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Analytical Multi-Scale Methodology for Fluidization

---- from a simple idea to industrial application

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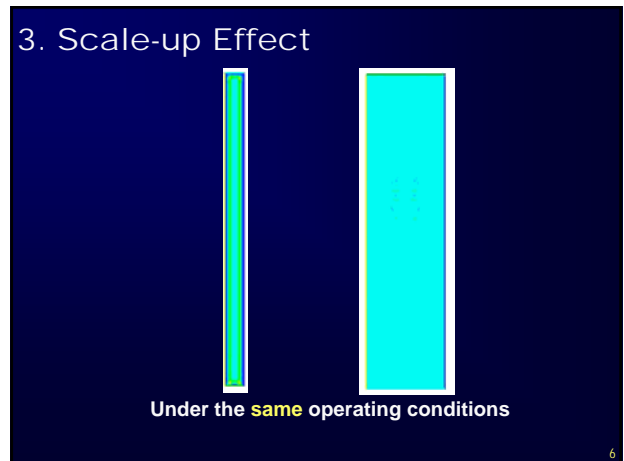
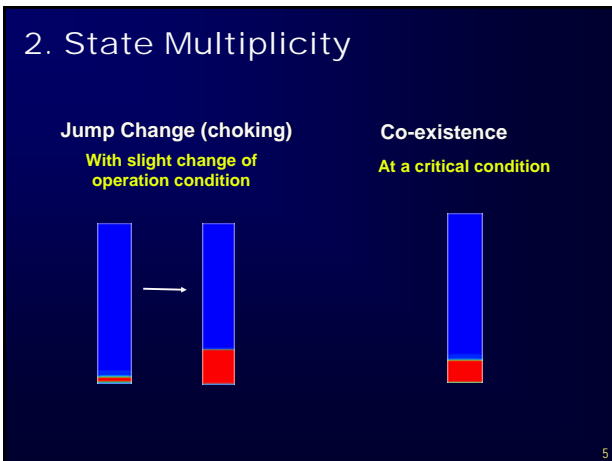
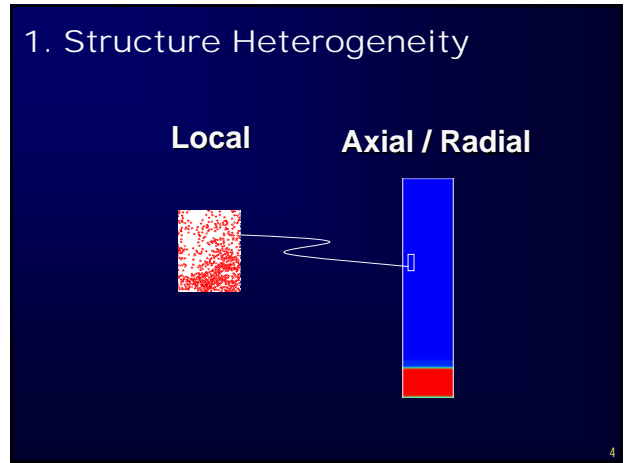
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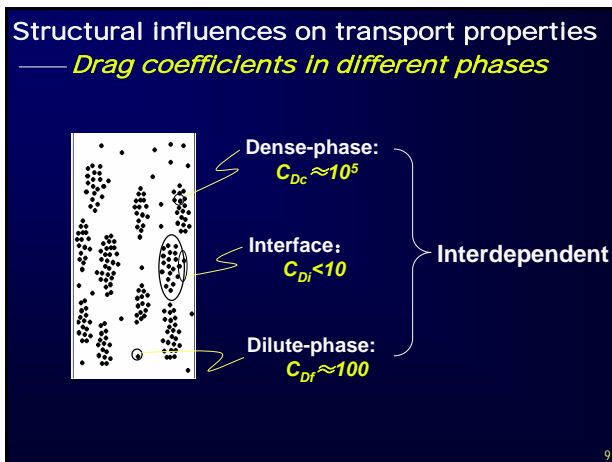
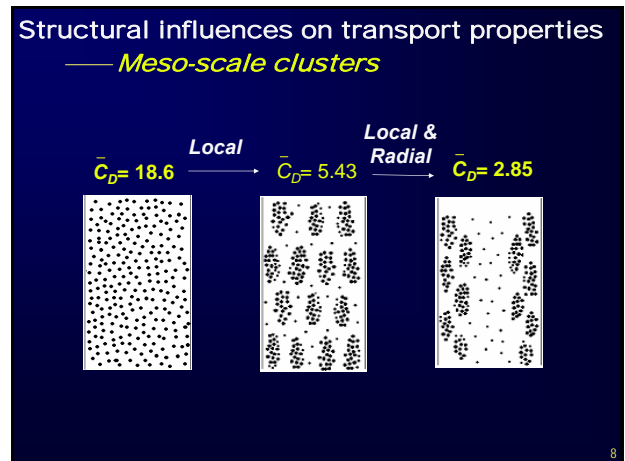
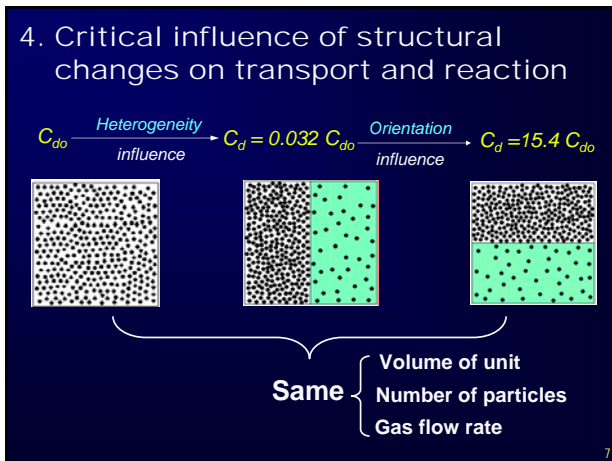
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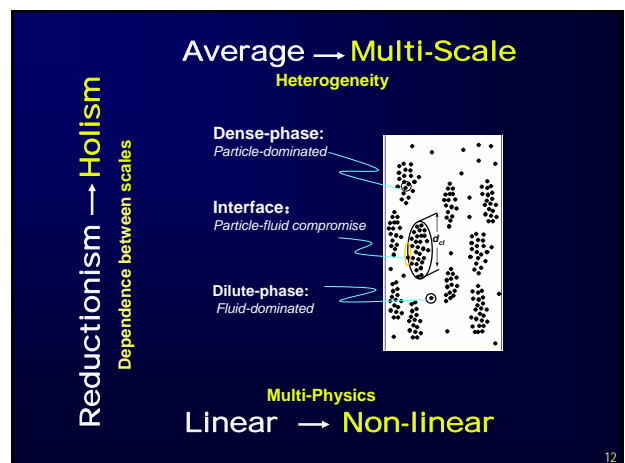


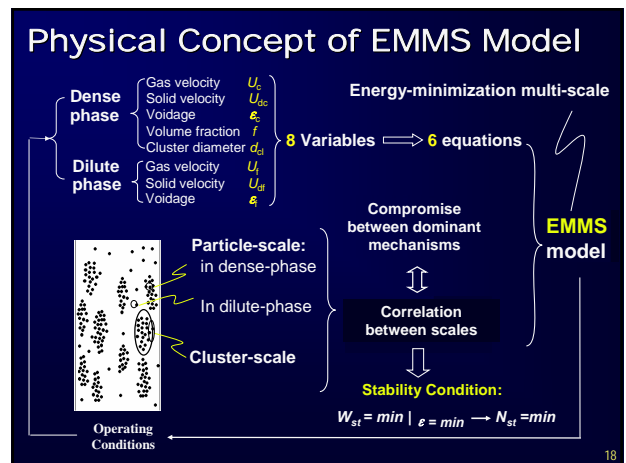
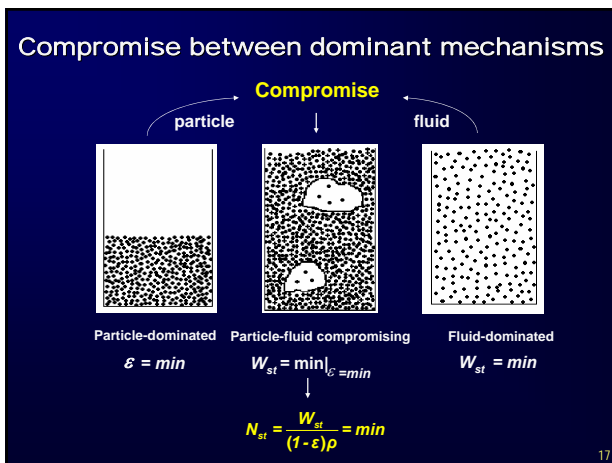
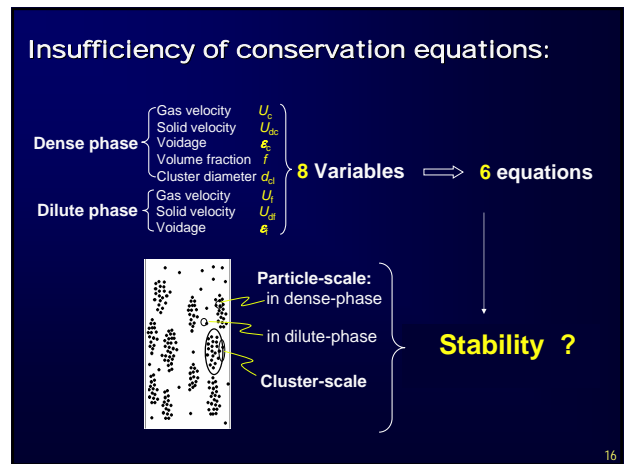
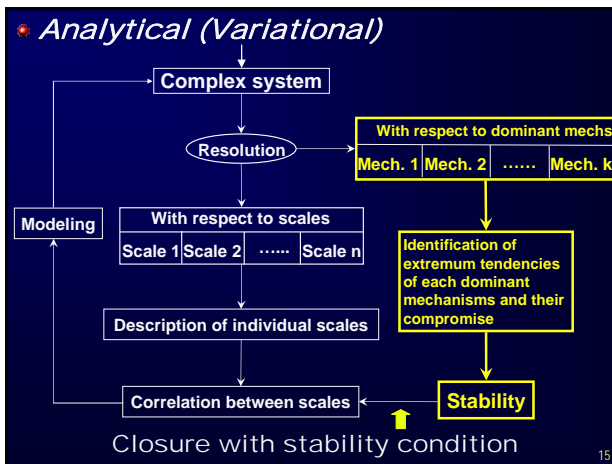
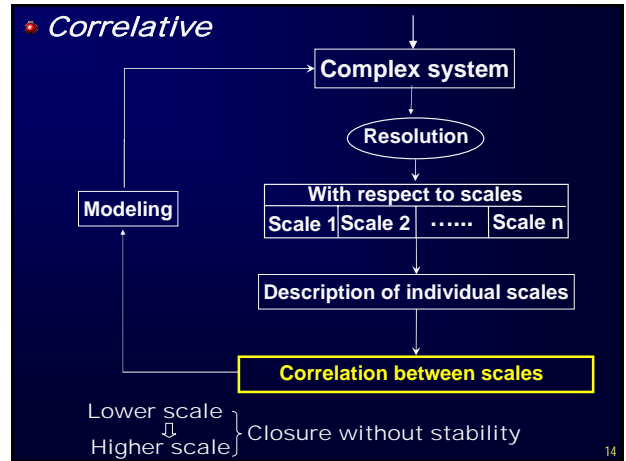
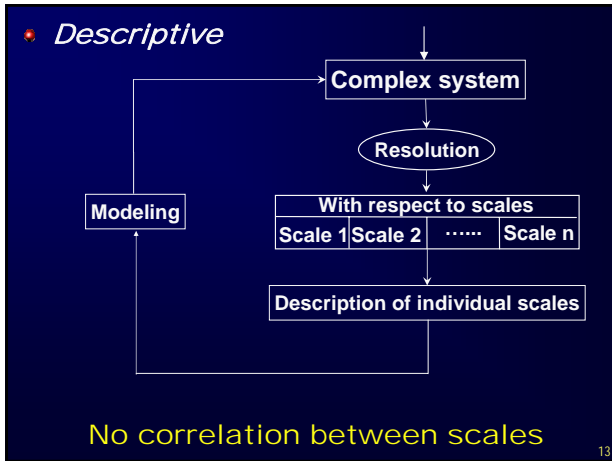
Challenge: Spatial-temporal Multi-Scale Structure

How to formulate?
What is the mechanism?
What happens at meso-scale?

Key/Focus: Correlation and inter-dependence between different scales

Strategy





Mathematical Formulation

To find: $\mathbf{X} = \{U_{dc}, U_c, \varepsilon_c, f, d_{cl}, U_{df}, U_f, \varepsilon_f\}$

Minimizing: $N_{st} = \frac{W_{st}}{(1-\varepsilon)\rho}$

$$\text{s.t. } F_i(\mathbf{X}) = 0 \begin{cases} F_1(\mathbf{X}) = m_c F_c f + m_f F_f - f(1-\varepsilon_c)(\rho_p - \rho_f)g = 0 \\ F_2(\mathbf{X}) = m_f F_f - (1-\varepsilon_f)(\rho_p - \rho_f)g = 0 \\ F_3(\mathbf{X}) = m_f F_f + m_c F_c (1-f) - m_c F_c = 0 \\ F_4(\mathbf{X}) = U_p - U_{df}(1-f) - U_{pc}f = 0 \\ F_5(\mathbf{X}) = U_g - U_f(1-f) - U_c f = 0 \\ F_6(\mathbf{X}) = d_{cl} \left[\frac{U_p}{1-\varepsilon_{min}} - (U_{df} + \frac{U_f \varepsilon_{df}}{1-\varepsilon_{df}}) \right] \cdot g \\ N_{st} \frac{\rho_f}{\rho_p - \rho_f} - (U_{df} + \frac{U_f \varepsilon_{df}}{1-\varepsilon_{df}}) \cdot g = 0 \end{cases}$$

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Summary of the strategy:

Applying the **multi-scale** method to study the **stability** condition of complex systems by analyzing the **compromise** between dominant mechanisms and **correlation** between different scales.

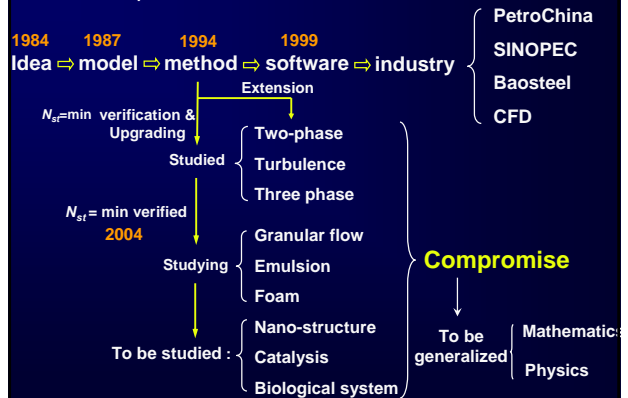
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Progress

- Verification
- Solution
- Extension
- Application
- Limitation

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Roadmap:



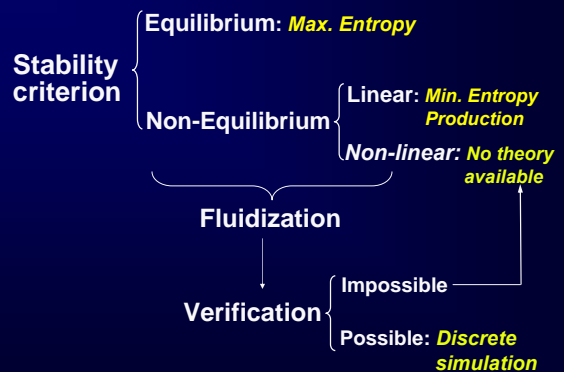
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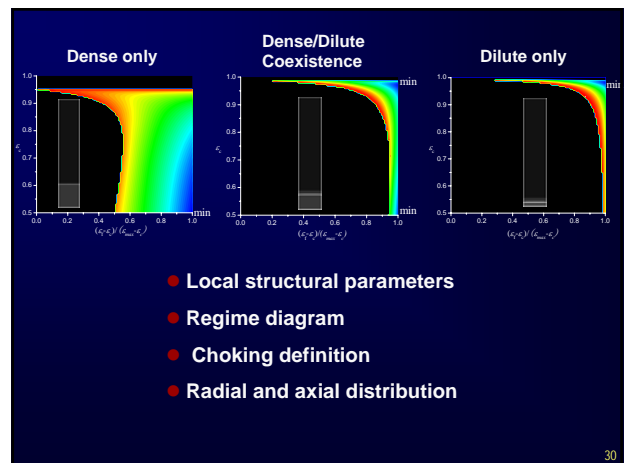
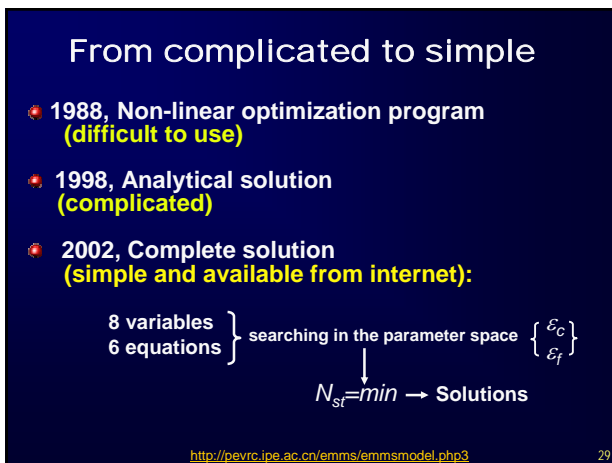
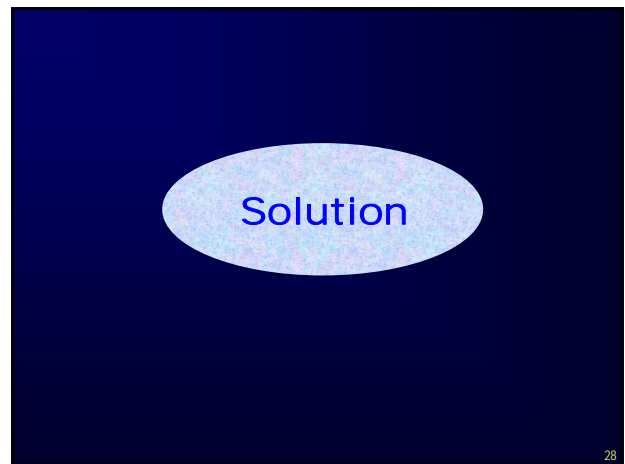
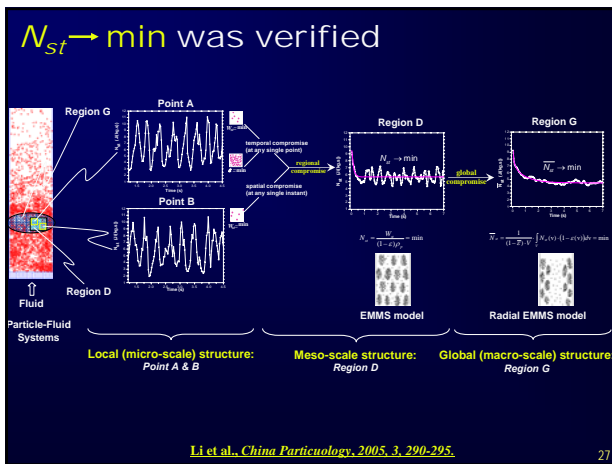
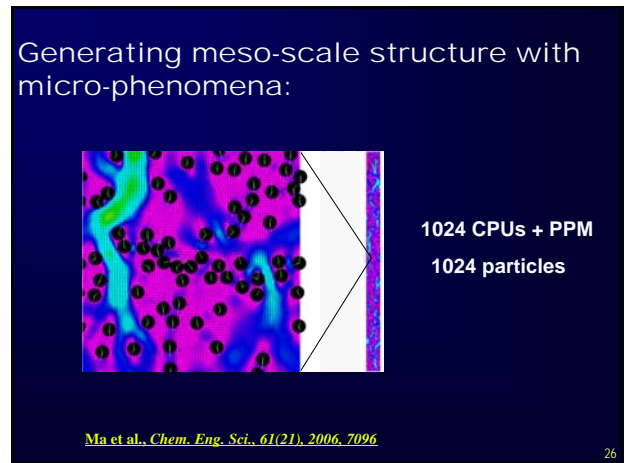
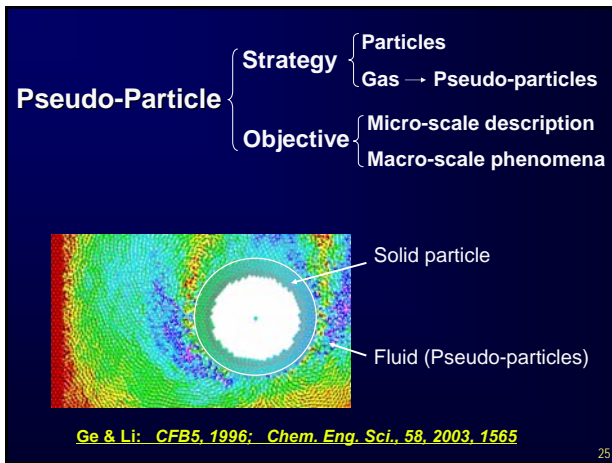
$N_{st} = \min ?$

- Whether or not?
- If yes, why?

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Extension to 6 different systems

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Extension 1: Turbulent Flow

Compromise between Viscosity and Inertia

\bar{W}_v, \bar{W}_{te} fluctuating $\bar{W}_v / \bar{W}_{te} \rightarrow \min$

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Extension 2: Gas-Liquid Bubbly Flow

Compromise between movement tendencies of bubbles and liquid

$\bar{N}_{surf+turb}$ fluctuating $\bar{N}_{surf+turb} \rightarrow \min$

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Extension 3: Microemulsion

Compromise Between Hydrophile and Lipophile

$\bar{E}_{WT}, \bar{E}_{OH}$ fluctuating $\bar{E}_{repulse} \rightarrow \min$

Denotations
 H: Hydrophile group (red) T: Lipophile group (blue) W: Water (green) O: Oil (yellow)

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Extension 4: Granular Flow

Compromise Between Two Streams of Granular Flow

\bar{H}_a, \bar{H}_b fluctuating $\bar{H}_a / \bar{H}_b \rightarrow \min$

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Extension 5: Foam Drainage


Compromise Between Surface Energy and Viscosity

\bar{E}_s, \bar{E}_μ fluctuating $\bar{E}_s / \bar{E}_\mu \rightarrow \min$

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Extension 6: Nano Gas-liquid Flow

Compromise Between Interfacial potential and Viscosity




Interfacial potential tends to minimum

$S \rightarrow \min$



Compromise



Flow dissipation tends to minimum

$\phi_r \rightarrow \min$

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Summary:

1. Systems	2. Dominant mechanisms	3. Local extremum		4. Global extremum	
		existence	indication	existence	indication
Gas-solid system	Compromise: $(H_r = \min)_{x_{opt}}$ Definition: $H_r \rightarrow$ potential a $H_v \rightarrow$ potential b	No		Yes	
Turbulent flow	Compromise: $(W_v = \min)_{x_{opt}}$ Definition: $W_v \rightarrow$ viscous dissipation $W_t \rightarrow$ turbulent dissipation	No		Yes	
Gas-liquid system	Compromise: $(W_p = \min)_{x_{opt}}$ Definition: $W_p \rightarrow$ volume specific energy consumption for transporting and suspending particles $S \rightarrow$ best value of the identified area	No		Yes	
Turbulent porous flow	Compromise: $(N_{turb} = \min)_{x_{opt}}$ Definition: $N_{turb} \rightarrow$ dissipation liquid in the turbulent $N_{surf} \rightarrow$ surface dissipation	No		Yes	
Nano porous liquid flow	Compromise: $(\phi_r = \min)_{x_{opt}}$ Definition: $\phi_r \rightarrow$ dissipation associated with the transportation of unit amount of kinetic energy across unit length $S \rightarrow$ surface energy in the system	No		Yes	
Foam drainage	Compromise: $(E_s = \min)_{x_{opt}}$ Definition: $E_s \rightarrow$ surface energy $E_v \rightarrow$ viscous dissipation	No		Yes	
Emulsion	Compromise: $(E_{HY} = \min)_{x_{opt}}$ Definition: $E_{HY} \rightarrow$ lyophobic potential $E_{HL} \rightarrow$ hydrophilic potential	No		Yes	

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Compromise between dominant mechanisms

Generality?

Gas-solid system { Particle Fluid

Turbulence { Viscosity Inertia

Gas-liquid system { Surface tension Viscosity

Granular flow { Stream A Stream B

Emulsion { Hydrophile Lipophile

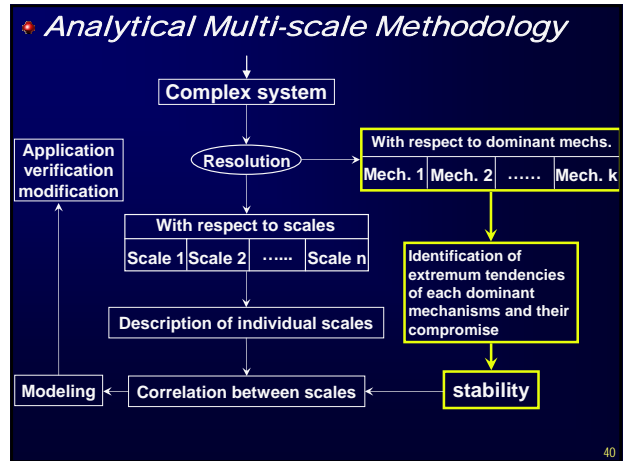
Foam drainage { Surface energy Viscous dissipation

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Extremum tendency of mechanism 1

Extremum tendency of mechanism 2

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Mathematical model of complex systems in general — Multi-objective variational problem

$$X = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$$

$$\min \begin{pmatrix} E_j(X) \\ \vdots \\ E_k(X) \end{pmatrix}$$

s.t. $F_i(X)=0, i=1, 2, \dots, m$

J. Li et al., Chem. Eng. Sci., 2003, 58, 521-535.

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Computer capacity: *dramatic increase*

1985: Vax 11/780
10⁶ flops

10⁷ times

2005: Dawning 4000
10¹³ flops

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CFD computation capability: *gradual progress*

Mesh improvement

FLUENT 2 Orthogonal	FLUENT 4 Structured	FLUENT 5 Tetrahedral	FLUENT 6.3 Polyhedral
1983	1996	1999	2006

Constitutive models

$K - \epsilon$	KTGF	DPM	SGS	VOF	+LES
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Adapted from T. Gessner et al., WCCM 2006, Fluent Inc. & Fluent User Manuals

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*Why
Computation capability
is far behind computer
capacity?*

*What
is the key problem?*

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Heterogeneity in a control volume !

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Current

- Problem: average C_D
- Softwares:
 - FLUENT
 - CFX
 - PHOENICS

Missing meso-structure

EMMS → C_D considering structure

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Multi-scale CFD:

Two-fluid models

Local parameters

C_D for local cells

Average approach

EMMS

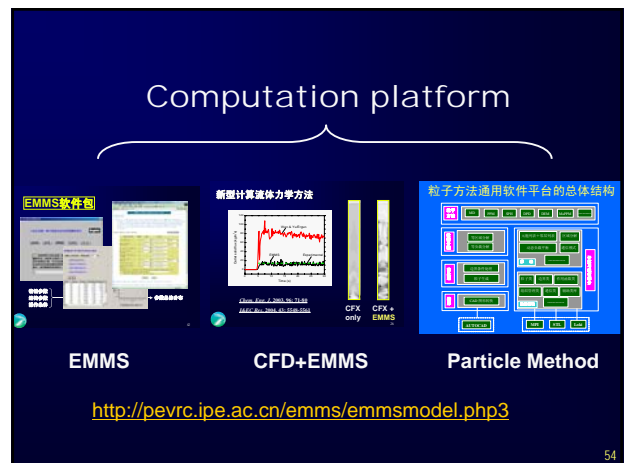
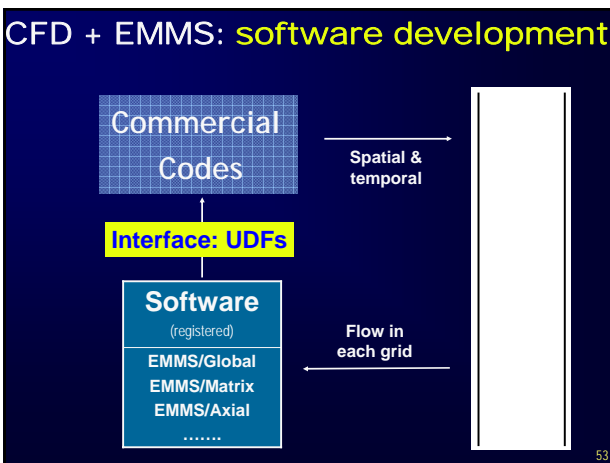
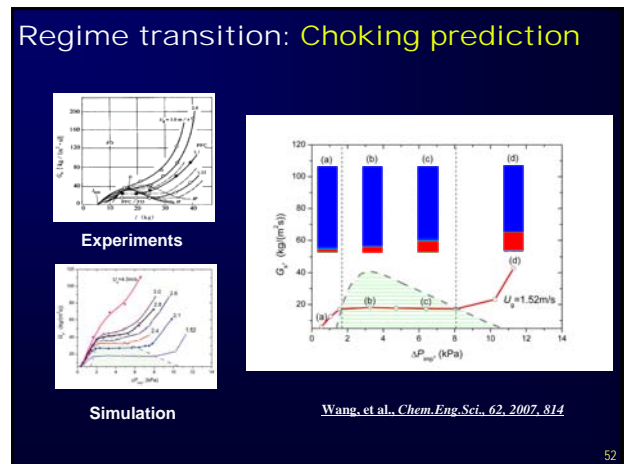
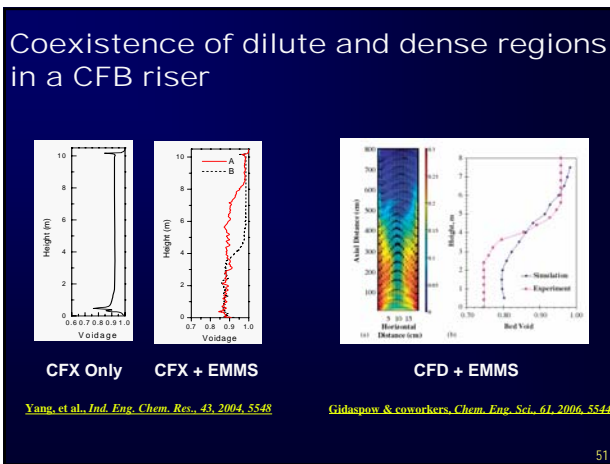
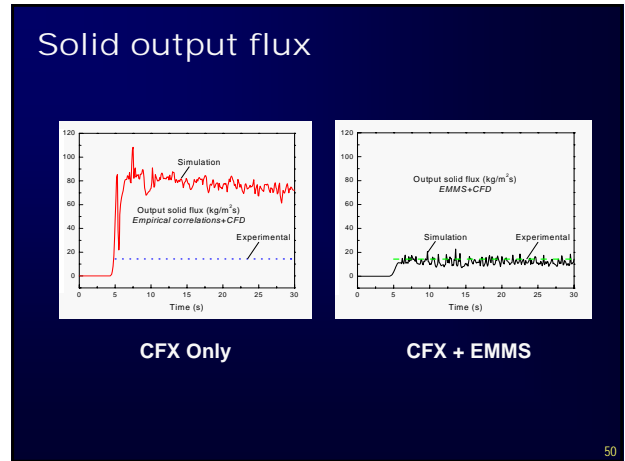
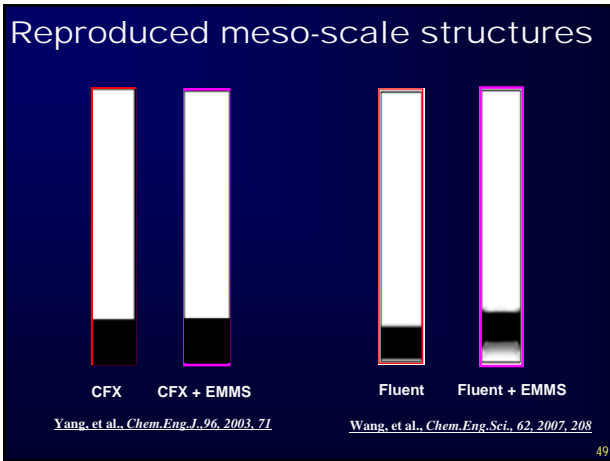
Structure parameters & acceleration

Start

Final

N. Yang et al., Chem. Eng. J., 2003, 96, 71- 80.

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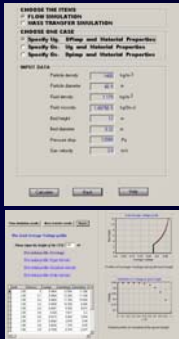
Software — EMMS

EMMS software package at website
(<http://pevrc.ipe.ac.cn/emms/emmsmodel.php3>)

EMMS software package for calculating the axial and radial distribution of solid concentration, solid velocity and gas velocity in CFB



Input Interface



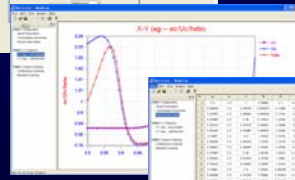
Output Interface

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Software — EMMS+CFD



Input window



Output figures

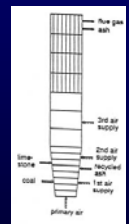
Output tables

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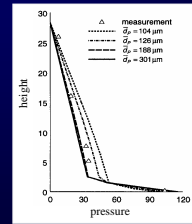
Applications to industries

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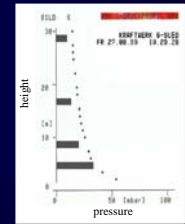
Bayer: Pressure profile in boiler



a) CFB boiler



b) EMMS calculation



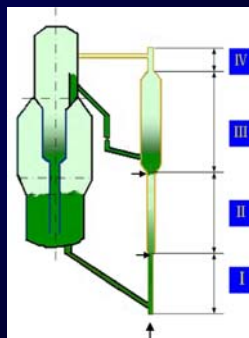
c) On site plant data printout

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SINOPEC Stage 1 : MIP (max. Iso-paraffins) process

Novel FCC Riser
Height: 40 m
Diameter 1~3.5 m

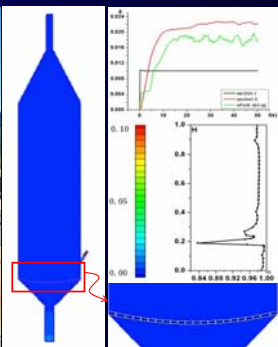
Determine design parameter
Diameter
velocity
Inventory



Shade of color: concentration

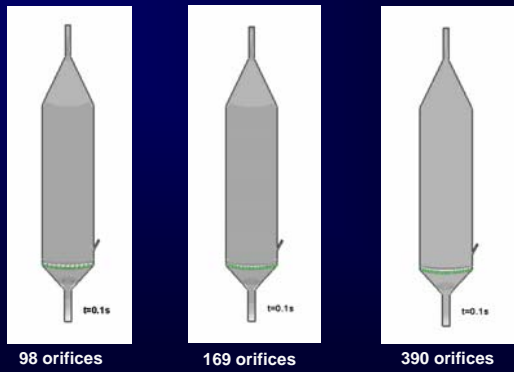
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SINOPEC Stage 2 : Further optimization of MIP process



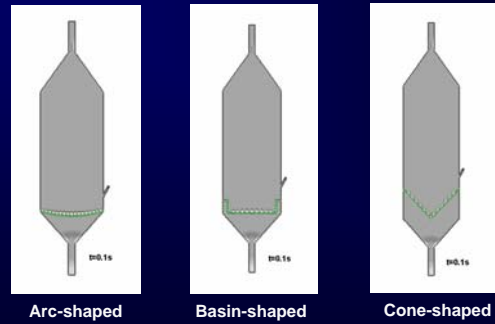
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SINOPEC: the influence of orifice number



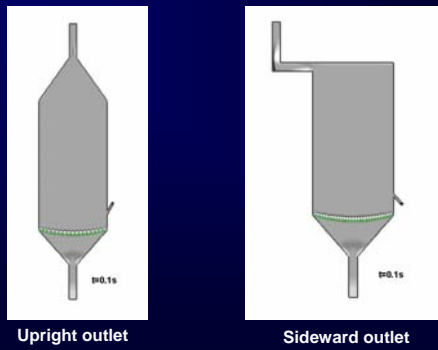
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SINOPEC: the influence of distributor shape



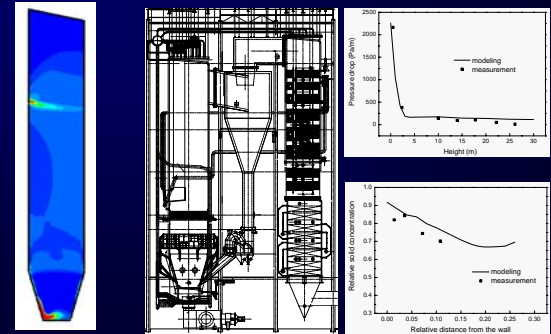
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SINOPEC: the influence of outlets



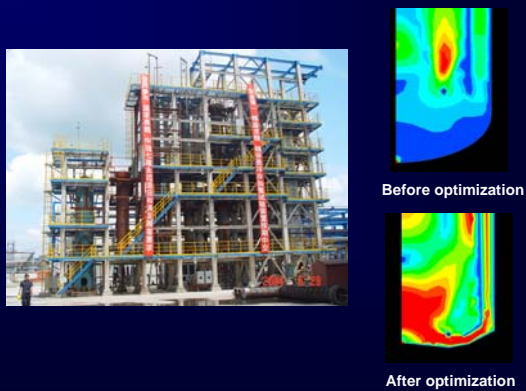
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SINOPEC: CFB Boiler (Wuhan)



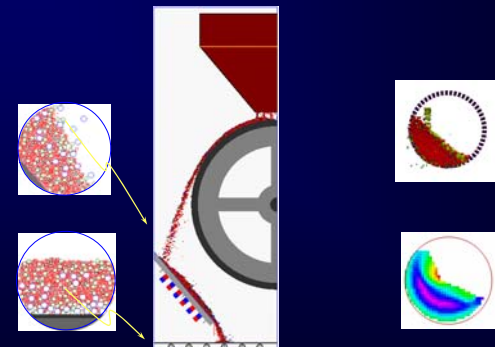
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PetroChina: slurry bed loop reactor



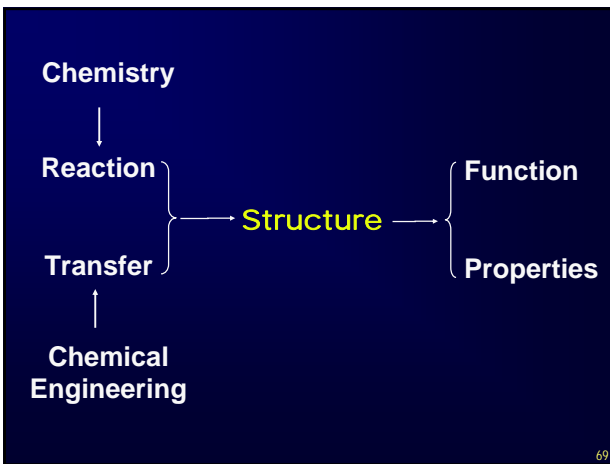
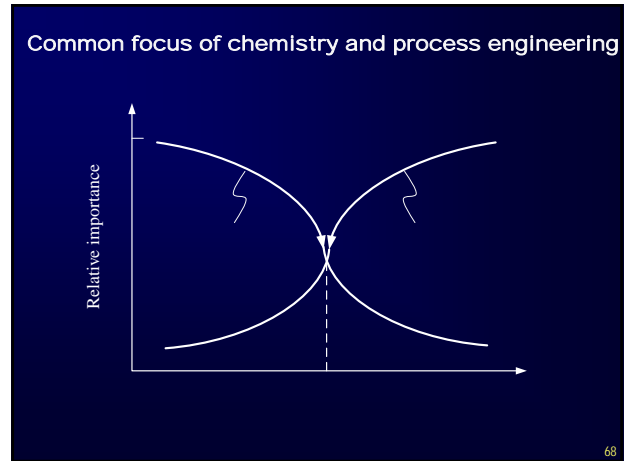
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Baosteel: Simulation of ore preparation for

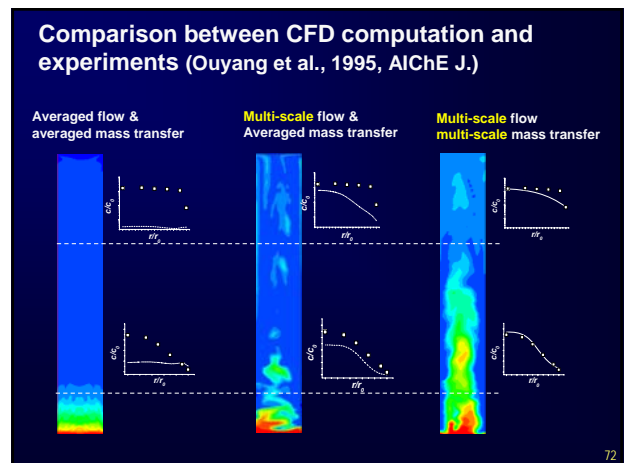
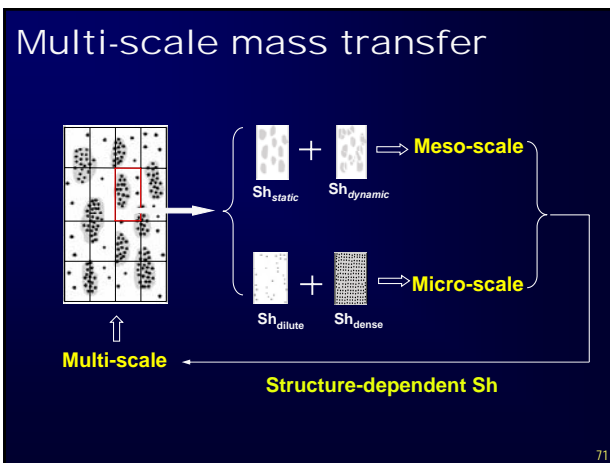


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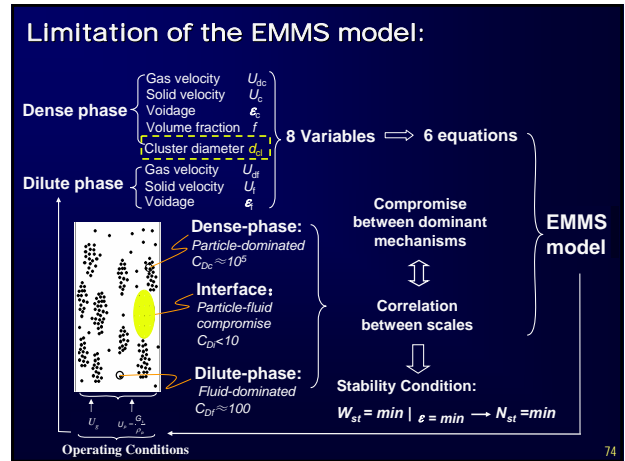


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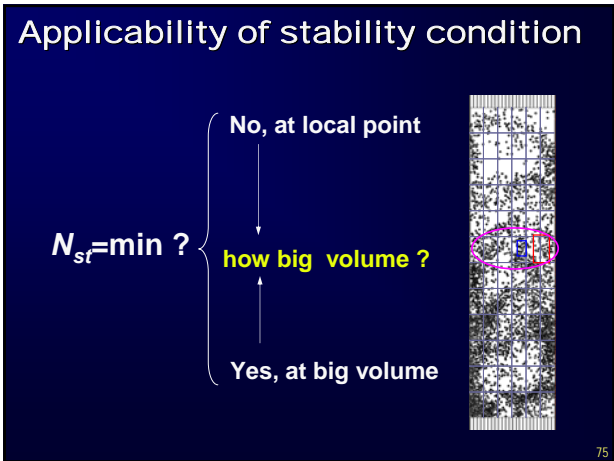


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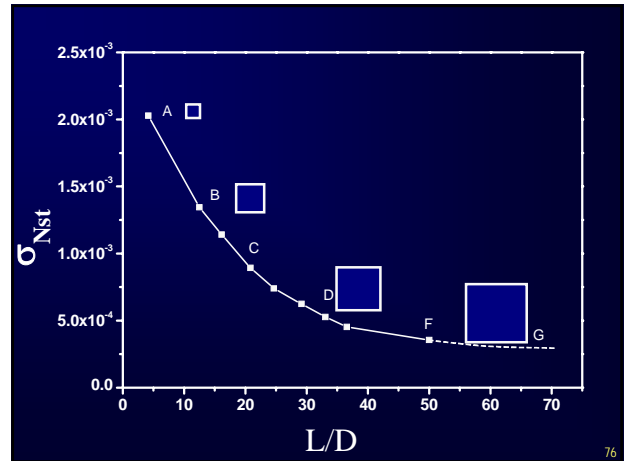
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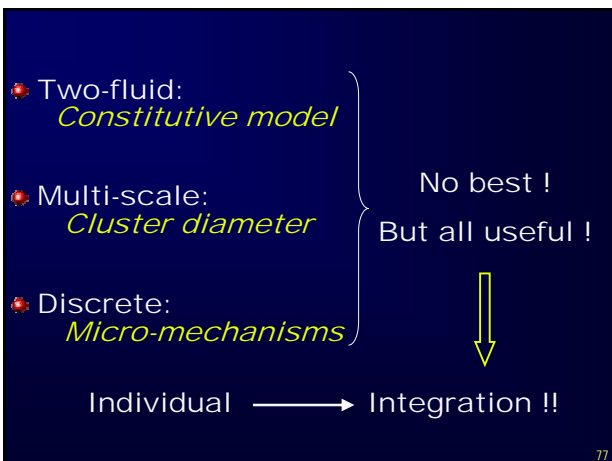
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Conclusions

- Focus:** Spatio-temporal multi-scale structure
- Umbrella:** Complex systems
- Methodology:** Multi-scale method
- Tool:** Computer simulation
- Highlights:**
 - Nano-technology
 - Material science
 - Systems biology

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