

Virtual Erythrocyte - Constitutive Relations and Fluid-Cell Interactions

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DPD (Dissipative Particle Dynamics)

- 3D membranes immersed in the “ocean” of DPD particles
- walls are made from DPD particles
- solvent-solvent, membranes-solvent interactions

$$m_i \frac{d\mathbf{v}_i}{dt} = \sum_j \left(F_{ij}^C + F_{ij}^D + F_{ij}^R \right) \mathbf{e}_{ij}$$

between particles i and j ; m_i is a mass, $F_i^{\{C,D,R\}}$ are conservative, dissipative, and random force, and \mathbf{e}_{ij} is a unit vector in direction from i to j .

DPD equations

$$\begin{aligned}F_{ij}^D &= -\gamma w^D(r_{ij}/r_c) \mathbf{v}_{ij} \cdot \mathbf{e}_{ij} \\F_{ij}^R &= \sigma w^R(r_{ij}/r_c) \frac{\zeta_{ij}}{\sqrt{dt}}, \quad F_{ij}^C = a w^C(r_{ij}/r_c) \\ \gamma &= \frac{\sigma^2}{2T}, \quad m \frac{d\mathbf{v}_i}{dt} = \sum_j F_{ij} \mathbf{e}_{ij}, \quad \sum_j 1 = N\end{aligned}$$

Parameters

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma, \sigma, r_c, a, T, m, N &: 7 \\ \gamma, r_c, a, T, m, N &: 6 \text{ (FDT)} \\ \gamma, a, T, N &: 4 \text{ (mass and length)} \\ \gamma, a, N &: 3 \text{ (time)}\end{aligned}$$

DPD parameters

$$\gamma_d = \frac{\sqrt{m}Nr_c\gamma}{\sqrt{T}} = \frac{N\gamma}{\sqrt{T}}$$

$$a_d = \frac{amr_c}{T} = \frac{a}{T}, \quad N_d = N$$

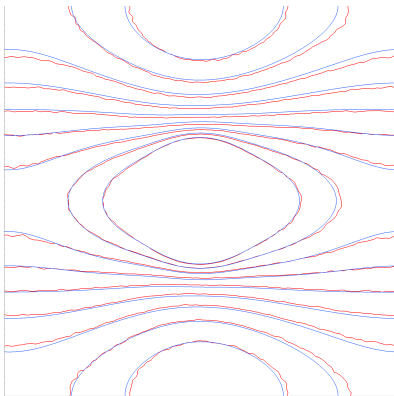
Note

Hydrodynamics should not depend on a_d and N_d .

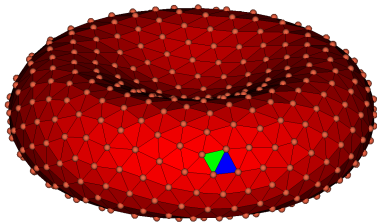
DPD solvent vs. wall

Note

Frozen particles and bounce back (parameter free)



Flow around array of cylinders,
iso-lines of horizontal velocity for
DPD and finite volume, $Re = 0.1$



RBC model

RBC: elastic

$$E^{spring} \propto (x - x_0)^2 + E^{nonlin}$$

$$E_{area}^{tot} \propto (A^{tot} - A_0^{tot})^2 \quad E_{area}^{local} \propto (A - A_0)^2$$

$$E_{vol}^{tot} \propto (V^{tot} - V_0^{tot})^2 \quad E_{bnd} \propto (\theta - \theta_0)^2$$

Parameters

- $[\dots]_0$ are fixed by geometry and mesh
- *volume* and *area* constraints should be strong
- k_{spring} , k_{nonlin} , k_{bnd}

RBC: viscous

Note

- from experiment: energy dissipate on the membrane
- \mathbf{v}_{ij} of connected points is small

$$\mathbf{F}_{ij}^D = -\gamma^T \mathbf{v}_{ij} - \gamma^C \mathbf{v}_{ij} \cdot \mathbf{e}_{ij}$$

needs a random force $\mathbf{F}_{ij}^D \propto T$

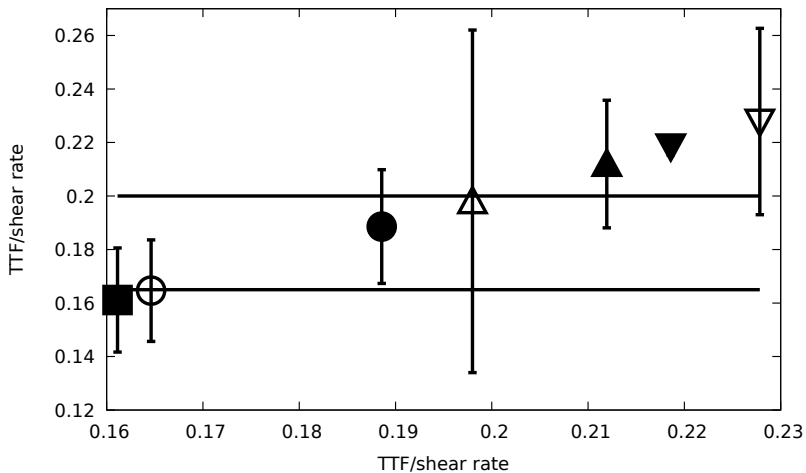
RBC: inner and outer fluid

- viscosity is different
- DPD interaction with membrane
- penetrated particles “reset”

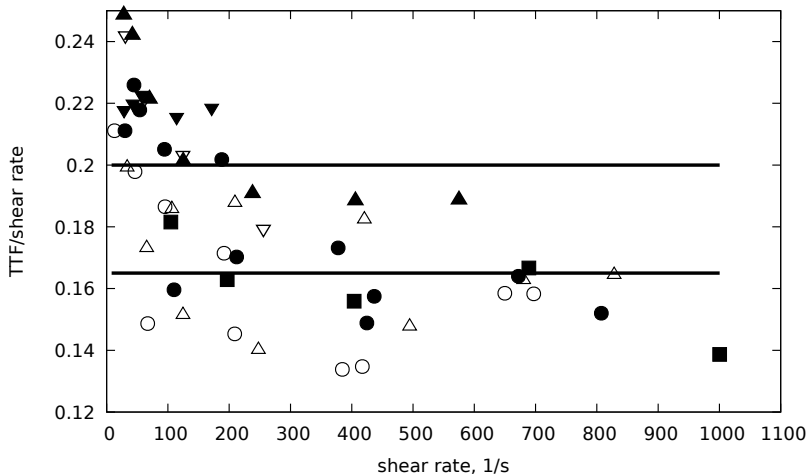
RBC vs. solvent and wall

- RBC — solvent: DPD interaction (2 parameters)
- RBC — wall: Bounce back, repulsion (2 parameters)

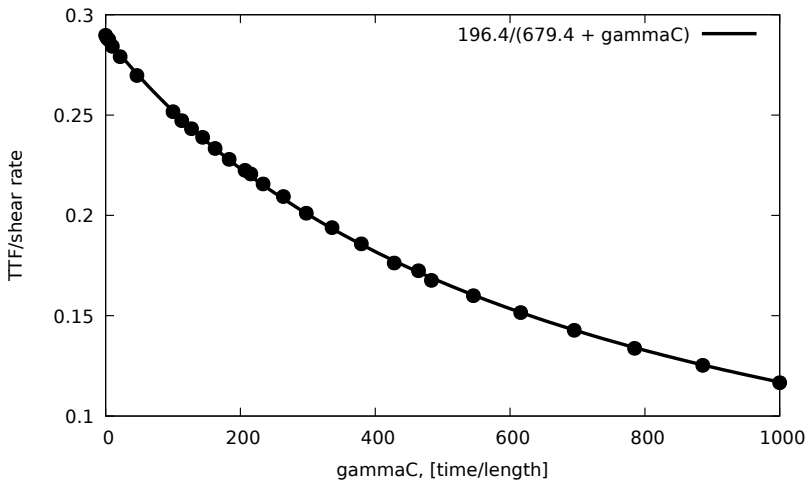
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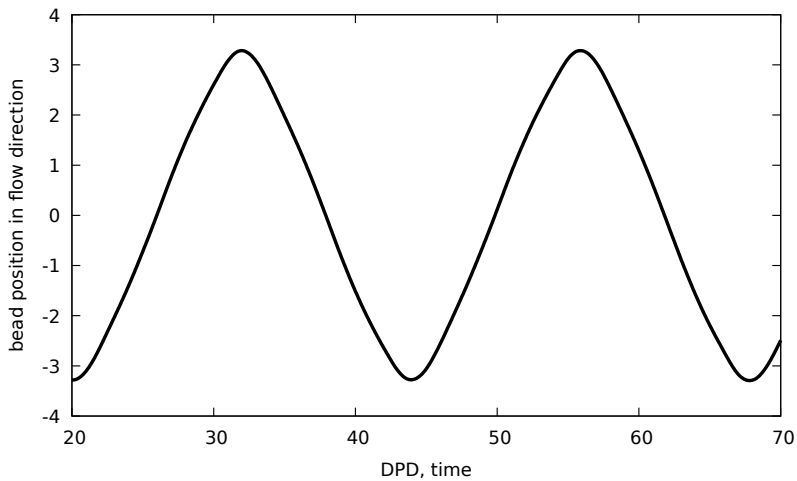
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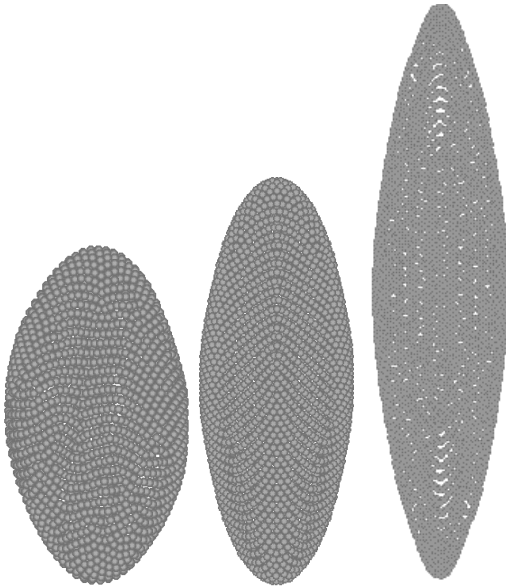
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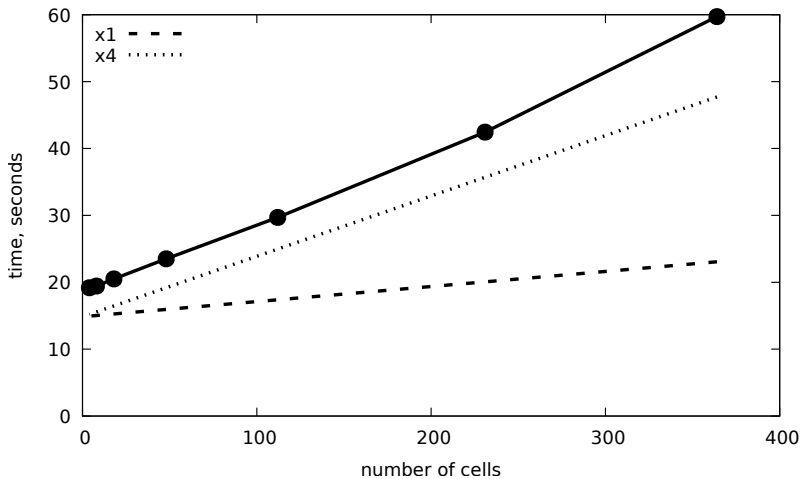
Bead



Shape



Performance







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