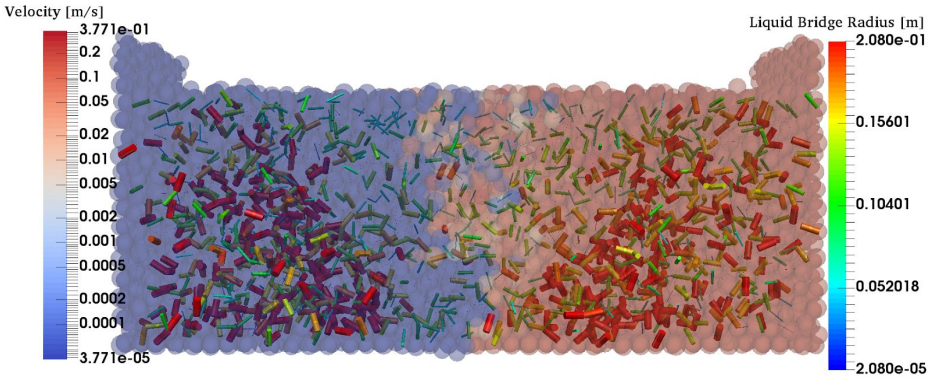
Imaging the interstitial liquid in wet granular media

Many important real life applications depend on the mechanical properties of wet granular media. Examples include rain-induced landslides, pharmaceuticals, food processing, mining and construction industries. To properly model this material we the distribution of the interstitial liquid will be determined using either fluorescence microscopy or X-ray tomography.



Figures: Top: Wet granular material in a split-bottom shear shell.
Bottom: Distribution of liquid bridges in simulation of the above shear cell, assuming only pairwise liquid bridges form.

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