

THE INFLUENCE OF SLIP FLOW ON FILTRATION SIMULATIONS ON THE NANO SCALE

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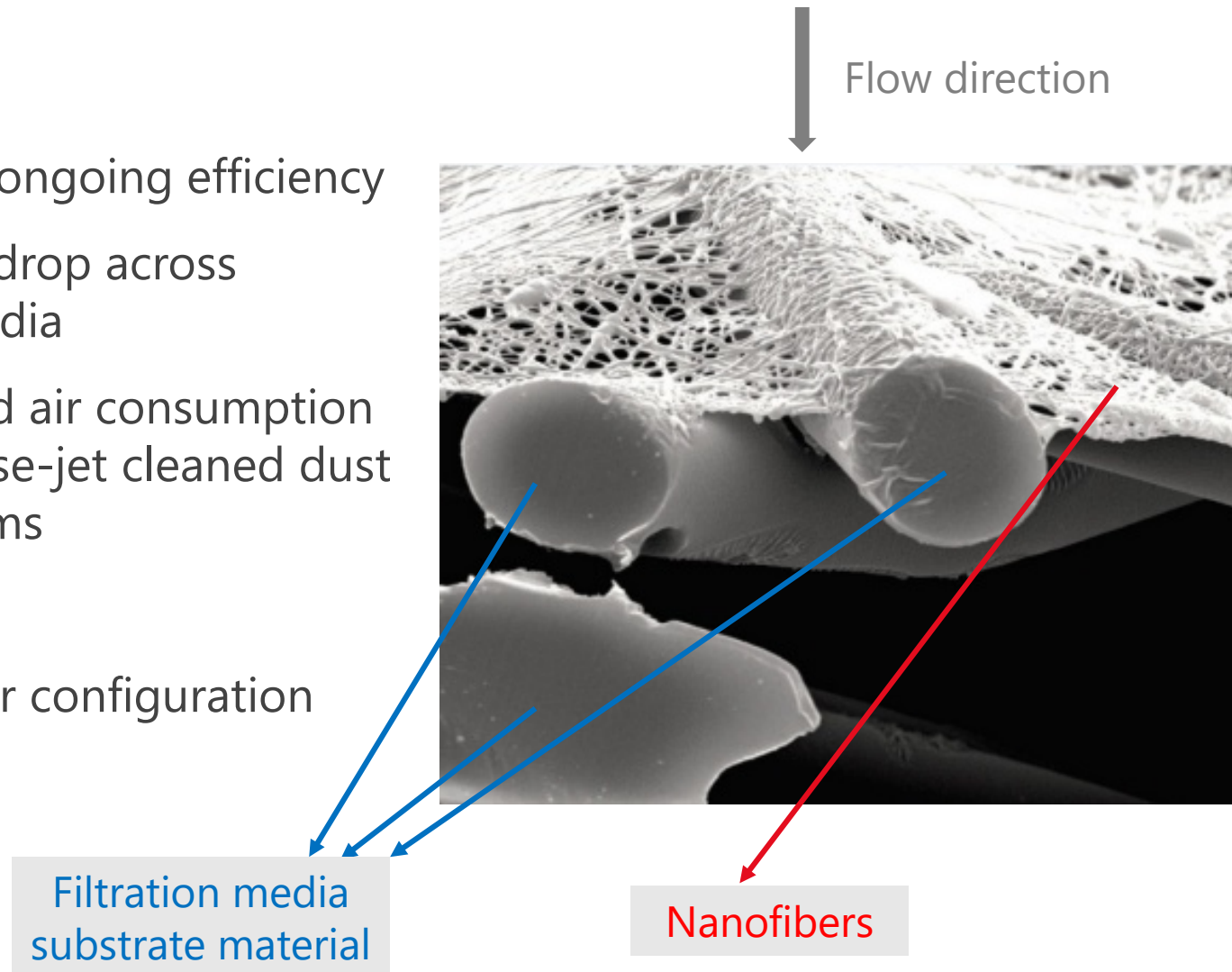
- creates and markets the scientific software GeoDict®.
- was spun off in 2011 from Fraunhofer ITWM in Kaiserslautern.
- is a privately-owned company based in Kaiserslautern, Germany.

GeoDict® - The Digital Material Laboratory

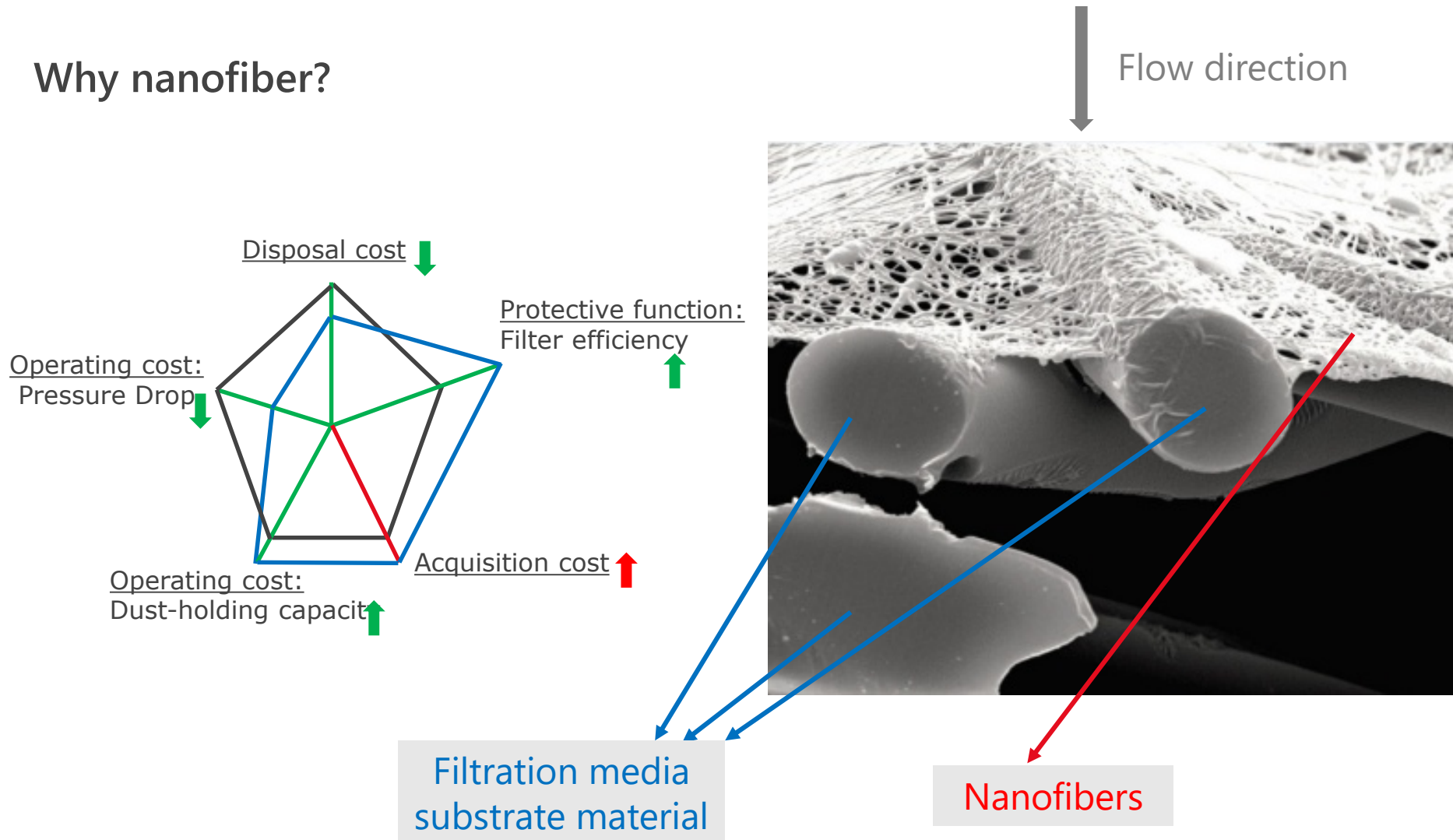
- is a software tool to analyze and design the microstructure of porous media and composites.
- works on
 - μ CT and FIB-SEM 3D images or
 - random geometric material models.

Why nanofiber?

- Higher initial & ongoing efficiency
- Lower pressure drop across the filtration media
- Less compressed air consumption required for pulse-jet cleaned dust collection systems
- Longer filter life
- Flexibility in filter configuration

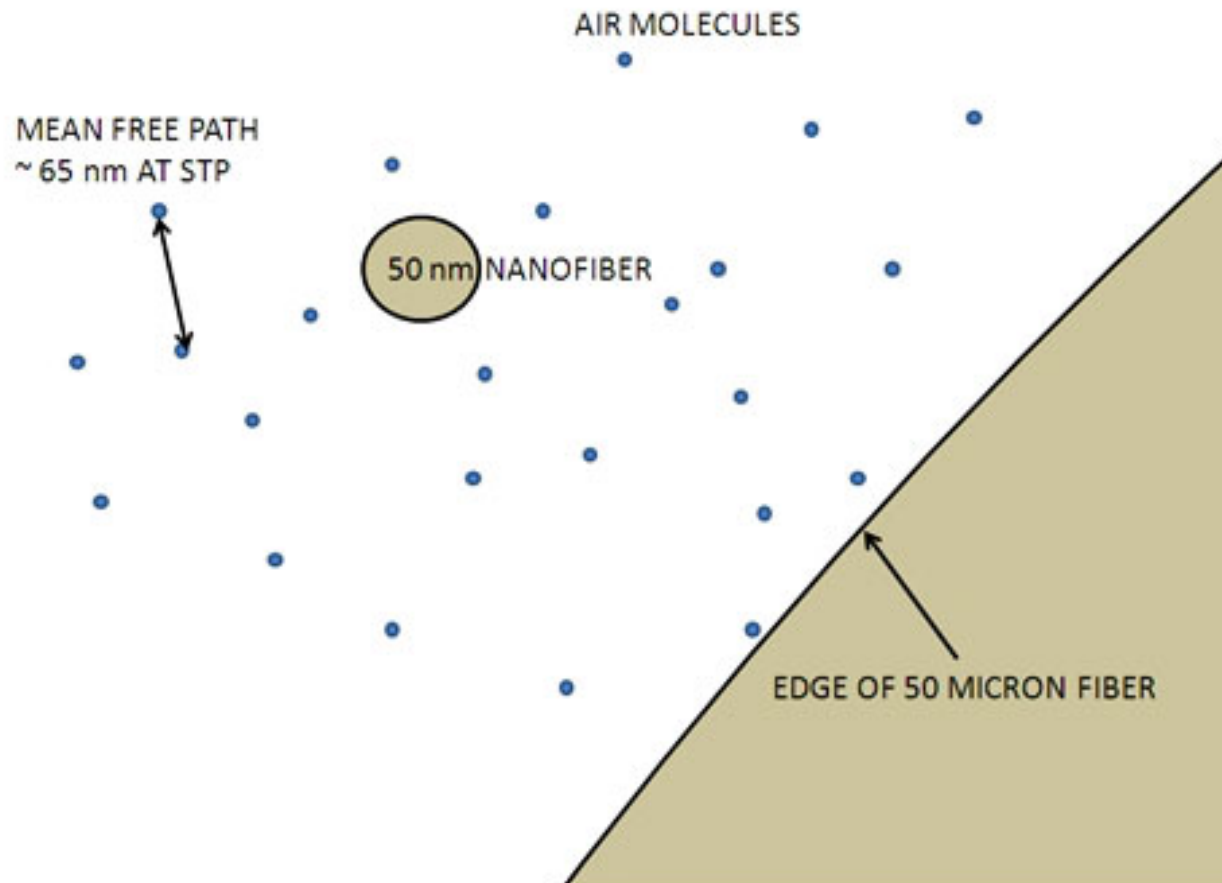


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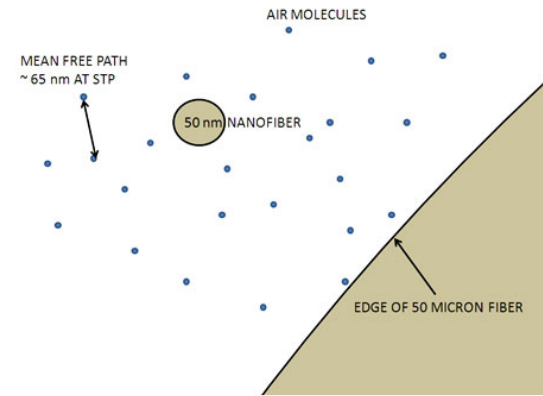
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What is slip-flow?



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MOTIVATION - NANOFIBER



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What is slip-flow?

- Microfiber
 - Air molecules collide with the fiber and stick to the surface
 - They acquire the velocity of the microfiber plus Brownian motion
 - The motion of a continuum is the average of all the molecules in a volume element, which is zero here.
- Nanofiber
 - Only a fraction of the air molecules collide.
 - The remaining retain the bulk flow motion.
 - The continuum velocity near the nanofiber surface is not zero.
- slip flow results in
 - lower pressure drop for the flow through nanofiber than microfibers when the fiber length is equal.
 - improves the single fiber capture efficiency of small particles on the nanofibers

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IMPORT



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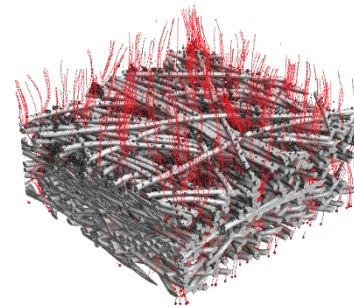
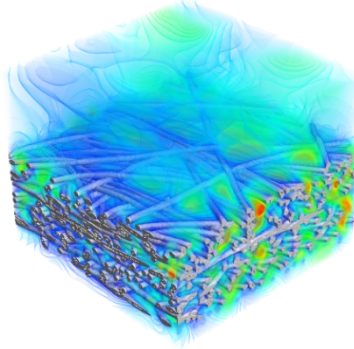
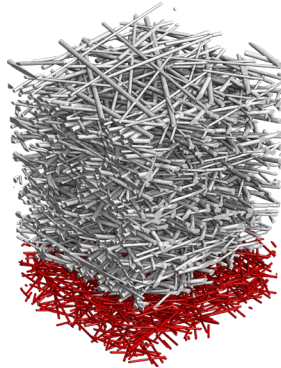
MODEL



DESIGN



NEXT GENERATION
MATERIAL



Begin with an idea: a new material with ideal properties.

Design a material from scratch or import images from a real material to create a digital material model.



DIGITAL MATERIAL

Analyze geometric properties and compute physical properties of designed or real materials.

Extract statistical data to create a Digital Twin.



STATISTICAL MODEL

A Digital Twin is the statistical representation of the real material.

Modify the Digital Twin to create Digital Prototypes and begin the design process.



DIGITAL TWIN

Digital prototypes are easily and rapidly created.

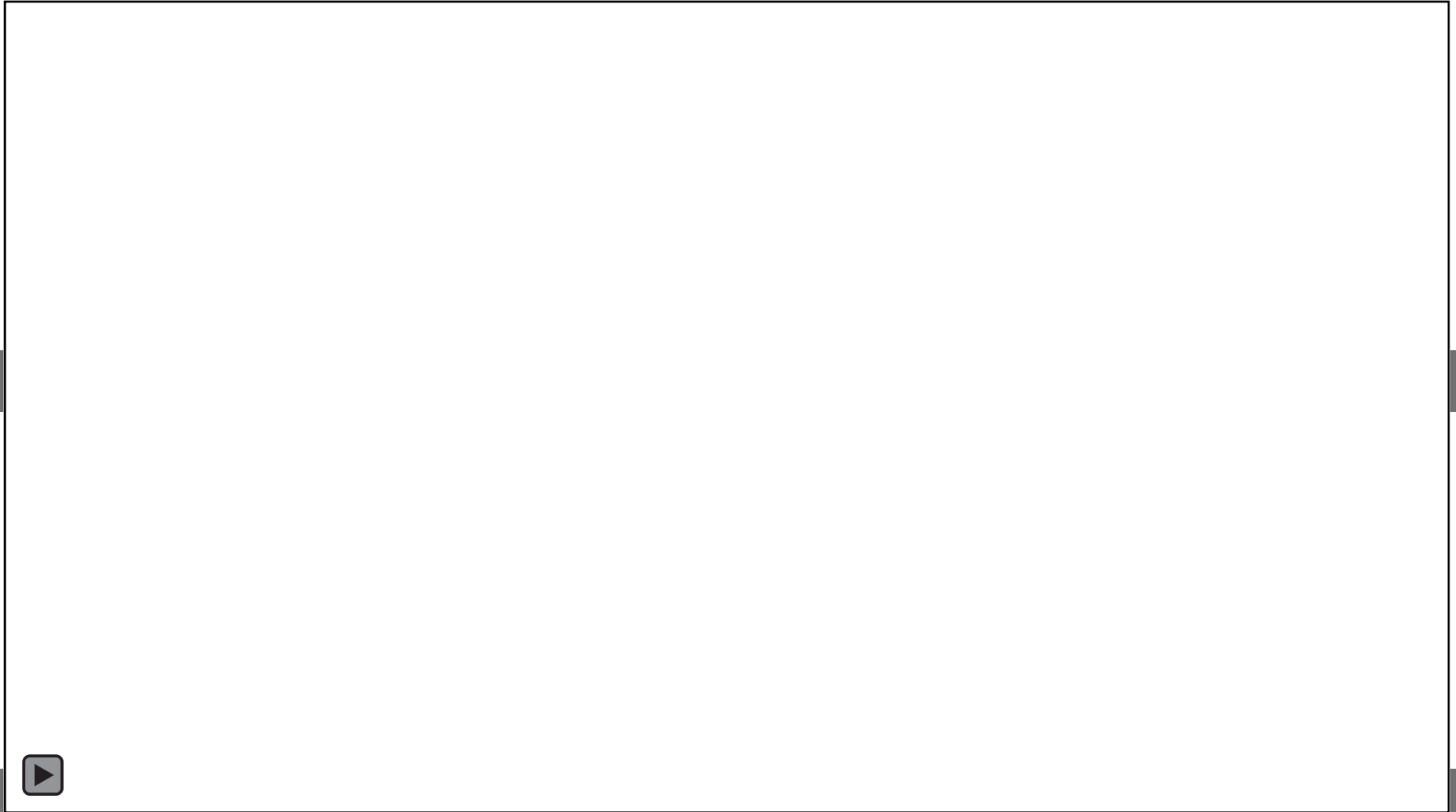
Design, simulate, and predict in a loop to find the material with the desired properties.



DIGITAL PROTOTYPES

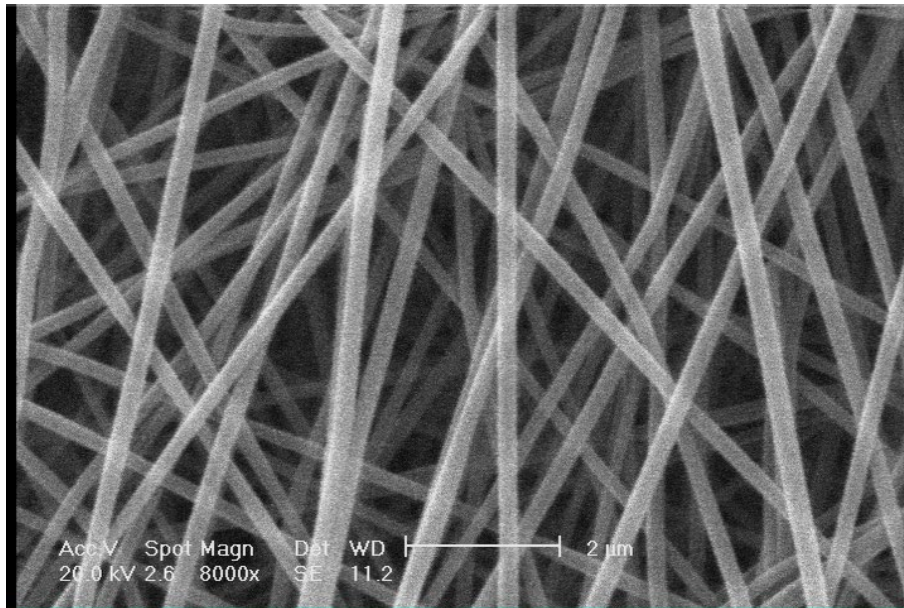
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THROUGH
SIMULATION.

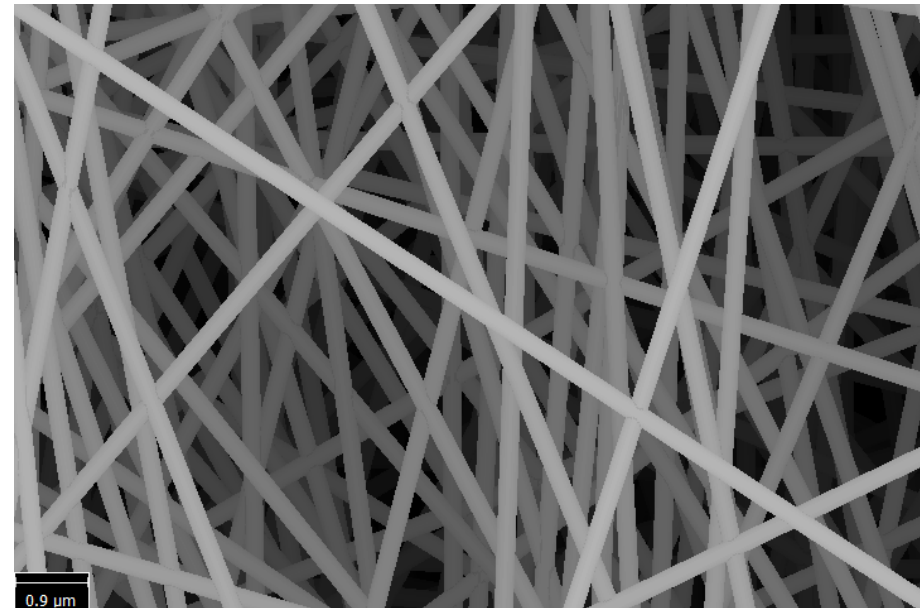


MODELLING OF NANOFIBER MEDIA FROM SEM IMAGE

Real Media (SEM)*

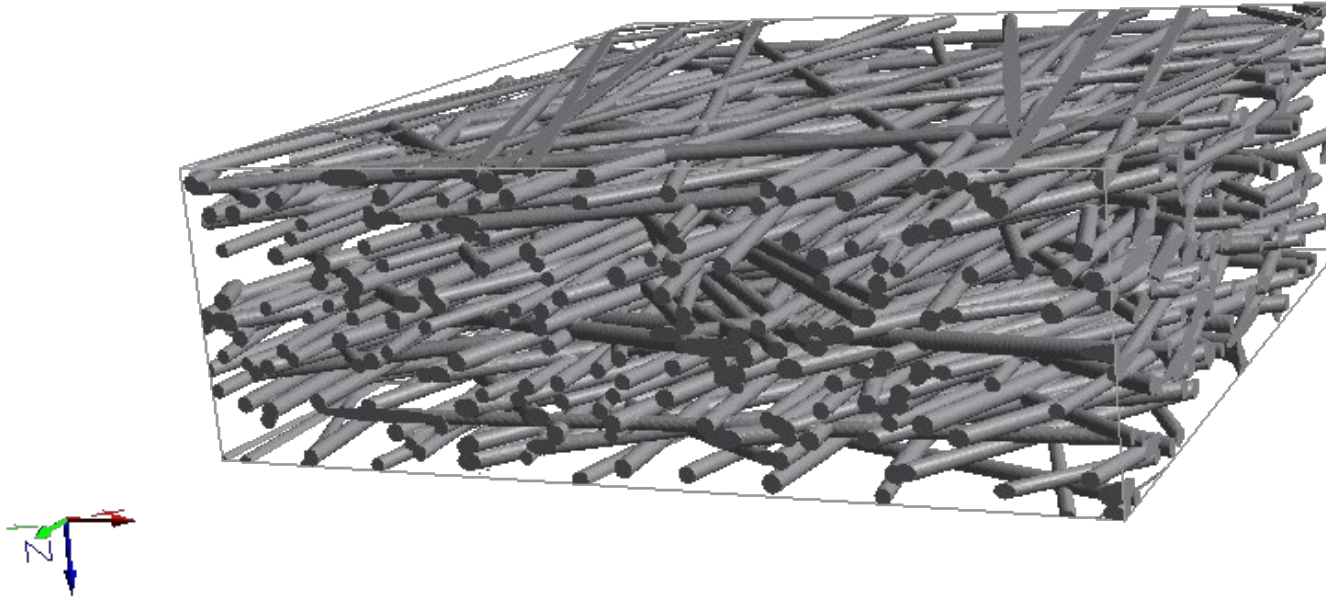


GeoDict 3D Model based on SEM



Voxel Length:	16 nm (GeoDict measured on SEM)	Orientation:	Diag. (0.27, 0.73, 0.00)
Fiber Diameter:	280 nm \pm 40 nm (GeoDict measured on SEM)	Porosity:	82%
Size 2D:	720 x 480 Pixels	Size 3D:	720 x 480 x 328 Voxels

MODELLING OF NANOFIBER MEDIA FROM SEM IMAGE



SIMULATION OF SLIP FLOW AND FILTRATION FOR NANO-FIBROUS MEDIA

For Micro fiber:

$$-\mu \Delta \vec{u} + \nabla p = 0 \quad (\text{momentum balance})$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{u} = 0 \quad (\text{mass conservation})$$

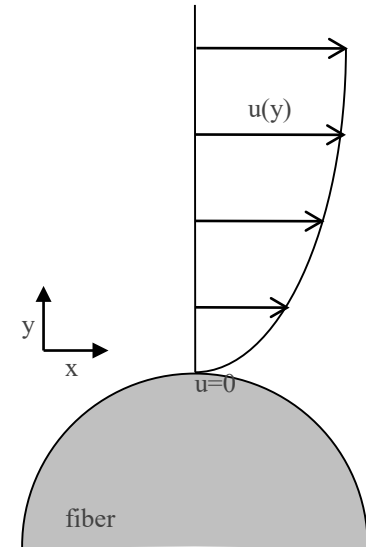
$$\vec{u} = 0 \quad \text{on } \Gamma \quad (\text{no-slip on fiber surfaces})$$

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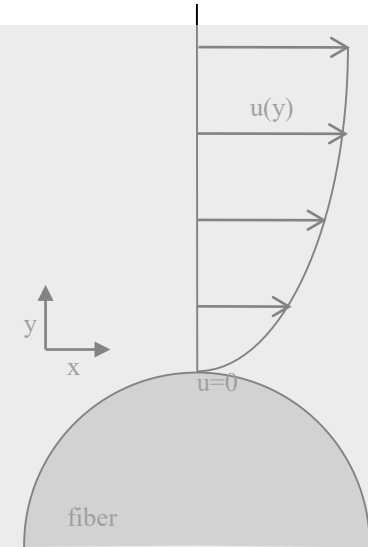
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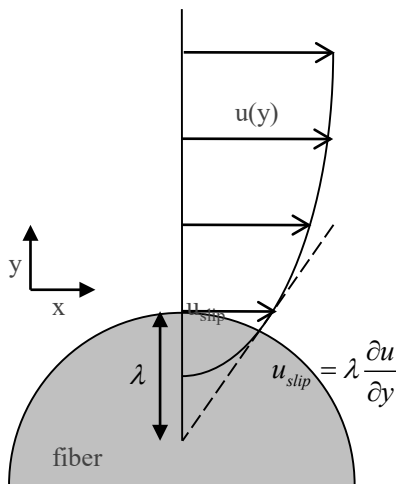
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$$\nabla \cdot \vec{u} = 0 \quad (\text{mass conservation})$$

$$\vec{n} \cdot \vec{u} = 0 \quad \text{on } \Gamma \quad (\text{no flow into fibers})$$

$$\vec{t} \cdot \vec{u} = -\lambda \vec{n} \cdot \nabla (\vec{u} \cdot \vec{t}) \quad \text{on } \Gamma \quad (\text{slip flow along fibers})$$

$$P_{in} = P_{out} + c \quad (\text{pressure drop is given})$$

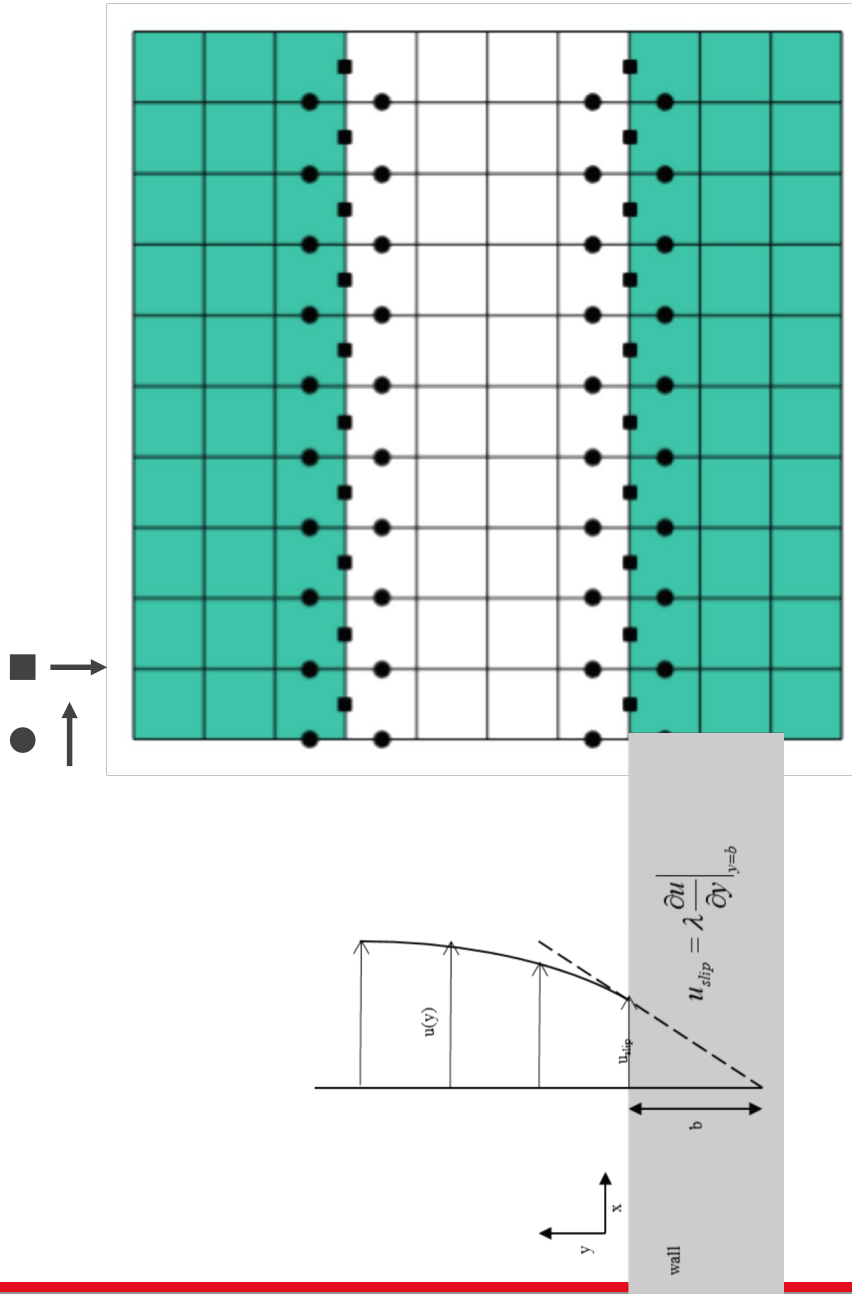


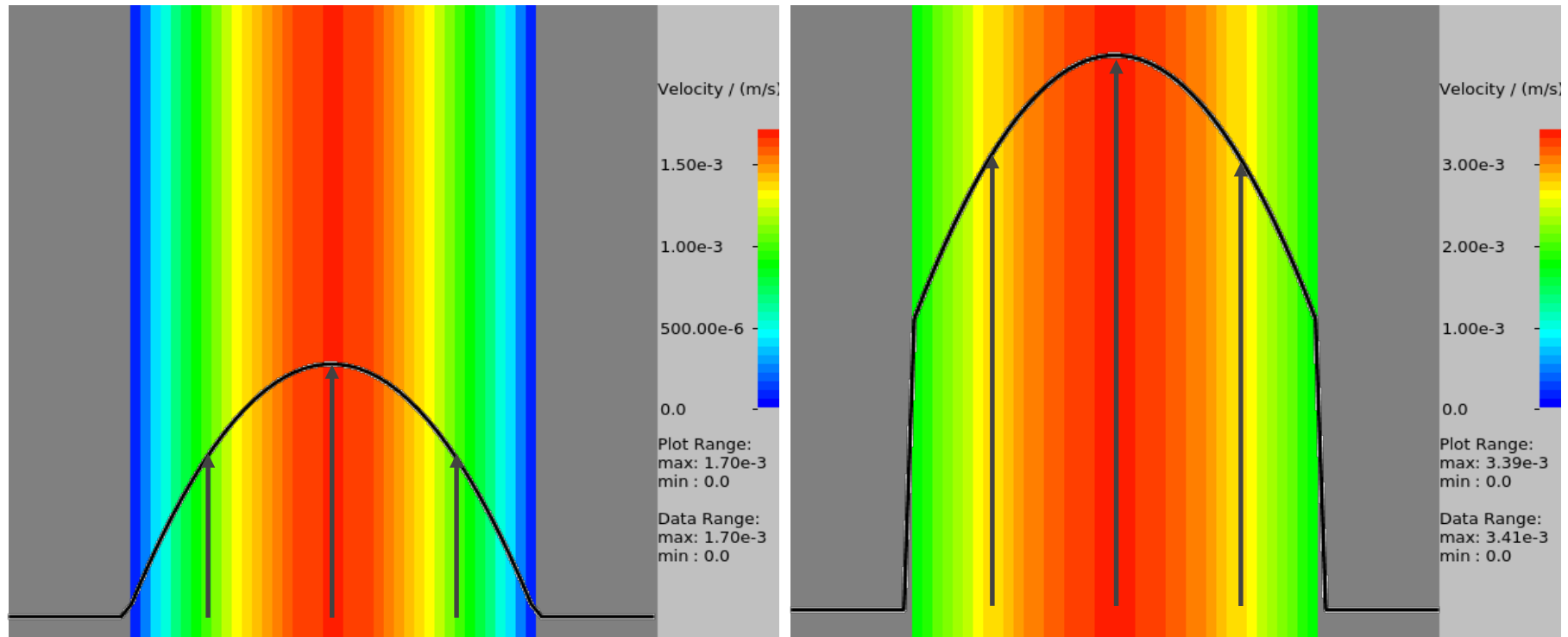
\vec{n} : normal direction to the fiber surface,

λ : slip length,

\vec{t} : any tangential direction with $\vec{t} \cdot \vec{n} = 0$.

SIMULATION OF SLIP FLOW

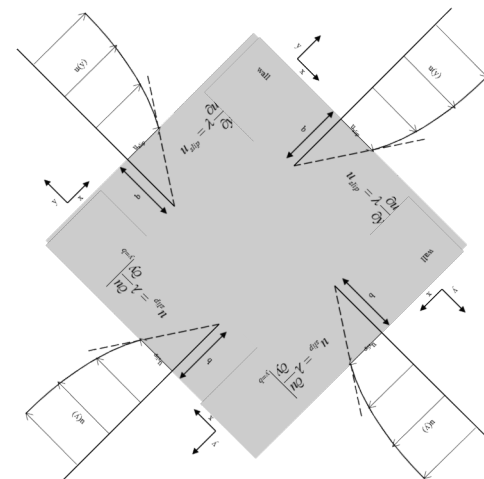
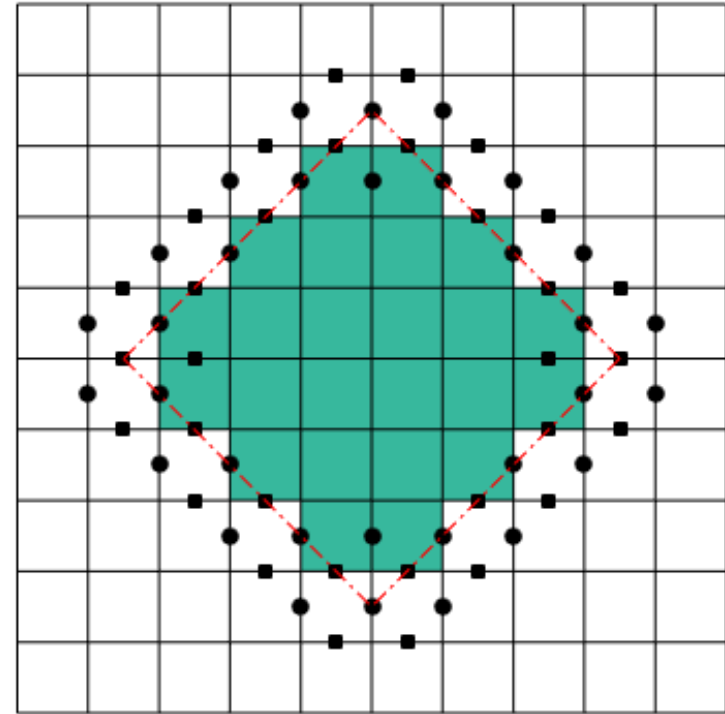
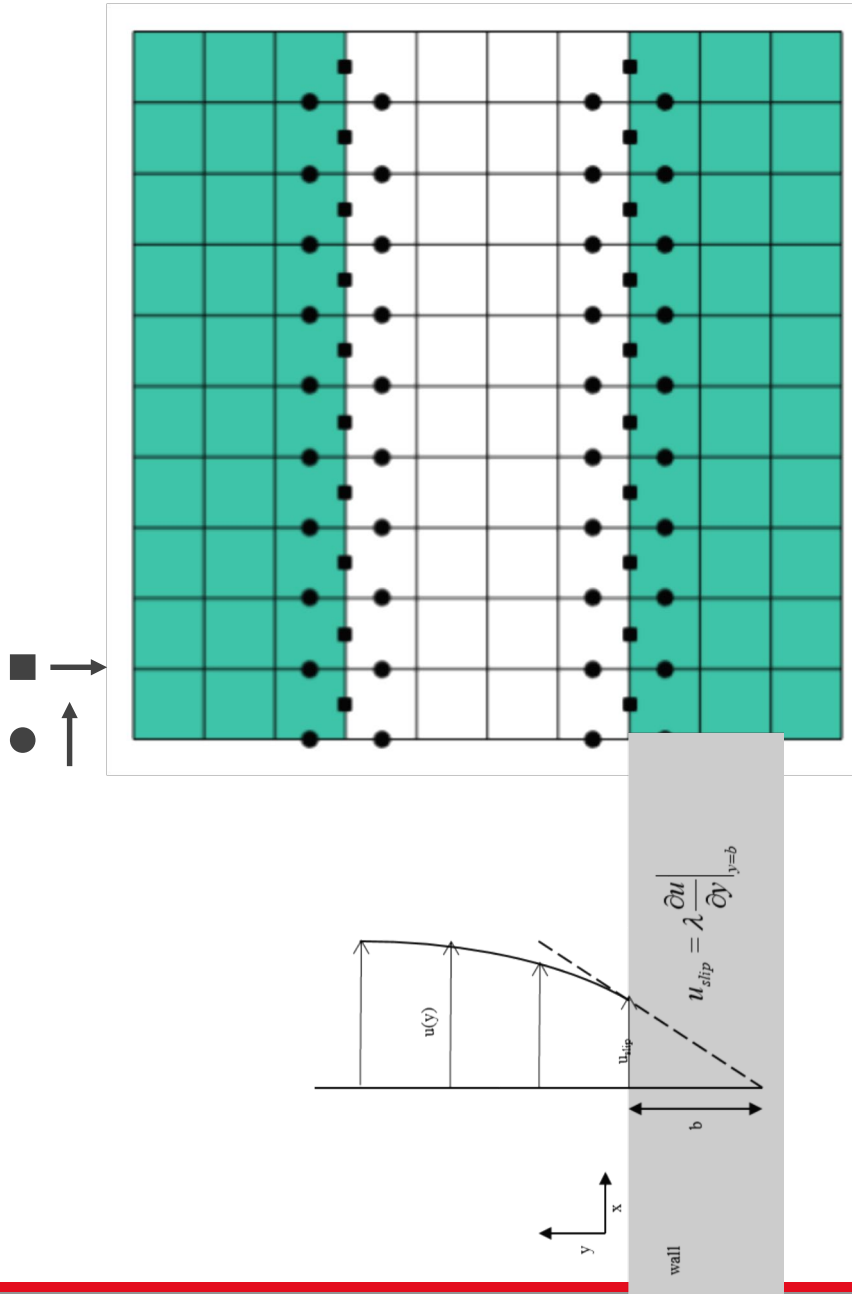


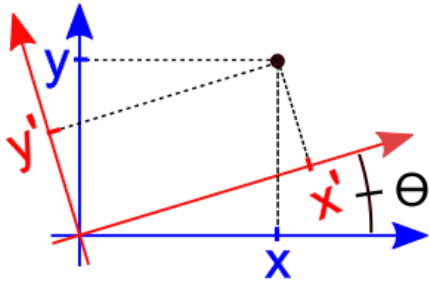


Validation: Poiseuille flow

- No-slip boundary condition for channel in axial direction possible since 2001
- Slip boundary condition for channel in axial direction possible since 2008 or earlier

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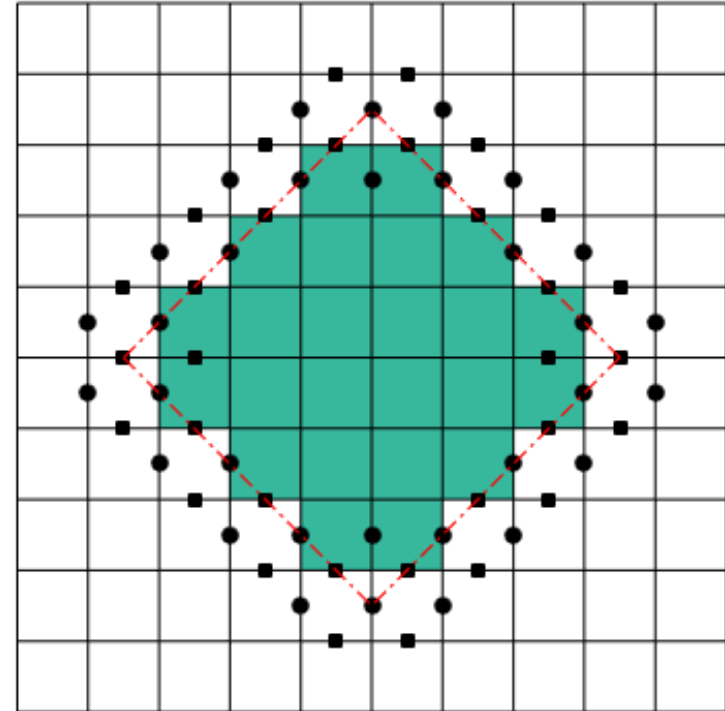


$$u = u' \cos \theta$$

$$v = u' \sin \theta$$

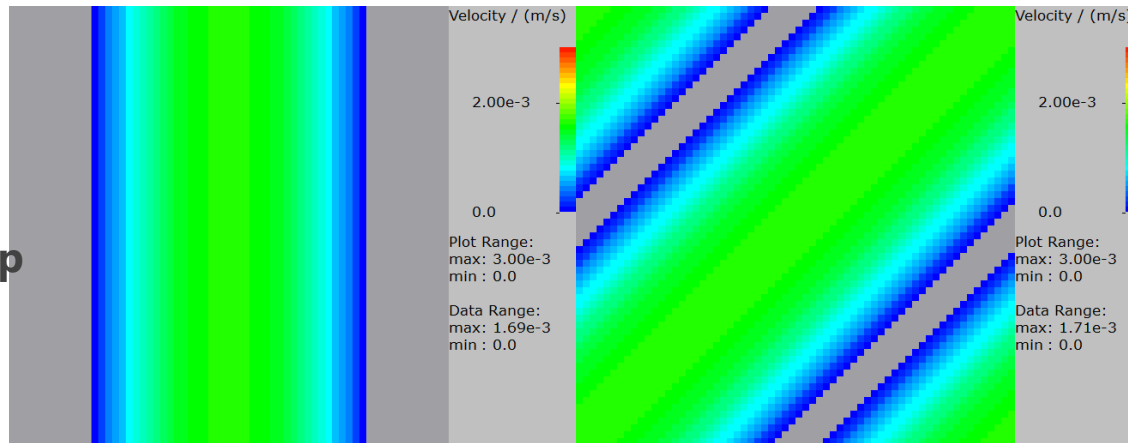
$$u \Big|_{x=0, y=0} = \frac{\lambda}{\cos \theta} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=0, y=0} = \frac{\lambda}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \Big|_{x=0, y=0}$$

$$v \Big|_{x=0, y=0} = \frac{\lambda}{\cos \theta} \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=0, y=0} = \frac{\lambda}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \Big|_{x=0, y=0}$$

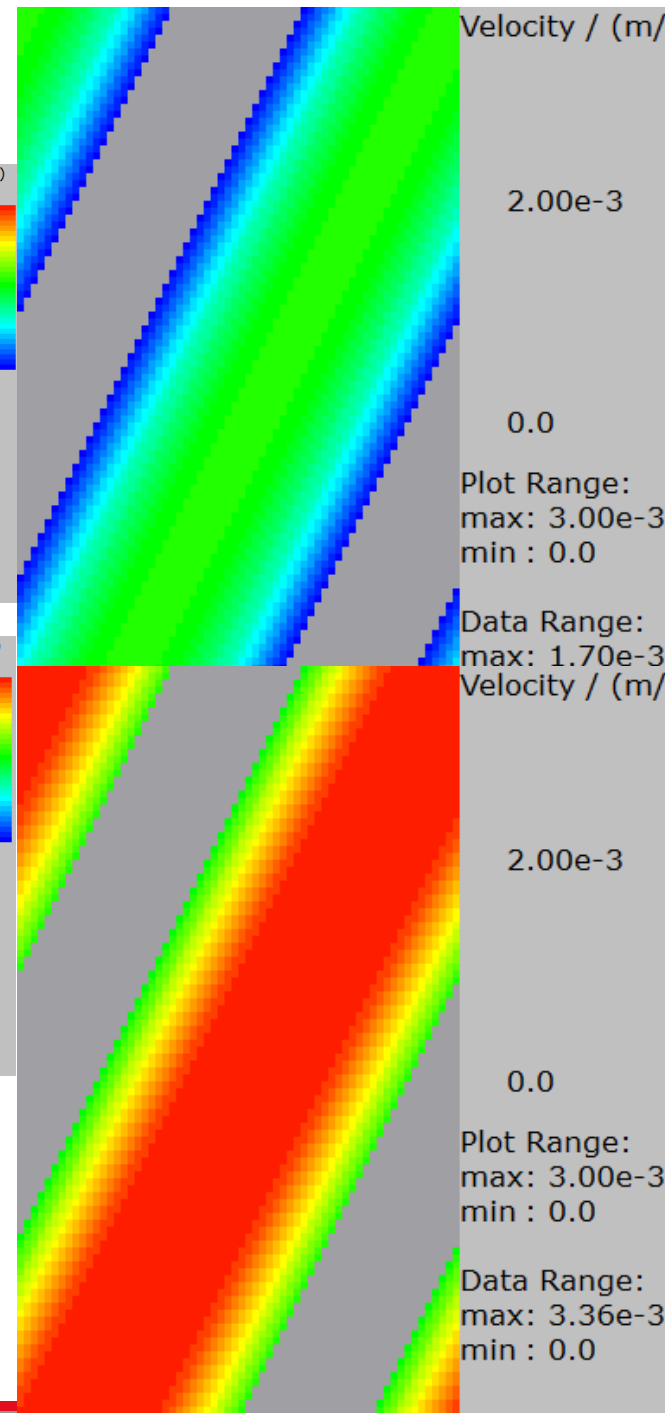
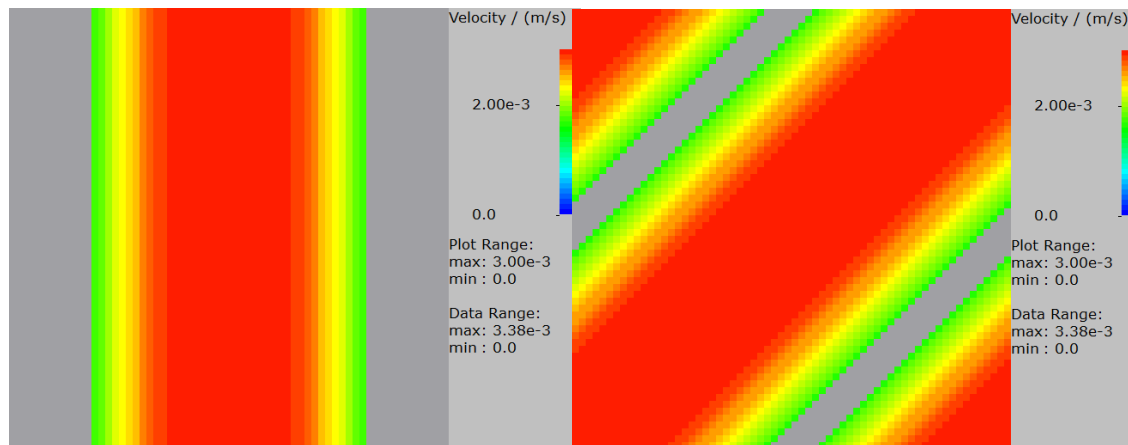


SIMULATION OF SLIP FLOW

No-slip



Slip

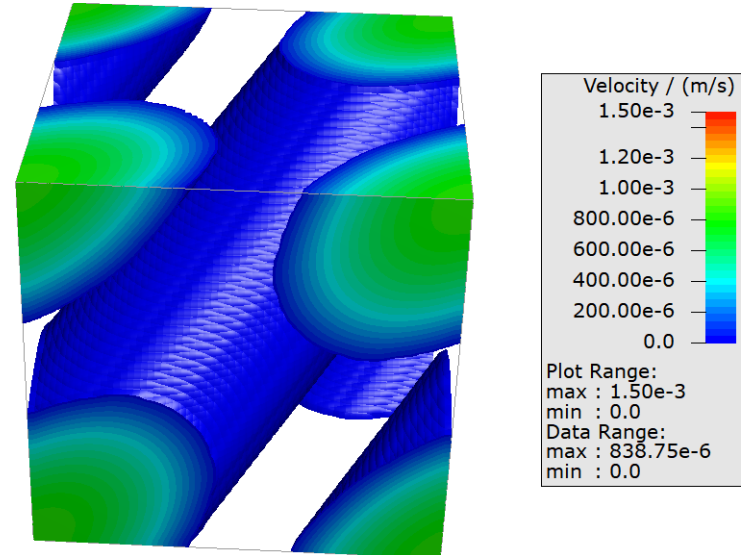
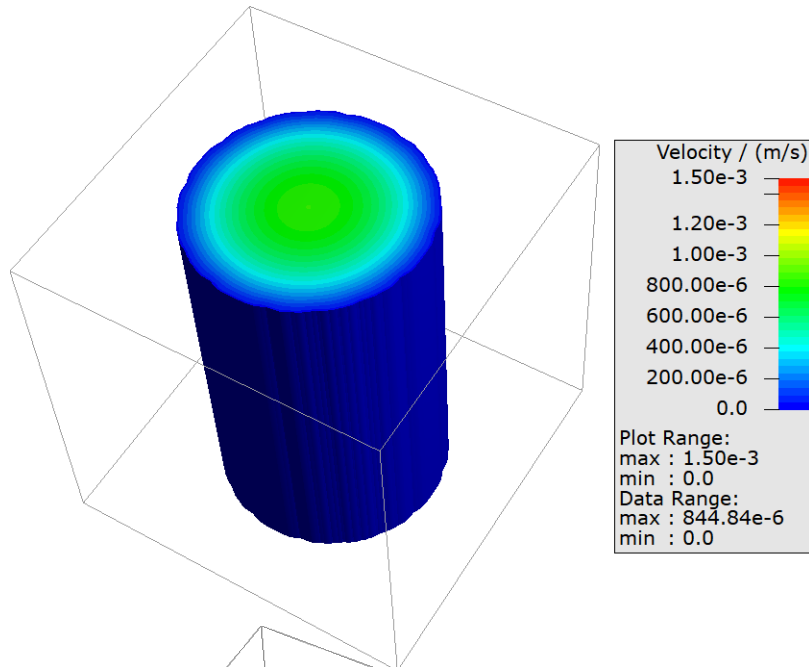


Validation I:
Planar Poiseuille flow

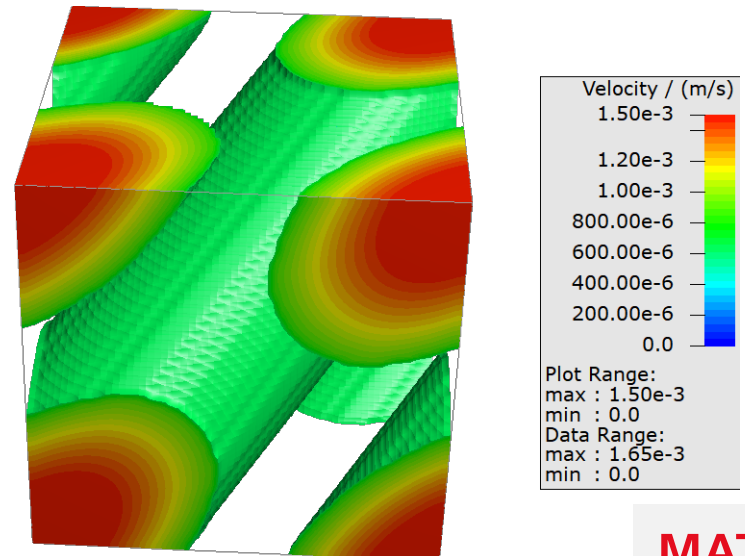
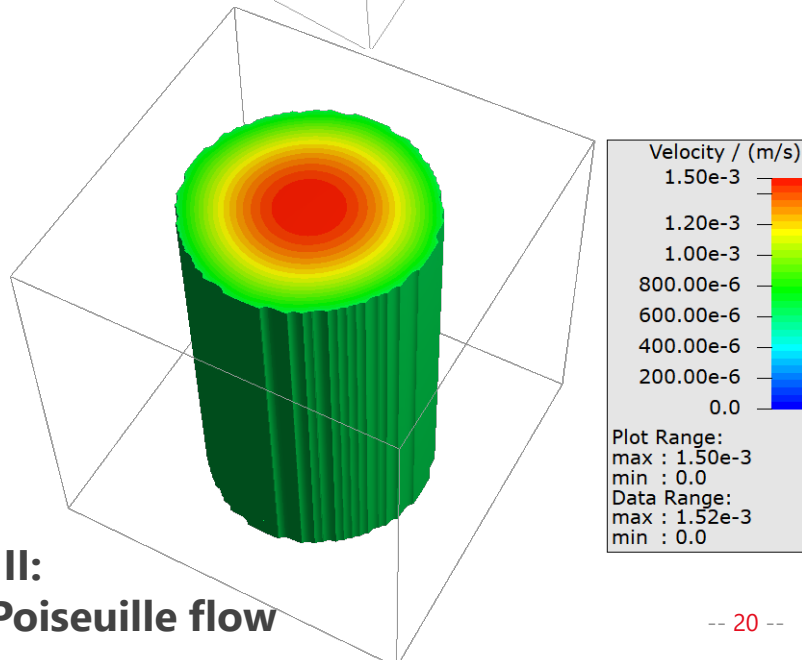
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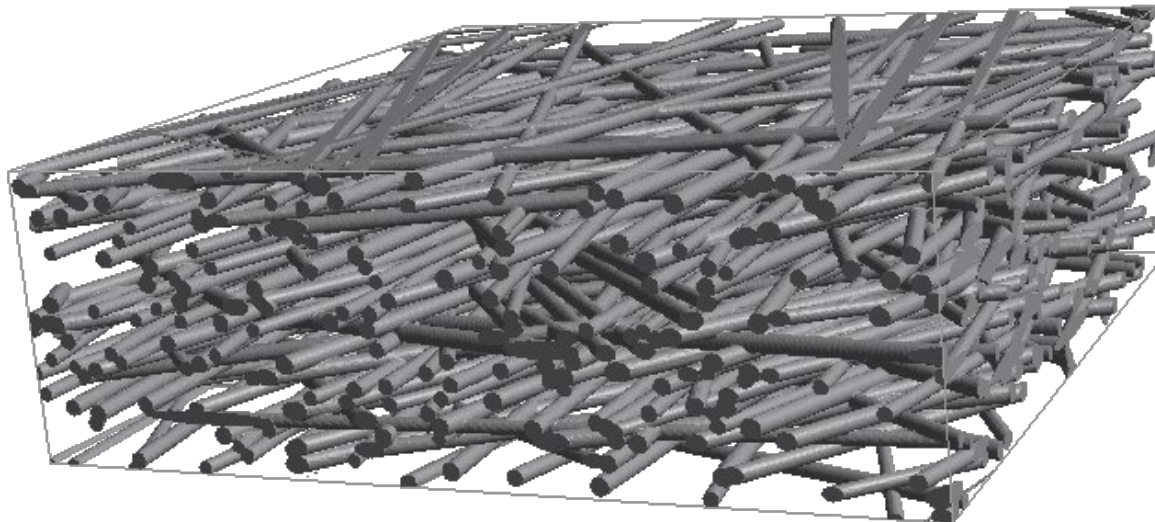
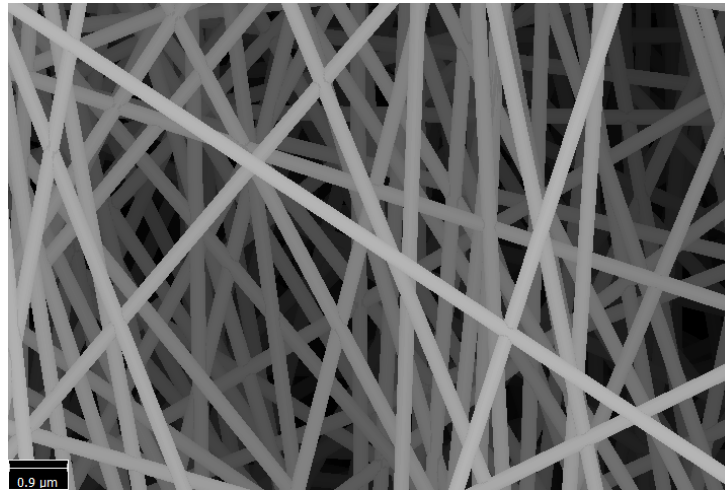
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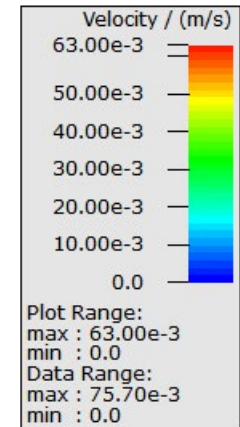
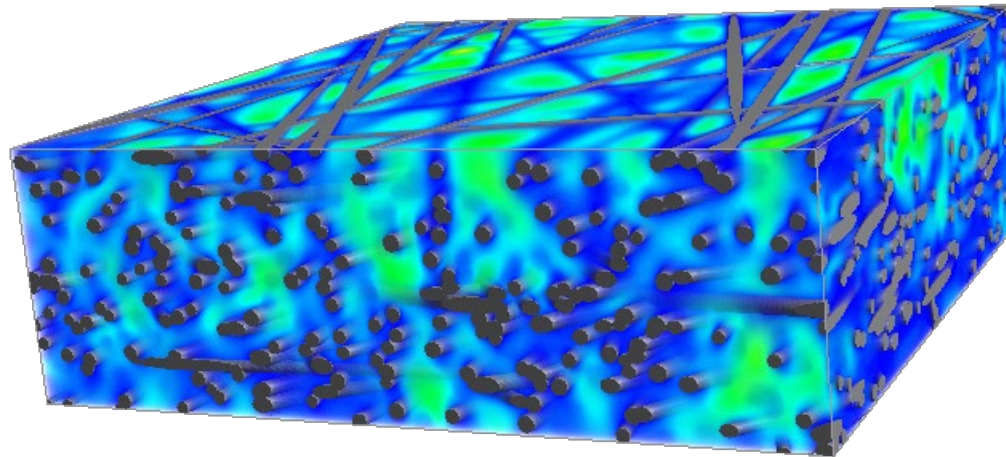
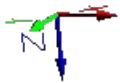


Validation II:
Coutette Poiseuille flow

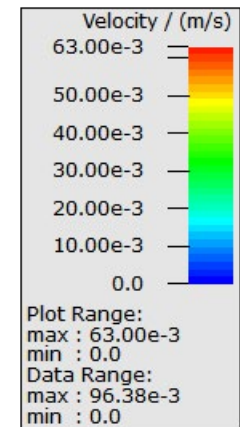
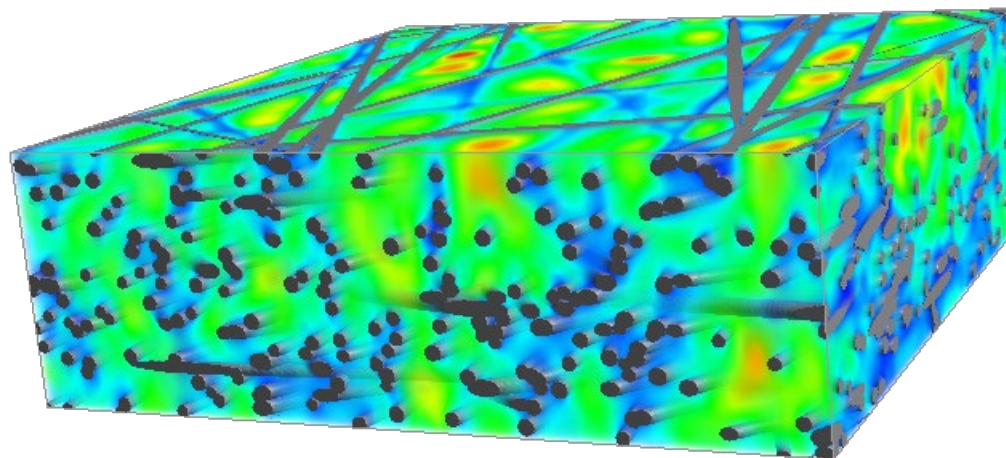


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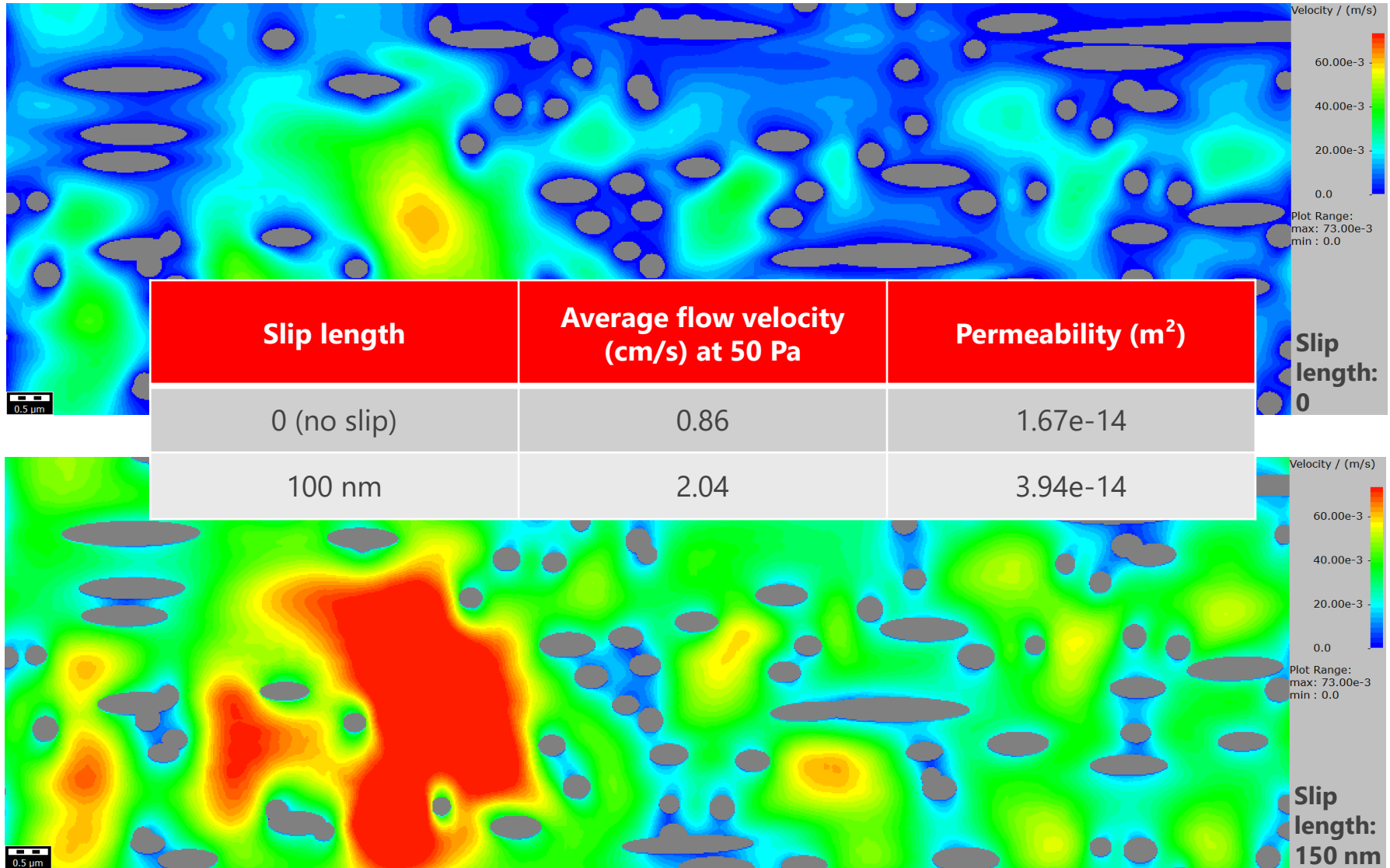


Slip



Comparison of velocity distribution

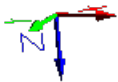
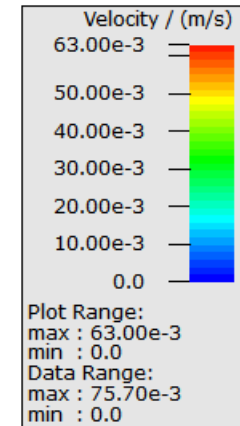
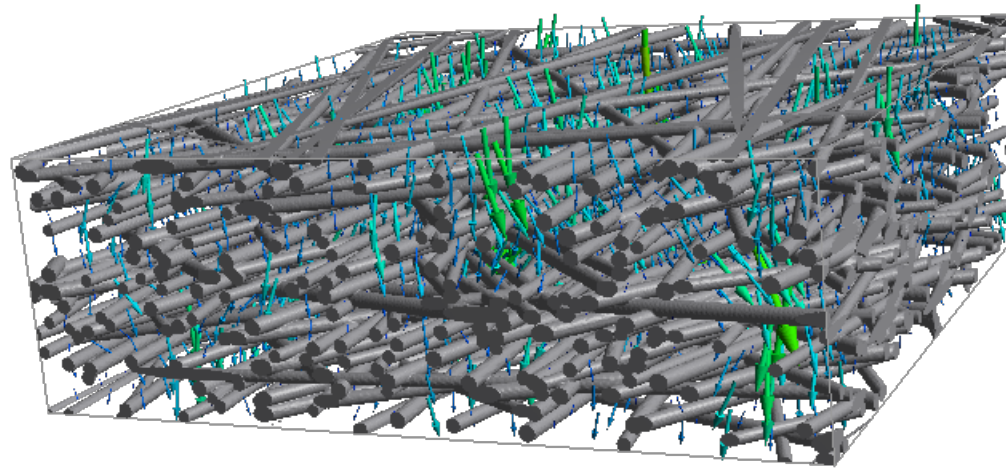
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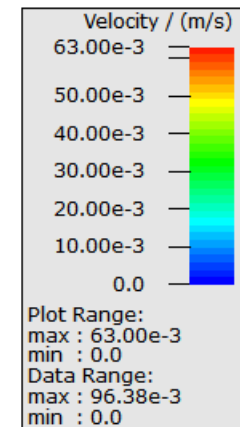
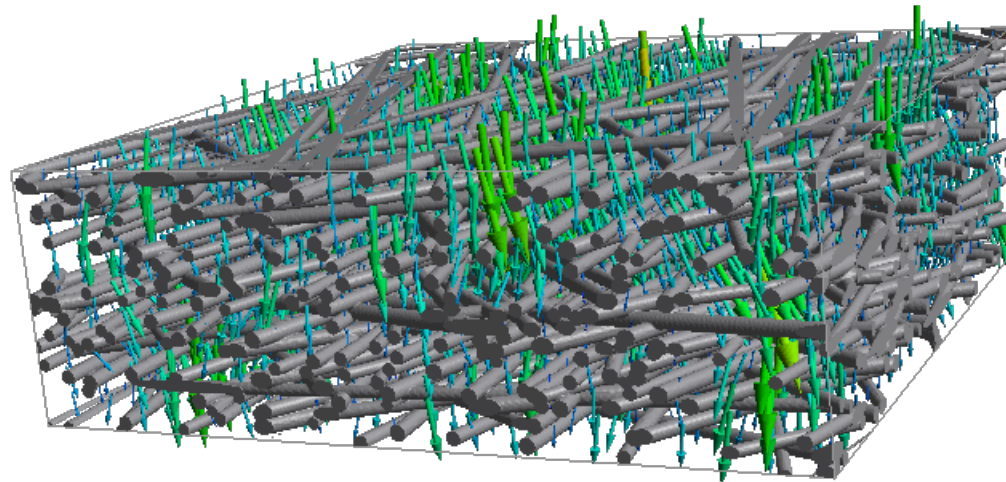
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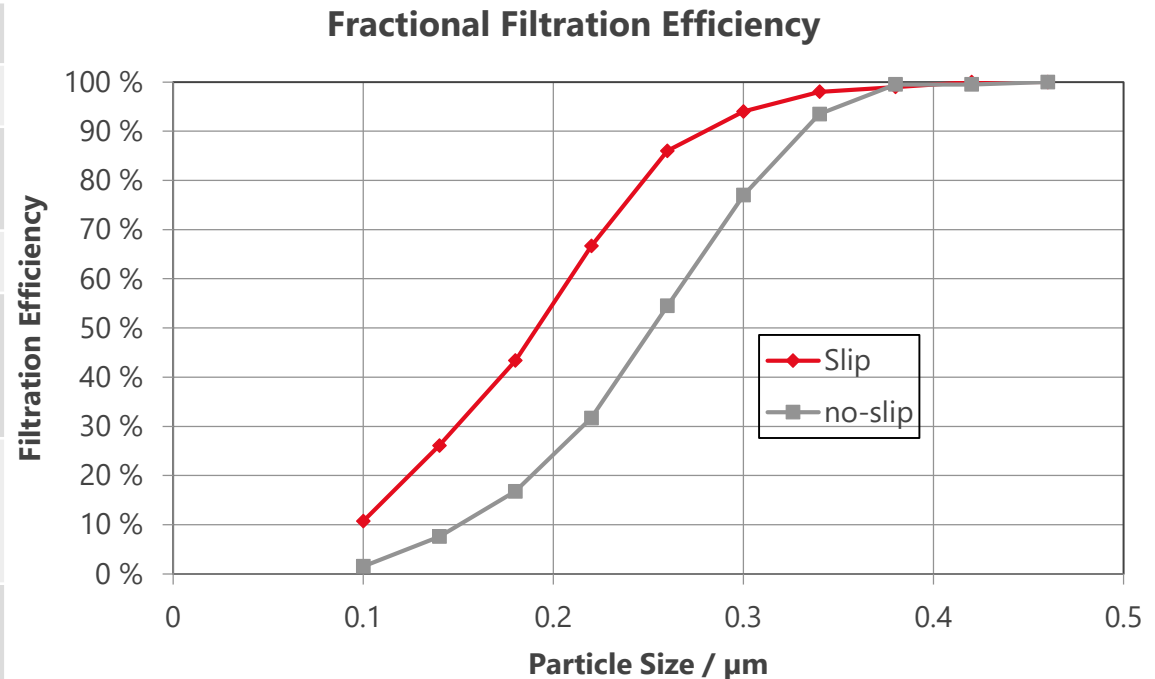
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Comparison of velocity arrow field

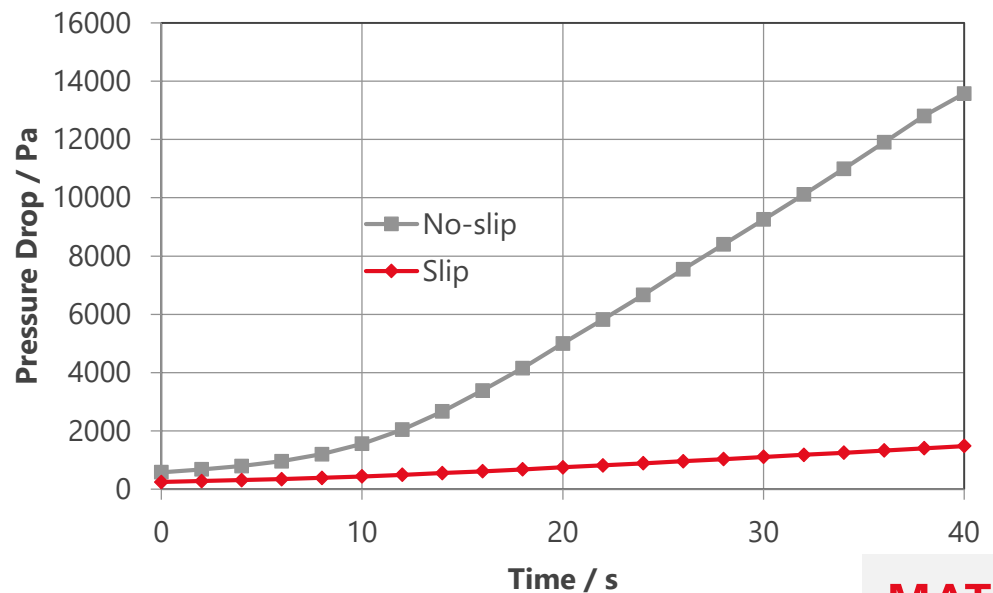
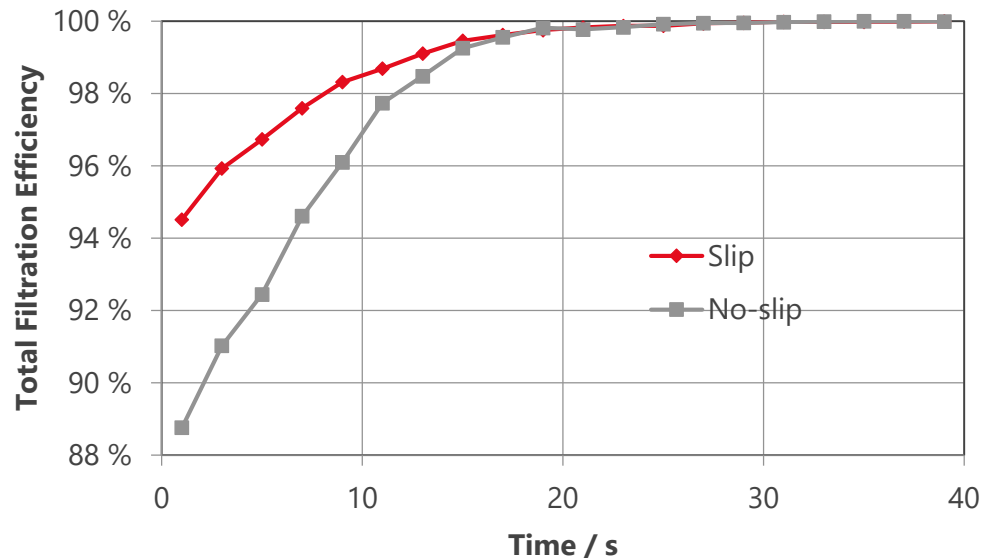
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- Slip flow plays an important role in nanofiber filtration.
- Slip boundary condition has been implemented in GeoDict.
- The slip flow effects in nanofiber filtration can be observed by comparing to no-slip flow.

OUTLOOKS

- To improve the automatic detecting of orientation of each fiber
- Extensive validation by comparing with experiments
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