# Correction of equs in granular flow system

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#### **Abstract**

This article recalculates equs in granular flow system based on Lame-coefficient expression. It includes coordinate transformation, strain-rate tensors and constitutive relations in this system. Also it points out some errors that occurred in senior Zhong's calulation.

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#### 1 General formula of calculation

In cartesian coordinate, we have definitions below

1. deviatoric strain-rate tensor

$$D_{ij} = -\frac{1}{2}(\operatorname{div}\vec{u})\delta_{ij} + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_j u_i + \partial_i u_j) \tag{1}$$

2. total strain-rate tensor

$$S_{ij} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_j u_i + \partial_i u_j) \tag{2}$$

While in different coordinates, they will have different forms. Here I express these tensors based on Lame-coefficient expression.

In any curvlinear coordinate, we can rewrite total strain-rate tensor as below

$$s_{11} = \frac{1}{h_1} \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial q_1} + \frac{u_2}{h_1 h_2} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial q_2} + \frac{u_3}{h_1 h_3} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial q_3}$$

$$s_{22} = \frac{1}{h_2} \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial q_2} + \frac{u_3}{h_2 h_3} \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial q_3} + \frac{u_1}{h_2 h_1} \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial q_1}$$

$$s_{33} = \frac{1}{h_3} \frac{\partial u_3}{\partial q_3} + \frac{u_1}{h_3 h_1} \frac{\partial h_3}{\partial q_1} + \frac{u_2}{h_3 h_2} \frac{\partial h_3}{\partial q_2}$$

$$2s_{12} = 2s_{21} = \frac{1}{h_2} \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial q_2} + \frac{1}{h_1} \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial q_1} - \frac{u_1}{h_1 h_2} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial q_2} - \frac{u_2}{h_1 h_2} \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial q_1}$$

$$2s_{23} = 2s_{32} = \frac{1}{h_3} \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial q_3} + \frac{1}{h_2} \frac{\partial u_3}{\partial q_2} - \frac{u_2}{h_2 h_3} \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial q_3} - \frac{u_3}{h_2 h_3} \frac{\partial h_3}{\partial q_2}$$

$$2s_{31} = 2s_{13} = \frac{1}{h_1} \frac{\partial u_3}{\partial q_1} + \frac{1}{h_3} \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial q_3} - \frac{u_3}{h_3 h_1} \frac{\partial h_3}{\partial q_1} - \frac{u_1}{h_3 h_1} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial q_3}$$

$$(3)$$

Also, we can write the divergence

$$\operatorname{div}\vec{u} = \frac{1}{h_1 h_2 h_3} \sum_{i=1}^{3} \frac{\partial}{\partial q_i} (u_i h_j h_k) \tag{4}$$

Thus from the definition of deviatoric strain-rate tensor (1), using (3) and (4), we can get the general form of deviatoric strain-rate tensor.

# **2** Calculation 1: $D_{ij}$ complete form

In this part, I will calculate  $D_{ij}$  in coordinates that mentioned by senior Zhong. In this coordinate, we first list parameters that will be used

$$h_a = 1$$
  $h_\theta = a\cos\alpha + b\sin\alpha$   $h_b = 1$  (5)

$$\operatorname{div}\vec{u} = \partial_a u_a + \frac{1}{h_\theta} \partial_\theta u_\theta + \partial_b u_b + \frac{u_a \cos \alpha + u_b \sin \alpha}{h_\theta}$$
 (6)

In order to simplify the expression, I decide to maintain  $h_{\theta} = h_2$  form without expanding it until when it needs further calculation.

From (3), we can get

$$S_{11} = \partial_a u_a$$

$$S_{22} = \frac{1}{h_2} \partial_\theta u_\theta + \frac{u_b \sin \alpha + u_a \cos \alpha}{h_2}$$

$$S_{33} = \partial_b u_b$$

$$2S_{12} = 2S_{21} = \partial_a u_\theta + \frac{1}{h_2} \partial_\theta u_a + -\frac{u_\theta \cos \alpha}{h_2}$$

$$2S_{23} = 2S_{32} = \partial_b u_\theta + \frac{1}{h_2} \partial_\theta u_b - \frac{u_\theta \sin \alpha}{h_2}$$

$$2S_{31} = 2S_{13} = \partial_a u_b + \partial_b u_a$$

$$(7)$$

Thus we can get  $\overrightarrow{D}$  from (6) and (7)

$$\overleftrightarrow{D} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} D_{11} & D_{12} & D_{13} \\ D_{21} & D_{22} & D_{23} \\ D_{31} & D_{32} & D_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$
(8)

See below for the expansion of each item.

$$D_{11} = \partial_a u_a - \frac{1}{h_\theta} \partial_\theta u_\theta + \partial_b u_b - \frac{u_a \cos \alpha + u_b \sin \alpha}{h_\theta}$$

$$D_{22} = -\partial_a u_a + \frac{1}{h_\theta} \partial_\theta u_\theta - \partial_b u_b + \frac{u_b \sin \alpha + u_a \cos \alpha}{h_2}$$

$$D_{33} = -\partial_a u_a - \frac{1}{h_\theta} \partial_\theta u_\theta + \partial_b u_b - \frac{u_b \sin \alpha + u_a \cos \alpha}{h_2}$$

$$2D_{12} = 2D_{21} = \partial_a u_\theta + \frac{1}{h_2} \partial_\theta u_a + -\frac{u_\theta \cos \alpha}{h_2}$$

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$$2D_{31} = 2D_{13} = \partial_a u_b + \partial_b u_a$$

$$(9)$$

Here we focus on the trace of this tensor, that is because, for a deviatoric tensor its trace needs to be 0.

$$\operatorname{Tr}(\overrightarrow{D}) = D_{11} + D_{22} + D_{33}$$

$$= -\partial_a u_a - \frac{1}{h_\theta} \partial_\theta u_\theta - \partial_b u_b - \frac{u_a \cos \alpha + u_b \sin \alpha}{h_\theta}$$

$$= -(\operatorname{div} \vec{u})$$
(10)

### 3 Calculation 2: Approximation and continuity equation

Here we apply three kinds of conditions.

1. Assume that the sand maintains incompressible when flowing.

$$\operatorname{div}\vec{u} = 0 \tag{11}$$

It implies that equation (10) is always zero and it satisfies the zero-trace property of deviatoric tensor.

2. Apply shallow water conditions

$$\partial_b u_a = 0 \quad \partial_b u_\theta = 0 \tag{12}$$

It means that along the b direction, the a and  $\theta$  components of the velocity are equally distributed.

3. Considered in steady state

$$h = h(a, \theta) \quad u_b = 0 \tag{13}$$

It means that the thickness of sand h is a const along b direction, while it is still  $a - \theta$  distributed. (Also the second term shows that it is independent of time t.)

Thus we apply these approximations to (6) and integrate it along b direction

$$\int_0^h (\operatorname{div}\vec{u})db = 0 \tag{14}$$

LHS = 
$$\partial_a(u_a h) + (\partial_\theta u_\theta + u_a \cos \alpha) \frac{1}{\sin \alpha} \ln \left( 1 + \frac{h}{a} \tan \alpha \right)$$
  
=  $u_a \partial_a h + h \partial_a u_a + (\partial_\theta u_\theta + u_a \cos \alpha) \frac{1}{\sin \alpha} \left( \frac{h}{a} \tan \alpha + O\left( -\frac{1}{2} \frac{h^2}{a^2} \tan^2 \alpha \right) \right)$  (15)

Consider  $h\partial_a u_a$  is also  $O(1) \equiv O\left(\frac{h}{a}\right)$ , thus we correct to first order and obtain the continuity equation as below

$$\partial_a(u_a h) + \frac{1}{a \cos \alpha} \partial_\theta(u_\theta h) + \frac{h}{a} u_a = 0 \tag{16}$$

### 4 $D_{ij}$ approx form

Here we first apply approximation conditions to divergence and see what happends to it

$$\operatorname{div}\vec{u} = \partial_a u_a + \frac{1}{h_2} \partial_\theta u_\theta + \partial_\theta u_\theta + \frac{u_a \cos \alpha + u_b \sin \alpha}{h_2}$$

$$= \partial_a u_a + \frac{1}{h_2} \partial_\theta u_\theta + \frac{u_a \cos \alpha}{h_2}$$

$$= 0$$
(17)

It is noted that  $h_2 = \frac{1}{a\cos\alpha + b\sin\alpha}$  is not  $O\left(\frac{h}{a}\right)$ , while we expand it later and use  $\frac{1}{h_2} \equiv \lambda$  form to simplify the tensor  $\overleftrightarrow{D}$  right now.

The deviatoric tensor becomes

$$\overleftrightarrow{D} =$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} \partial_{a}u_{a} - \lambda(\partial_{\theta}u_{\theta} + u_{a}\cos\alpha) & \partial_{a}u_{\theta} + \lambda(\partial_{\theta}u_{a} - u_{\theta}\cos\alpha) & \partial_{b}u_{a} \\ \partial_{a}u_{\theta} + \lambda(\partial_{\theta}u_{a} - u_{\theta}\cos\alpha) & -\partial_{a}u_{a} + \lambda(\partial_{\theta}u_{\theta} + u_{a}\cos\alpha) & \partial_{b}u_{\theta} - \lambda(u_{\theta}\sin\alpha) \\ \partial_{b}u_{a} & \partial_{b}u_{\theta} - \lambda(u_{\theta}\sin\alpha) & -\partial_{a}u_{a} - \lambda(\partial_{\theta}u_{\theta} + u_{a}\cos\alpha) \end{bmatrix} (18)$$

And we can see two kinds of colored terms, the red terms mean they are applied the shallow water conditions and the blue terms mean they are applied incompressible condition.

We now can recall the momentum function (19) and the constitutive relation (20)

$$(\boldsymbol{\nabla} \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau})_i = \frac{1}{h_j} \partial_j (\tau_{ij}) - \frac{1}{h_i} \partial_i \mathbb{P}(\boldsymbol{\nabla} \boldsymbol{u}, \phi) + \rho \phi g_i$$
(19)

$$\frac{D_{ij}}{\|\mathbf{D}\|} = \frac{\tau_{ij}}{\|\tau\|} \tag{20}$$

Thus we actually need to calculate the  $\partial_j(\tau_{ij}) \longrightarrow \nabla \cdot \overleftrightarrow{D}$ , its every components are as belows

$$2(\nabla \cdot \overleftrightarrow{D})_a = \tag{21}$$

# 5 correction

$$D_{ij}$$
 coefficient is  $-\frac{2}{3}\text{div}\vec{u}$  (22)

shallow water assumption becomes 
$$\partial_b u_i = \text{Const}$$
 (23)

How to distinguish the dif-modes and stability?

$$Re(\lambda) > 0$$
 in  $Re(\lambda) k_{\theta} - k_{a}$  plane (24)