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The effect of freely suspended rigid particles on chaotic material transport in a two-dimensional cavity flow is studied. We concentrate on the understanding of the mechanism how the presence of a particle affects the dynamical system of the flow. In contrast to the case studied by Vikhansky [“Chaotic advection of finite-single bodies in a cavity flow,” Phys. Fluids 15, 1830 (2003)], we show that even a regular periodic motion of a single particle can induce chaotic advection around the particle, as a result of the perturbation of the flow introduced by the freely rotating solid particle. This perturbation is of a hyperbolic nature. In fact, stretching and folding of the fluid elements are guaranteed by the occurrence of the hyperbolic flow perturbation centered at the particle and by the rotation of the freely suspended particle, respectively. The fluid-solid flow problem has been solved by a fictitious-domain/finite-element method based on a rigid-ring description of the solid particle. A single-particle system is studied in detail in view of the dynamical systems theory and then extended to two- and three-particle systems. © 2005 American Institute of Physics.

I. INTRODUCTION

Experiments by Marić and Macsko\(^1\) show that the addition of a small number of balls into a minimixer significantly improves the dispersion characteristics in polymer blends. Their results show that the balls enhance the circulation of materials from low to high shear rate regions and promote breakup of drops.

In this work, we examine the direct influence of the addition of such a ball on distributive mixing. We study chaotic advection of fluids in a simple lid-driven cavity flow containing freely suspended inertialess rigid particles using dynamical systems theory and numerical simulations. A large number of papers are published which deal with the influence of a time-periodic movement of different walls\(^2,3\) on chaotic advection.\(^4\) Other studies show the influence of changes in the geometric aspect ratio of the cavity,\(^5\) while some others show that a single oscillating wall can induce chaotic advection if inertia becomes important.\(^6\)

Vikhansky\(^7\) also studied cavity flows with rigid particles and claimed that the Lagrangian chaos of the particle motion induces Eulerian chaos of the flow. Admittedly, this argument seems evident especially in flows possessing many particles with complicated time-dependent particle movements, because of complex interactions between particle/particle and particle/fluid (referred to Lagrangian chaos of the particle motion in Ref. 7). In this work, however, we report that even a regular periodic motion of a single particle can induce chaotic advection of the fluid material as well. We concentrate on understanding the mechanism how the existence of a particle affects the dynamical systems of the flow, by visualizing dynamical systems structures and related chaotic mixing behavior through the stretching and folding of fluid elements.

As a simple illustration, let us consider a single-particle suspended freely in simple shear flow with shear rate \(\dot{\gamma}\), see Fig. 1 with the coordinate system given therein. When the particle is small enough compared to the size of the domain, the angular velocity of the particle equals \(-\frac{1}{2}\dot{\gamma}\) (Ref. 8). The velocity field inside the particle can be simply expressed in a decoupled form

\[
\mathbf{u}_p = \mathbf{U}_{\text{sf}} + \mathbf{u}',
\]

where \(\mathbf{u}_p = \left(\frac{1}{2}\dot{\gamma}y, -\frac{1}{2}\dot{\gamma}x\right)\) is the rigid-body motion of the particle, \(\mathbf{U}_{\text{sf}} = \left(\dot{\gamma}y, 0\right)\) is the given shear flow in the far field, and \(\mathbf{u}' = \left(-\frac{1}{2}\dot{\gamma}y, -\frac{1}{2}\dot{\gamma}x\right)\) is the perturbed velocity field which appears as a result of the presence of the particle. The \(\mathbf{U}_{\text{sf}}\) velocity on the surface of the particle together with the far-field conditions leads to a simple shear flow solution outside the particle. The presence of the particle perturbs the velocity field with the solution that is found by prescribing \(\mathbf{u}'\) as a boundary condition on the surface of the particle and zero velocity as a far-field condition. The perturbation is hyperbolic: fluid material stretches exponentially in the directions 135° and −45° from the shear direction at the rate \(\frac{1}{2}\dot{\gamma}\) and contracts exponentially in the other directions at the same rate. It is most effective in a region surrounding the rigid particle, since on the surface of the particle the combined velocity fields generate a rigid-body motion solution and in the far field the perturbation is zero.

In addition, the rotation of the freely suspended particle changes the location of the maximum stretch relative to the particle boundary continuously and, as a result, lead to folding of the elements. This mechanism towards chaos is distinct from that discussed by Vikhansky.\(^7\) He concluded that the flow becomes nonperiodic under the action of the chaoti-
main $\Omega$, including the interior of the particle, is the computational domain of this work and the four boundaries of $\Omega$ are denoted by $\Gamma_i$ ($i=1,2,3,4$) and $\Gamma=\bigcup_{i=1}^{4}\Gamma_i$. The upper boundary $\Gamma_1$ is subject to the constant drag velocity $u_D$. The Cartesian $x$ and $y$ coordinates are selected as parallel and normal to the drag velocity direction, respectively. Particles are denoted by $P_i(i=1,\ldots,N)$ and $N$ is the number of particles. We use the symbol $P(t)$ for $\bigcup_{i=1}^{N}P_i(t)$, the collective region occupied by particles at a certain time $t$. For a particle $P_i$, $X_i=(X_i,Y_i)$, $U_i=(U_i,V_i)$, $\omega_i=\omega_k$, and $\Omega_i=\Theta_k$ are used for the coordinates of the particle center, the translational velocity, the angular velocity and the angular rotation, respectively; and $k$ is the unit vector in the direction normal to the plane.

The set of equations for the fluid domain is given by

$$\nabla \cdot \sigma = 0 \quad \text{in} \quad \Omega \setminus P(t),$$

$$\nabla \cdot u = 0 \quad \text{in} \quad \Omega \setminus P(t),$$

$$\sigma = -pI + 2\eta \mathbf{D} \quad \text{in} \quad \Omega \setminus P(t),$$

$$u = U_i + \omega_i \times (x - X_i) \quad \text{on} \quad \partial P_i(t) \quad (i=1,\ldots,N),$$

$$u = u_D \quad \text{on} \quad \Gamma_1,$$

where $u_D=0$ on $\Gamma_3$ and $u_D=0$ on the other boundaries. Equations (2)–(5) are equations for the momentum balance, the continuity, the constitutive relation, and rigid-body conditions on particle boundaries, respectively. Quantities $u$, $\sigma$, $p$, $I$, $D$ and $\eta$ denote the velocity, the stress, the pressure, the identity tensor, the rate of deformation tensor, and the viscosity, respectively. Unknown rigid-body motions in Eq. (5) will be determined by the hydrodynamic interaction. In the absence of inertia, initial conditions are not necessary for the fluid velocity as well as for the particle.

Following the work by Hwang et al., we consider the circular particle as a rigid ring, which is filled with the same fluid as in the fluid domain and the rigid-body condition is imposed on the particle boundary only. This description is possible for the rigid particle, when inertia is negligible. The idea is similar to the original immersed boundary method of Peskin in which the equations for the fluid velocity are solved for both inside and outside of the moving boundary of zero mass. The rigid-ring description requires a discretization only along the particle boundaries and leads to a significant reduction in memory usage. From the rigid-ring description, the set of governing equations for a region occupied by a particle $P_i$ at a certain time $t$ is

$$\nabla \cdot \sigma = 0 \quad \text{in} \quad P_i(t),$$

$$\nabla \cdot u = 0 \quad \text{in} \quad P_i(t),$$

$$\sigma = -pI + 2\eta \mathbf{D} \quad \text{in} \quad P_i(t),$$

$$u = U_i + \omega_i \times (x - X_i) \quad \text{in} \quad \partial P_i(t).$$

Equations (7)–(10) are the equations for the momentum balance, the continuity, the constitutive relation, and the boundary condition, respectively, which are exactly the same as the
fluid domain equations in Eqs. (2)–(5). The trivial solution of this problem inside a particle is simply the rigid-body motion, applied on the particle boundary extended to the full particle interior,

\[ \mathbf{u} = U_i + \omega_i \times (x - X_i) \quad \text{in} \quad P_i(t). \]

In addition, the movement of the particle is given by the kinematic equations

\[ \frac{dX_i}{dt} = U_i, \quad X_i|_{t=0} = X_{i,0}, \]

\[ \frac{d\Omega_i}{dt} = \omega_i, \quad \Omega_i|_{t=0} = \Omega_{i,0}. \]  

Equation (13) is completely decoupled from the other equations.

To determine the unknown rigid-body motions \((U_i, \omega_i)\)'s of the particles, one needs balance equations for drag forces and torques on particle boundaries. In the absence of inertia and external forces or torques, particles are force-free and torque-free,

\[ F_i = \int_{\partial P_i(t)} \mathbf{\sigma} \cdot n ds = 0, \]

\[ T_i = \int_{\partial P_i(t)} (x - X_i) \times (\sigma \cdot n) ds = 0, \]

where \( T_i = T_k \mathbf{n} \) and \( \mathbf{n} \) is a normal vector on \( \partial P_i \) pointing out of the particle \((i=1, \ldots, N)\). We did not use an artificial particle-particle collision scheme,\(^{11}\) because the particle overlap and particle/wall collision could be avoided for the multiple-particle problems we studied in this paper by taking a relatively small time step and a sufficiently refined particle boundary discretization.\(^9\)

Finally, we need equations to describe dynamics of the fluid particles. The motion of the fluid particle is considered passive and is determined by the fluid velocity at the fluid particle location, which depends also on the configuration of the rigid particles. The dynamical system is given by the advection equation

\[ \frac{dx}{dt} = \mathbf{v}(x, t; X_i(t)), \quad x|_{t=0} = x_0 \quad (i=1, \ldots, N). \]

The map \( x(0) \rightarrow x(t) \) defines an area- and orientation-preserving Hamiltonian system, since the incompressibility condition holds in the entire domain.

### III. NUMERICAL METHODS

#### A. The velocity field

Following the combined weak formulation of Glowinski \textit{et al.}\(^{11}\) in which the hydrodynamic force and torque acting on the particle boundary cancel exactly, Hwang \textit{et al.}\(^9\) derived a weak form with the rigid-ring description of the particle in the sliding biperiodic computational domain. The modification of the weak form for the Dirichlet problem is trivial and therefore we present the final weak form without detailed derivation. In the combined weak formulation, the rigid-body constraint is enforced by the constraint equation using a Lagrangian multiplier, defined on the particle boundary. We denote such a Lagrangian multiplier on \( \partial P_i \) by \( \lambda^{p,i} \),

\[ \lambda^{p,i} \in L^2(\partial P_i). \]

The weak form of the present work can be stated as follows.

For a given particle configuration \( X_i \) \((i=1, \ldots, N)\), find \( \mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{W}, \ p \in L^2(\Omega), \ U_i \in \mathbb{R}^2, \ \omega_i \in \mathbb{R} \) and \( \lambda^{p,i} \in L^2(\partial P_i(i)) \) such that

\[ -\int_\Omega p \ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} dA + \int_\Omega 2 \eta D[\mathbf{v}] : D[\mathbf{v}] dA + \sum_i \langle \lambda^{p,i}, \mathbf{v} - [V_i + \chi_i \times (x - X_i)] \rangle_{\partial P_i} = 0, \]

\[ \int_\Omega q \ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} dA = 0, \]

\[ \langle \mathbf{p}^{p,i}, \mathbf{u} - [U_i + \omega_i \times (x - X_i)] \rangle_{\partial P_i} = 0 \]

for all \( \mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{W}_0, \ q \in L^2(\Omega), \ V_i \in \mathbb{R}^2, \ \chi_i \in \mathbb{R}, \) and \( \mathbf{p}^{p,i} \) \( \mathcal{W}_0 \) \( \mathcal{W} \) \( \mathcal{W}_0 \) \( \mathcal{W} \)

\[ \langle \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{v} \rangle_{\partial P} = \int_{\partial P} \mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{v} ds. \]

In this problem, the pressure inside the rigid-ring particle is an undetermined constant. The numerical method with the fictitious domain technique is nonsingular and it chooses a value for the pressure, however, the pressure inside the rigid ring does not affect other results outside the particle. One can even recover the stresslet on the particle boundary using the pressure inside the ring and the Lagrangian multiplier \( \lambda \) (see Ref. 9).

A regular rectangular discretization is employed for the entire computational domain with biquadratic interpolation of the velocity and linear discontinuous interpolation of the pressure.\(^9\) A discontinuous interpolation of the pressure appears to be mandatory, since an arbitrary location of the particle boundary induces discontinuity in the pressure.\(^{12}\) The point collocation method has been used for equations for the rigid-ring constraint in Eqs. (17) and (19), e.g.,

\[ \langle \mathbf{p}^{p,i}(x), \mathbf{u}(x) - [U_i + \omega_i \times (x - X_i)] \rangle_{\partial P_i} = \sum_{k=1}^{M_i} \mu_k^{p,i} \cdot \langle \mathbf{u}(x_k) - [U_i + \omega_i \times (x_k - X_i)] \rangle, \]

where \( M_i, x_k, \) and \( \mu_k^{p,i} \) are the number of collocation points on \( \partial P_i \), the position of the \( k \)th collocation point, and the multiplier at the collocation point, respectively. We define
uniformly distributed collocation points on the particle boundary and the number of collocation points is chosen proportional to the particle radius. An excessively large number of collocation points causes element locking, while too small number of points cannot represent the rigid-body motion of the circular particle accurately. Approximately one collocation point in an element appears to give the most accurate result.9 (See Fig. 3 for an illustrative example for discretizations for fluid and particles.)

An equation with a sparse symmetric matrix with many zeros on the diagonal appears as a result of the above discretizations, which has been solved by a direct method based on the sparse multifrontal variant of the Gaussian elimination (HSL.002/MA41) for each time step.9,13 Once the rigid-body velocity of the particle is obtained as a part of the solution, the particle configuration for the next time step is calculated by integrating the kinematic equations [Eqs. (12) and (13)], for which we used an explicit method, the second-order Adams–Bashforth method.

B. Particle tracking

To study the mixing performance in the two-dimensional lid-driven cavity flow an adaptive front tracking model is applied.14 Initially, only a relatively small amount of markers are required to describe the boundary of the domain to be tracked in time. During the course of tracking nodes are inserted in between nodes where either the distance \(d\) has grown beyond a certain limit, or when the angle \(\alpha_i\) formed by two consecutive edges is smaller than a critical one \(\alpha_c\), according to the following criteria:

\[
\begin{align*}
    d < h, \quad & \quad (21) \\
    d < h_c \quad & \quad \text{if} \quad \alpha_i < \alpha_c, \quad (22)
\end{align*}
\]

with

\[
d = \|x_{i-1} - x_i\|, \quad (23)
\]

\[
\alpha_i = \arccos \left( \frac{(x_{i-1} - x_i) \cdot (x_{i+1} - x_i)}{|x_{i-1} - x_i||x_{i+1} - x_i|} \right), \quad (24)
\]

where \(h\) and \(h_c\) are the maximum lengths in straight and curved regions of the boundary, respectively. In case Eqs. (21) and (22) are not satisfied, the edge between \(x_{i-1}\) and \(x_i\) is split into two parts and a new node is inserted at an earlier time level and tracked to the current time. The actual tracking of the individual markers requires the solution of the ordinary differential equation (16), which is performed using an adaptive fourth-fifth order Runge–Kutta scheme.

IV. SINGLE-PARTICLE PROBLEMS

We begin with the simplest case: a single rigid particle, initially at the center of the cavity, in the lid-driven cavity flow. To make the problem more tractable in the view of the classical dynamical systems diagnostics, we consider only the case when the orbit of the rigid particle is sufficiently far apart from the wall such that complicated particle-wall interactions can be neglected. In this case, the motion of the rigid particle appears to be periodic in time (i.e., it returns back to the original position) and the velocity field of the fluid becomes time periodic as well.

A. Modeling

We define the period \(T\) as the time it takes for the rigid particle to return to its original position; the period only depends on the initial location and the size of the particle. In this specific problem, we prefer to use a phase variable \(\phi\) rather than \(t\).

\[
\phi = \omega t, \quad \text{mod}(2\pi), \quad \phi \in S, \quad (25)
\]

where \(\omega = 2\pi/T\) and \(S\) is a circle of period \(2\pi\). We are now able to rewrite the dynamical system [Eq. (16)] in the extended phase space \(R^5 \times S\).

\[
\dot{x} = u(x; X(\phi)), \quad \dot{y} = v(x; X(\phi)), \quad \phi = \omega. \quad (26)
\]

Since the flow is periodic in time, the Poincaré map can be naturally selected as a two-dimensional map from one \(xy\) plane to the next periodic \(xy\) plane along the flow in the extended space. In the extended space, the physical \(xy\) plane at \(\phi_0\) can be identified as the cross section \(\Sigma_{\phi_0}\):

\[
\Sigma_{\phi_0} = \{(x, y, \phi) | \phi = \phi_0 \in [0, 2\pi]\}.
\]

Then the Poincaré map of \(\Sigma_{\phi_0}\) into \(\Sigma_{\phi_0}\) is defined as

\[
P_{\phi_0} : \Sigma_{\phi_0} \to \Sigma_{\phi_0}, \quad x(\phi_0/\omega) \mapsto x((2\pi + \phi_0)/\omega). \quad (27)
\]

The map preserves the area and the orientation. Now consider the symmetry in the Poincaré map. The motion of a single particle in the cavity flow is depicted in Fig. 4.
extended phase space. By inspection, one can get the
symmetry of the velocity field $u$,
\[ u(x, y, \phi) = u(1 - x, y, 2\pi - \phi), \tag{28} \]
\[ v(x, y, \phi) = -v(1 - x, y, 2\pi - \phi). \]
Using the reflection symmetry about $x=1/2$,
\[ S(x, y) \rightarrow (1 - x, y), \tag{29} \]
on one can obtain the symmetry in the Poincaré map from Eq.
(28) as follows:
\[ P_{2\pi - \phi_0}^n = S P_{\phi_0}^n S, \tag{30} \]
where $P_{\phi_0}^n$ is the $n$th iterate of $P_{\phi_0}$ and $P_{\phi_0}^{-n}$ is the inverse of $P_{\phi_0}^n$. See the Appendix for the derivation and more detailed
procedures for similar problems that can be found in Hwang
et al.\textsuperscript{15,16} From Eq. (30), Poincaré sections defined at $\phi=0$
and $\pi$ satisfy the reflection symmetry about $x=1/2$ by themselves.

**B. The flow field and deformation patterns**

Throughout this work, we use the square cavity as shown in Fig. 2 with $L=H=1$ as the computational domain and the upper
drag velocity and the viscosity are given $u_p$
=1 and $\eta=1$, respectively. The first test case is constructed
as follows: a single particle with radius $r=0.075$ is initially
suspended at $(0.5, 0.5)$, the center of the domain. We used a
100×100 mesh for the computation with 48 collocation
points for the particle and a time step of 0.01. A 100×100
mesh provides an accurate solution for the velocity and the
velocity gradient.\textsuperscript{9} The front tracking is performed to obtain
the deformation pattern of material near the rigid particle.

There are two stretching directions around the particle
boundary in each subpart of Fig. 6 and the direction of the
stretch changes in time, due to change of the surrounding
velocity field of the particle.

The existence of the two stretching directions is closely
related to the perturbed hyperbolic velocity field, as
mentioned in the Introduction. To show the effect on the velocity
field, we plotted two sets of streamlines at $t=0$: one from the
full velocity field $u$ [Fig. 7(a)] and the other [Fig. 7(b)] of
the perturbed velocity field $u' = u - u_0$, where $u_0$ is the velocity
field in the cavity without the particle. In case of the freely
suspended particle, there is no significant change in the
streamlines with the full velocity field. However, the stream-
lines of the perturbed velocity field $u'$ show a hyperbolic
flow resulting from the presence of the particle. In Fig. 7(b),
the stretching of material occurs in two directions, to the
right-lower direction and to the left-upper direction around
the particle. Compare Fig. 7(b) with the deformation patterns
on the particle boundary at $t=6T$ in Fig. 6; also compare it
with Fig. 1. The direction of the stretch changes as the particle
moves to other positions where the surrounding velocity
field is different. In addition, the particle rotates at an angular
velocity related to the local vorticity, which leads to the fold-
ing of the stretched material lines near the rigid particle.

Remark that in simple shear flow the perturbation of the velocity
field caused by a rigid particle will not lead to cha-
ocic advection. Without loss of generality we can assume that
the particle only rotates and that the velocity is steady. For
steady two-dimensional flows it is well known that chaotic mixing is not possible.\textsuperscript{3,4}

C. Dynamical systems

The Poincaré sections at three different phases, $\phi=0$, $2\pi/3$, and $\pi$, are presented for the single-particle problem with $r=0.075$ in Fig. 8 in order to visualize the dynamical structure in the extended space. A set of 400 evenly distributed initial points is integrated in time for 250 periods and then the symmetry relation in Eq. (30) has been applied to obtain the Poincaré sections. The Poincaré sections at $\phi=0$ and $\pi$ have reflectional symmetry about $x=1/2$; the sections at $\phi=2\pi/3$ and at $4\pi/3$ are symmetric to each other about $x=1/2$.

Figure 8 shows that the dynamical systems in the cavity are partly chaotic and partly regular. Especially, the region around the particle is chaotic, since the region undergoes stretching and folding repeatedly, as mentioned earlier. Interestingly, there is a large Kolmogorov–Arnold–Moser (KAM) torus in the opposite side of the rigid particle. Since it always appears on the opposite side of the particle, we denote this as the \textit{mirrored crescent} and it behaves like a period-1 resonance band. In fact, the mechanism for the creation of the mirrored structure is quite similar to that of the period-1 resonance. We illustrate the mechanism in Fig. 9. Since the particle itself plays the role of a (traveling) hyperbolic fixed point, a corresponding elliptic fixed point should exist inside the region enclosed by the perturbed stable/unstable manifolds connected to/from the hyperbolic fixed point. The largest stable orbit covering the elliptic point defines the region occupied by the mirrored crescent.

The size of the mirrored crescent varies with the size of the rigid particle. The Poincaré sections for $r=0.05$ and 0.1 are presented in Fig. 10 at $\phi=0$. We used the same initial particle position as $r=0.075$ for these two problems. In comparison with Fig. 8 of the same phase, one can see that the mirrored structure increases with the size of the particle. The larger the particle, the larger the region of the superimposed
With the fluid rotation simply take the initial fluid particle
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which will be discussed in the following section.

Before closing the present section, we show the deforma-
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Figure 13 shows the Poincaré section of the two-particle problem at $\phi=0$. Unlike the previous single-particle problems, there is no large elliptic island in the opposite side of the particle, since the other particle (or the traveling hyperbolic fixed point) is located exactly where the island would be expected to be present. Although the problem is specially constructed (for the purpose to obtain a periodic flow), one can expect that the destruction (or at least shrinkage) of the mirrored island will take place in general for those problems with more than one particle.

There are a number of resonance bands and KAM tori in the Poincaré section (Fig. 13). The resonance bands of period 3, 4, and 5 appear as expected from the frequency ratios $1/3$, $1/4$, and $1/5$ (and $2/5$) in Fig. 11. Note that the period is approximately half the period of the single-particle problems. In Fig. 14 we present six consecutive deformation patterns of a circular fluid blob for 28 periods with an interval of $5.6T$ along with the length stretch $l$.

Other combinations of two-particle systems can be considered where the ratio of the radii of the two particles may act as a parameter. However, we do not expect any fundamental changes with respect to the dynamics of the mixing flows compared to the case as presented in this paper, and such an analysis is therefore not within the scope of this paper.

**B. Three-particle problem**

The final example is the system containing three rigid particles of the same size $r=0.05$. There is no periodicity in the flow; at least we could not determine three-particle locations such that the three particles return to their original location after a certain time. We have placed the particles initially at the locations $(0.5, 0.4)$, $(0.5, 0.6)$, and $(0.5, 0.8)$ in the cavity and analyzed the displacement and deformation of a fourth passive blob. The continuous deformation patterns of the initial blob at $t=0$ (initial), 30, 60, and 84 are plotted in Fig. 15. Once again, one can observe the stretching in two directions around the particle boundary.
The particle, initially placed at the lowest position, rotates around the other two particles and the inserted fluid blob. The two other particles continuously tumble while the inserted blob starts to stretch and fold around these two particles. Until \( t = 46 \), the initial lowest particle is not directly involved in the stretching and folding process of the inserted blob. After this time, the blob reaches the lowest particle where it starts to fold around.

In Fig. 16, the length stretch of the circular blob in the three-particle problem is plotted in time and shows the exponential growth confirming that the flow is chaotic. In the same figure results for the single- and two-particle case have been inserted where the length stretch has been scaled with its original length. In order to have a systematic comparison, for the single-particle results, we plotted the result from the initial blob of \( r = 0.09 \) as shown in Fig. 6 and also the initial blob of \( r = 0.05 \) used in the two-particle or three-particle problem using the same location of the blob. The latter one is denoted with the asterisk \( * \). For the two-particle problem, the length stretch result using the initial blob of \( r = 0.05 \) as in Fig. 14 along with the two blobs of \( r = 0.09 \) which enclose the upper and the lower particles initially, respectively. In the latter case, the relative length stretch result from the blob embracing the lower particle is denoted with a single asterisk \( * \) and the one from the upper particle is denoted with two asterisks \( ** \).

What we clearly see from Fig. 14 is that the stretching and folding really takes place close to the rigid particles, especially in the result for the single-particle case. In the single-particle case we observe the time period of the flow from the length stretch in Fig. 16. Until about \( t = 5.7 \) we see a steady increase in the length stretch, which decreases for a short time, approximately a quarter of a period, and then increases again. Apparently, the flow inhibits regions where contraction takes place for a certain time. After the contraction a steep increase in length stretch is observed again. The process is repeated for every period of flow.

In general, the cases with blobs enclosing the rigid particle show more pronounced length stretch, as one expects from the chaotic region formed near the rigid particle boundary. The results from the two- and three-particle systems with blobs not enclosing the particle in Fig. 16 show that the length stretch is less compared to the single-particle case.

VI. CONCLUSIONS

In this study, we investigated chaotic material advection in a two-dimensional lid-driven cavity flow laden with freely suspended rigid particles, which is regular and integrable in the absence of the particle. We focused on understanding the mechanism how the presence of rigid particles affect the dynamical systems of the flow and lead to chaotic advection. We used a finite-element/fictitious-domain method with a rigid-ring description for the particle to solve the solid-liquid flow and a high-order adaptive frontal tracking method for fluid particle tracking.

In the single-particle problem, which is carefully constructed to keep the flow periodic, we discussed (i) the stretching and folding of fluid material around the particle, (ii) the existence of a large elliptic island (the mirrored crescent) in the opposite side of the particle, which grows with the size of the rigid particle, and (iii) the usual resonance structures which decays with increasing particle size. The reason for these phenomena is the occurrence of hyperbolic
perturbed flow caused by the presence of the rigid particle. The two-particle problem is also carefully constructed to satisfy the periodicity. Since one particle has been placed exactly where a mirrored island from the other particle would appear, there does not appear a large mirrored island in the two-particle problem. The single- and two-particle problems are just periodic and there is no Lagrangian chaos in the particle motion, which is a major difference from the work of Vikhansky. The route to chaos in particle-laden flow considered in these problems is not generated by chaotic Lagrangian motion of the particle, but originates from the presence of the freely suspended particles inducing a hyperbolic perturbed flow. We also show results for a three-particle problem, which is not periodic, and discussed mixing patterns along with the length stretch.

The method for solving the solid-fluid problem in this paper can be extended to systems with a viscoelastic fluid, which are of great importance for mixing in polymer processing. In the viscoelastic system, the particle motion, the rheological behavior, and the particle/particle interaction behavior are quite different from Newtonian behavior, e.g., separating two particles generate strong elongational flows between the two particles, which of course affect dynamical systems and mixing performances.

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APPENDIX: SYMMETRIES IN THE SINGLE-PARTICLE PROBLEM

Here we derive the symmetry in the Poincaré map [Eq. (30)] from the symmetry in the velocity field [Eq. (28)] for the single-particle problem. The procedures adopted here are similar to those used in Hwang et al. for the steady three-dimensional open flow system with the spatially periodic perturbation.

For the notational convenience, let us define a phase-inversive reflection symmetry transformation \( S_{x,y,\phi} \) such that

\[
S_{x,y,\phi}(x,y,\phi) \rightarrow (1-x,y,2\pi - \phi).
\] (A1)

\( S_{x,y,\phi}S_{x,y,\phi} = I \), with the identity transformation \( I \). Then the symmetry of the velocity field [Eq. (28)] can be rewritten as

\[
u(p) = -v(S_{x,y,\phi}p)
\] (A2)

at the fluid material point \( p=(x,y,\phi) \) in \( \mathbb{R}^2 \times S \). Now consider the motion of a fluid particle \( p \) in the flow. First, let us define infinitesimal forward time integration \( F \) and backward time integration \( B \) such that

\[
F_p = \left(x + u \delta t, y + v \delta t, \phi + \omega \delta t\right),
\] (A3)

\[
B_p = \left(x - u \delta t, y - v \delta t, \phi - \omega \delta t\right).
\] (A4)

Then

\[
FS_{x,y,\phi}p = \left(1 - x + u \delta t, y - v \delta t, 2\pi - \phi + \omega \delta t\right),
\]

\[
= S_{x,y,\phi}B_p.
\] (A5)

Therefore, the infinitesimal particle motion satisfies the following symmetry:

\[
B_p = S_{x,y,\phi}F_{x,y,\phi}p.
\] (A6)

Moreover, by applying successive application, this symmetry holds also for finite time step.
FIG. 14. The six consecutive deformation patterns of a circular fluid blob in the two-particle problem with $r=0.075$ for 28 periods with interval $5.6T$ along with length stretch $l$. The particles and the fluid blob are denoted by the dotted and solid lines, respectively.

FIG. 15. The consecutive deformation patterns of a fluid blob for the three-particle problem with $r=0.05$. The particles and the fluid blob are denoted by the dotted and solid lines, respectively.
The length stretch of the initially circular material lines for the single-, two-, and three-particle problems. The result is scaled by the initial length $l_0$.

$$B_{n} \cdot B_{l} p = S_{\phi} F_{n} S_{\phi} \cdots S_{\phi} F_{1} S_{\phi} p = S_{\phi}(F_{n} \cdots F_{1}) S_{\phi} p \quad \text{for all integer } n. \tag{A7}$$

The motion of the fluid particle in the physical space $R^{2}$ can be represented by the flow $x(t)$ using the map $\varphi$ such that

$$\varphi: R^{2} \rightarrow R^{2}, \quad x(t) = \varphi^{(t)}(x(t_0)), \quad t > t_0. \tag{A8}$$

Using the two-dimensional reflection symmetry $S$ in Eq. (29), the time-reversal backward (not inverse) flow, denoted by $\bar{\varphi}$, can be written as

$$\bar{\varphi}^{-t} = S \varphi_{t} S. \tag{A9}$$

The map $\varphi$ (or $\bar{\varphi}$) commutes with $2\pi$, i.e.,

$$(\varphi_{0}^{2\pi})^{n} = \varphi_{0}^{2n}, \quad (\bar{\varphi}_{0}^{2\pi})^{n} = \bar{\varphi}_{0}^{2n}. \tag{A10}$$

We choose the commutative two-dimensional map as the Poincaré map,

$$P_{\phi_{0}} = \varphi_{\phi_{0}}^{2\pi}. \tag{A11}$$

Then the $n$th iterate of $P_{\phi_{0}}$ and its inverse can be written as

$$P_{\phi_{0}}^{n} = \varphi_{\phi_{0}}^{2n\pi + \phi_{0}}, \quad P^{-n}_{\phi_{0}} = \bar{\varphi}_{\phi_{0}}^{-2n\pi + \phi_{0}}. \tag{A12}$$

Using Eqs. (A8) with (A12), we get the symmetry of the Poincaré map [Eq. (30)] as follows:

$$P_{2\pi - \phi_{0}}^{n} = SP_{0}^{n}S. \tag{A13}$$