

Performance of Mesoscale Modeling Methods for Predicting Rheological Properties of charged Polystyrene/Water Suspensions

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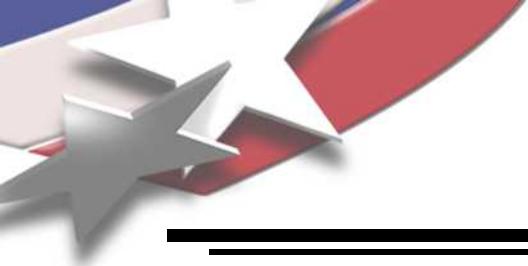
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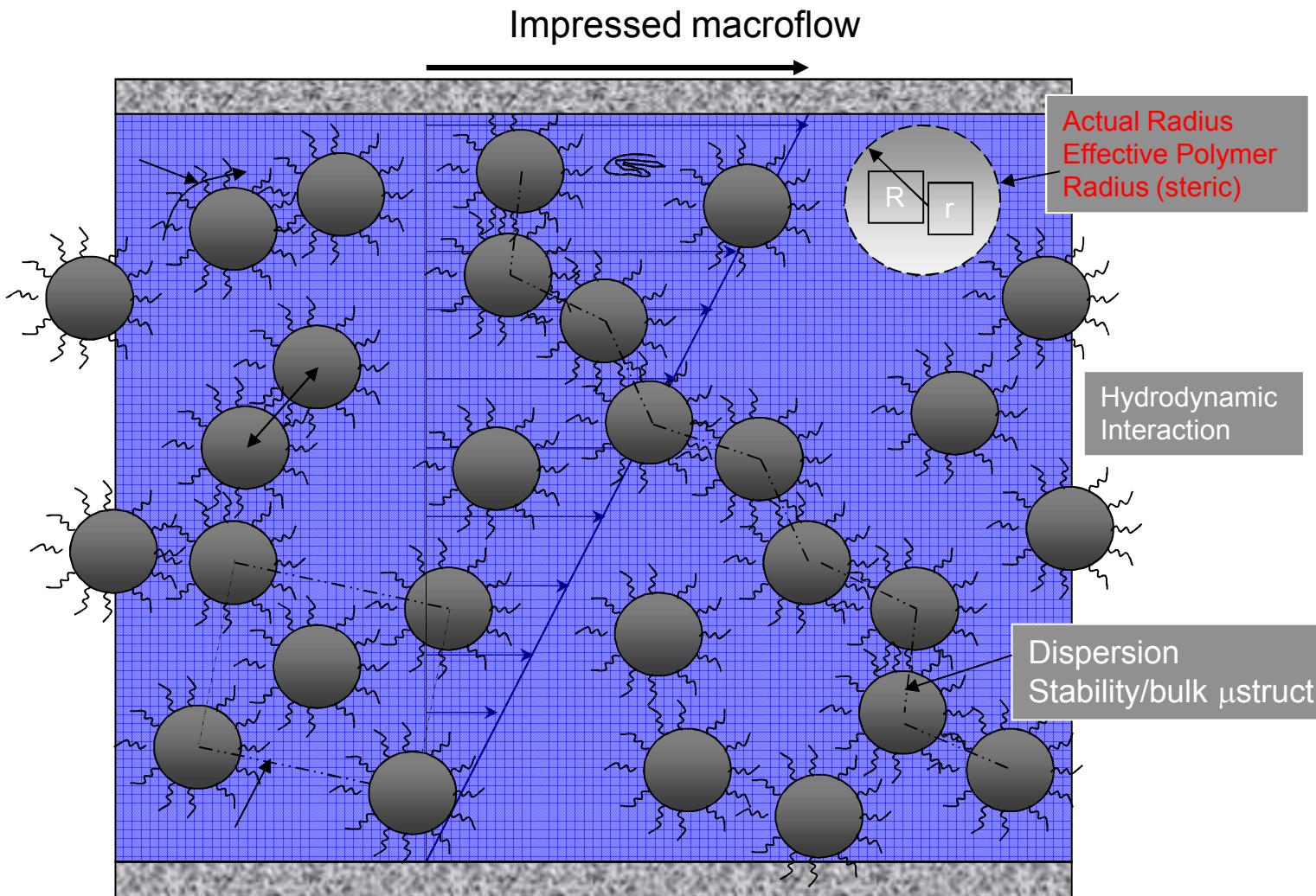
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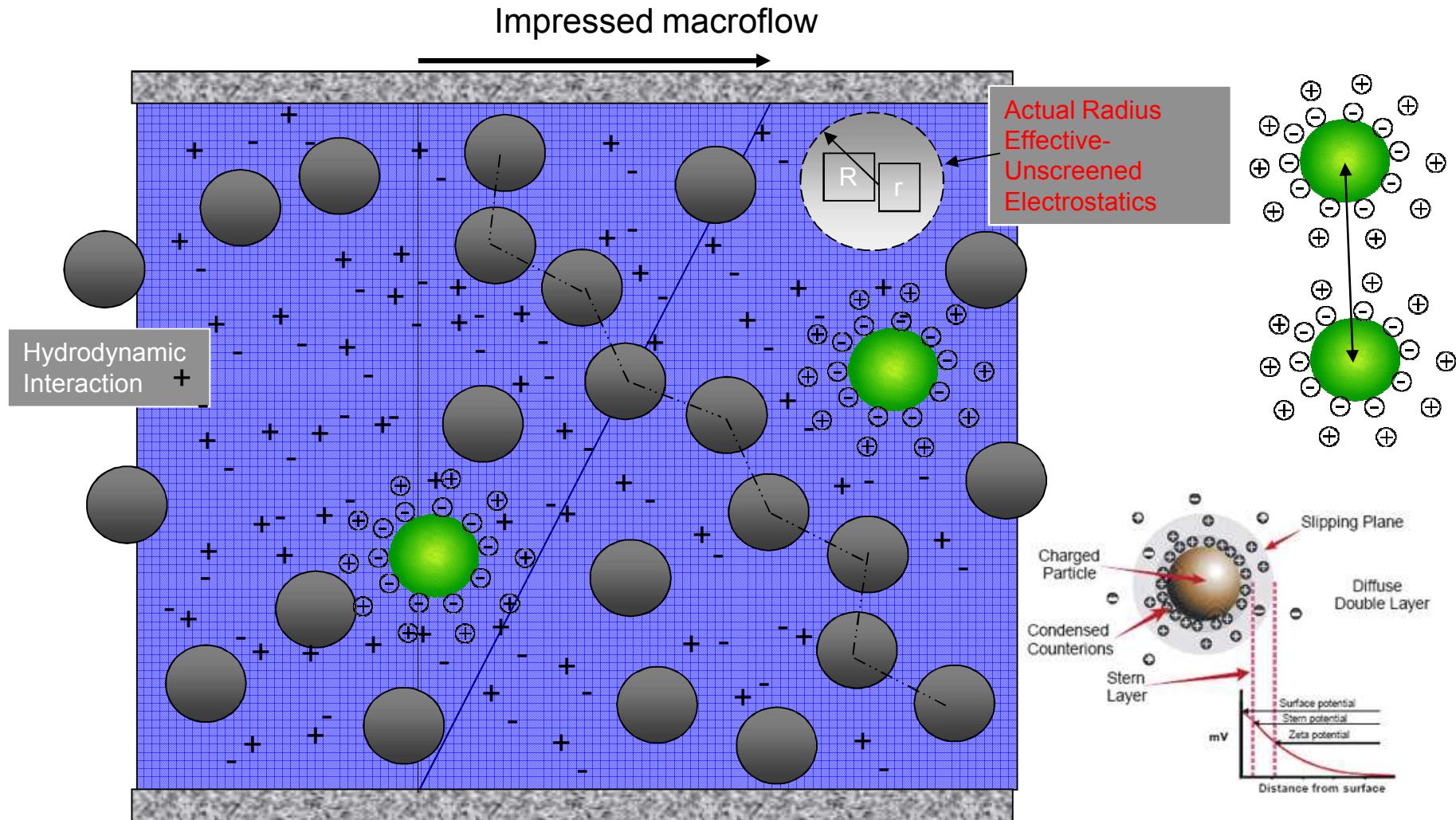
Outline

- Meso-scale Modeling Methods for Nanoparticle Suspension Flows
 - SRD, DPD, FLD, FEM for solvent*
 - DEM with LAMMPS code for particles (www.lammps.sandia.gov)*
- Sample preparation and Rheological Testing
 - Charged polystyrene in water. 950 nm*
 - Shear rheology (steady and oscillatory)*
- Equilibrium structure properties, diffusivities, shear viscosity
 - Methods cross compare (performance and agreement)*
- Validation results
- Conclusions and Outlook

Mesoscale Models of Suspension Dynamics



Mesoscale Models of Suspension Structure/Dynamics- Charged Systems



Overview of Nanoparticle Flow Project

Colloidal (Nano) Particle Mechanics

Methodology (Algorithms, Platforms, Requirements)

- N-body Newton-equation solver (translation/rotation)
- **N-body Equilibrium Solver (long time)**
- Distributed/parallel or of suitable performance
- Interface to add any effective pair-wise potentials
- LAMMPS or similar, expandable platform
- LAMMPS infrastructure changes (Particle Layers)
- Capable of handling massive contact/aspherics
- 10000 Particles, 3D.

Long, Intermediate Range Interaction Models

- Effective potential development
- Solvent effects (solvation, brownian)
- Particle temperature (thermostat)
- Polymer brush effects (potentials)- attributes
- Coarse graining with aggregates
- ...

Colloidal Contact Models

- Minorly aspherical
- Composite Particle structures
- **Generally aspherical**
- Elastic/Hertzian
- Viscoelastic

Active effort

Eliminated per requirements

Flow Solver

Algorithms, Platforms, Requirements

- High performance (parallel, or whatever)
- ARIA, Goma, other
- Multiphase flow approach (effective Darcy Law, ...)
- Numerically stable at contact/near contact (stress singularities)
- **FEM/FDM**
 - ARIA, Goma (Explicit, SemilImplicit, body-fitted grid/imbedded)
- **Stoksian Dyn. (Specialized)**
- **BEM (Specialized)**
- **SRD (Pe of colloid part O(1). Too expensive otherwise.)**
- **DPD (limited Performance Depletion forces)**
- **LB (depletion forces)**
- **FLD - Frame-invariant pair-drag model**

Subgrid Models (contact/near contact)

- Dominate viscous modes
- Effect of polymer graft
- Effect of surface roughnes
- Aspherical

Coupled Multiphase Solver

Methodology

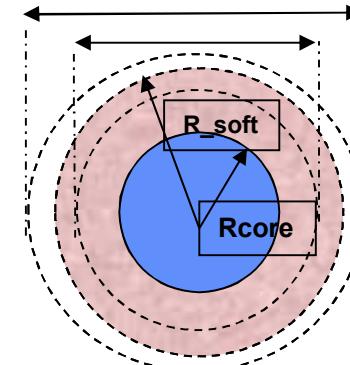
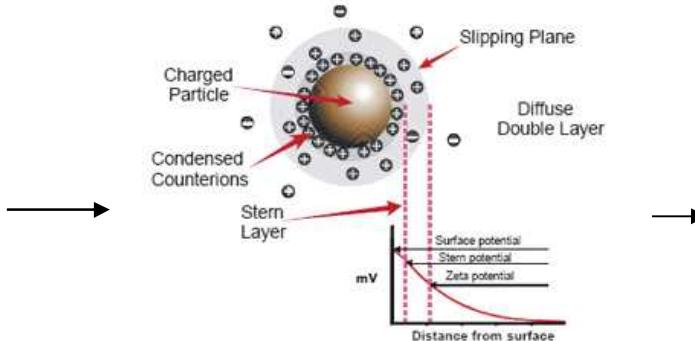
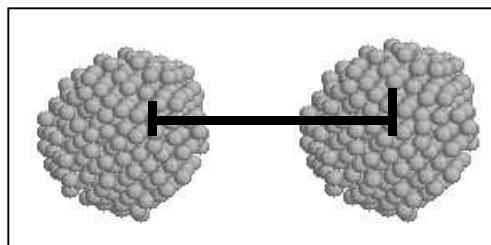
- CDFEM/DLM/Distributed volumetric source (Glowinski)
- Body fitted grids: remeshing and remapping as needed)
- Hybrid scheme: Imbedded interfaces + one-level adaptivity to capture surface
- **Intrinsic: BEM, Stoksian Dynamic**
- Implicit Solvent
- Explicit coarse-grained solvent/colloid collision

Platform

- LAMMPS
- ARIA
- Home grown

About Coarse Graining - What is needed?

Particle

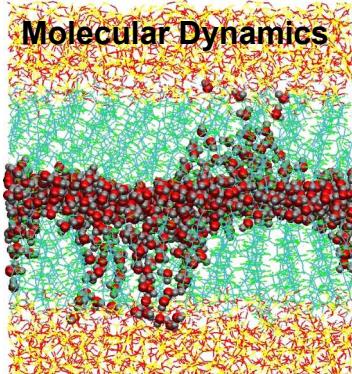


e.g. Integration to Hamaker's equation and DLVO

electrostatic Structural representation

- Computational standoffs
- Polymer layer parameters
- Screening layer thickness
- Structural constants (polymer and hard sphere)

Solvent



Blobs->SRD/DPD
Dual particle approach

Continuum

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- Simulation of interacting polymer/solvent/particle

Framework + Methods Implemented and Tested

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LAMMPS - DEM Solver

“COLLOID” Package for Pairwise Potentials
(e.g. DLVO)

LAMMPS PACKAGES FOR COARSE-GRAINED EXPLICIT HYDRODYNAMICS

DPD - Dissipative Particle Dynamics

- Explicit Solvent “particles”. Molecular dynamics framework. Solvent potentials.

- Advantages: no grid. [Full HI](#),

- Disadvantages: relatively more expensive.
[Difficult to map to real system](#) (coarse grained)

SRD - Stochastic Rotation Dynamics

- Explicit Solvent “particles”. Molecular dynamics framework

- Advantages: [Full HI](#). [Highly scalable](#). [Intrinsic Brownian](#).

- Disadvantages: [Difficult to map to real system](#)

EXTERNAL HYDRODYNAMICS SOLVERS

MEZZO (ARIA) - Incompressible Finite element flow solver

- Coupled with LAMMPS through overset grid CDFEM.
- Advantages: [completely general](#).
- Disadvantages: performance?

LAMMPS PACKAGES FOR IMPLICIT HYDRODYNAMICS

SD - Stokesian Dynamics with FLD simplification

- Ball-Melrose pair-drag models and FLD. Implicit, explicit integrator. Hydro through pairwise interactions and Long-range isotropic tensor

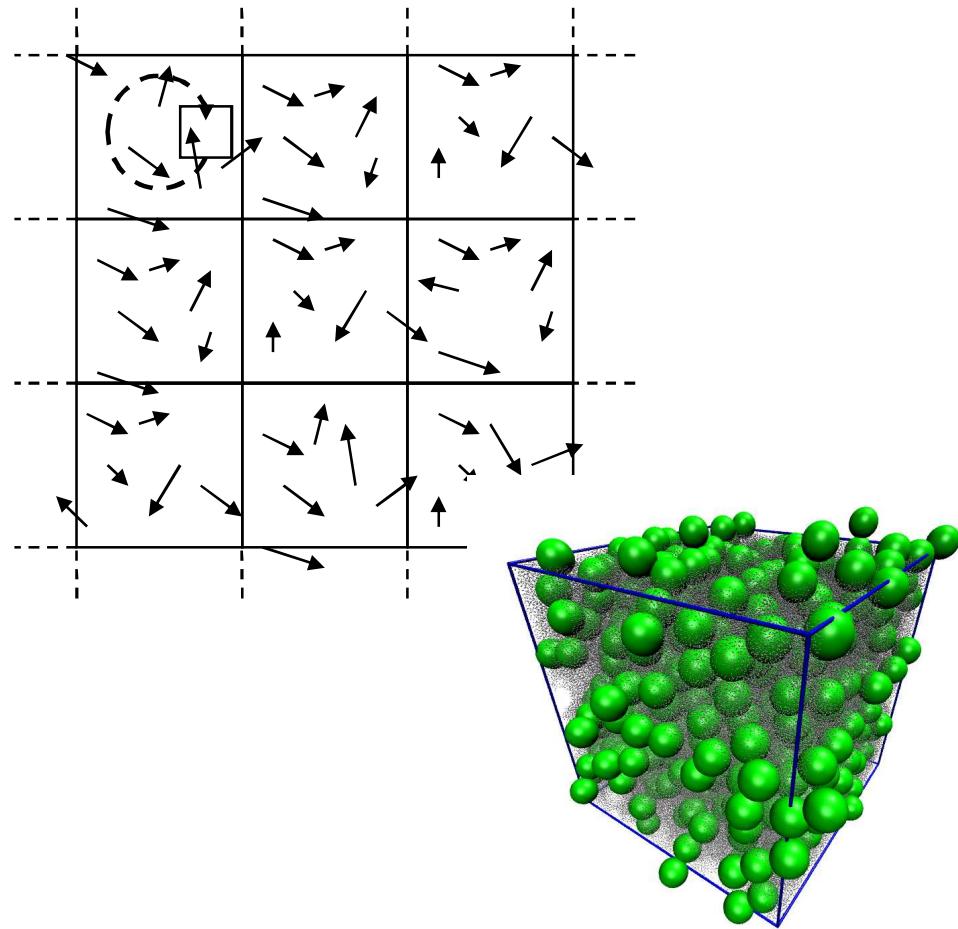
- Advantages: [Scalable](#).

- Disadvantages: spherical, needs tuning

SRD - Stochastic Rotation Dynamics

MPCD - Multi-Particle Collision Dynamics

- SRD is a point particle based fluid (mass, velocity), wherein the fluid interacts through collision operations
- Conserves linear momentum
- Produces fluctuating hydrodynamic behavior
- Computational efficient
 - No pair wise potential
 - SRD rotation does not limit time step
 - 10^3 improvement over explicit Lennard-Jones solvent



390 nm charged polystyrene
In water being sheared (500 colloids+
400000 srd particles)

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DPD - Dissipative Particle Dynamics

- Approach similar to Non-equilibrium Molecular Dynamics
 - Apply driving force
 - Measure response
- For suspension viscosity use Couette flow
 - Apply known shear rate
 - Measure system stresses
- Use Lees-Edwards BC and DPD thermostat
- Two types of particles
 - Solid (larger)
 - Fluid (smaller)
- Interaction forces
 - Solid-solid
 - DLVO theory for colloids
 - Solid-fluid
 - Standard DPD forces from literature
 - Currently working on highly viscous fluid
 - Fluid-fluid interactions
 - Standard from literature (Groot-Warren)

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FLD - Fast Lubrication Dynamics

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Hydrodynamic Interaction

PME Stokesian Dynamics $O(N \log N)$

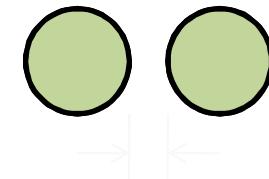
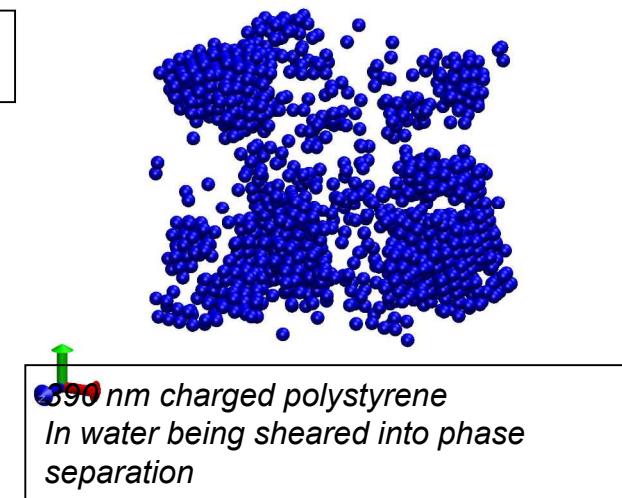
$$R = (I - \mathcal{R})^{-1} R_{1B} + R_{lub}$$

Fast Lubrication Dynamics $O(N)$

$$R = R_0 + R_\delta$$

Isotropic Constant

$$\delta \text{ FLD} \sim 1/\delta$$
$$\delta \text{-log}\delta \text{ FLD} \sim 1/\delta + \ln(1/\delta)$$



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Session Suspensions and Colloids. A. Kumar and J. Higdon

Charge effects on microstructure, rheology and order-disorder transitions for sheared colloidal crystals and suspensions



CDFEM and Fluctuating Hydro and Colloidal Dynamics with Sierra/Mezzo

- Coupled Aria and LAMMPS in Mezzo
Monodisperse spheres

$$\rho_f = 0.6$$

$$k_B T = 1.0$$

$$\nu = 1.67$$

- Can do 3D, no problem
- Parallel, no problem
- Currently
 - Quasi-static fluid (creeping Stokes) - novel velocity/pressure decoupling solver
 - Explicit time integration of colloid dynamics

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$$\mathbf{v}^{n+1} = \mathbf{v}^n + \frac{\Delta t}{m} (\mathbf{R} \mathbf{v}^n + \sum \mathbf{f}^n)$$

$$\left(\frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} \right)^{n+1} = \mathbf{R}^{-1} \sum \mathbf{f}^n$$

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Validation Tests, Experimental Program

- **System Characteristics**

Bangs Labs. Nominally 950 nm monodisperse. Required 0.003M SDS surfactant for stability. Zeta potentials measured with Malvern Zetasizer ZS (Light-scattering velocimetry)

Salt Concentration	κ	Ψ_Z	Ψ_0
1e-4 M	3.25e7 m ⁻¹	112.4 mV	114 mV
1e-3 M	1.03e8 m ⁻¹	116.6 mV	118mV
1e-2 M	3.25e8 m ⁻¹	124.2 mV	125 mV

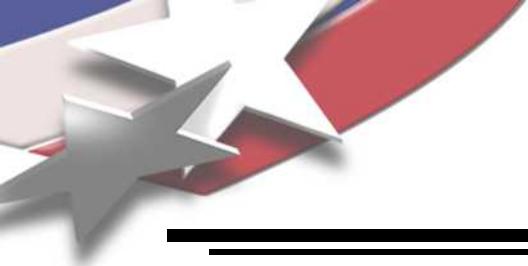
$$\sigma = \sqrt{\varepsilon \varepsilon_0 kT} \sinh\left(\frac{e \Psi_0}{2KT}\right) c_{i0}^{1/2} \quad \sigma = \frac{2\varepsilon \varepsilon_0 \kappa K T}{e} \left[\sinh\left(\frac{e \Psi_d}{2KT}\right) + \frac{2}{\kappa a} \tanh\left(\frac{e \Psi_d}{2KT}\right) \right] \quad \frac{1}{\kappa} = \sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon \varepsilon_0 kT}{1000 e^2 N_{Av} c_{i0}}}$$

- **Particle Diffusivities**

BASF: Measurements forthcoming.

- **Dynamic Tests**

- Shear/Oscillatory. RFS Rheometer (TA Instruments).
- Viscosity is reproducible, though data is very scattered at low shear rates (No indication of settling or aggregation)
- Preshear at steady shear rate 10 s⁻¹ for 300 seconds.
- Run a shear rate step test for 60s each at 1 s⁻¹, 10 s⁻¹, 100 s⁻¹, and 1000 s⁻¹
- Run a shear rate step test for 60s each at 100 s⁻¹, 200 s⁻¹, 300 s⁻¹, and 500 s⁻¹.



Viscosity Measurements

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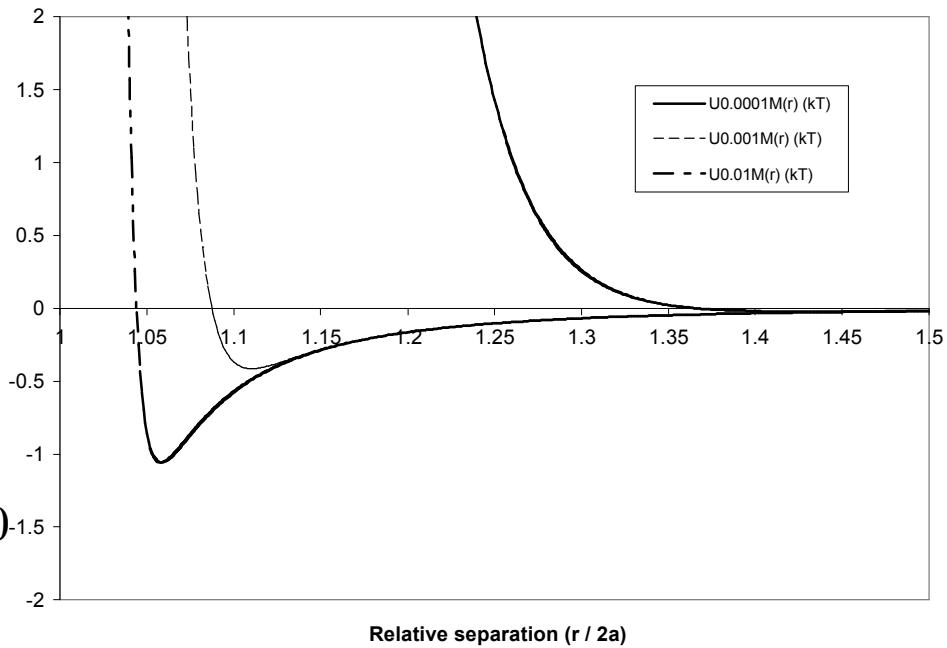
40 vol %

30 vol %

20 vol %

Target Physical Parameters and Simulation Parameters

- Particle diameter – 950 nm
- Particle density – 1050 kg/m³
- Surface potential – 0.112-0.124 V
- Solvent viscosity – 0.001 Pa-sec
- Solvent density – 1000 kg/m³
- Temperature – 298 K
- Hamaker constant – **1.37E-20 J**
- Nominal Particle volume fraction – 0.30



$$U_{vdw,att}(r) = -\frac{A_{cc}}{6} \left[\frac{2a^2}{r^2 - 4a^2} + \frac{2a^2}{r^2} + \ln\left(\frac{r^2 - 4a^2}{r^2}\right) \right]$$

$$U_{vdw,rep}(r) = \frac{A_{cc}}{37800} \frac{\sigma^6}{r} \left[\frac{r^2 - 14ar + 54a^2}{(r - 2a)^7} + \frac{r^2 + 4ar + 54a^2}{(r + 2a)^7} - 2 \frac{r^2 - 30a^2}{r^7} \right]$$

$$U_{el}(r) = \frac{64\pi kT \rho_{NaCl}(\infty) a \psi_0^2}{\kappa^2} e^{-\kappa(r-2a)}$$

Target Colloidal Dispersion Properties for V&V

- Equilibrium Structure Properties

Pair distribution function, Coordination number, Cluster size distribution, Nearest neighbor distance, System energy per colloid, Cell density distribution, Order parameter

- Particle Mobility - Short-time and long-time diffusivity

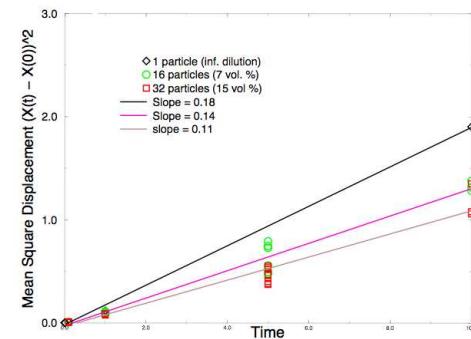
Measure mean-square displacement

- Shear viscosity (steady)

TriClinic Deforming Box,
Muller-Plathe for bulk shear

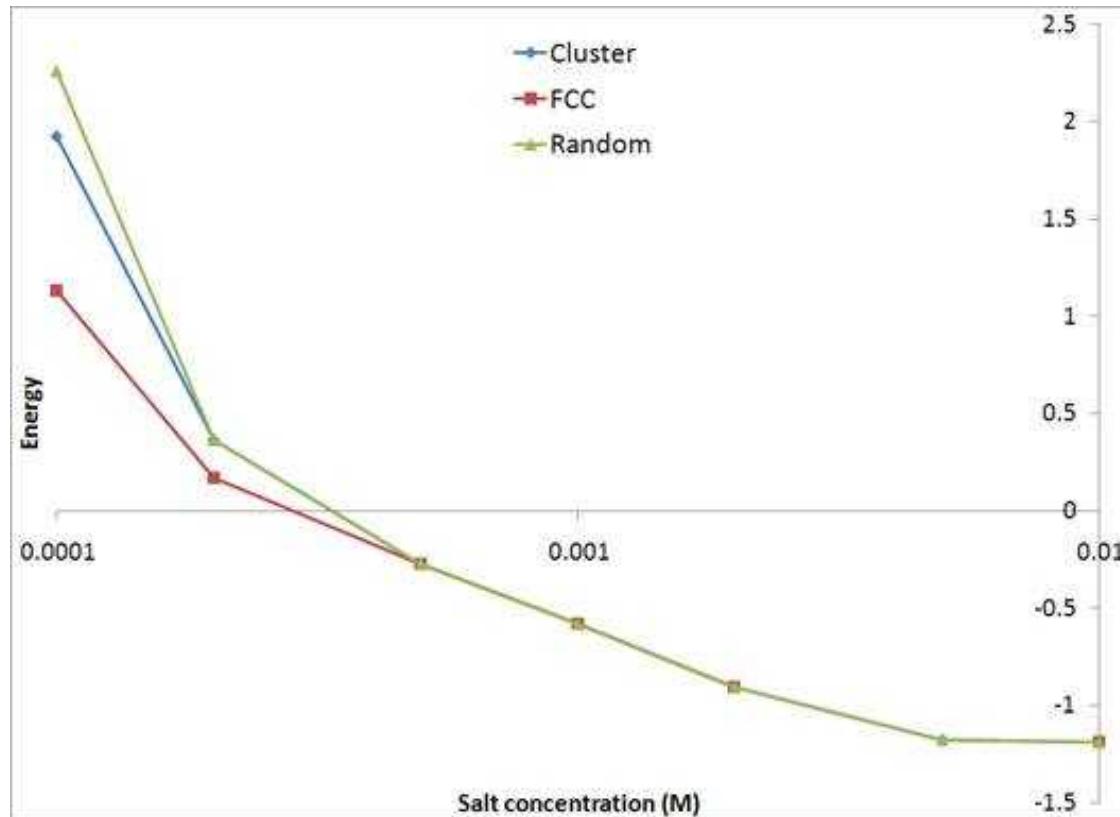
- G' , G''

Triclinic deforming box - FLD only



Equilibration

- Monte Carlo Simulations - System Energy per Colloid. Volume Fraction 0.3



Under 5×10^{-4} M salt concentration, the systems can arrest at a local equilibrium.

Simulation Parameters

<u>Method</u>	<u>μ</u>	<u>ρ</u>	<u>$U[r]$</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>No. Colloids</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Pe/Cld^*</u>
•FLD	0.001 Pa-s	1000 kg/m^3	As Shown	298K	256-1370	196/3
•FEM	0.001 Pa-s	1000 kg/m^3	As Shown	298K	256-??	196/3
•SRD	1e-8 Pa-s	1000 kg/m^3	A=1.4e-25 J	2.8e-3K	256	196/2.9
•DPD	<0.001 Pa-s	1000 kg/m^3	As Shown	298K	216	196**/2.9

$$m_i \frac{d^2 \underline{r}_i}{dt^2} = \underline{F}_i^H + \underline{F}_i^B + \sum_j \underline{F}_{ij}^P$$

$$Pe = \frac{ColloidAdvectiontime}{Colloiddiffusiontime} = \frac{8\mu \dot{A}^3}{kT} \quad Cld = \frac{ColloidalForces}{Hydrodynamicforces} = \frac{A_{cc}}{kT}$$

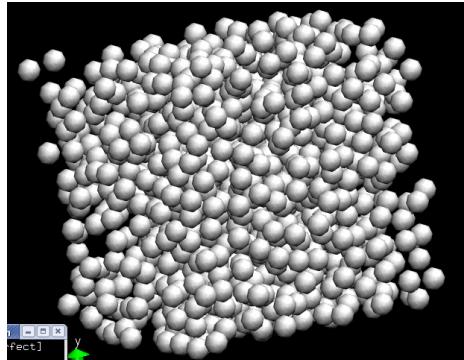
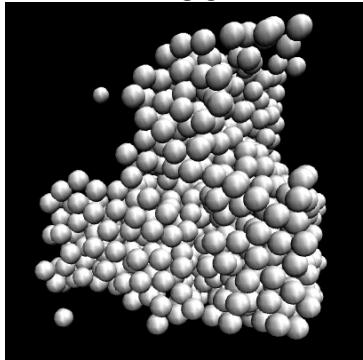
*Based on 100 s⁻¹, 298K

**Achieved by adjusting the effective shear rate

Sample Results (SRD)

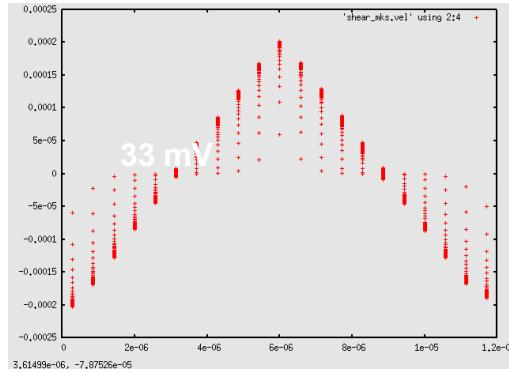
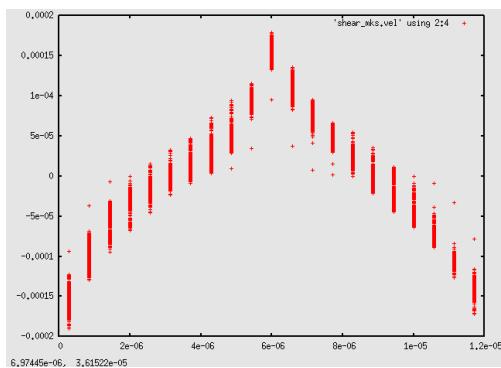
Shear-Rate 85 s⁻¹

- Volume fraction 0.30; Surface potential 33 mV and 300 mV;
 - 30 mV
 - 300 mV



- 300 mV, Electrolyte concentration 0.0001 M

- Electrolyte concentration 0.1 M

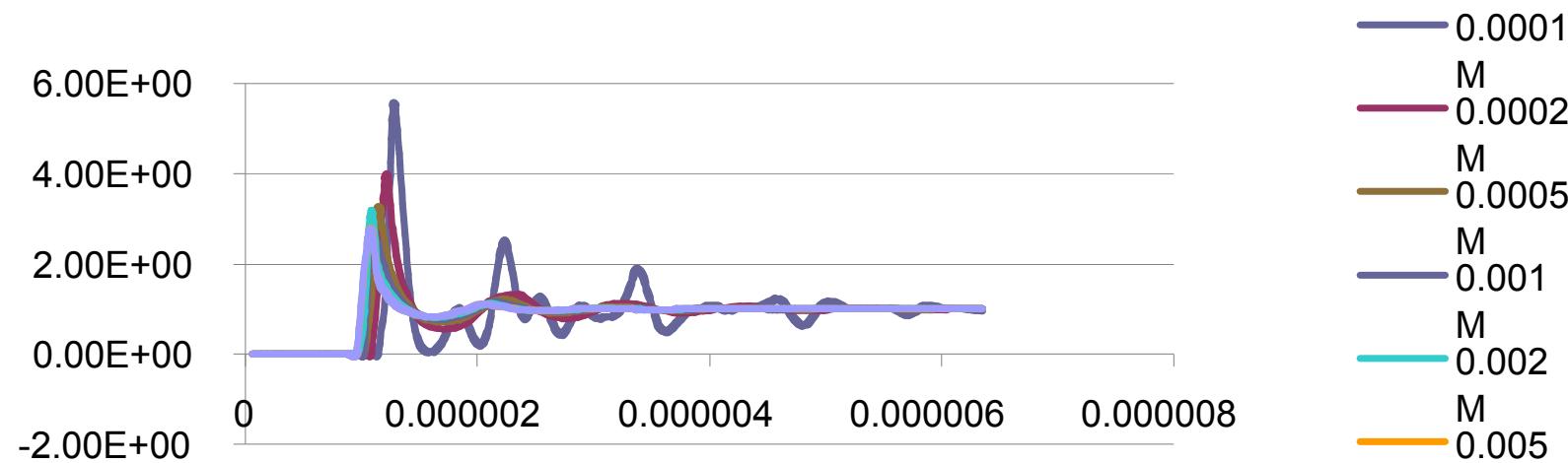


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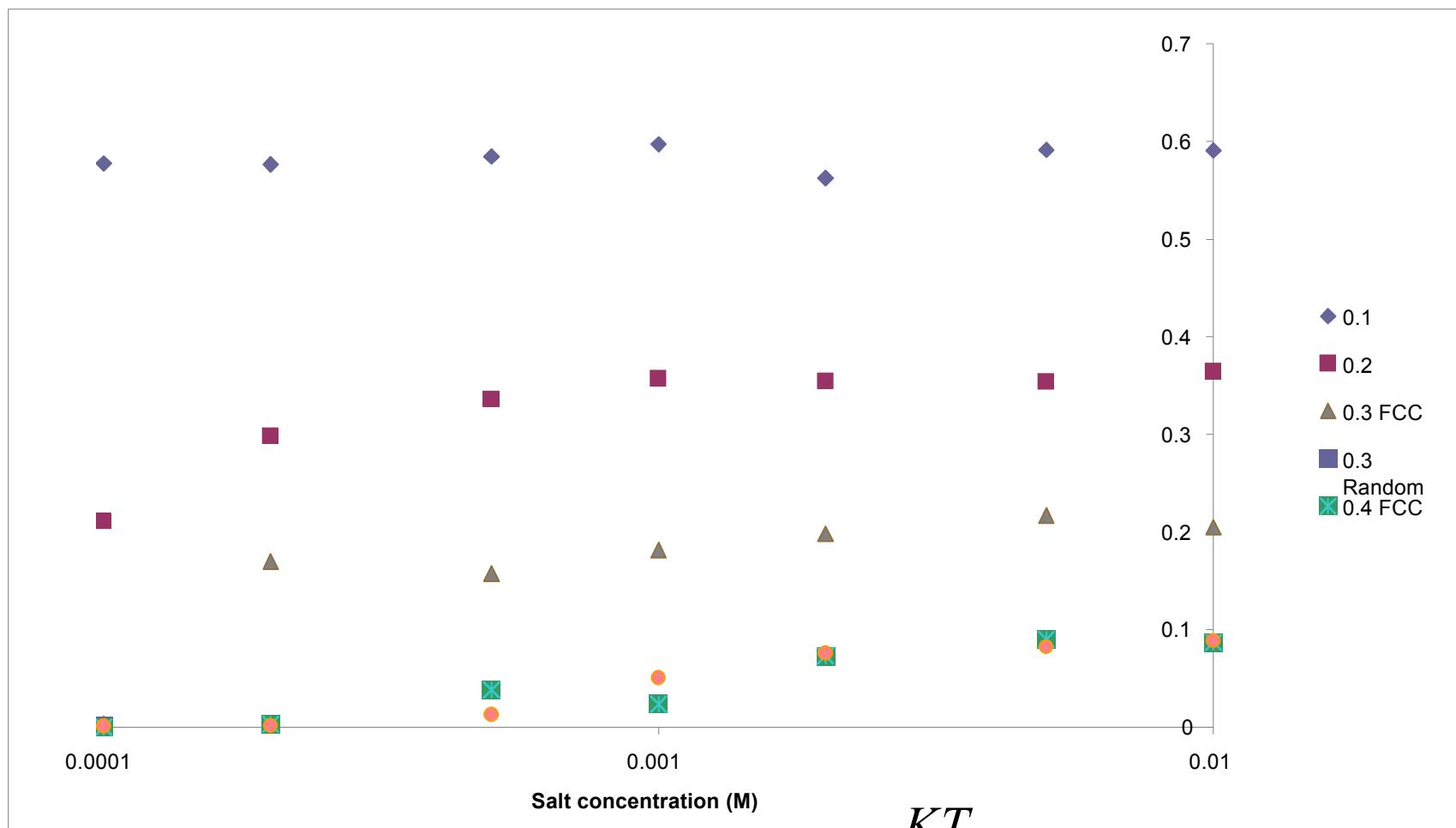
- Velocity Profile - MP Method

Cross-Comparison: Equilibrium Structure Properties

phi = 0.3, random IC

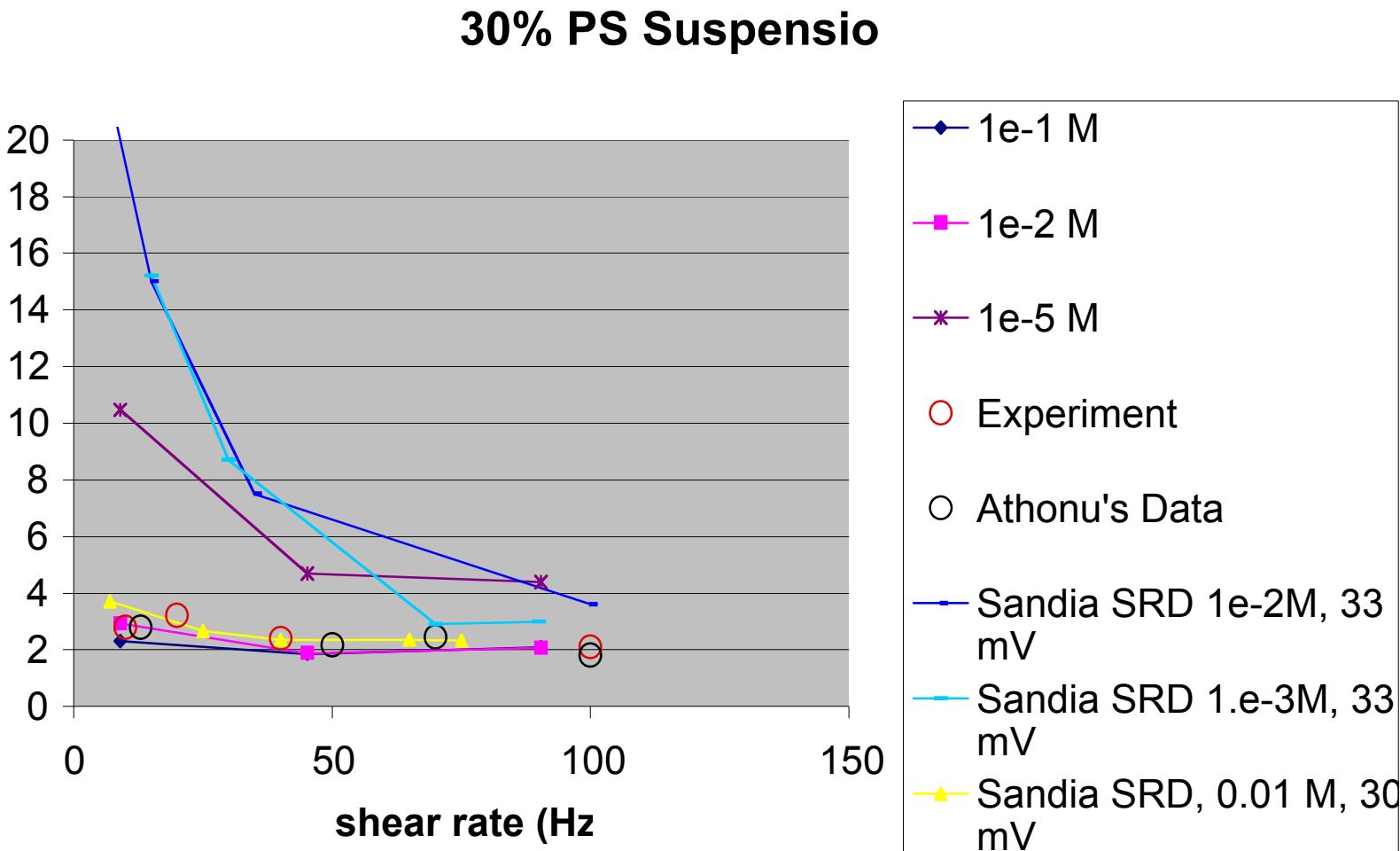


Cross-Comparison: Diffusivities



$$D_0 = \frac{KT}{6\pi\mu a} = 4.6 \times 10^{-13} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$$

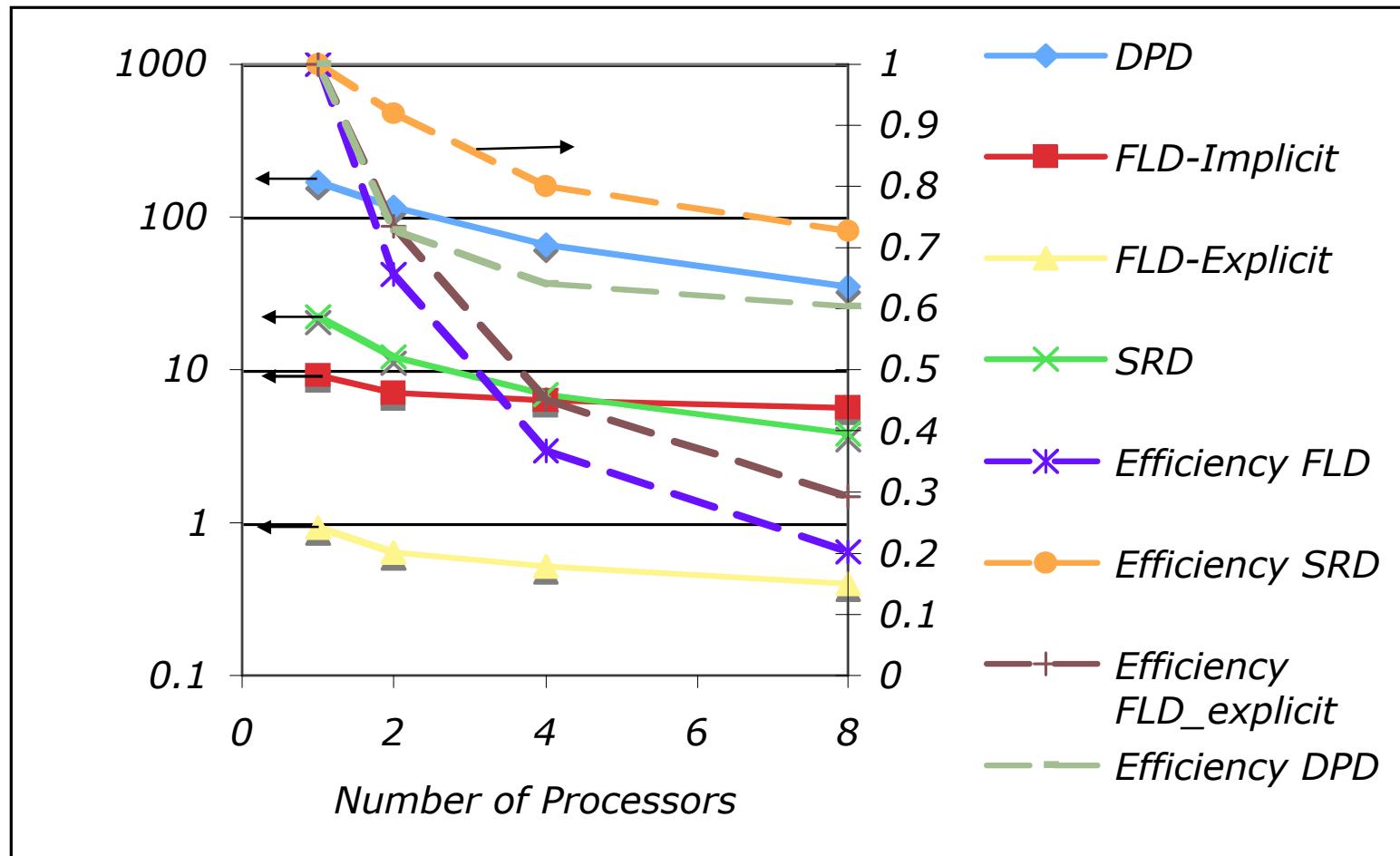
Cross Comparison for Rheology. Experimental comparison



Performance Comparison

0.3 Vol. % PS in Water, 0.001M NaCL, ~220-256 Colloids

- Time reported for 1000 time steps for equilibration/diffusion measurement run. Timings on 8000-node T-Bird Machine: Dual 3.6 GHz Intel EM64T Processors.





Performance Comparison - The Real Story

0.3 Vol. % PS in Water, 0.001M NaCL, ~220-256 Colloids

- Parallel Performance of FLD-Implicit:

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- Wall-Clock Time to Integrate to 1 s real time (4 Proc):

FLD	FLD expl	SRD	DPD
124 s	49,961s (13.8 hrs)	69,000 s (~19 hrs) ~2 hrs on 32 proc	~300 hrs

- So why no simply go with implicit FLD? Accuracy and Stokes...



Retrospective and Outlook

Implemented/Developed and demonstrated four solver-methods for dynamics of meso-scale simulations of colloidal suspensions -- *Our work is aimed at the nanoparticle scale.*

Presented verification and validation results (cross-compare and comparisons with experimental test data)

- Radial distribution functions compare well across all methods, verifying potentials
- Diffusivities predicted by FLD and SRD agree at 0.2 and 0.3 volume fraction.
- DPD-predicted diffusivities suspect at all volume fractions.
- Viscosity at moderate shear rates (1-100 s⁻¹) predicted well vs. volume fraction.

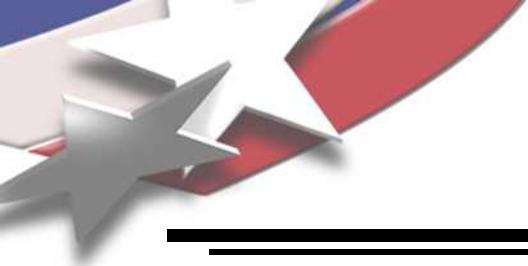
SRD shows the best parallel scalability. FLD-Impl the most cost-effective despite its limitations.

Considering the overall criteria of “Better, faster”:

- Winner: Give to FLD_impl for overall efficiency.
- Loser: Give to DPD for lack of efficiency and accuracy.

SDS confounding our validation effort and in some sense spoiling it. Suspected that a coating is influencing the effective Hamaker constant and influencing the effective potential.

DPD is just too compute-intensive for this class of problem to be practical, notwithstanding its issues with accuracy. Reasons are primarily time-step limitations, and inefficient solvent representation.



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