

Dynamic Simulations Using Particle Models

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Particle Modeling

- ▶ Particle modeling is the study of the dynamics behavior of solids and fluids in response to external forces
- ▶ Solids and fluids are modeled by a set of N fictitious, interactive “particles” that can represent atoms, or molecules, or aggregates of atoms and molecules
- ▶ A particle can vary from microscopic (a ion in a plasma) to macroscopic (a planet inside a galaxy)

- ▶ Particles move at each time step Δt as a consequence of all forces acting on the particles
 - ▶ Interparticle forces
 - ▶ External forces (on a mesh)
- ▶ Three cases of interparticle forces
 1. Each particle motion is independent from the other $N-1$ particles
 - ▶ $\rightarrow N$ computations every Δt
 2. Each particle motion is dependent upon interactions with the other $N-1$ particles
 - ▶ $\rightarrow \sim N^2$ computations every Δt
 3. Each particle interacts only with its immediate neighbors (Q particles), while the other particles ($N-1-Q$) only contribute as an external or long range force (on a mesh)
 - ▶ $\rightarrow \sim N \cdot Q$ computations every Δt

Greatest Advantages

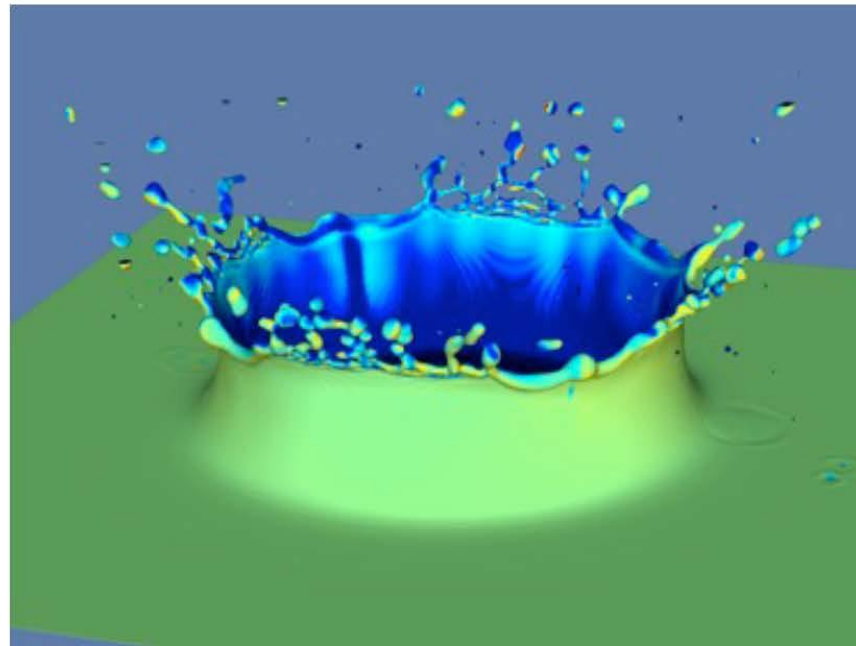
- ▶ Most calculations are **grid-free**
- ▶ Powerful visualization → diagnostics
- ▶ Many simulations would be almost impossible with traditional grid models
- ▶ Particle models can easily allow the addition of semi-random velocities to include the effects of physical components (e.g., turbulence) in a straightforward and relatively simple way (Monte Carlo generation of semi-random velocities)
- ▶ Suitable for parallel computing

Meshfree methods

The key idea is to provide accurate and stable numerical solutions to PDE's or integral equations with all kinds of possible boundary conditions

-using a set of arbitrarily distributed particles (or nodes) without any mesh.

Early work modified the internal structure of the grid-based methods to make them more adaptive, versatile and robust.



Droplet impact and splashing
Simulation of a splash performed by Pascal Ray.

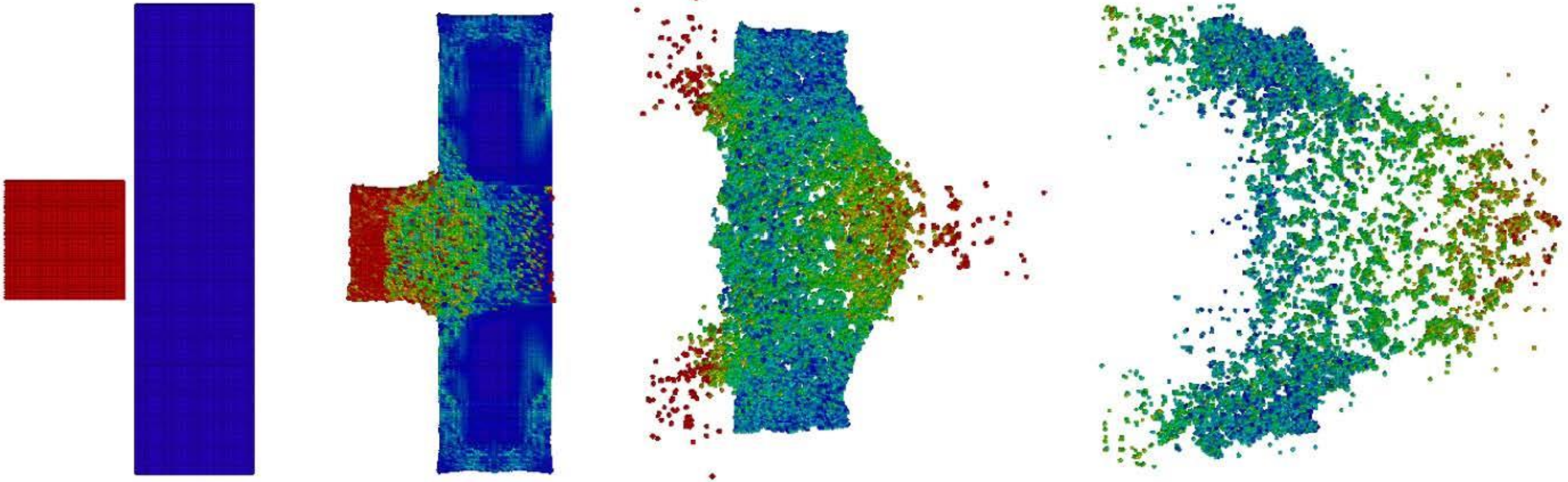
Some Fields of Application

- ▶ Elastic strings
- ▶ Cavity flow
- ▶ Turbulence
- ▶ Liquid drops
- ▶ Crack development
- ▶ Fluid bubbles
- ▶ Relativistic motion
- ▶ Modeling fuzzy objects, such as fire, clouds, and water for the entertainment industry
- ▶ Semiconductors
- ▶ Astrophysics
- ▶ My field: **air pollution modeling in a turbulent atmosphere**

Collision of two bodies

(red = high velocity; blue = low velocity)

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Fluid dynamics

- ▶ Sloshing

- ▶ <https://www.prometechsoftware.com/1-what-is-a-particle-method.html>

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- ▶ Whirlpool

- ▶ <https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=Double+Whirlpool+blender+2.66a+fluid+particles+simulation&view=detail&mid=3B8712FEECBF192726AF3B8712FEECBF192726AF&FORM=VIRE>

- ▶ Interactive sloshing

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Electron Flow in Semiconductors

Initial Conditions

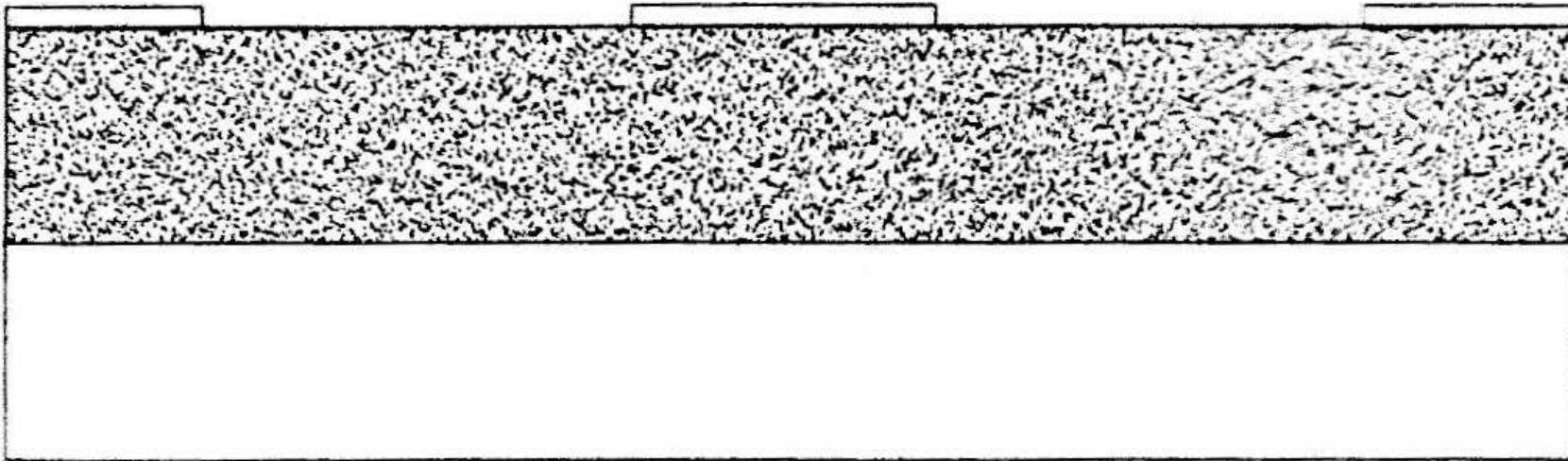


Figure 10-13 The charge-neutral initial condition. The simulated electrons that are shown are all in Band I at 300 K. The voltages on all electrodes are zero. (*Courtesy of S. J. Beard.*)

Steady-state Conditions

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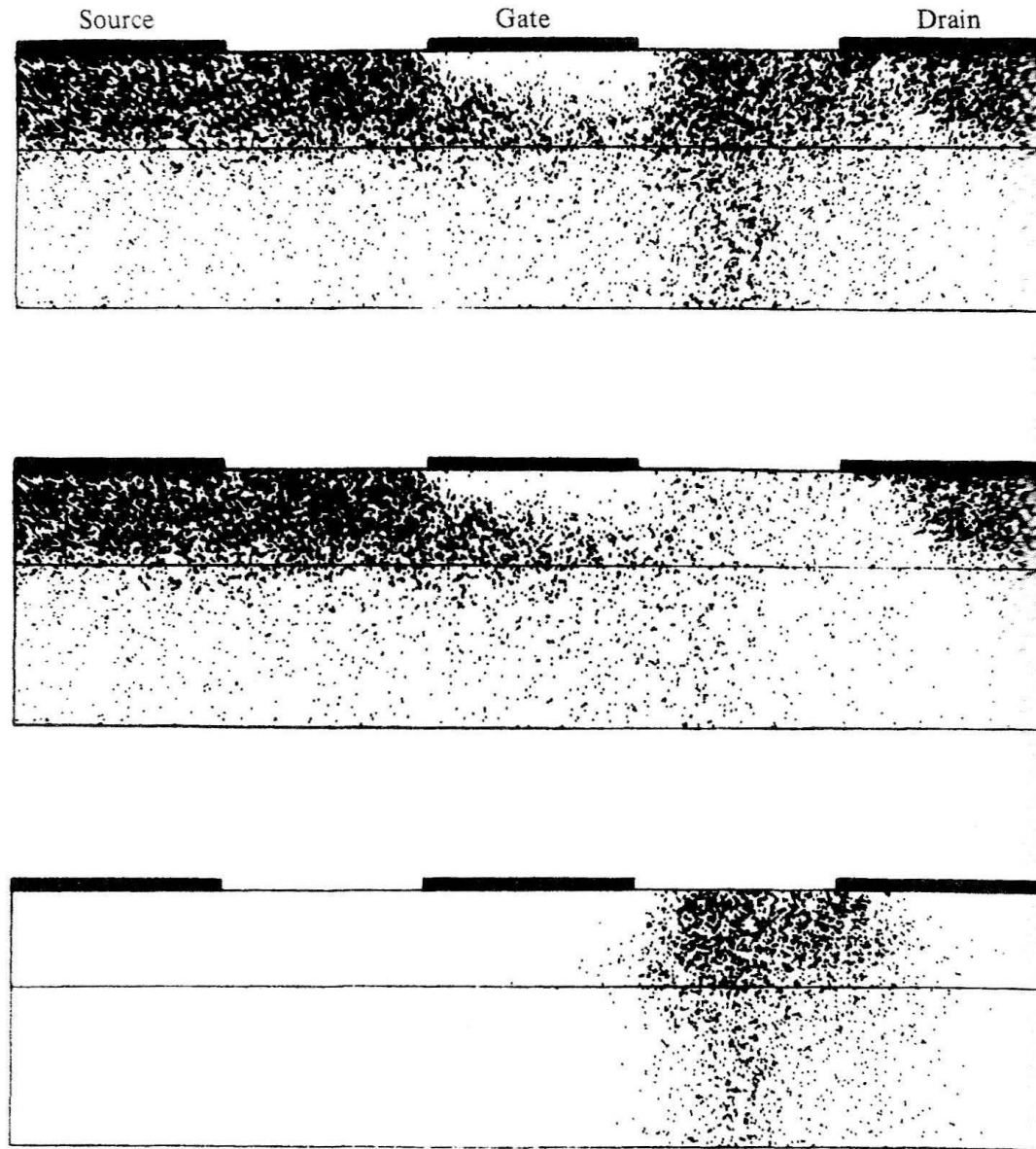
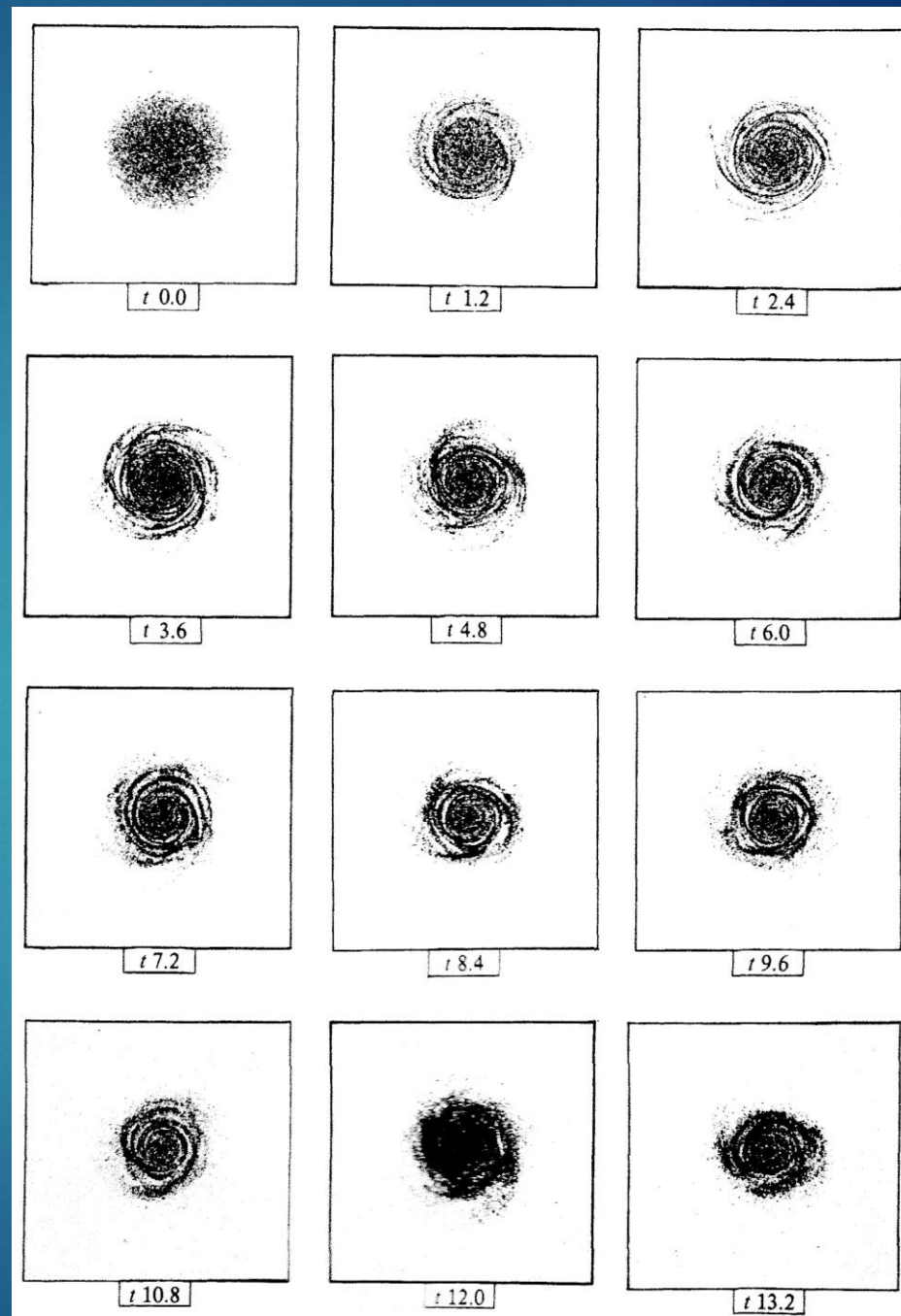


Figure 10-17 The distribution of electrons at the normal operating point ($V_D = 3.0$ V, $V_G = -1.02$ V). *Top*, all electrons; *centre*, Band I electrons; *bottom*, Band II electrons. Note the Band II electrons in the high-field region between gate and drain and the substantial current flowing in the substrate. The epitaxial/substrate boundary is shown by a horizontal line. (From Hockney, Warriner, and Reiser, 1974, courtesy of Electronics Letters, © Institution of Electrical Engineers.)

Astrophysics

More info on cosmological simulations:

http://phys.huji.ac.il/~joaw/winterschool/teyssier_lecture_1.pdf

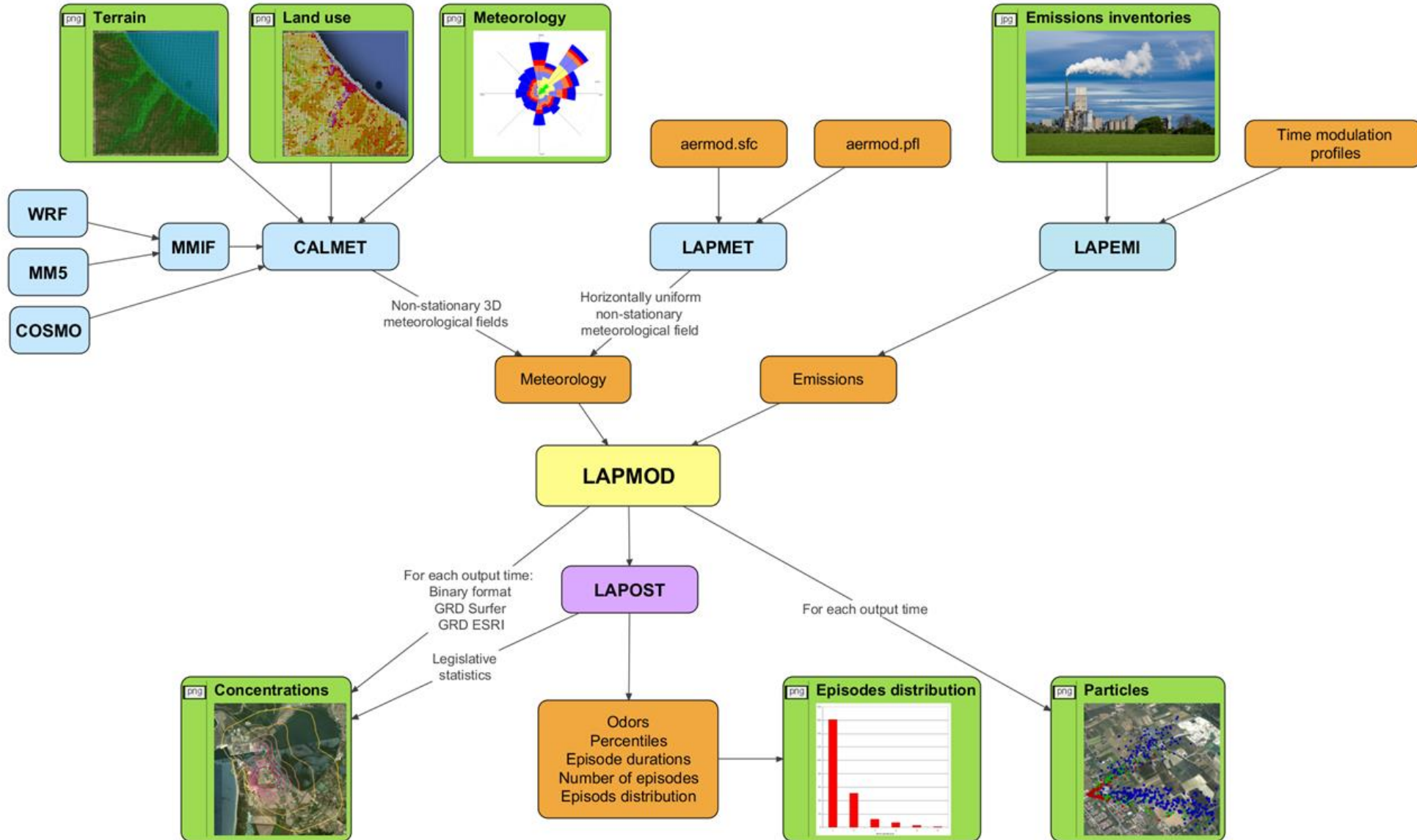


Air Pollution Modeling

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- ▶ “Natural”, intuitive way of simulating air pollution
 - ▶ A “particle” is a tracer point representing a mass of emitted pollutant
 - ▶ Particles moves according to a 3D wind vector plus a turbulent, semi-random velocity generated by Monte Carlo methods
 - ▶ No interparticle forces!
 - ▶ Example:
 - ▶ <http://www.envirocomp.com/caps/projects/monsanto/v1.html>

LAPMOD



LAPMOD info

- ▶ free download: <https://www.enviroware.com/lapmod/>
- ▶ Paper: <http://www.envirocomp.com/zcv/JA.27.pdf>

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