# Prediction of Filter Efficiency and Filter Life Time in Different Regimes

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## Filter Efficiency

#### Basic idea:

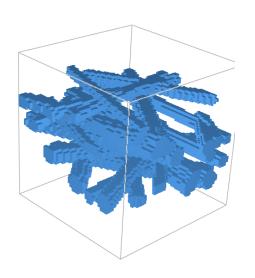
- 1. Filter model
- 2. Determine flow field
- 3. Track particles (filtered or not?)

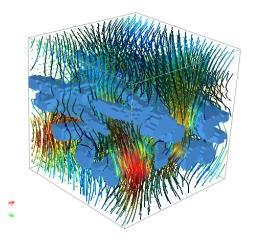
#### Randomness:

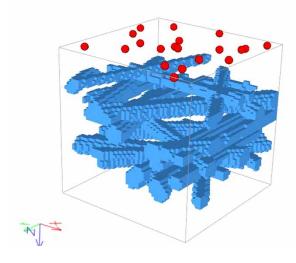
- Starting positions
- Brownian motion

#### Result:

Percentage of filtered particles







## **Tracking the Particles**

- No interaction between particles
- Flow field is not changed by a moving particle
- Modeled effects:
  - Inertia
  - Brownian motion
  - Electrostatic attraction or repulsion



### **Adhesion Model**

What happens when a particle hits the filter material?

- a) sticks to material (deposited)
- b) bounces off

Particles always stick => *Caught on first touch* model
Particles always bounce off => *Sieving* model

Particles loose energy when bouncing => **Restitution** factor



### **Hamaker Model**

Adhesive forces: 
$$F_{vdW} = \frac{Hd}{12a^2}$$

(van-der-Waals forces between spherical particle and flat surface)

H Hamaker constant [J]d Particle diametera Distance between particle and surface

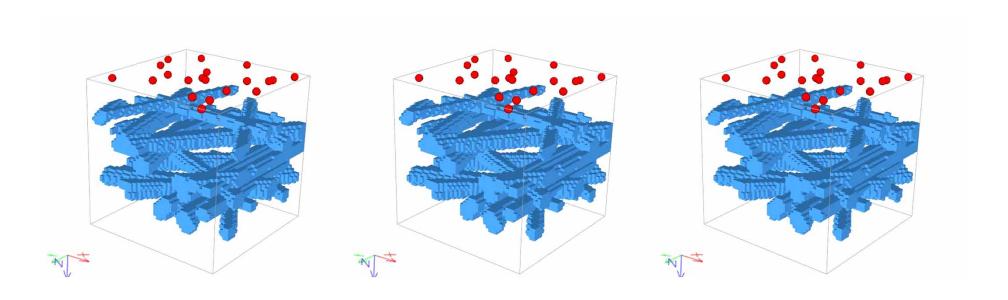
#### Escape velocity:

- 1. Integrate from a0 (min distance = 4e-10) to infinity
- 2. Compare with kin. energy of particle

$$v^2 = \frac{H}{4\pi\rho a_0 r^2}$$
 Particle sticks for smaller velocities v.



## Comparison



Caught on first touch

Hamaker H =1e-21 Restitution = 0.5 Sieving



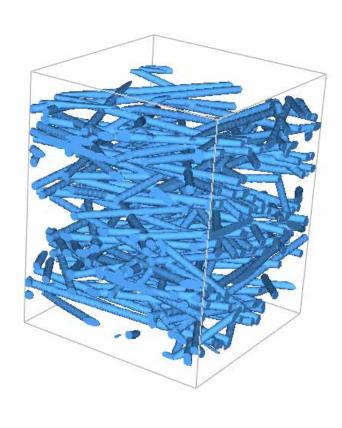
## Example

- 200³ voxels + 30 inflow, 20 outflow
- Voxel length 0.95 μm
- 90 % porosity
- Fiber diameter 6 μm

#### Flow field:

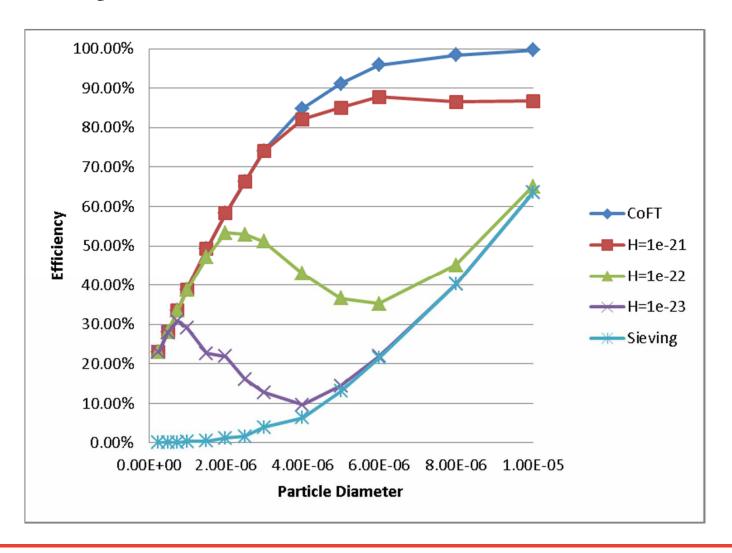
- Water at 20° C
- v = 0.008 m/s
- Restitution = 0.5







## **Efficiency**





#### **Comments**

- Results are dependent on fluid velocity and viscosity.
- Parameters need to be fitted to experiments (by the user!).
  - Need: tomogram of the clean filter
  - Need: efficiency measurement for this filter
- FilterDict UDF allows full access to adhesion model.



### Filter Life Time Simulations

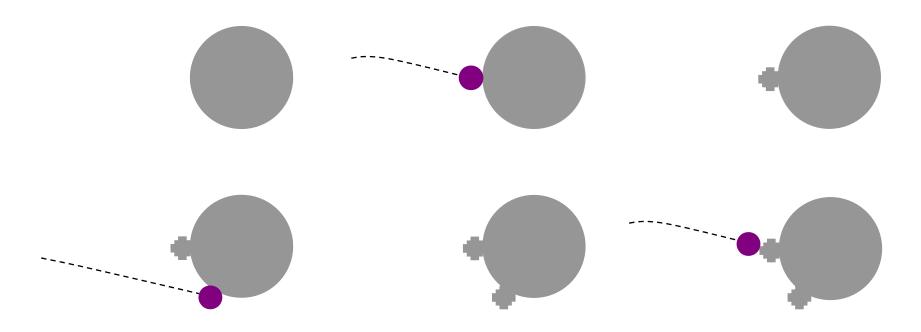
#### Basic idea:

- 1. Filter model
- 2. Determine flow field
- 3. Track particles
- 4. Deposit particles (change structure)
- 5. Determine flow field (consider deposited dust)
- 6. Track particles (consider deposited dust)

time step: batch



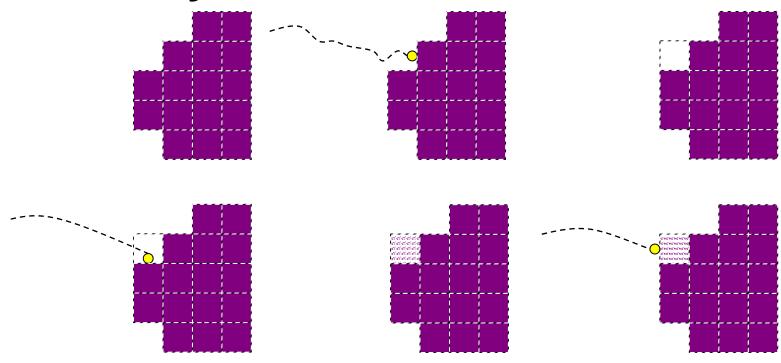
## Solid/Empty Model



- Particle diameter > voxel length
- Flow modeled with Stokes equation



## **Partially Filled Voxels**



- Particle diameter < voxel length</li>
- Flow modeled with Stokes-Brinkman equation (porous voxels: local flow resistivities)



## **Local Flow Resistivity**

Particle Deposition: fill a (volume) fraction of a voxel 0<f<1

Volume Fraction	Particle Collision	Flow Resistivity
$0 < f \le f_{min}$	empty	0 (empty)
$f_{min} < f < f_{max}$	empty	$\frac{f-f_{min}}{f_{max}-f_{min}}\sigma_{max}$ (linear)
$f_{max} \le f$	solid	$\sigma_{max}$
f = 1	solid	∞ (solid)



### **Choice of Parameters**

 $f_{min}$ : should be slightly > 0, no big influence on results

 $f_{max}$ : solid volume fraction inside of dust agglomerations (or the filter cake)

 $\sigma_{max}$ : flow resistivity of dust agglomerations (or the filter cake)

How can  $f_{max}$  and  $\sigma_{max}$  be found ?

- Fit to measurements
- II. Numerical simulations on a sub-scale (i.e. particle diameter > voxel length)



#### II. Numerical Simulations on a Sub-Scale

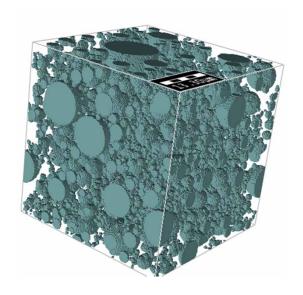
1. Model deposition (here: SAE Fine Dust)

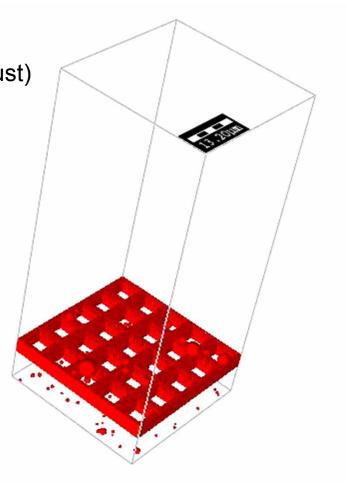
2. Take a piece of cake

3. Porosity: 73.5 % =>  $f_{max}$  = 0.265

4. Use FlowDict-EJ Stokes:

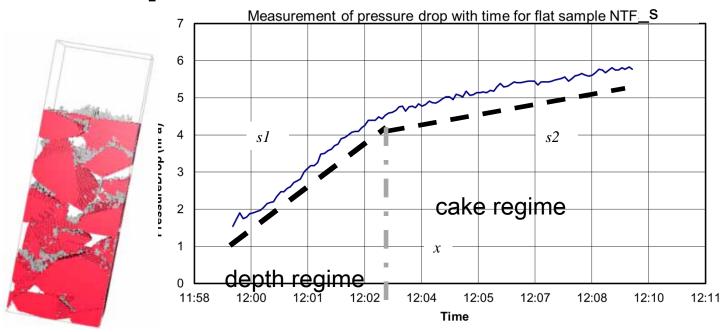
Flow resistivity:  $\sigma_{max}$  = 6.8 e+7







## **Example: Fit to Measurements**





Ceramic **D**iesel **P**articulate **F**ilter media (Fraunhofer IKTS)

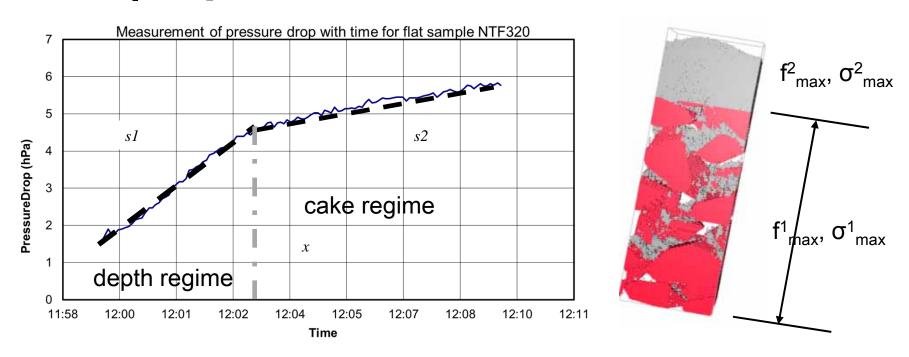
#### Obervation:

- 1. fast initial pressure drop increase (depth filtration)
- 2. long slower pressure drop increase (cake filtration)





### Cake Depth Model



f<sup>1</sup><sub>max</sub>: max soot concentration per *depth* voxel determines x

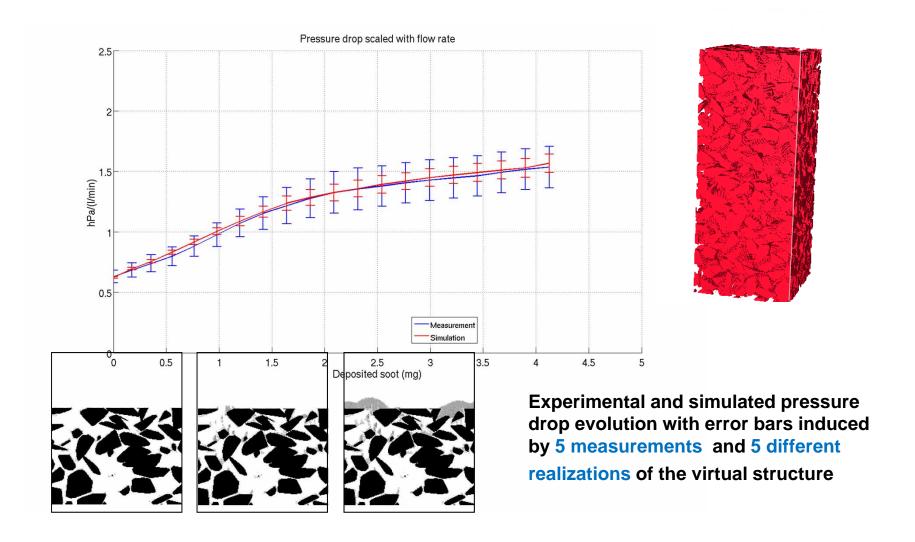
 $\sigma^{1}_{max}$ : max flow resistivity for (full) *depth* voxel determines s1

f<sup>2</sup><sub>max</sub>: max soot concentration per *cake* voxel determines cake height

 $\sigma^2_{\text{max}}$ : max flow resistivity for (full) *cake* voxel determines s2



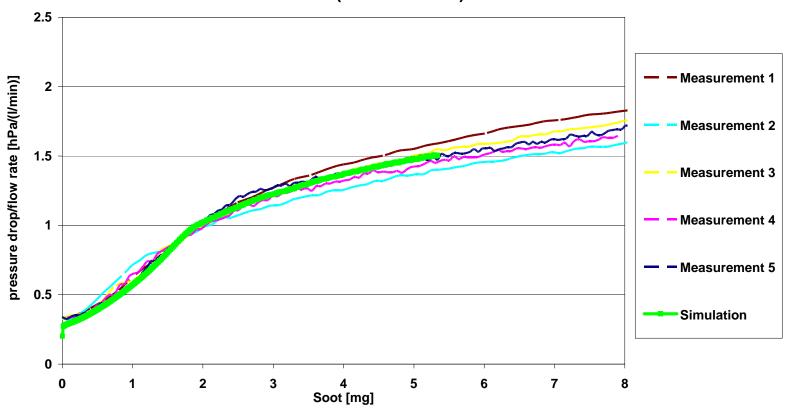
#### **Simulations with Fitted Parameters**





### Predicting power of the model

Measurement vs. Simulation: pressure drop scaled by flow rates with soot (For Prediction)



Experimental and simulated pressure drop for a different ceramic, NTF\_B, with parameters found by fitting against the measurements of NTF\_S.

The difference between S and B lies in grain sizes and consequently pore sizes.



### Summary

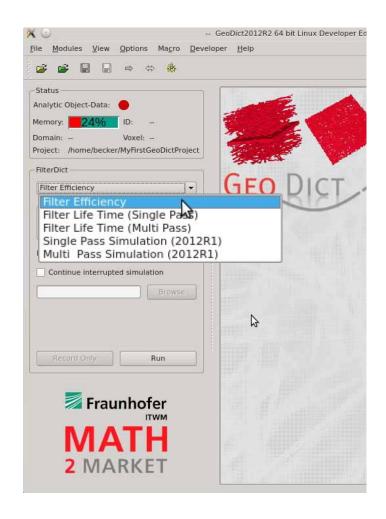
Fine-tuning of adhesion and clogging models:

- Efficiency
  - Hamaker constant and restitution
  - FilterDict UDF allows to implement own model
- Life Time
  - Porosity of deposited soot/dust
  - Flow resistivity in a partially filled voxel



- Redesign of FilterDict dialogs
- Split efficiency and single pass
- Improvements in models and algorithms

## Thank you!





## Some Slides for FilterDict Experts...



# FilterDict Refactoring Summary (GeoDict 2012R1 Version)

- Renamed FilterSolver to Tracker
- 2. Flow solver called from GeoDict, not from FilterSolver
  - allows parallel execution of flow solver and Tracker in Windows
- 3. Tracker parallelization improved
  - Geometry, flow field and e-field data stored distributed (now: each proc only stores a slice, prev.: full data field on each proc)
  - Flow field stored as float (instead of double), geometry as 4-bit
- 4. Only small changes in GUI



#### 1. Hamaker formula corrected

- Prev.:  $v^2 = \frac{H}{8\pi\rho a_0 r^2}$
- Now:  $v^2 = \frac{H}{4}$

$$v$$
 = escape velocity

$$H$$
 = Hamaker constant

$$\rho$$
 = particle density

$$a_0 = 4e-10$$

$$_r$$
 = particle radius

- 2. Exact calculation of particle-wall collision points and times.
  - Prev.: test for particle-wall overlap at the end of an ODE time step
  - Now: find place, time and collision normal when particle touches wall
    - changes FilterDict UDF

- 3. Adjustment of "Sieving" criterion
  - Prev.: last 5 collisions close together (particle center did not move much) and particle touches several not directly neighbored voxels.
  - Now: last 5 collisions close together (particle center did not move much) and with different, not directly neighbored voxels.
- 4. Flow solver files contain physical units (no dimensionless values)
  - removed LB-Solver (ParPac)
  - \*.vap instead of \*.mom files (Advantage: \*.vap has ASCII header, which allows for additional information, e.g. double or float, voxel corner or center)
  - allows to use Navier-Stokes in FilterDict



- 5. Enhanced interpolation of velocities
  - Prev.: \*.mom file contains values at voxel center (averaged for EJ, EFV)
  - Now: \*.vap file contains staggered grid data as used in EJ, EFV
- 6. "Time per Batch" instead of "Particles per Batch" also in SinglePass
  - Tracker respects batch time interval (prev.: max. # time steps in ODE)
  - Particle is transfered to next batch, if it is still "in flow" at the end of the time interval
    - Changes in visualization and result files
  - Possible feature: particles starting at different times (currently only in AddiDict)



- 7. Added FilterDict-Efficiency as new command with new GUI
  - Prev.: use single pass with one batch and many particles for efficiency simulations
  - Now: can get better statistics for non-uniform distributions (e.g. SAE fine dust)
  - Less parameters

#### 8. Miscellaneous

- Cunningham correction choosable in GUI
- Additional model available for clogging and flow resistivity (Cake|Depth)
- 2012R1 macros still run (compatibility mode) if no LB solver was used.



## **Question: Single Pass GUI**

How should the SinglePass GUI look like?

What are the input values?

