



The Influence of Forcing Schemes on the Diffusion Properties in Pseudopotential-based Lattice Boltzmann Models for Multicomponents Flows

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Diffusion

Performing a Chapman-Enskog analysis for the pseudopotential-based multicomponent model for both the standard „Shan-Forcing“^[1] and the improved „He-Forcing“^[2] leads to the following diffusion coefficients

$$D^{\text{Shan}} = c_s^2 \left[G\tau(c_1\psi_1'\psi_2 + c_2\psi_2'\psi_1) - \left(\tau - \frac{1}{2} \right) \right]$$

$$D^{\text{He}} = c_s^2 \left(\tau - \frac{1}{2} \right) [G(c_1\psi_1'\psi_2 + c_2\psi_2'\psi_1) - 1]$$

→ The diffusion coefficient D changes with the forcing scheme!

- [1] Shan, X.; Doolen, G. D.: J. Stat. Phys. 81 (1), 379-393 (1995)
[2] He, X.; Shan, X.; Doolen, G. D.: Phys. Rev. E 57 (R), R13 (1998)



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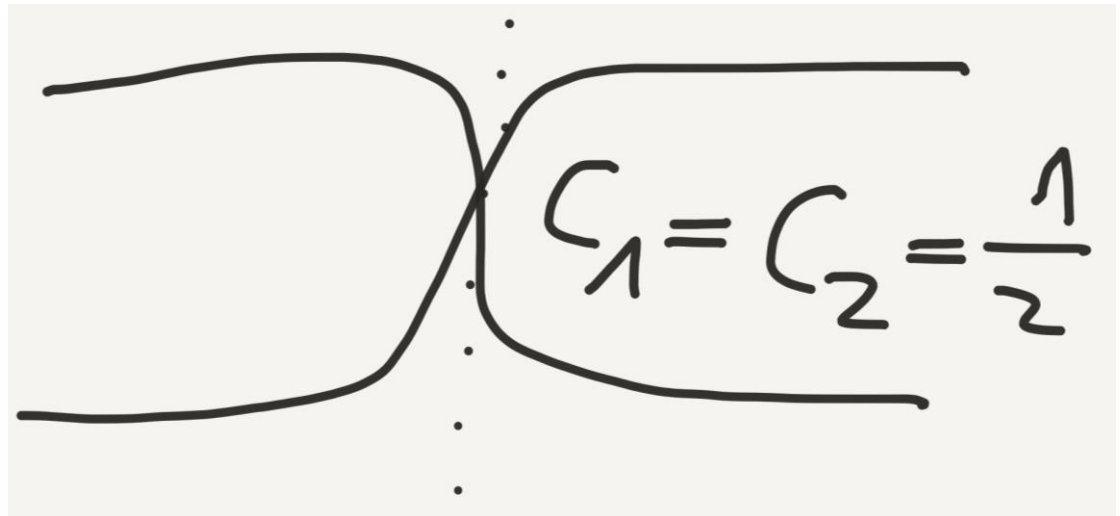
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→ **Evaluate expression in the interface**, where F_α^k is the largest

$$\rho_{\text{Int}} = \frac{\rho_1^{\text{bulk}} + \rho_1^{\text{dis}}}{2} = \frac{\rho_2^{\text{bulk}} + \rho_2^{\text{dis}}}{2}$$



How to get the critical value of G ?

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G_{\text{crit}}^{\text{Shan}} = \frac{\tau - \frac{1}{2}}{\tau [\psi'(\rho_{\text{Int}})\psi(\rho_{\text{Int}})]} & \xrightarrow{\tau = 1} & G_{\text{crit}}^{\text{Shan}} = \frac{1}{2 [\psi'(\rho_{\text{Int}})\psi(\rho_{\text{Int}})]} \\ G_{\text{crit}}^{\text{He}} = \frac{1}{[\psi'(\rho_{\text{Int}})\psi(\rho_{\text{Int}})]} & & G_{\text{crit}}^{\text{He}} = \frac{1}{[\psi'(\rho_{\text{Int}})\psi(\rho_{\text{Int}})]} \end{array}$$

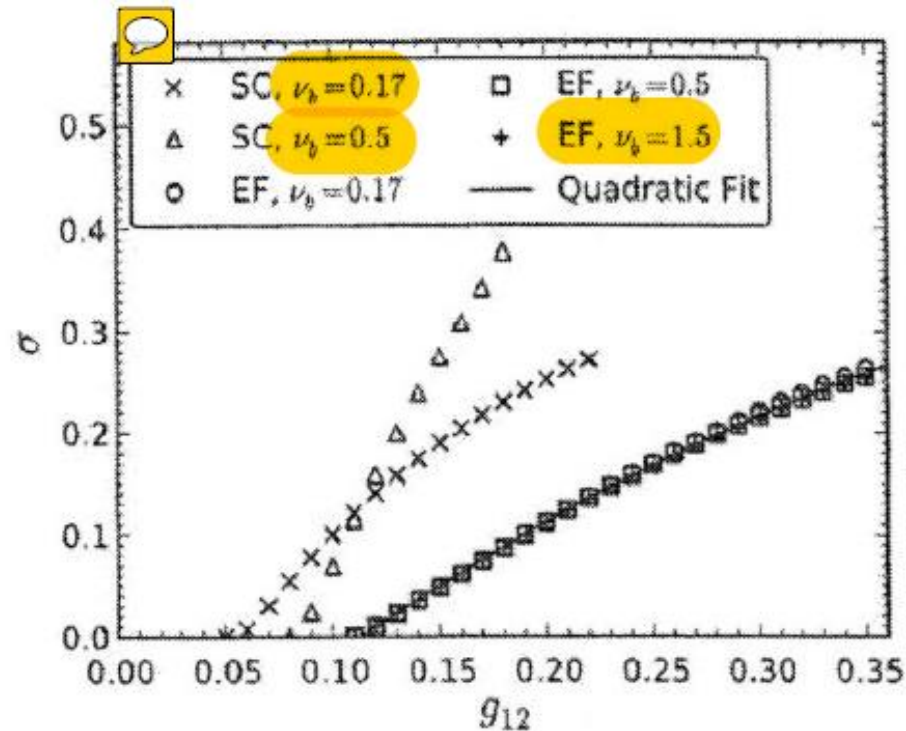
→ The critical value of G is shifted by a factor 2 for $\tau = 1$

→ Additionally, if $\psi = \rho$, $G_{\text{crit}}^{\text{Shan}}$ reduces to the well-known expression^[1]

$$G_{\text{crit}}^{\text{Shan}} = \frac{1}{\rho_1^{\text{bulk}} + \rho_1^{\text{dis}}}$$

[1] Huang, H; Thorne, D. T.; Schaap, M. G.; Sukop, M. C.: Phys. Rev. E 76, 066701 (2007)

Factor 2

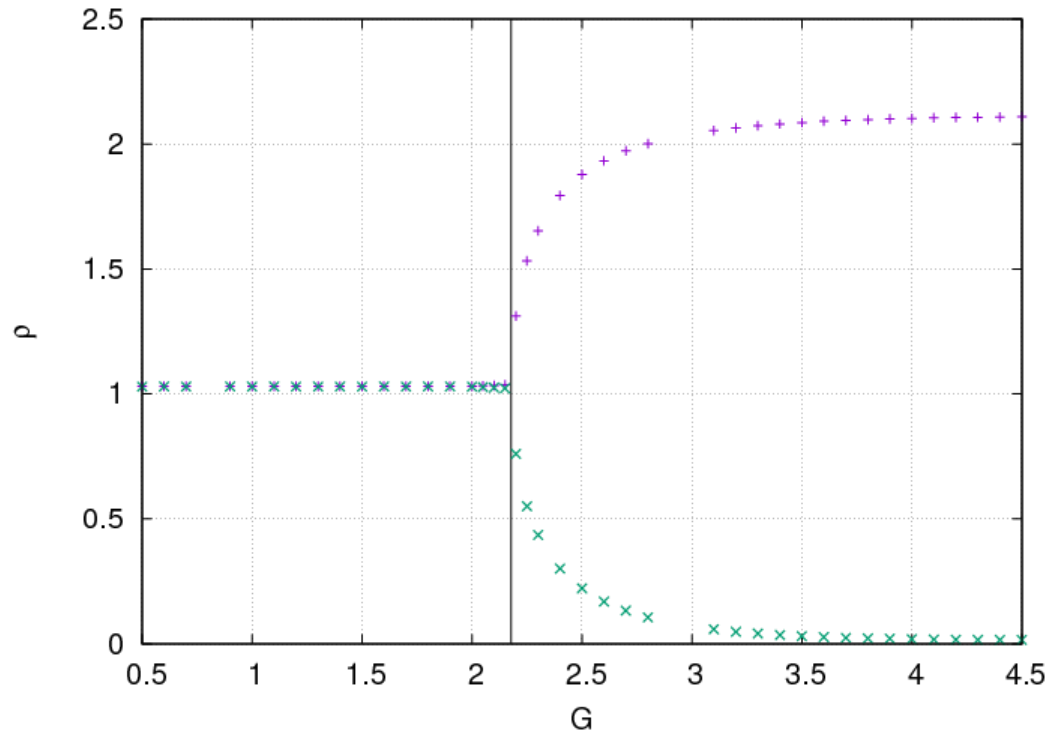


→ Factor two was already visible in initial publication^[1]

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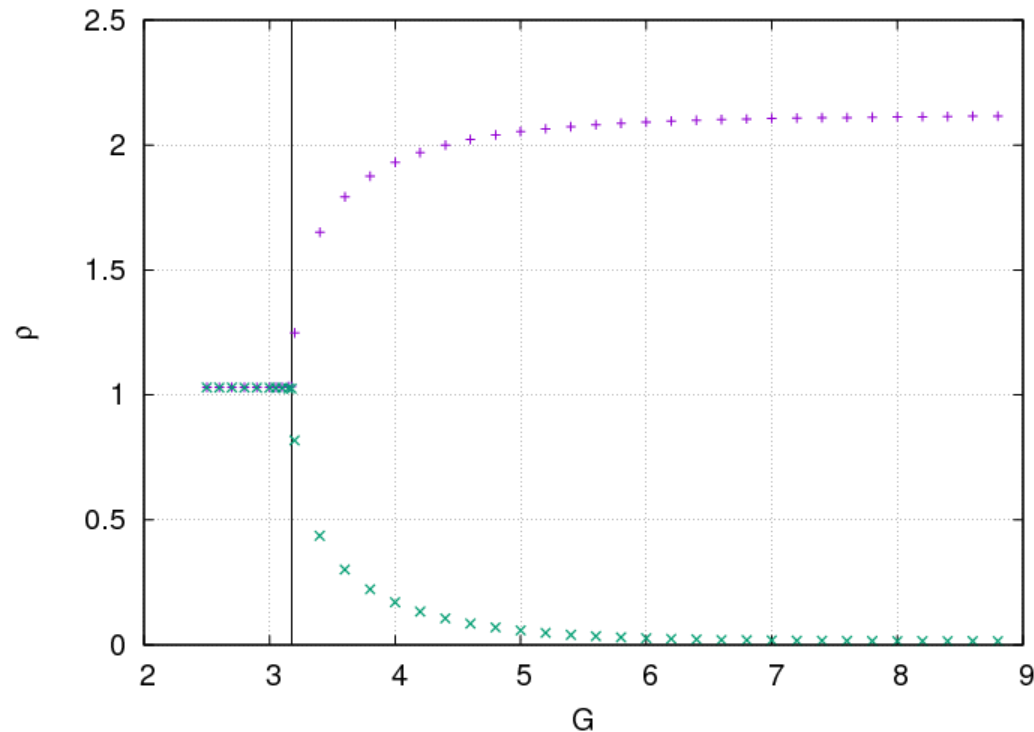
Measure ρ_1^{bulk} and ρ_1^{dis} in static droplet simulation for various G



$$\psi_k = 1 - e^{-\rho k}$$

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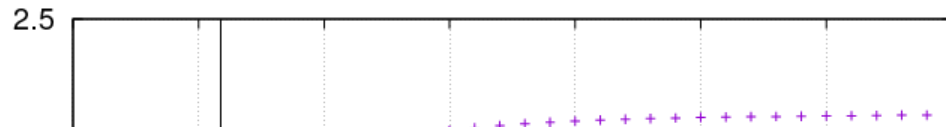
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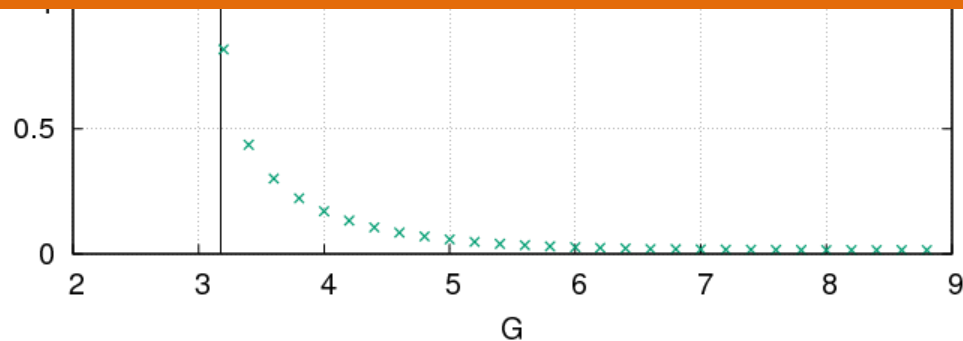
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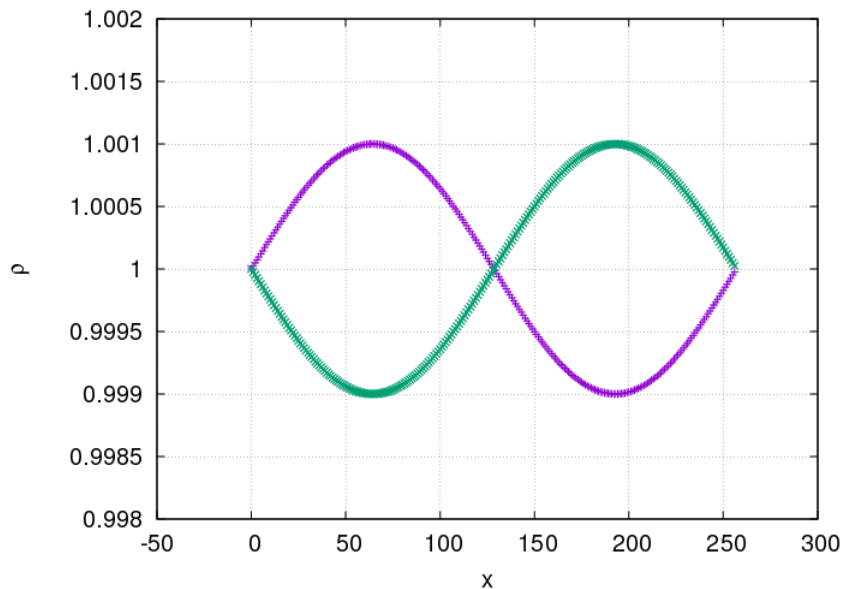
Simulation results agree well with the generalized expression for the critical value of G !



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Diffusion

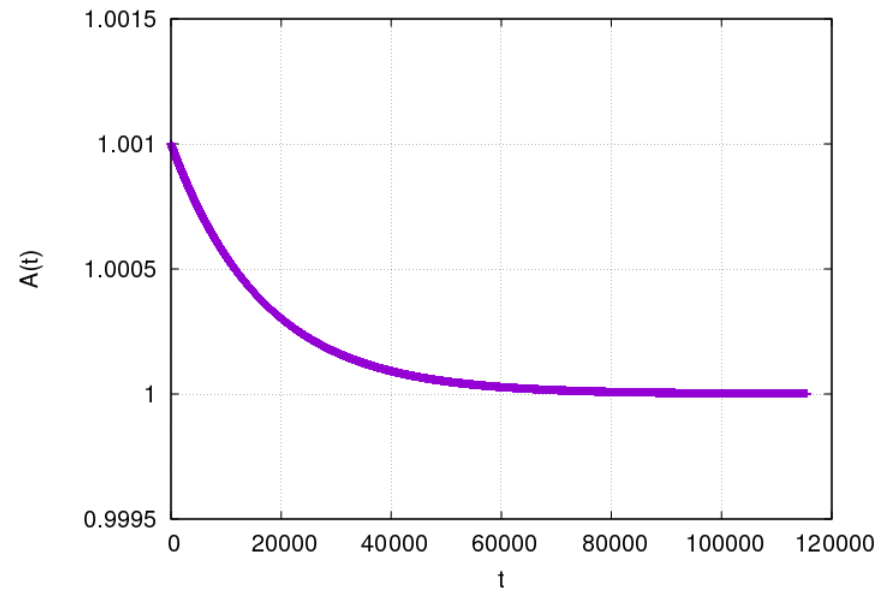
Measure diffusion in a 1D decaying sinusoidal concentration wave



Initial density distribution

$$\rho_1 = \rho_{\text{mean}}[1 + \delta \sin(kx)]$$

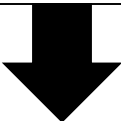
$$\rho_2 = \rho_{\text{mean}}[1 - \delta \sin(kx)]$$

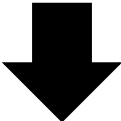


Amplitude decay

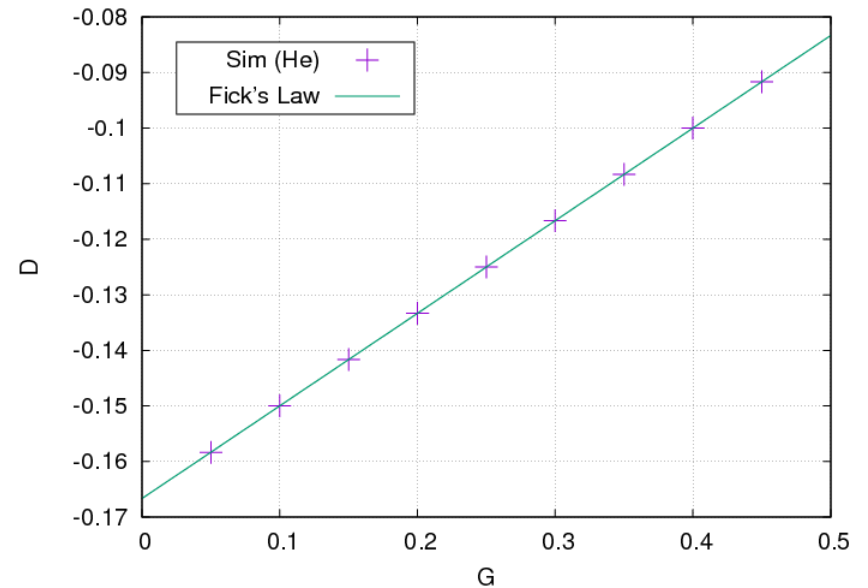
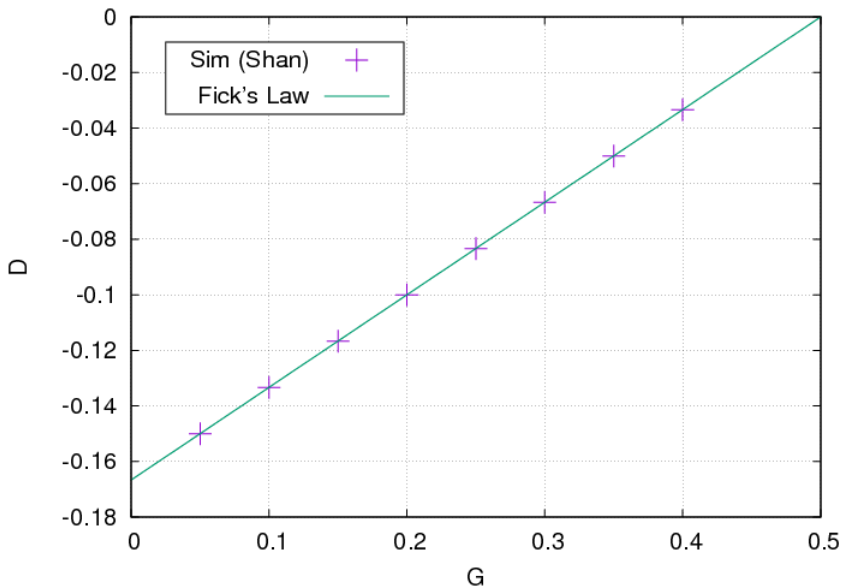
Analytical Diffusion Coefficient

- $\rho_1 = \rho_{\text{mean}}[1 + \delta \sin(kx)]$
- $\rho_2 = \rho_{\text{mean}}[1 - \delta \sin(kx)]$
- $\tau = 1$
- $\psi = \rho$
- $\delta \rightarrow \text{small}$


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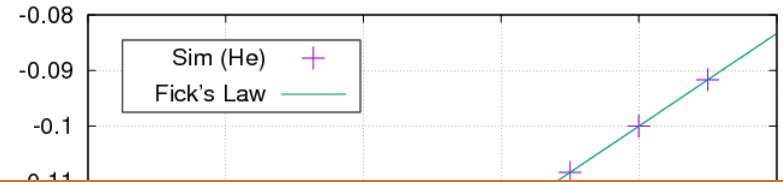
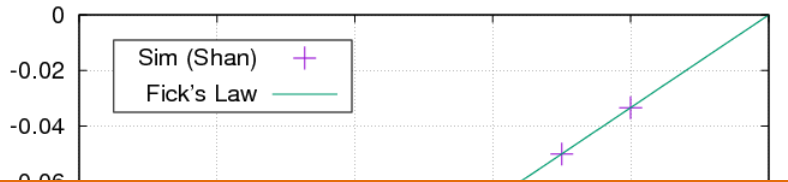
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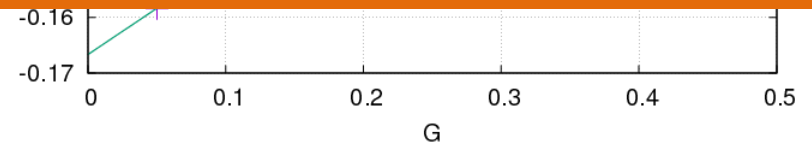
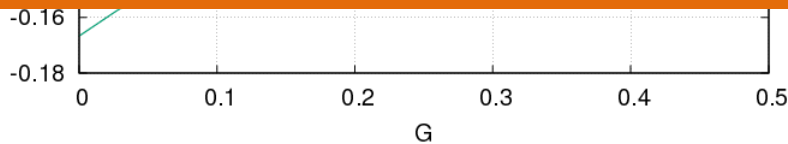
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Simulation results agree well with the analytical diffusion coefficient provided for each forcing scheme



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Comparing $|\mathbf{u}_s|$

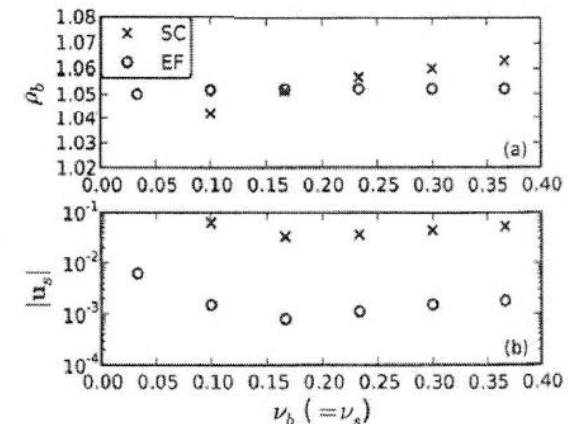
Spurious velocities should be compared for equal

$$G_{\text{red}} = \frac{G}{G_{\text{crit}}}$$

If the comparison was done for the same value of G , the surface tension and the interface thickness would be different for different forcing schemes!

suspending fluids, respectively. First we compare simulation results between the two models for 2D static bubbles, in which the kinematic viscosity ratio is 1 and ν_b has values from 0.03 to 0.37. The radius of the bubble is $R = 24$ and it is placed within a suspending fluid domain of 62×62 lattice sites. The interaction strength between components is $g_{12} = g_{21} = 0.17$, which produces sufficient phase separation. In addition, we used the SRT formulation and set the isotropy order to 4 to be consistent with the original formulation of the SC model. Figure 1 compares the bubble density ρ_b and the maximum magnitude of the spurious currents $|\mathbf{u}_s|$ obtained from the SC and EF models. The SC model results in a bubble density that is dependent on the chosen viscosity, whereas the EF model results in a bubble density that is independent of viscosity. In addition, the spurious currents are reduced by almost two orders of magnitude with the EF model. Overall, Fig. 1 shows considerable improvement with the EF model as compared to the SC model for static bubbles with a kinematic viscosity ratio of 1.

Next we consider static bubble simulations for kinematic viscosity ratios greater than 1. With the SC model we obtained stable results up to $\nu_b/\nu_s = 5$. This is consistent with



[1] Porter, M. L.; Coon, E. T.; Kang, Q.; Moulton, J. D.; Carey, J. W.: Phys. Rev. E 86, 036701 (2012)

Summary

- It was shown that **forcing schemes change the diffusion properties** in pseudopotential-based lattice Boltzmann models for multicomponent flows
 - Since G is part of e.g. formulas for a priori **estimation of contact angle** estimation, they **have to be adjusted** if the forcing scheme changes. The same holds for previously determined estimates for the **surface tension**.
 - Due to the change in diffusion as well as surface tension, **proper comparisons** of e.g. spurious velocities should be done for equal G_{red} but not for equal G
- Using **a different forcing scheme** in multicomponent simulations not only eliminates error terms in the Navier-Stokes Equations, but also **changes fundamental physics** in the **macroscopic advection-diffusion equation**.