SPH simulations for space defense

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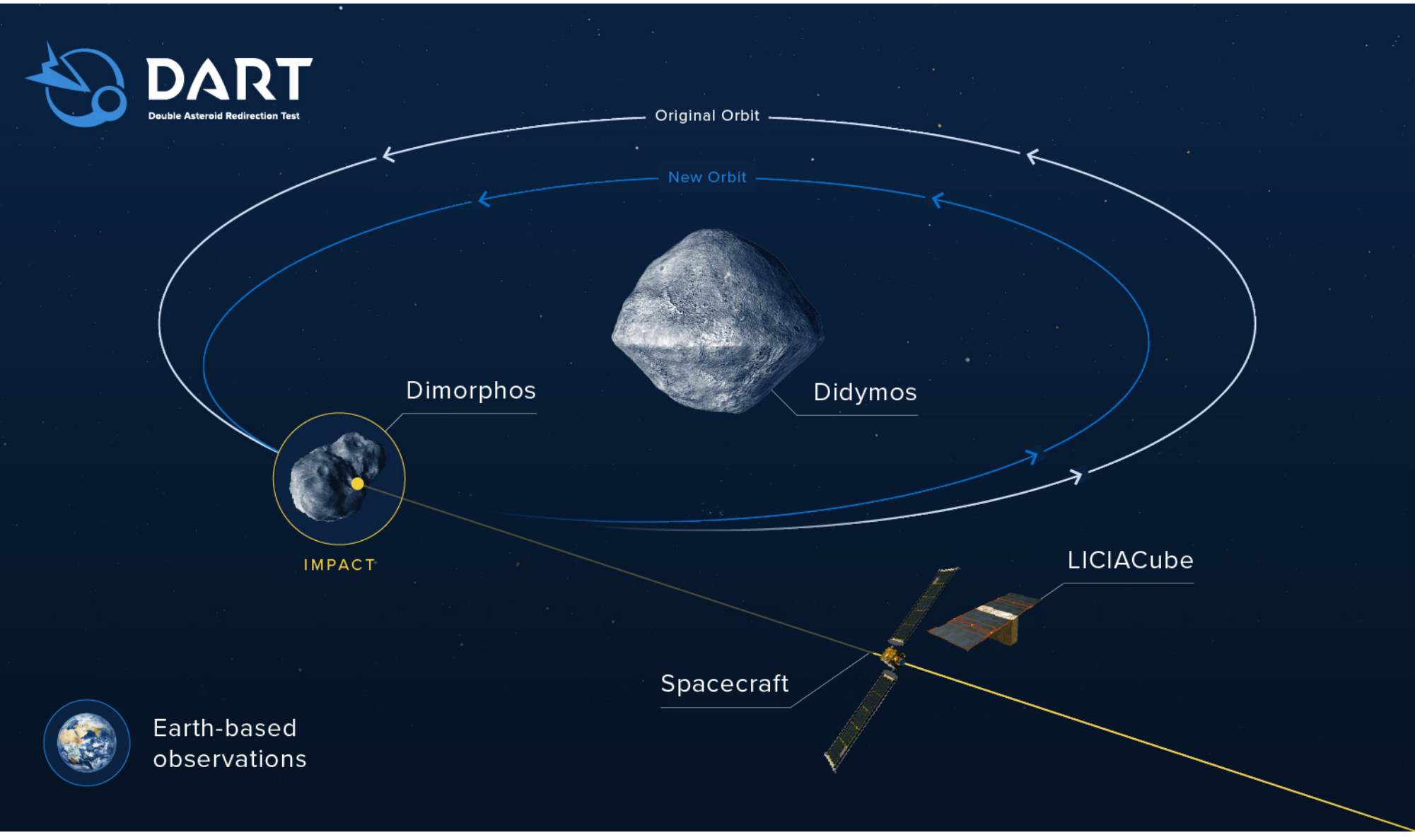
Roadmap

1. Dart and Hera Missions
2. SPH setup
3. SPH results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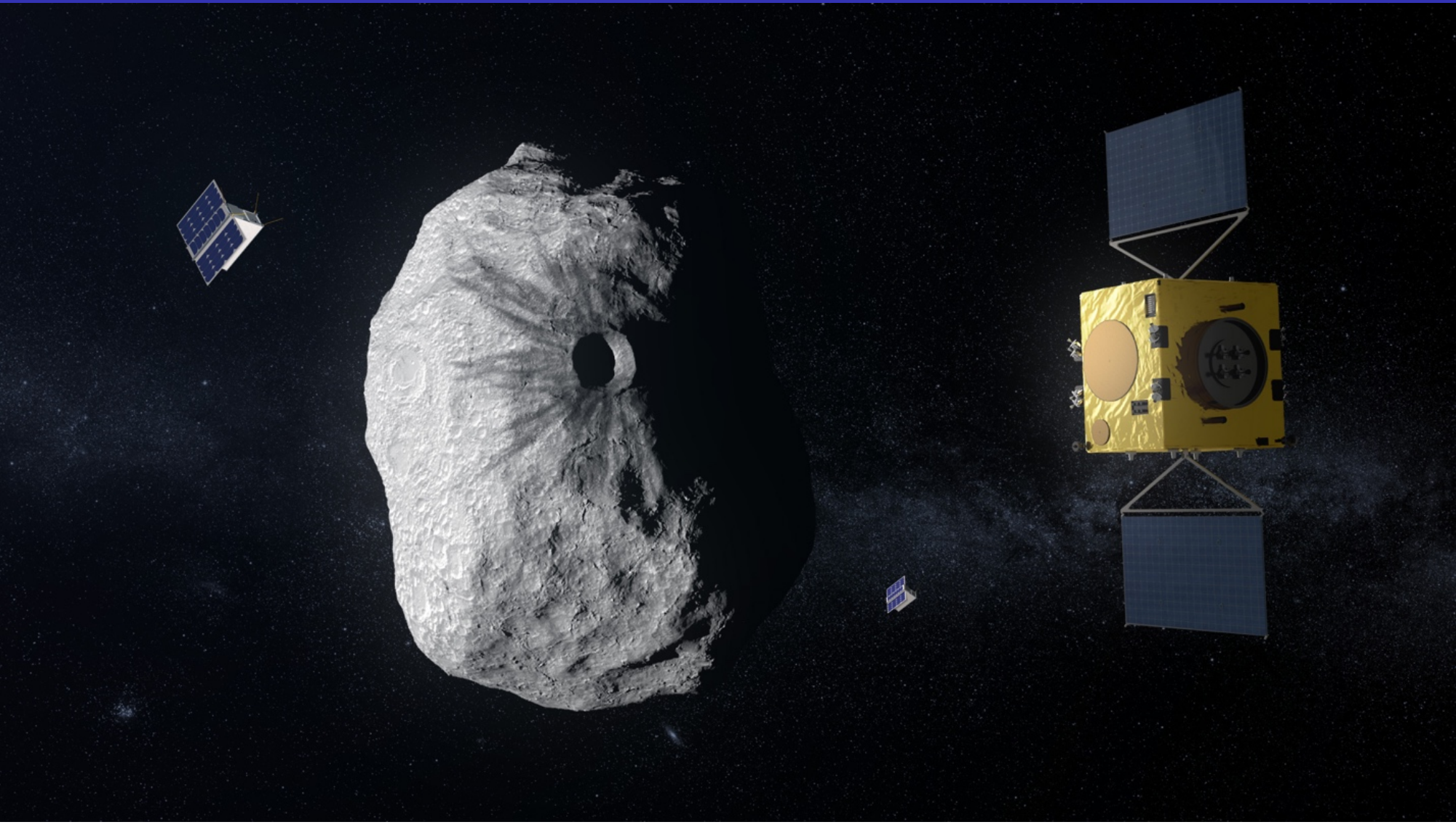

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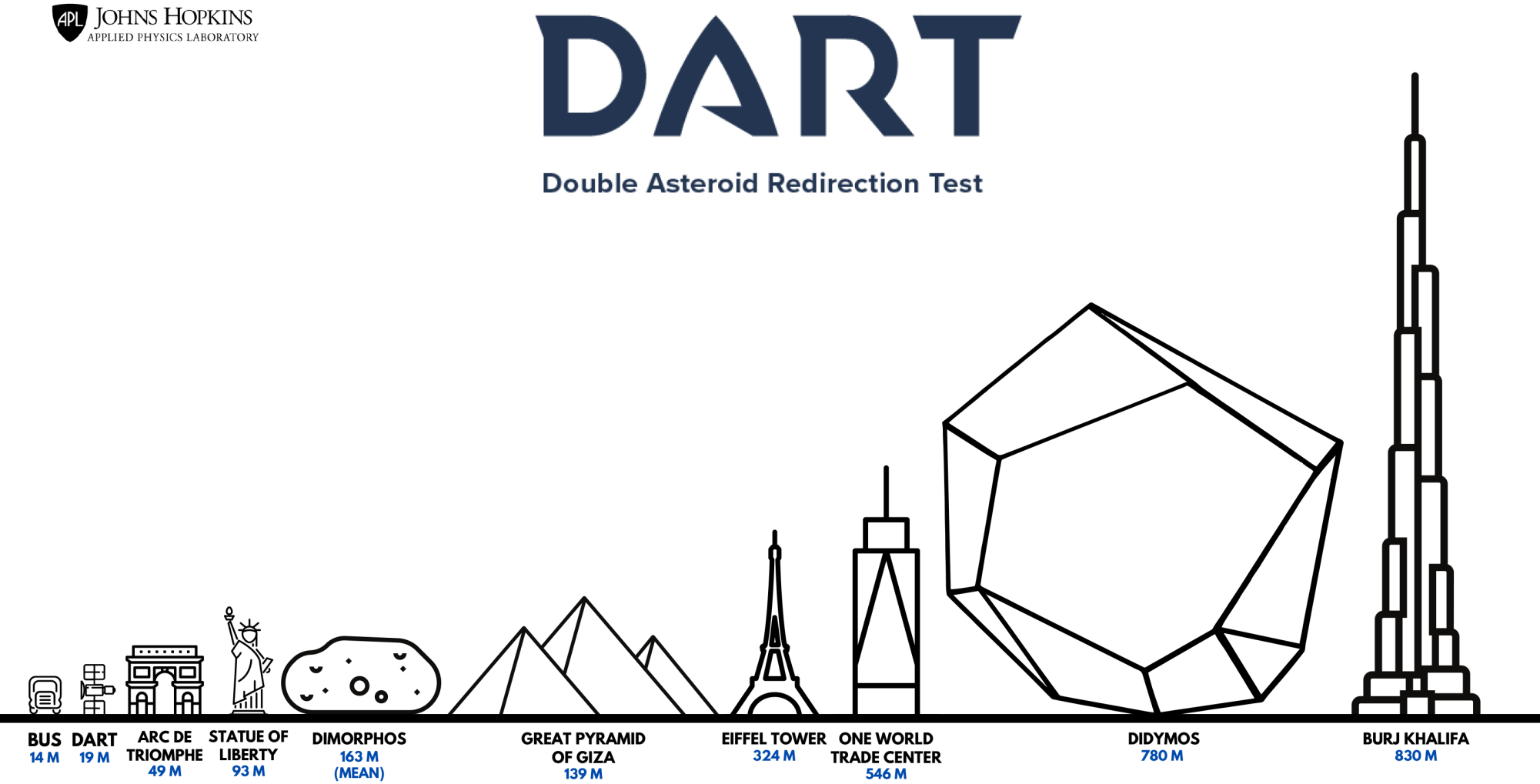
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DIMORPHOS 163 M (MEAN)
GREAT PYRAMID OF GIZA 139 M
EIFFEL TOWER 324 M
ONE WORLD TRADE CENTER 546 M
DIDYMOS 780 M
BURJ KHALIFA 830 M

Target

https://www.nasa.gov/planetarydefense/dart
Dimorphos orbiting Didymos
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smoothing length

- how can resolution be locally increased with SPH method (different radii and sml) - limit of sml -¿ 0 is normal hydrodynamics??

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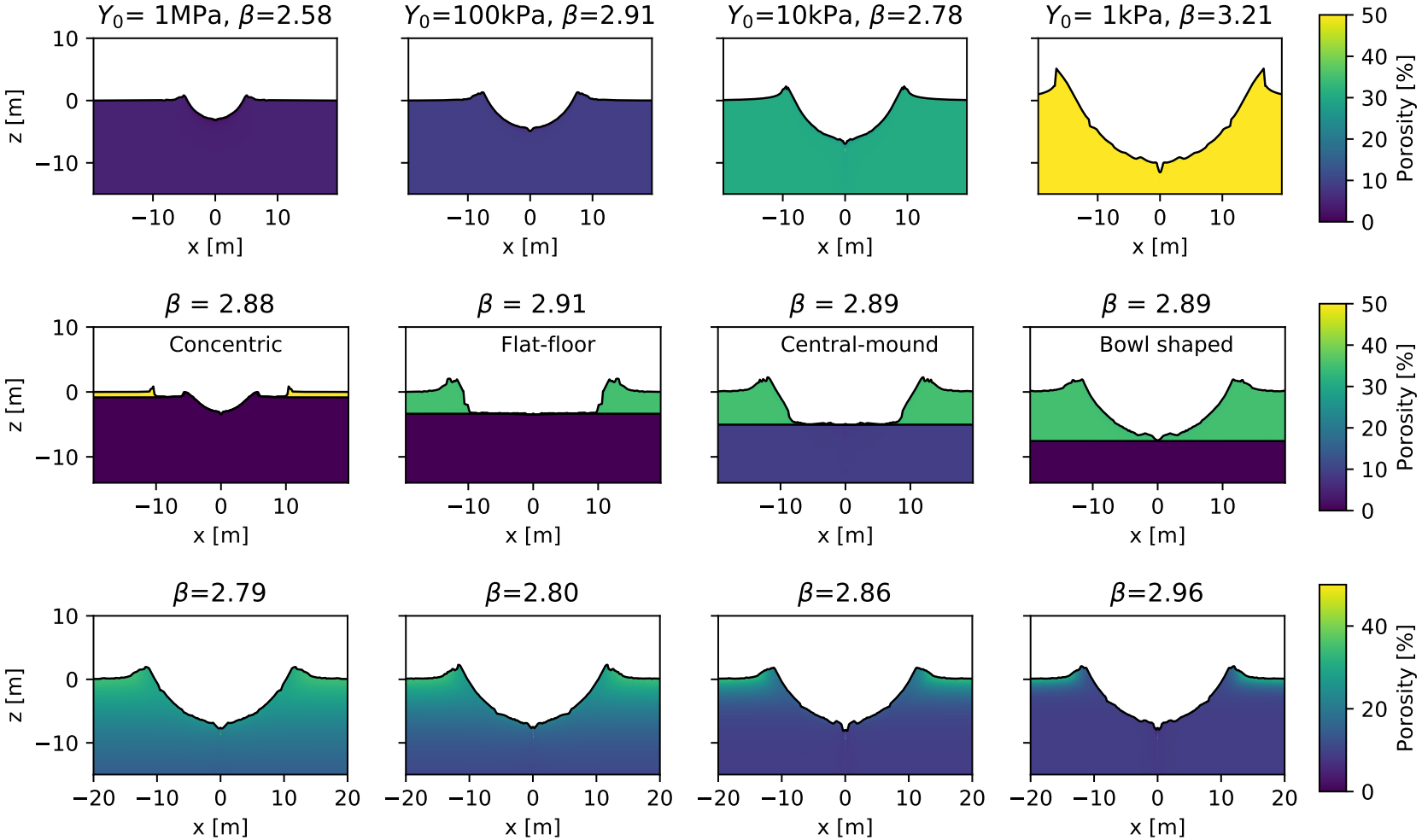
Beta factor

The DART impact into different targets can produce the same β, but different craters.

Measurements of **both** β and crater size/morphology **together** can be diagnostic of target properties.



Raducan et al. (2020), PSS

Impact angle

Not seen in 2d grid codes Raducan

Philosophical observations about SPH

- A lot of individual physics implementable
- Interaction between physical models within a code can get complex
- A lot of different codes available
- A lot of parameters needed to reproduce results of others