

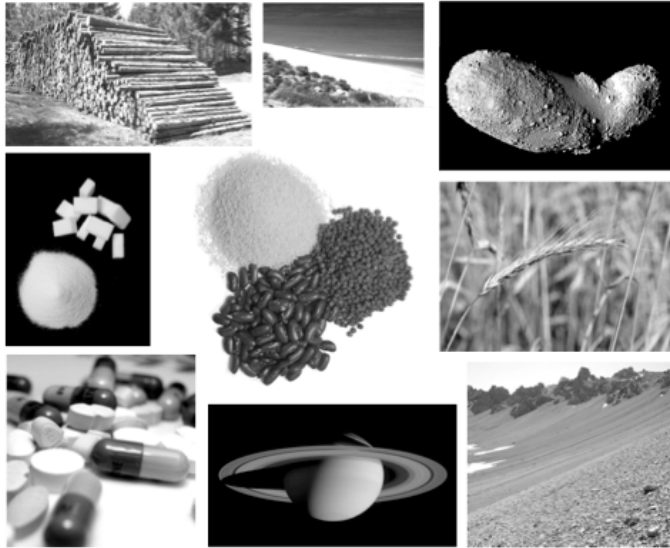
Friction law and hysteresis in granular materials

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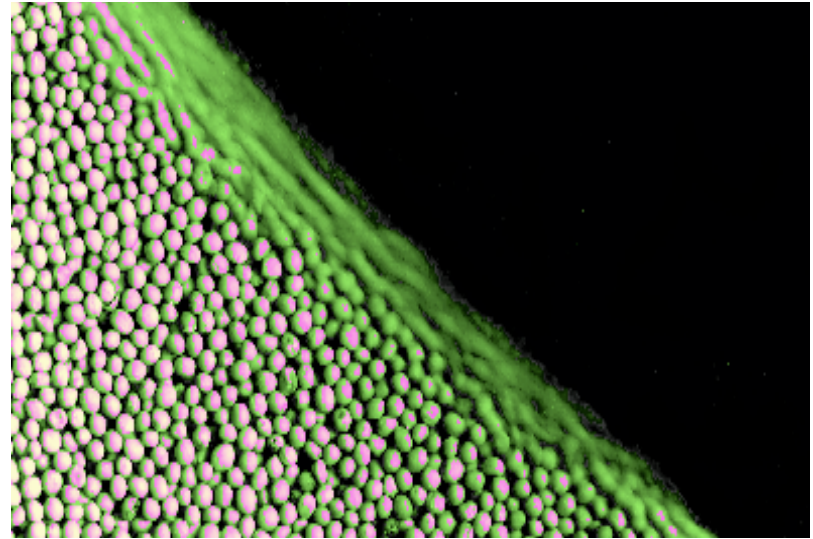
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Granular materials ($T=0$, hard)



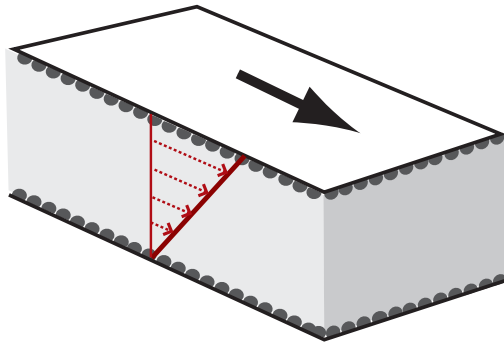
Andreotti, Forterre, Pouliquen



Poppy seeds, Chicago group

- Solid and Liquid phases separated by a jamming transition
- Mesoscopic scale: collective effects important
- Local scale: interaction law between grains complicated
- Rich interplay between these two scales (e.g. shear thickening)

Hysteresis at the jamming transition



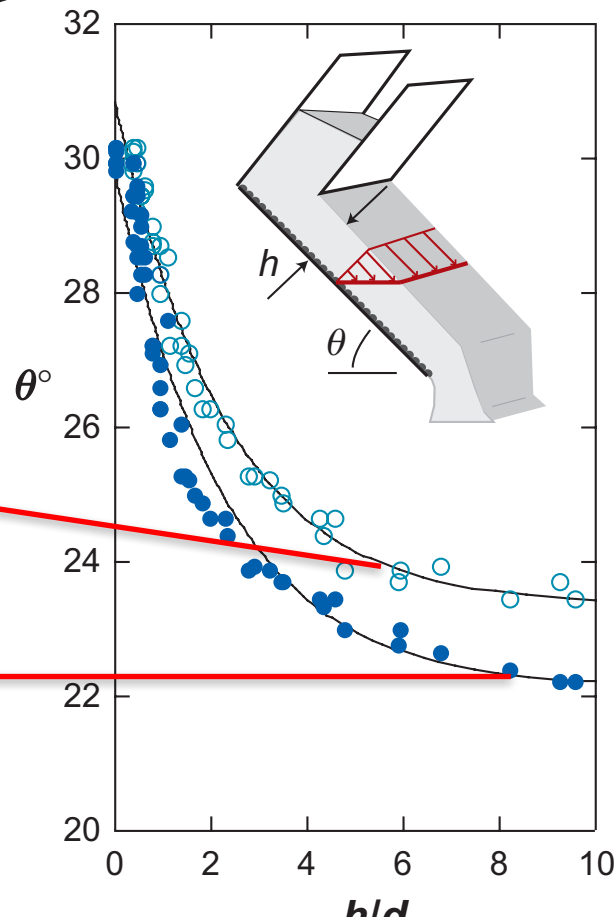
minimal stress σ_c needed for steady flow

with $\sigma_c = \mu_c \rho$

$$\mu_c = \tan(\theta_c)$$

θ_{start}

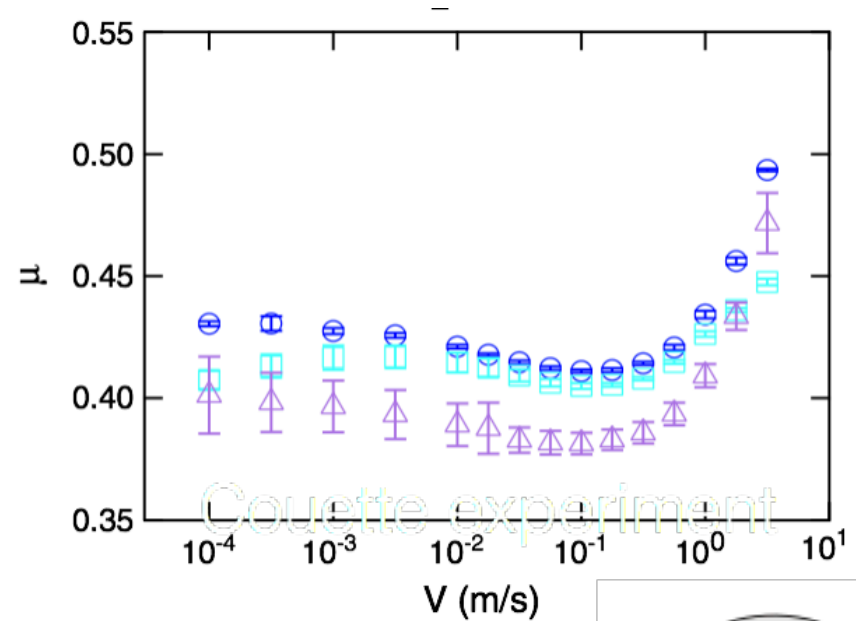
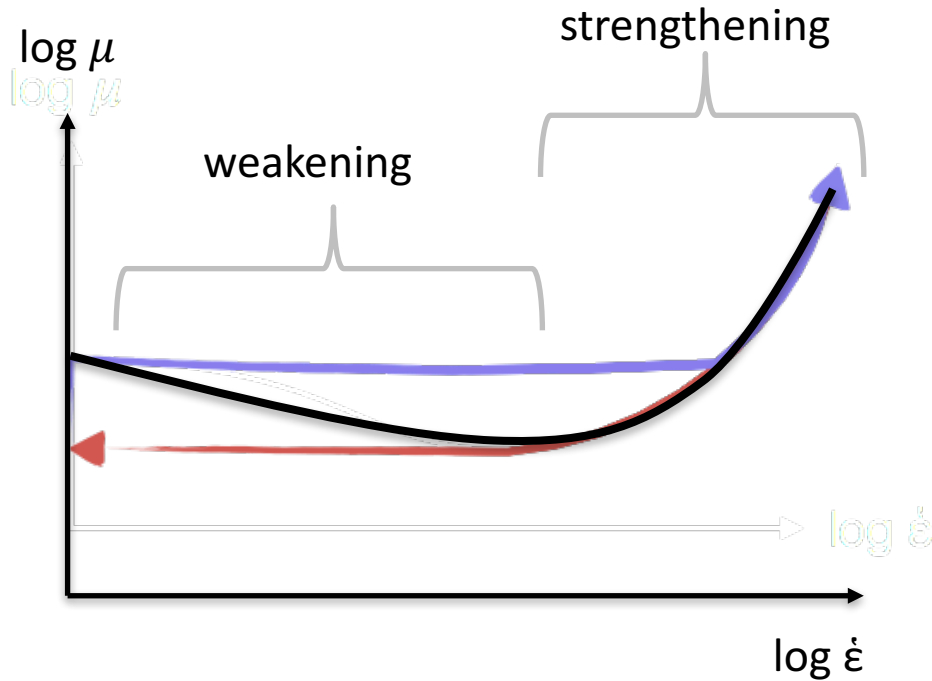
θ_c



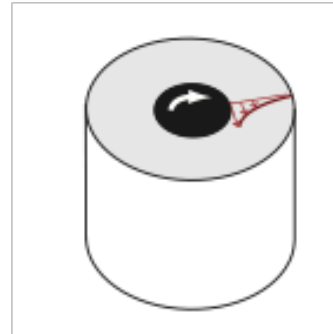
Glass beads, sand:

$$\frac{\mu_{start} - \mu_c}{\mu_c} \sim 10\%$$

Hysteresis and Velocity weakening



Couette experiment



- Sudden starts

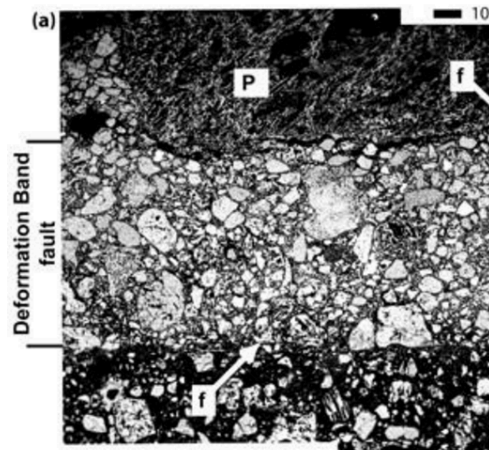
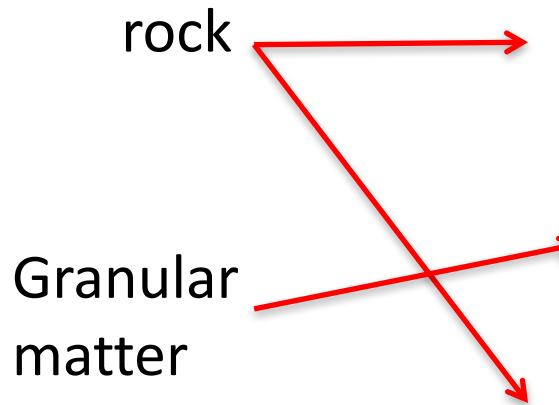
but what are the microscopic controls?

- Tricks needed to stabilize against shear band
- Microscopic theory?

Van Hecke, Dauchot 2010, 2016
Kuwano, Hatano 2013,

Importance of hysteresis in particulate materials

- Hysteresis: once it starts, flow is fast
- Landslides
- Earthquakes



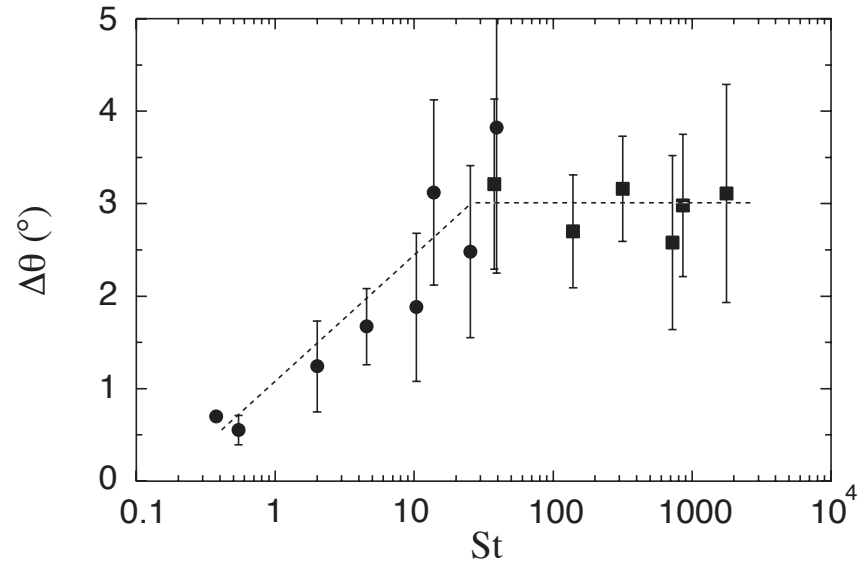
Zooming in a fault

Fault that velocity weaken prone to earthquake

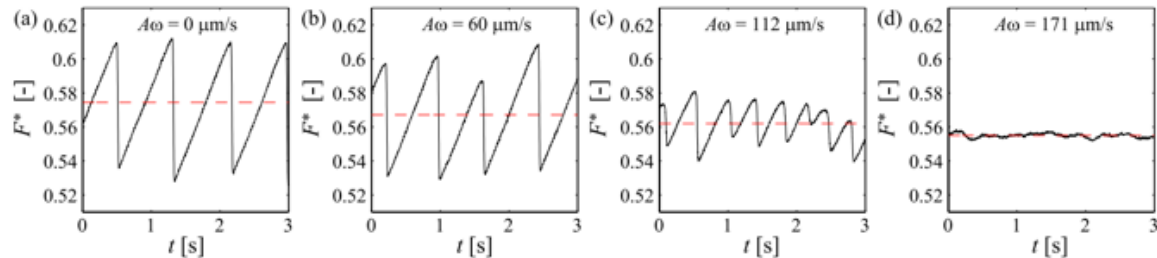
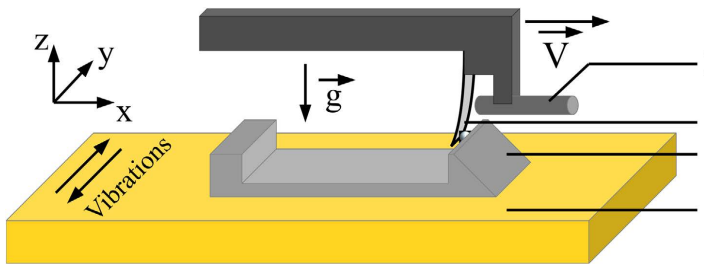
$$\frac{\mu_{start} - \mu_c}{\mu_c} \sim 10$$

Observations to explain in granular matter

- Inertia favors hysteresis
- Friction appears necessary
Peyneau roux 08
- Acoustic vibrations can eliminate hysteresis



Dupont et al, 2003



Lastakowski et al 2015, Johnson and Jia 05

Dimensional analysis and constitutive relations

GDR Midi, Roux, Radjai, Lemaitre, Pouliquen, Forterre,...

- Δ = deformation at contacts / diameter $\sim 10^{-5}$
- Rigid limit: if limit $\Delta \rightarrow 0$ not singular, dimensional analysis implies one dimensionless number controls flow

$$\mathcal{I} = \dot{\epsilon} D \sqrt{\rho/p}$$

$\dot{\epsilon}$: strain rate

D : particle diameter

ρ : mass density

- $\mathcal{I} < 0.1$ dense flows. Most numerical studies report $\mathcal{I} > 10^{-3}$

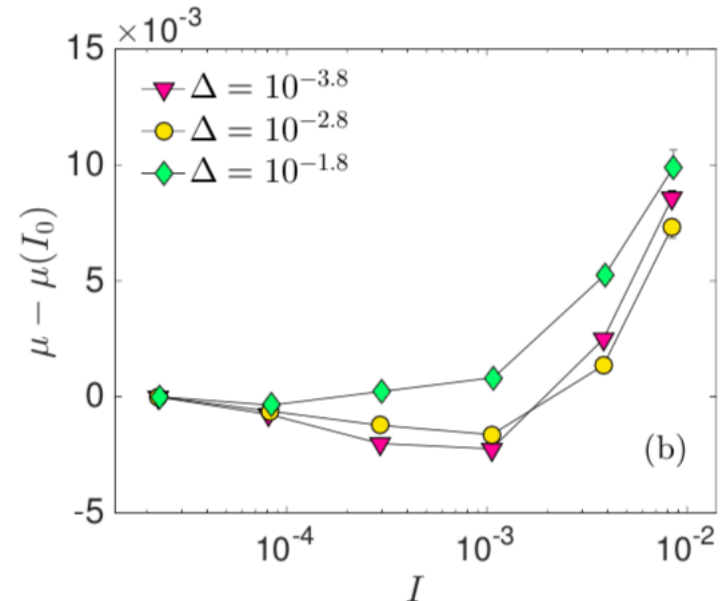
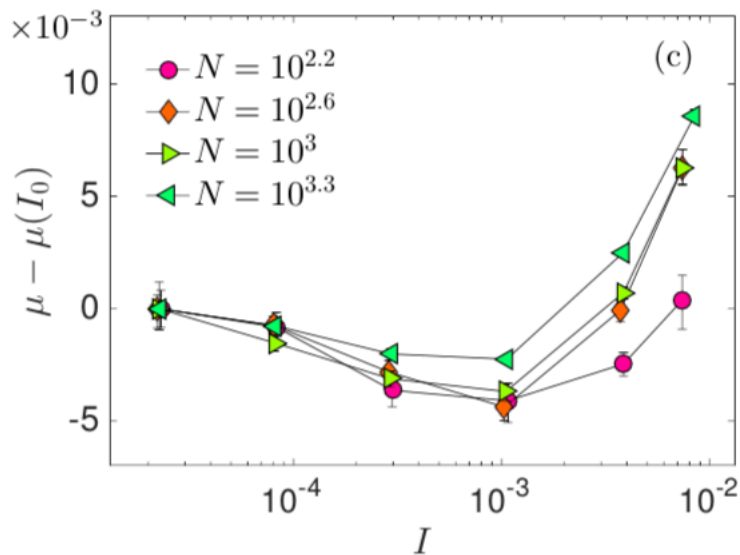
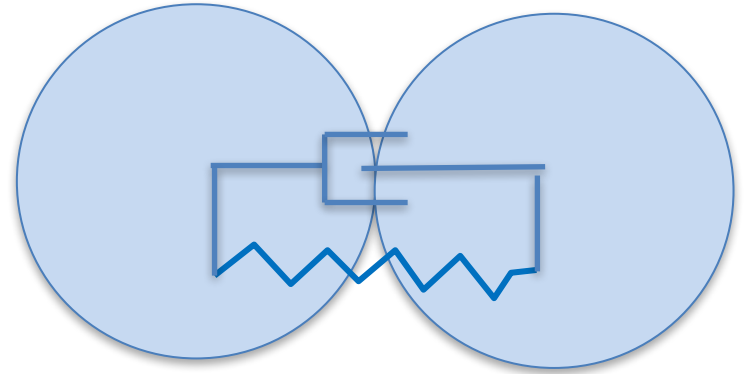
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Velocity strengthening:

$$\mu \approx \mu_c + c_0 \mathcal{I}$$

Simulations

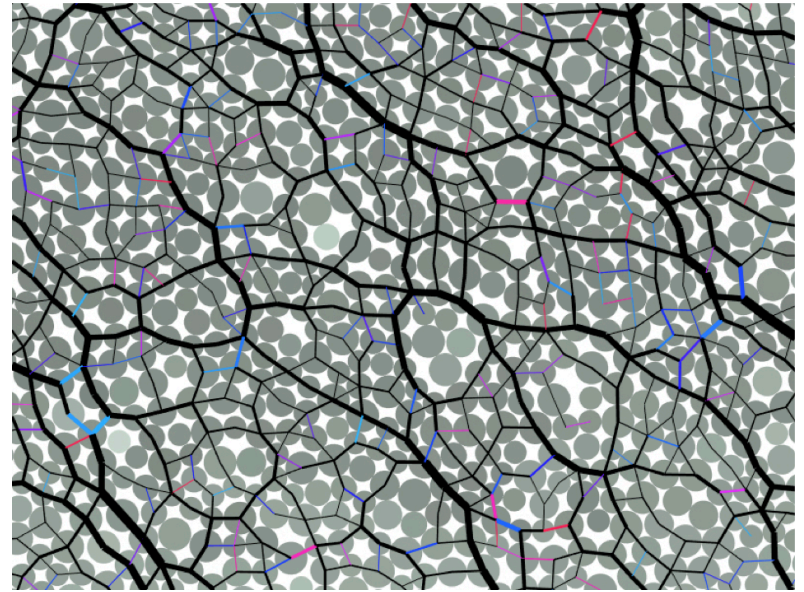
- Static and dynamic friction coefficient identical μ_f
- Restitution coefficient e
- Small N to avoid shear bands



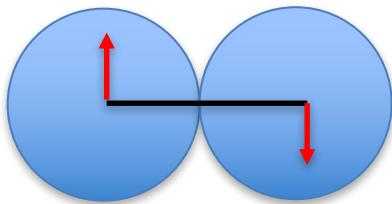
- Effects disappear as Δ increases (or friction removed)

Two ideas

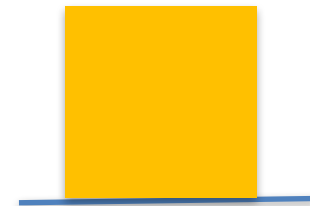
- Near jamming, dense
Network of contacts



1/ Collisions induce elastic vibration of the network.
These vibrations make some contacts slide. *Melosh 80's*



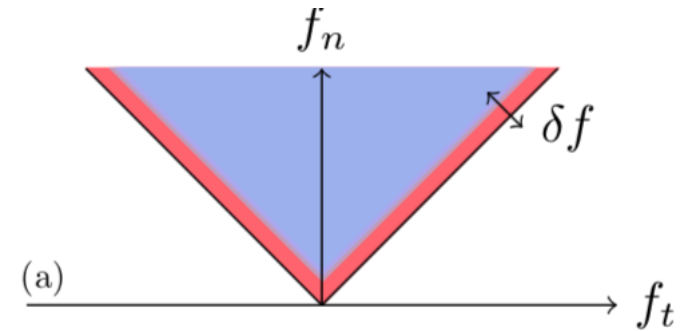
$$F_t < \mu_f F_N$$



2/ soft spots in granular flows (\sim dislocation in metals)?
Contact near the coulomb cone.

Macroscopic friction and fraction of sliding contacts

- Gedanken experiment:
Add vibrations to sample.



- Fraction χ of contacts near Coulomb Cone will slide in average

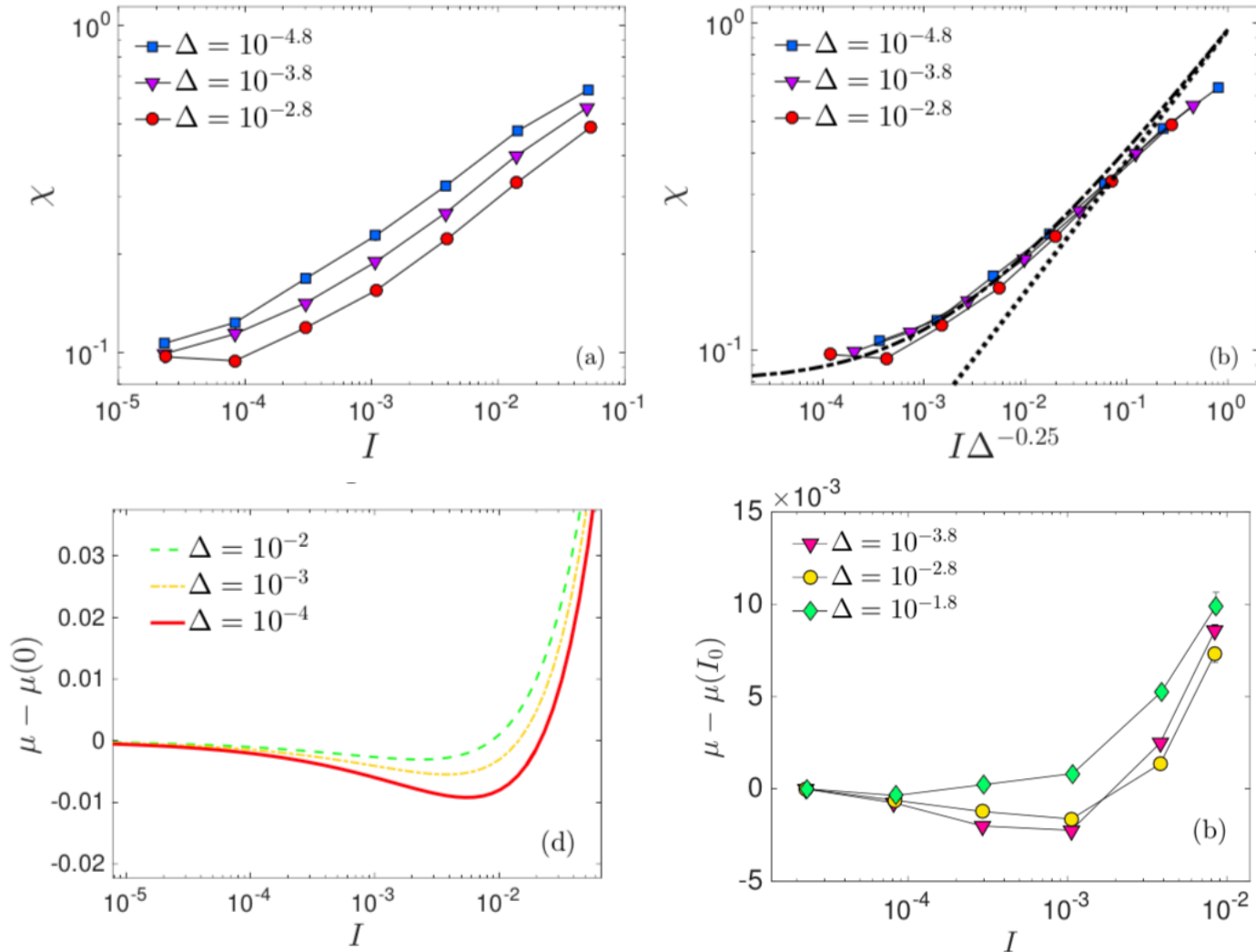
- Flow threshold will decrease $\tilde{\mu}_c = \mu_c(1 - g(\chi))$
With $g(0) = 0$

- Same if noise is endogenous, leading to:

$$\mu(\mathcal{I}) = \mu_c(1 - g(\chi)) + c_0\mathcal{I}$$

- Below: use and test model with $g(\chi) = b\chi$
(b interaction dependent)

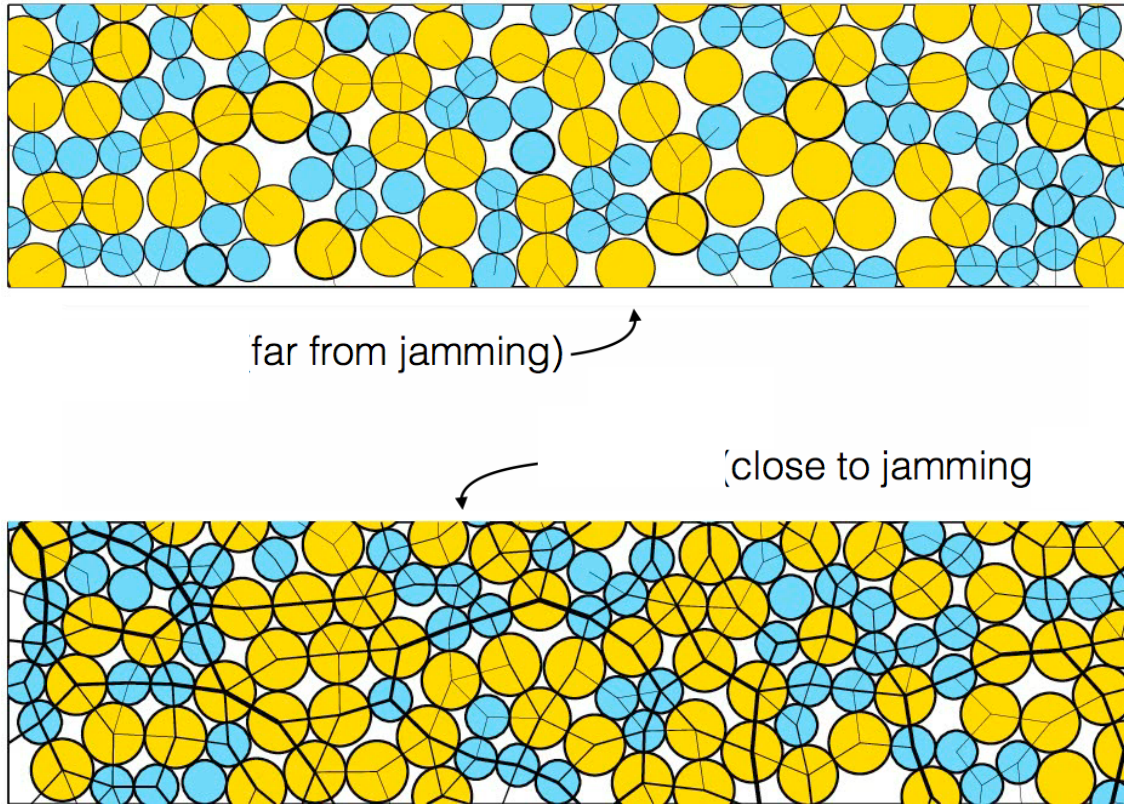
Macroscopic friction and fraction of sliding contacts



- Phenomenological Model agrees well with data
- Limit $\Delta \rightarrow 0$ singular for $\chi!$ $\chi(I, \Delta) \sim \chi(I\Delta^{-0.25})$??

Microscopic observables in granular flows

Simple model of frictionless suspensions



Lerner et al, PNAS 2012

- Velocity fluctuations
 - Strain scale ϵ_v
- $$\mathcal{L} = \frac{V_r}{\dot{\epsilon}D}$$

Extracting Key microscopic properties

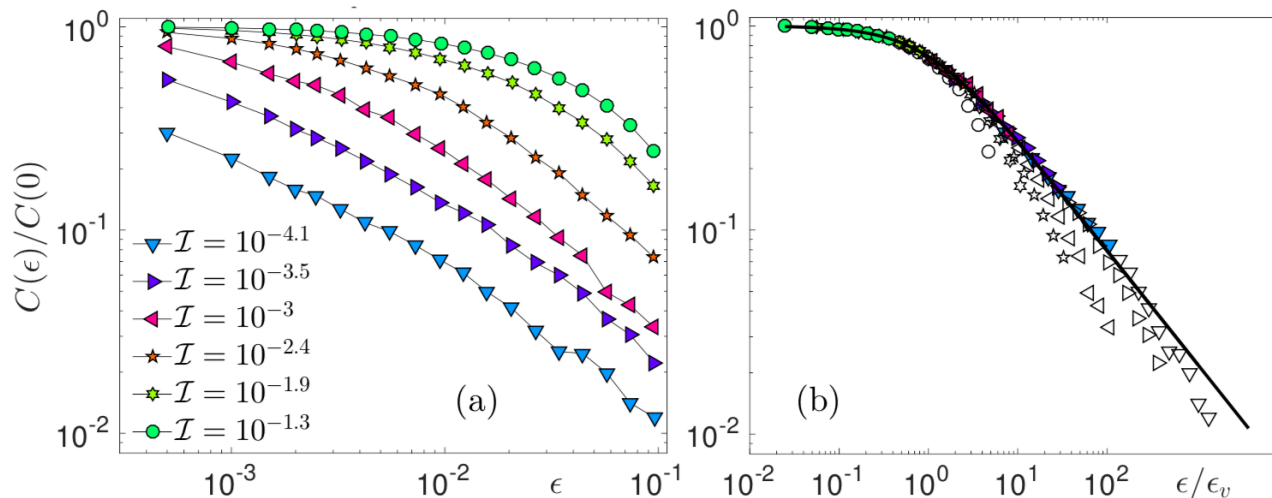
DeGiuli et al, PRE 2015

$$C(\epsilon) = \langle \vec{V}_r(0) \cdot \vec{V}_r(\epsilon) \rangle$$

- Captures velocity fluctuations:

$$C(0) = \langle \vec{V}_r^2(0) \rangle \sim \mathcal{L}^2 \quad \text{appears to diverge near jamming}$$

- Captures ϵ_v (where memory is lost, function drops off)



$$\epsilon_v \sim \mathcal{I}$$

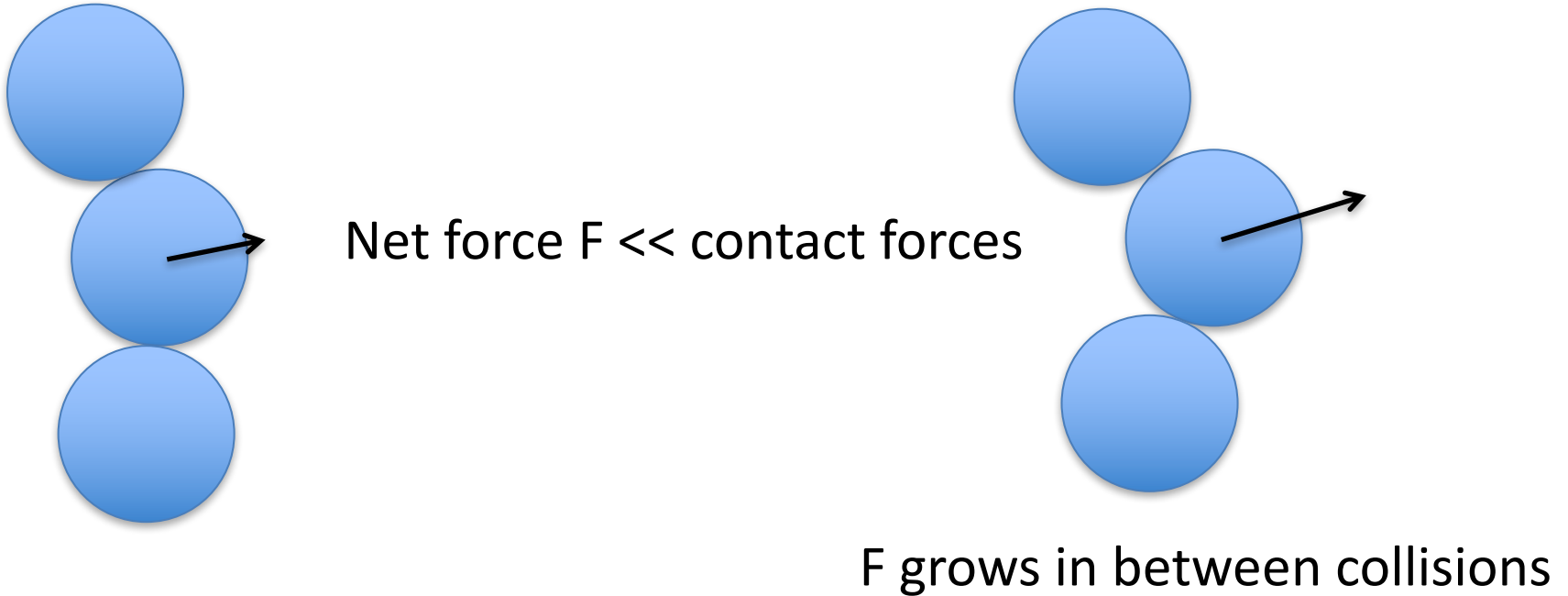
*Menon Durian 97
DeGiuli et al, PRE
2016*

Idea behind

$$\epsilon_v \sim \mathcal{I}$$

DeGiuli et al, PRE 2016

- Network almost force balance



- Newton equation: velocity increases exponentially.
Characteristic strain \mathcal{I}

Collision must occur on that strain scale in a stationary state.

Energy balance

DeGiuli et al, PRE 2016

$\Omega\sigma\dot{\epsilon}$: power injected = power dissipated \mathcal{D}_{tot}

$$\mathcal{D}_{tot} = \mathcal{D}_{col} + \mathcal{D}_{sliding}$$

\mathcal{D}_{col} = N * (collisional rate) * (kinetic energy of particles)

$$\sim N \times (\dot{\epsilon}/\epsilon_v) \times (m\mathcal{L}^2\dot{\epsilon}^2)$$

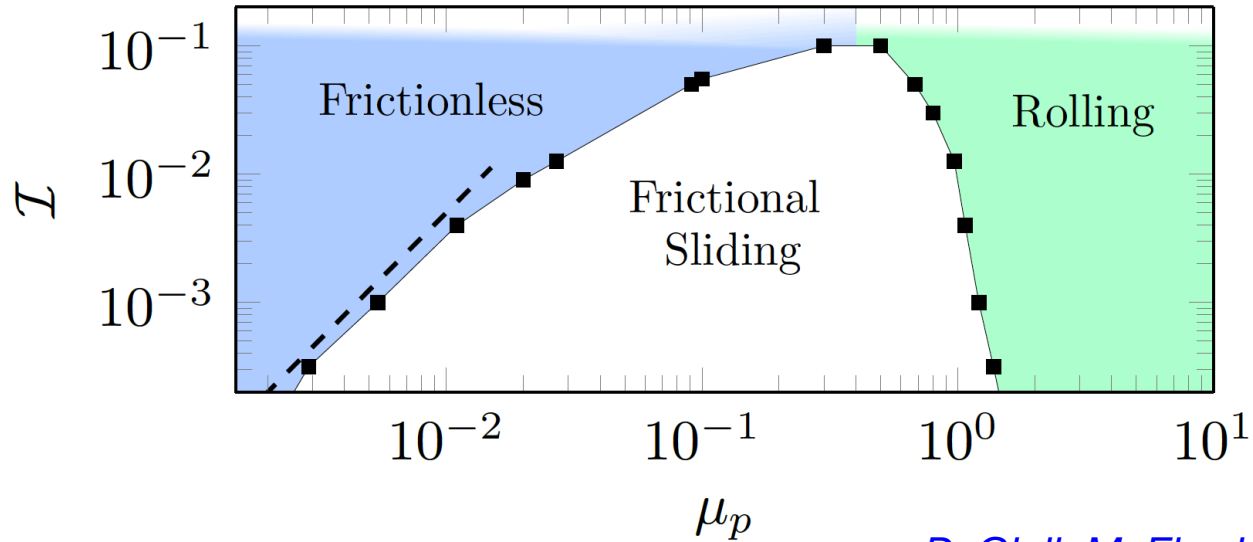
$\mathcal{D}_{sliding}$ = (number of sliding particles) * (transverse force) * (velocity)

$$\sim (N\chi) \times (\mu_f p) \times (\mathcal{L}\dot{\epsilon})$$

χ : Fraction of sliding contact

μ_f : friction coefficient

Sliding dissipation dominates in dense flows



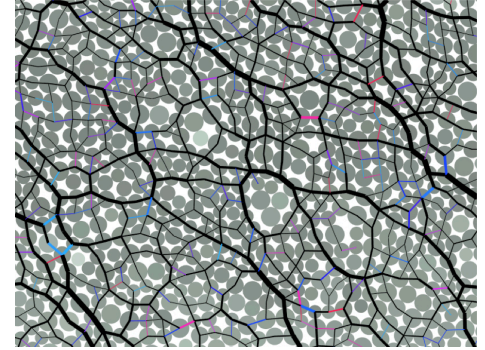
DeGiuli, McElwaine, Wyart PRE 2016

$$\mathcal{D}_{tot} \approx \mathcal{D}_{col} \quad \boxed{\rightarrow \quad \mu_p \mathcal{L} \chi \sim 1}$$

All quantities $\mathcal{L}, \epsilon_v, \mathcal{D}_{col}$ can be expressed in terms of \mathcal{I}, χ

Estimating the mechanical noise δf

- vibrational energy $\sim \tau D_{col}$



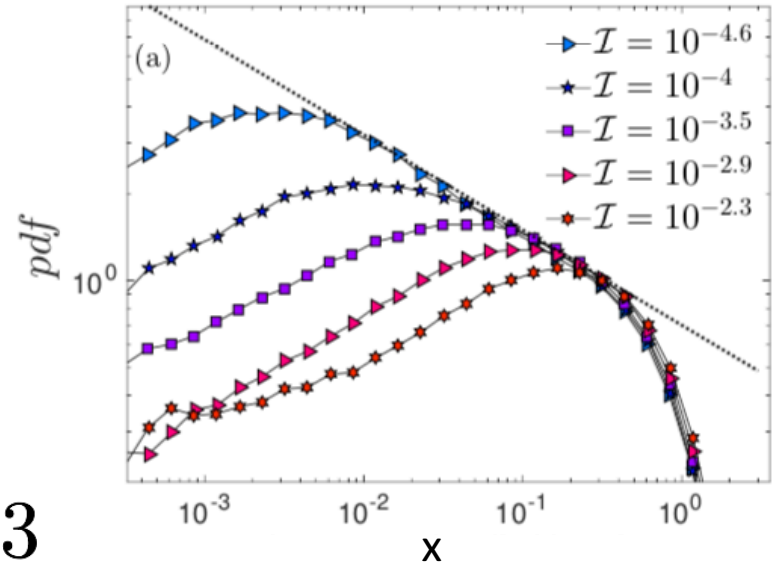
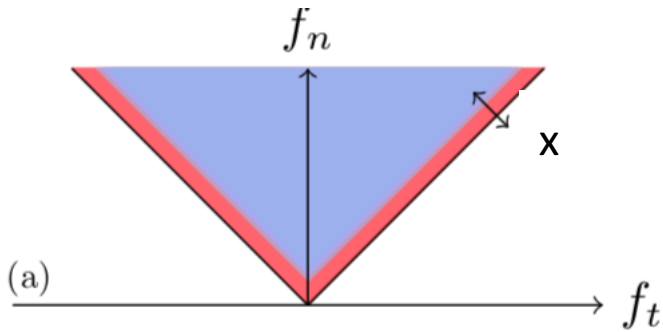
- As to be compared to potential energy $\sim \Delta^2$

-> explains why rigid limit is singular

- Finally one finds

$$\tilde{\delta} f \equiv \frac{\delta f}{pD^{d-1}} \sim (\mathcal{I}\Delta^{-1/4})/\chi$$

Estimating χ from the mechanical noise



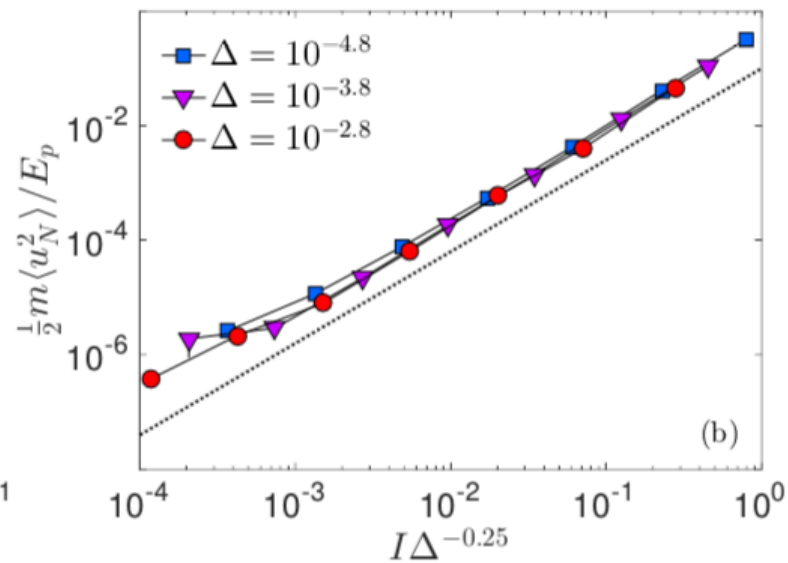
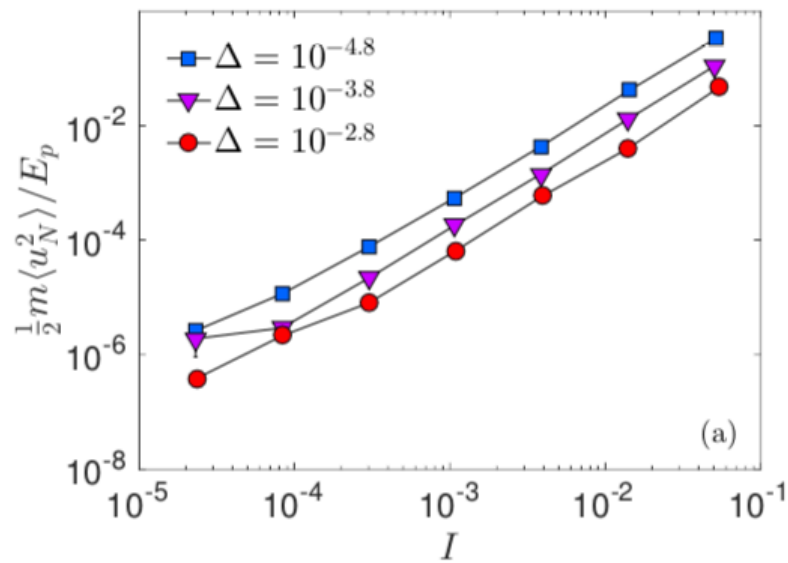
$$P(x) \sim x^{-\theta_s} \quad \theta_s \approx 0.3$$

$$\chi \sim \int_0^{\delta f} P(x) dx$$

Close the problem

$$\begin{aligned} \chi &\sim (I/\Delta^{1/4})^\alpha, \\ \mathcal{L} &\sim (I/\Delta^{1/4})^{-\alpha}, \\ \mathcal{R} &\sim (I/\Delta^{1/4})^\gamma, \\ \delta f &\sim (I/\Delta^{1/4})^\beta \end{aligned}$$

Further tests



Conclusion

- Hysteresis emerges as collective effect, even if not present at contact level
- Mechanical noise that lubricate contacts, explains main observations
- Role of Δ testable
- Key role of contacts
- close to the coulomb cone
- Suspensions?
- Earthquakes?