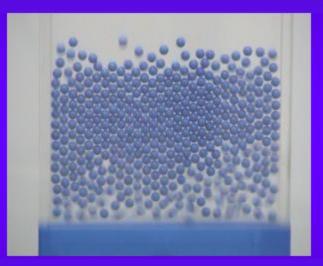
Leidenfrost Effect and Coarsening in a Granular Gas

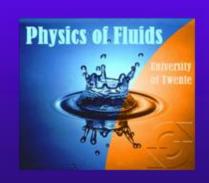
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Outline

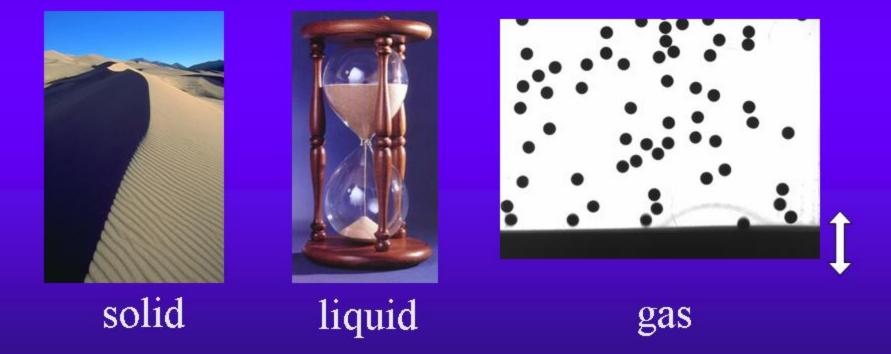
♦ What is Granular Matter?

- ♦ Granular Leidenfrost Effect:
 - Experiments vs. Theory

- ◆Coarsening in a Granular Gas:
 - -Experiments vs. Theory

What is Granular Matter?

It is all around us: sand, salt, sugar, etc...



What is Granular Matter?

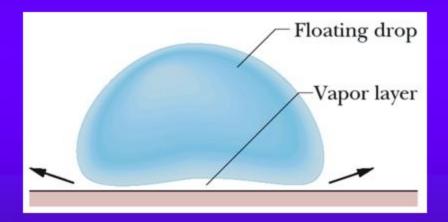
- Fundamental importance
- Many industries involved in Granular Matter



Original Leidenfrost effect

Johann Gottlob Leidenfrost, 1756





Drop of water on a hot plate (≈220° C)

Granular Leidenfrost effect



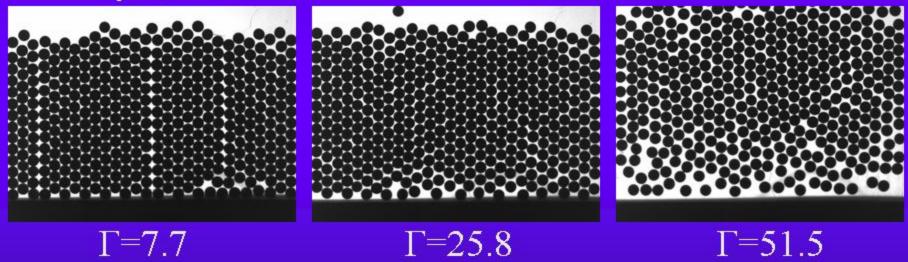
Quasi-2D container: 10x0.45x14cm

Glass beads: d=4mm, $\rho=2.5g/cm^3$ e<1

Experiments: shaking strength

$$\Gamma = \frac{a(2\pi f)^2}{g}$$

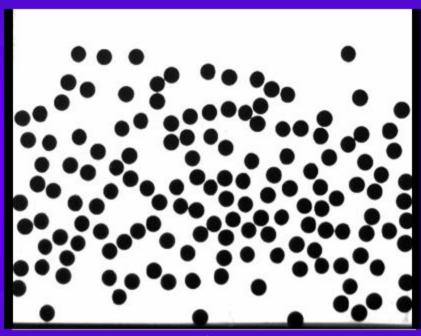
F=16 layers, f=80Hz



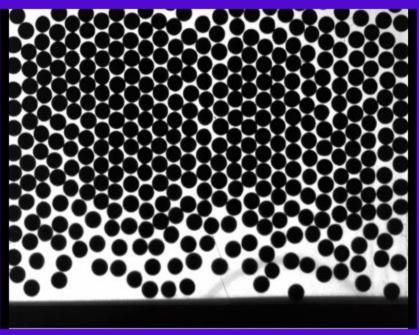
Density Inversion for $\Gamma_c > 25$ (for F=16)

Experiments: number of layers

 Γ =51.5 @ 1000 fps



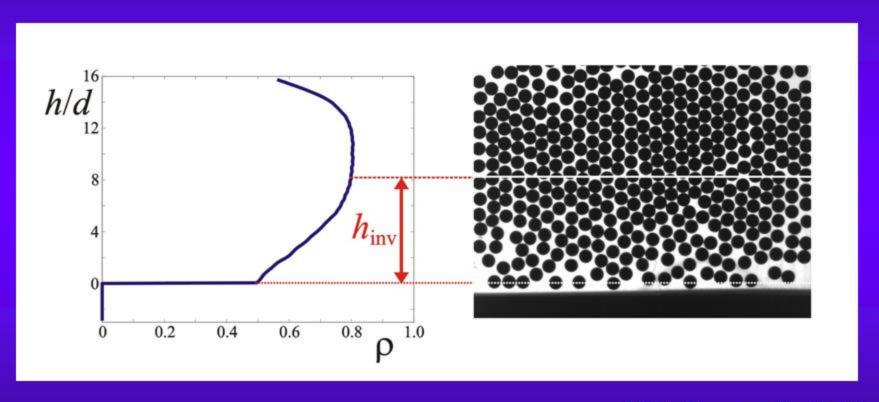
F=6 layers



F=16 layers

Density Inversion only for F≥10

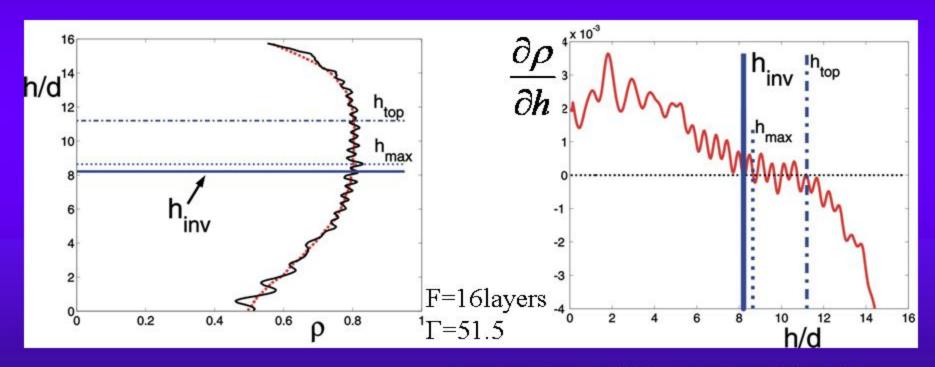
Experiments: inversion height



(F=16 layers, Γ =51.5)

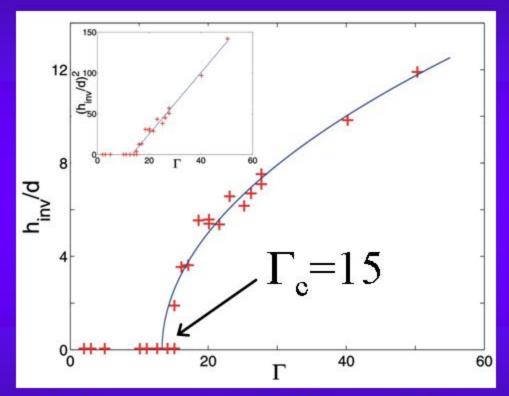
Experiments: inversion height

first zero derivative → h_{inv}



Averaged over 300 experimental pictures

Experiments: phase transition for h_{inv}



$$h_{inv} \propto (\Gamma - \Gamma_c)^{1/2}$$

(F=10 layers constant, f=50Hz, a varied)

2nd order, continuous phase transition

Theory: hydrodynamic model

Equation of state:
$$p = nT \frac{n_c + n}{n_c - n}$$

Force balance:
$$\frac{dp}{dz} = -mgn$$

Balance between heat flux and dissipation:

$$\frac{d}{dz} \left\{ \kappa T^{1/2} \frac{dT}{dz} \right\} = \lambda n^2 T^{3/2}$$

Theory: heat balance

$$\frac{d}{dz} \left\{ \kappa T^{1/2} \frac{dT}{dz} \right\} = \lambda n^2 T^{3/2}$$

Thermal conductivity: $\kappa T^{1/2} \propto$ mean particle velocity $\langle v \rangle$

- -Energy loss per collision: $(1-e^2)T$
- -Total number of collisions: $n^2 v \propto n^2 T^{1/2}$

For 2D particles of diameter *d*:

$$\kappa = \frac{2m}{\sqrt{\pi} d} \qquad \lambda = 2\sqrt{\pi} m d(1 - e^2)$$

Theory: boundary conditions

-Constant Granular temperature at bottom:

$$T_0 = m(af)^2$$

-Zero heat flux at the top:

$$\left. \frac{dT}{dz} \right|_{z \to \infty} = 0$$

-Conservation of total number of particles:

$$\int_{0}^{\infty} n(z)dz = \frac{N}{L_{x}} = Fdn_{c}$$

Theory: dimensionless form

Two equations $(\tilde{z} = z/d, \quad \tilde{n} = n/n_c, \quad \tilde{T} = T/T_0)$:

$$\frac{d}{d\widetilde{z}} \left\{ \widetilde{n} \widetilde{T} \frac{1+\widetilde{n}}{1-\widetilde{n}} \right\} = -\frac{1}{\Gamma A} \widetilde{n}, \quad S = \Gamma A$$

$$\frac{d\widetilde{T}^{3/2}}{d\widetilde{z}} = 2n\varepsilon \widetilde{n}^{2} \widetilde{T}^{3/2}$$

Boundary conditions:

$$|\widetilde{T_0}| = 1$$
 $\frac{d\widetilde{T}}{d\widetilde{z}}\Big|_{\widetilde{z} \to \infty} = 0$ $\int_0^\infty \widetilde{n}(\widetilde{z})d\widetilde{z} = F$

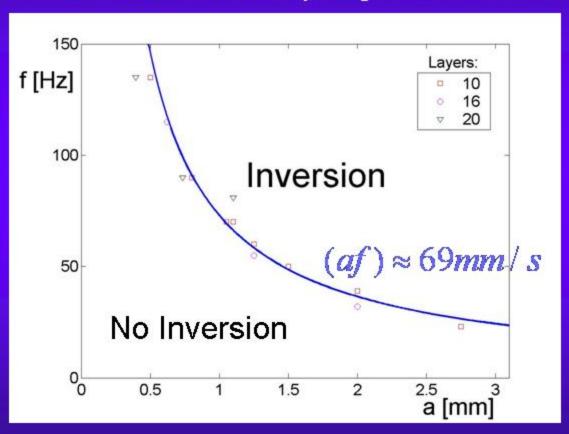
Theory: control parameters

Shaking strength:
$$\Gamma = \frac{a(2\pi f)^2}{g}$$
Shaking amplitude:
$$A = \frac{a}{d}$$
Filling height:
$$F = \frac{h}{d}$$

Inelasticity of particles: $\varepsilon = (1 - e^2)$

Experimental evidence

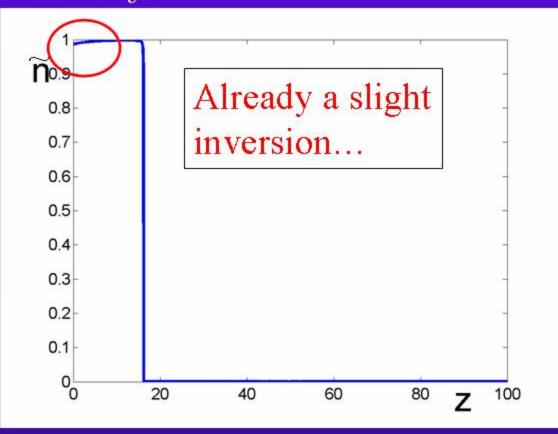
Critical values of a and f at phase transition:



Transition at constant $S\infty(af)^2$

Theory: density profiles

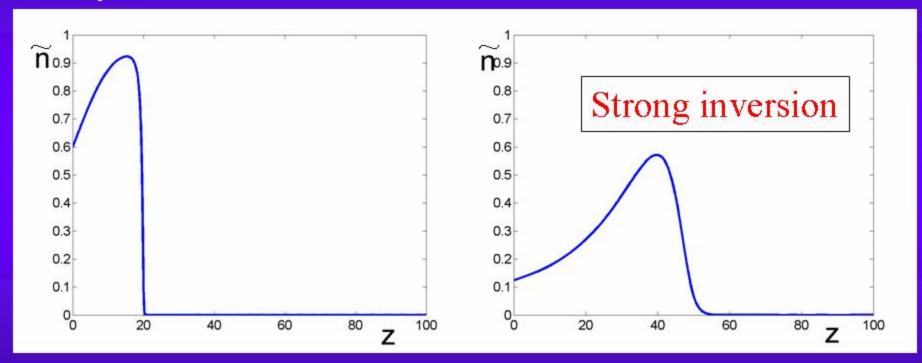
$$(\widetilde{n} = n/n_c)$$



F=16 layers,
Mild shaking:
S=ΓA=0.11

Theory: density profiles

F=16 layers



Moderate shaking:

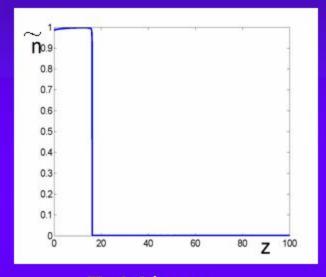
$$S=\Gamma A=6.7$$

Vigorous shaking: $S=\Gamma A=10$

Exp vs. Theory: phase transition

Theoretical model shows

Density Inversion for all shaking strengths (for F>3)

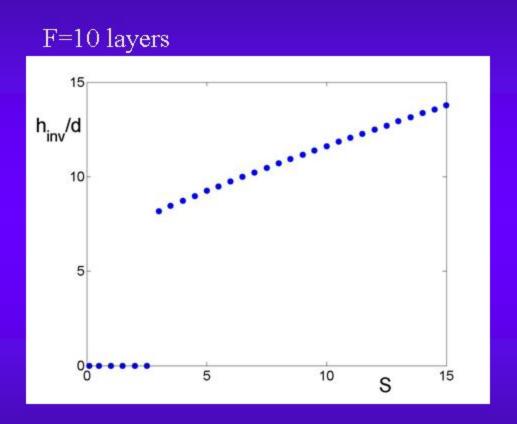


F=16 layers Mild shaking: S=ΓA=0.11



Disqualify all inversions until $\tilde{n}_0 < \tilde{n}_{thresh} = 0.68$

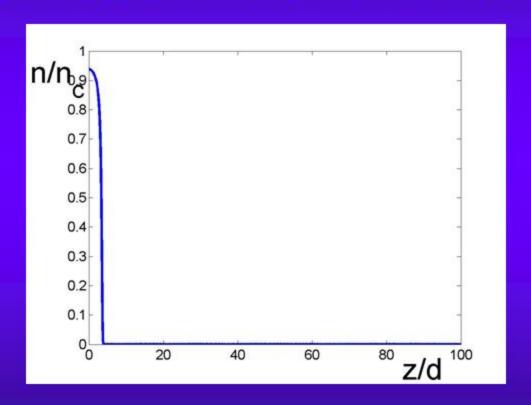
Exp vs. Theory: phase transition



No 2nd order phase transition

Exp vs. Theory: phase transition

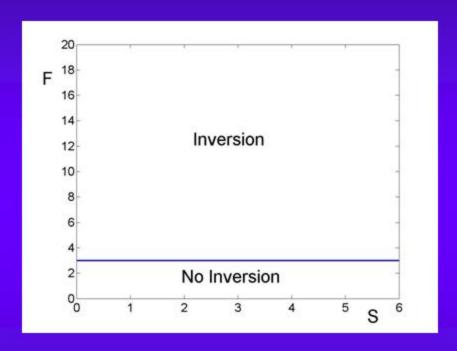
Theoretical model: *never* Inversion for F≤3

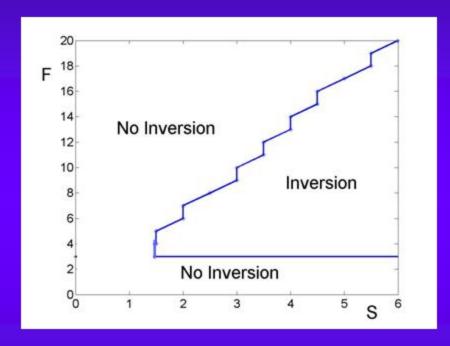


F=3 layers, $S = \Gamma A = 0.1$

Transition for increasing nr. of layers F

Phase transition for increasing F





With h_{inv} as in the experiments: first height with zero derivative.

Extra structure with the additional threshold criterion.

Conclusions & Outlook

- ♦ Current model describes Granular Leidenfrost effect *qualitatively*.
- ♦ No plateau in density profiles, no 2nd order phase transition.
- Use different relations for κ and λ :

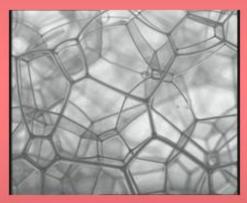
$$\kappa \propto \frac{n(\alpha l + d)^2}{l}, \qquad \lambda \propto \frac{(1 - e^2)}{l}$$

with $l = \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}nd} \frac{n_c - n}{n_c - an}$ mean free path.

(Grossman et al. 1997, Meerson et al. 2003)

What is Coarsening?

Larger foam cells grow at the expense of the smaller ones: coarsening.





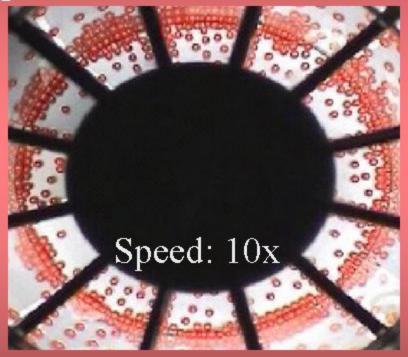




Ring setup, 12 compartments

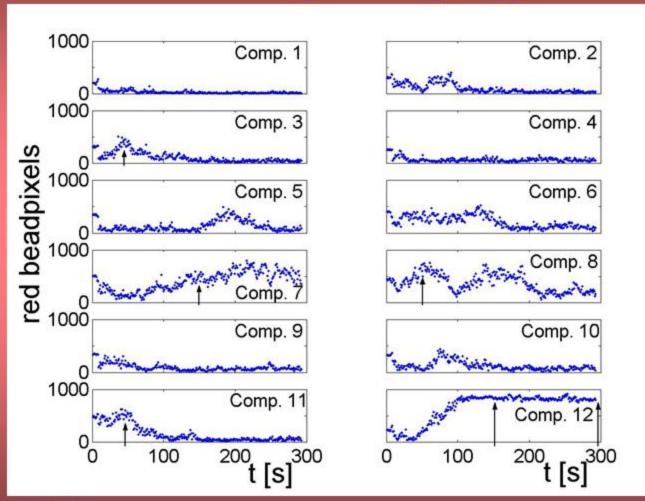
Granular Coarsening

Starting from a uniform distribution:



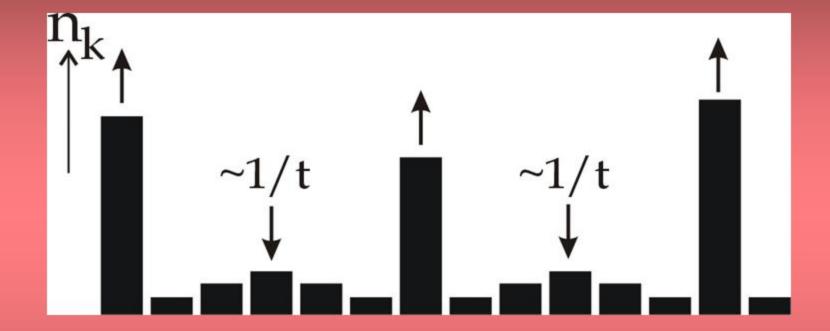
Transient states (with more than 1 cluster): large clusters grow at the expense of smaller ones.

Coarsening: image processing



t[s]	Cluster
50	3,8,11
150	7,12
300	12

1st Coarsening regime: cluster growth



Theoretical prediction for the intermediate hills between clusters:

 $n_k(t) \propto \frac{1}{t}$

2nd regime: cluster-to-cluster dynamics

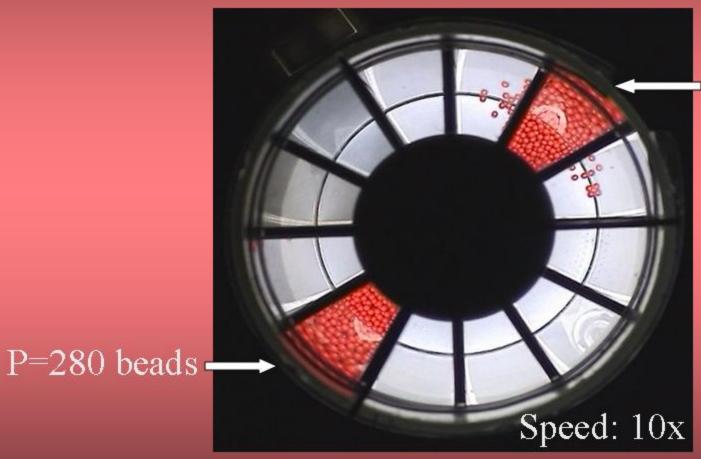
Larger clusters eat up the smaller ones. For two clusters, theory predicts that the time this takes is proportional to their distance d: $t_{breakdown} = dt_0$



In ring setup: two interaction paths, which leads to:

$$t_{breakdown} = dt_0 (1 - d/12)$$

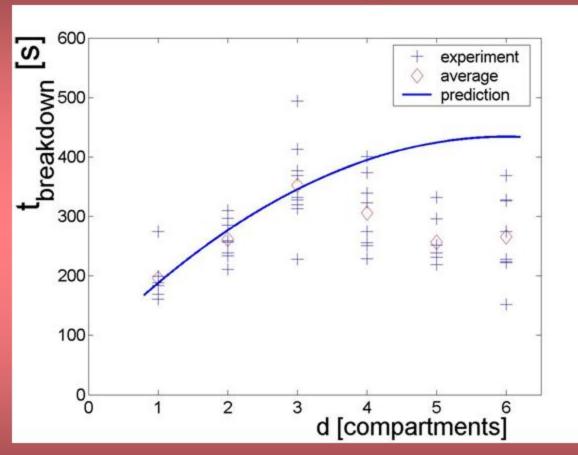
Two Clusters



- P=200 beads

f=41Hz, a=1mm

Two Clusters: Exp vs. Theory

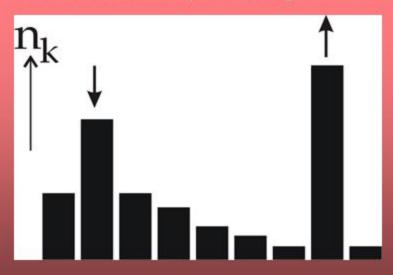


$$t_{breakdown} = dt_0(1 - d/12)$$
 { valid for $d \le 3$ but not for $d \ge 4$

Proposed explanation for saturation

For d≥4, we measure in fact the "sudden collapse" time for *independent* P=200 cluster.

We do not have the standard transport bands between the clusters (starting from a uniform distribution):



Instead, the intermediate compartments are initially empty. Sudden collapse occurs before the transportband has built up.

Proposed explanation: check

Experimentally measured sudden-collapse time for a single P=200 cluster at f=41 Hz:

$$t_{\text{collapse}} = 438 \text{ s}$$

Lies roughly 100 s above saturation value!

Probable reason:

Drier atmospheric conditions → more static electricity built up in glass beads → cluster stays longer together.

Conclusions & Outlook

- ◆ Theoretical prediction for Two-Cluster coarsening verified for distances d≤3.
- Redo experiments with *metal* beads to clarify whether the saturation in the breakdown is indeed sudden collapse.
- Accompany experiments with Molecular Dynamics simulations.

Questions?

