

Dynamics of large coalescing and breaking droplets in wall bounded turbulence

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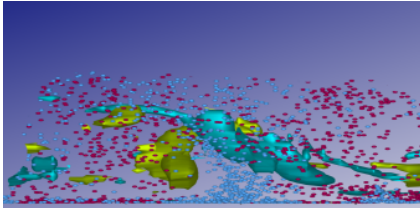
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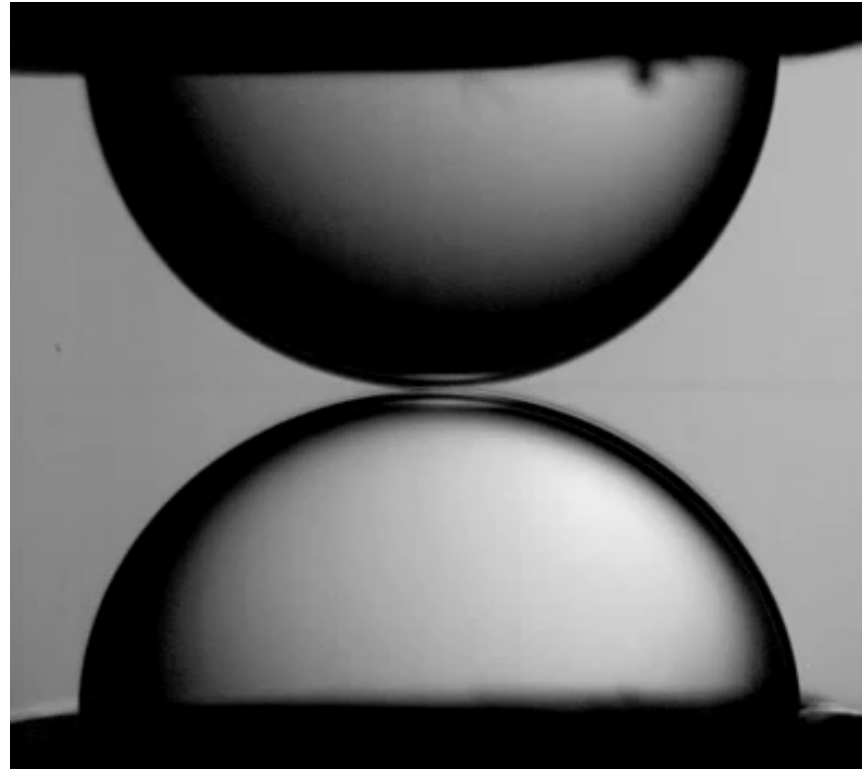
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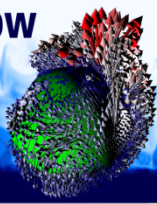


Presentation Outline



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Previous works: Mostly controlled Collisions

023303-12 Lycett-Brown *et al.*

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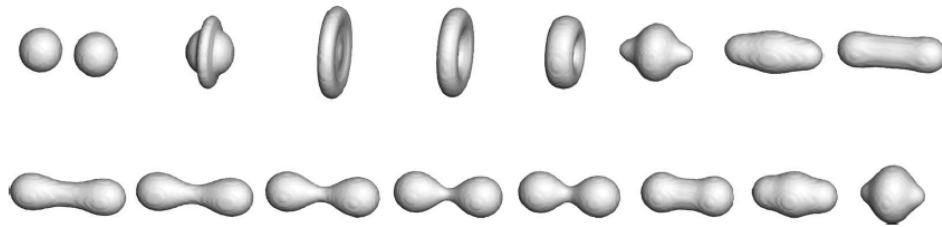


FIG. 6. Head-on coalescence of equal sized droplets. $We = 61.5$, $Re = 238$.

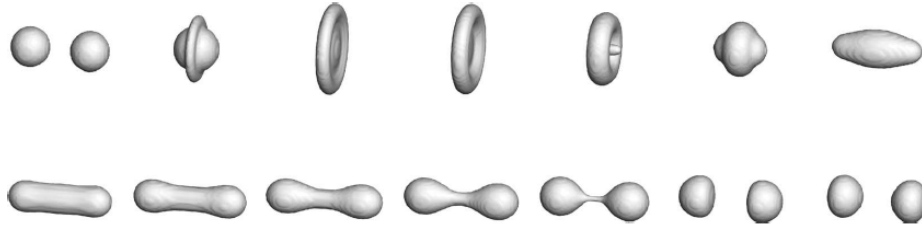


FIG. 7. Head-on separation of equal sized droplets. $We = 83.3$, $Re = 277$.

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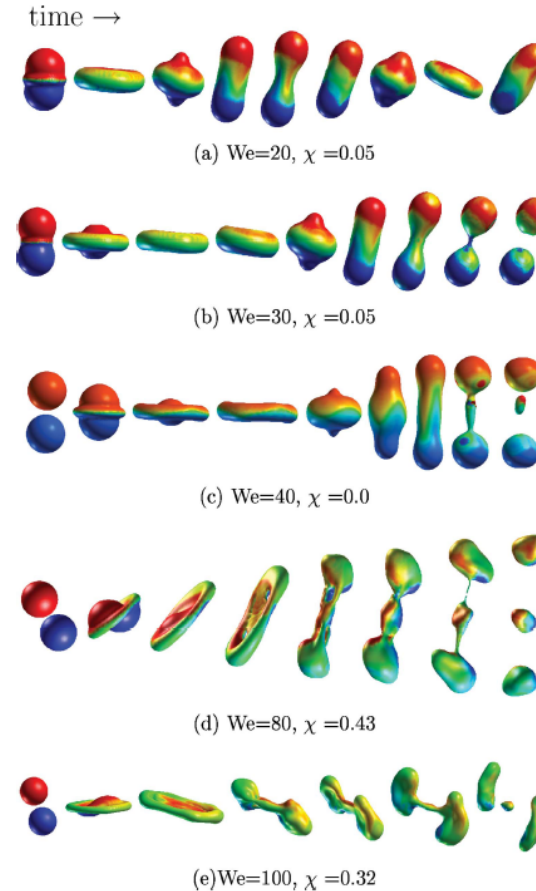
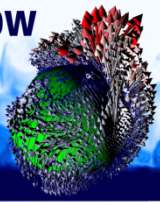
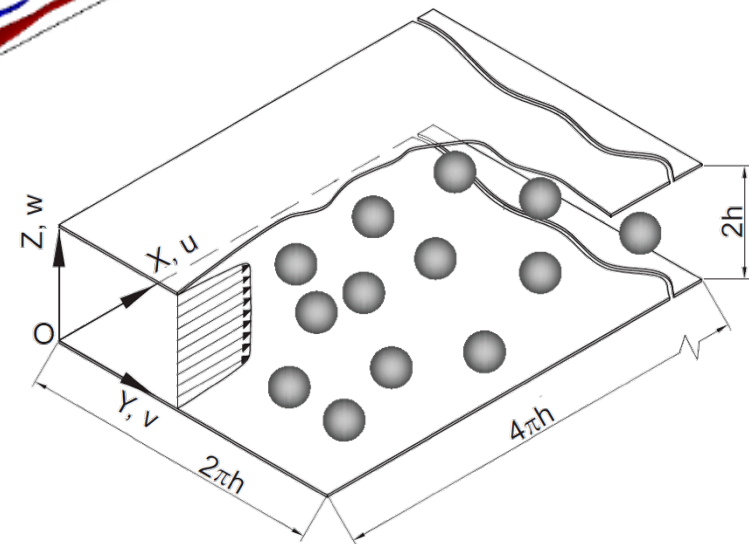
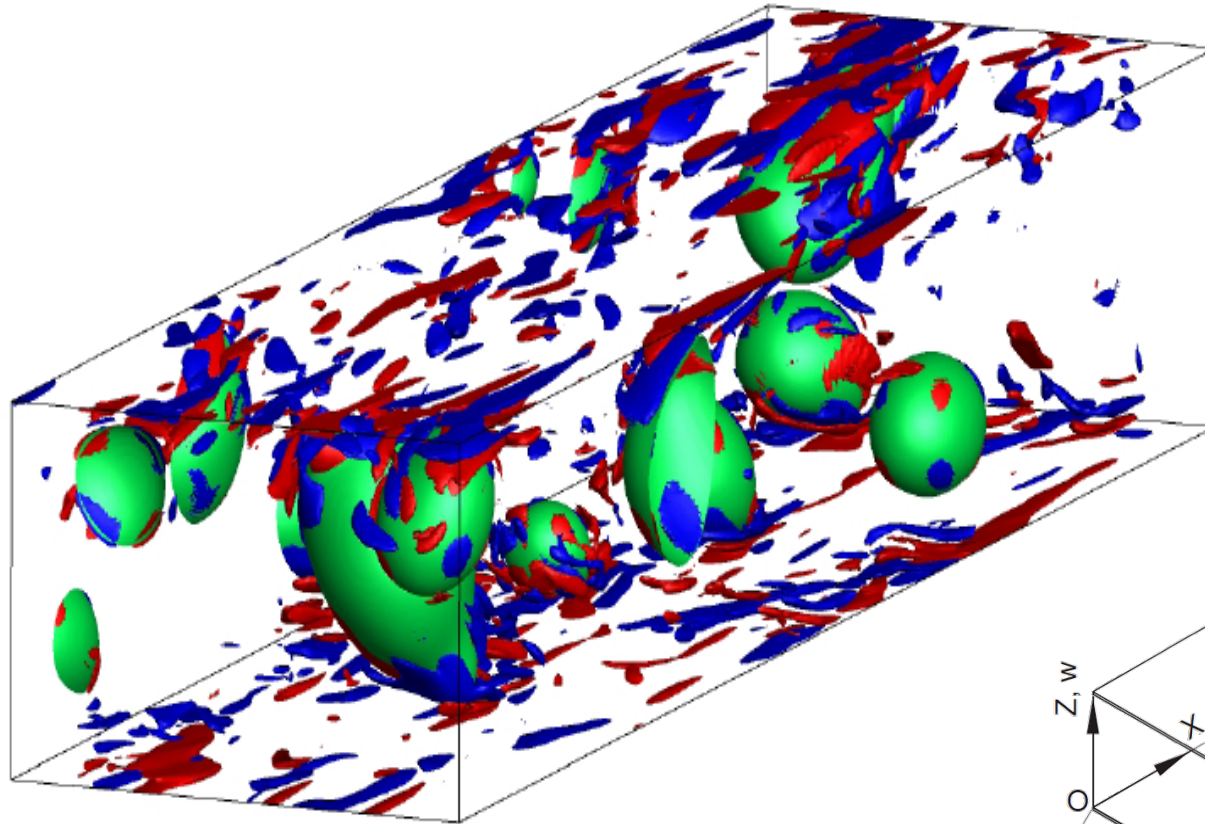


FIG. 13. (Color). Collision process of water drops in air at various Weber numbers and impact parameters.



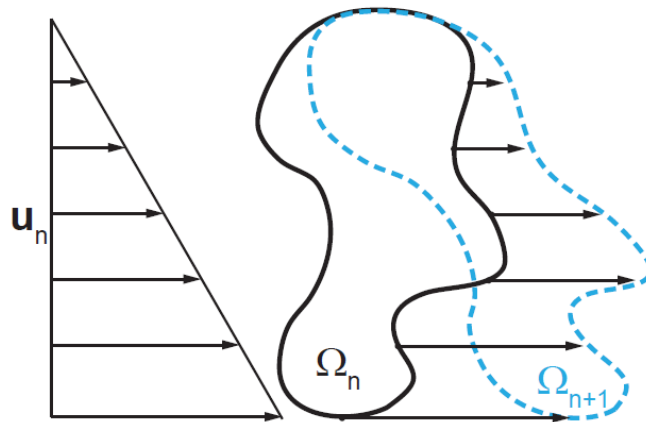
Swarm of large droplets in turbulence



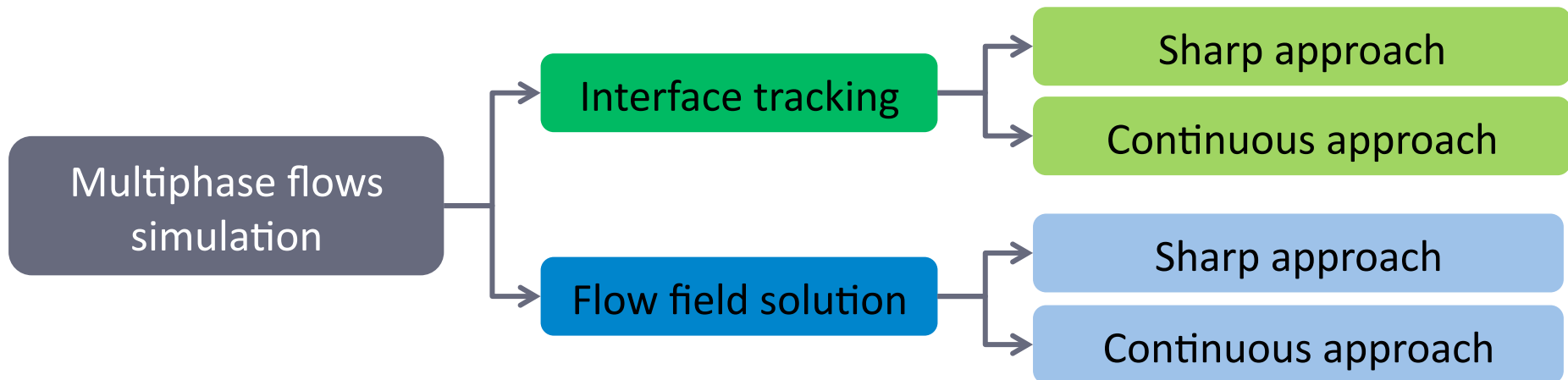
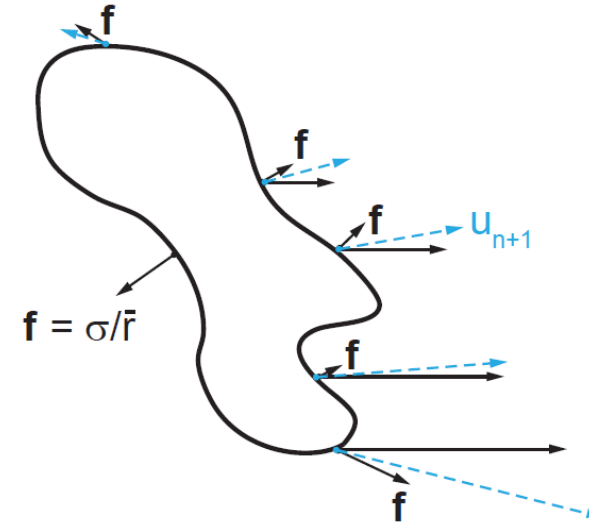
Issues on droplet size distribution, influence on flow field etc...

Multiphase modelling

i) Interface advection

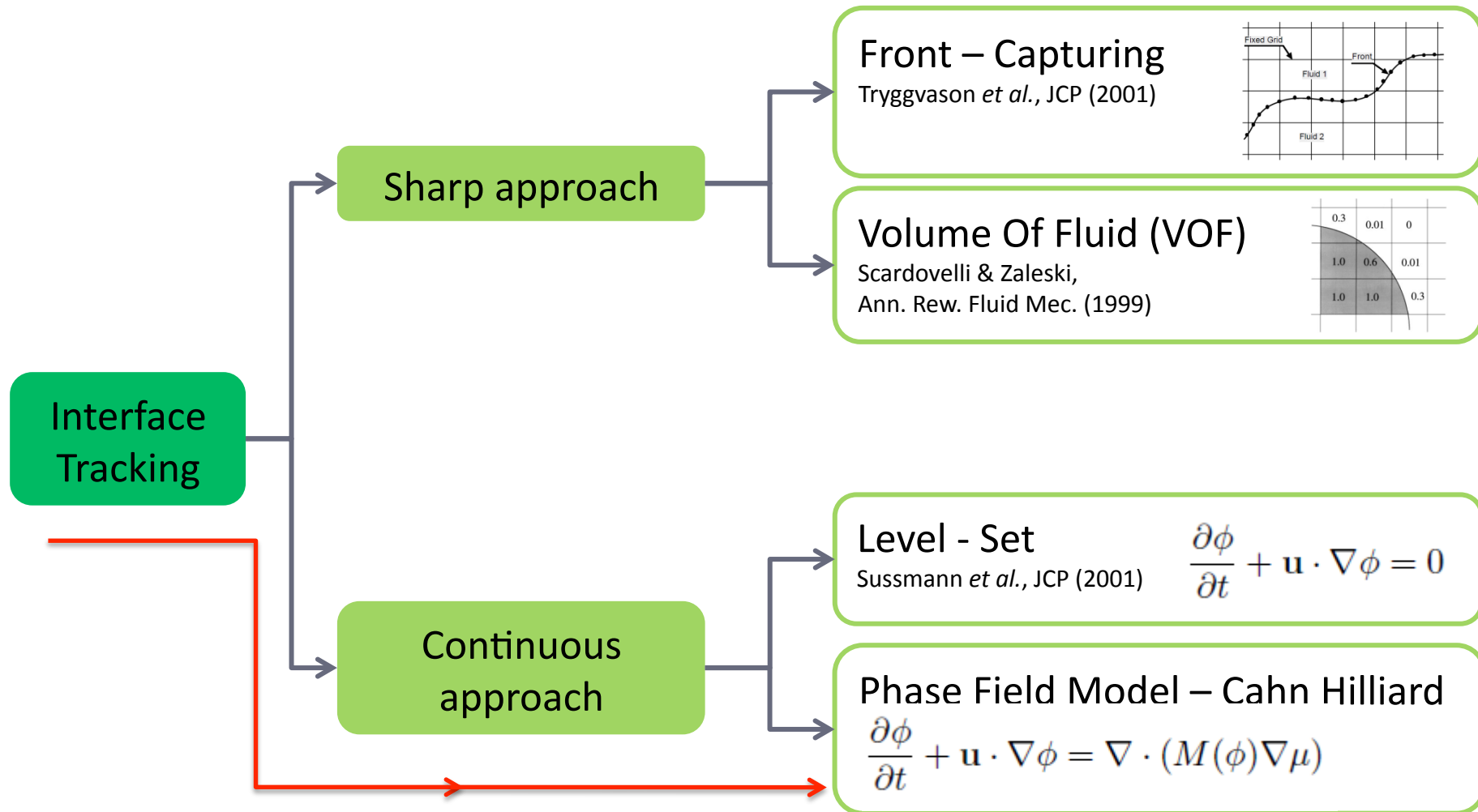


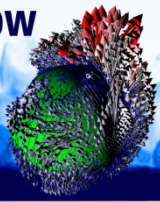
ii) Flow field solution



Multiphase modelling

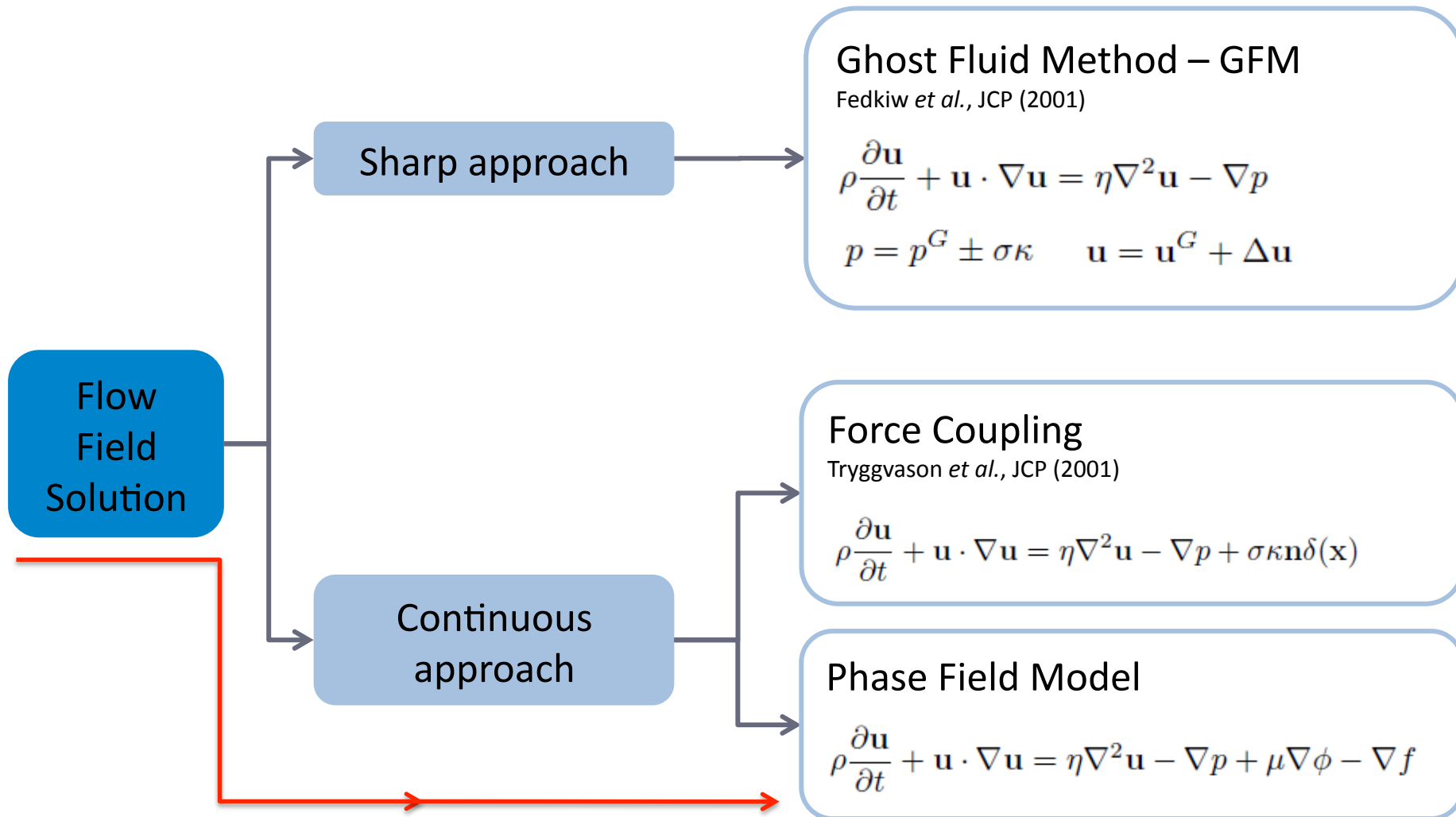
Interface tracking approaches

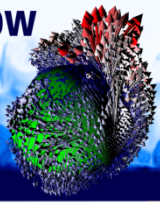




Multiphase modelling

Fluid-interface couplings





Interface tracking Summary of Phase Field Model



Cahn – Hilliard equation

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} = \underbrace{-\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \phi}_{\text{TRANSPORT}} + \underbrace{\nabla \cdot (M \nabla \mu)}_{\text{CONFINED MIXING}}$$

Chemical Potential

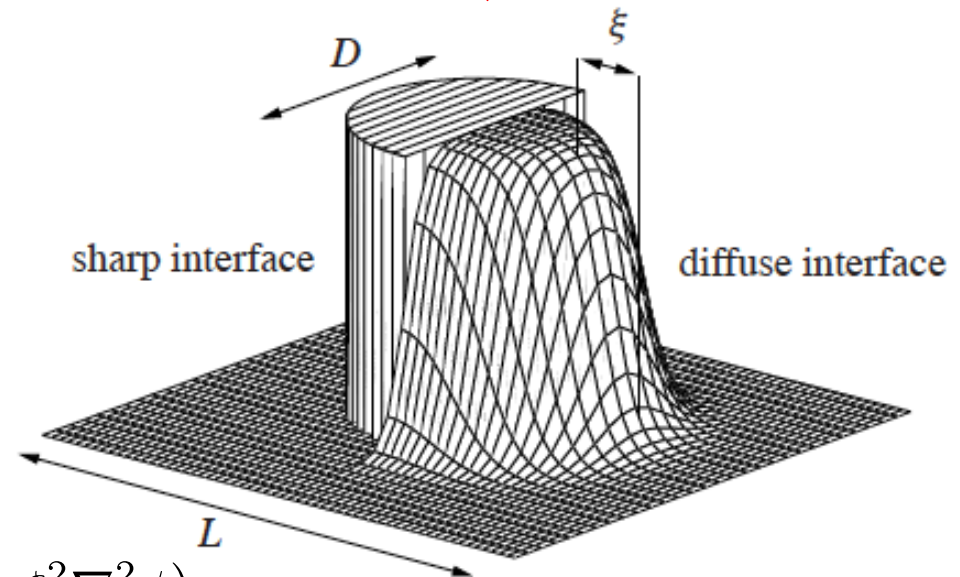
$$\mu = \frac{\delta F}{\delta \phi} = \frac{3\sigma}{2\sqrt{2}\xi} (\phi^3 - \phi - \xi^2 \nabla^2 \phi)$$

Surface Tension = σ

→ Interface Thickness = $\xi \ll H$

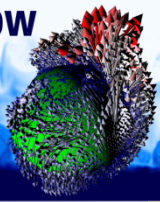
Mobility = M

$$-1 \leq \phi \leq 1$$



Dimensionless numbers

→ $Ch = \frac{\xi}{H} \quad Pe = \frac{M\sigma}{\xi U_\tau H}$



Simulations



Single Phase(Navier – Stokes) + Force coupling

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} = -(\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} + \frac{1}{Re_\tau} \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} - \nabla p + \underbrace{\frac{\mu}{We Ch} \nabla \phi}_{\mathbf{f}_c}$$

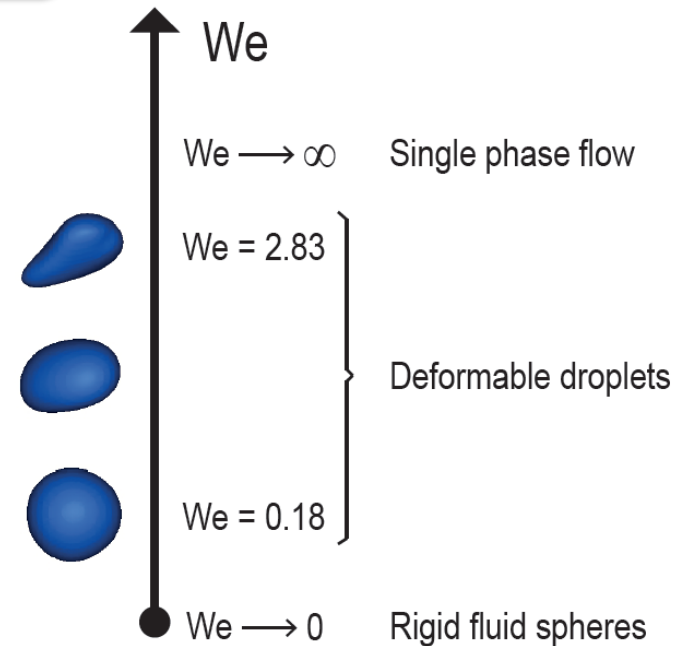
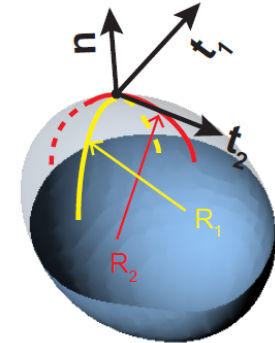
$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$$

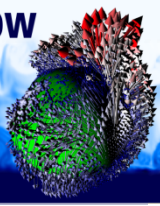
Dimensionless numbers

$$Re = \frac{\rho U_\tau H}{\eta} \quad Ch = \frac{\xi}{H} \quad We = \frac{\rho U_\tau^2 H}{\sigma}$$

Validation

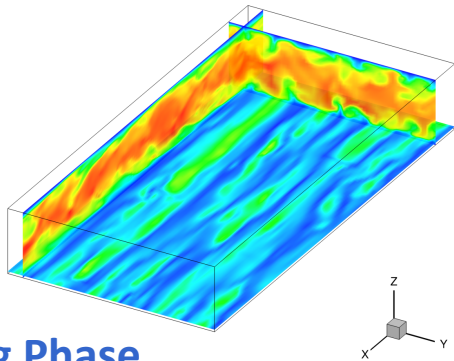
L. Scarbolo, A. Soldati et. al., Unified framework for a side-by-side comparison of different multicomponent algorithms , *J. Comp. Phys.* 234 (2013)





Test case

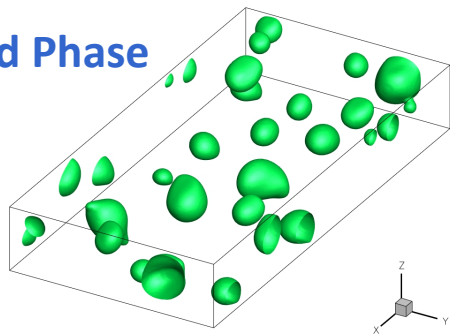
Two phase turbulent flow in a channel like geometry



Carrying Phase



Dispersed Phase



Hypotheses

- same density;
- same viscosity;
- variable surface tension;
- complete description of turbulence.

Deformability

Droplet inertia

Turbulence

Benchmark for further analyses

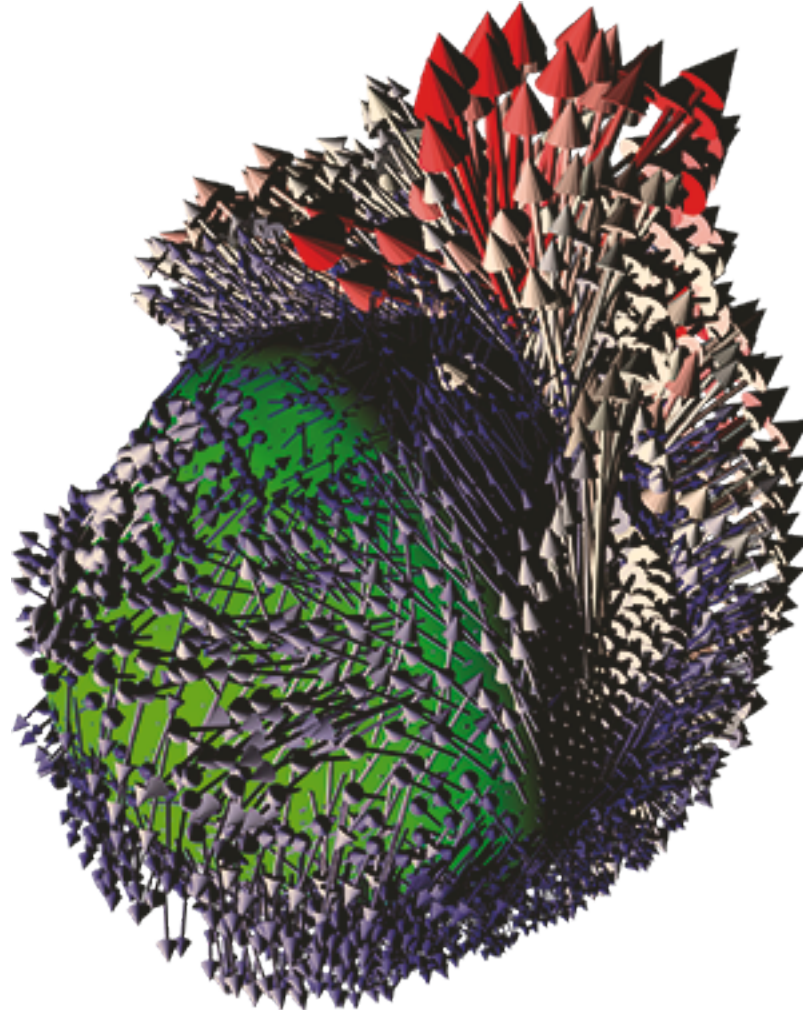
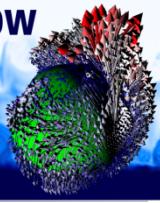
Database

Simulation parameters:

Re_τ	150
We	0.18 ÷ 2.8
d	65 w. u.
Pe	$\propto Ch^{-1}$
Ch	0.0185
$N_x \times N_y \times N_z$	512 x 256 x 257
h	150 w.u.
$L_x \times L_y \times L_z$	$4\pi h \times 2\pi h \times 2h$
Volume fraction	5%
I_ξ	7.5 w.u.

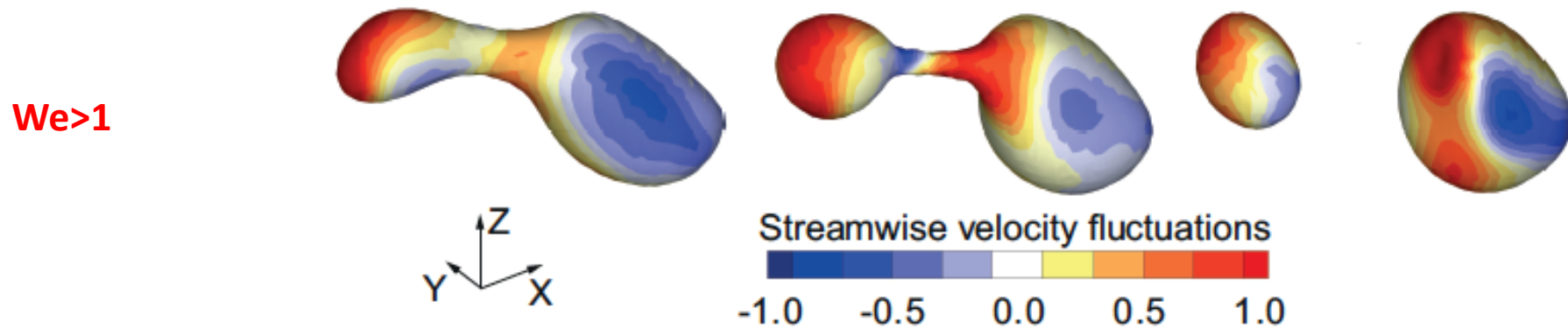
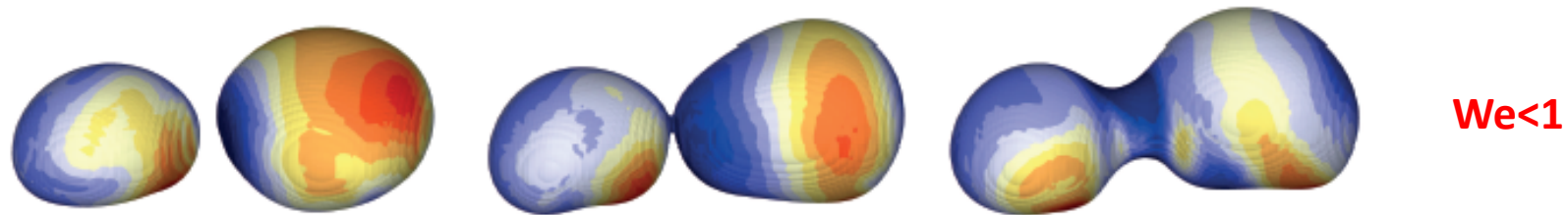
$$d \gg \eta_k$$

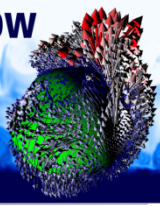
Pseudo Spectral Method:
 Fourier Chebychev Series



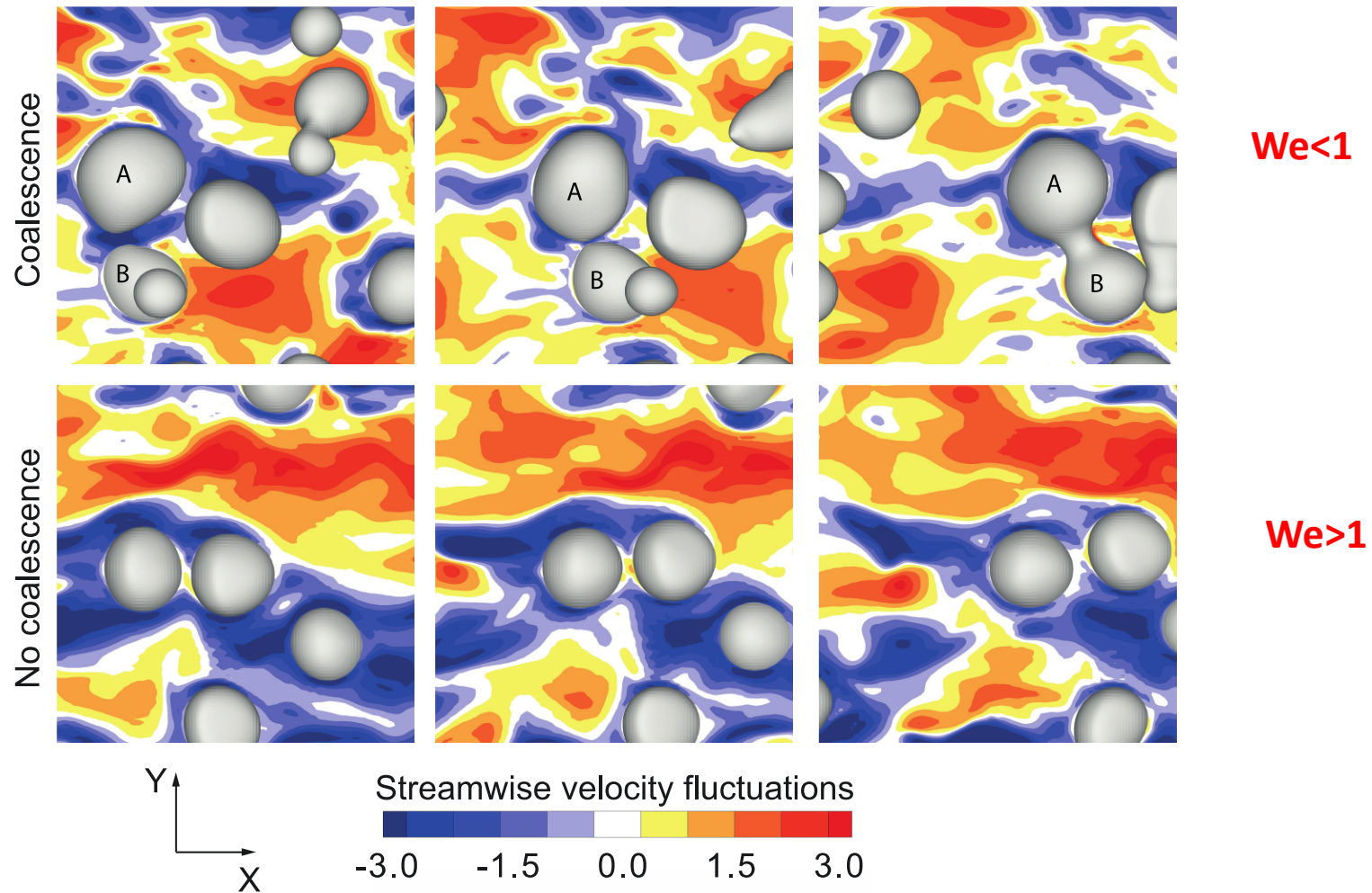
Droplets coalescence/break-up

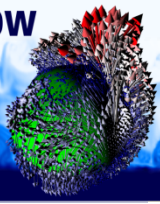
Weber number controls the dynamic of the coalescence/break-up



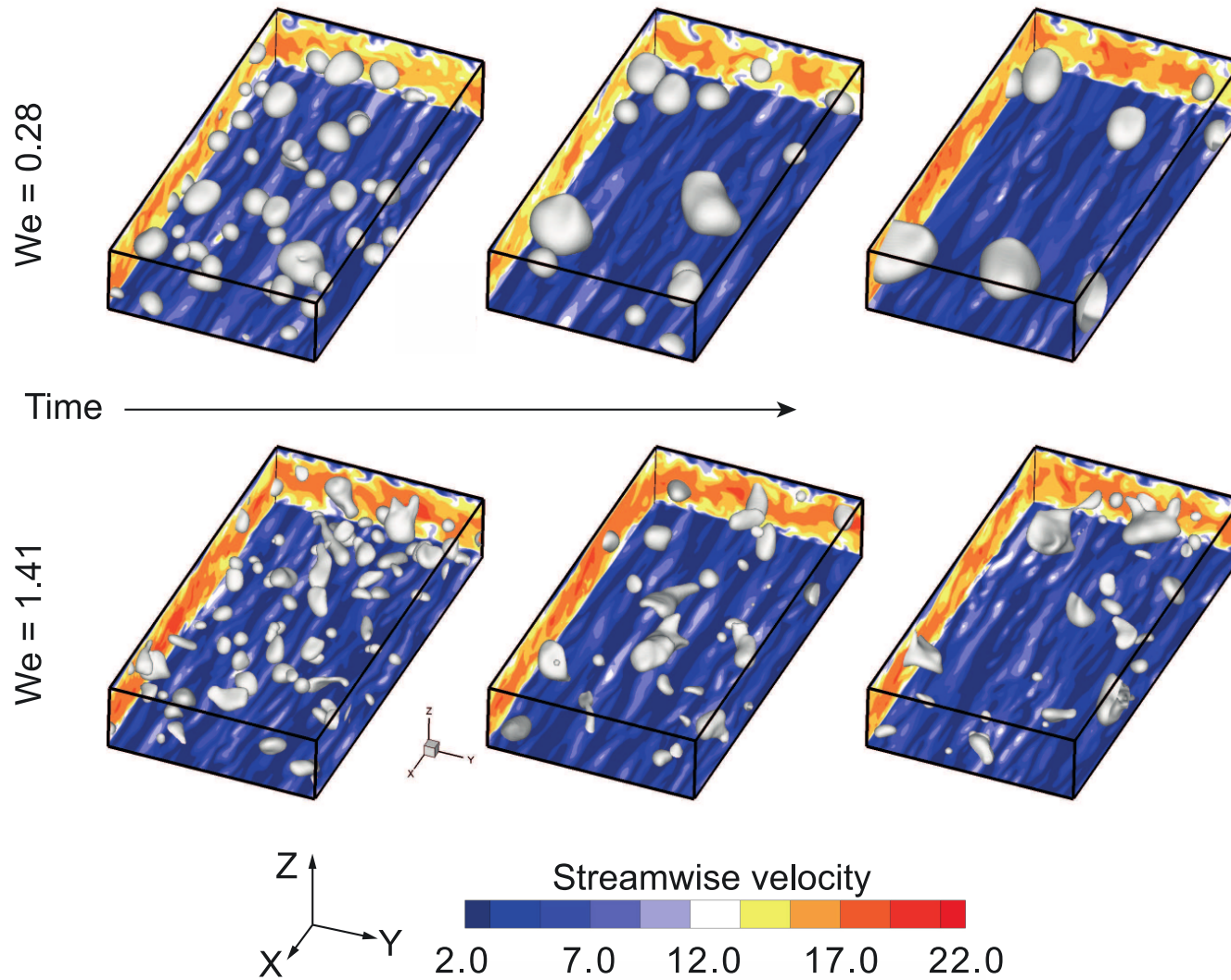


Droplets coalescence/break-up





What happens to drops distribution? It depends on Weber Number

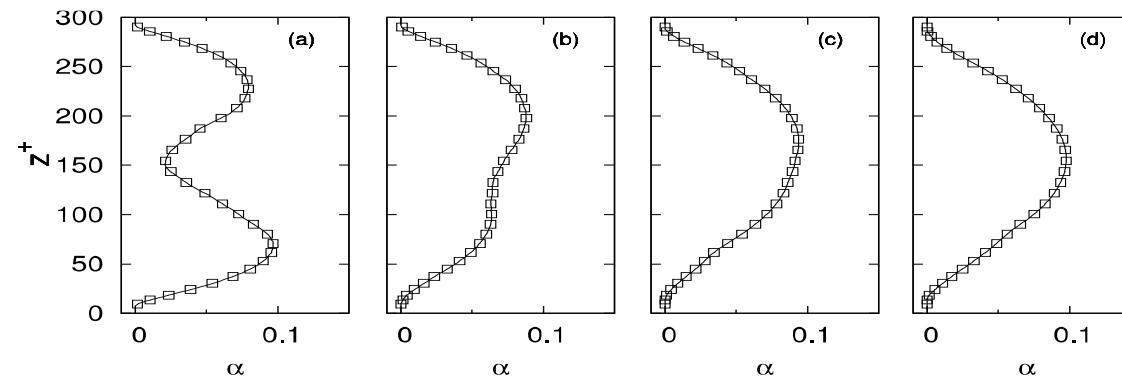


Droplets concentration

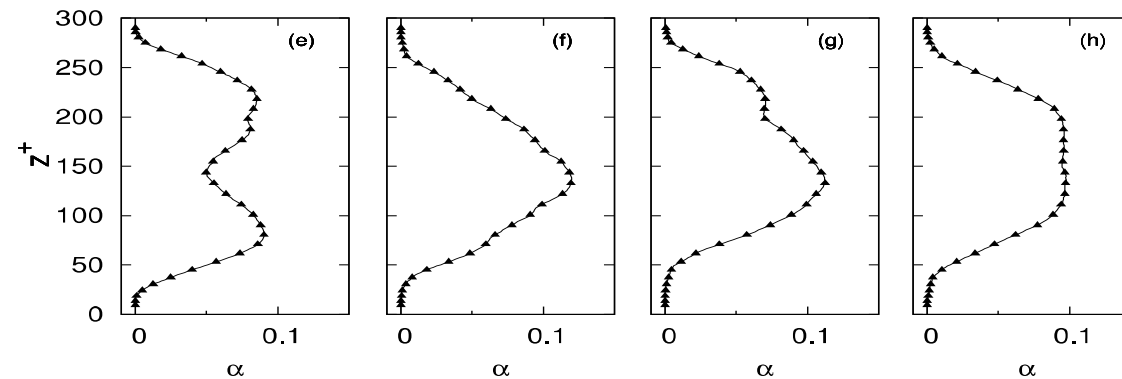
Droplets migrate to the center of the channel

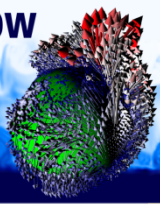
Same behavior for different Weber N.

$We=0.025$

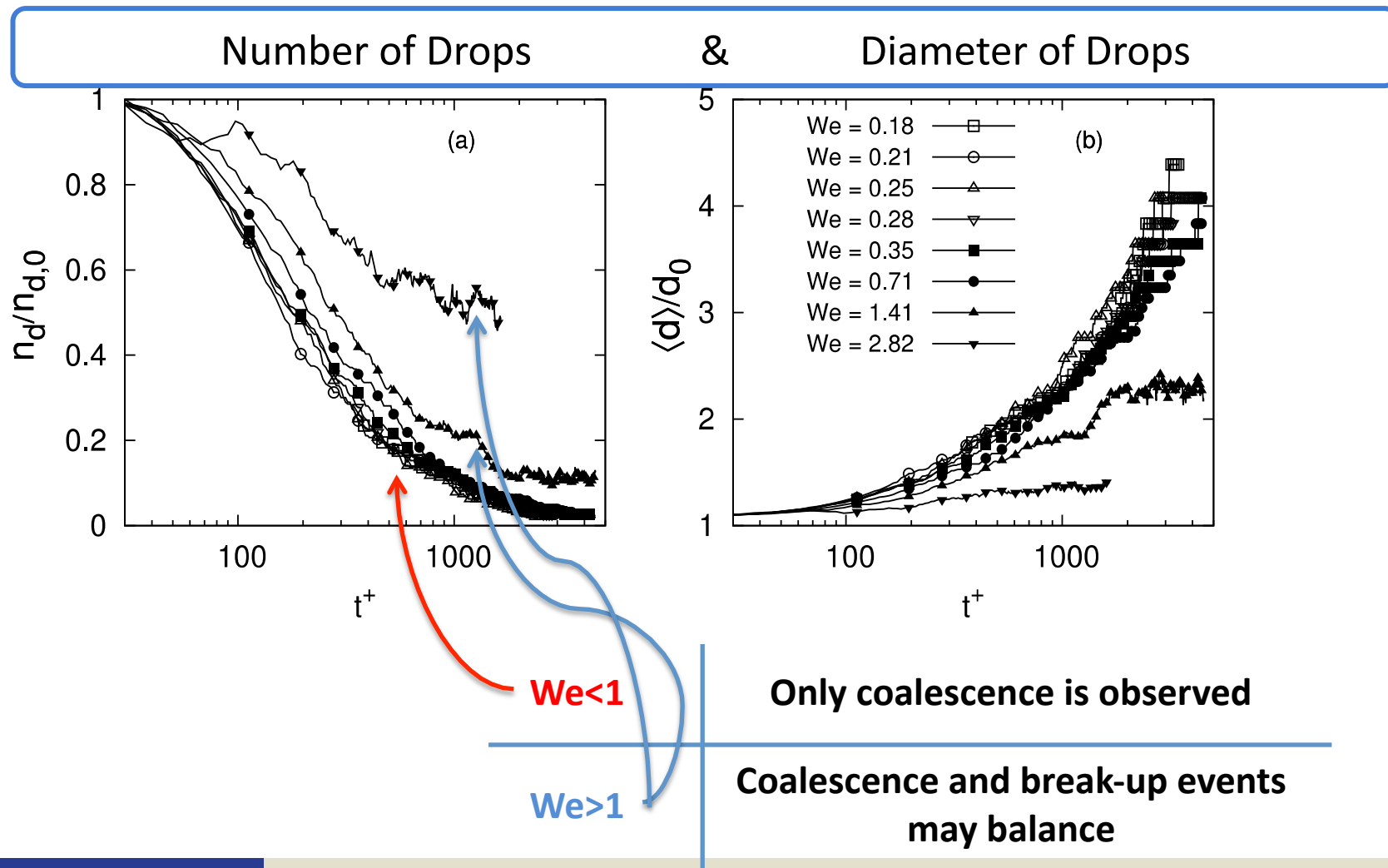


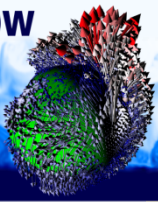
$We=1.41$





Droplets coalescence/break-up

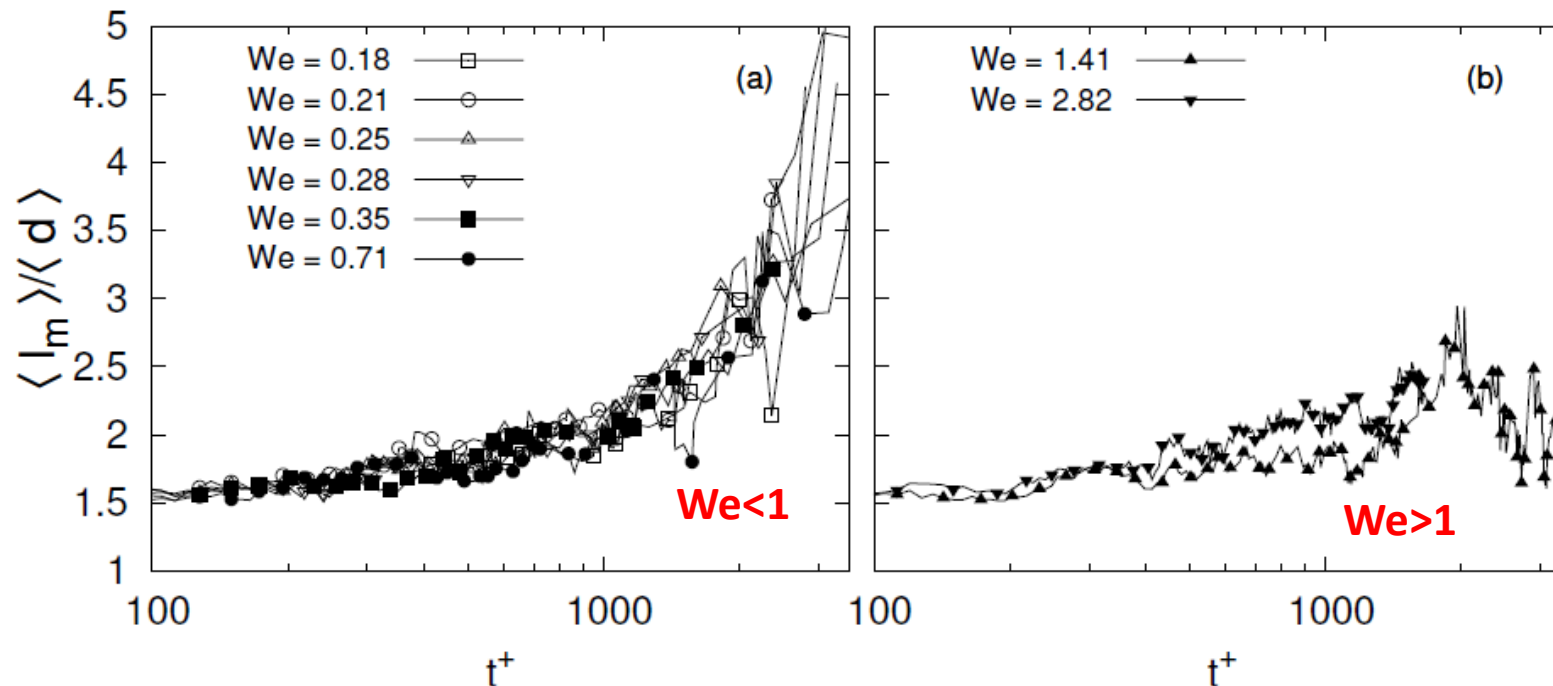


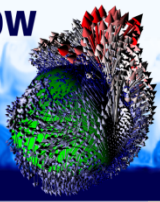


Droplet distance

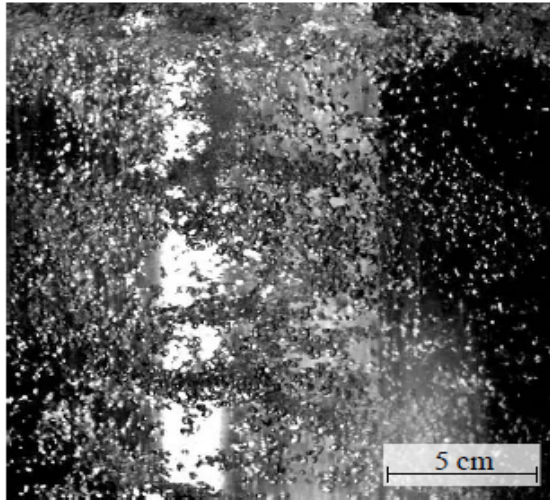
$We < 1$: Inter-droplet distance prevent coalescence

$We > 1$: Inter-droplet upper bounded





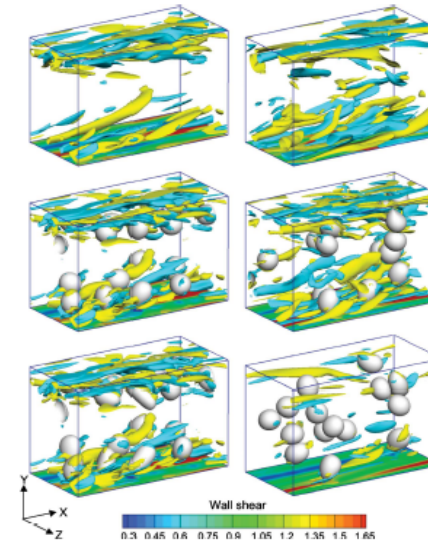
Carrier phase dynamics



D.P.M. van Gils, JFM 722 (2013)

Bubbles in turbulence

- deformability;
- viscosity difference;
- density difference;



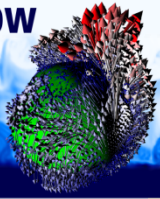
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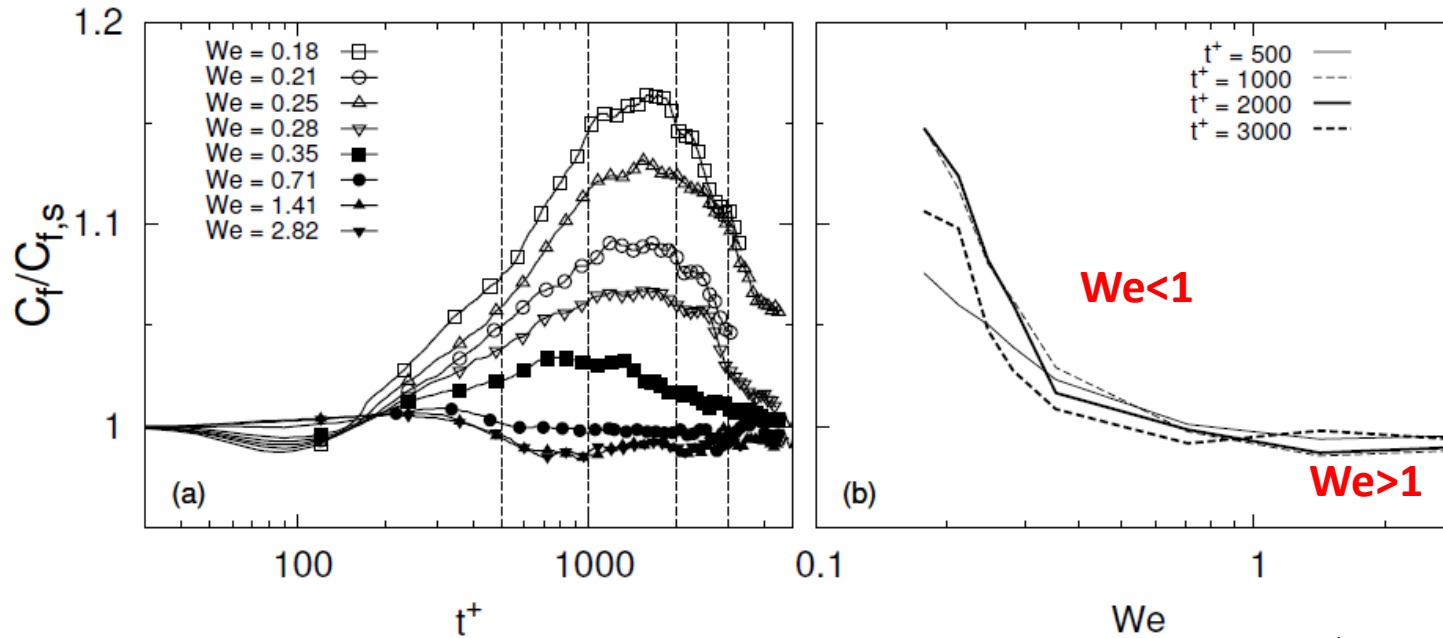
- deformability;
- same viscosity;
- density difference.

Wall drag modification

Deformability plays key role



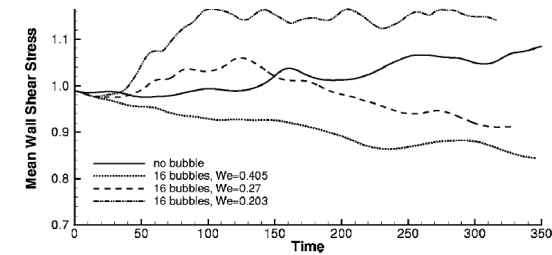
Stream-wise velocity



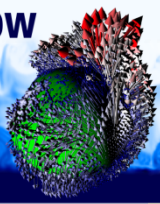
$$C_f = \frac{2\tau_w}{\rho u_0^2}$$

Drag dependent on We

Drag depends on diameter and number of droplets

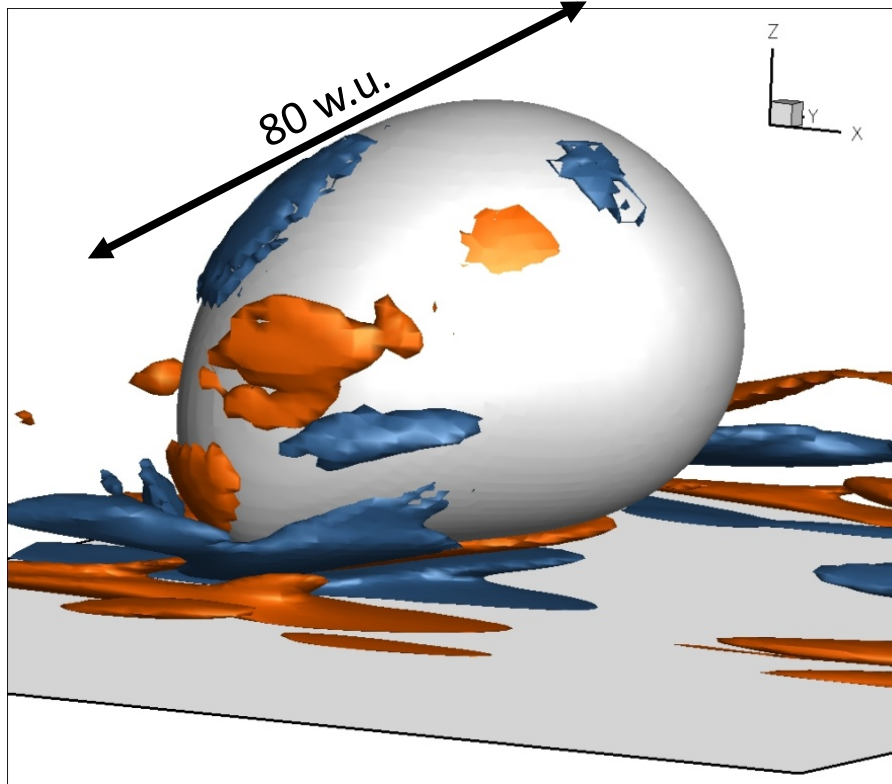


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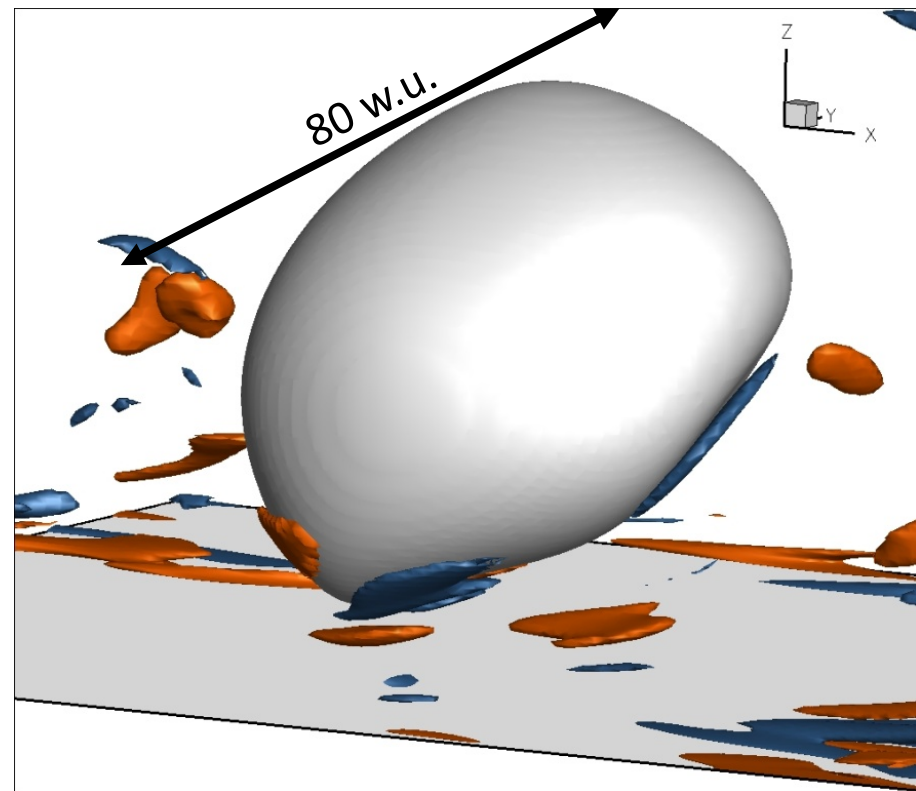


Near-wall vorticity

$$We = 0.21 - C_f/C_{f,S} = 1.11$$

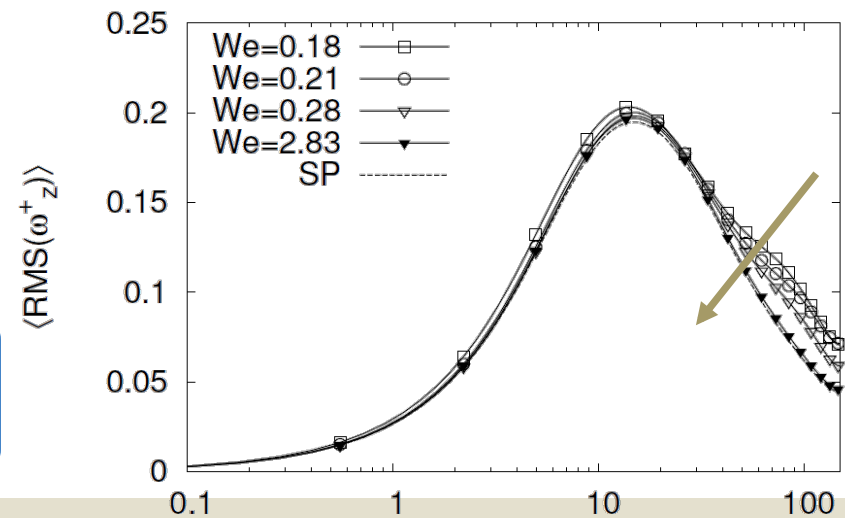
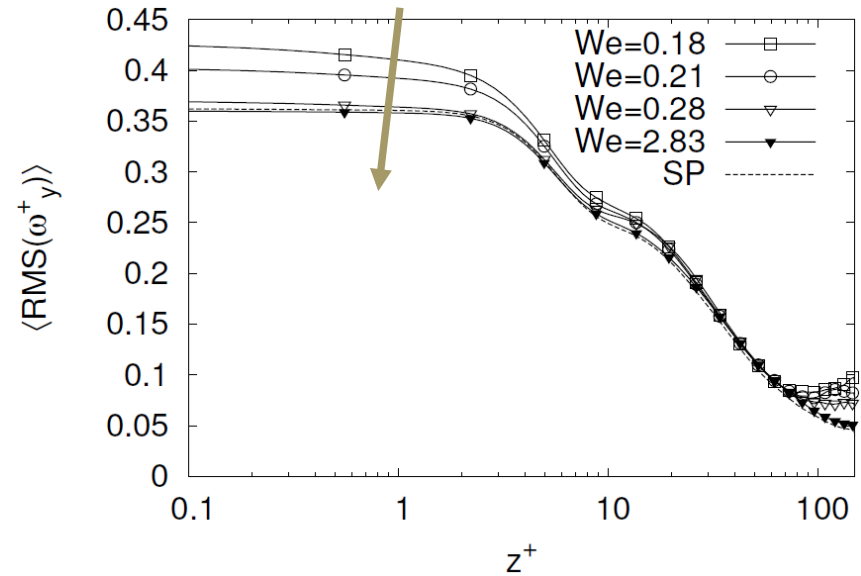
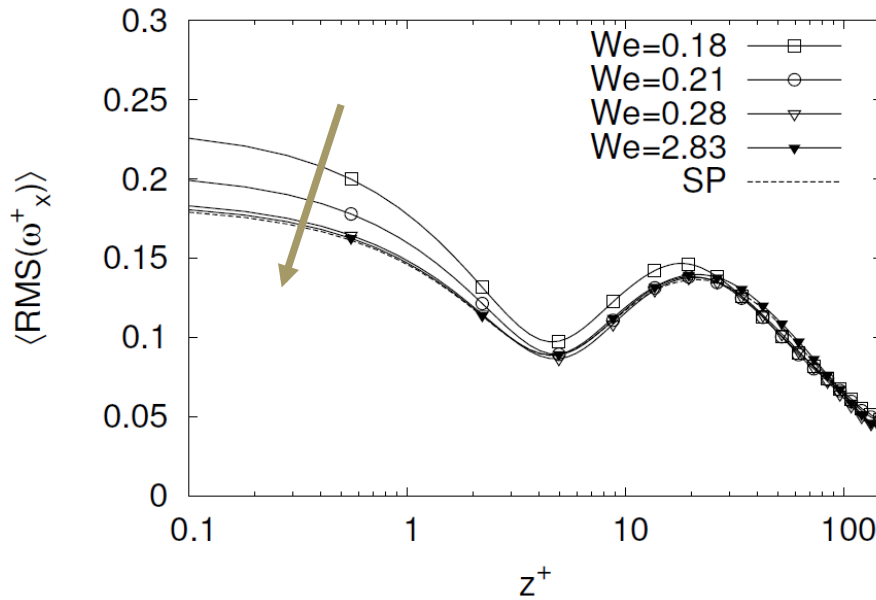


$$We = 0.35 - C_f/C_{f,S} = 1,00$$



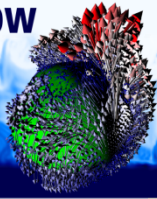
Streamwise vorticity

Near-wall vorticity



Transport of high stream-wise momentum near the wall

Transport of low stream-wise momentum towards channel center



Mechanisms

Drag Enhancement produced by droplets flow obstruction

High momentum transported in
the near the wall region

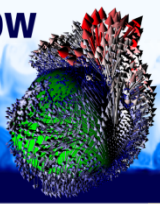
Low strm-wise momentum
to the center of the channel

Drag Enhancement dependent on droplets diameter, number
and deformability

External droplets surface
diminishes with droplets number

Streamwise velocity gradients
increase with the diameter

Effects modulated by defromability



Conclusions

Dispersed
phase

Weber N. controls coalescence/breakup

Turbulence yield to a critical Weber N.

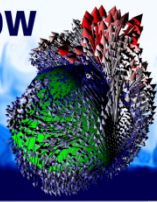
Uniform coalescence rate for sub-critical We

Carrier
phase

Turbulent field modified by the presence of droplets

Friction coefficient is increased

Friction is function of diameter and droplets number



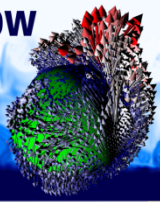
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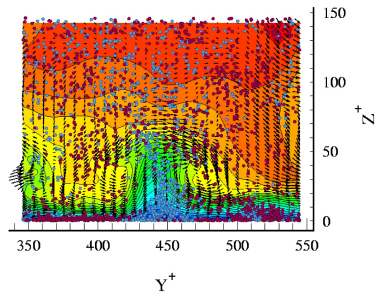


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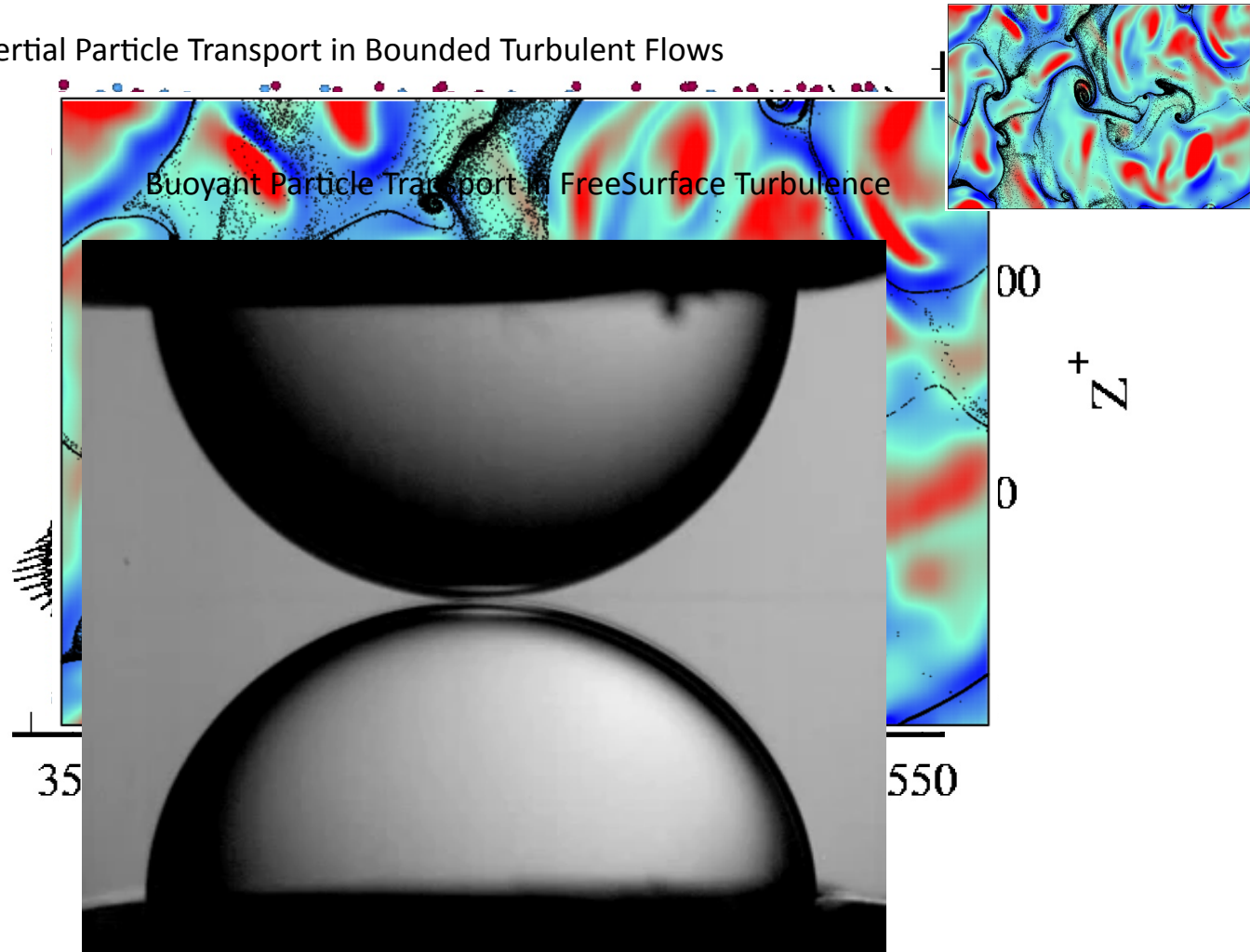


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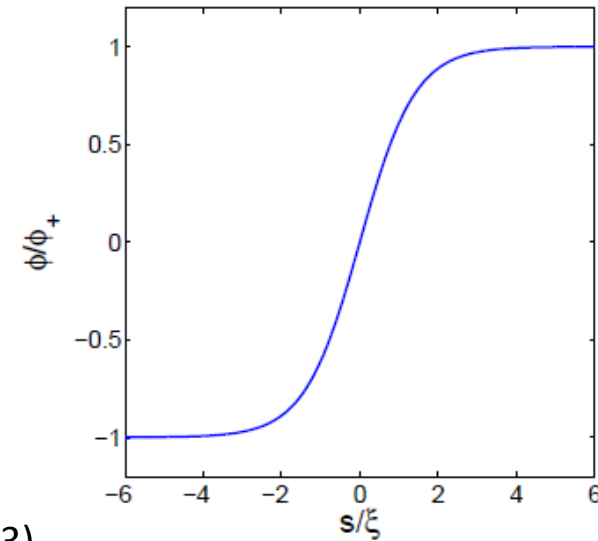
Inertial Particle Transport in Bounded Turbulent Flows

Buoyant Particle Transport in FreeSurface Turbulence



At equilibrium: Interface relaxation

$$\mu = 0 \implies \begin{cases} \frac{s}{\xi} \gg 1 \rightarrow \phi(s) = \phi_+ \\ \frac{s}{\xi} \ll -1 \rightarrow \phi(s) = \phi_- \\ \phi(s) = \phi_+ \tanh\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{2}\xi}\right) \end{cases}$$

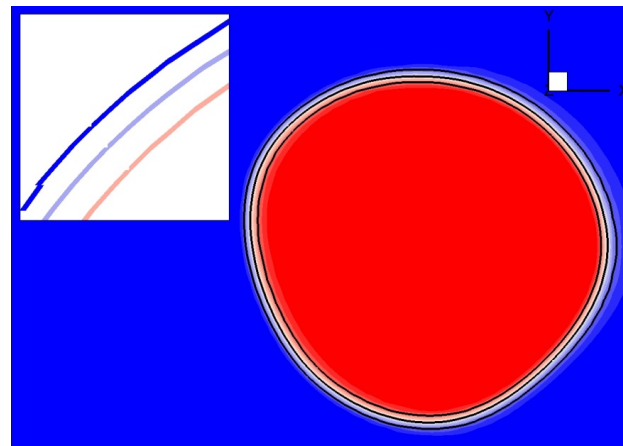


Asymptotic analysis:

Magaletti, Casciola *et al.*, JFM (2013)

- Correct advection of the interface;
- Fast interface relaxation;

$$\begin{cases} Ch \ll 1 \\ Pe^{opt} \approx \frac{1}{3Ch} \end{cases}$$



Droplet in turbulence