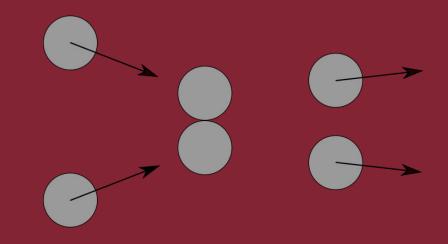
Getting hotter by heating less: How driven granular materials dissipate energy in excess



"One might even say that the study of granular materials gives one a chance to reinvent statistical mechanics in a new Context." (Leo P. Kadanoff Rev. Mod. Phys. 71, 435, 1999)





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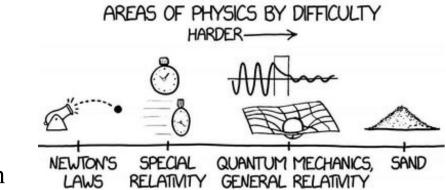
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## Overview



- Introduction
  - Granular Materials
  - Systems driven out of equilibrium
- Getting hotter by heating less
  - Experimental and numerical evidence of non-monotonic energy transfer to a dense granular system
  - Simple model to rationalize

## **Granular Matter**

Granular materials are macroscopic systems made of macroscopic fundamental units (i.e. the grains)

#### macroscopic systems:

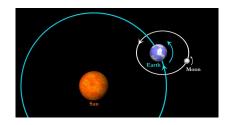
- A large number of degrees of freedom are considered
  - Large enough for a statistical description
  - Not large enough to neglect fluctuations

#### macroscopic grains:

- The internal degrees of freedom of the grains are neglected
  - Inelastic interactions
  - $\circ$  Athermal systems  $k_b T \ll m R g$

## **Granular Matter**

molecular gas: macroscopic system of microscopic units  $\rightarrow$  not granular!



planetary system: few macroscopic objects interacting  $\rightarrow$  not granular!



Sand, raw materials, cereals, powders, saturn rings  $\rightarrow$  granular!

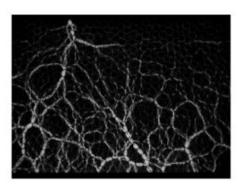
(sizes from tenths of micron without in principle an upper limit)

## Why studying granular materials?

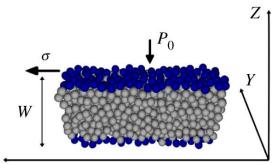
#### **Applications:**

- Industry
- Seismology

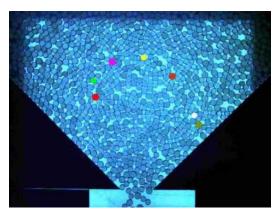




Force chains



*X* Seismic fault modeled by sheared granular materials

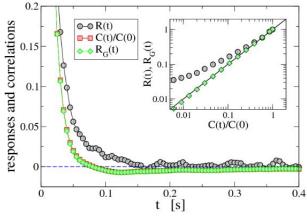


Grains jamming in a hopper

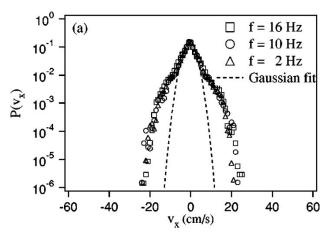
## Why studying granular materials?

#### **Fundamentals:**

- Violation of equilibrium properties (equipartition, Maxwell-Boltzmann, FDT)
- Stochastic thermodynamics
- Fluctuating hydrodynamic



A. Gnoli et al. PLOS ONE 9(4): e93720 (2015)

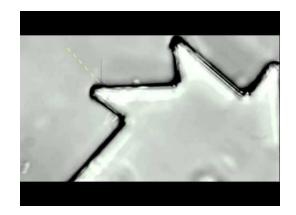


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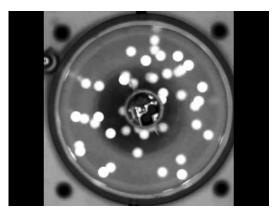


Standard equilibrium tools are usually inappropriate (we have no Hamiltonian nor temperature)

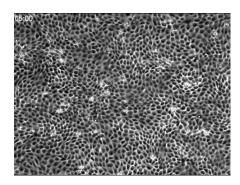
## Systems driven out of thermodynamic equilibrium







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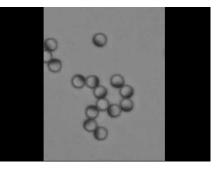
Cells monolayer

Energy constantly flows in the system (with different mechanisms)

Animals

Non-equilibrium steady states (NESS)

Grains

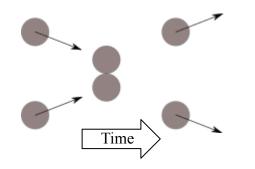


Active colloids

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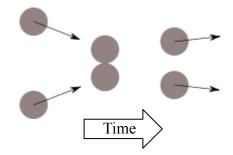
(a granular perspective)

Elastic collision



- Symmetric under time (and velocity) reversal
- Detailed balance (microscopic reversibility)

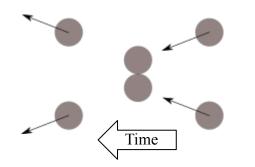
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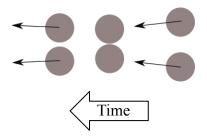
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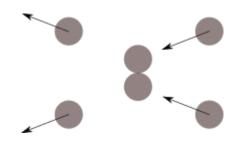
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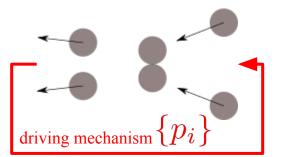
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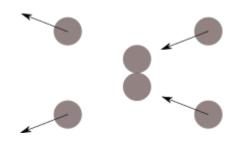
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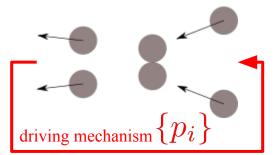
$$\mathcal{O}^{\mathrm{EQ}}(T)$$

A new question arises:

How the properties of the NESS are related to the specific driving mechanism?

(a granular perspective)

Inelastic collision

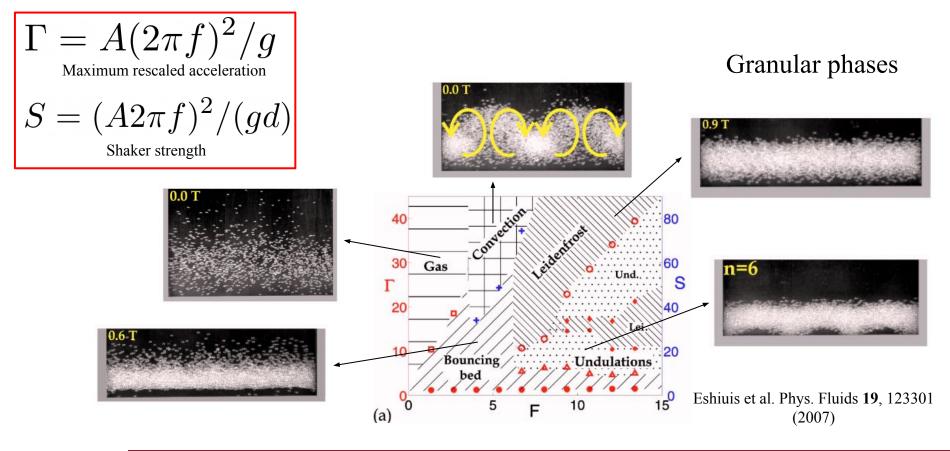


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 $O^{\text{NESS}}(\{p_i\})$ 

## Vibro-fluidized granular matter

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  $\{p_i\} = A, f$ 



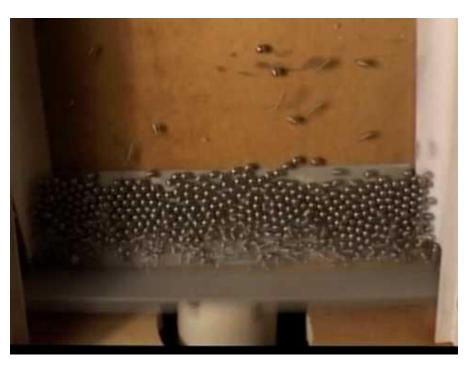
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$$\Gamma = A(2\pi f)^2/g$$
Maximum rescaled acceleration
 $S = (A2\pi f)^2/(gd)$ 

Shaker strength

#### Granular phases



## The case study

Investigating how the kinetic energy acquired by a dense granular system driven by an external vibration depends on the input energy

 $K^{\text{NESS}}(A, f)$ 

Usually one has:

 $K \sim S^{\nu} \quad \nu > 0$ 

S. McNamara et al. Phys. Rev. E 58, 813 (1998)

We find regimes where:

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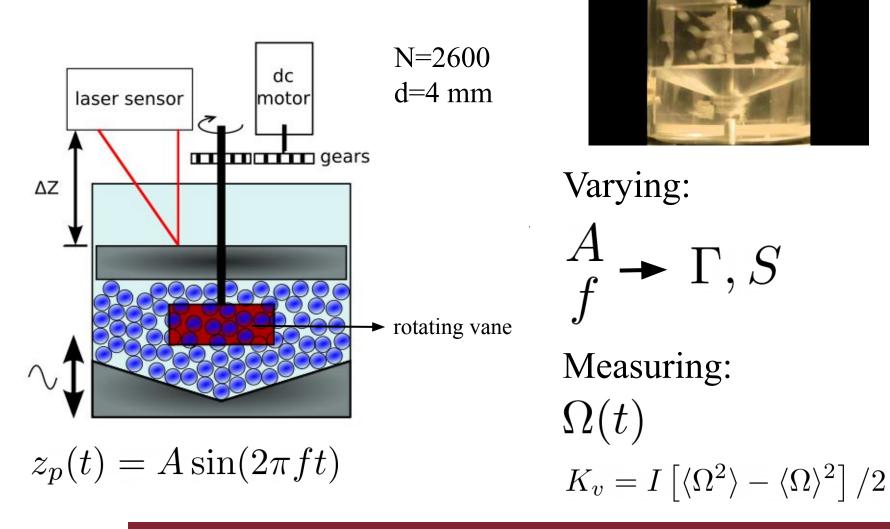
 $S = (A2\pi f)^2 / (qd)$ 

Remind:

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## **Experimental apparatus**

(we can study it also with numerical simulations)



Getting hotter by heating less: Experiments

### **Emerging slow time scales**

In the same experimental/numerical setup we also studied anomalous diffusion and slow collective dynamics

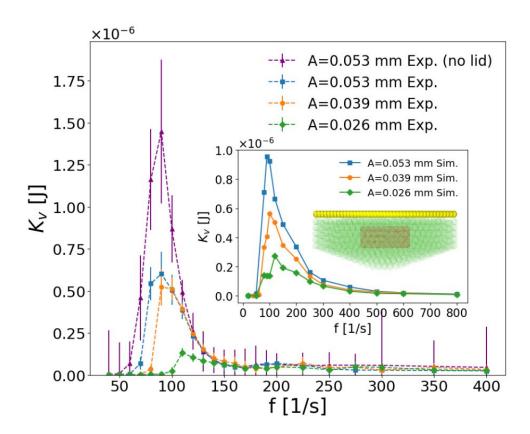


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#### Slow time scales

## Experimental and numerical results (kinetic energy of the vane) Remin



Remind:  $\Gamma = A(2\pi f)^2/g$   $S = (A2\pi f)^2/(gd)$ 

Fluidization frequency

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Friction-recovery frequency



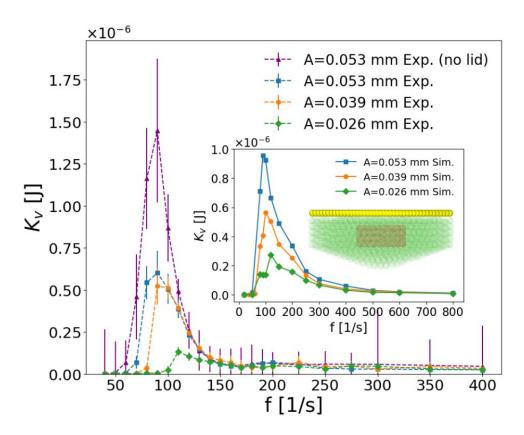
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Varying frequency at fixed amplitude

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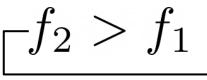
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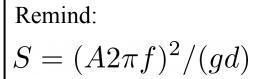
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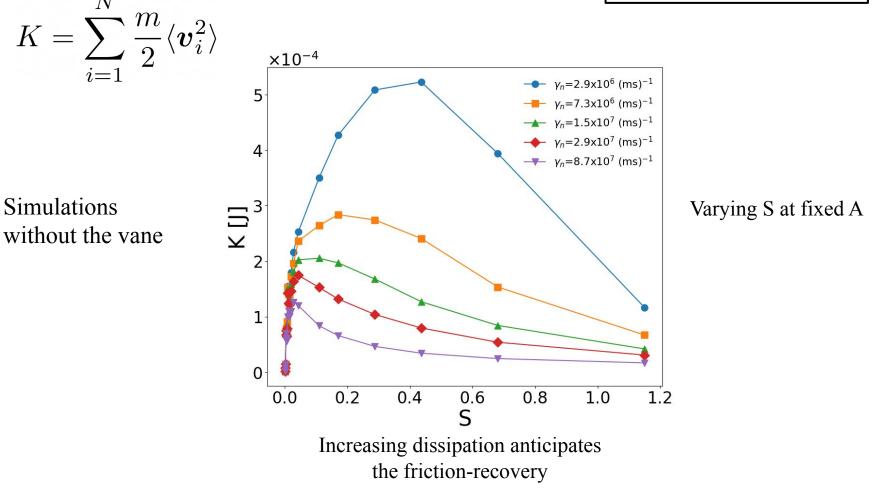
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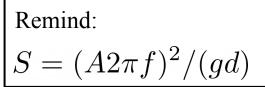


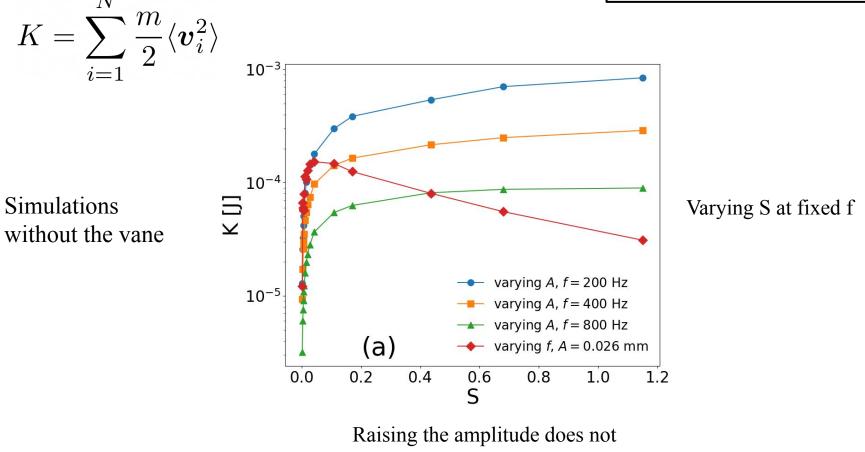


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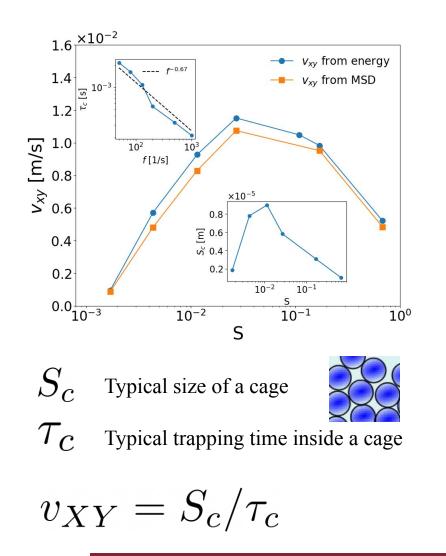


trigger the friction-recovery

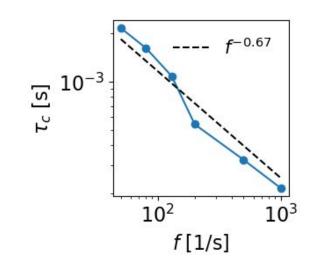
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## Single particle scale



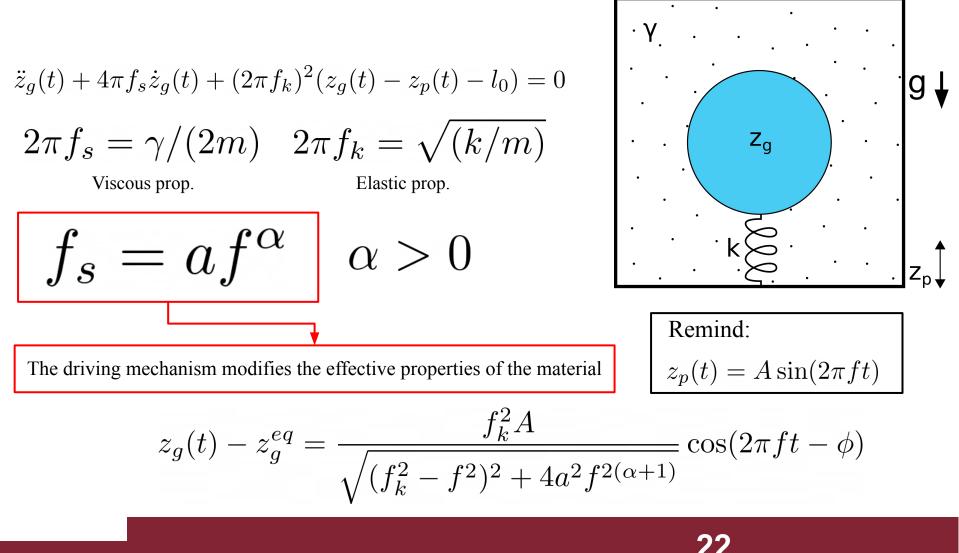
Non-monotonic behavior originates at the single particle scale



 $-1/\tau_c \sim f^{\alpha} \quad \alpha \simeq 2/3$ 

Representative for the amount of dissipation in the system (it grows with the driving frequency )

# The generalized driven-damped oscillator



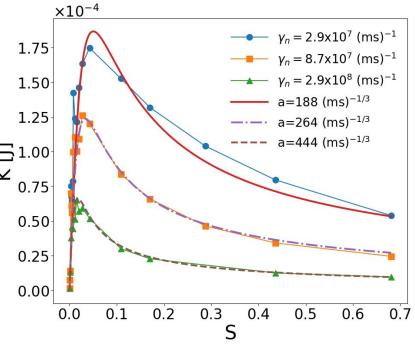
## The generalized driven-damped oscillator

$$\langle \dot{z}_{g}{}^{2} 
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$$K = m_{\mathrm{eff}} \langle \dot{z}_{g}{}^{2} 
angle / 2 \qquad \alpha = 2/3 \qquad \sum_{Taken \ \mathrm{from} \ 1/\tau_{c}}^{1.00} \qquad 0.25 \qquad 0.00}$$
 $A$  Fixed to the real value

Remind:  

$$S = (A2\pi f)^2/(gd)$$



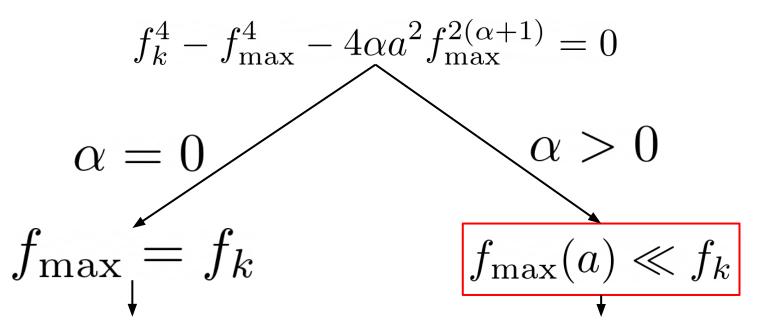
 $m_{
m eff}, f_k$  Fitted values compatible with realistic ones

Good agreement between model and simulation for large dissipation

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## **Beyond a simple resonance**

All this can remind a resonant behaviour but...



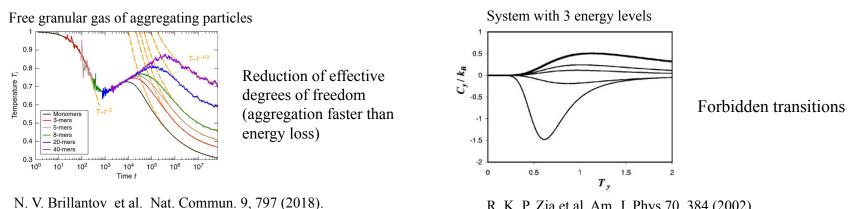
In a resonance the maximum energy transfer occurs at the characteristic frequency

Our model predicts a frictional-dependent optimal frequency much smaller than the characteristic one

## **Beyond a simple resonance**

#### **Negative specific heat?**

(let's talk about that, there is always a trick)



R. K. P. Zia et al. Am. J. Phys.70, 384 (2002)

#### What's the trick in our system?

$$K \propto A^2 f^2 \left( 1 - \frac{a^2 f^{2(\alpha+1)}}{b_k + a^2 f^{2(\alpha+1)}} \right)$$
$$K = K_{\text{in}}(f) \left( 1 - D(f) \right)$$

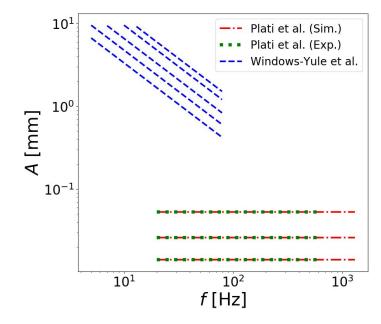
Both increase with the driving frequency

We understand non-monotonic energy transfer through competing effects of forcing and dissipation

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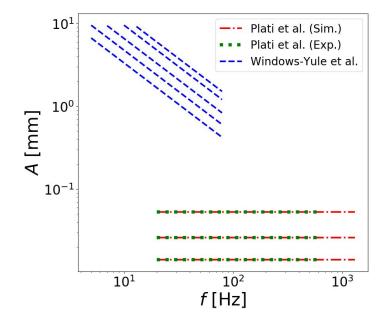
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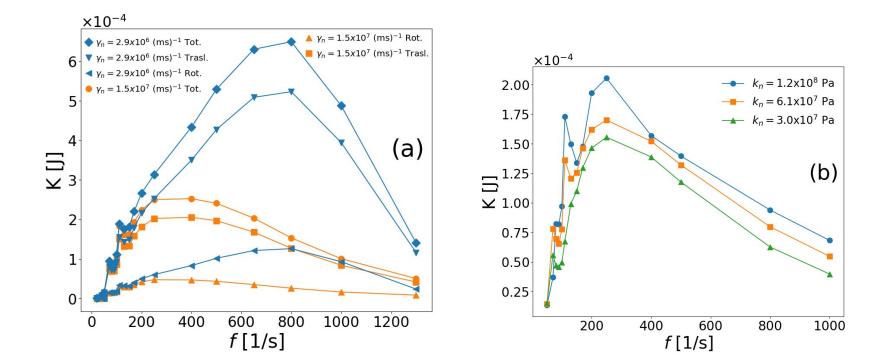
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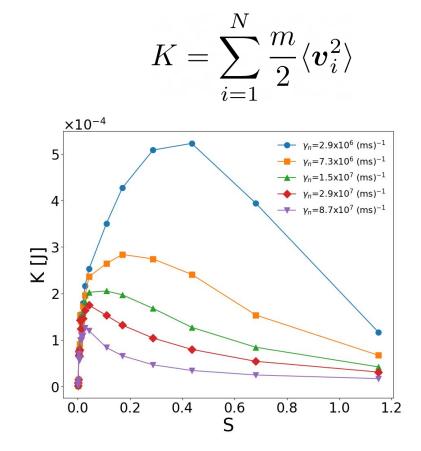




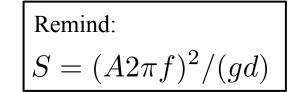


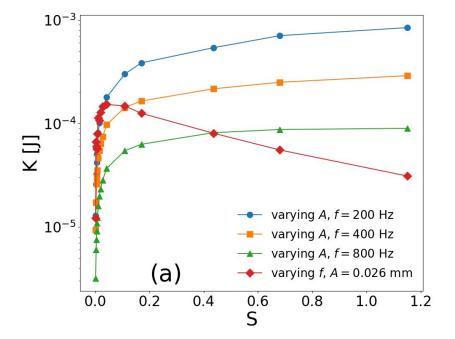
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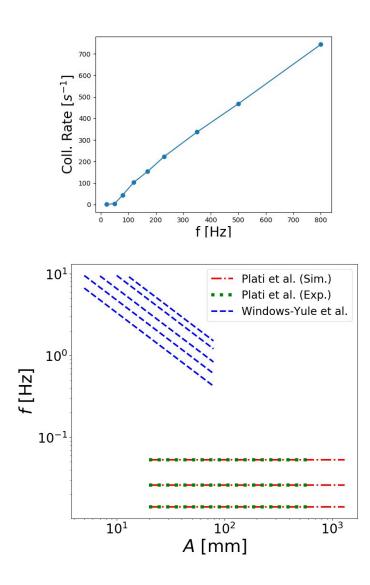
Increasing dissipation anticipates the friction-recovery

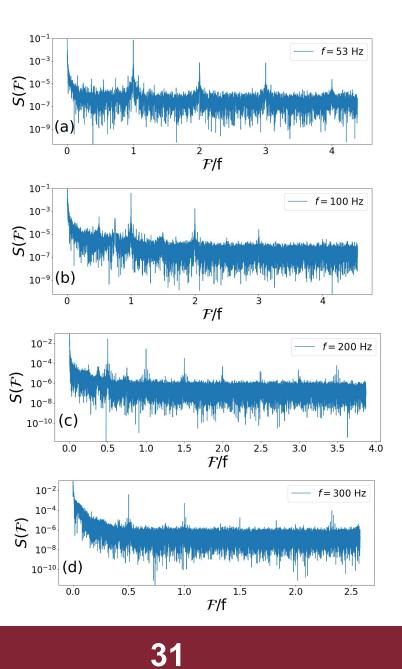




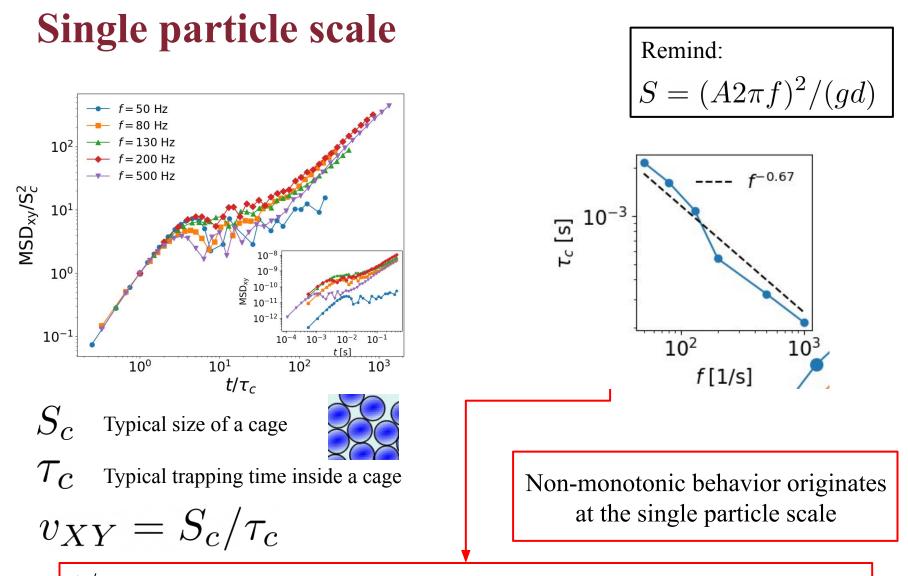
Raising the amplitude does not trigger the friction-recovery

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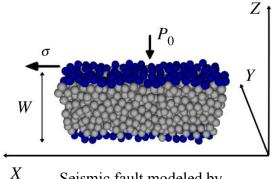


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**Applications:** 

- Industry
- Seismology
- Rheology



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Silos collapse

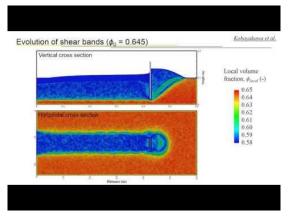
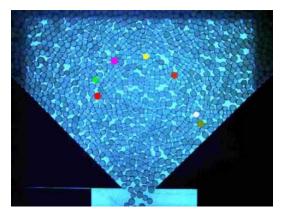
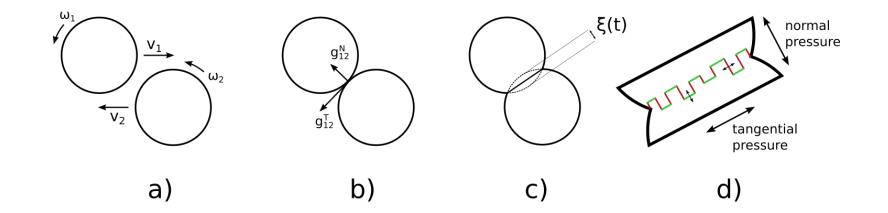


Plate drag in granular materials



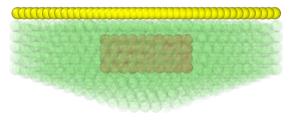
Grains jamming in a hopper

## **Numerical Simulations**



Molecular dynamics simulations with the discrete element method (DEM)

- Suitable for high densities
- Tunable material properties (viscosity)  $\gamma_n$

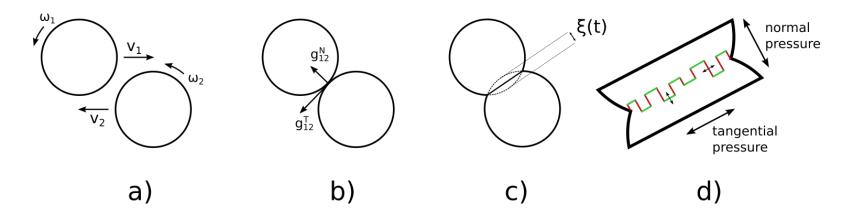


Numerical setup

Realistic spherical grains:

- Rotations
- Compressions
- Superficial asperities
- Dissipation

## Numerical model for granular interactions



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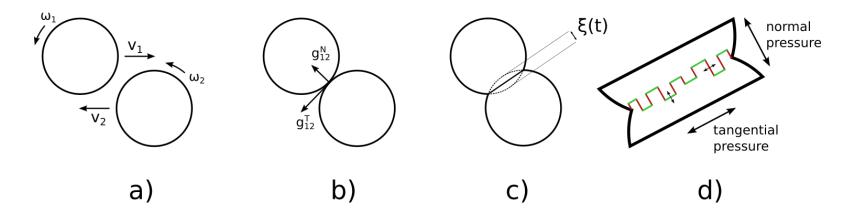
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Numerical setup

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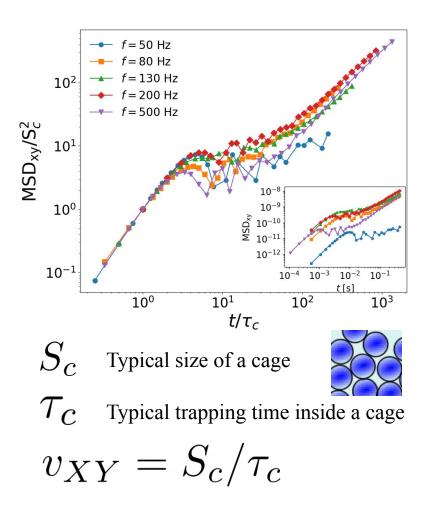
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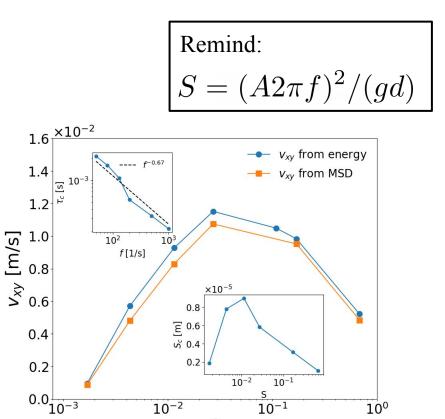
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