

Statistical mechanics of hysteretic capillary phenomena: predictions of contact angle on rough surfaces and liquid retention in unsaturated porous media

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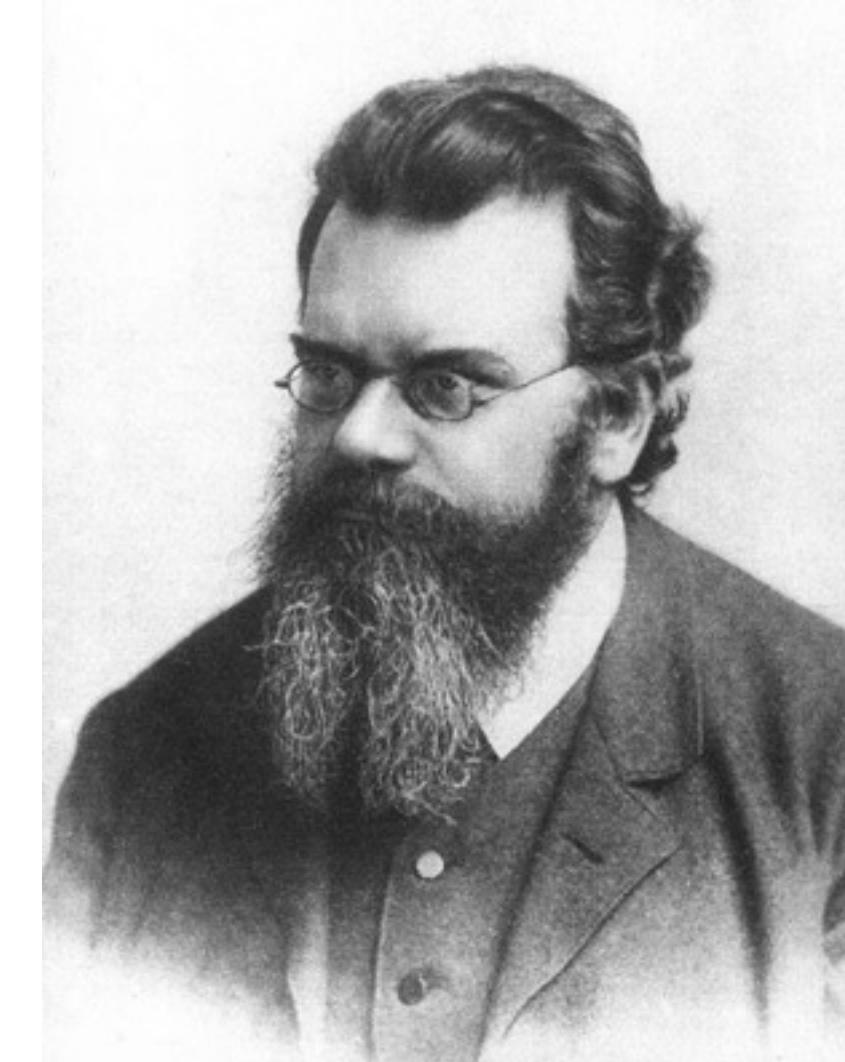
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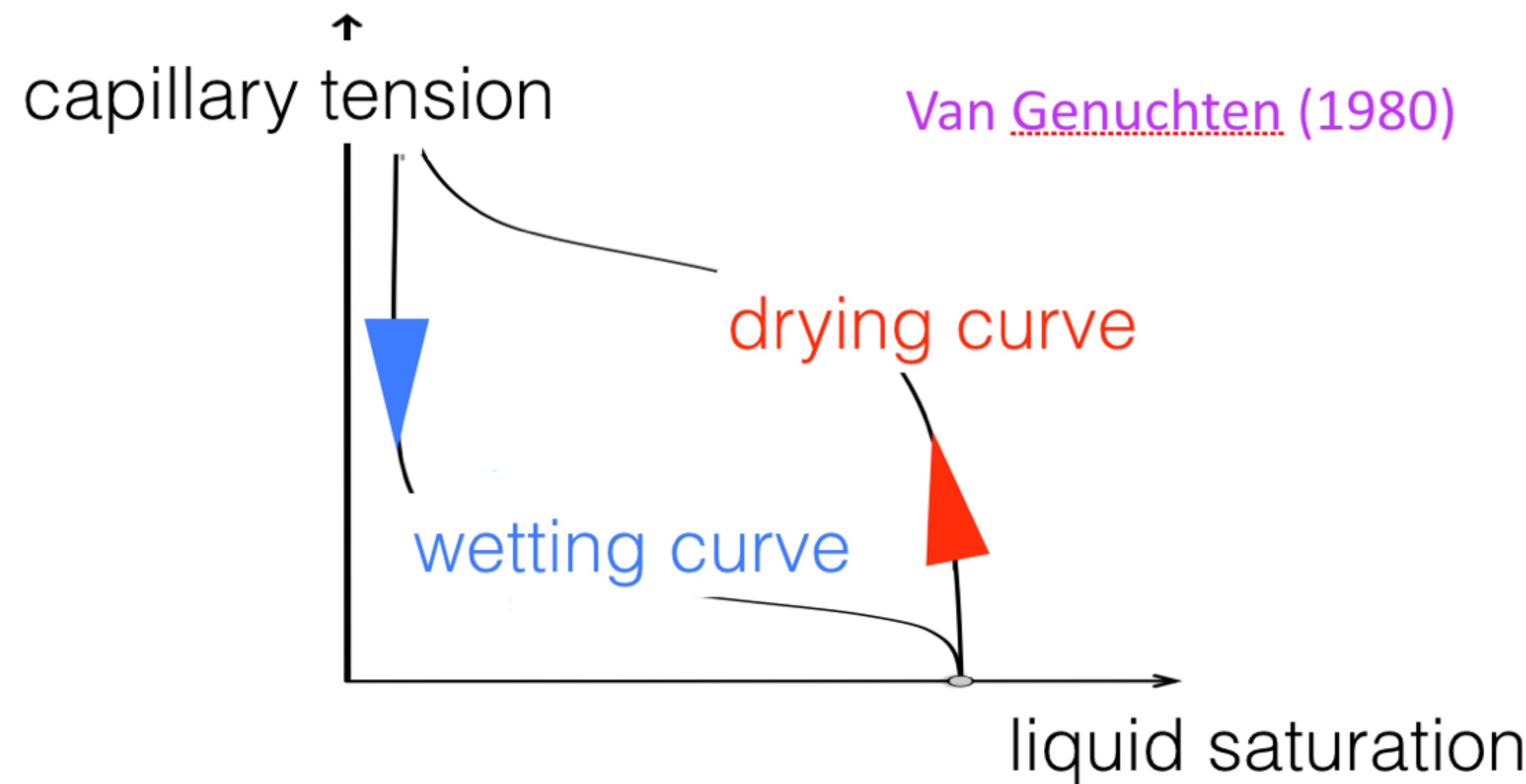
Ludwig Eduard Boltzmann
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Hysteresis

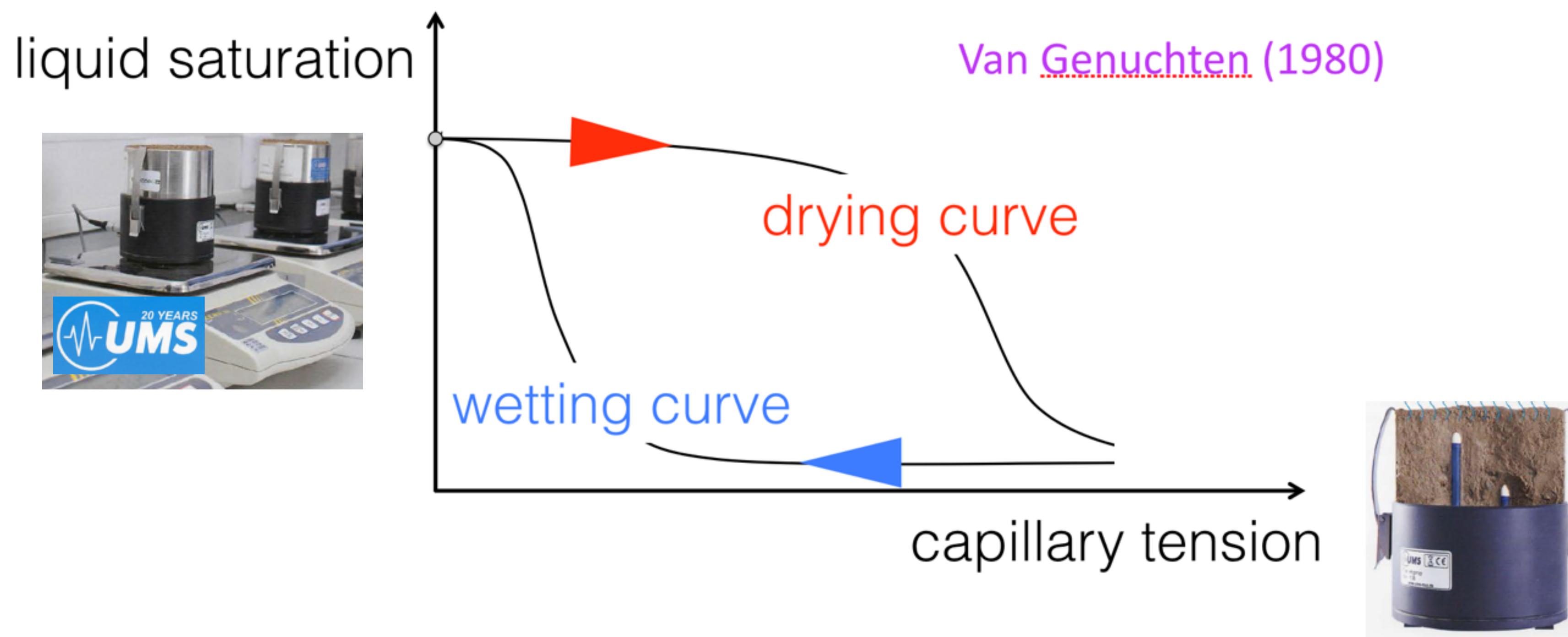
*Collective
interactions*

Statistical Mechanics

Statistical Mechanics of Unsaturated Porous Media



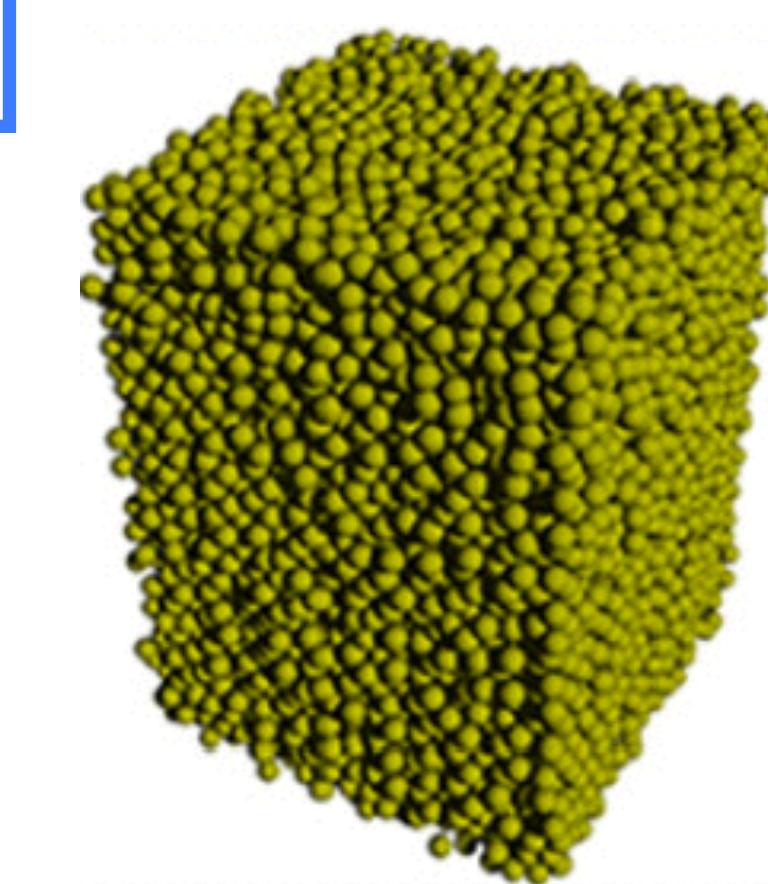
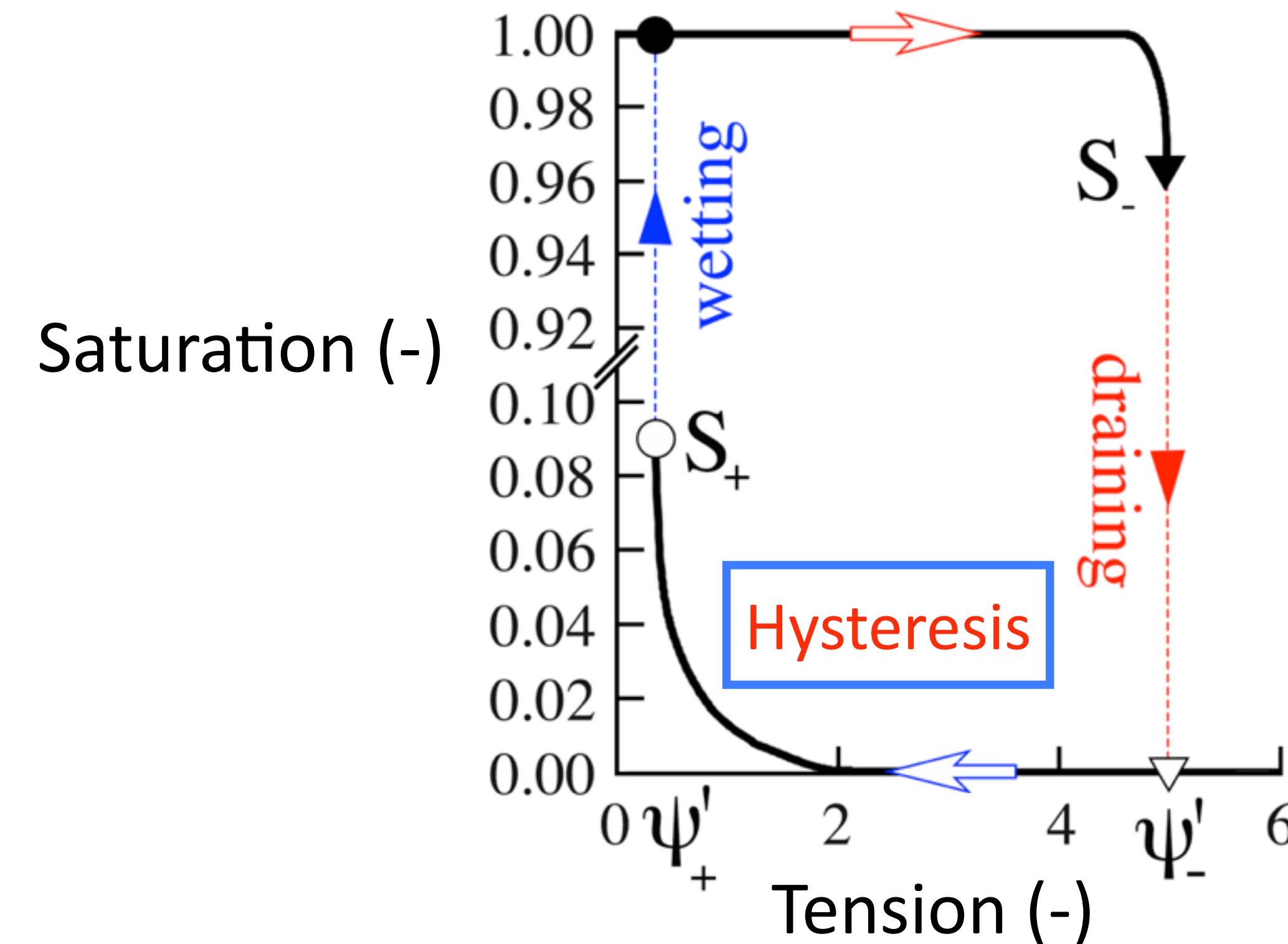
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Jin Xu and Michel Louge, Phys. Rev. E 92 (2015)

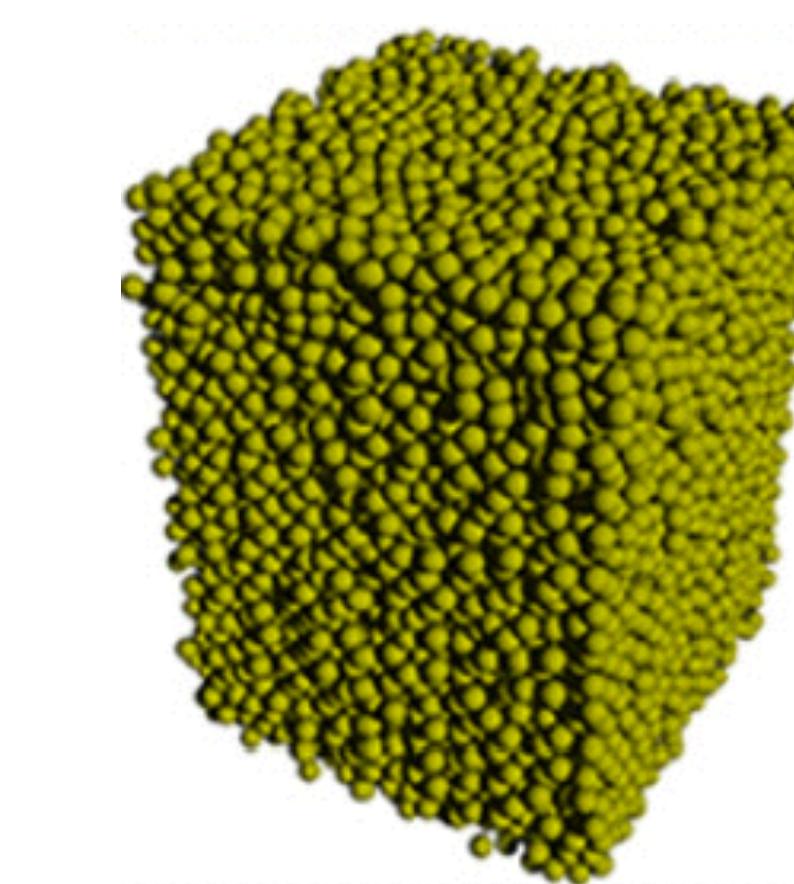
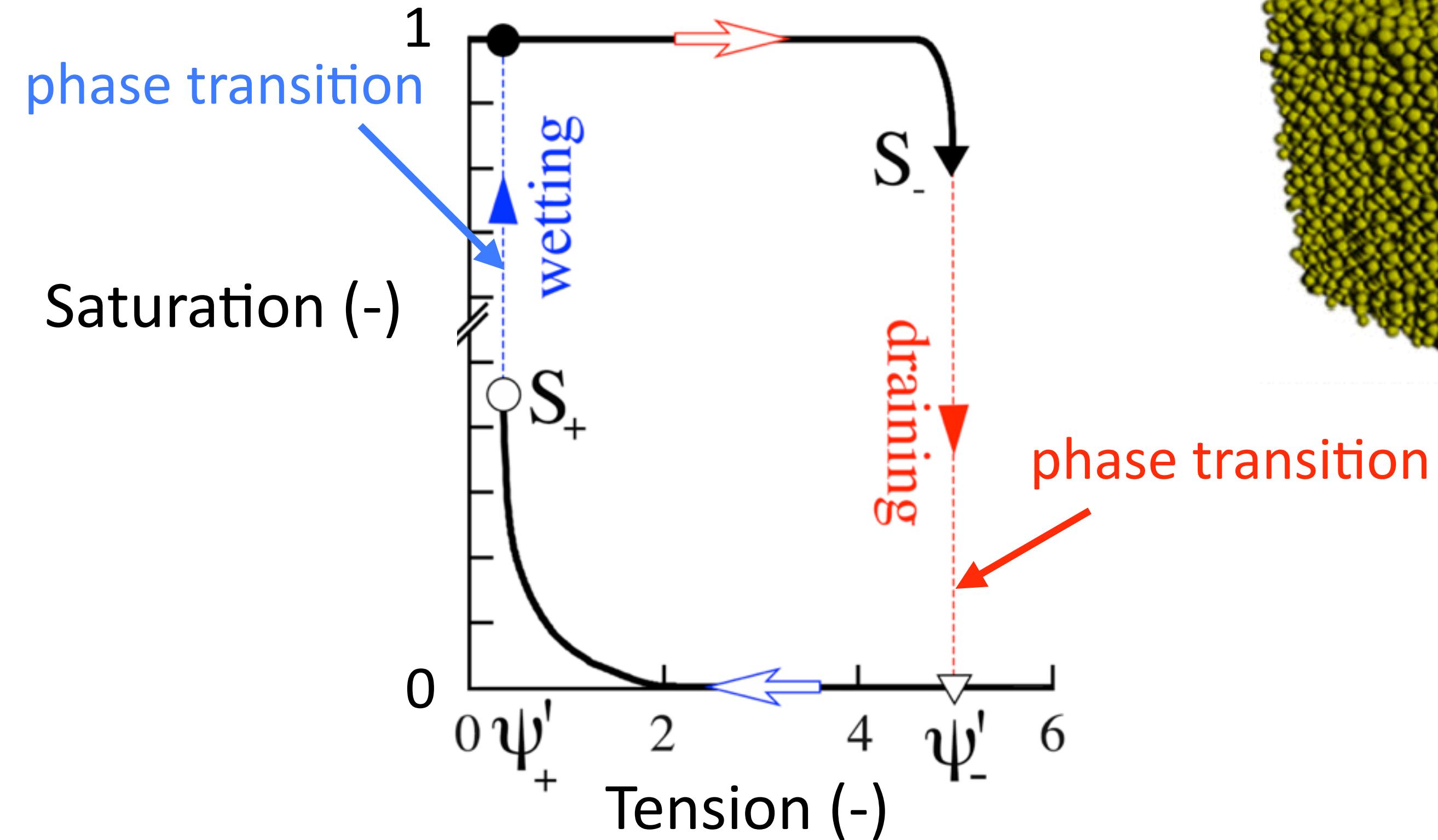
Statistical Mechanics of Unsaturated Porous Media

Predict the retention curve
from pore geometry and surface energies
with an equilibrium theory

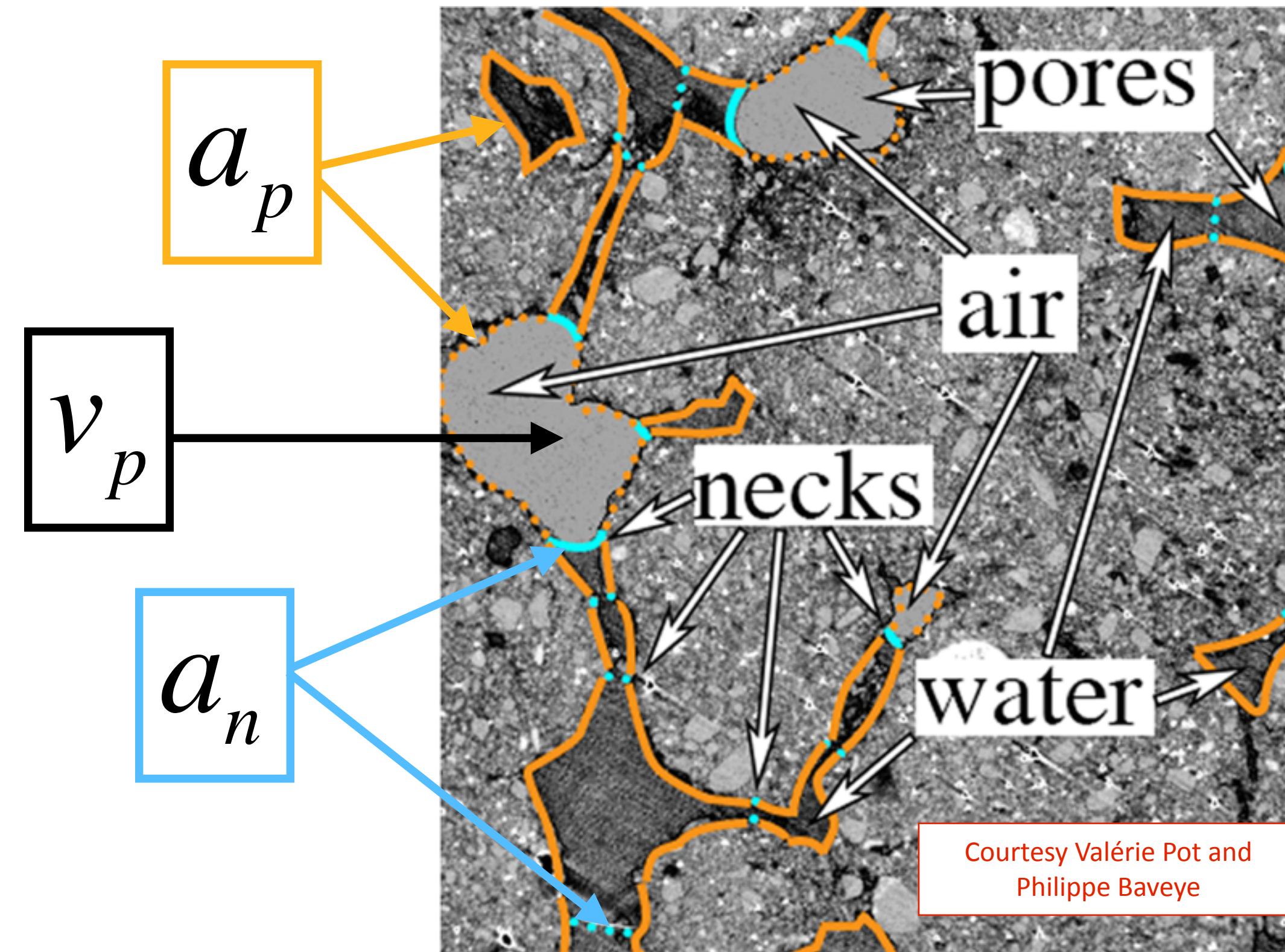


Statistical Mechanics of Unsaturated Porous Media

Drainage and imbibition are **first-order phase transitions**



Geometry: pores and necks



Pot, et al
Adv. Water Res.(2015)

Pore volume v_p pore surface area a_p
each pore has several necks with overall cross-section a_n

Ising model: the simplest statistical mechanics

filling state σ

$\sigma = -1$ pore full of liquid

$\sigma = +1$ pore full of gas

Filling state variable

Saturation

filling state σ

$$\begin{array}{ll} \sigma = -1 & \text{pore full of liquid} \\ \sigma = +1 & \text{pore full of gas} \end{array}$$

Degree of Saturation S

$$0 \leq \left[S = \frac{\theta}{1-\nu} = \frac{1-\bar{\sigma}}{2} \right] \leq 1$$

θ = liquid volume fraction
 ν = solid volume fraction



Two state variables: pore filling and tension

filling state σ

$$\begin{array}{ll} \sigma = -1 & \text{pore full of liquid} \\ \sigma = +1 & \text{pore full of gas} \end{array}$$

mean field $\bar{\sigma} = f(\psi^*)$

gas-liquid interfacial energy γ_{lg}



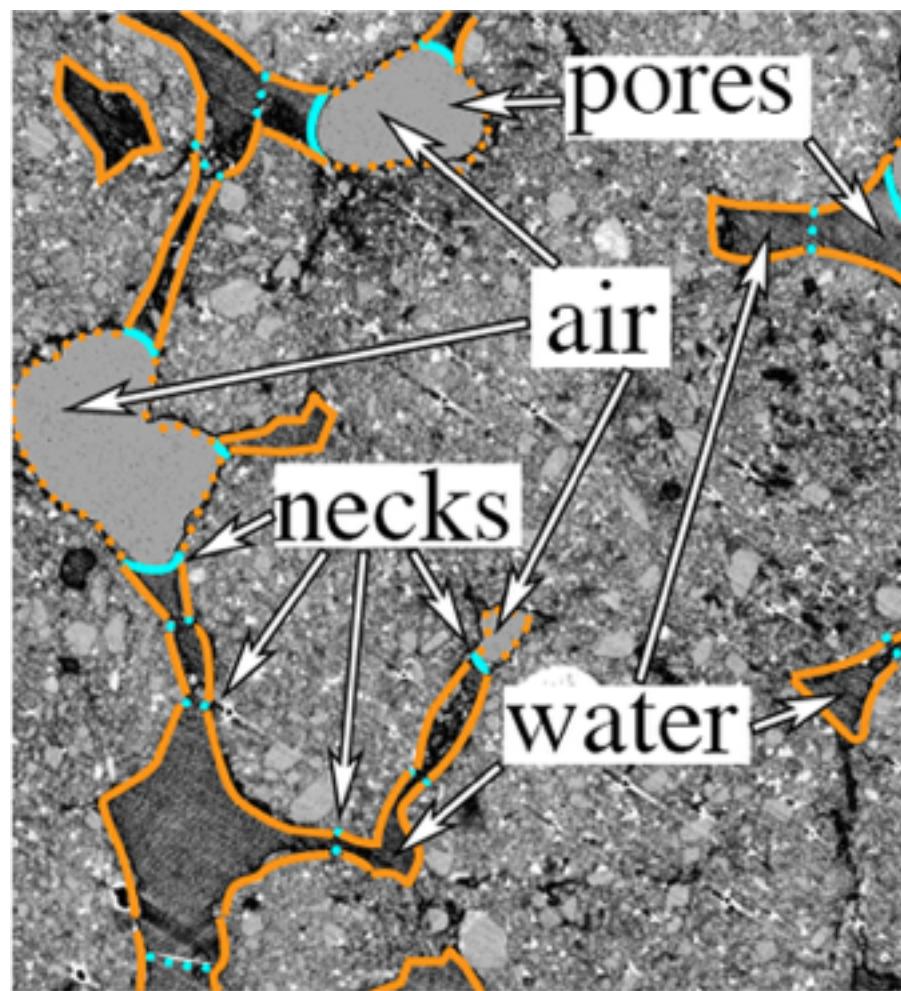
relative tension

$$\psi^* = \frac{\psi \bar{v}_p^{1/3}}{\gamma_{lg}}$$

Energy of a single pore

$$E = \frac{\sigma}{2} (-\psi \times v_p + \gamma_{\ell g} a_p \cos \theta_e - \gamma_{\ell g} a_n \bar{\sigma})$$

pressure work pore wall energy neck interface energy



Young contact angle $\cos \theta_e = \frac{\gamma_{gs} - \gamma_{sl}}{\gamma_{\ell g}}$

$$E^* = \frac{E}{\gamma_{\ell g} \bar{v}_p^{2/3}}$$

Dimensionless energy of a single pore

$$E^* = \frac{\sigma}{2} \left(-\psi^* + \alpha \cos \theta_e - \lambda \bar{\sigma} \right)$$

pressure work

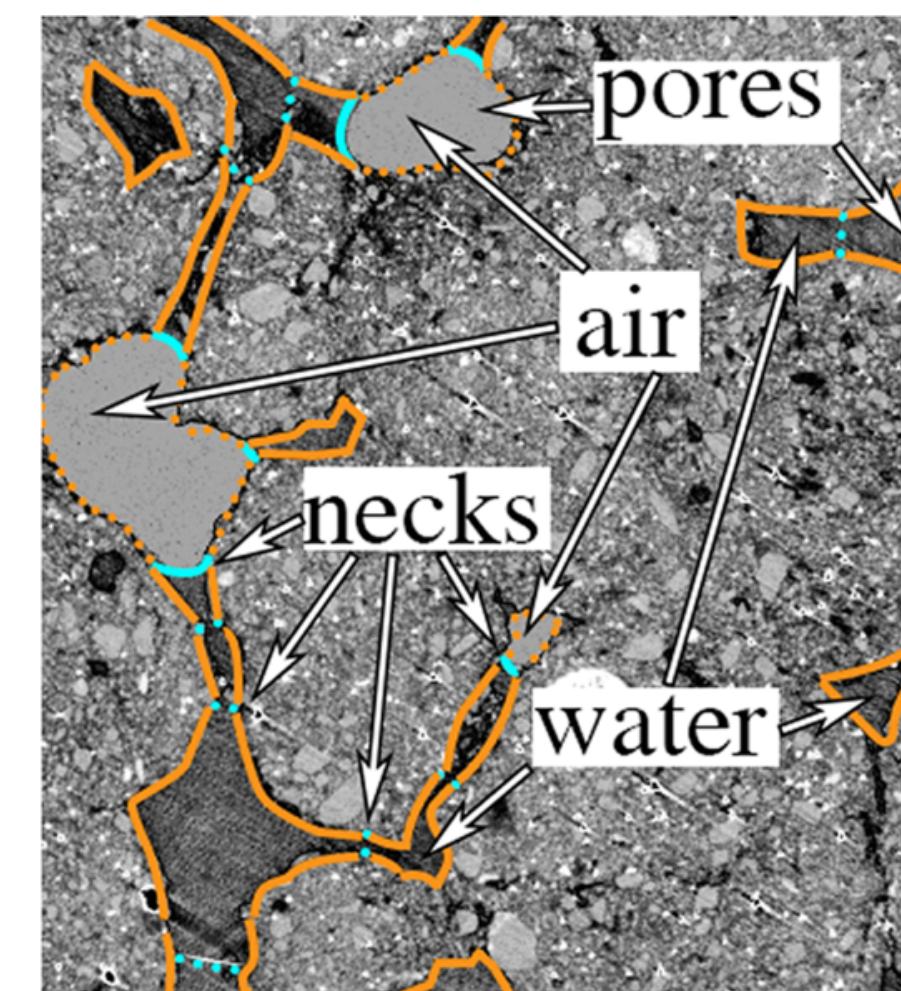
pore wall energy

neck interface energy

Young contact angle θ_e

$$\alpha \equiv \frac{a_p \bar{v}_p^{1/3}}{v_p}$$

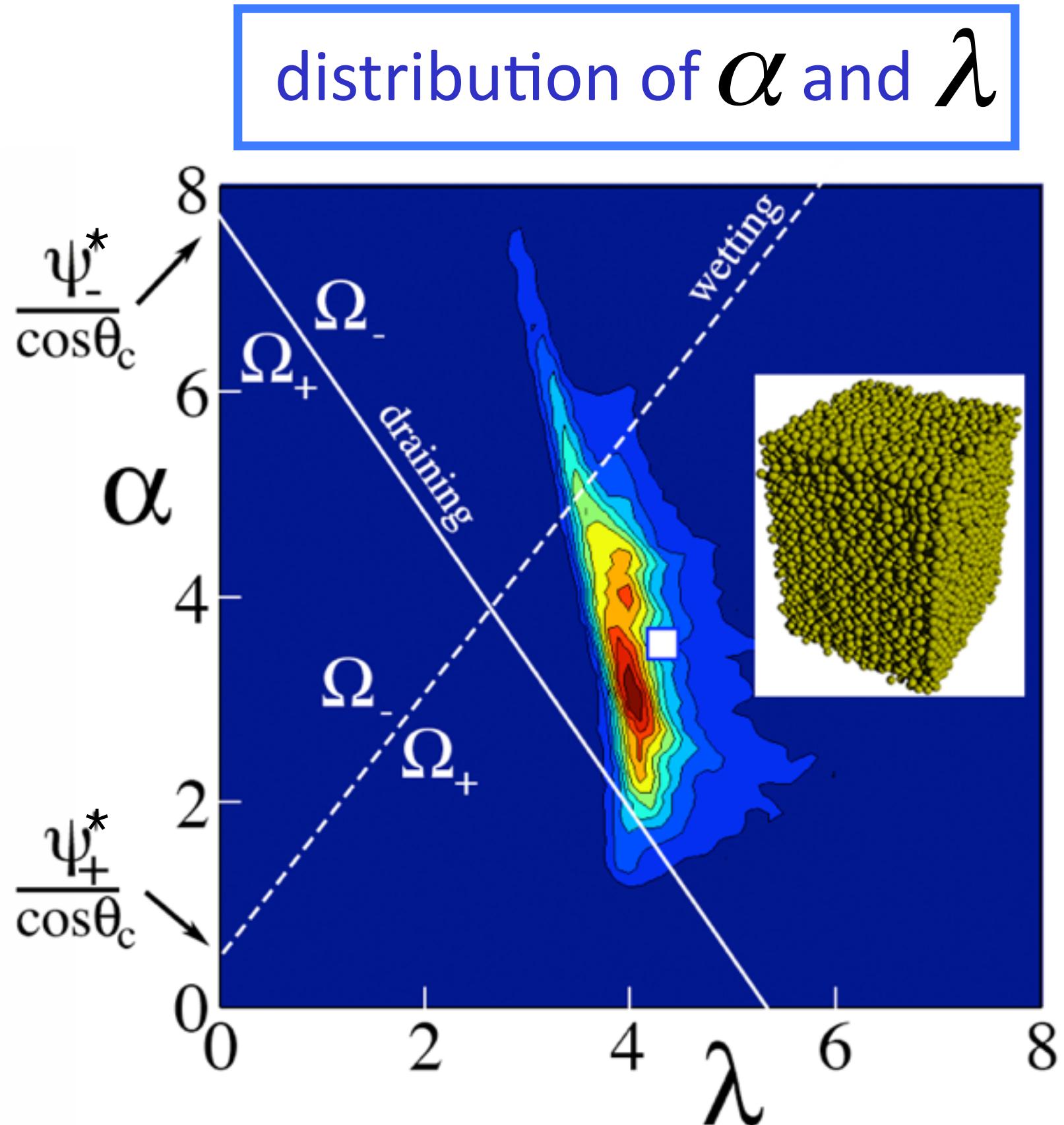
specific pore wall area



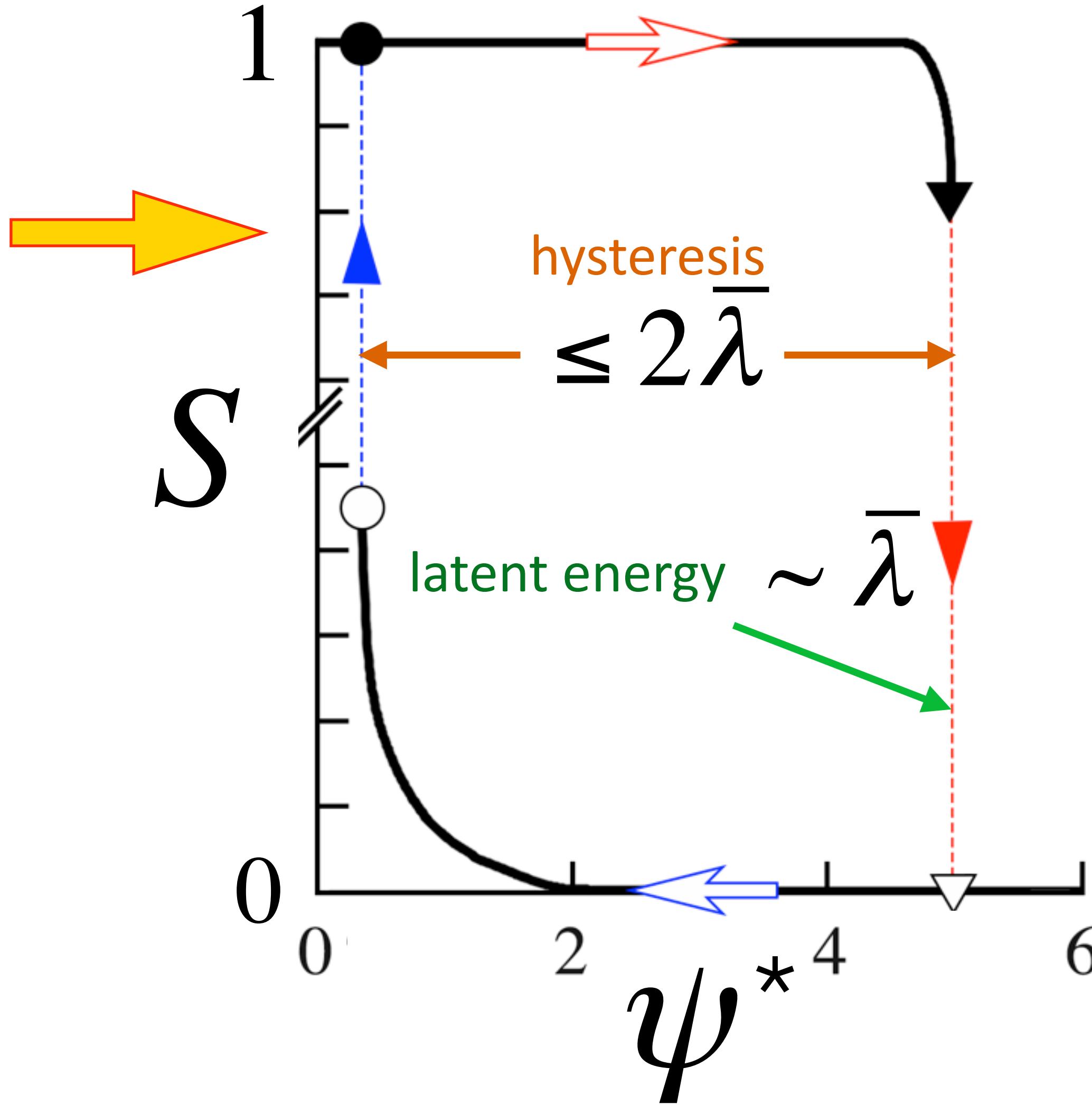
$$\lambda \equiv \frac{a_n \bar{v}_p^{1/3}}{v_p}$$

specific neck cross section

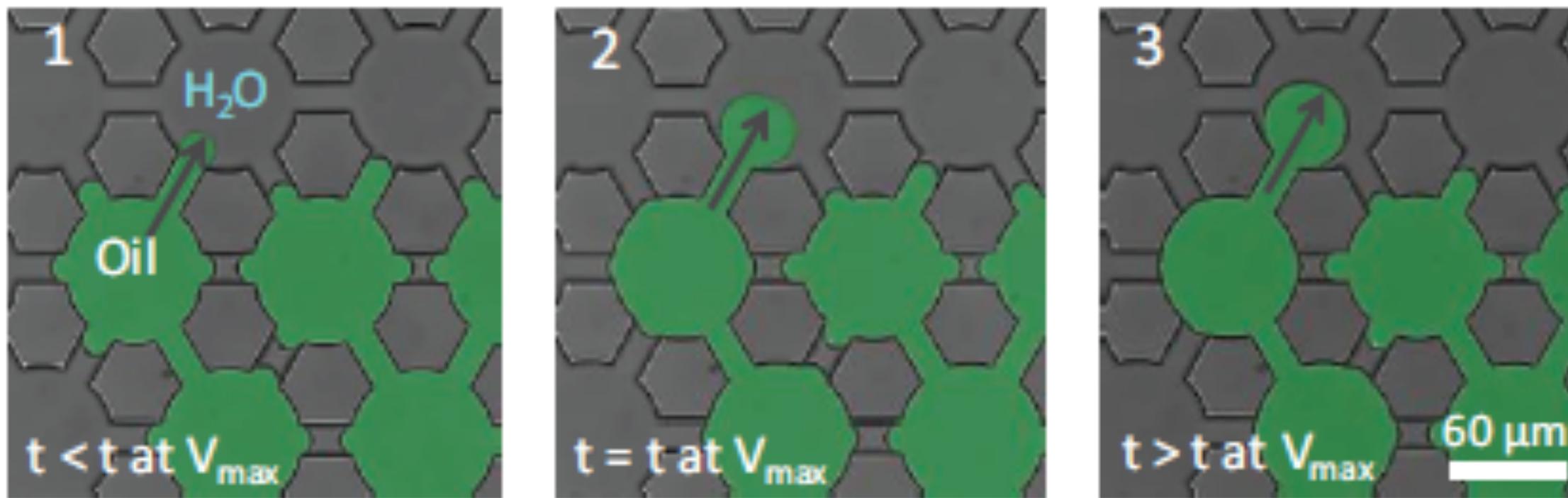
Collective interactions



numerical simulations
of Patrick Richard

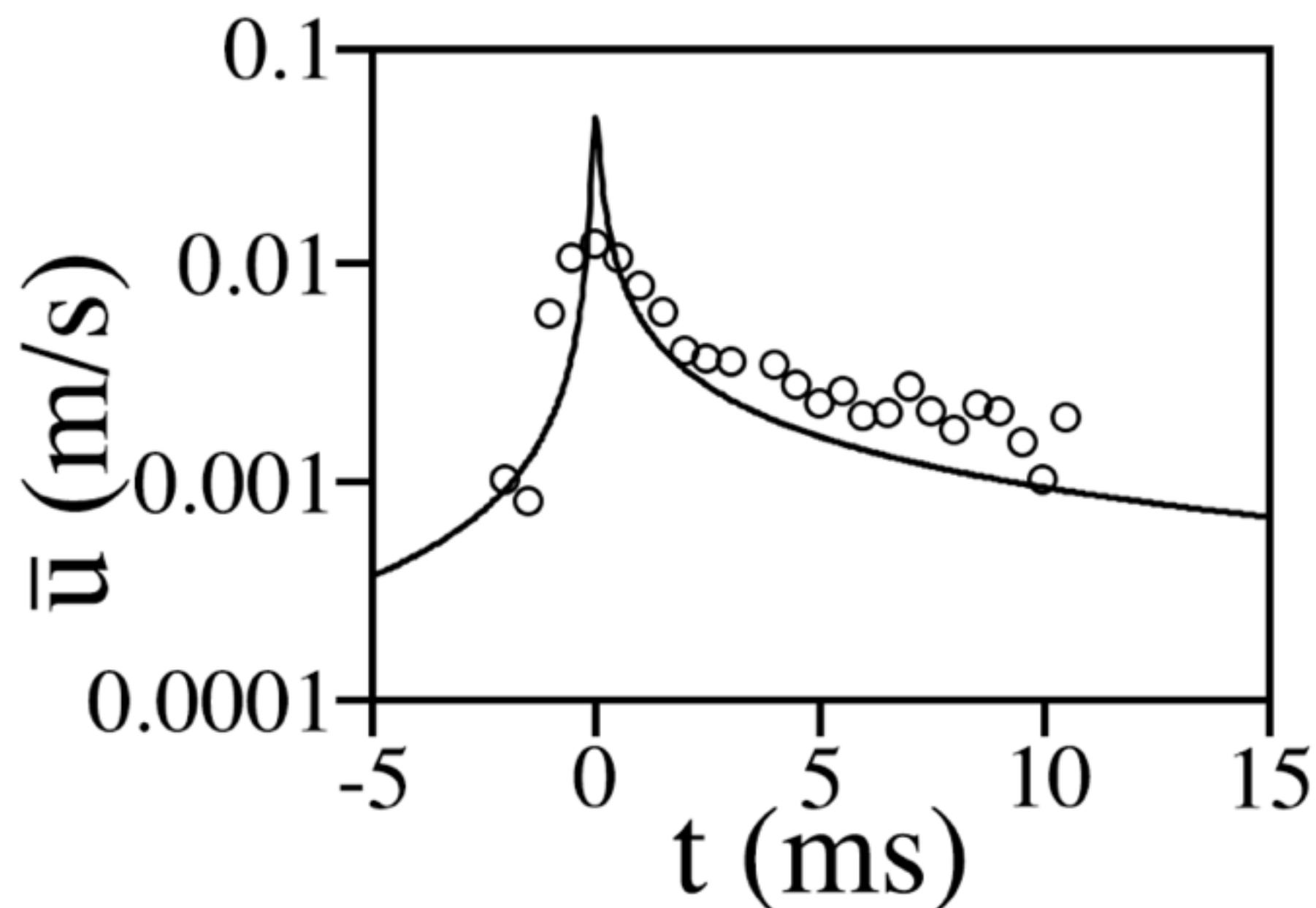


Haines jumps: latent energy dissipation

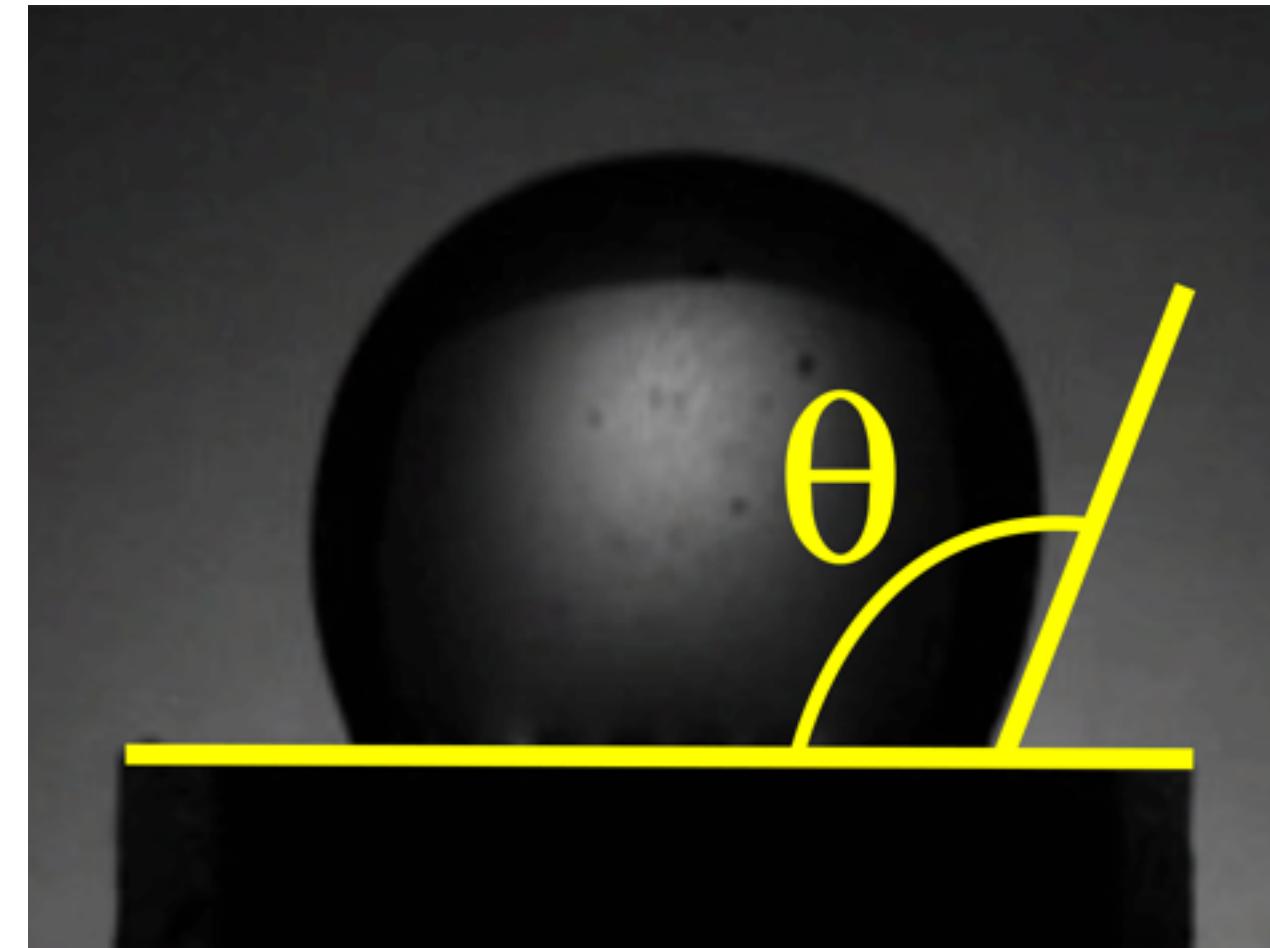


data of Armstrong & Berg,
Phys. Rev E 88 (2013)

model: mass conservation and
viscous dissipation of latent energy



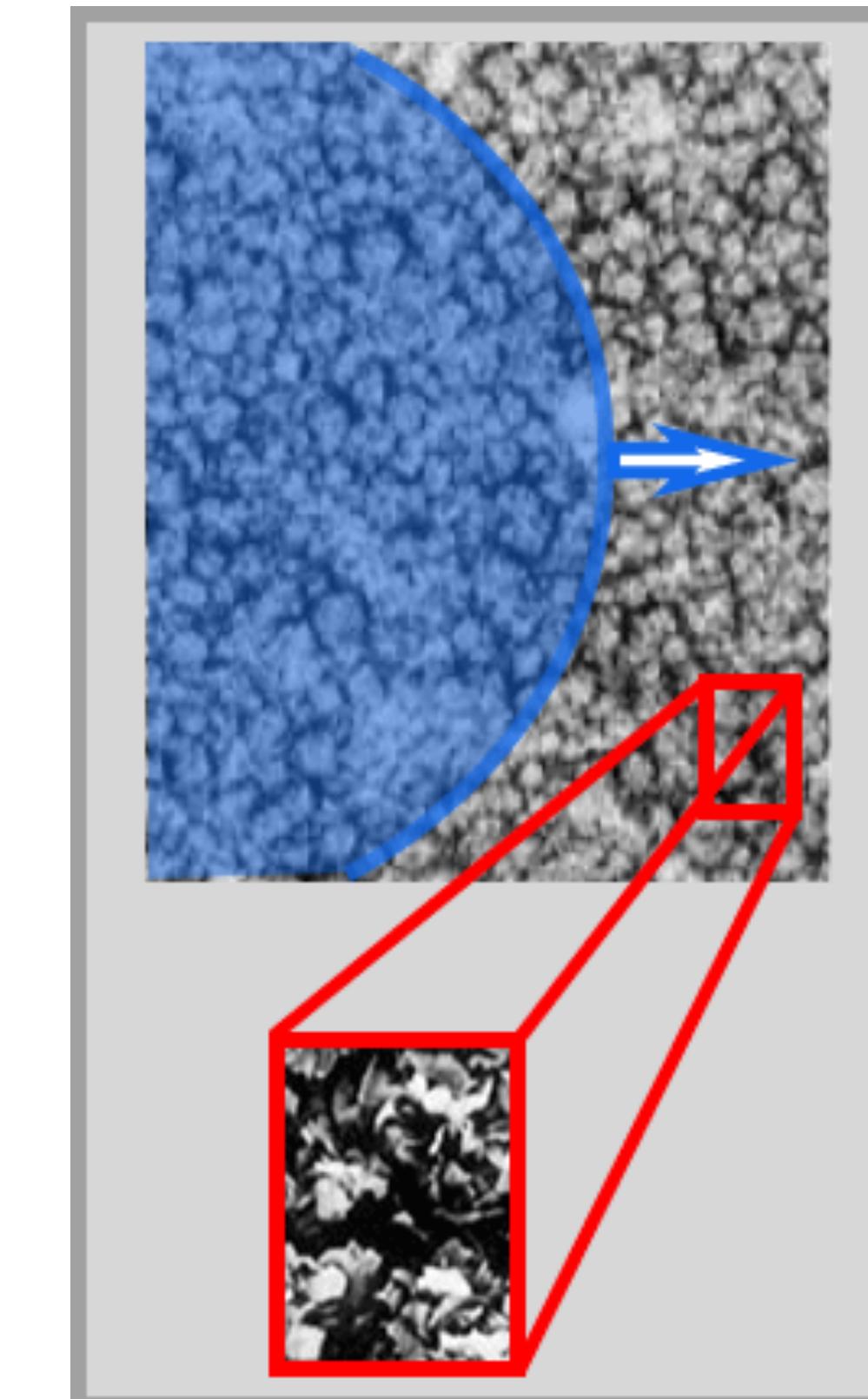
Statistical Mechanics of the Triple Gas-Solid-Liquid Contact Line



Michel Louge, Phys. Rev. E 95 (2017)

Statistical mechanics of the contact line

Predict advancing and receding contact angles
from surface cavity geometry and surface energies
with an equilibrium theory



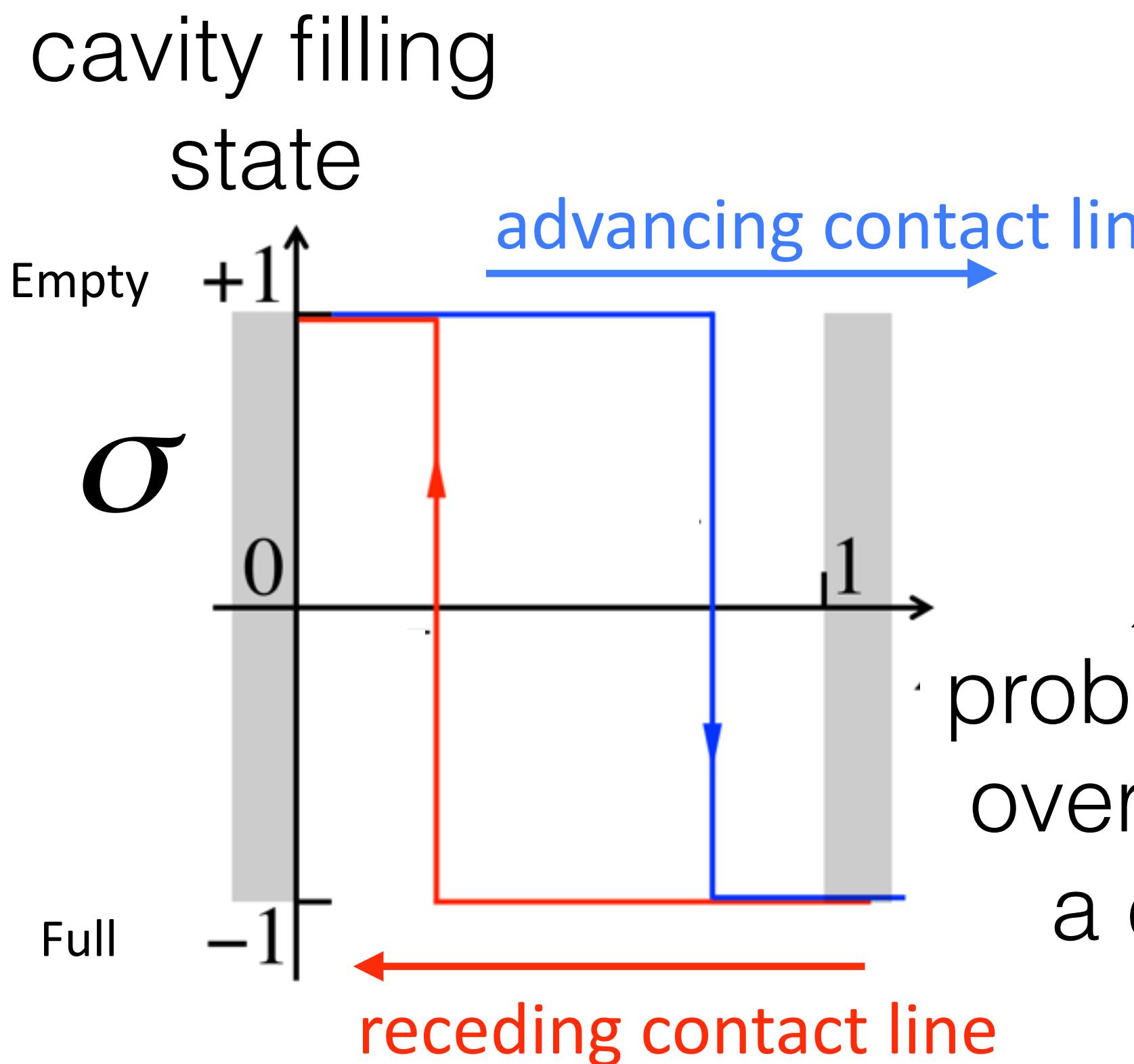
advancing contact line

data of Shibuishi, et al (1996)

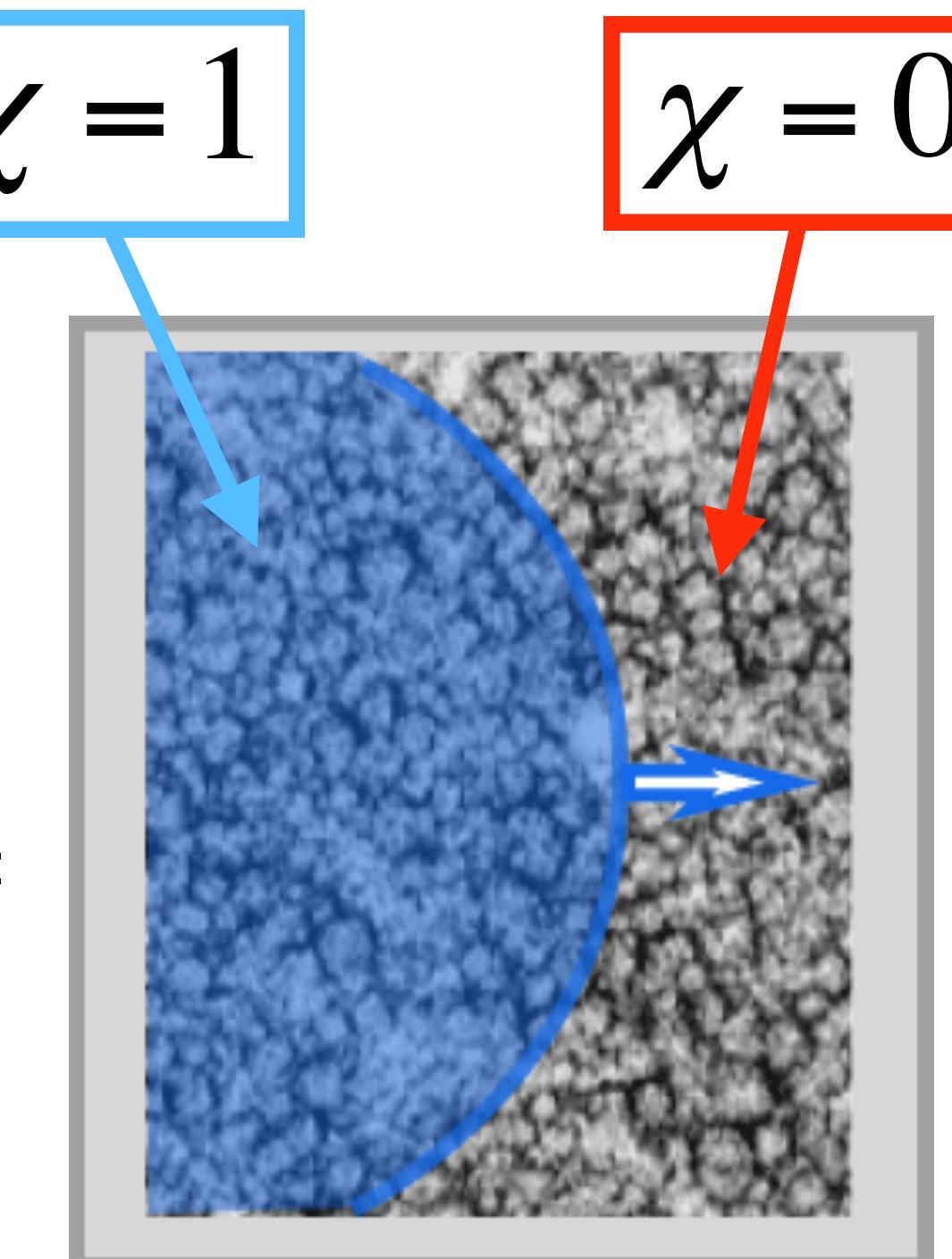
State variables

$\sigma = +1$ cavity full of gas

$\sigma = -1$ cavity full of liquid

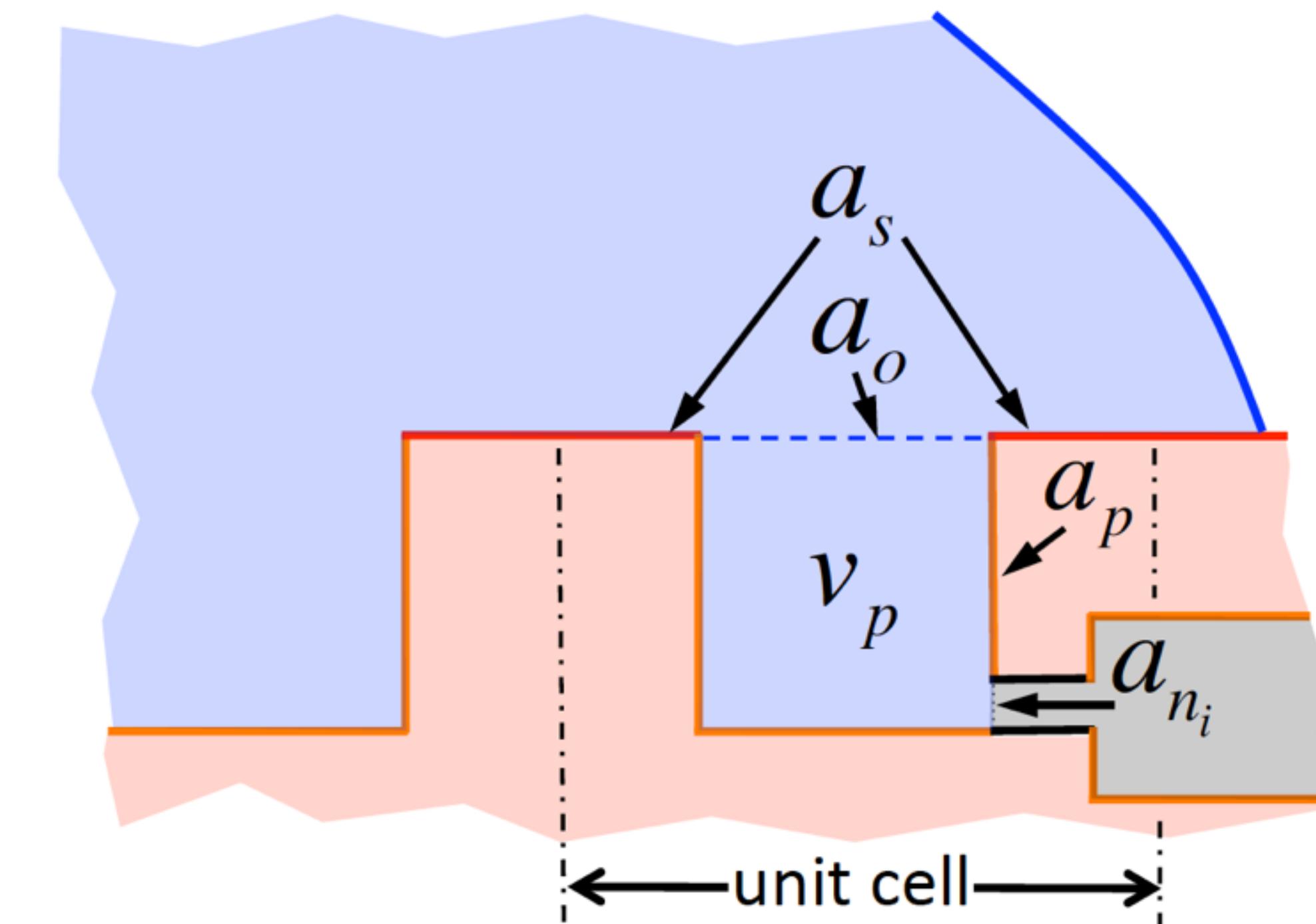


χ
probability of
overcoming
a cavity



data of Shibuishi, et al (1996)

Geometry of a rough surface: cavities and necks

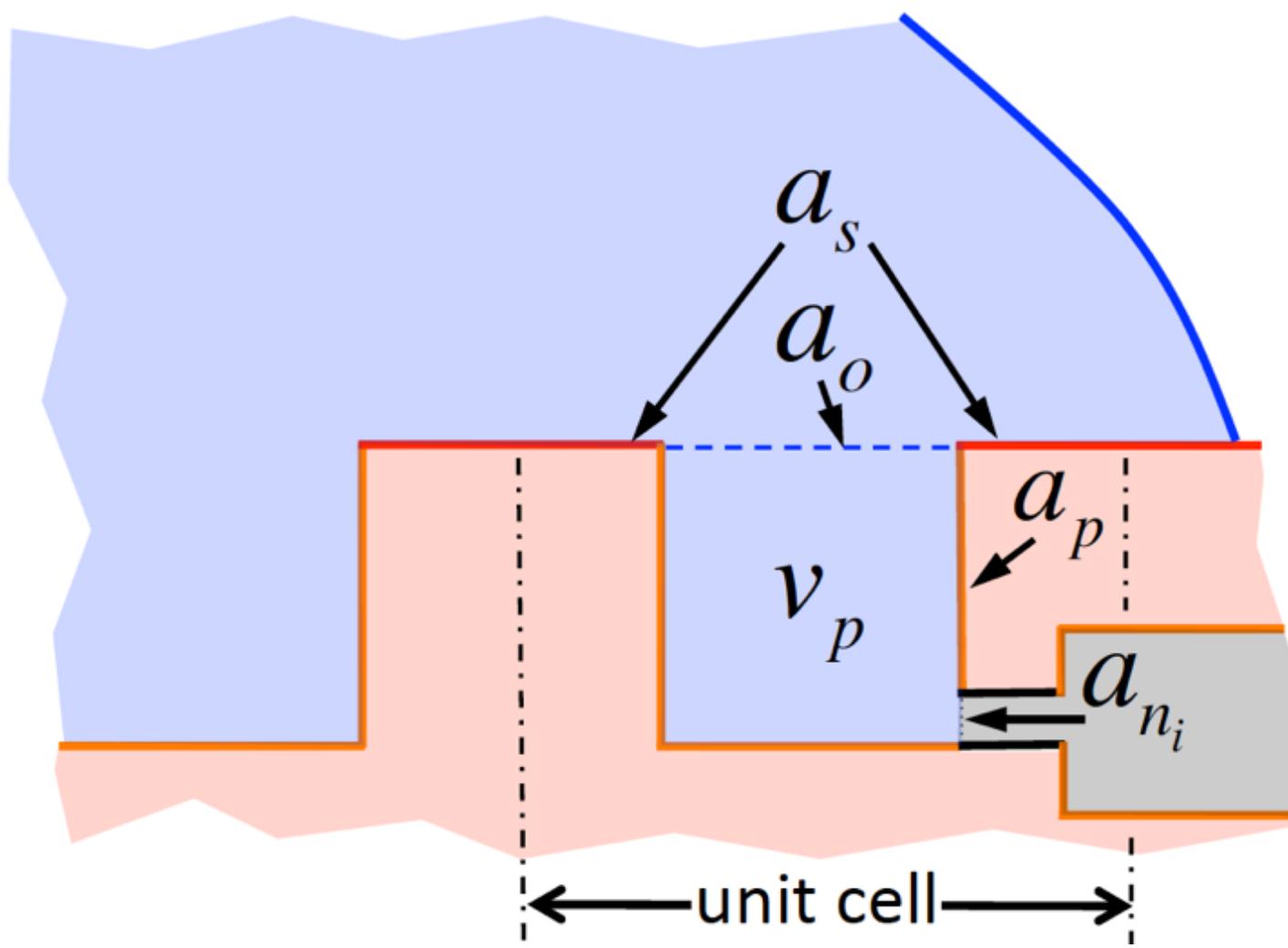


cavity volume v_p ; cavity opening area a_o ; cavity surface area a_p

solid surface area a_s

several necks of index (i) and cross section $a_{n,i}$

Energy of a single surface cavity



$$E = \gamma_{\ell g} \frac{\sigma}{2} [(2\chi - 1)a_0 + a_p \cos \theta_e - a_n \bar{\sigma}]$$

$$E^* \equiv \frac{E}{\bar{a}_0 \gamma_{\ell g}}$$

relative energy

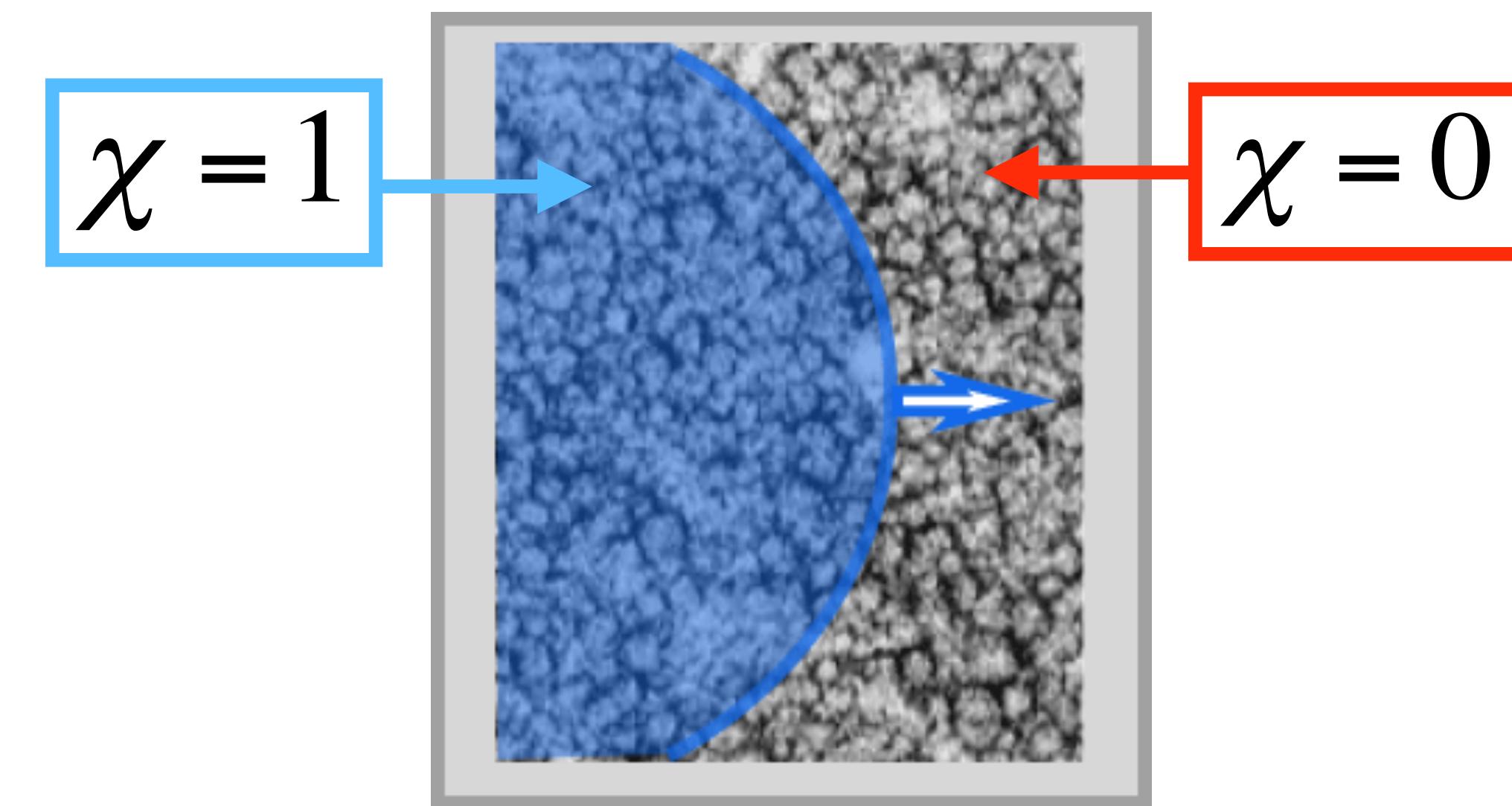
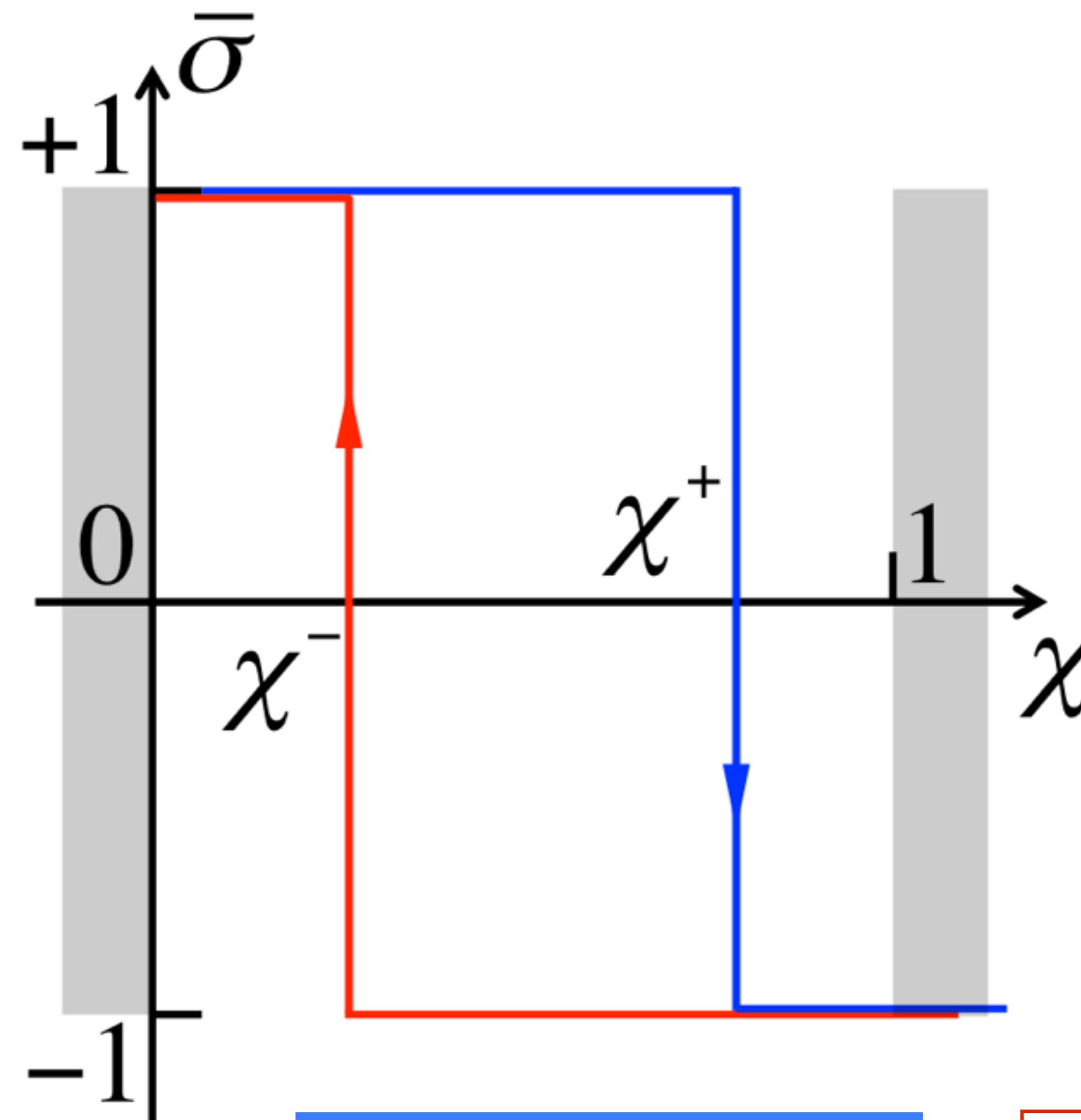
$$\alpha \equiv \frac{a_p}{\bar{a}_0}$$

cavity area

$$\lambda \equiv \frac{a_n}{\bar{a}_0}$$

neck cross-section

First-order phase transition

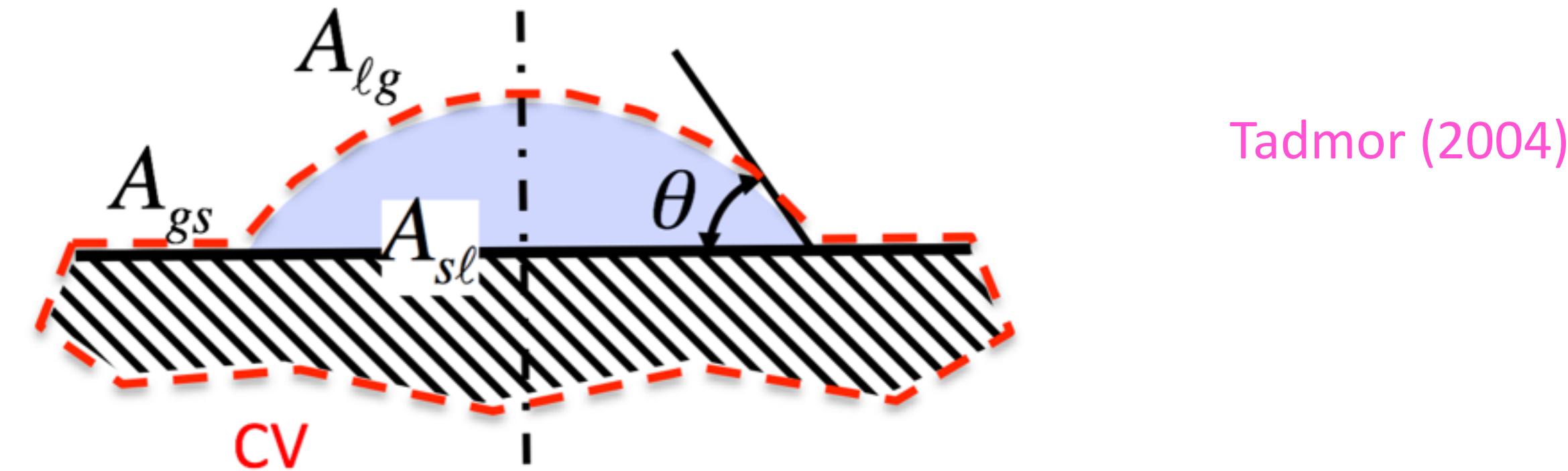


$$\Delta E^* = -\lambda$$

Latent energy

Energy required for line displacement

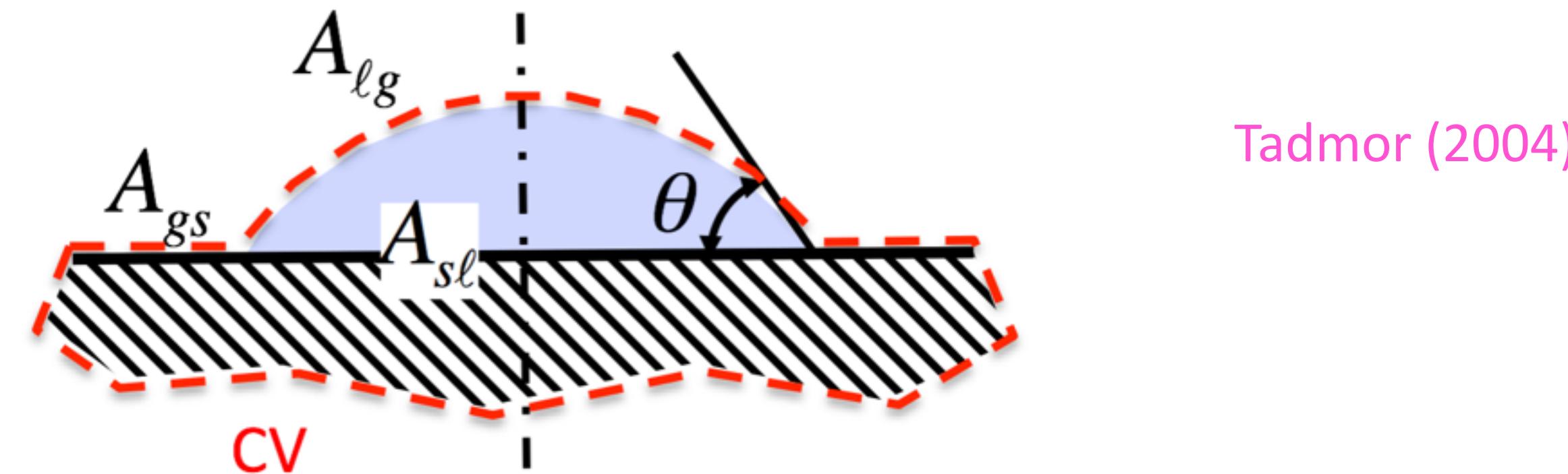
without surface cavities



$$dG = \gamma_{sl} dA_{sl} + \gamma_{lg} dA_{lg} + \gamma_{gs} dA_{gs}$$

Energy required for line displacement

without surface cavities



$$dG = \gamma_{sl} dA_{sl} + \gamma_{\ell g} dA_{\ell g} + \gamma_{gs} dA_{gs}$$

constant volume
spherical cap

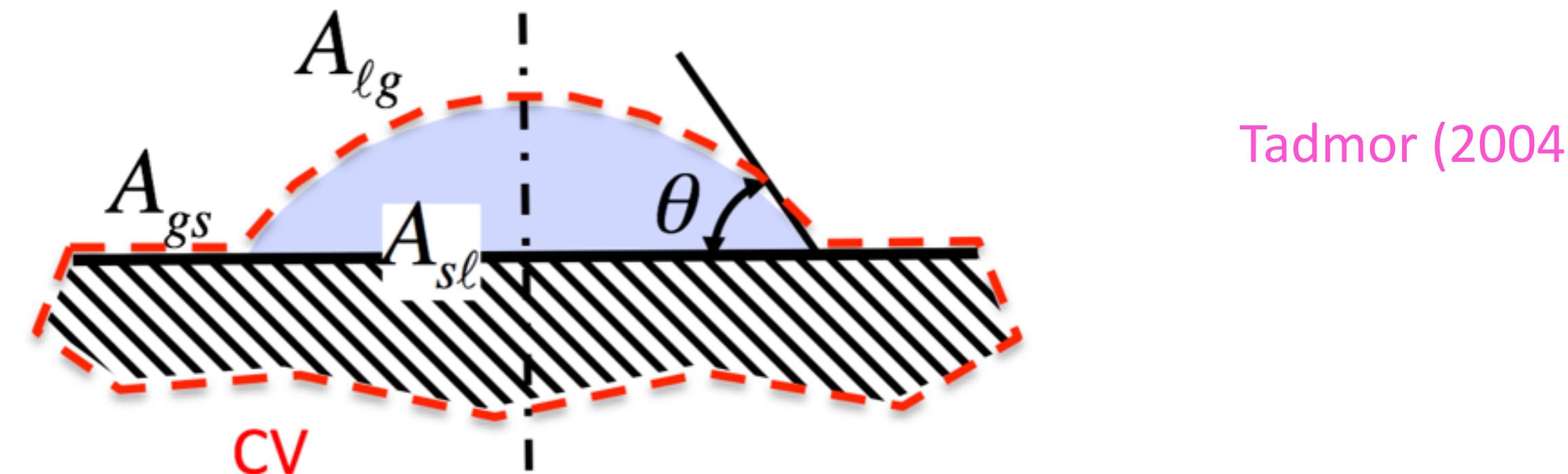
$$\frac{dA_{gs}}{dA_{sl}} = -1$$

$$\frac{dA_{\ell g}}{dA_{sl}} = \cos \theta$$

$$\cos \theta_e = \frac{\gamma_{gs} - \gamma_{sl}}{\gamma_{\ell g}}$$

Energy required for line displacement

without surface cavities



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potential energy change upon incrementing dA_{sl}

$$dG = \gamma_{\ell g} dA_{sl} (\cos \theta - \cos \theta_e)$$

With surface cavities

Advance

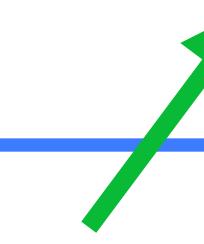
$$dG = \gamma_{\ell g} dA_{s\ell} (\cos \theta - \cos \theta_a)$$

$$\cos \theta_a = (1 - \varepsilon) \cos \theta_e - \varepsilon \int_0^1 \bar{\sigma} d\chi + \varepsilon \Delta E$$

checkered solid surface

cavity filling

latent energy



Advancing vs receding line

Advance

$$dG = \gamma_{\ell g} dA_{s\ell} (\cos \theta - \cos \theta_a)$$

$$\cos \theta_a = (1 - \varepsilon) \cos \theta_e - \varepsilon \int_0^1 \bar{\sigma} d\chi + \varepsilon \Delta E$$

different sign

Recession

$$dG = \gamma_{\ell g} dA_{s\ell} (\cos \theta - \cos \theta_r)$$

$$\cos \theta_r = (1 - \varepsilon) \cos \theta_e - \varepsilon \int_0^1 \bar{\sigma} d\chi - \varepsilon \Delta E$$

latent energy

Six distinct regimes

Advancing angle

Receding angle

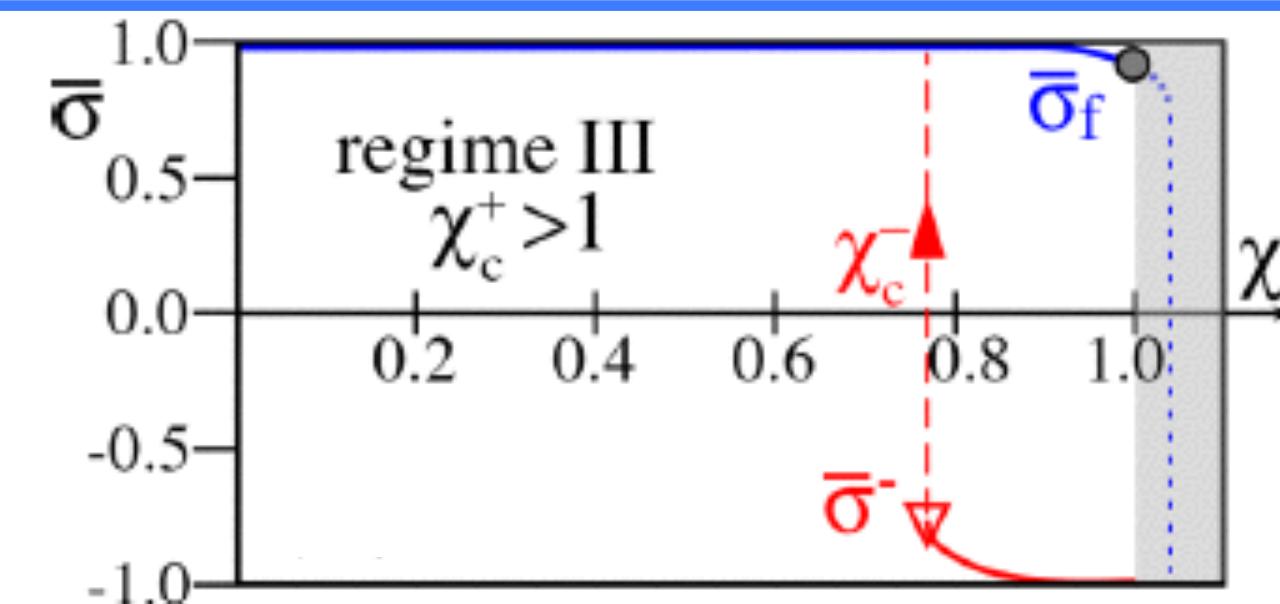
regime	χ_c^+	χ_c^-	$\cos \theta_a - (1 - \epsilon) \cos \theta_e$	$\cos \theta_r - (1 - \epsilon) \cos \theta_e$
I	$\in [0, 1]$	$\in [0, 1]$	$+ \epsilon(\alpha \cos \theta_e - 2\lambda)$	$+ \epsilon(\alpha \cos \theta_e + 2\lambda)$
II	$\in [0, 1]$	< 0	$+ \epsilon(\alpha \cos \theta_e - 2\lambda)$	$+ \epsilon$
III	> 1	$\in [0, 1]$	$- \epsilon$	$+ \epsilon(\alpha \cos \theta_e + 2\lambda)$
IV	< 0	< 0	$+ \epsilon$	$+ \epsilon$
V	> 1	< 0	$- \epsilon$	$+ \epsilon$
VI	> 1	> 1	$- \epsilon$	$- \epsilon$

Each regime allows zero, one or two transitions.

Six distinct regimes

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IV	< 0	< 0	$+ \epsilon$	$+ \epsilon$
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Example: regime III



No phase transition with advancing line

Six distinct regimes

Advancing angle

Receding angle

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IV	< 0	< 0	$+ \epsilon$	$+ \epsilon$
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allowed transitions

Six distinct regimes

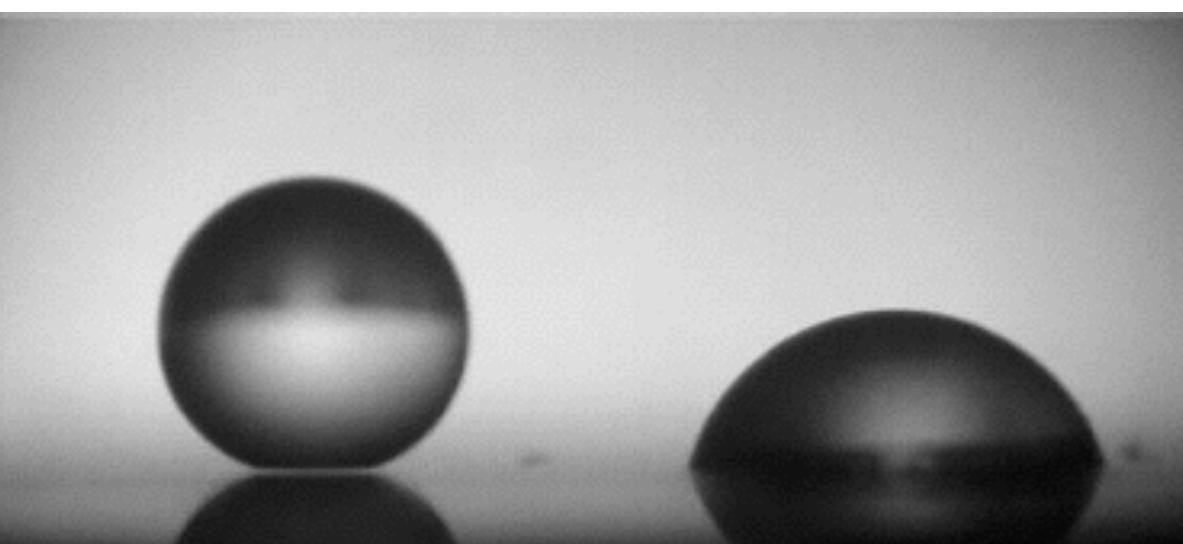
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“Cassie-Baxter state” (1944)

Six distinct regimes

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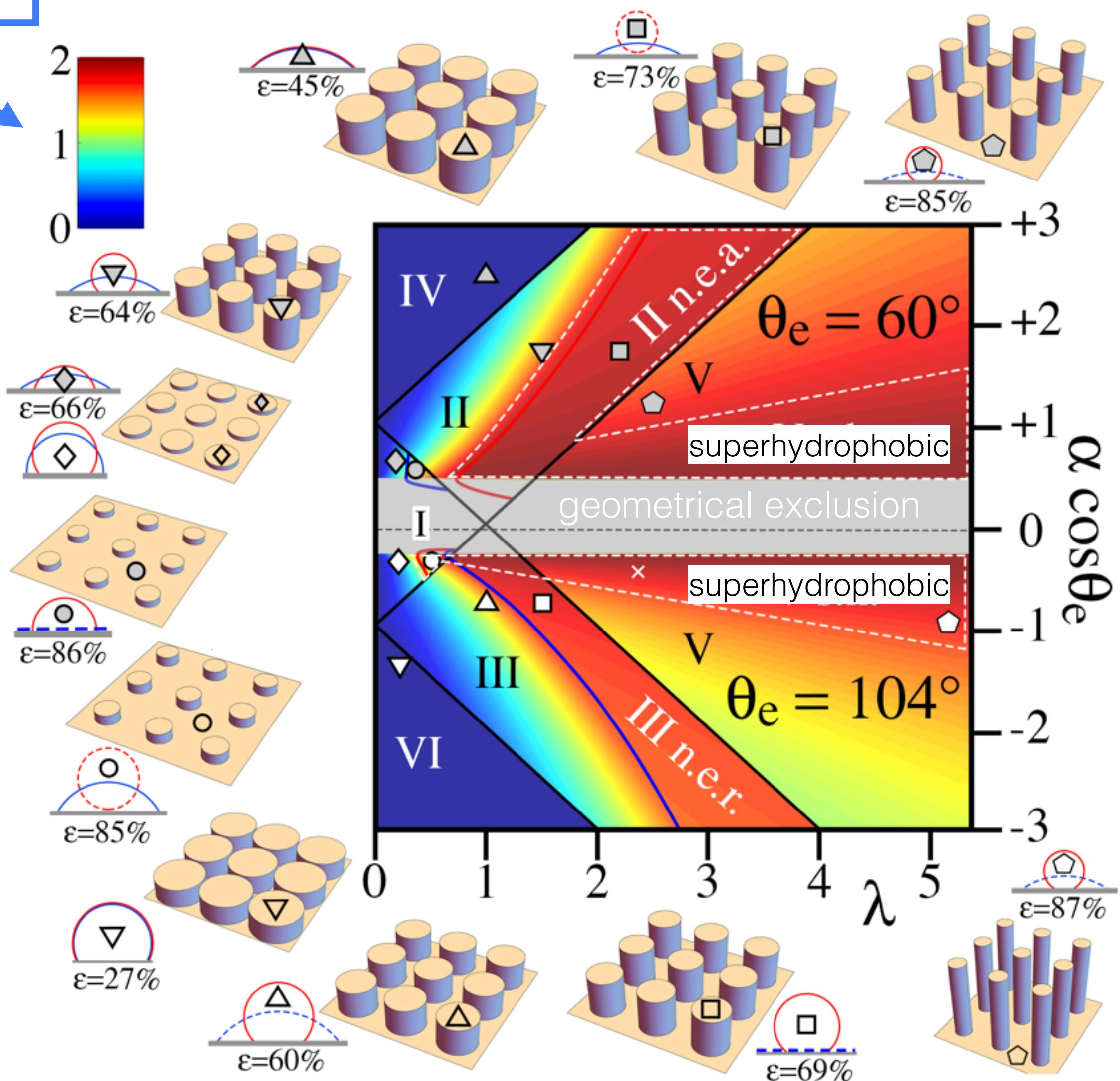
'Metastable' states: cavities do not fill spontaneously before recession



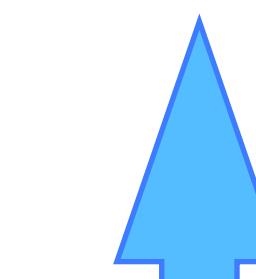
Callies and Quéré, Soft Matter (2005)

Bed of rods

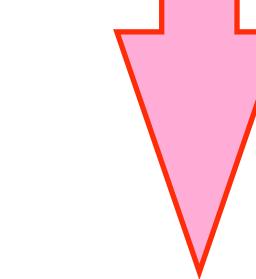
Hysteresis scale
 $(\cos\theta_r - \cos\theta_a)$



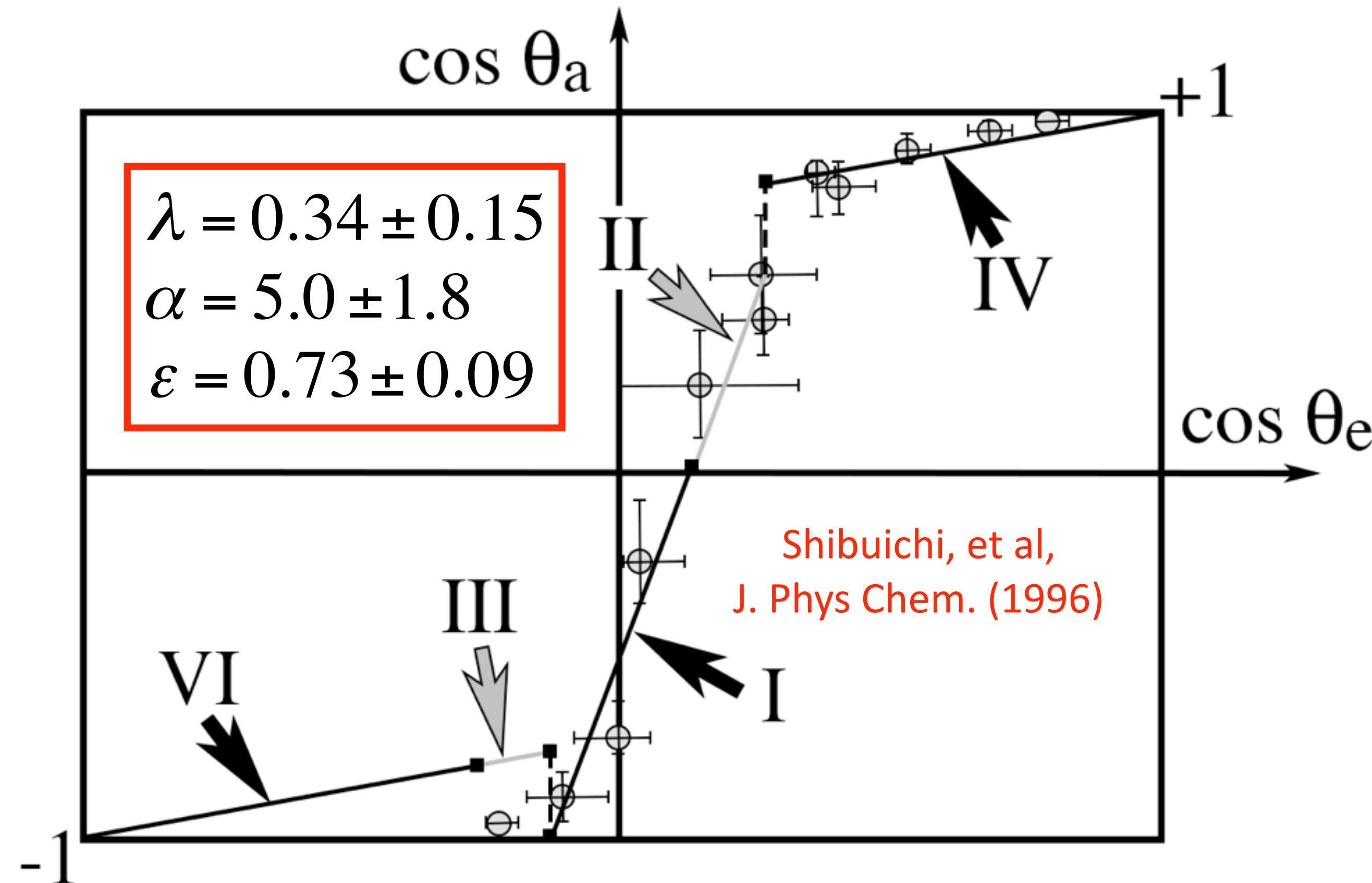
hydrophilic
solid



hydrophobic
solid



Comparison with data

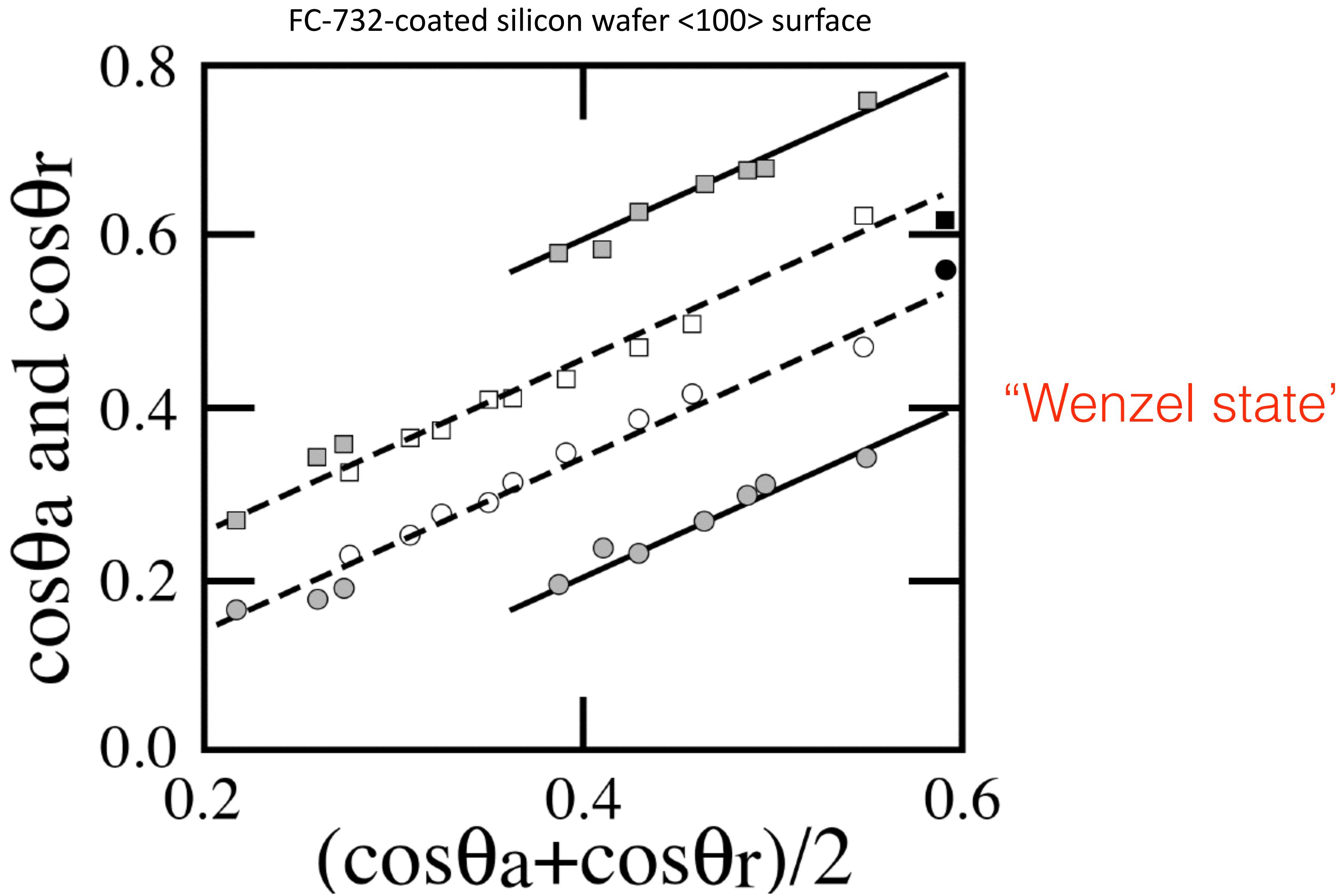


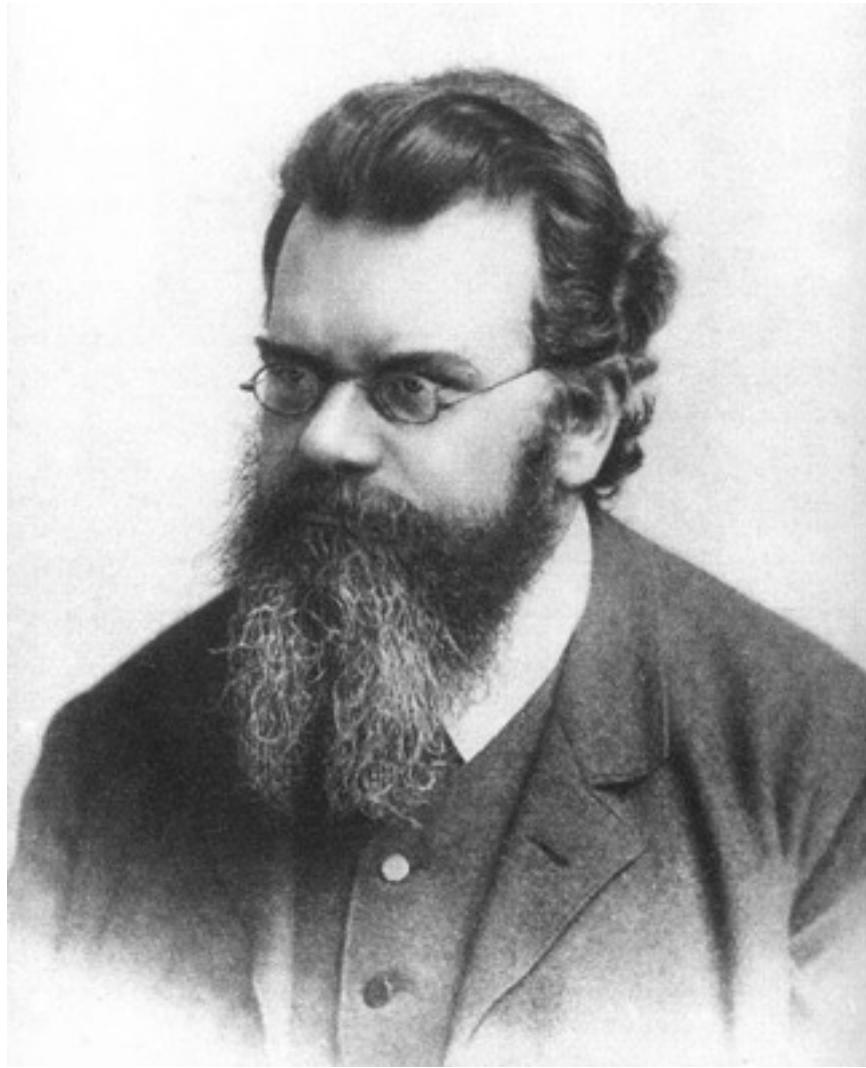
mixtures of water and 1,4 dioxane
on surfaces of alkylketene dimer (AKD)
and dialkylketone (DAK)

Comparison with data

Regime I $\cos\theta_r - \cos\theta_a = 4\lambda\varepsilon$

Lam, et al, Adv. Colloid Interface Sci (2002)





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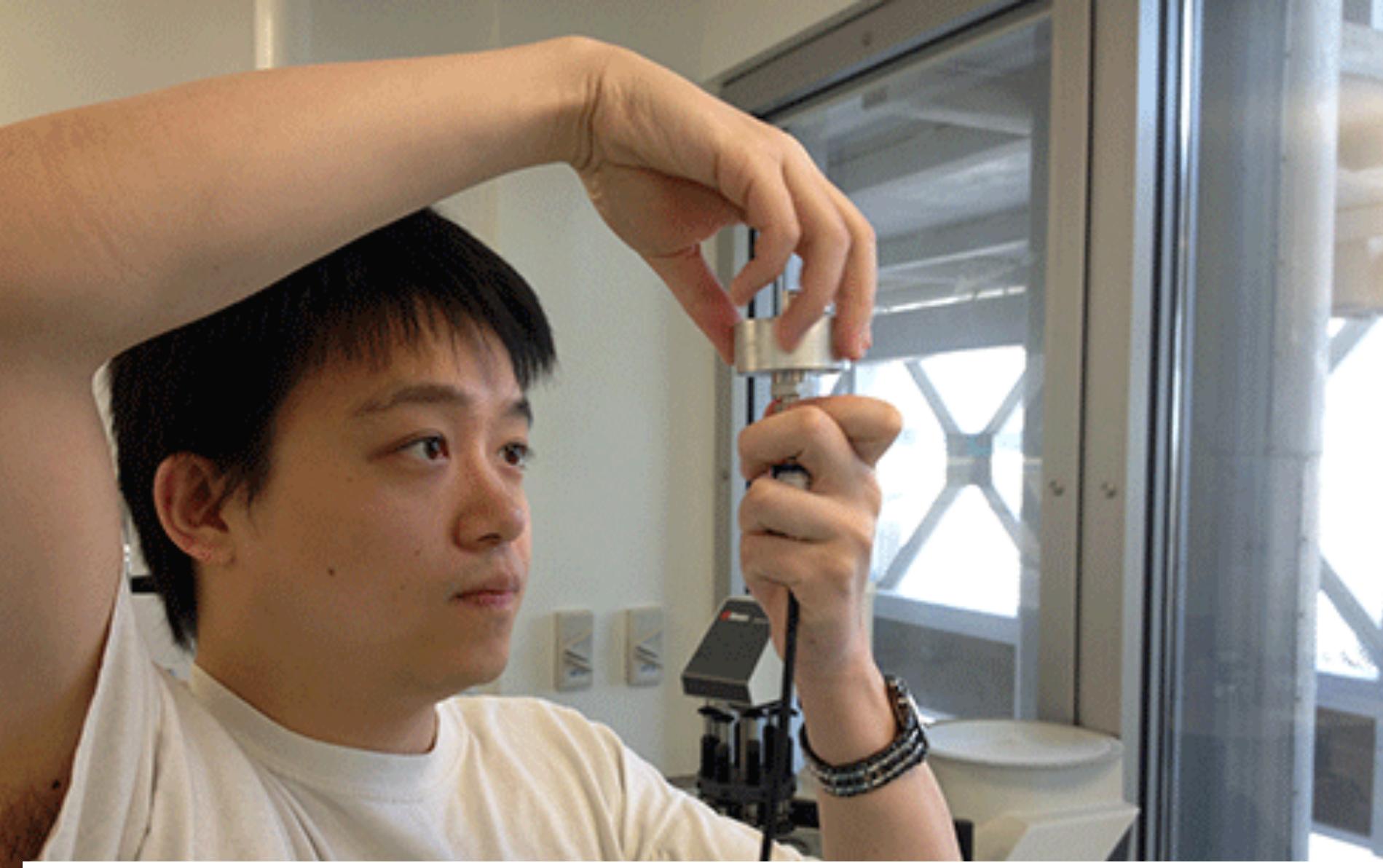
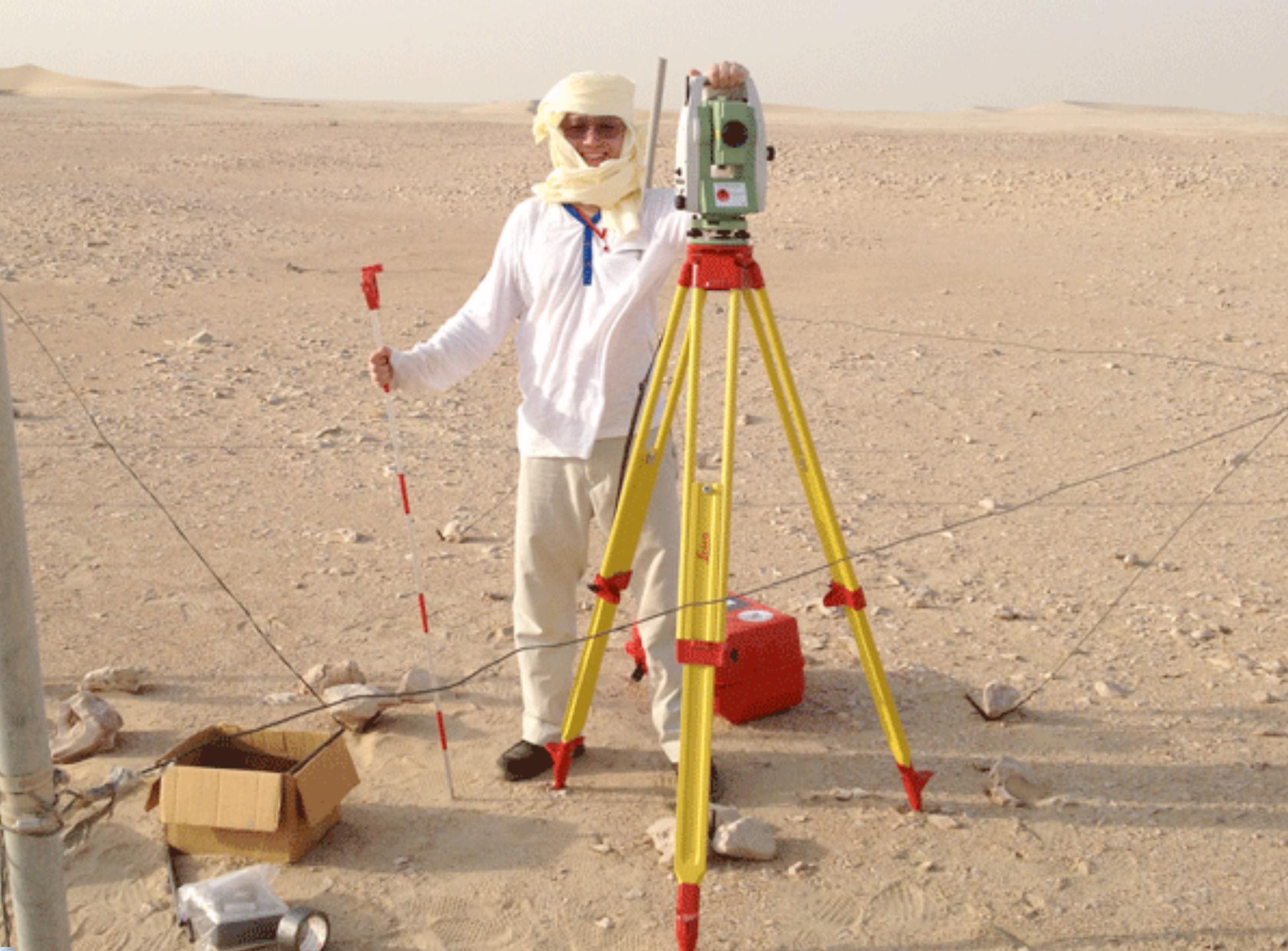
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Jin Xu and Michel Louge, Phys. Rev. E 92 (2015)

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