

## Microstructural studies for rheology

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## Rotations

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## Rotation of particles – rigid and dilute

Spheroid: axes  $a, b, b$ , **aspect ratio**  $r = \frac{a}{b}$ .

rod  $r > 1$

disk  $r < 1$

**Direction of axis**  $\mathbf{p}(t)$ , unit vector.

Stokes flow by Oberbeck (1876). See Lamb. Uses ellipsoidal harmonic function in place of spherical harmonic  $1/r$

$$\int_{s(\mathbf{x})}^{\infty} \frac{ds'}{\prod_{i=1}^3 (a_i^2 + s')^{1/2}}, \quad \text{where} \quad \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{x_i^2}{a_i^2 + s(\mathbf{x})} = 1.$$

## Rotation of particles

**Microstructural evolution equation**

$$\frac{D\mathbf{p}}{Dt} = \boldsymbol{\Omega} \times \mathbf{p} + \frac{r^2-1}{r^2+1} [\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}(\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{p})]$$

Straining less efficient at rotation by  $\frac{r^2-1}{r^2+1}$ .

Long rods  $\frac{r^2-1}{r^2+1} \rightarrow +1$  i.e. **Upper Convective Derivative**  $\nabla_{\mathbf{A}}$

Flat disks  $\frac{r^2-1}{r^2+1} \rightarrow -1$  i.e. **Lower Convective Derivative**  $\triangle_{\mathbf{A}}$

## Rotation of particles

### Student Exercise

Show that

$$\mathbf{p}(t) = \frac{\mathbf{q}(t)}{|\mathbf{q}(t)|} \quad \text{with} \quad \dot{\mathbf{q}} = \Omega \times \mathbf{q} + \frac{r^2-1}{r^2+1} \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{q}$$

satisfies

$$\frac{D\mathbf{p}}{Dt} = \Omega \times \mathbf{p} + \frac{r^2-1}{r^2+1} [\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}(\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{p})]$$

Hence find  $\mathbf{p}(t)$  for axisymmetric extensional flow and for simple shear, starting from an arbitrary initial  $\mathbf{p}(0)$ .

## Micro→macro link: stress

$$\bar{\sigma} = -\bar{p}I + 2\mu\mathbf{E} + 2\mu\phi [A(\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{p})\mathbf{pp} + B(\mathbf{pp} \cdot \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{pp}) + C\mathbf{E}]$$

with  $A, B, C$  material constants depending on shape but not size

	$A$	$B$	$C$
$r \rightarrow \infty$	$\frac{r^2}{2(\ln 2r - \frac{3}{2})}$	$\frac{6 \ln 2r - 11}{r^2}$	$2$
$r \rightarrow 0$	$\frac{10}{3\pi r}$	$-\frac{8}{3\pi r}$	$\frac{8}{3\pi r}$

## Rotation in uni-axial straining

$$\mathbf{U} = E(x, -\frac{1}{2}y, -\frac{1}{2}z)$$

rotates to

Aligns with stretching direction → **maximum dissipation**

rotates to

Aligns with inflow direction → **maximum dissipation**

## Effective extensional viscosity for rods

$$\mu_{\text{ext}}^* = \mu \left( 1 + \phi \frac{r^2}{3(\ln 2r - 1.5)} \right)$$

Large at  $\phi \ll 1$  if  $r \gg 1$ .

Now  $\phi = \frac{4\pi}{3} ab^2$  and  $r = \frac{a}{b}$ , so

$$\mu_{\text{ext}}^* = \mu \left( 1 + \frac{4\pi na^3}{9(\ln 2r - 1.5)} \right)$$

so **same as sphere of radius  $a$**  its largest dimension (except for factor  $1.2(\ln 2r - 1.5)$ ).

Hence 5ppm of PEO can have a big effect in drag reduction.

**Dilute** requires  $na^3 \ll 1$ , but extension by Batchelor to **semi-dilute**  $\phi \ll 1 \ll \phi r^2$

$$\mu_{\text{ext}}^* = \mu \left( 1 + \frac{4\pi na^3}{9 \ln \phi^{-1/2}} \right)$$

## Effective extensional viscosity for disks

$$\mu_{\text{ext}}^* = \mu \left( 1 + \phi \frac{10}{3\pi r} \right) = \mu \left( 1 + \frac{10nb^3}{9} \right)$$

where for disks  $b$  is the largest dimension  
(always the largest for Stokes flow).

No semi-dilute theory, yet.

## Behaviour in simple shear

$$\mathbf{U} = (\gamma y, 0, 0)$$

rotates to

Rotates to flow direction → **minimum dissipation**

rotates to

Rotates to lie in flow → **minimum dissipation**

**Both Tumble:** flip in  $1/\gamma$ , then align for  $r/\gamma$  ( $\delta\theta = 1/r$  with  $\dot{\theta} = \gamma/r^2$ )

## Effective shear viscosity

Jeffery orbits (1922)

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\phi} &= \frac{\gamma}{r^2+1} (r^2 \cos^2 \phi + \sin^2 \phi) \\ \dot{\theta} &= \frac{\gamma(r^2-1)}{4(r^2+1)} \sin 2\theta \sin 2\phi \end{aligned}$$

**Solution** with orbit constant  $C$ .

$$\tan \phi = r \tan \omega t, \quad \omega = \frac{\gamma r}{r^2+1}, \quad \tan \theta = Cr(r^2 \cos^2 \phi + \sin^2 \phi)^{-1/2}$$

**Effective shear viscosity** Leal & H (1971)

$$\mu_{\text{shear}}^* = \mu \left( 1 + \phi \begin{cases} 0.32r/\ln r & \text{rods} \\ 3.1 & \text{disks} \end{cases} \right)$$

numerical coefficients depend on distribution across orbits,  $C$ .

## Remarks

**Alignment** gives  $\mu_{\text{shear}}^* \ll \mu_{\text{ext}}^*$

This material anisotropy leads to **anisotropy of macro flow**.

Important to Turbulent Drag Reduction

**Three measures of concentration of rods**

$$\begin{cases} \phi r^2 \doteq na^3 & \text{for } \mu_{\text{ext}}^* \\ \phi r \doteq na^2 b & \text{for } \mu_{\text{shear}}^* \\ \phi \doteq nab^2 & \text{for permeability} \end{cases}$$

## Brownian rotations – for stress relaxation

Rotary diffusivity: for spheres, rods and disks

$$D_{\text{rot}} = kT / 8\pi\mu a^3, \quad kT / \frac{8\pi\mu a^2}{3(\ln 2r - 1.5)}, \quad kT / \frac{8}{3}\mu b^3$$

NB largest dimension, again

After flow is switched off, particles randomise orientation in time  $1/6D \sim 1$  second for  $1\mu m$  in water.

State of alignment: probability density  $P(\mathbf{p}, t)$  in orientation space = unit sphere  $|\mathbf{p}| = 1$ .

Fokker-Plank equation

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\dot{\mathbf{p}}P) = D_{\text{rot}} \nabla^2 P$$

$\dot{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{p})$  earlier deterministic.

## Average stress over distribution $P$

Averaged stress

$$\sigma = -pI + 2\mu E + 2\mu\phi [AE : \langle \mathbf{p}\mathbf{p}\mathbf{p}\mathbf{p} \rangle + B(E \cdot \langle \mathbf{p}\mathbf{p} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{p}\mathbf{p} \rangle \cdot E) + CE + FD_{\text{rot}} \langle \mathbf{p}\mathbf{p} \rangle]$$

Last  $FD_{\text{rot}}$  term is entropic stress.

Extra material constant  $F = 3r^2/(\ln 2r - 0.5)$  for rods and  $12/\pi r$  for disks.

Averaging

$$\langle \mathbf{p}\mathbf{p} \rangle = \int_{|\mathbf{p}|=1} \mathbf{p}\mathbf{p} P d\mathbf{p}$$

Solve Fokker-Plank: numerical, weak and strong Brownian rotations

## Extensional and shear viscosities

Small  
strain-hardening  
 $\updownarrow$  Orientation effects  
Large  
shear-thinning

Also  $N_1 > 0$ ,  
 $N_2$  small  $< 0$ .

## The closure problem

- ▶ Second moment of Fokker-Plank equation

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{D}{Dt} \langle \mathbf{p}\mathbf{p} \rangle - \Omega \cdot \langle \mathbf{p}\mathbf{p} \rangle \langle \mathbf{p}\mathbf{p} \rangle \cdot \Omega \\ &= \frac{r^2-1}{r^2+1} [E \cdot \langle \mathbf{p}\mathbf{p} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{p}\mathbf{p} \rangle \cdot E - 2\langle \mathbf{p}\mathbf{p}\mathbf{p}\mathbf{p} \rangle : E] - 6D_{\text{rot}} [\langle \mathbf{p}\mathbf{p} \rangle - \frac{1}{3}I] \end{aligned}$$

Hence this and stress need  $\langle \mathbf{p}\mathbf{p}\mathbf{p}\mathbf{p} \rangle$ , so an infinite hierarchy.

- ▶ Simple 'ad hoc' closure

$$\langle \mathbf{p}\mathbf{p}\mathbf{p}\mathbf{p} \rangle : E = \langle \mathbf{p}\mathbf{p} \rangle \langle \mathbf{p}\mathbf{p} \rangle : E$$

- ▶ Better: correct in weak and strong limits

$$= \frac{1}{5} [6\langle \mathbf{p}\mathbf{p} \rangle \cdot E \cdot \langle \mathbf{p}\mathbf{p} \rangle - \langle \mathbf{p}\mathbf{p} \rangle \langle \mathbf{p}\mathbf{p} \rangle : E - 2I(\langle \mathbf{p}\mathbf{p} \rangle)^2 : E - \langle \mathbf{p}\mathbf{p} \rangle : E]$$

- ▶ New idea Brownian fields: simulate many random walks in orientation space for each point of the complex flow.

## Deformations

- ▶ Emulsions
  - ▶ Rupture
  - ▶ Theories
  - ▶ Numerical
- ▶ Flexible thread
- ▶ Double layer

## Emulsions - deformable microstructure

Reviews: Ann. Rev. Fluid Mech. Rallison (1984), Stone (1994)

- ▶ Dilute – single drop, volume  $\frac{4\pi}{3}a^3$
- ▶  $T$  = surface tension (in rheology  $\sigma$  and  $\gamma$  not possible)
- ▶ Newtonian viscous drop  $\mu_{\text{int}}$ , solvent  $\mu_{\text{ext}}$

Rupture if  $\mu_{\text{ext}} > \frac{T}{Ea}$  (normally)

$\xrightarrow{\text{time}}$        $\xrightarrow{\text{time}}$

Irreversible reduction in size to  $a_* = T/\mu_{\text{ext}}E$ , as coalescence very slow.

## Rupture in shear flow

$$\frac{T}{\mu_{\text{ext}}Ea}$$

$$\frac{\mu_{\text{int}}}{\mu_{\text{ext}}}$$

Experiments: de Bruijn (1989) (=own), Grace (1982)

Theories: Barthes-Biesel (1972), Rallison (1981), Hinch & Acrivos (1980)

## Rupture difficult if $\mu_{\text{int}} \ll \mu_{\text{ext}}$

Too slippery. Become long and thin. Rupture if

$$\mu_{\text{ext}}E > \frac{T}{a} \begin{cases} 0.54 (\mu_{\text{ext}}/\mu_{\text{int}})^{2/3} & \text{simple shear} \\ 0.14 (\mu_{\text{ext}}/\mu_{\text{int}})^{1/6} & \text{extension} \end{cases}$$

but tip-streaming with mobile surfactants (makes rigid end-cap)

$$\mu_{\text{ext}}E > \frac{T}{a} 0.56$$

## Rupture difficult is simple shear if $\mu_{\text{int}} > 3\mu_{\text{ext}}$

- ▶ If internal very viscous ( $\mu_{\text{int}} \gg \mu_{\text{ext}}$ ),
  - ▶ then rotates with vorticity,
  - ▶ rotating with vorticity, sees alternative stretching and compression,
  - ▶ hence deforms little.
- ▶ If internal fairly viscous ( $\mu_{\text{int}} \gtrsim 3\mu_{\text{ext}}$ ),
  - ▶ then deforms more,
  - ▶ if deformed, rotates more slowly in stretching quadrant,
  - ▶ if more deformed, rotates more slowly, so deforms even more, etc etc
- ▶ until can rupture when  $\mu_{\text{int}} \leq 3\mu_{\text{ext}}$

## Theoretical studies: small deformations

Small ellipsoidal deformation

$$r = a(1 + \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{A}(t) \cdot \mathbf{x} + \text{higher orders})$$

Stokes flow with help of computerised algebra manipulator

$$\frac{D\mathbf{A}}{Dt} - \Omega \cdot \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A} \cdot \Omega = 2k_1 \mathbf{E} + k_5(\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{A}) + \dots - \frac{T}{\mu_{\text{ext}} a} (k_2 \mathbf{A} + k_6(\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{A}) + \dots)$$

$$\sigma = -pI + 2\mu_{\text{ext}} \mathbf{E} + 2\mu_{\text{ext}} \phi [k_3 \mathbf{E} + k_7(\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{A}) + \dots - \frac{T}{\mu_{\text{ext}} a} (k_4 \mathbf{A} + k_8(\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{A}) + \dots)]$$

with  $k_n$  depending on viscosity ratio,  $\lambda = \mu_{\text{int}}/\mu_{\text{ext}}$ ,

$$k_1 = \frac{5}{2(2\lambda+3)}, \quad k_2 = \frac{40(\lambda+1)}{(2\lambda+3)(19\lambda+16)}$$

$$k_3 = \frac{5(\lambda-1)}{3(2\lambda+3)}, \quad k_4 = \frac{4}{2\lambda+3}$$

$k_1$  inefficiency of rotating by straining

## Inefficiency of rotating by straining

### Student Exercise

Consider the constitutive equation

$$\sigma = -pI + 2\mu_0 \mathbf{E} + G\mathbf{A}$$

$$\frac{D\mathbf{A}}{Dt} - \Omega \cdot \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A} \cdot \Omega - \alpha(\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{E}) = -\frac{1}{\tau}(\mathbf{A} - I),$$

in flow  $u = (\Omega + \mathbf{E}) \cdot x$ .

Solve for  $\sigma$  in steady simple shear, finding the shear viscosity and normal stress differences.

Find the condition on the parameters for the shear stress to be a monotonic increasing function of the shear-rate (non-shear-banding).

## Theoretical studies: small deformations 2

### Equilibrium shapes before rupture

extension      shear      internal circulation, tank-treading

### Rheology before rupture

Small strain-hardening, small shear-thinning,  $N_1 > 0$ ,  $N_2 < 0$ .

### Repeated rupture leaves $\mu^* \cong \text{constant}$ .

Einstein: independent of size of particle, just depends on  $\phi$ .

### Form of constitutive equation

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\text{state}) \quad \& \quad \sigma \quad \text{linear in} \quad \mathbf{E} \quad \& \quad \frac{T}{\mu_{\text{ext}} a}$$

## Numerical studies: boundary integral method

deformation angle

$\sigma_{xy}$   $N_1$ ,  $N_2$

Different  $\lambda$ . No rupture for  $\lambda = 5$  (\*)

## Flexible thread – deformable microstructure

Position  $\mathbf{x}(s, t)$ , arc length  $s$ , tension  $T(s, t)$   
Slender-body theory with 2:1 drag  $\perp$ :||, S.Ex

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{U} + T' \mathbf{x}' + \frac{1}{2} T \mathbf{x}''$$

Inextensibility  $|\mathbf{x}'| \equiv 1$  gives S.Ex

$$T'' - \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x}'')^2 T = -\mathbf{x}' \cdot \nabla \mathbf{U} \cdot \mathbf{x}' \quad \text{and } T = 0 \text{ at ends}$$

Snap straight

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## Electrical double layer on isolated sphere

– another deformable microstructure

- ▶ Charged colloidal particle.
- ▶ Solvent ions dissociate,
- ▶ forming neutralising cloud around particle.
- ▶ Screening distance Debye  $\kappa^{-1}$ , with  $\kappa^2 = \sum_i n_i z_i^2 e^2 / \epsilon k T$ .
- ▶ In flow, cloud distorts a little
- ▶  $\rightarrow$  very small change in Einstein  $\frac{5}{2}$ .

## Interactions

- ▶ Hydrodynamic
  - ▶ Dilute
  - ▶ Experiments
  - ▶ Numerical
- ▶ Electrical double-layer
  - ▶ Concentrated
- ▶ van der Waals
- ▶ Fibres
- ▶ Drops
  - ▶ Numerical

## Hydrodynamic interactions for rigid spheres

**Hydrodynamic:** difficult long-ranged

**Rigid spheres:** two bad ideas

**Dilute** – between pairs (mostly)

Reversible (spheres + Stokes flow) → return to original streamlines

But minimum separation is  $\frac{1}{2} 10^{-4}$  radius → sensitive to **roughness** (typically 1%) when do not return to original streamlines.

## Summing dilute interactions

**Divergent integral** from  $\nabla \mathbf{u} \sim \frac{1}{r^3}$

Need **renormalisation:** Batchelor or mean-field hierarchy.

$$\mu^* = \mu [1 + 2.5\phi + 6.0\phi^2]$$

- ▶ 6.0 for strong Brownian motion
- ▶ 7.6 for strong extensional flow
- ▶  $\cong 5$  for strong shear flow, depends on distribution on closed orbits

**Small strain-hardening, small shear-thinning**

## Test of Batchelor $\phi^2$ result

$$\mu^* = \mu [1 + 2.5\phi + 6.0\phi^2]$$

slope 6.0

Russel, Saville, Schowalter 1989

←  $\mu_0$

$\mu_\infty$  →

Einstein 2.5 →

## Experiments – concentrated

**Effective viscosities in shear flow**

$\mu_0$

$\mu_\infty$

$\mu a^3 \gamma / kT$

$\phi$

Russel, Saville, Schowalter 1989

## Stokesian Dynamics

– (mostly) pairwise additive hydrodynamics

**Jamming/locking** – clusters across the compressive quadrant

Brady & Bossis (1985)

Fragile clusters if include soft repulsion or Brownian motion

## Stokesian Dynamics 2

Effective viscosity in shear flow

Foss & Brady (2000)

'Stokesian Dynamics' Brady & Bossis  
*Ann. Rev. Fluid Mech.* (1988)

## Electrical double-layer interactions

Interaction distance  $r_*$ :

$$6\mu\mu a\gamma r_* = \frac{\epsilon\zeta^2 a^2 \kappa}{r_*} e^{-\kappa(r_*-2a)}$$

$$\mu_* = \mu \left( 1 + 2.5\phi + 2.8\phi^2 \left( \frac{r_*}{a} \right)^5 \right) \quad \phi^2 \text{ coefficient as function of } \frac{r_*}{a}$$

$$\left( \frac{r_*}{a} \right)^5 = \text{velocity } \gamma r_*$$

× force distance  $r_*$

$$\times \text{volume } \phi \left( \frac{r_*}{a} \right)^3$$

## Experiments – concentrated

Stress as function of shear-rate at different pH.  
Suspension of  $0.33\mu\text{m}$  aluminium particles at  $\phi = 0.3$

Ducerf (Grenoble PhD 1992)

Note yield stress very sensitive to pH

## Interactions – van der Waals

Attraction → aggregation

→ gel (conc) or suspension of flocs (dilute)

Possible model of size of flocs  $R$

- ▶ Number of particles in floc  $N = \left(\frac{R}{a}\right)^d$ ,  $d = 2.3?$
- ▶ Volume fraction of flocs  $\phi_{\text{floc}} = \phi \left(\frac{R}{a}\right)^3$
- ▶ Collision between two flocs
- ▶ Hydro force  $6\pi\mu R\gamma R = \text{Bond force } F_b \times \text{number of bonds } N \frac{a}{R}$
- ▶ Hence  $\phi_{\text{floc}} = \phi \frac{F_b}{6\pi\mu a^2\gamma}$
- ▶ So strong shear-thinning and yields stress  $\phi F_b/a^2$ .

Breakdown of structure in rheology  $\mu(\gamma)$

## Interactions – fibres

Cannot pack with random orientation if

$$\phi r > 1$$

leads to **spontaneous alignment, nematic phase transition**

Note extensional viscosity  $\propto \phi r^2$  can be big while random, but shear viscosity  $\propto \phi r$  is only big if aligned.

Disk not random if  $\phi \frac{1}{r} > 1$ .

## Interactions – drops

- ▶ No jamming/locking of drops (cf rigid spheres)
  - ▶ small deformation avoid geometric frustration
  - ▶ slippery particle, no co-rotation problems
- ▶ Faster flow → more deformed → wider gaps in collisions
- ▶ Deformed shape has lower collision cross-section  
so 'dilute' at  $\phi = 0.3$ , **blood works!**

## Numerical studies: boundary integral method

$$\phi = 0.3, Ca = \mu_{\text{ext}}\gamma a/T = 0.3 \lambda = 1, \gamma t = 10, \\ 12 \text{ drops, each 320 triangles.}$$

## Numerical studies: boundary integral method 3

deformation angle

$\sigma_{xy} N_1, N_2$

$\lambda = 1$ , different  $\phi = 0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3$ . Effectively dilute at  $\phi = 0.3$ .

## Numerical studies: boundary integral method 4

Reduced cross-section for collisions

into flow