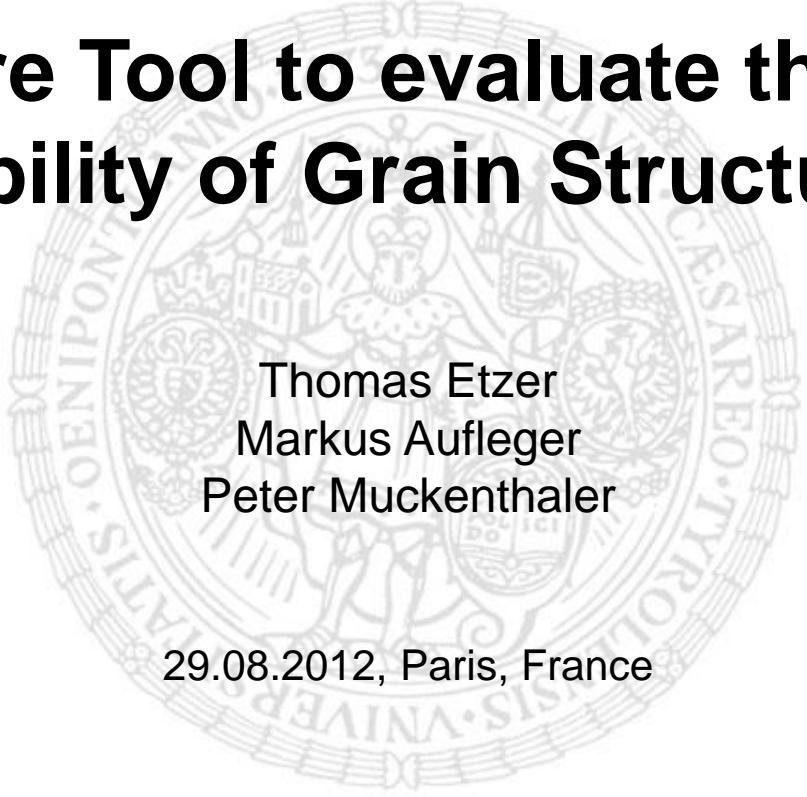


# A Software Tool to evaluate the Internal Stability of Grain Structures



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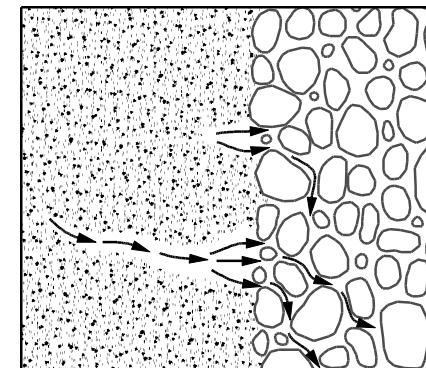
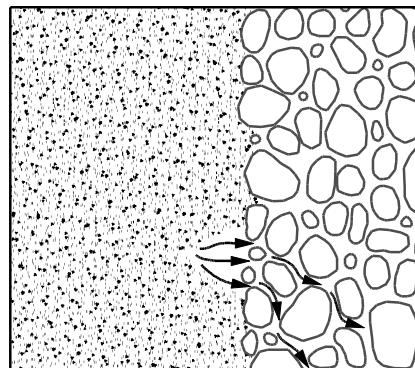
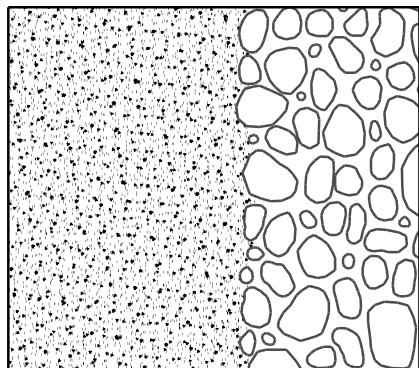
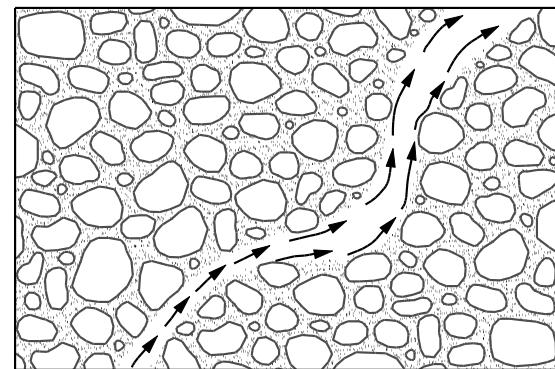
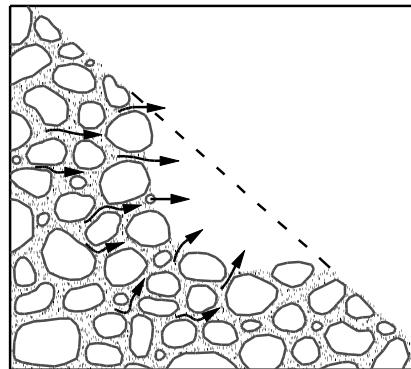


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# Introduction

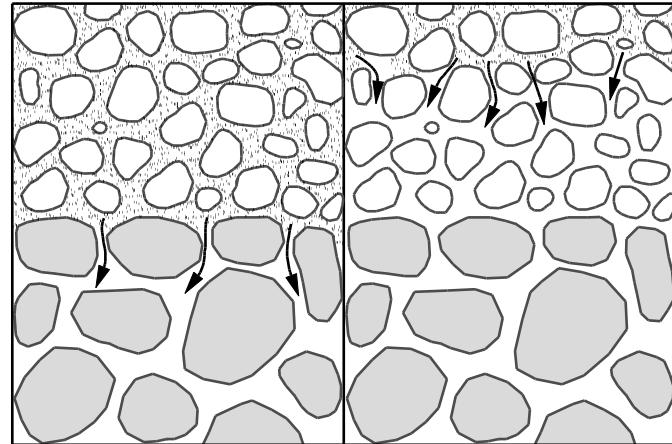
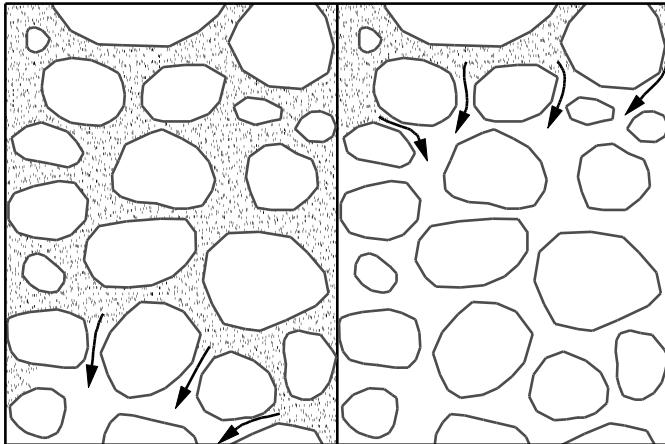
- Various types and notations



# Introduction

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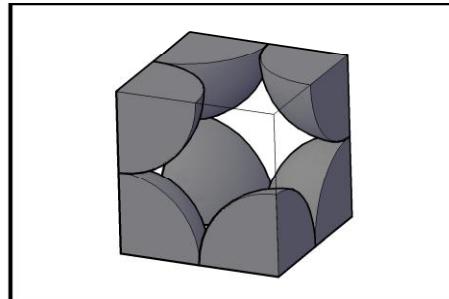
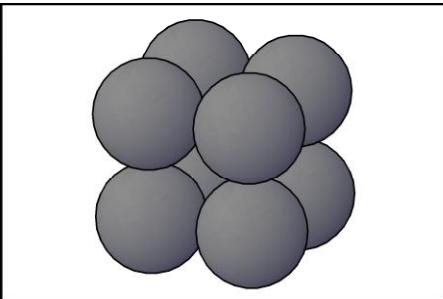
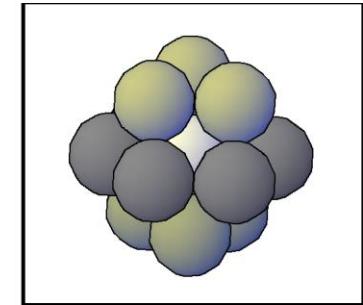
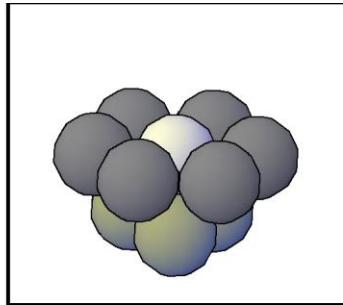
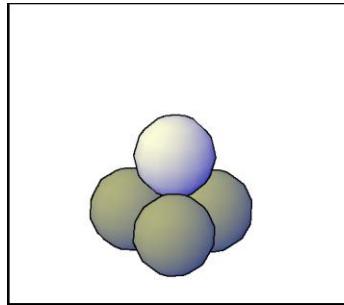
- Stable supporting grain structure
- Small particles moving



# Introduction

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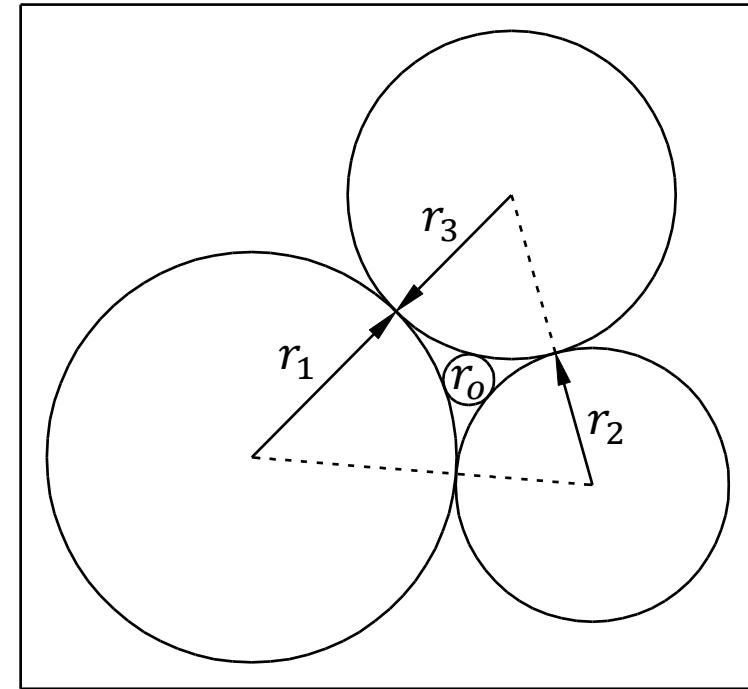
- Treading grains as spheres



# Motivation

- SILVEIRA 1965:

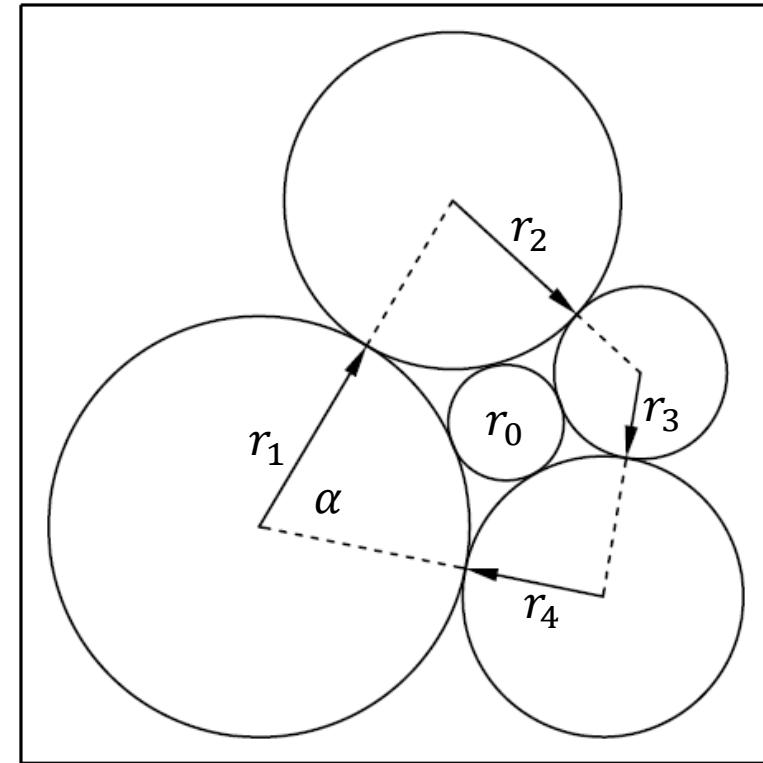
Diameter of void  
in dense packing



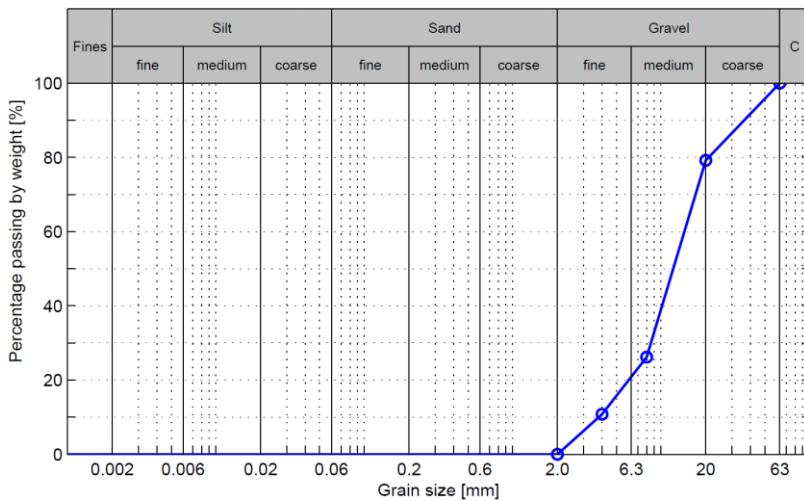
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- MUCKENTHALER 1989:

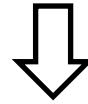
Model for loose packing



# Motivation



Particle Size Distribution



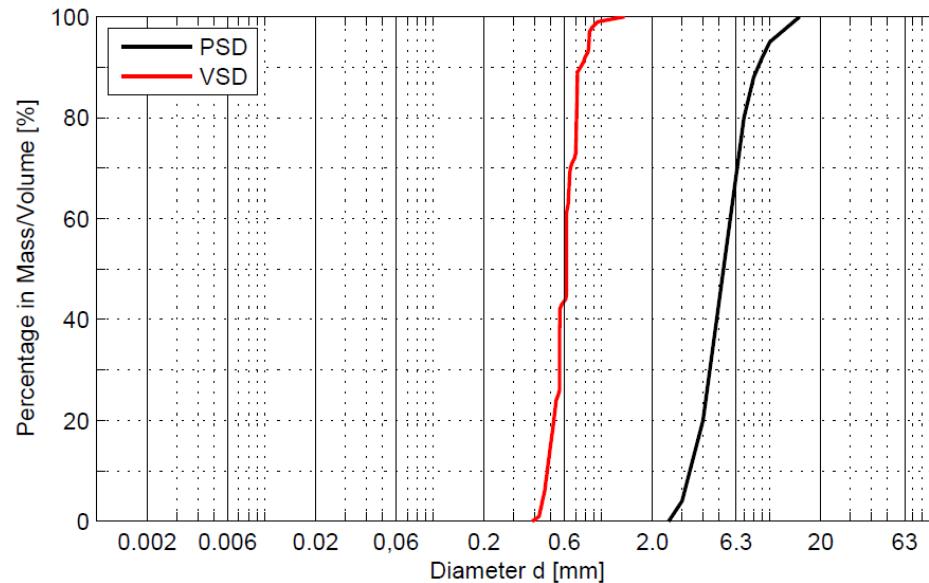
Calculate Number of Grains



Calculate Probability for each void size

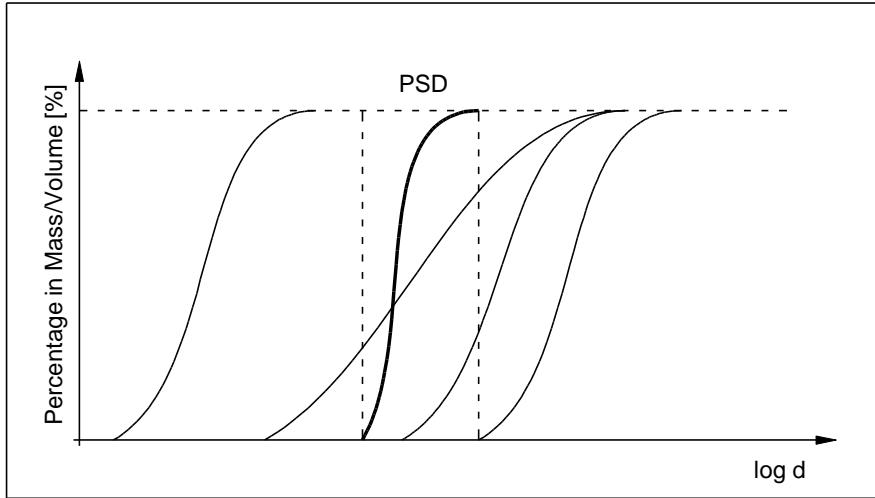
# Motivation

- Void Size Distribution



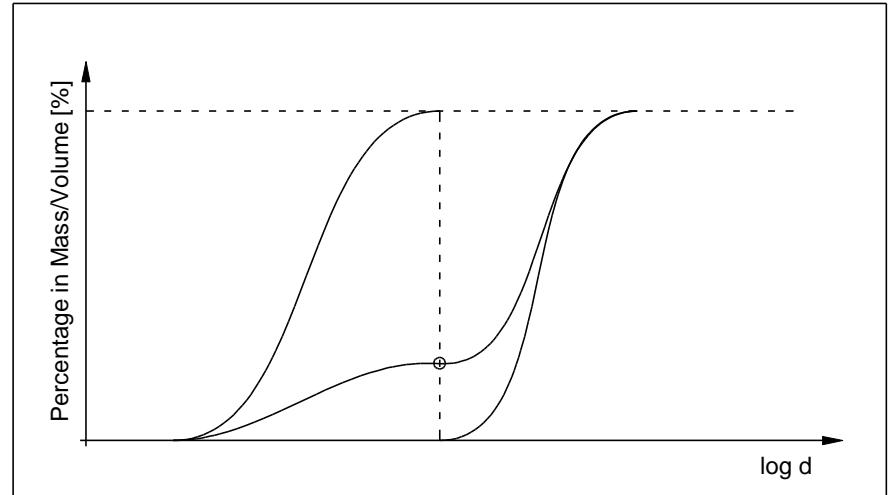
Objective: Geometrical criterion to determine biggest erodible grain.

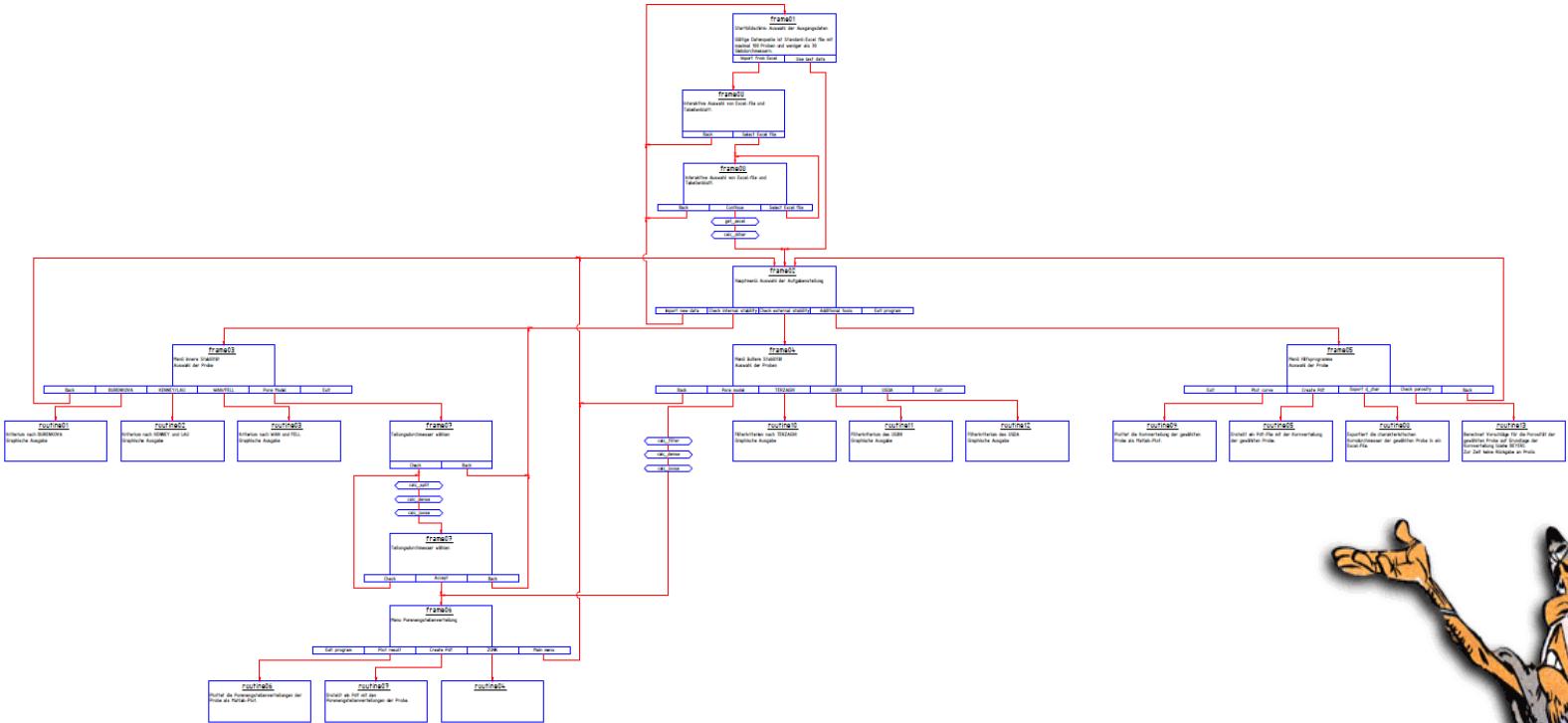
# Motivation



„External Stability“  
(Filter Problems)

„Internal stability“

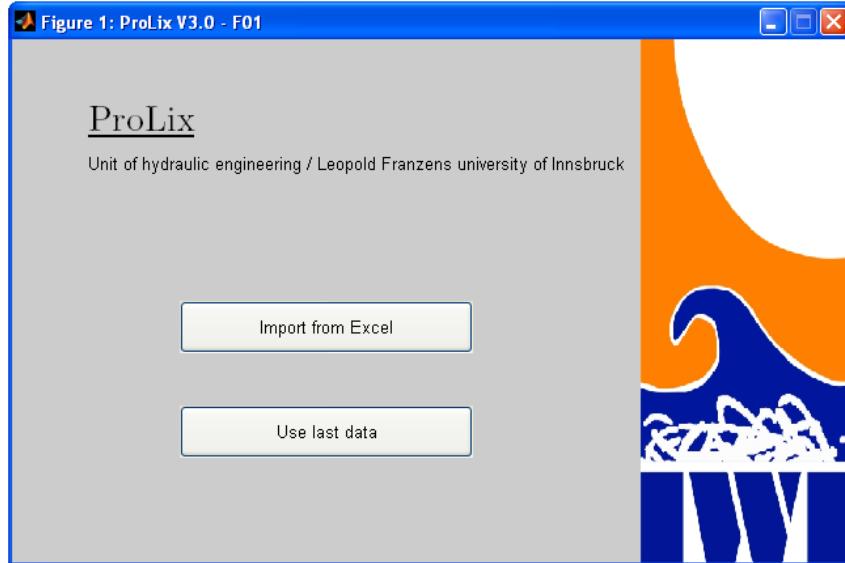




Software tool to handle all calculations



# ProLix

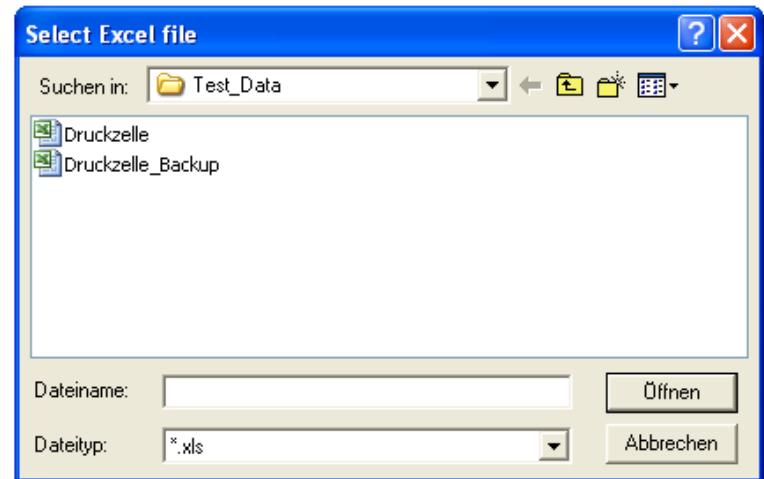
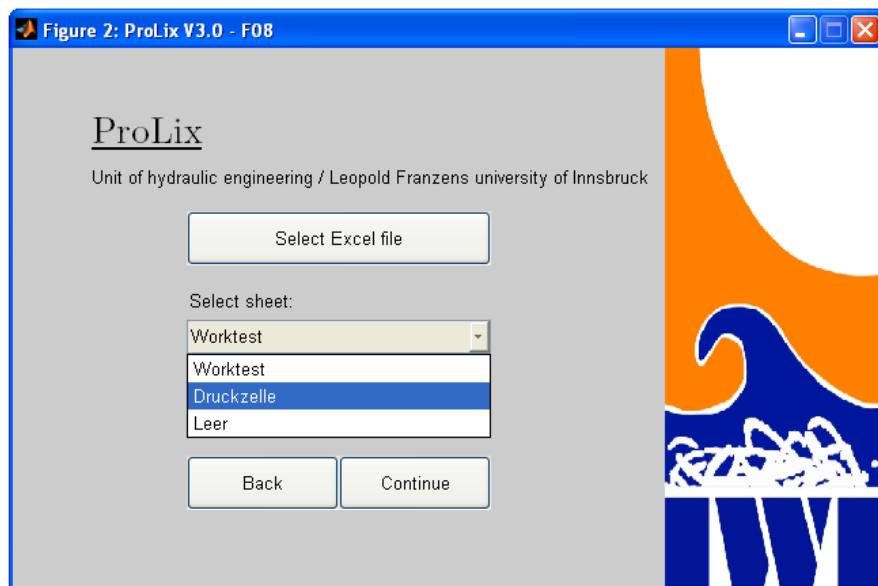


- Matlab-Script files
- Graphical User interface
- Modular => expendable

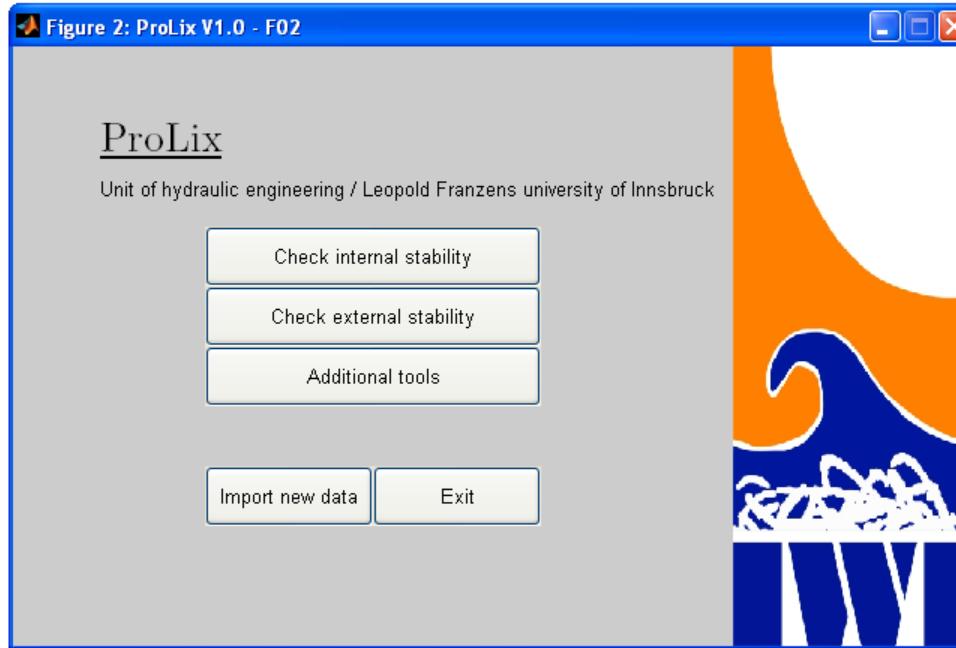


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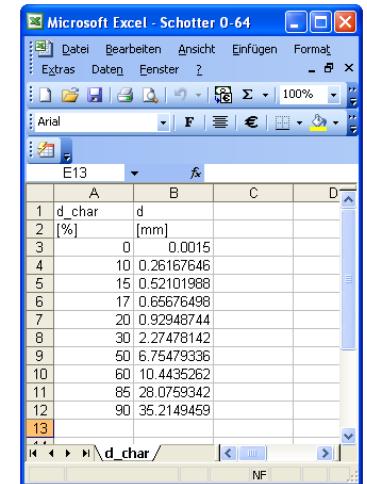
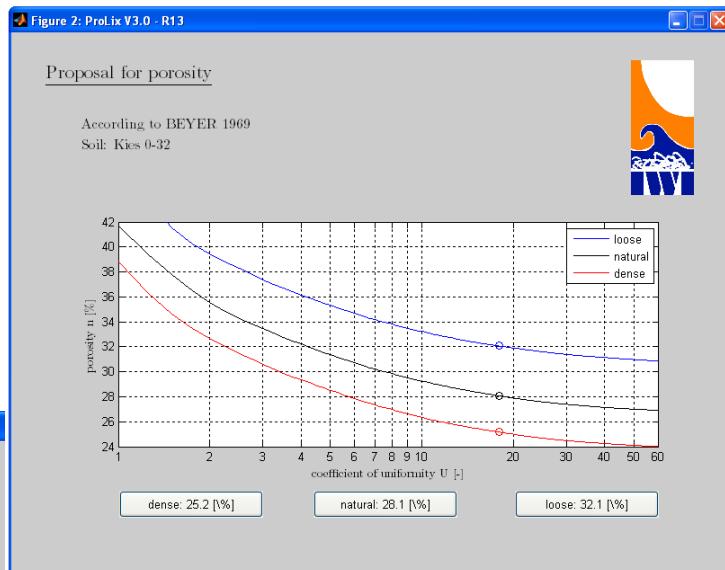
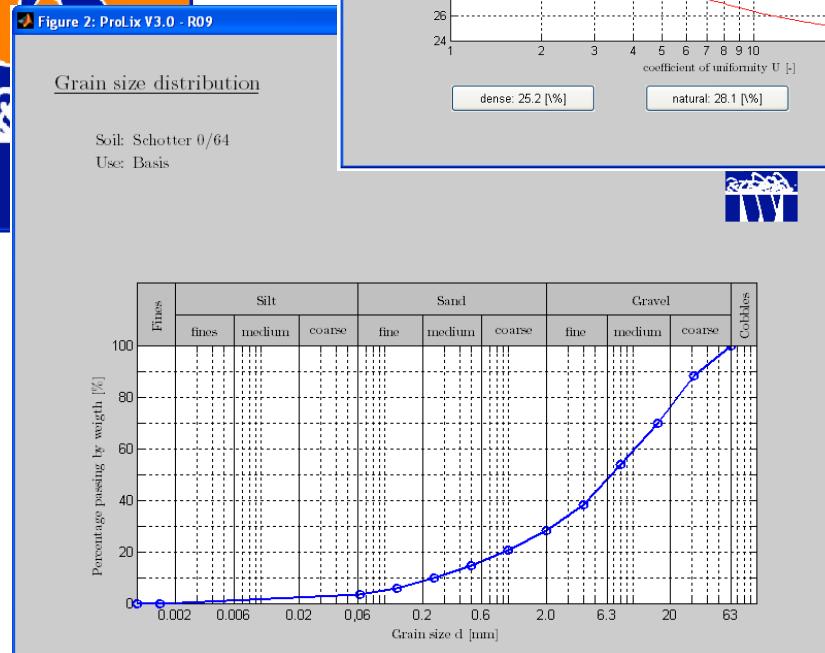
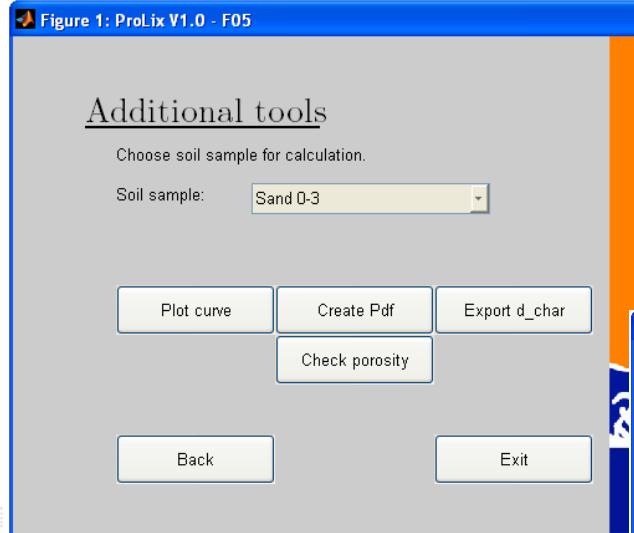


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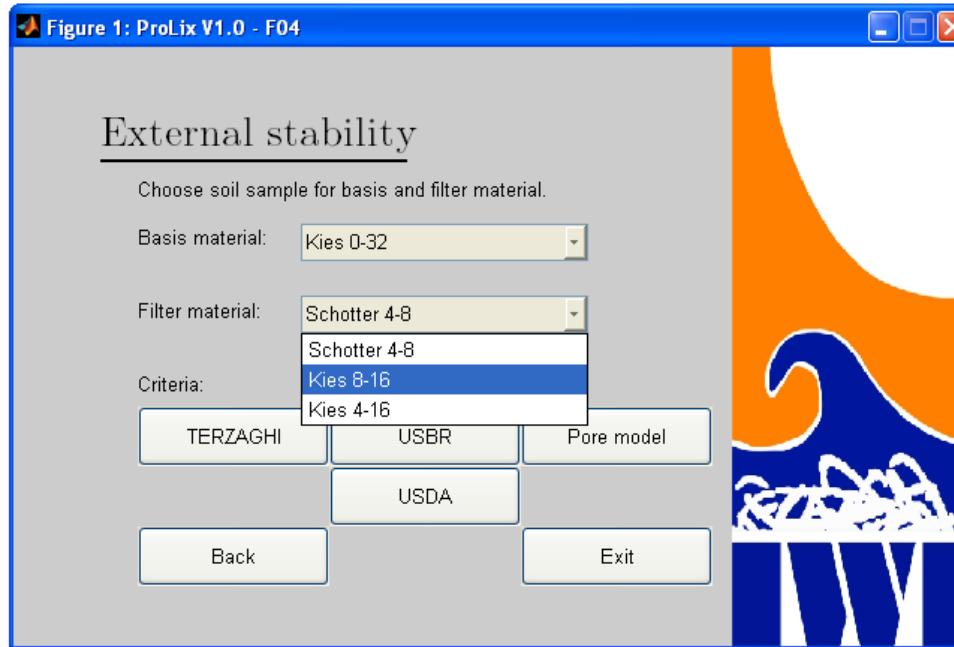


- One temporary file for all Script-files

## Basic Functions:

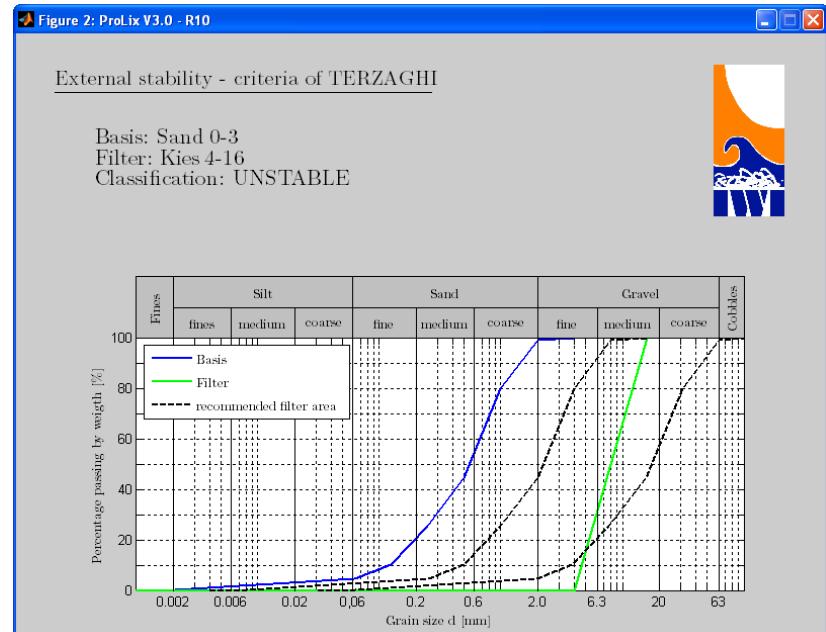
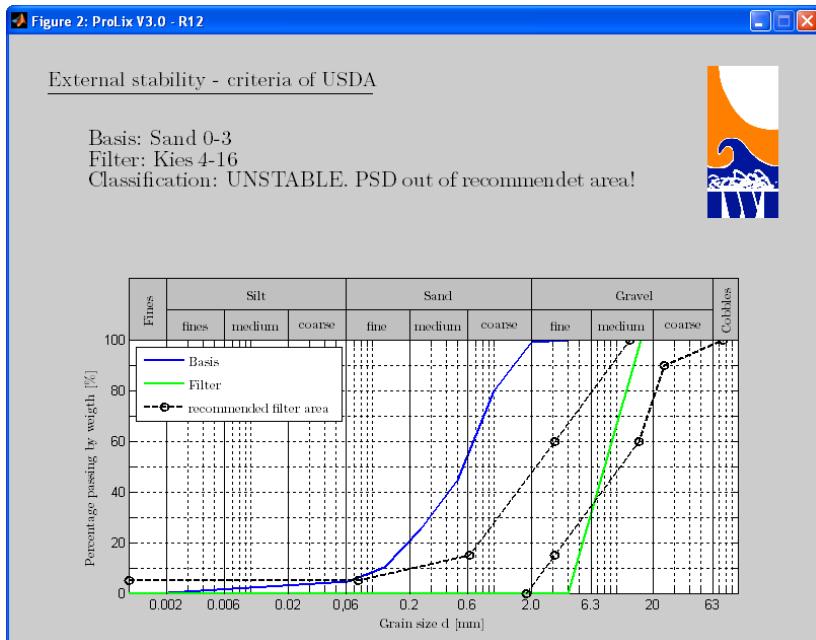


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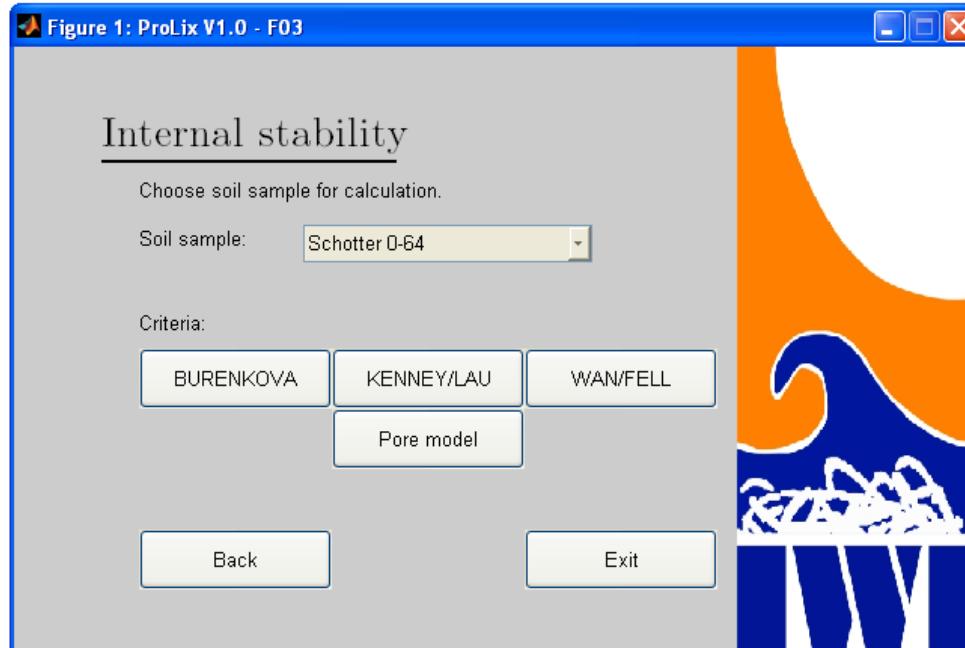


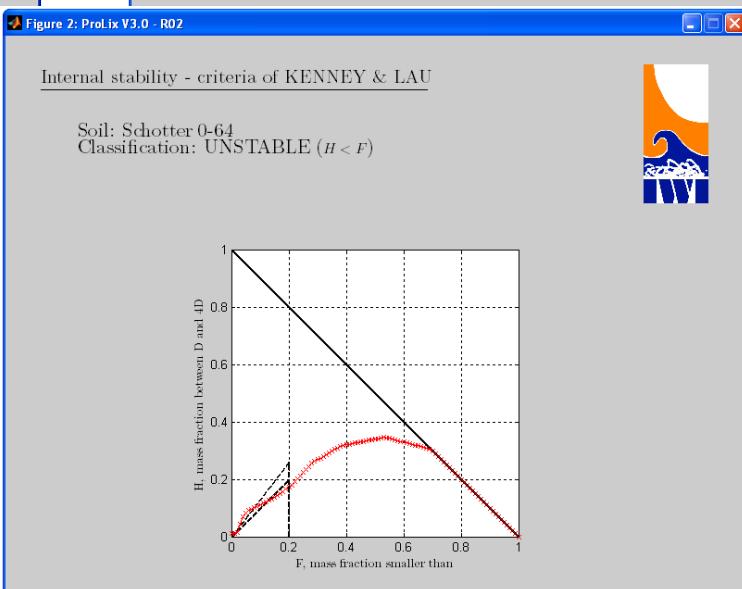
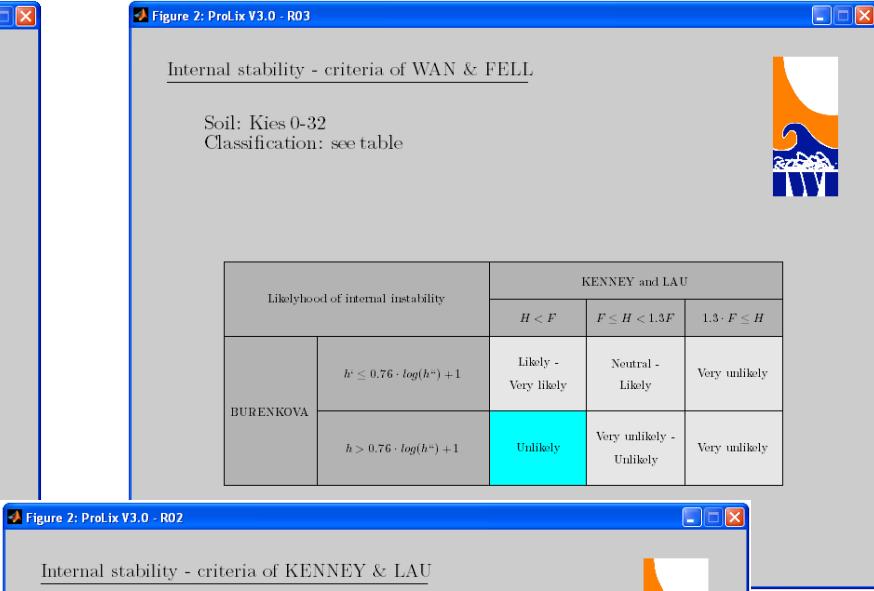
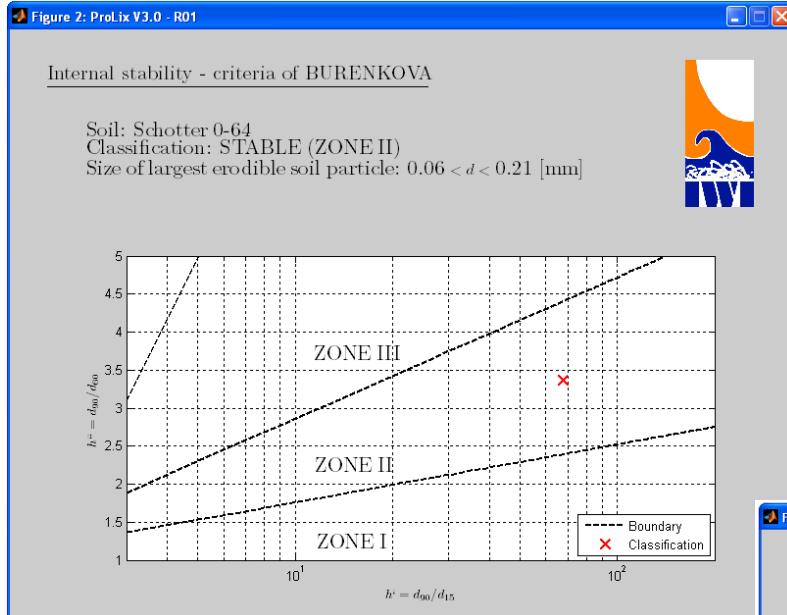
- Validate the results of the pore-model

- Classification
- Evaluation chart

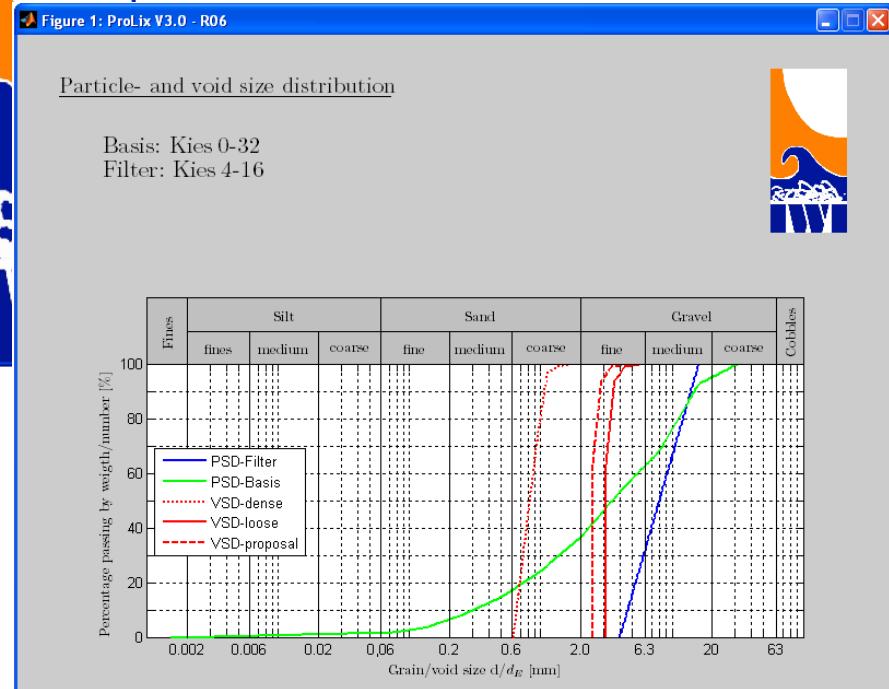
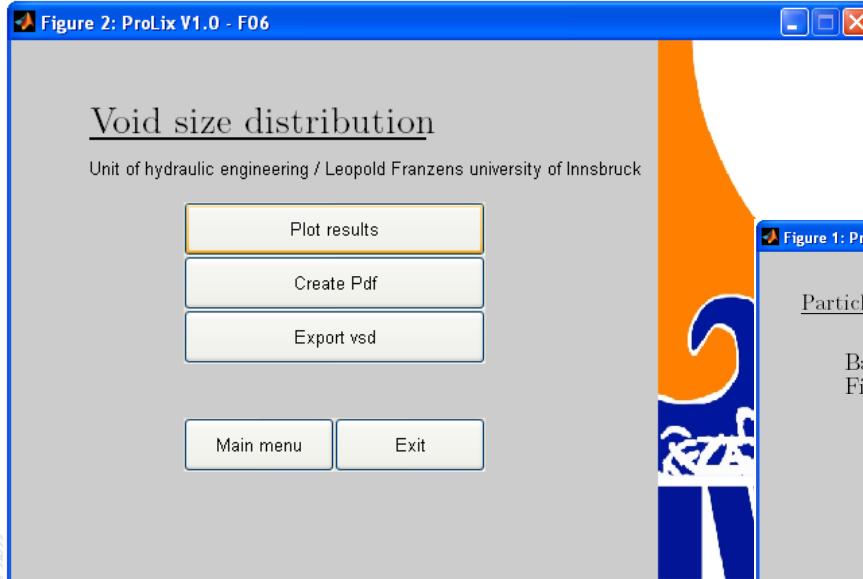


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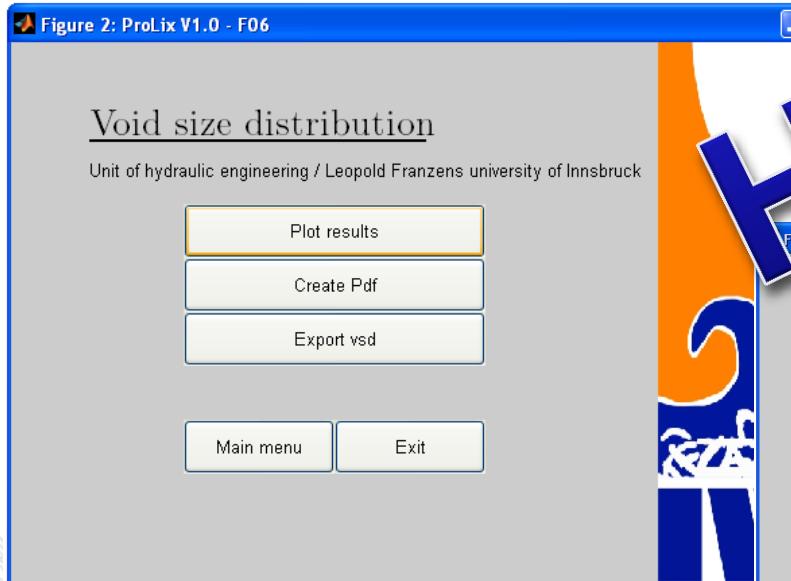




## Void size distribution



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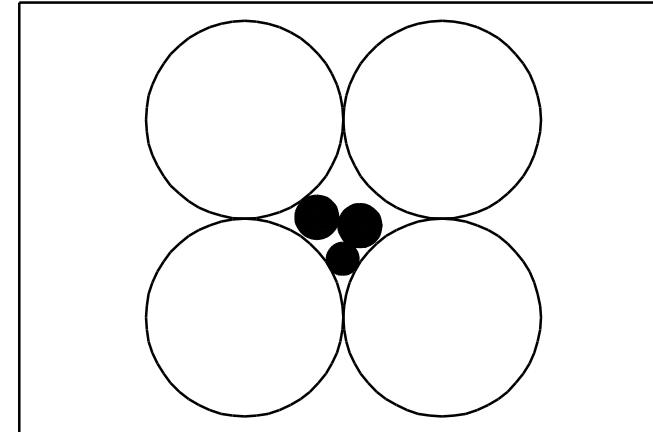
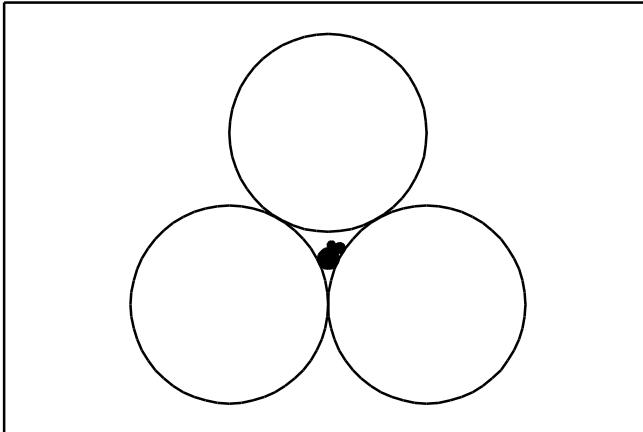
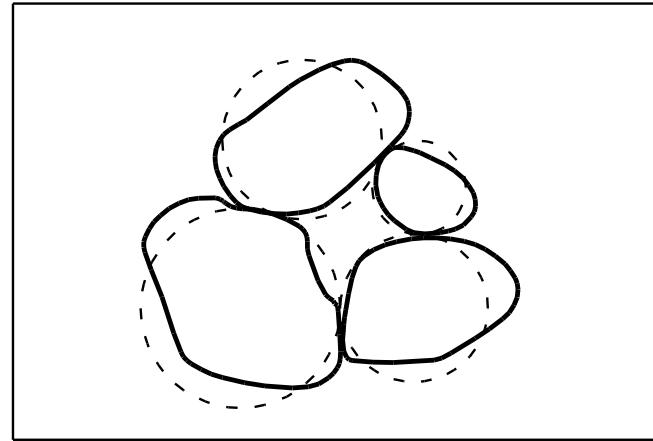
Happy  
End?



# Conclusions

Limitations of pore-model:

- Shape of grains
- Range of diameters



# Conclusions

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- Further work on pore-model is needed
- Experimental data to calibrate the model
- Prolix-Software => Tool for standard calculations
- Good starting point for further development



Thank You for Your Attention!

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