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RESEARCH INTERESTS

My principal research interests lie in the field of mechanics of granular materials. They include

- (1) Computational mechanics
- (2) Numerical modeling and simulation using DEM (Discrete Element Method)
- (3) Multi-scale approach and homogenization technique
- (4) Shock dynamics and nonlinear wave propagation

EDUCATION

Ecole Centrale de Lyon Ph.D. in Civil Engineering Dissertation: Multi-scale approach for granular materials	France 2009
Ecole Centrale de Lyon Master's degree in Civil Engineering	France 2006
Da Nang University of Technology Hanoi National University of Civil Engineering Engineering degree in Civil Engineering	Vietnam Vietnam 2005
HONORS and AWARDS	

Post-Doctoral Fellowship	2010 - present
French National Research Agency	

Ph.D. Fellowship 2006 – 2009

French Ministry of Higher Education and Research

Excellent Student Award

2005

Hanoi National University of Civil Engineering

Undergraduate Scholarship2000 – 2002Da Nang University of Technology2000 – 2002Hanoi National University of Civil Engineering2002 – 2005

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

INRIA - National Institute for Research in Computer Science and Control

Grenoble, France

Post-Doctoral Fellow with B. Brogliato and V. Acary

2010 - present

Numerical modeling and simulation of shock dynamics in granular materials

- Modeling and simulating shock dynamics in granular materials, in particular, in chains of balls
- Analyzing the wave propagation in granular chains, and comparing numerical and experimental results
- Developing the Event-Driven simulation method for multi-body mechanical systems (granular systems included) with friction and shocks between bodies

• Developing the SICONOS simulation software (http://siconos.gforge.inria.fr)

LTDS - Laboratory of Tribology and System Dynamics

Lyon, France

Research Assistant with B. Cambou and H. Magoariec

2009 - 2010

• Developed a homogenization method for granular materials with a meso-scale at clusters of particles

Ph.D. Candidate with B. Cambou, H. Magoariec and A. Danescu

2006 - 2009

DEM numerical simulation and multi-scale approach for granular materials

- Simulated granular materials using the PFC software (Particle Flow Code)
- Introduced a meso-scale at clusters of particles for granular assemblies
- Described the structure, and defined stress and strain fields at the meso-scale
- Analyzed the heterogeneity of the structure, and of the stress and the strain fields
- Analyzed the local behavior of granular materials at the meso-scale

Master Intern with B. Cambou

June – September 2006

• Modeled the particle shape in the numerical simulation of granular materials using the PFC software

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching assistant at Ecole Centrale de Lyon

2009 - 2010

Tutorials: Soil Mechanics

Lab Works: Stress measurement technique with photoelasticity, strain gauge measurement technique, hyperstatic frames, triaxial compression and shear tests on granular samples, Atterberg's limits tests for soils

RELATED SKILLS

Language

French: fluent English: advanced

Computer

DEM Softwares: PFC, SICONOS

Programming Languages: C++, MATLAB, MAPLE, MATHEMATICA

Operating Systems: Windows, Linux

Document Preparation: MICROSOFT OFFICE, LATEX

Collaboration Software: SVN

PUBLICATIONS and PRESENTATIONS

Journal Articles

- [1] **Nguyen N.S.**, Brogliato B.: Shock dynamics in granular chains: numerical simulations and comparison with experimental tests. *Granular Matter*, **14**(3), pp. 341–362, 2012
- [2] **Nguyen N.S.**, Magoariec H., Cambou B.: Local stress analysis in granular materials at a meso-scale. *International Journal for Numerical and Analytical Methods in Geomechanics*, DOI: 10.1002/nag.1063, 2011.
- [3] **Nguyen N.S.**, Magoariec H., Cambou B., Danescu A.: Analysis of structure and strain at the meso-scale in 2D granular materials. *International Journal of Solids and Structures*, **46**(17), pp. 3257–3271, 2009.

Articles Submitted or in Preparation

- [4] Nguyen N.S., Magoariec H., Cambou B.: Analysis of the local behaviour in granular materials. Submitted in January 2012 for a book entitled "New trends in engineering mechanics" edited by Professor P.-Y. Hicher and published in American Society of Civil Engineers
- [5] **Nguyen N.S.**, Brogliato B.: Shock dynamics in dissipative granular chains: A review of multiple impact laws. *In preparation*

Refereed Conference Papers

- [6] **Nguyen N.S.**, Zhang H., Brogliato B.: Multiple impacts with friction in the rocking block and tapered chains. *In proceeding of 7th European Nonlinear Dynamics Conference Enoc 2011*, Rome, Italy, 24 –29 July 2011
- [7] **Nguyen N.S.**, Magoariec H., Danescu A.: Strain structure relationship at meso-scale for 2D granular materials. *In proceeding of Powders and Grains 2009 Conference*, Golden, Colorado, USA, 13 17 July 2009

Presentations in International Conferences and Workshops

- [8] **Nguyen N.S.**, Brogliato B.: Comparison of impact laws on a simple granular chain. *Euromech colloquium 514: New trends in Contact Mechanics*, Cargese, France, 27 31 March 2012
- [9] **Nguyen N.S.**, Magoariec H., Cambou B.: On the definition of stress at a meso-scale in 2D granular materials. *Poster in 22th ALERT Geometerials Workshop Alliance of Laboratories in Europe for Research and Technology*, Aussois, France, 3 5 October 2011
- [10] Nguyen N.S., Brogliato B.: The dynamics of tapered chains: comparisons between simulations and experimental results. Euromech Colloquium 516: Nonsmooth contact and impact laws in mechanics, Grenoble, France, 6-8 July 2011
- [11] **Nguyen N.S.**, Danescu A., Magoariec H., Cambou B.: On a physically relevant mesoscale for macroscopic modelling of granular assemblies. *Inaugural International Conference of the Engineering Mechanics Institute EM08*, Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA, 18 21 May 2008

REFERENCES

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