{n}_{j} \boldsymbol{n}_{j}),$$

$$\underline{slip}$$
thermal creep

• The temperature boundary condition:

$$\theta_j = \theta_{w,j} - \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \boldsymbol{n}_j \cdot \boldsymbol{q}_j - \frac{1}{4} \boldsymbol{n}_j \cdot \boldsymbol{S}_j \cdot \boldsymbol{n}_j,$$

$$jump \qquad \dots$$

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Mobilty Radius Scaling





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