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Continuity waves in fully resolved simulations of settling particles¹ DANIEL WILLEN, ADAM SIERAKOWSKI, Johns Hopkins University, ANDREA PROSPERETTI, University of Houston, University of Twente — Fully resolved simulations of 500 to 2,000 particles settling in a fluid have been conducted with the Physalis method. A new approach to the reconstruction of pseudocontinuum fields is described and is used to examine the results with the purpose of identifying concentration waves. The velocity of concentration waves is successfully deduced from the simulations. A comparison of the results with continuity wave theory shows good agreement. Several new insights about the particle microstructure conditionally averaged on volume fraction and velocity are also described.

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