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Collisions of viscous droplets

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Experimental investigation and modelling of coalescence and agglomeration of fluid droplets

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Short description of the project

The present work focuses on the investigation of binary droplet collisions consisting of solutions with different mass fraction of solids. The increase of solids content is associated with a remarkable increase in viscosity. In order to generate mono-disperse droplets two fine liquid jets are excited by means of piezo-electric generators causing a controlled break-up. The impact parameter and the relative velocity included in the We-number are changed systematically. The methodical part will concentrate on a different method to describe the tracking of the droplets to determine the relative velocity and the resulting trajectory of the colliding droplets. Mass fraction and hence viscosity have a great influence on the collision outcome and cause a shift of the impact parameter–Weber number–diagram (B–We–diagram) towards higher Weber numbers. The goal of the investigation is to achieve a model which describes the collision outcome depending on global parameters as mentioned above

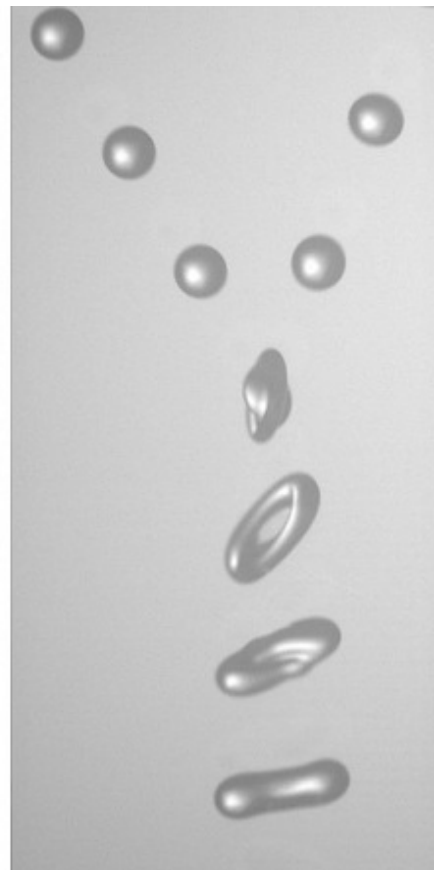
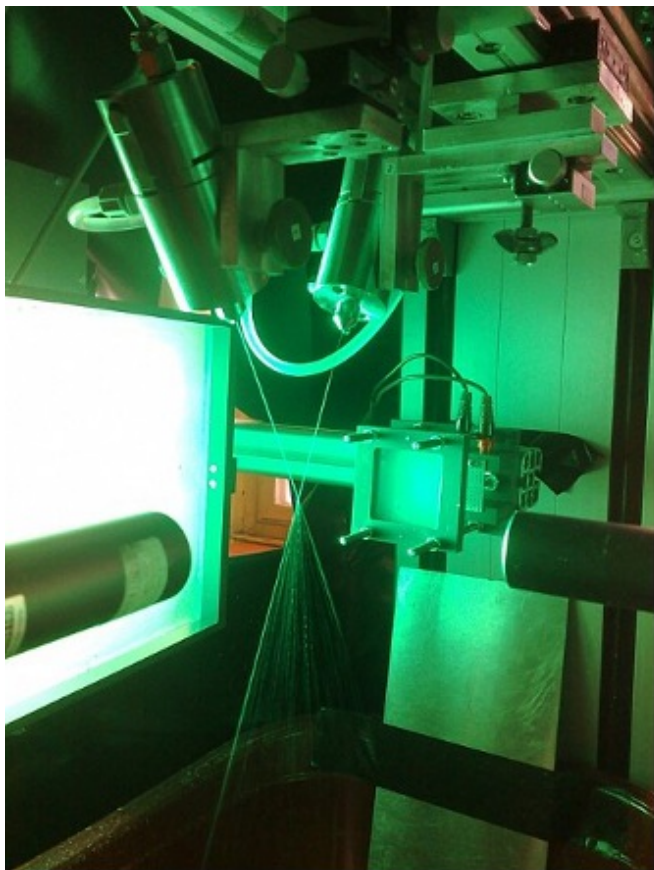


Photo: Experimental setup and droplet collision

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