

Influence of Electric Field and Hydrodynamic Interactions in Removal of Uniformly Charged Abrasive Particles in Post-CMP Cleaning

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Objectives

- Develop a model for the detachment of charged abrasives in turbulent flows.
- Study the removal of small, irregularly shaped particles from rough surfaces.
- Investigate Interactions between adhesion, electrostatic, and hydrodynamic forces.
- Assess size, charge, surface roughness, and irregularity effects on particle removal.

Surface Features

Non-Spherical Particles

Particle Adhesion Model

- Van der Waals molecular forces in the absence of charge
- JKR adhesion model
- Elastic contact deformation
- **Microparticles**
- Three contact bumps
- Effects of surface feature and material properties on particle adhesion

Particle Adhesion Model

Charging Mechanisms

\triangleright Triboelectric Charging

- Charges are concentrated on the bumps
- Nonuniform charge distribution on the surface

\triangleright Corona Ion Charging

- Charges are distributed on the entire surface
- Uniform charge distribution on the surface

Electrostatic Interactions

 \triangleright Coulomb⁺ Force

► Polarization Force

Image Force

- Coulomb + dielectrophoretic
- Effect of charge and electric field
- Attractive or repulsive
- Induced dipoles and corresponding images
- Effect of electric field
- Always attractive
- Force of contact and noncontact bumps
- Effect of image charge
- Always attractive

Electrostatic Interactions

- Hydrodynamics drag and moments are the primary cause of particle detachment in fluid.
- The viscous sublayer is unsteady and disturbed by turbulent burst/inrush and coherent vortices.
- The burst/inrush increases the local turbulent flow velocity acting on particles.

• The maximum velocity in the streamwise direction ranges between $1.6y⁺$ and $2.14y⁺$:

$$
u_M^+ = 1.72y^+ + 0.1y^{+2}
$$

• The highest velocity at the particle's center $(y_c^+ = \frac{d_p u^*}{2v})$ $\frac{p^{\alpha}}{2\nu}$) is estimated as:

$$
u_{c,max}^+ = 0.86 d_p^+ + 0.025 d_p^{+2}
$$

\triangleright Nonlinear drag force:

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Rolling Detachment Mechanism

- Particles may detach by sliding, lifting off, or rolling on the surface. However, the primary removal mechanism of compact nearly spherical particles is the rolling detachment.
- A particle is detached from a surface when the hydrodynamic drag force and hydrodynamic moment overcome van der Waals and electrostatic adhesion forces in turbulent flows.
- For bumpy particle detachment, the hydrodynamic drag force and moment break the contact between one of the contact bumps and the surface at the onset of rolling removal.
- Then, the particle rolls about the axis of the two other contact bumps and is removed.

Rolling Detachment Mechanism

$$
M_h + F_h \frac{d_p}{2} \ge \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} n_b R_b (F_{ad} + F_e)
$$

Critical Shear Velocity

Shear Velocity:
$$
u^* = \sqrt{\frac{\tau_w}{\rho}}
$$

$$
u^* = \left(\frac{\sqrt{3} n_b R_b C_c [F_{ad} + F_e]}{5.16 \pi \rho d_p^3 [f_m + 0.75 f (1 + 0.15 Re^{0.678})] \left[1 + 0.029 \frac{d_p u^*}{v}\right]}\right)^{1/2}
$$

• The turbulent burst/inrush model is used to predict the shear velocity required to remove charged irregular and rough particles from rough surfaces, in the presence of an electric field in dry air flows.

Particle-Surface	W_{A} $(10^{-3} J/m^2)$	л (GPa)	Ŀ, (GPa)	ν, (kg/m^3)	ν.
Silica – Alumina	1979	80.77	$69 - 370$	$2180 - 3960$	$0.2 - 0.2$

Material characteristics of particles and surface

 Variation of Critical Shear Velocity Versus Particle Diameter for Attractive Coulomb⁺ Force

 Variation of Critical Shear Velocity Versus Particle Diameter for Repulsive Coulomb⁺ Force

\triangleright Effect of the fixed corona ion charge (Attractive Coulomb+ Force)

\triangleright Effect of the fixed corona ion charge (Repulsive Coulomb+ Force)

 \triangleright Effect of the electric field (Attractive Coulomb+ Force)

 \triangleright Effect of the electric field (Repulsive Coulomb+ Force)

Conclusions

- Rolling is the main detachment mechanism for compact particles in turbulent airflows.
- A repulsive Coulomb⁺ force significantly (by 50%, depending on the particle size) lowers the critical shear velocity compared to the attractive case.
- Increasing the number of bumps and roughness decreases the critical shear velocity.
- Higher charge and electric field increase the critical shear velocity when the electrical forces are attractive.

Questions and Discussion

Thanks for your attention.