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SCIENTIFIC INTERESTS

KINETICS OF SPREADING

MEMBRANE SEPARATION

**KINETICS OF REVERSIBLE
COAGULATION**

**RHEOLOGY OF CONCENTRATED
SUSPENSIONS**

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OUTLINE

SURFACE FORCES ACTION

**SPREADING OVER POROUS
SUBSTRATES: SATURATED AND DRY,
SURFACTANT SOLUTIONS**

**SPREADING OVER SURFACES COVERED
WITH FATTY ACID OR LIPID LAYERS**

**SPREADING OVER HYDROPHOBIC
SURFACES**

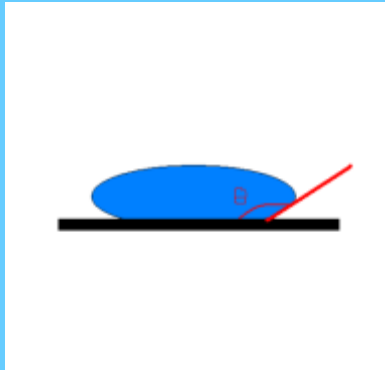
SURFACTANTS ON THIN WATER LAYERS

IMBIBITION INTO POROUS MEDIA

Rheology of concentrated suspensions/emulsions

A water droplet on three different substrates

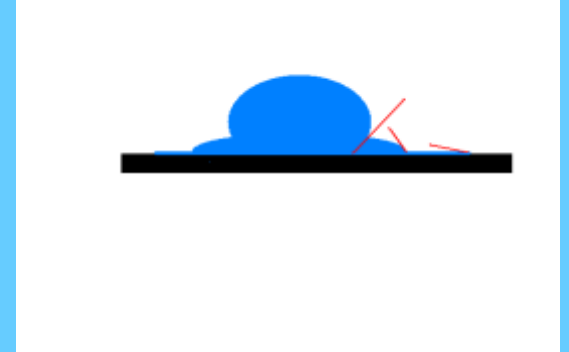
θ contact angle



Teflon
Non-wetting,
 $\theta > \pi/2$

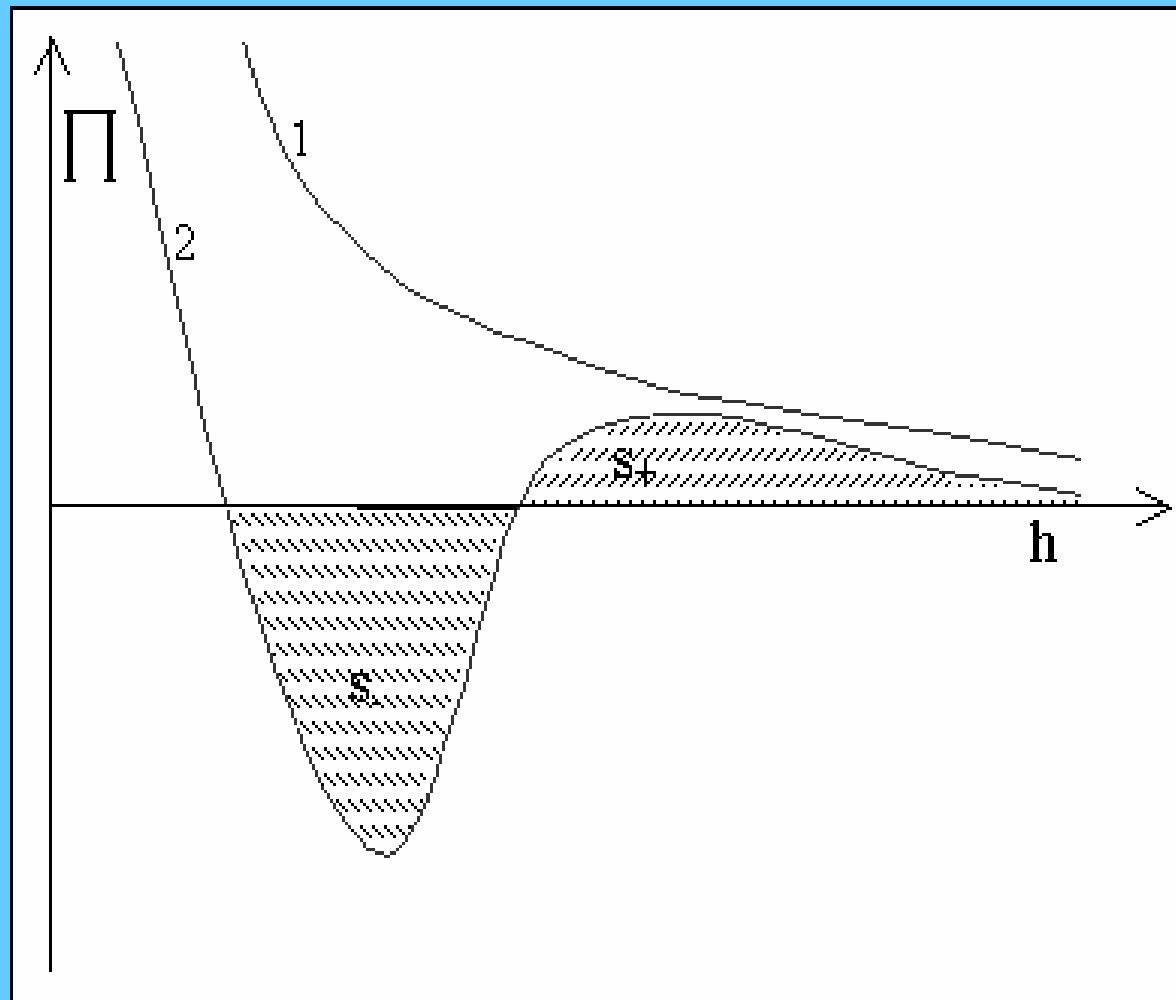


Glass or mica
Partial wetting,
 $0 < \theta < \pi/2$



Complete wetting
Silicone wafer,
water spreads out
completely
 $\theta(t)$ dynamic
contact angle

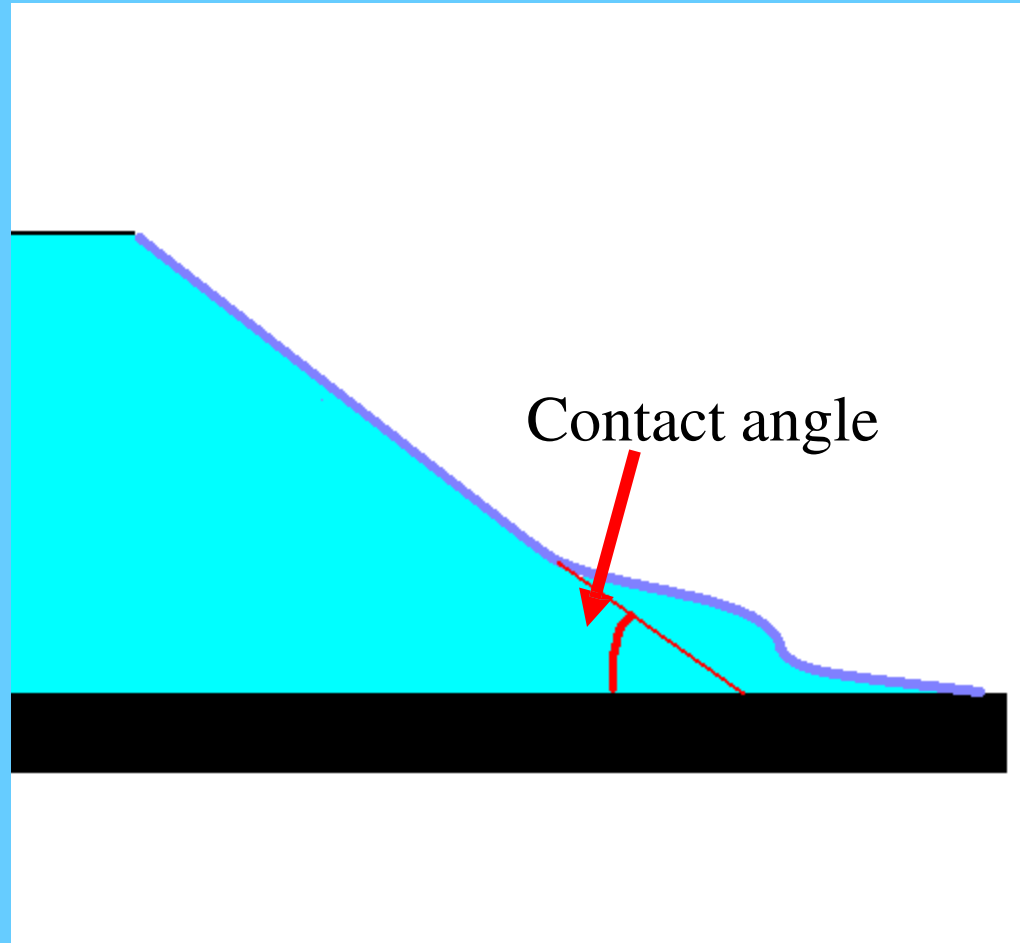
**WHAT IS THE
REASON?**



Disjoining pressure:
1 Complete wetting
2 Partial wetting

$$\cos \theta = 1 - \frac{S_- - S_+}{\gamma}$$

Disjoining pressure determines the liquid shape in the transition zone



Static advances and receding contact angles on smooth homogeneous substrates

Deformation of soft solids in contact with transition zone

Non-flat liquid layers

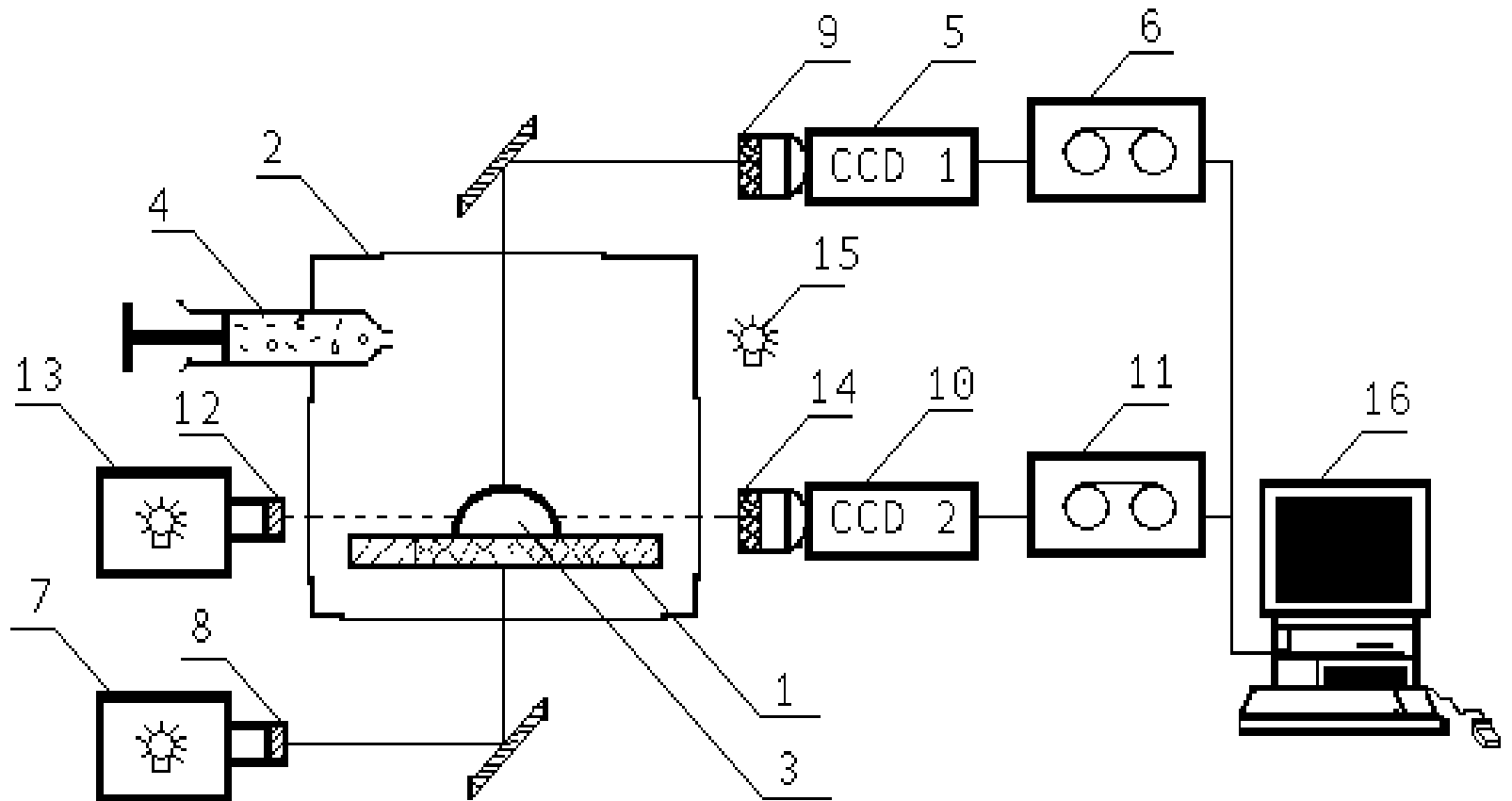
Line tension

Influence of roughness

Motion of drops/bubbles in thin capillaries

Kinetics of spreading in the case of complete wetting

Experimental set-up



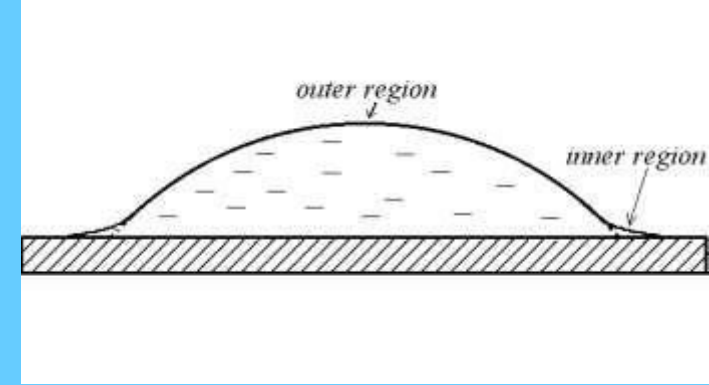
1-substrate, 2-hermetically closed, thermo stated chamber, 3-liquid drop, 4-syringe, 5, 14- front view and view from above CCD cameras, 6, 11-VCRs, 7, 13- light sources, 8, 12 collimating lenses, 9,14-tele-photo objectives, 15-flash gun, 16-PC.





SPREADING OVER SATURATED POROUS LAYERS

Spreading over saturated porous layers



“Outer” solution

spherical cap

Matching of outer and inner solutions results in

$$L(t) = L_0 \left(1 + \frac{t}{\tau} \right)^{0.1}, \quad \tau = \frac{\mu L_0}{10\gamma\omega} \left(\frac{\pi L_0^3}{4V} \right)^3$$

Spreading law

$$\frac{dL}{dt} = \omega \frac{\gamma\theta^3}{\mu}$$

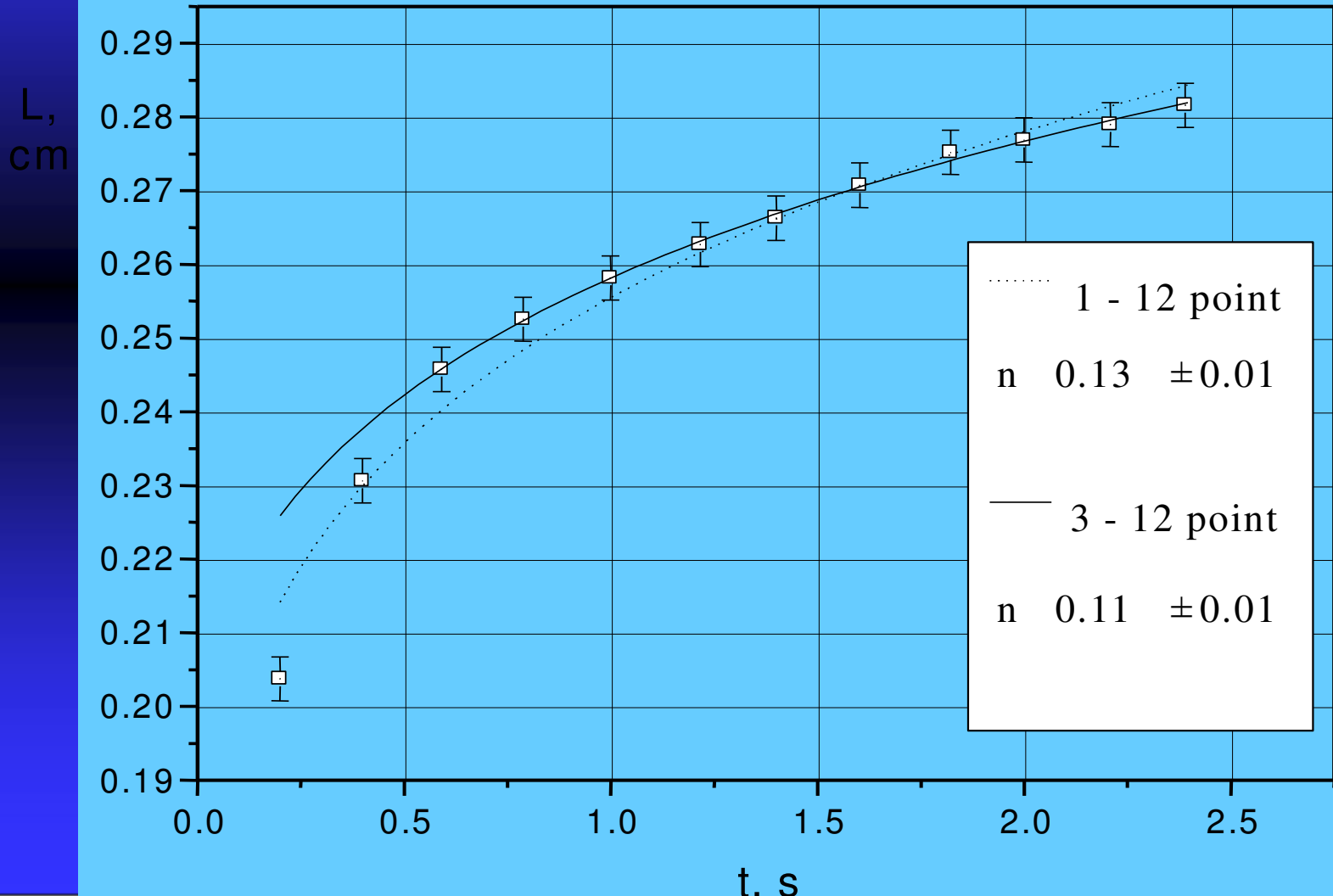
Effective lubrication coefficient

ω

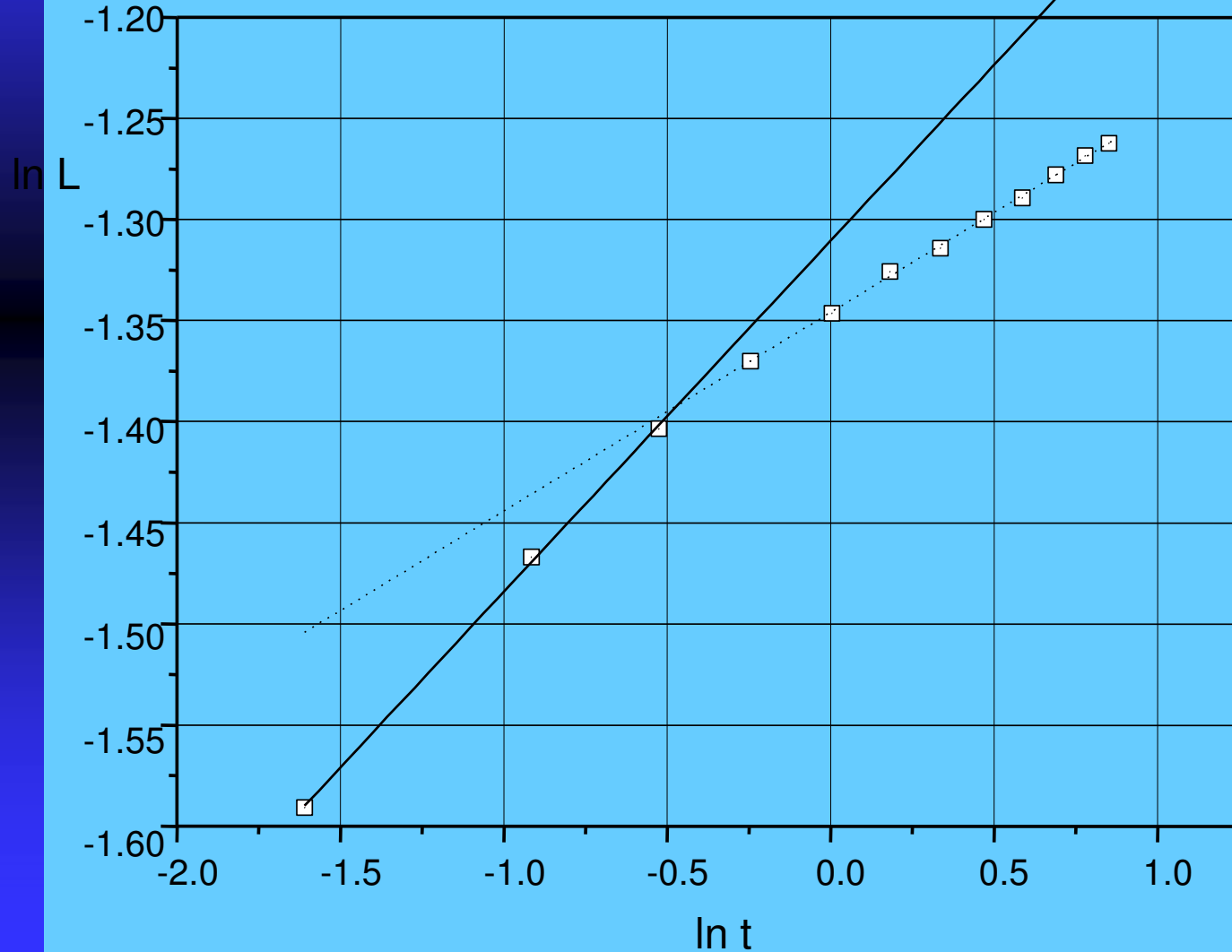
can be both experimentally determined and calculated

SILICONE OILS ON NITROCELLULOSE MEMBRANES

Fitted as: $L = L_0 (1 + t / \tau)^n$ $L = L_0 \left(1 + 10 \left(\frac{4}{\pi} \right)^3 \frac{V^3 \gamma}{L_0^{10} \mu} \omega t \right)^{0.1}$



Initial stage differs from the capillary regime!



EXPERIMENTAL VALUES OF EFFECTIVE LUBRICATION COEFFICIENT ω

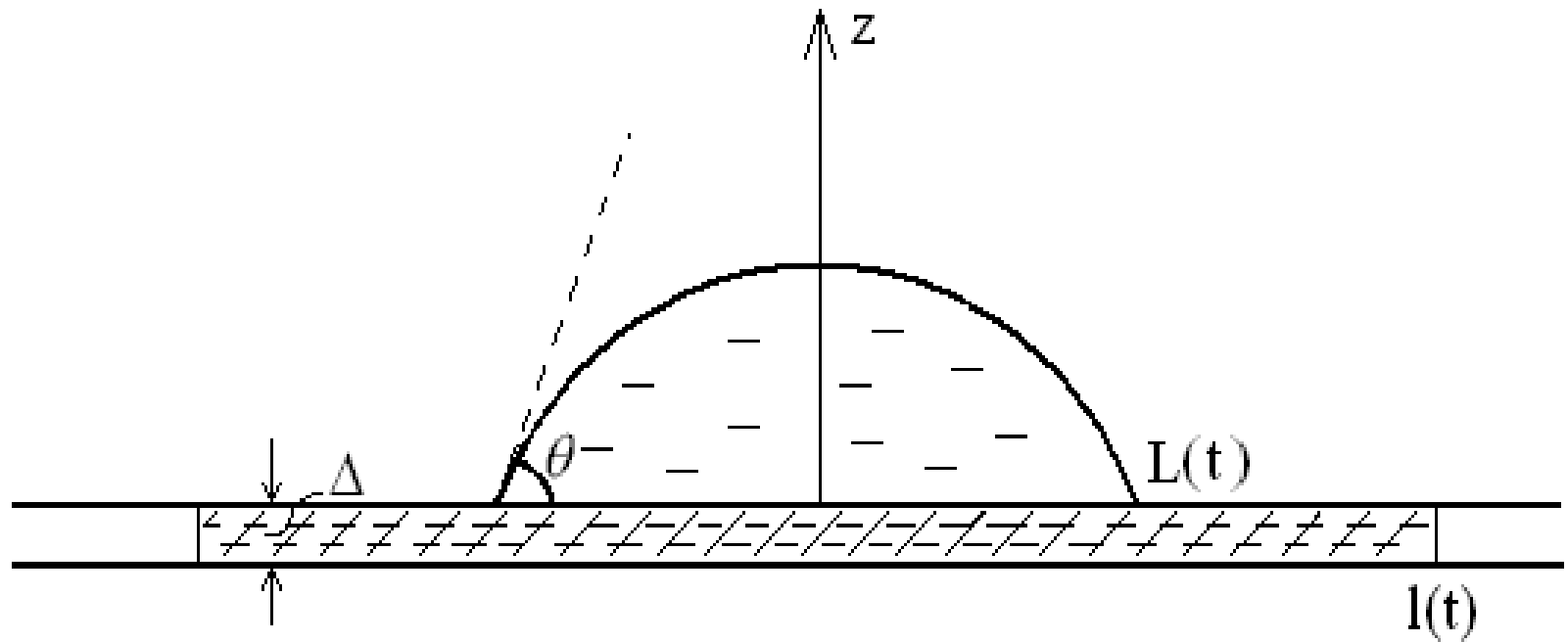
Membrane pore size	μ, P	τ, sec	V, mm^3	ω
0.2 μm	5.58	0.3330	3.9	0.017 \pm 0.004
0.2 μm	0.558	0.0592	4.0	0.018 \pm 0.004
0.2 μm	1.18	0.00163	3.0	0.014 \pm 0.005
0.2 μm	1.18	0.0026	3.4	0.014 \pm 0.003
0.2 μm	1.18	0.0086	3.0	0.016 \pm 0.005
3 μm	1.18	0.0546	5.5	0.015 \pm 0.009
3 μm	1.18	0.4610	5.0	0.016 \pm 0.009
3 μm	0.558	0.6090	5.0	0.018 \pm 0.008
Optical glass	0.558	0.0378	6.8	0.012 \pm 0.003
Optical glass	1.18	0.0103	2.0	0.010 \pm 0.005

SPREADING OVER DRY POROUS LAYERS

**SIMULTANEOUS SPREADING
AND IMBIBITION INTO THE
POROUS SUBSTRATE**

COMPLETE WETTING

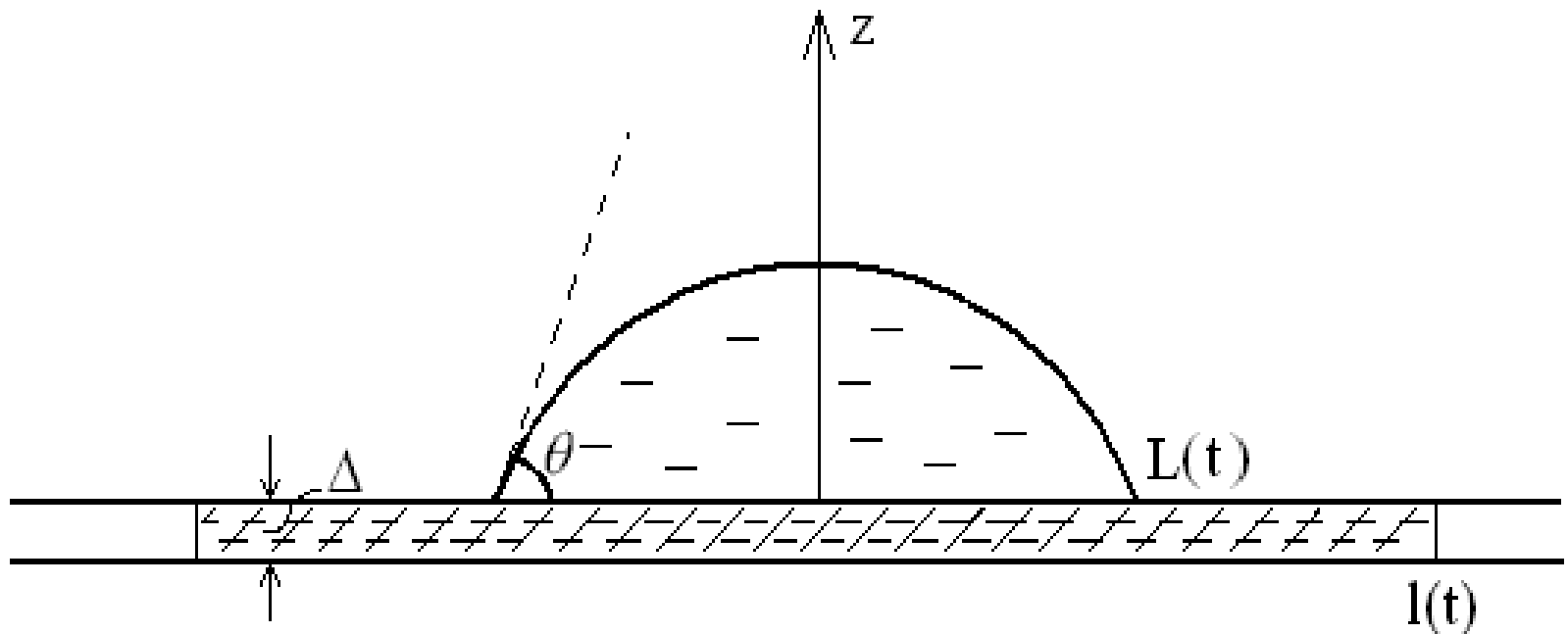
Spreading over dry porous substrates



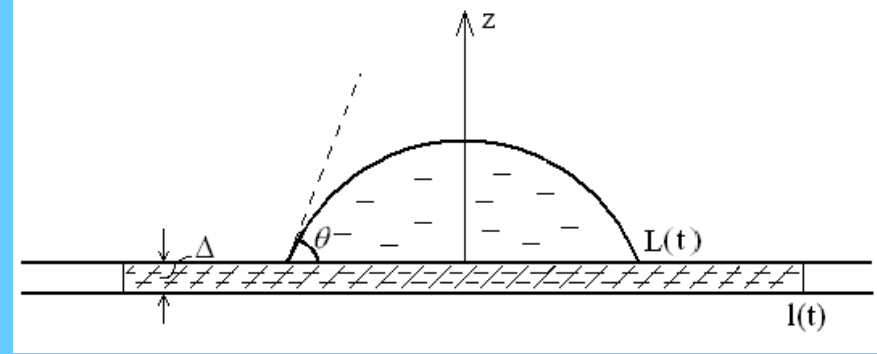
- $L(t)$ radius of the drop base,
- $l(t)$ radius of the wetted region inside the porous layer,
- $\theta(t)$ dynamic contact angle

DRY POROUS SUBSTRATE

Drop volume $V(t) = V_0 - \pi m \Delta l(t)^2$



SPREADING SHRINKAGE

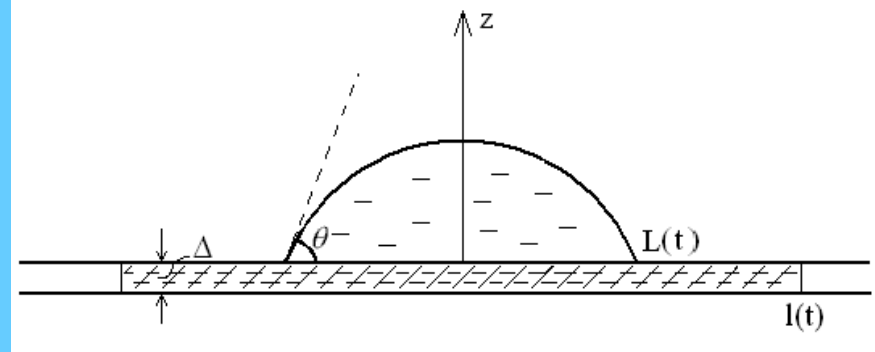


$$\frac{dL}{dt} = v_+ - v_-$$

velocity of spreading

velocity of shrinkage

SPREADING OF LIQUID DROPS OVER DRY POROUS LAYERS: COMPLETE WETTING CASE

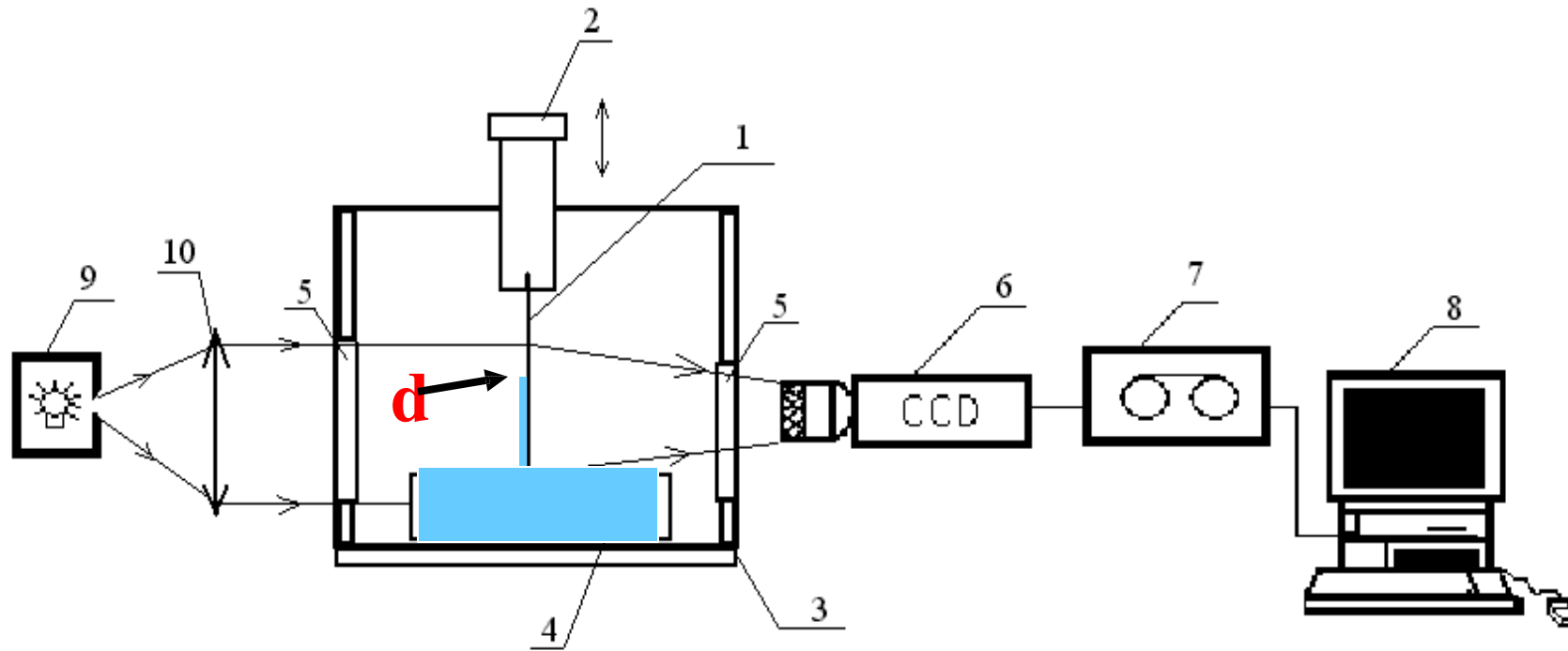


$$\frac{dL}{dt} = 0.1 \left(\frac{4V}{\pi} \right)^{0.3} \left(\frac{10\gamma\omega}{\mu} \right)^{0.1} \frac{1}{(t+t_0)^{0.9}} \frac{2\pi^{2/3}m\Delta K_p p_c}{3\mu} \left(\frac{4}{(V_0 - \pi m \Delta^2)^2 \theta} \right)^{1/3} \frac{1}{\ln \frac{l}{L}}$$

$$\frac{dl}{dt} = \frac{K_p p_c / \mu}{l \ln \frac{l}{L}}$$

$K_p p_c$ is determined independently
NO FITTING PARAMETERS

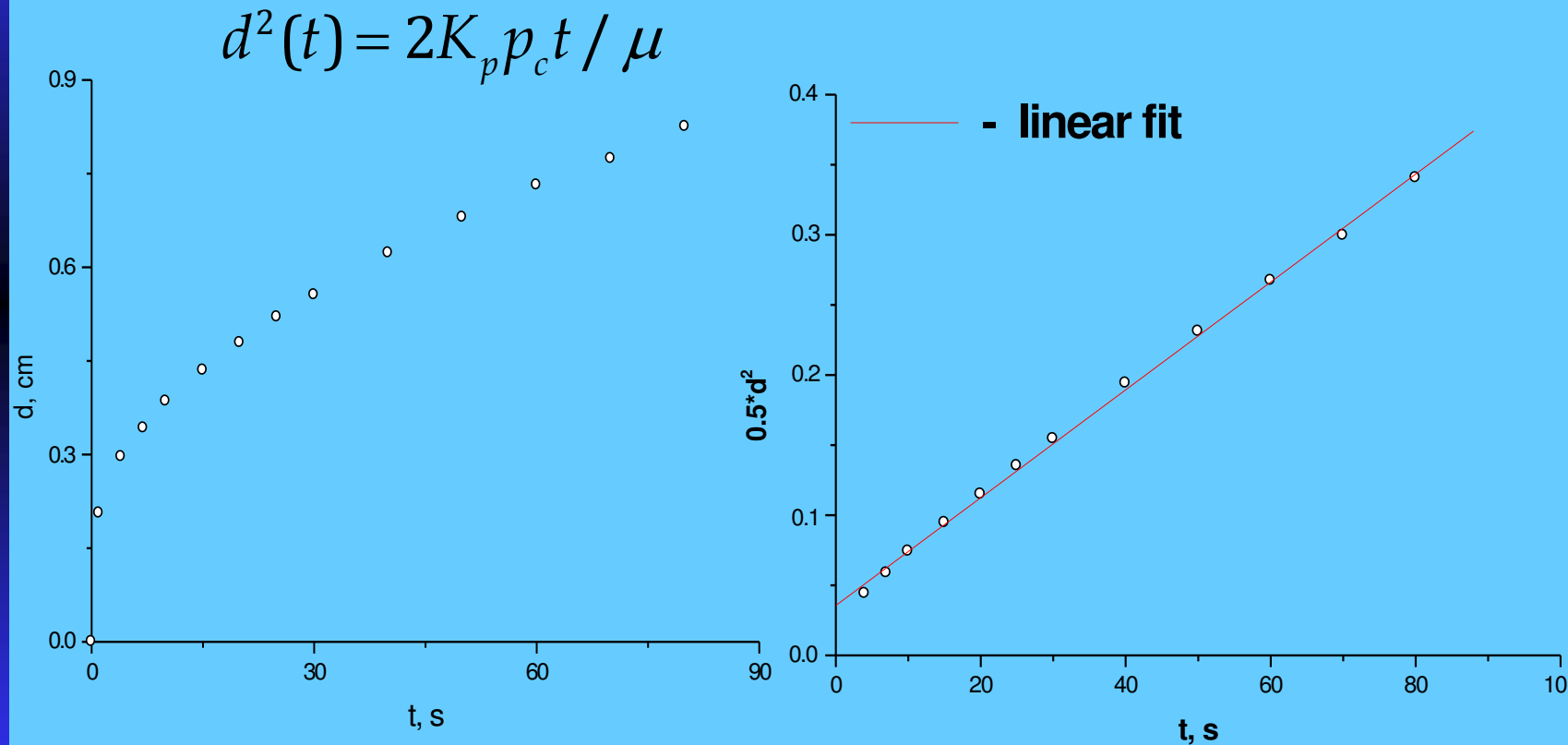
CAPILLARY IMBIBITION: DETERMINATION OF K_p p_c



Experimental set-up

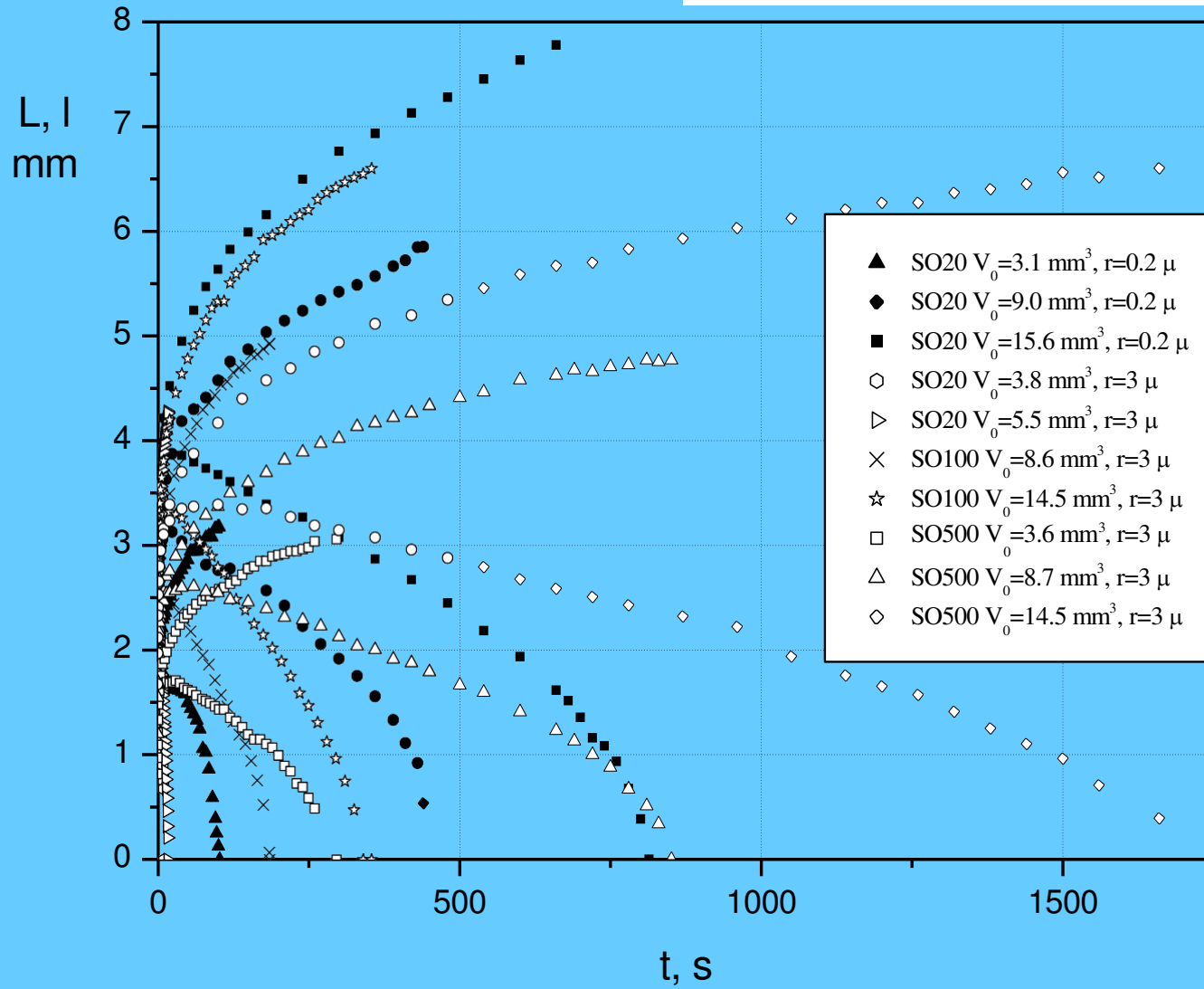
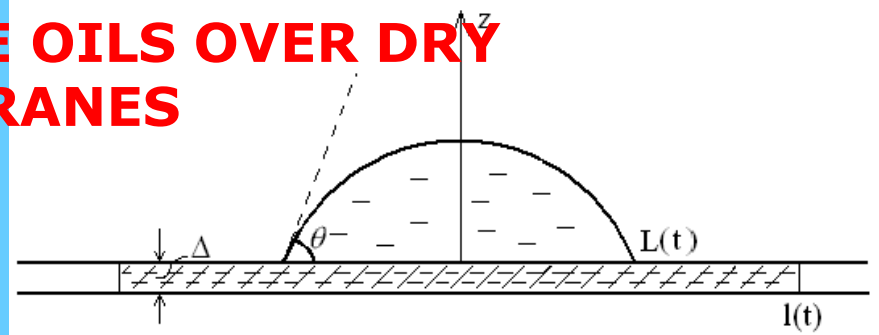
1-membrane, 2-lifting up/down device, 3-thermo stated chamber, 4-Petri dish with liquid, 5-optical glass windows, 6-CCD camera, 7-video tape-recorder, 8- PC

Capillary imbibition of silicone oils: independent determination of $K_p \rho_c$



Nitrocellulose membrane $0.22 \mu\text{m}$

SPREADING OF SILICONE OILS OVER DRY NITROCELLULOSE MEMBRANES

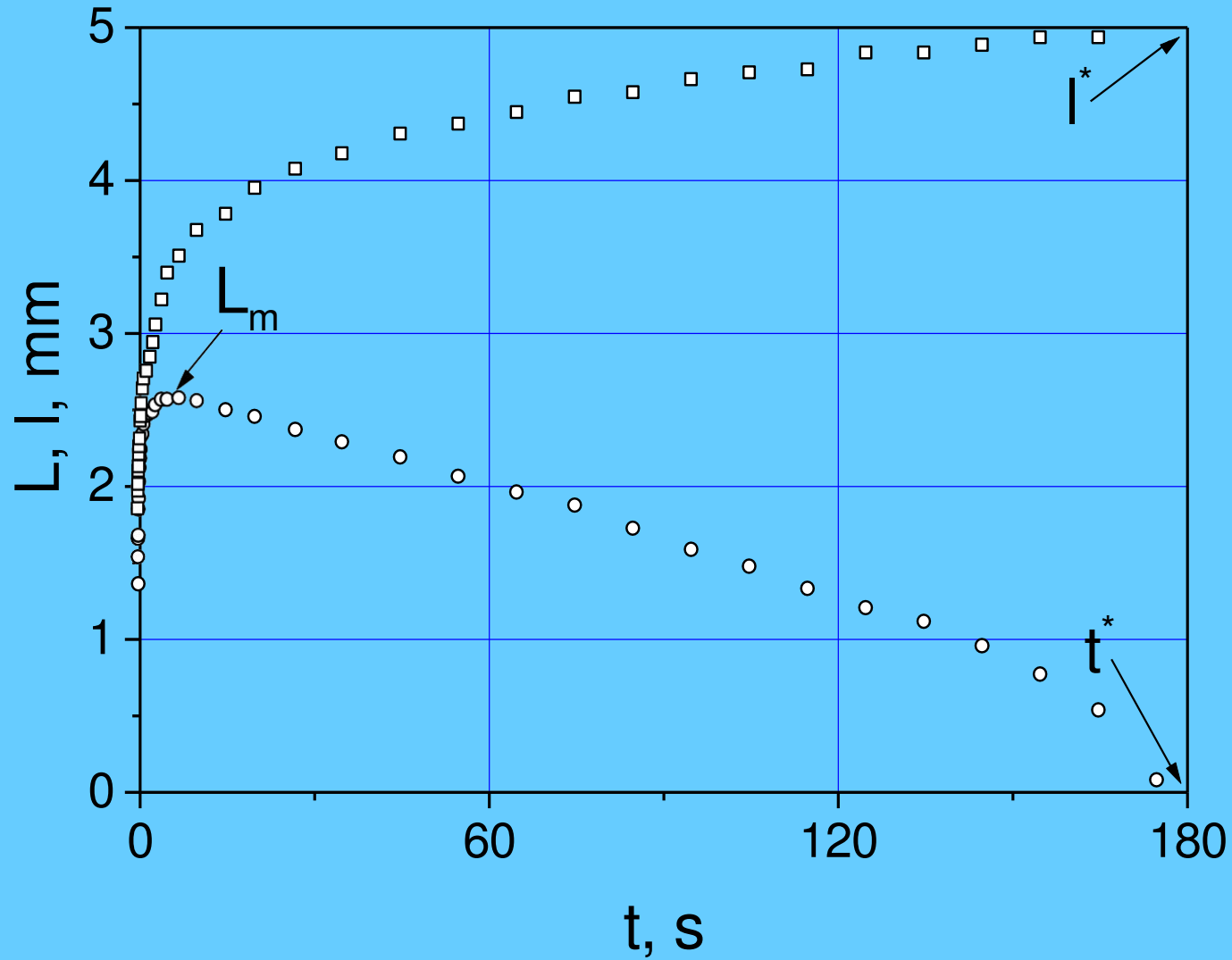
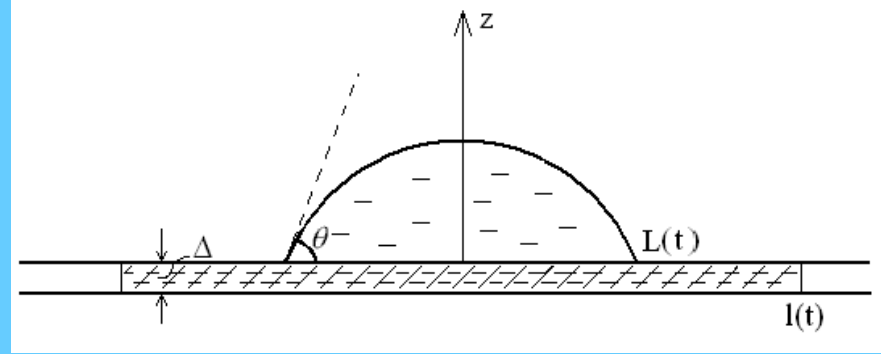


L
upper
parts

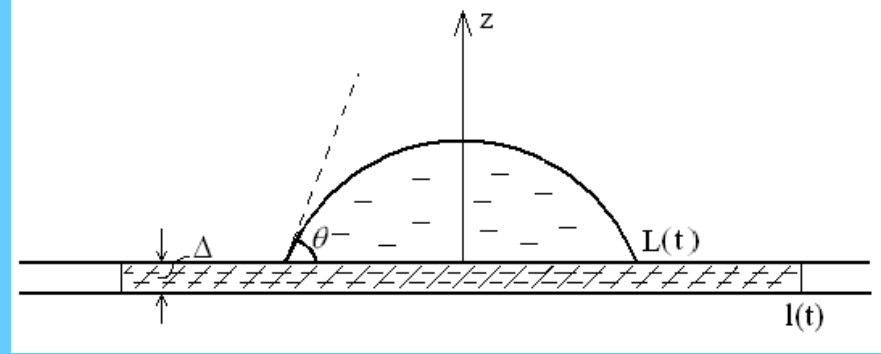
L
lower
parts

Dimensionless values

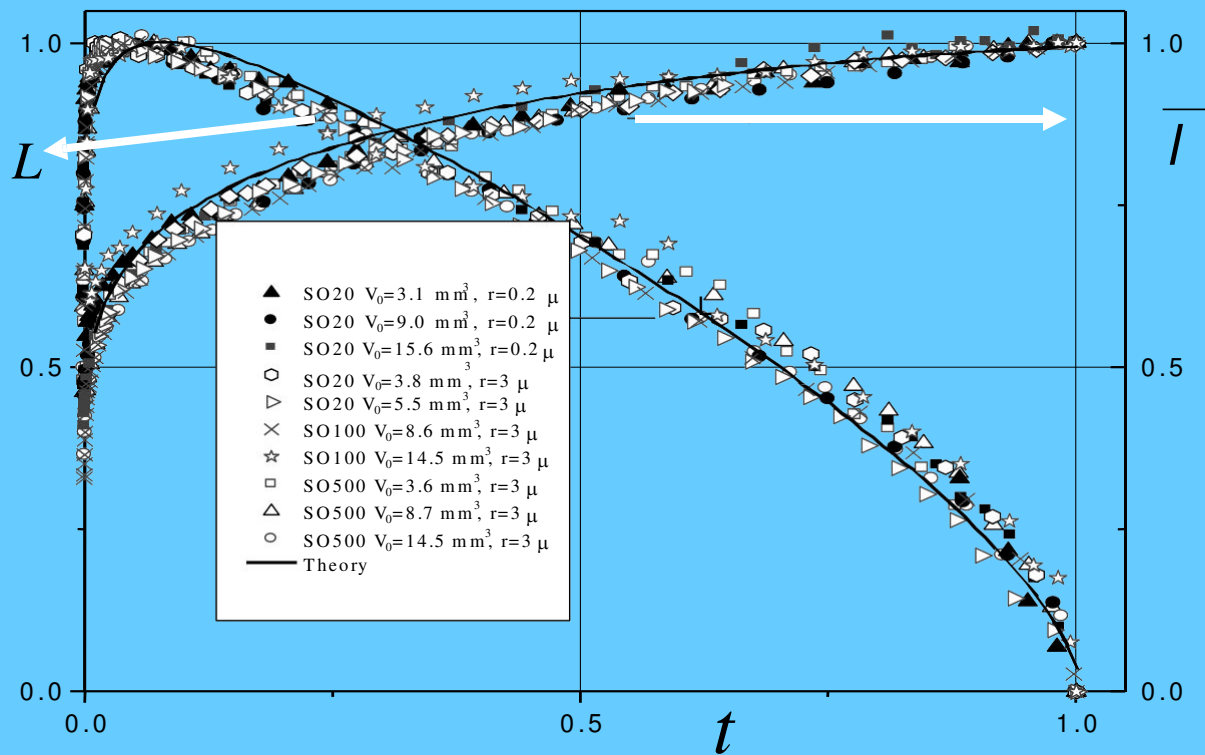
$$\bar{L} = L / L_m, \bar{l} = l / l^*, \bar{t} = t / t^*$$



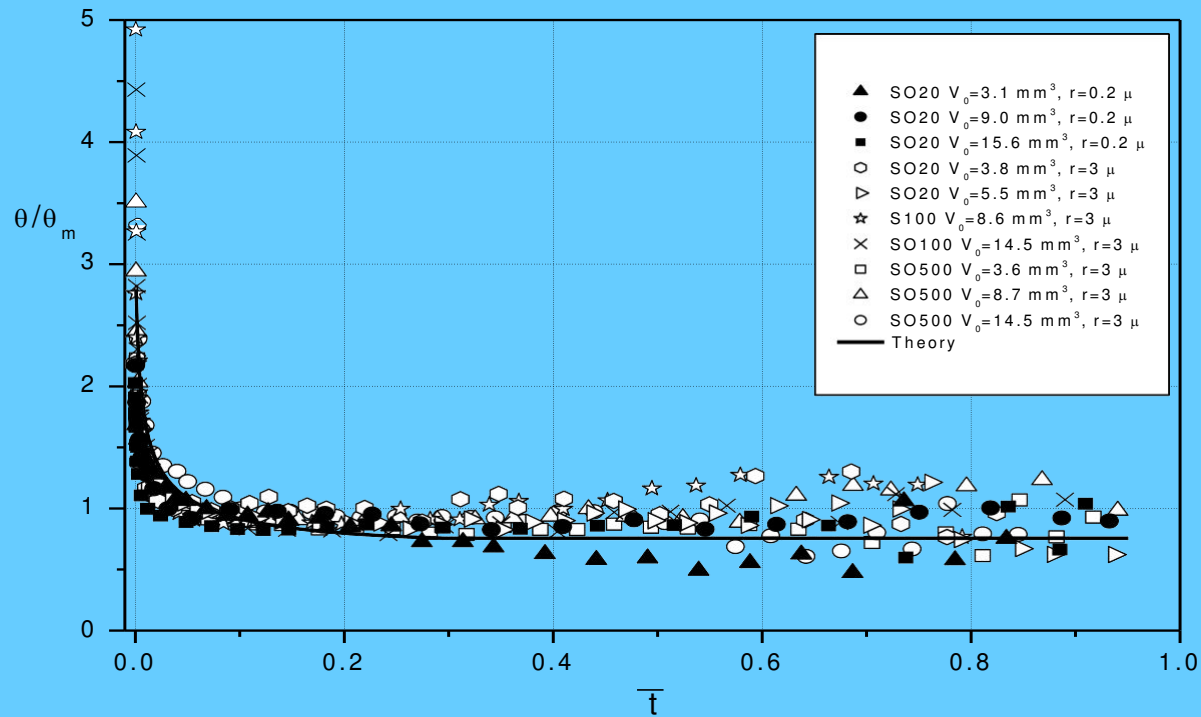
**Universal behaviour:
solid lines according to
our theory predictions**



$$\bar{L} = L/L_m, \bar{l} = l/l^*, \bar{t} = t/t^*$$



Universal behaviour: θ / θ_m
solid line according to
our theory predictions

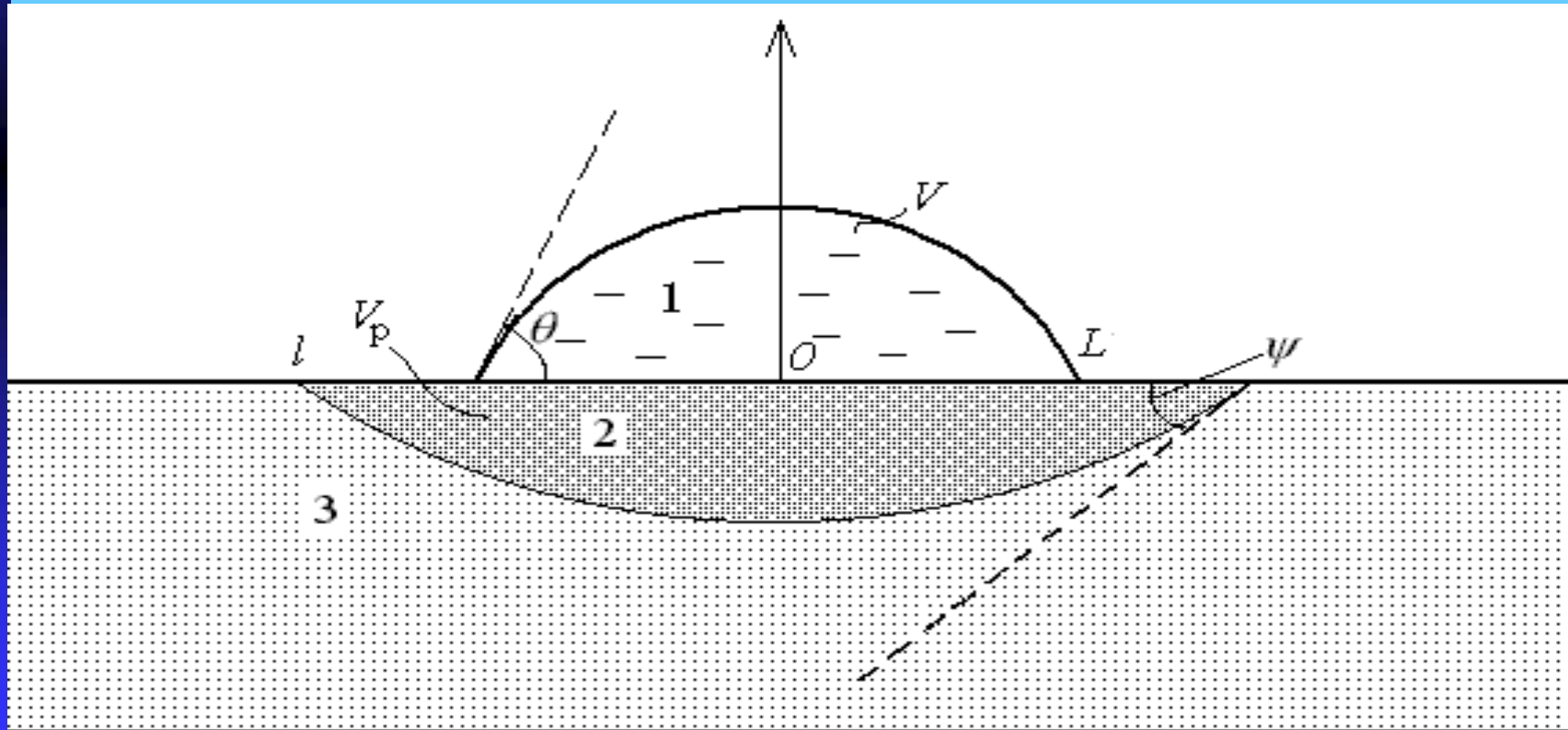


θ_e constant over the second stage!

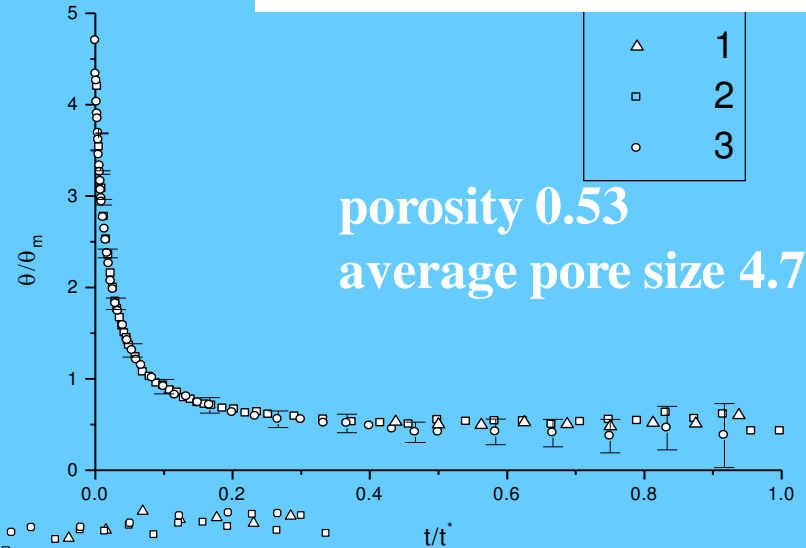
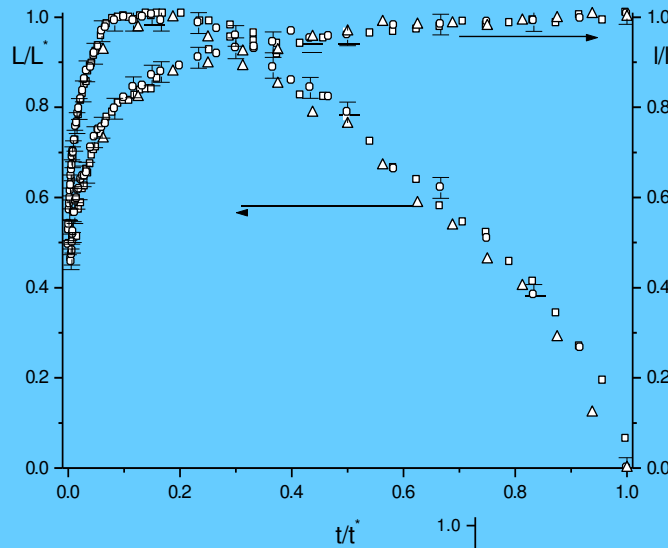
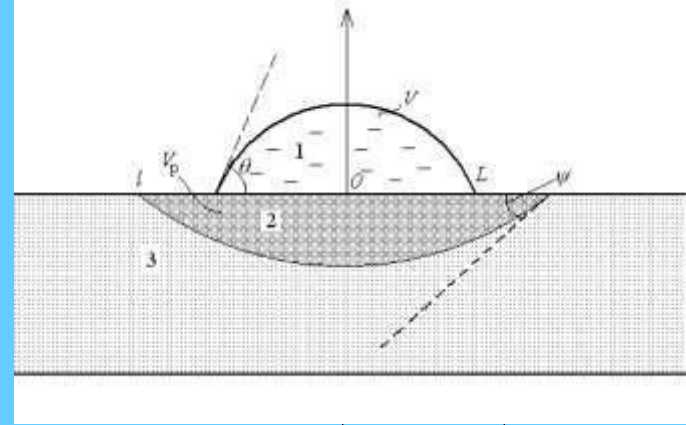
**SPREADING OF LIQUID
DROPS OVER THICK
POROUS LAYERS
COMPLETE WETTING
CASE**

SPREADING OF LIQUID DROPS OVER THICK POROUS LAYERS: COMPLETE WETTING CASE

$\psi(t)$ effective contact angle



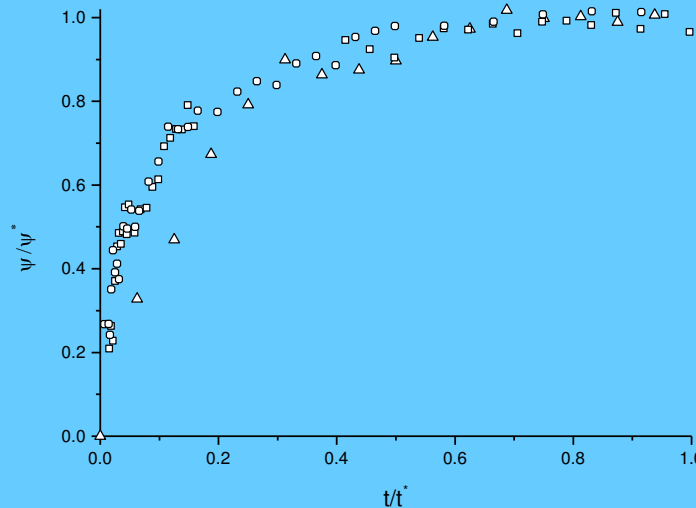
Different viscosities, the same glass filter



△	1
□	2
○	3

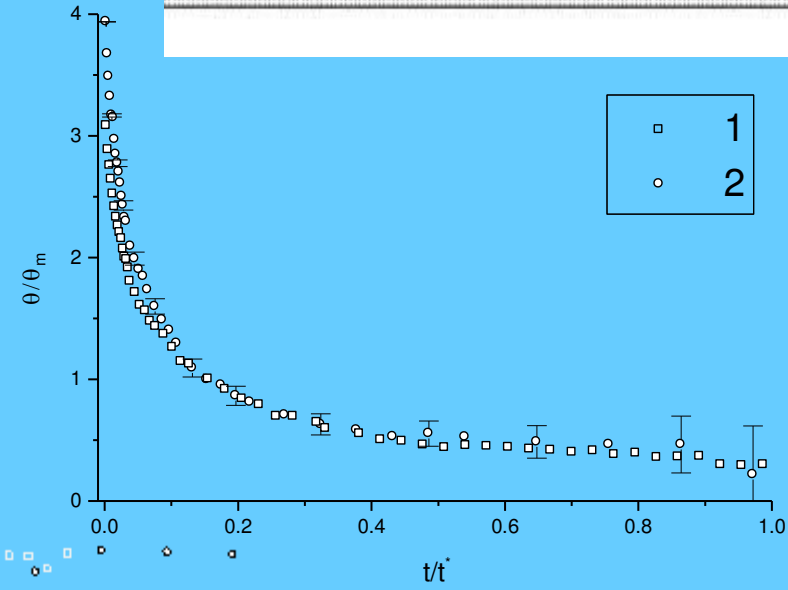
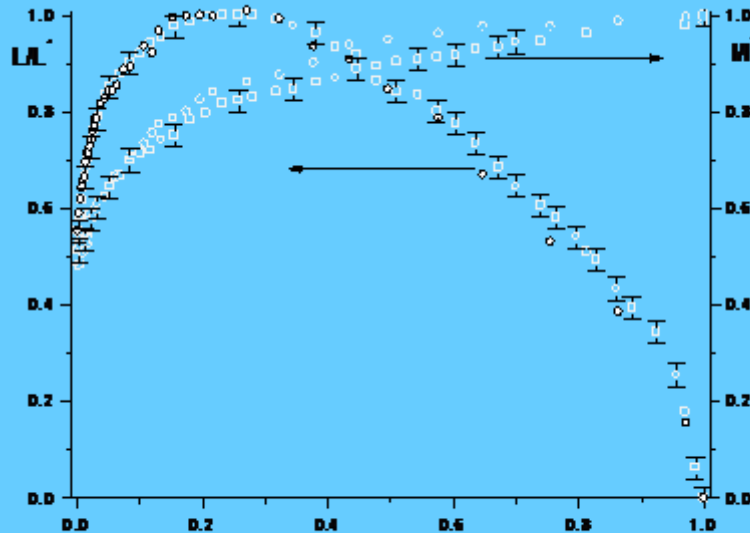
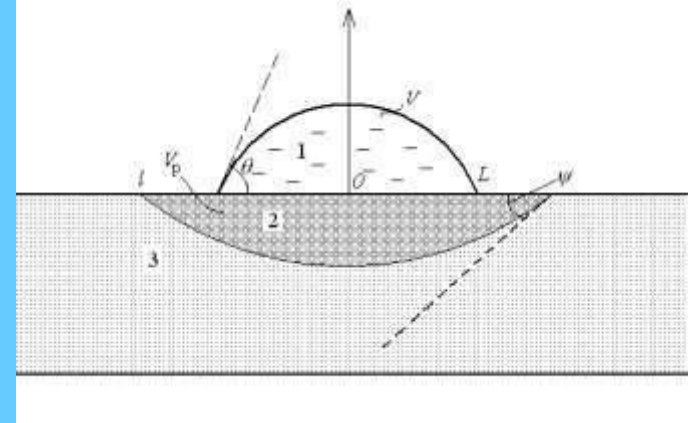
porosity 0.53
average pore size 4.7 μm

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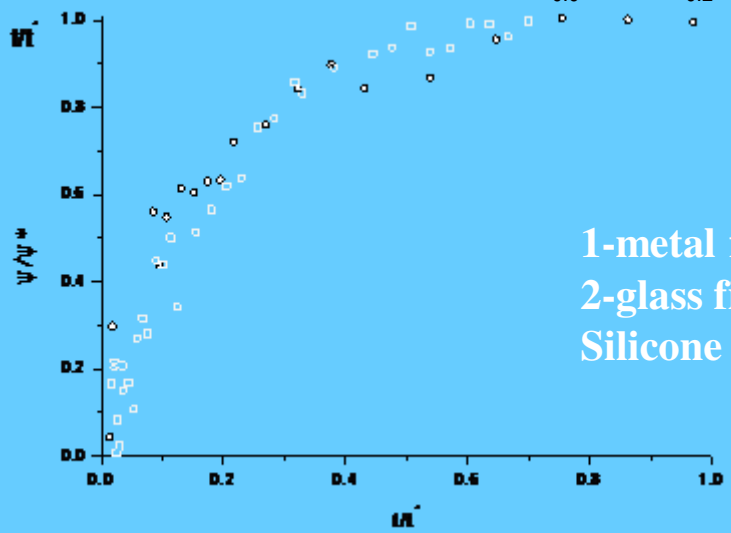


1 μ=5 c P
2 μ=100 cP
3 μ=500 cP

Glass and metal filters with similar properties

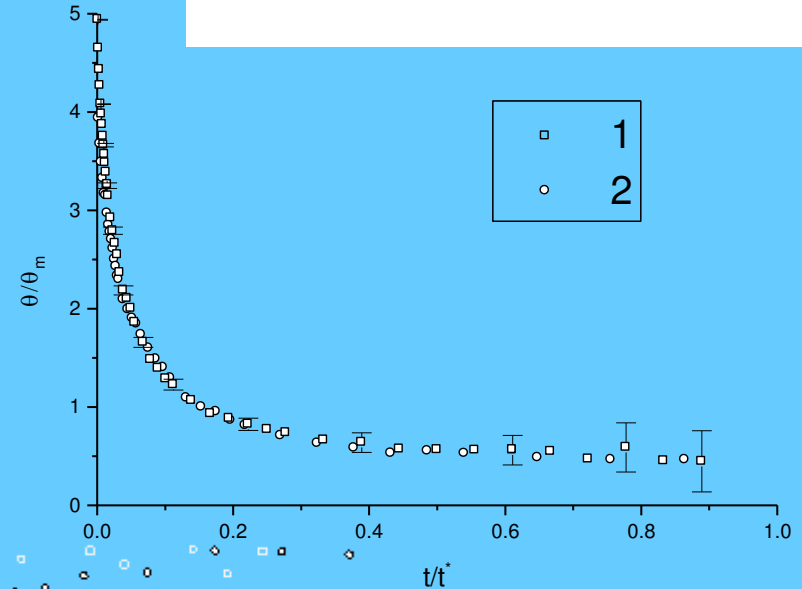
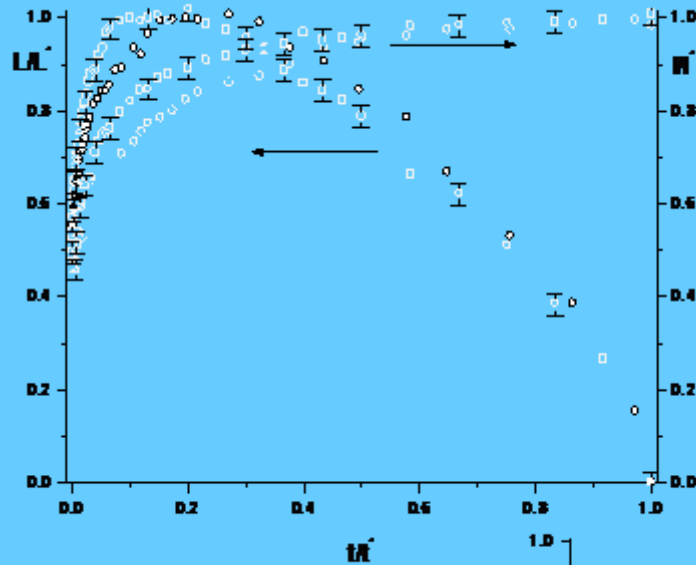
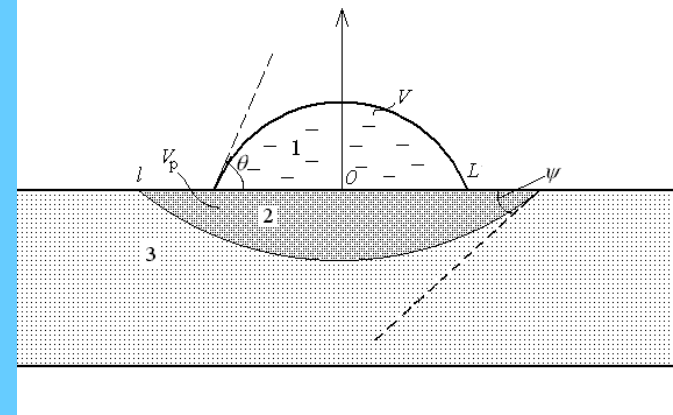


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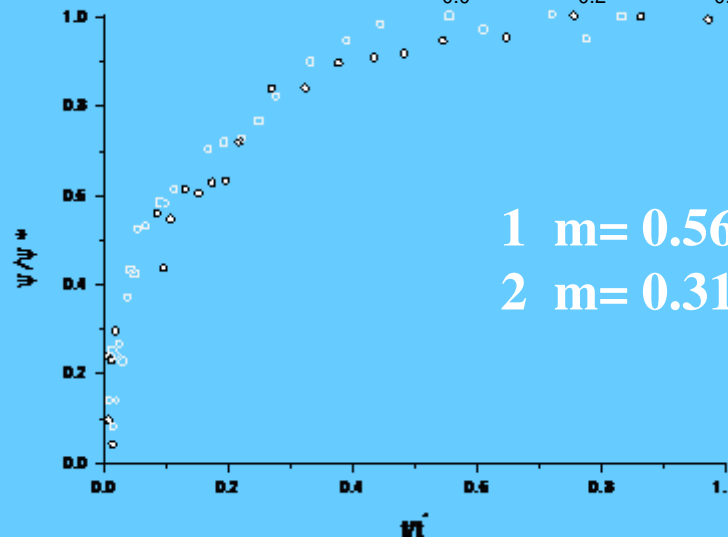


1-metal filter: $m=0.32$, $r=26.1 \mu\text{m}$.
 2-glass filter: $m=0.31$, $r=26.8 \mu\text{m}$
 Silicone oil $\mu=5 \text{ cP}$

Glass filters: different porosity and averaged pore sizes, $\mu=500$ cP



Stage 1 difference
Stage 2 universal
behaviour



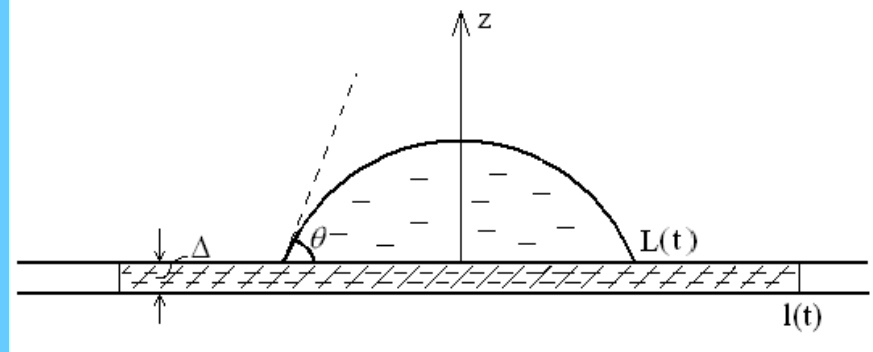
1 $m=0.56$; $r=3.7 \mu\text{m}$
2 $m=0.31$; $r=26.8 \mu\text{m}$

SPREADING OF SDS SOLUTIONS

**INFLUENCE OF
HYSTERESIS**

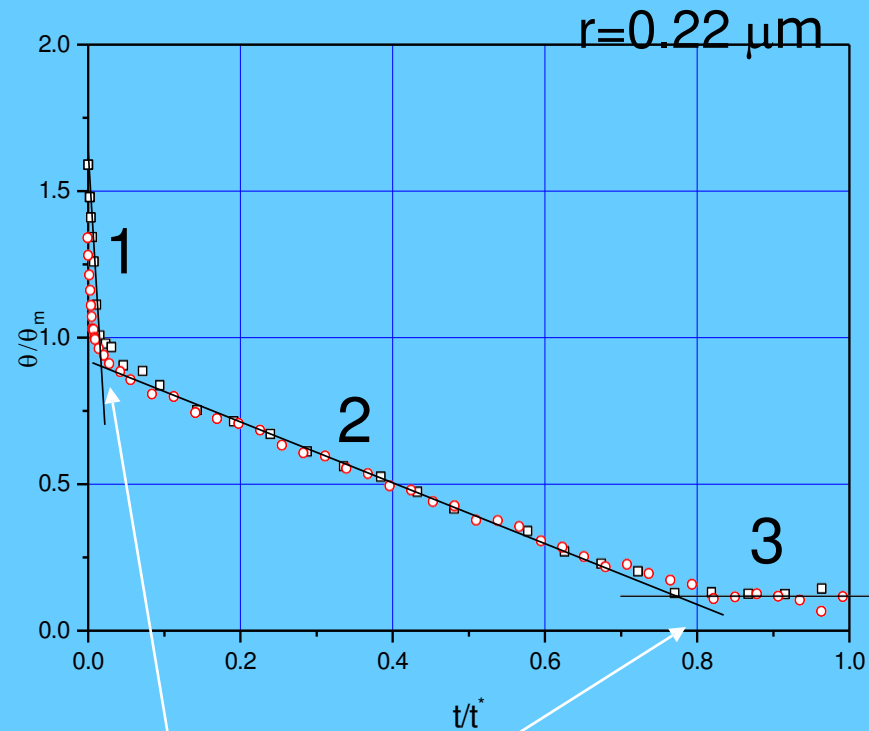
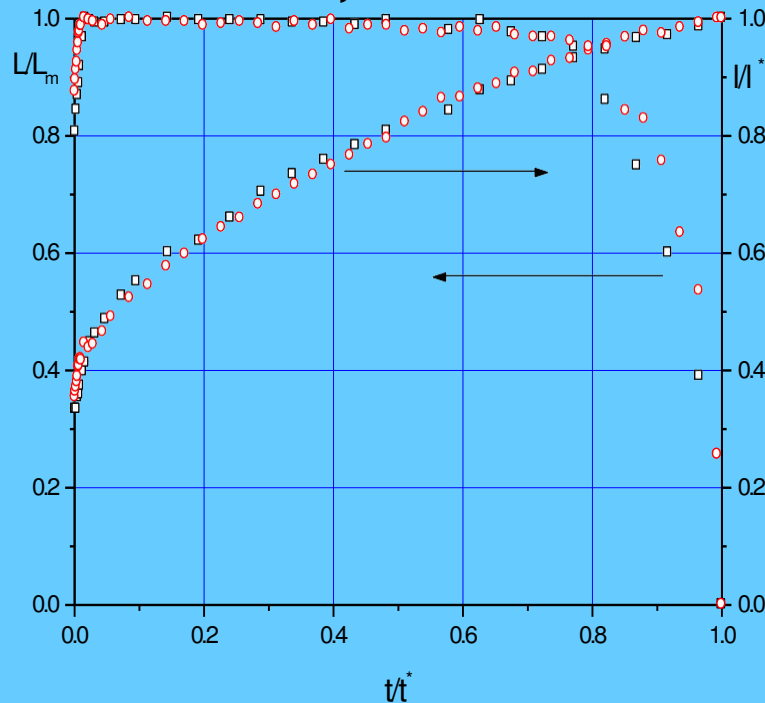
PARTIAL WETTING

SPREADING OF SDS SOLUTIONS OVER NITROCELLULOSE MEMBRANES: influence of hysteresis



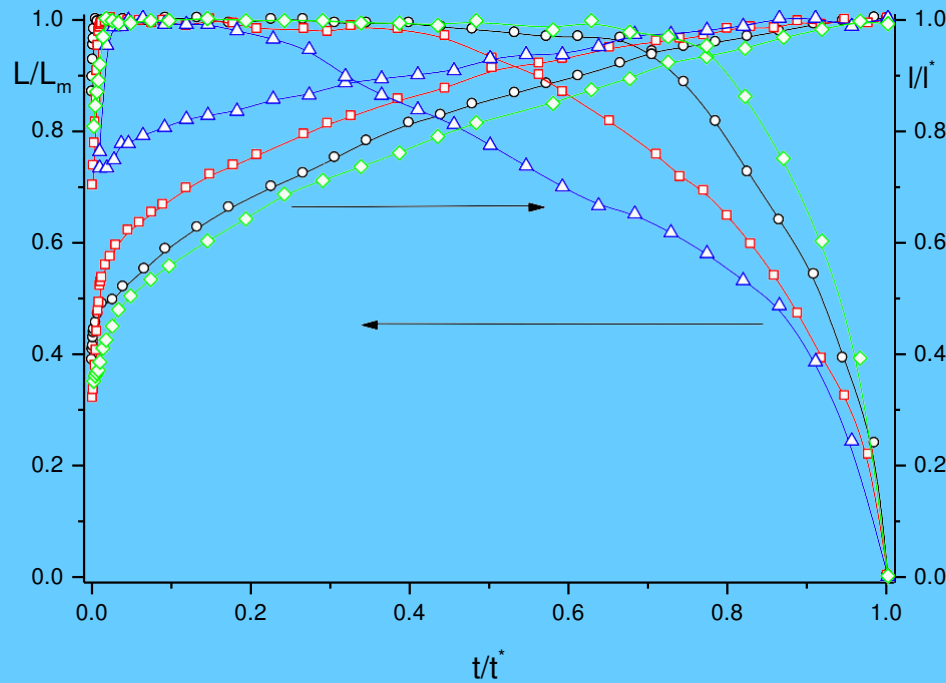
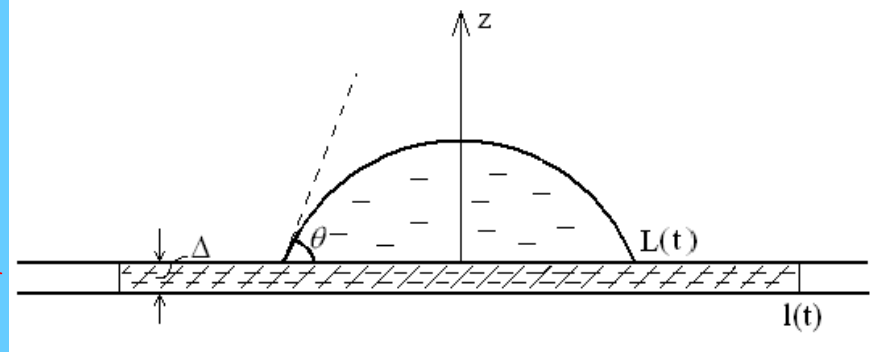
THREE STAGES OF SPREADING

- 1** θ decreases, L , increases until the maximum value
- 2** L constant, θ decreases linearly
- 3** L decreases, θ constant



θ_a advancing contact angle
 θ_e constant contact angle

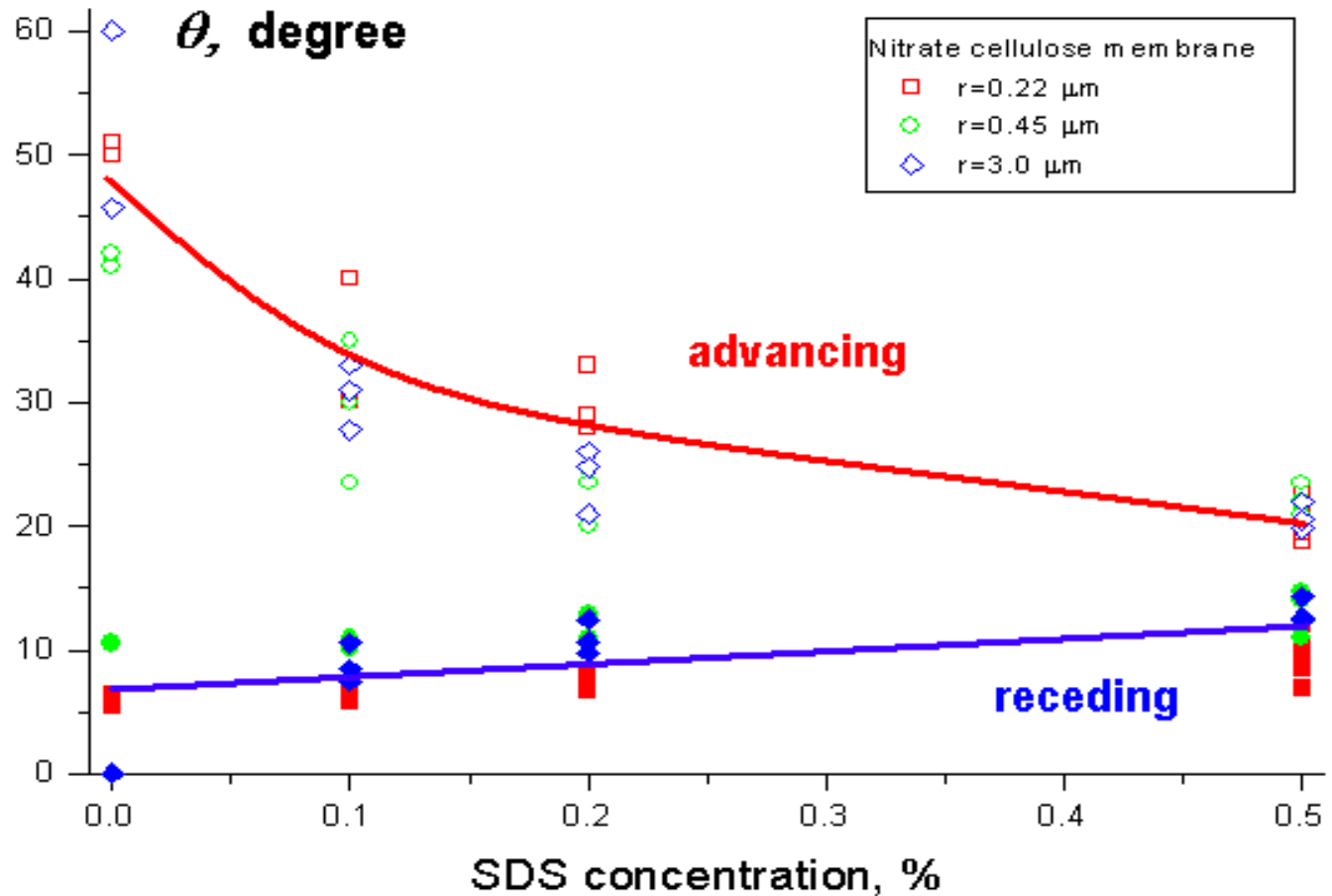
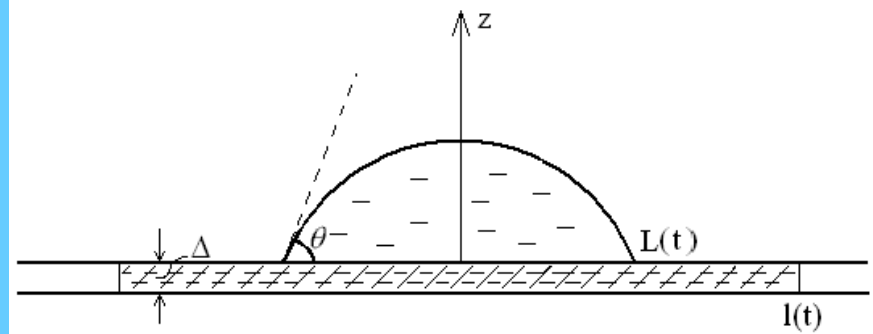
Contact angle hysteresis: influence SDS concentration



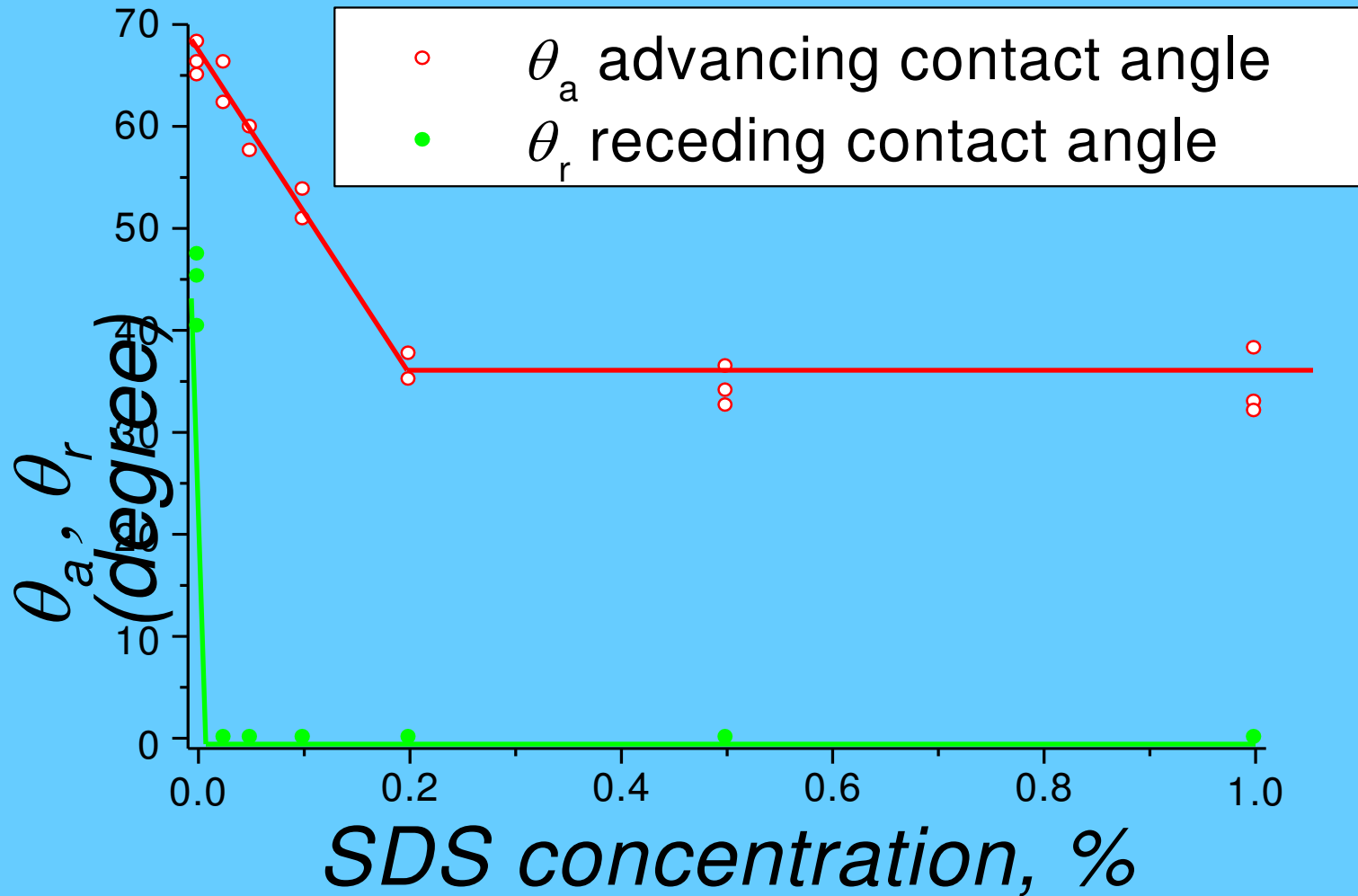
$r=0.22 \mu\text{m}$
SDS 0%
0.1%
0.2%
0.5%

**HYSTERESIS DECREASES
WITH SDS
CONCENTRATION**

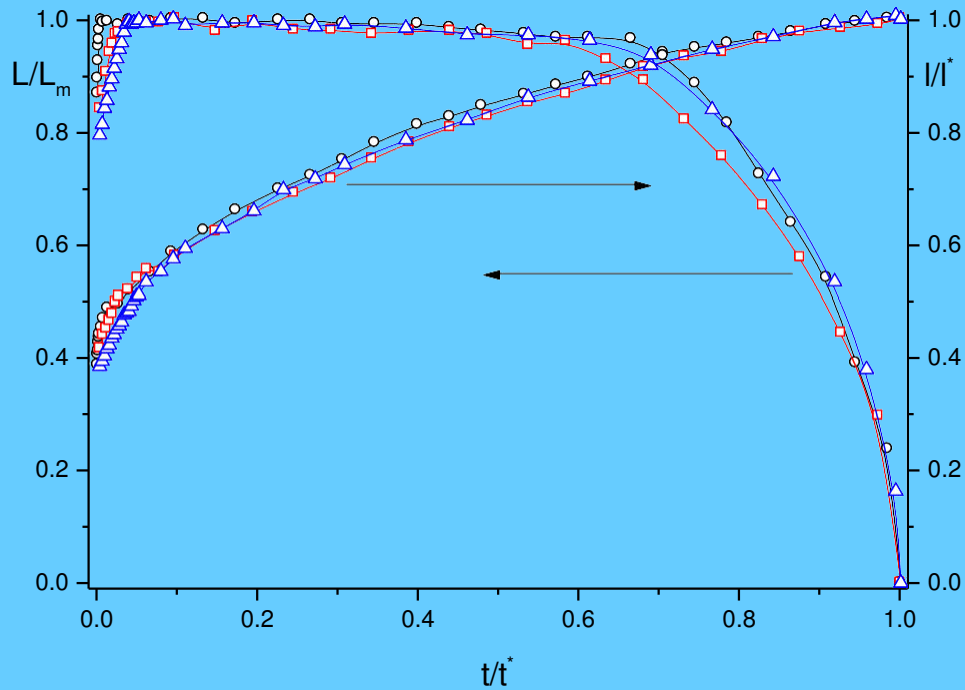
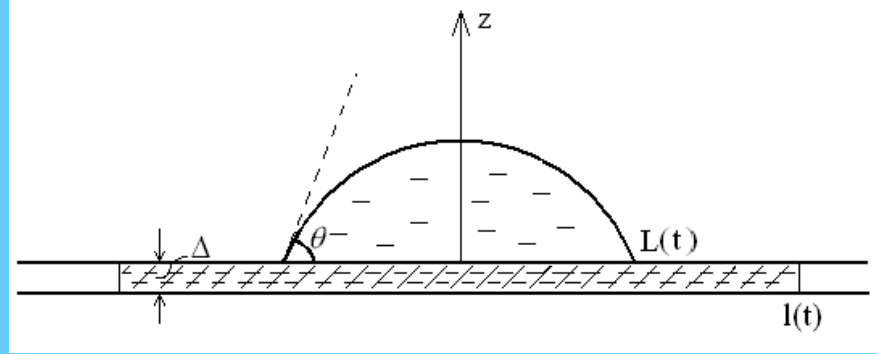
Contact angle hysteresis: influence of SDS concentration



HYSTERESIS ON NON-POROUS NITROCELLULOSE SUBSTRATE



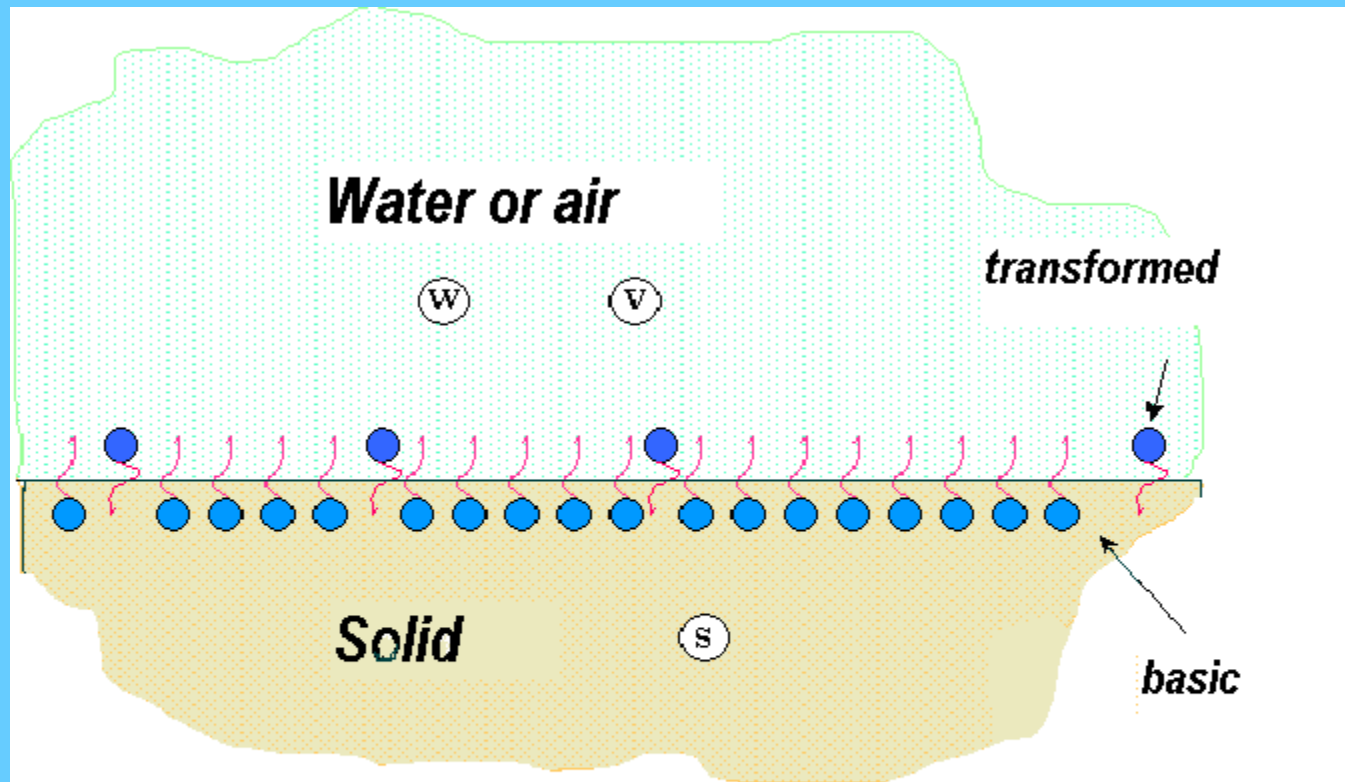
Pore size influence: WEAK DEPENDENCY



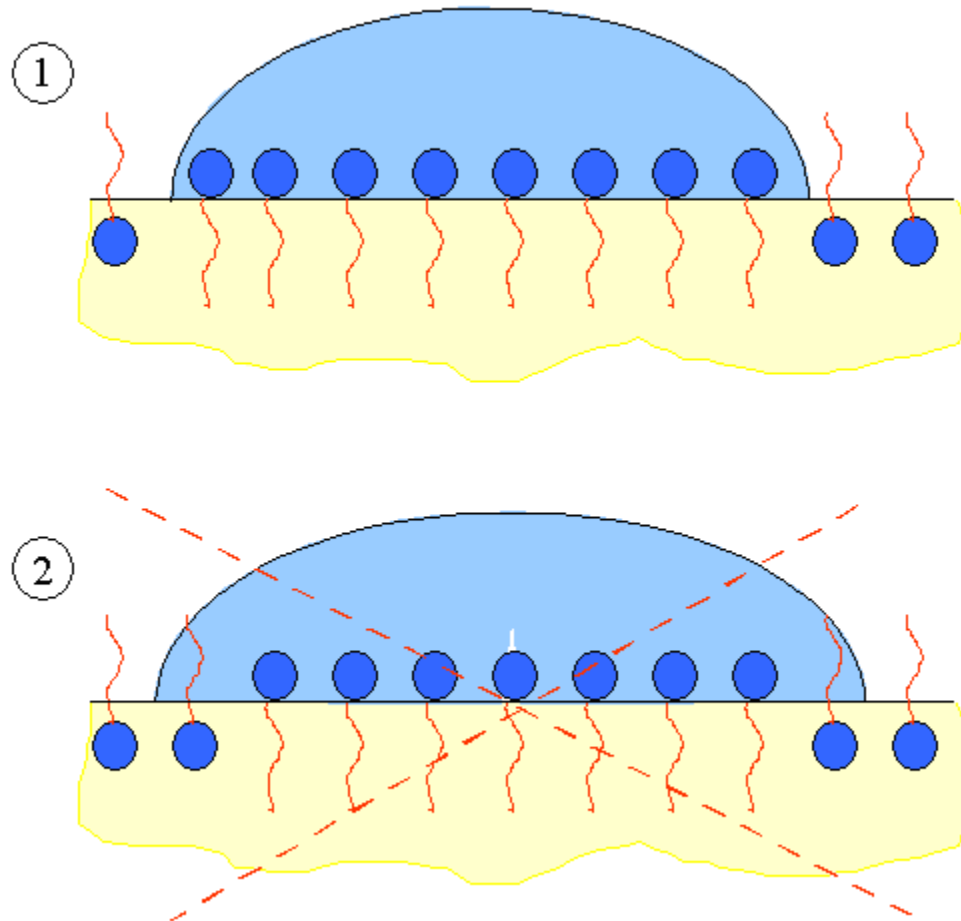
SDS 0.1%
 $r_1 = 0.22 \mu\text{m}$
 $r_2 = 0.45 \mu\text{m}$
 $r_3 = 3.0 \mu\text{m}$

**SPREADING OVER FATTY
ACID SURFACES
OR LIPID LAYERS**

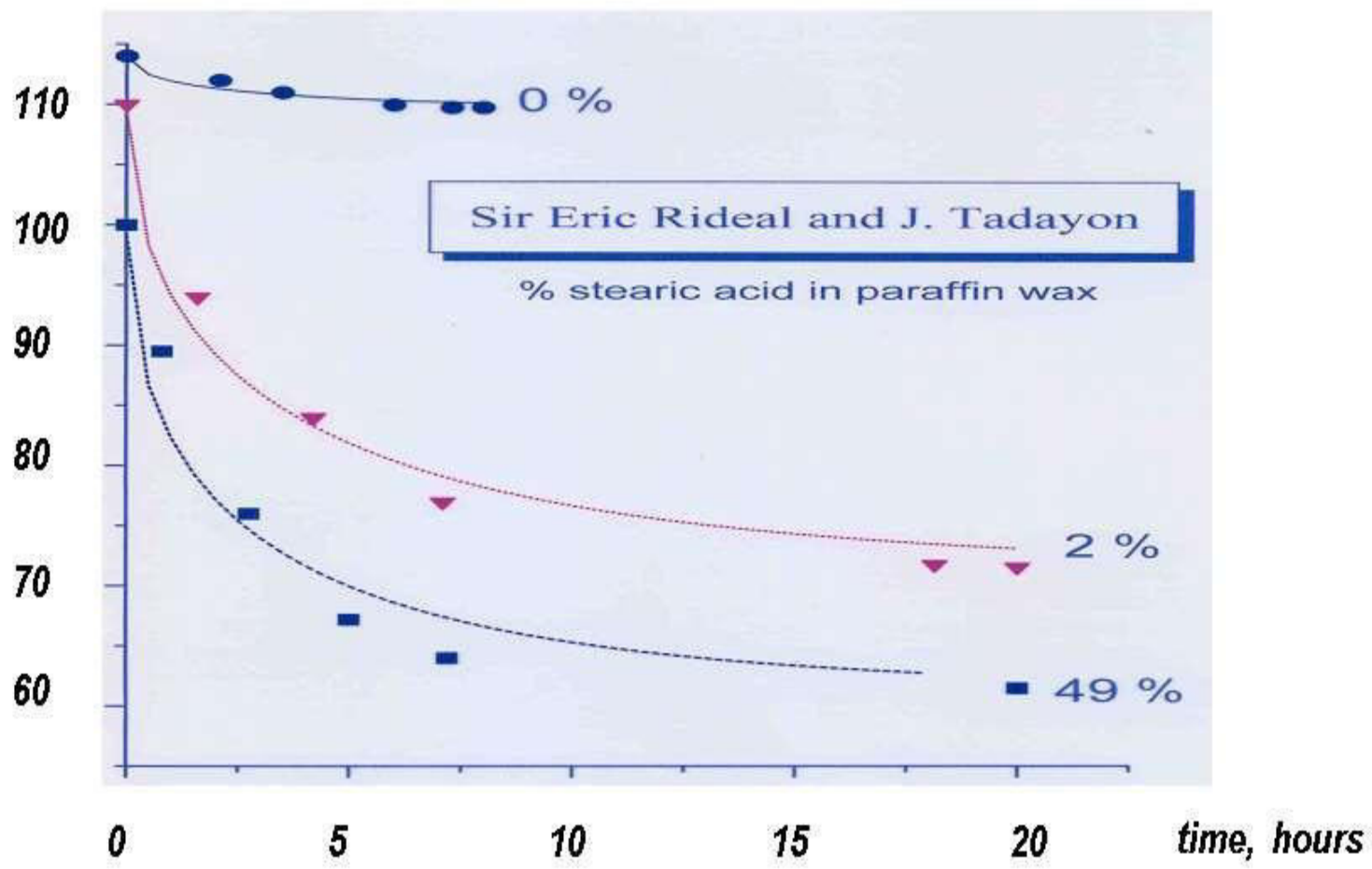
SOLID SUBSTRATE WITH ROTATIONALLY MOBILE CHAINS OF FATTY ACID



NO LATERAL INTERACTION – NO SPREADING



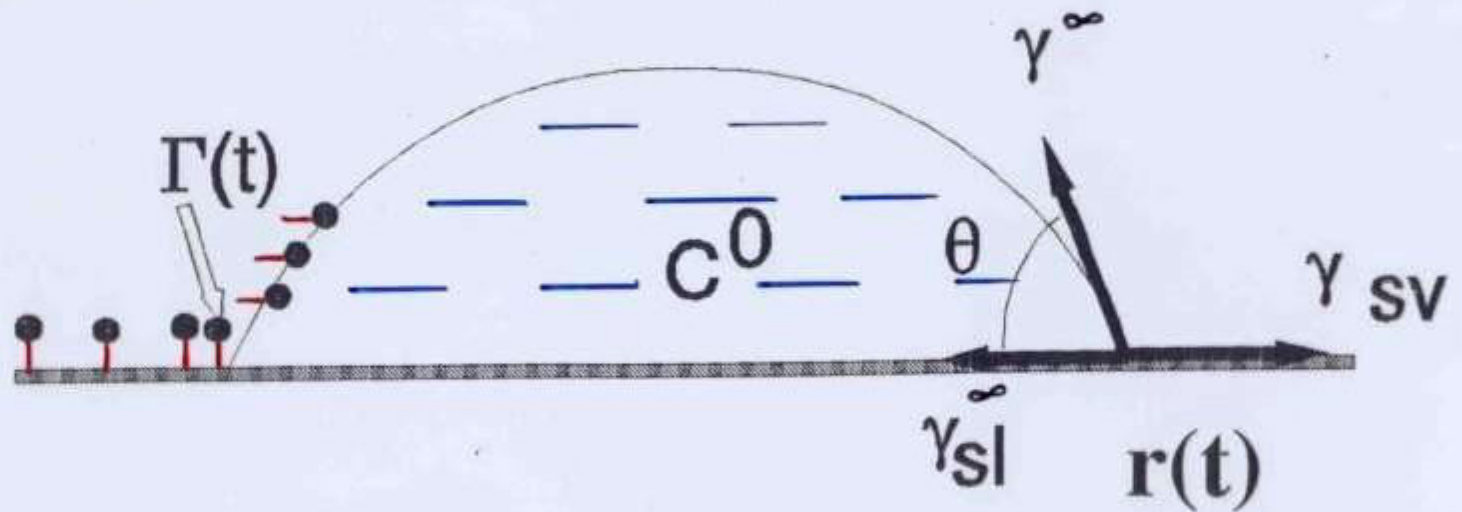
contact angle , degree



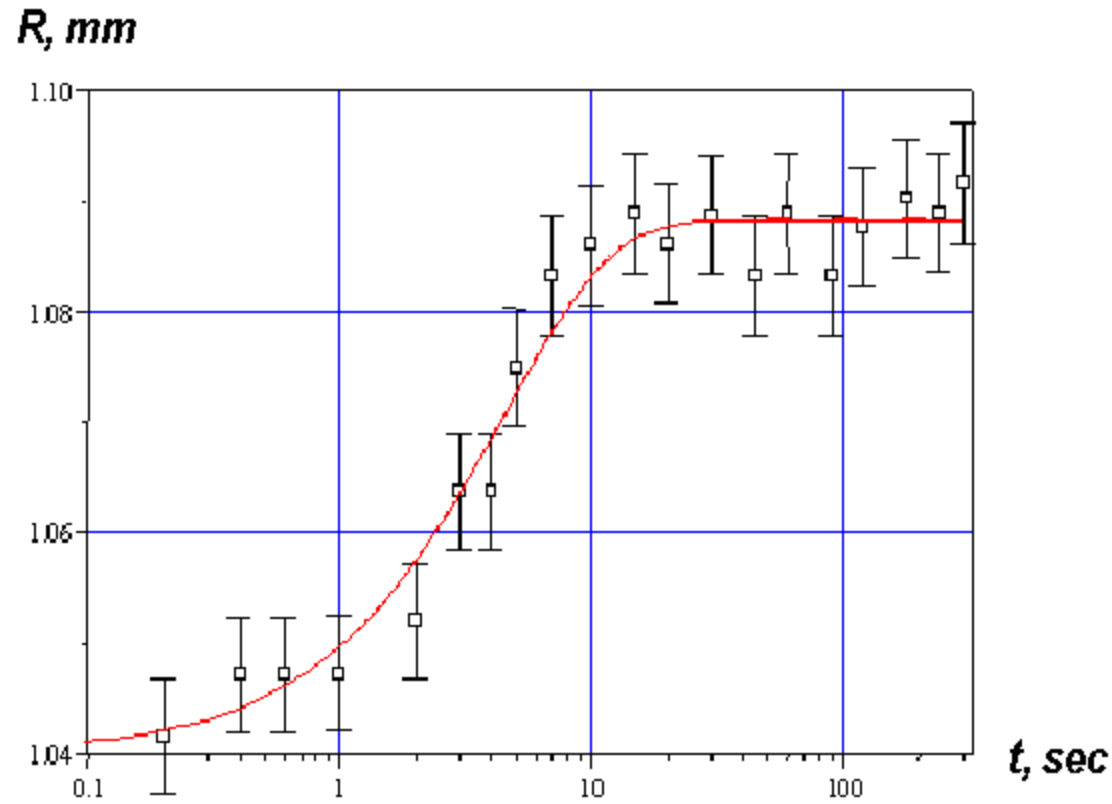


SPREADING OVER HYDROPHOBIC SUBSTRATES

Kinetics of drops spreading over hydrophobic surfaces

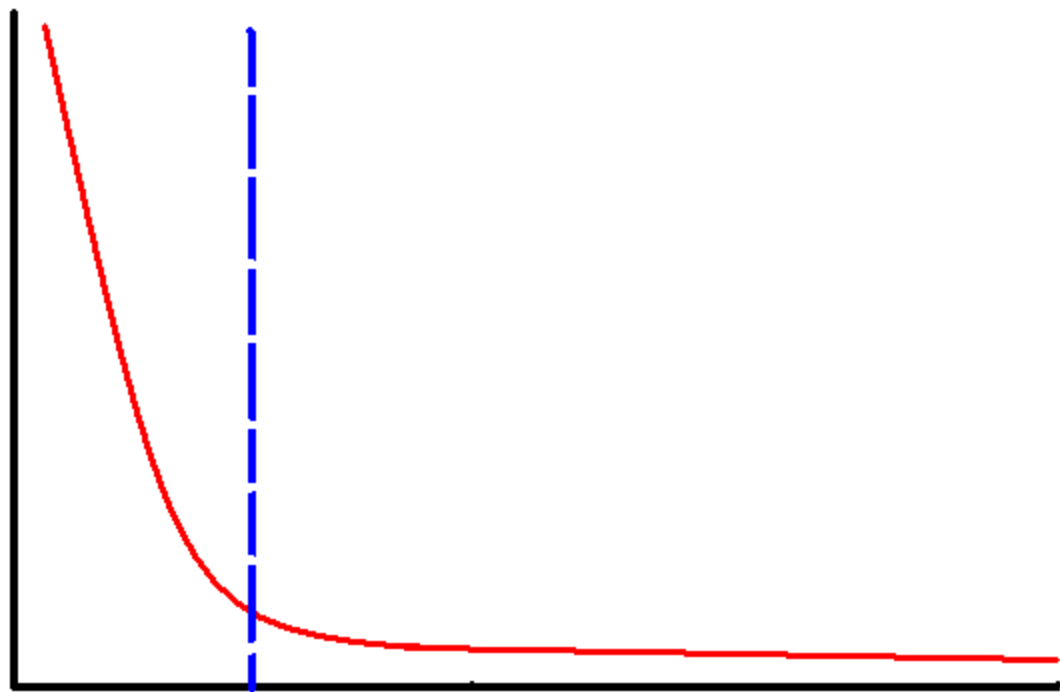


SPREADING OF DROPS ($2.5 \pm 0.2 \mu\text{l}$) OF 0.05% SDS SOLUTION OVER PTFE WAFER



THEORY PREDICTION

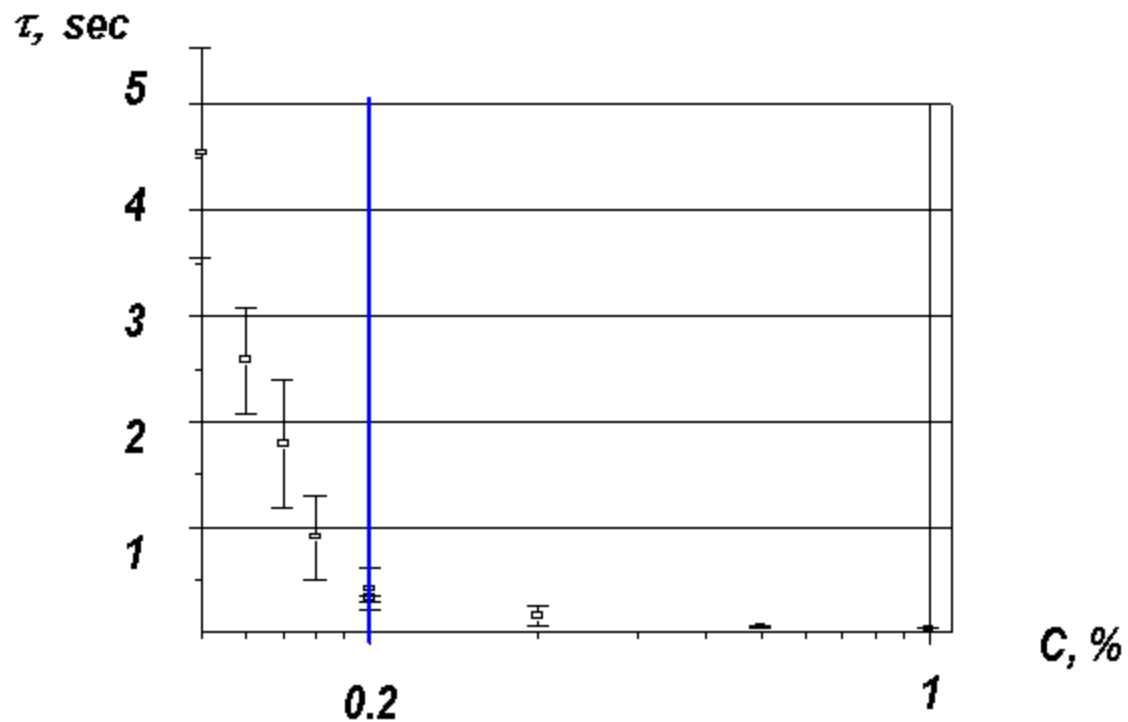
TRANSITION TIME



CMC

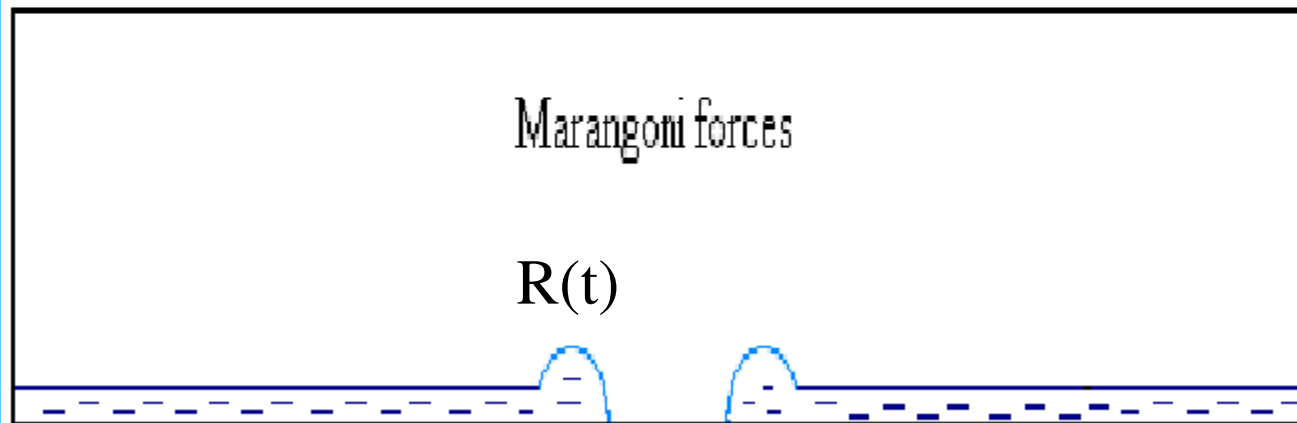
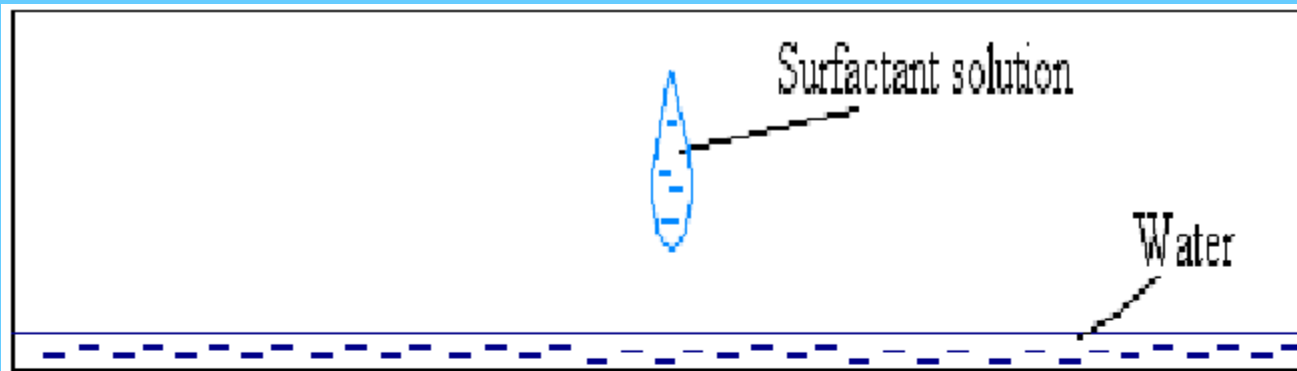
CONCENTRATION

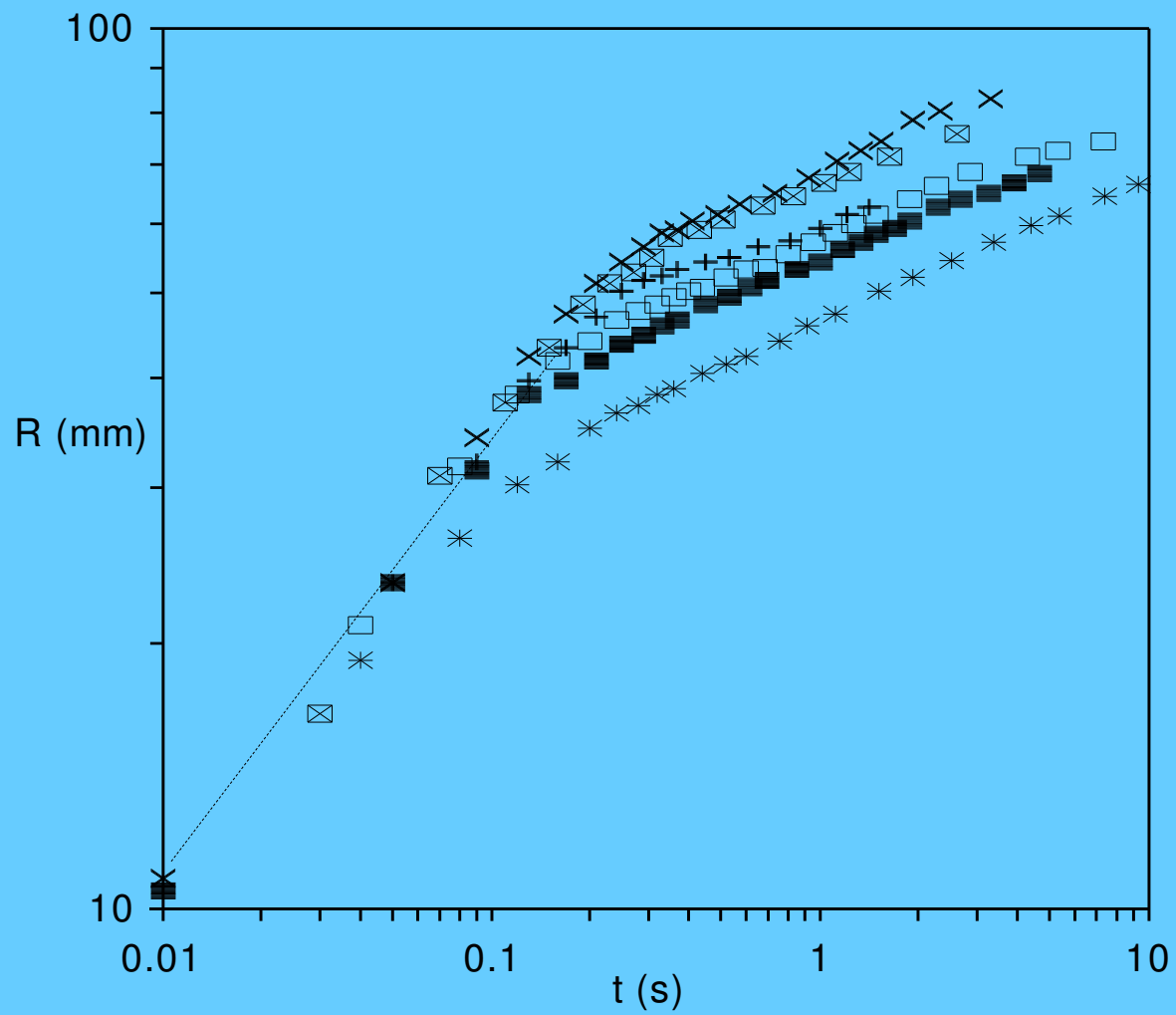
TRANSITION TIME, τ , ON CONCENTRATION SPREADING OF SDS SOLUTIONS OVER PTMF

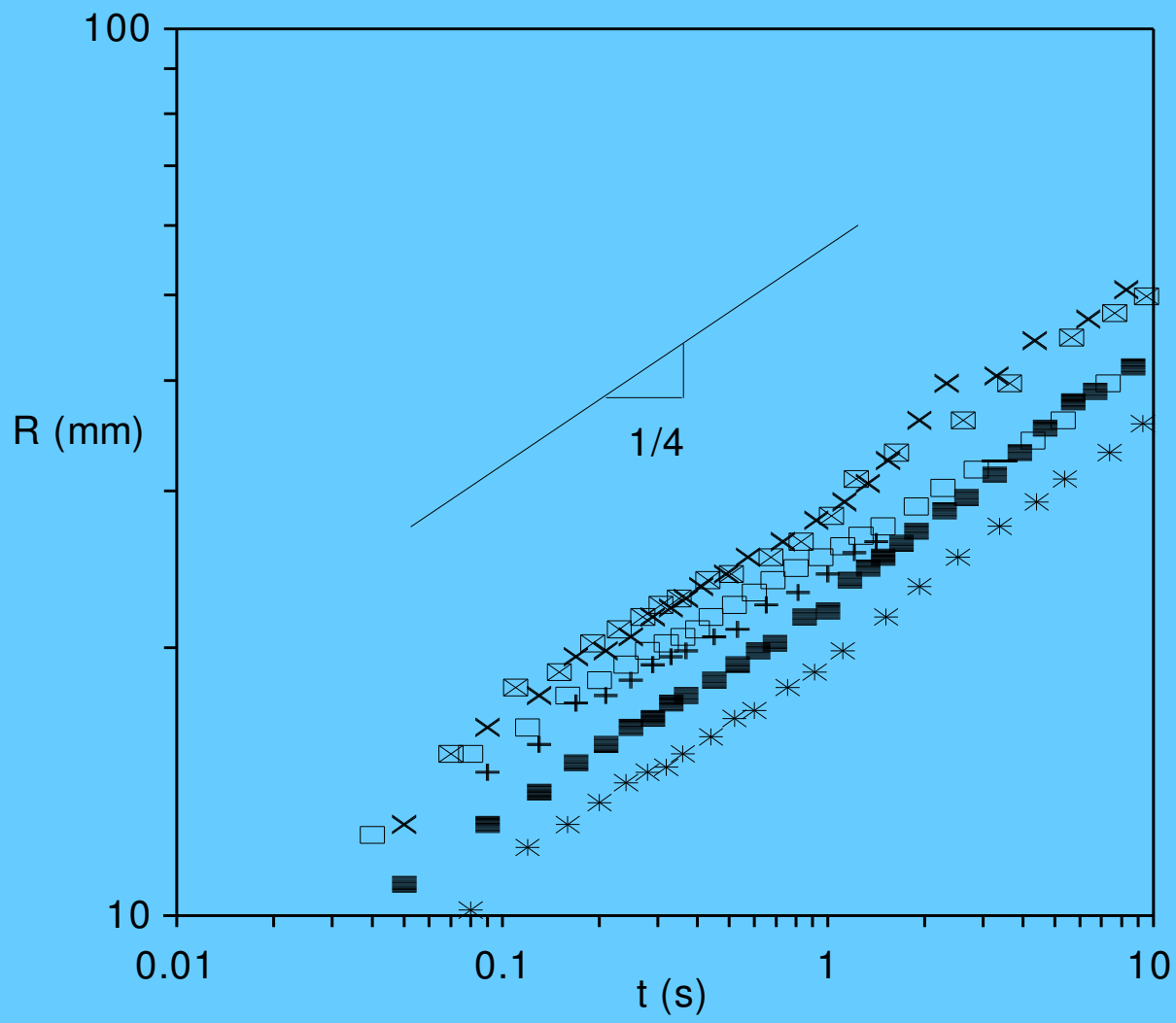


**SURFACTANTS ON
THIN WATER LAYERS:
MARANGONI FLOW**

SURFACTANT ON THIN WATER LAYER



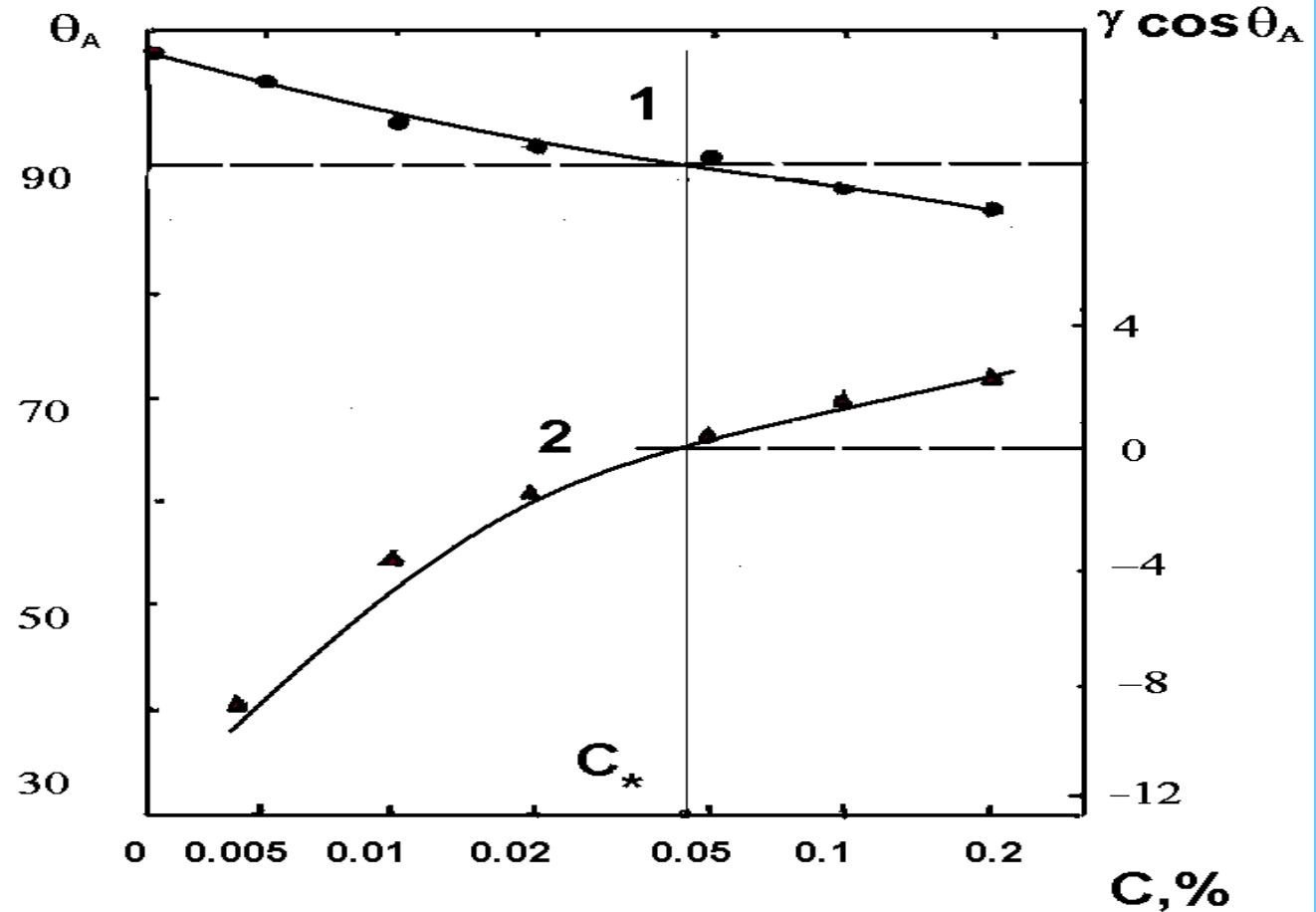




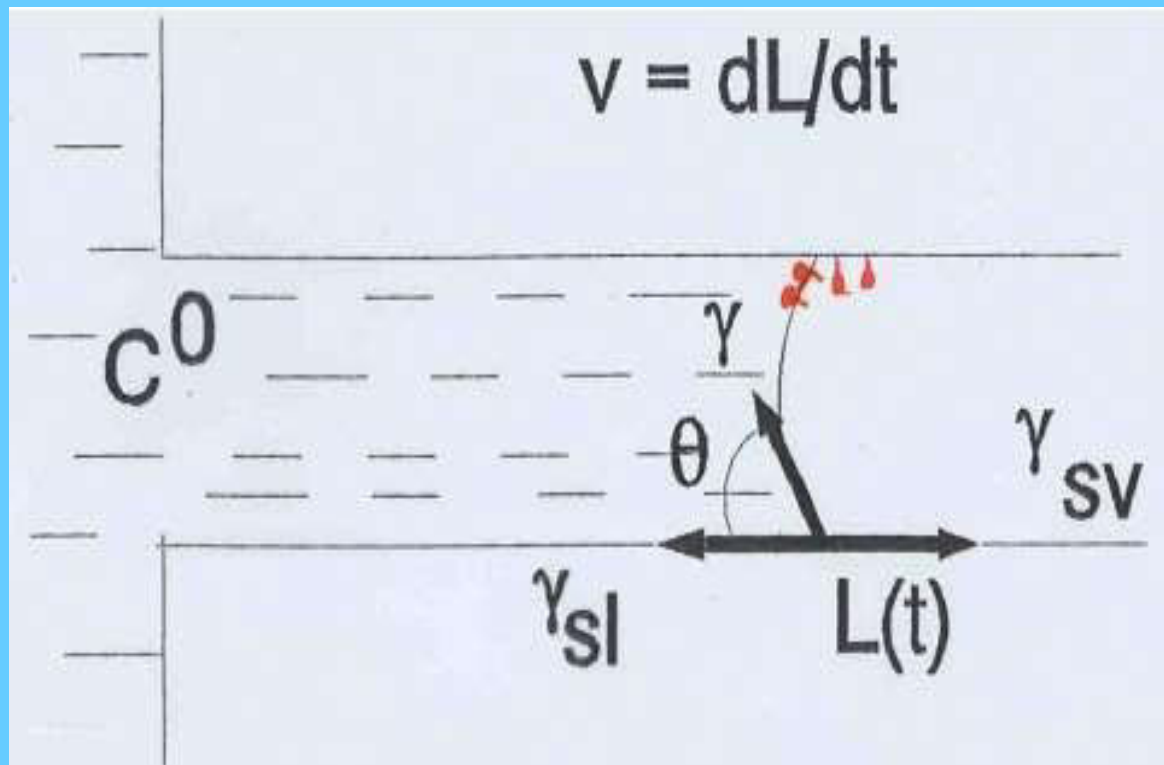
Capillary imbibition of surfactant solutions

NON-WETTING

SYNTAMID-5 ON HYDROPHOBISED QUARTZ SURFACE



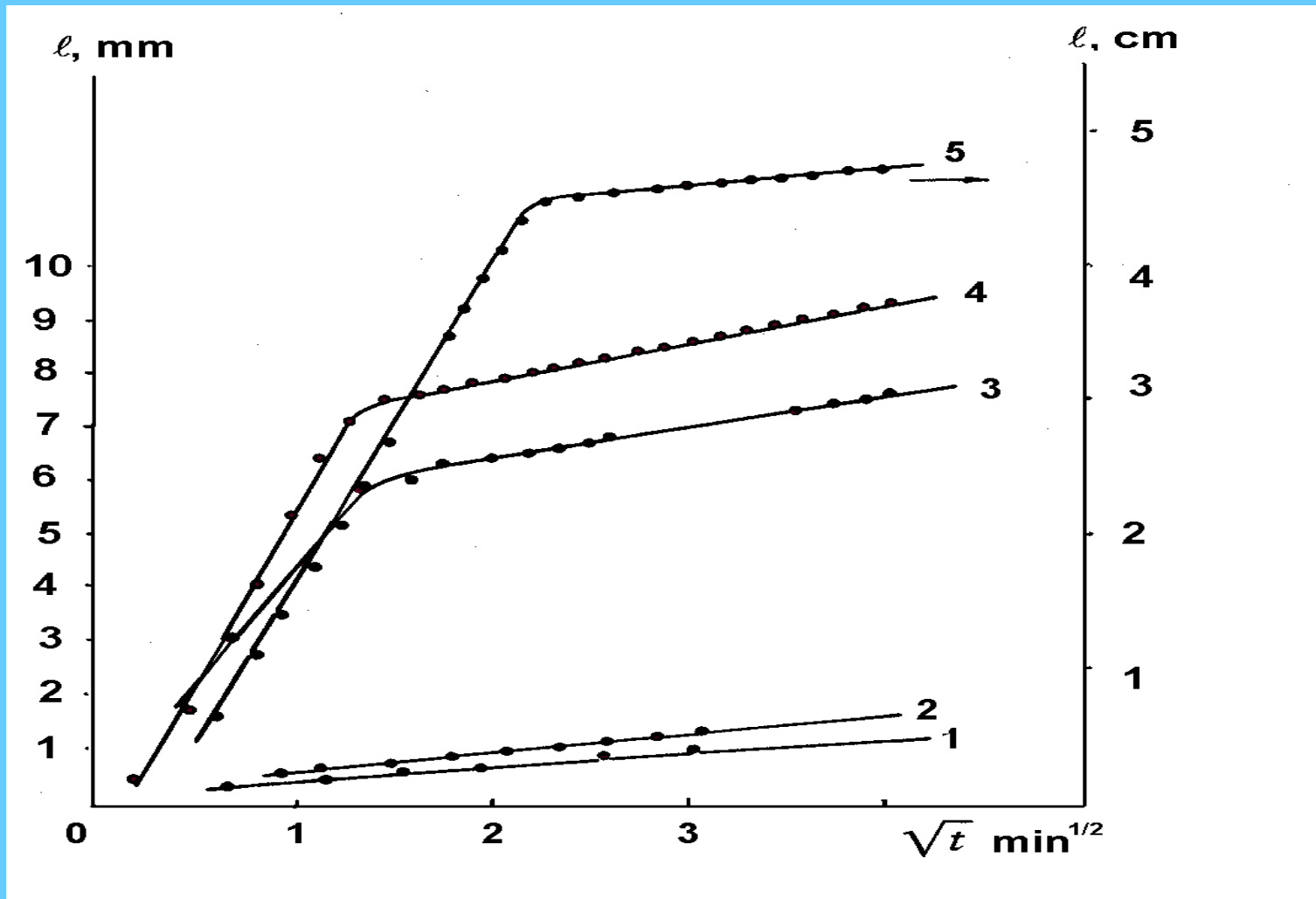
IMBIBITION OF SURFACTANT SOLUTIONS INTO HYDROPHOBISED QUARTZ CAPILLARIES



SPONTANEOUS PROCESS!

Imbibition length, l , on time, t , Syntamide-5 horizontal hydrophobized quartz capillary, $r = 16 \mu\text{m}$.

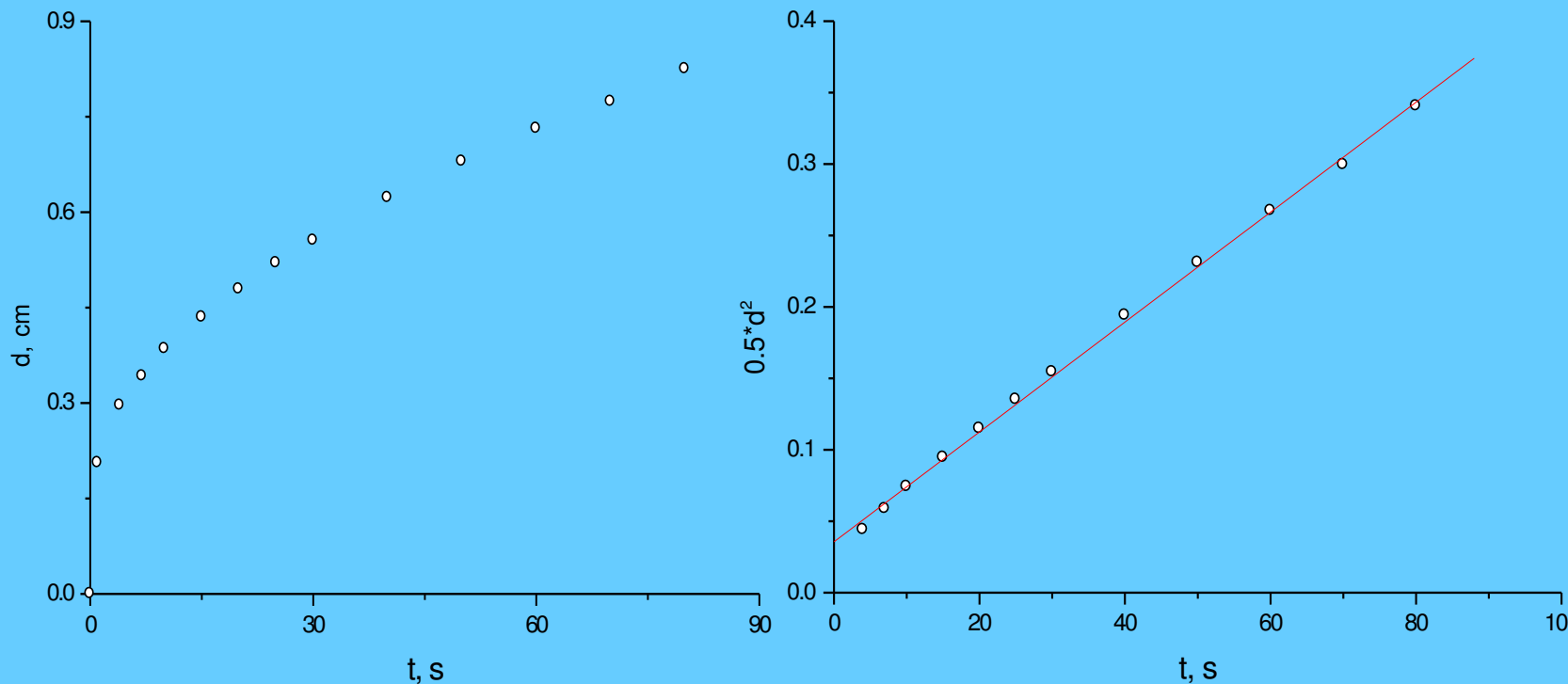
1 0.05%; 2 0.1%; 3 0.4%; 4 0.5%; 5 1%.



**CAPILLARY IMBIBITION
OF SURFACTANT
SOLUTIONS
PARTIAL WETTING**

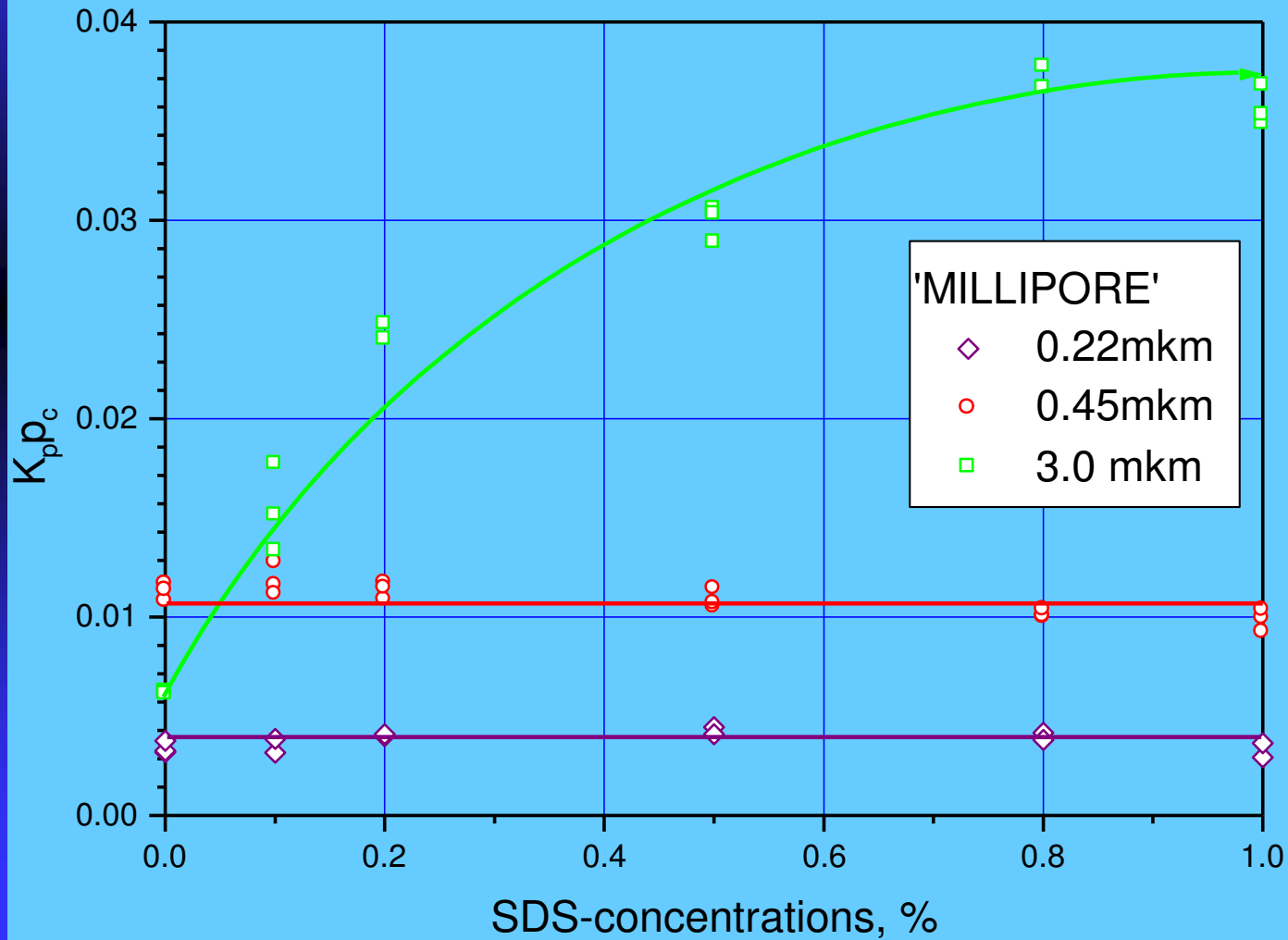
Capillary imbibition of surfactant solutions: partial wetting

$$d^2(t) = 2K_p p_c t / \mu$$



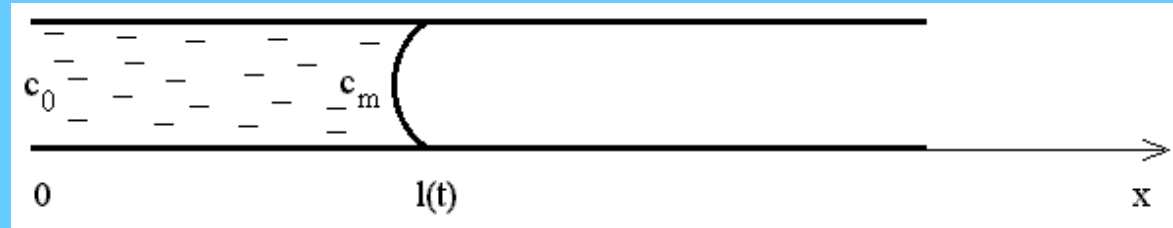
Nitrocellulose membrane
SDS concentration 0.1%
Average pore size 0.22 μm .

Capillary imbibition of SDS solutions: nitrocellulose membranes



Capillary imbibition of surfactant solutions

Theory



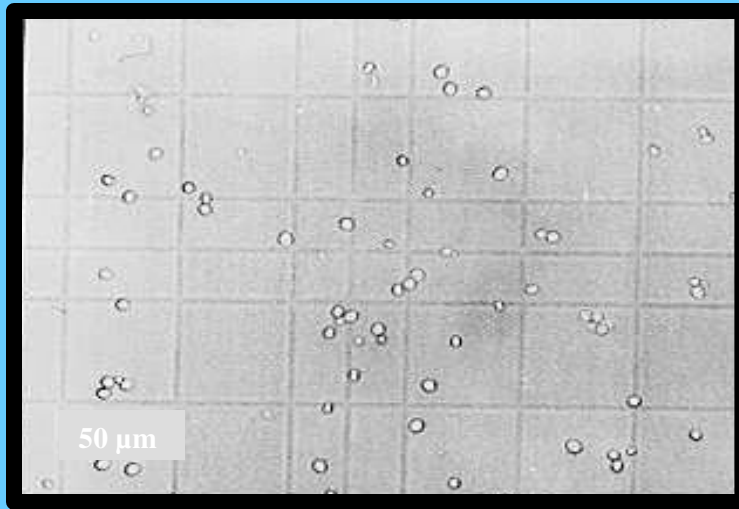
$$r_{cr} = \frac{a_{\infty}^2 \pi \gamma_{\min} \cos \theta_{\max}}{2D \eta c_{CMC}^2}$$

$l.r < r_{cr}$ Surfactant concentration is zero on the moving meniscus at any SDS concentration: pure water on the meniscus!

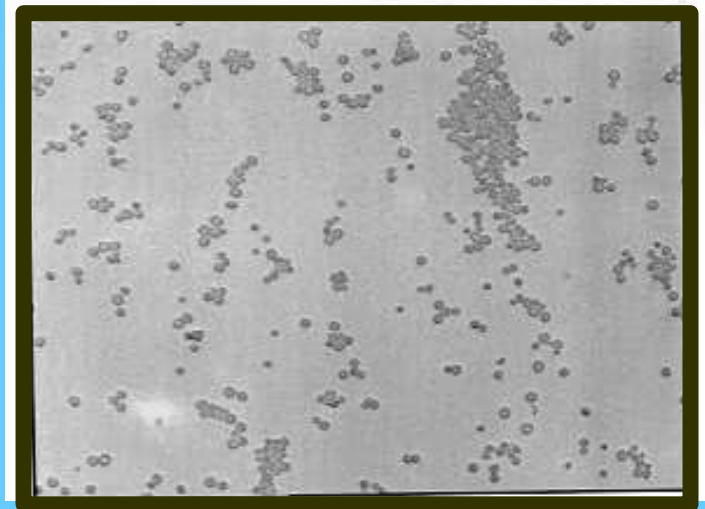
$l.r > r_{cr}$ Surfactant concentration increases on the moving meniscus with SDS concentration, which results in faster imbibition.

**INFLUENCE OF CLUSTER
FORMATION ON
VISCOSITY OF
CONCENTRATED
SUSPENSIONS/EMULSIONS**

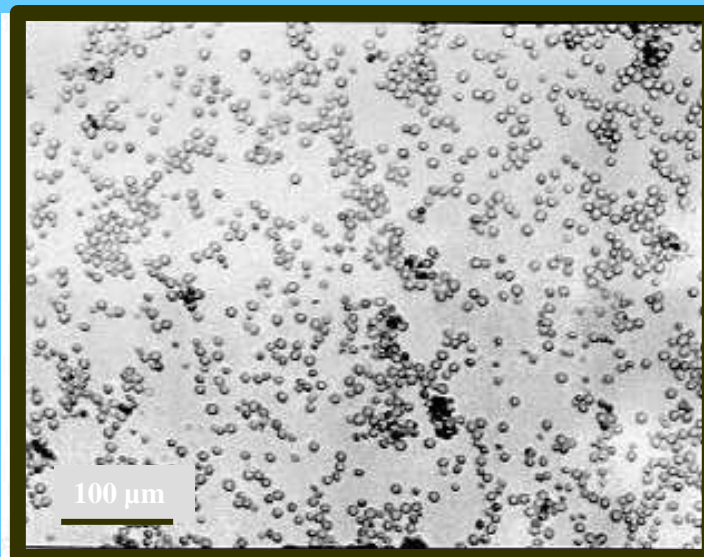
Cluster formation in yeast suspensions



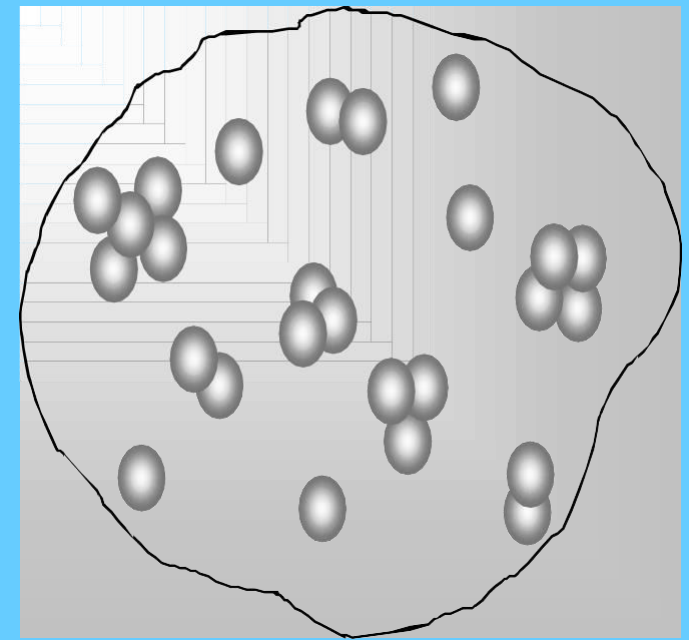
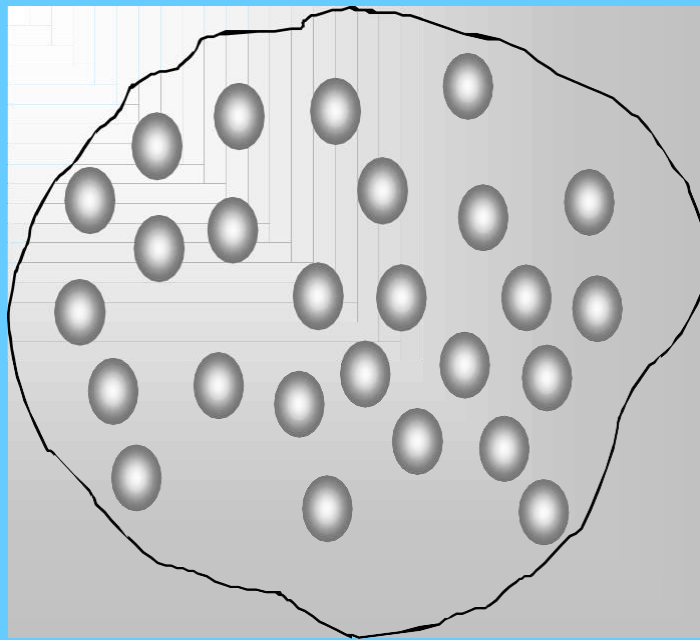
$\gamma = 0.002$



$\gamma = 0.02$



$\gamma = 0.04$

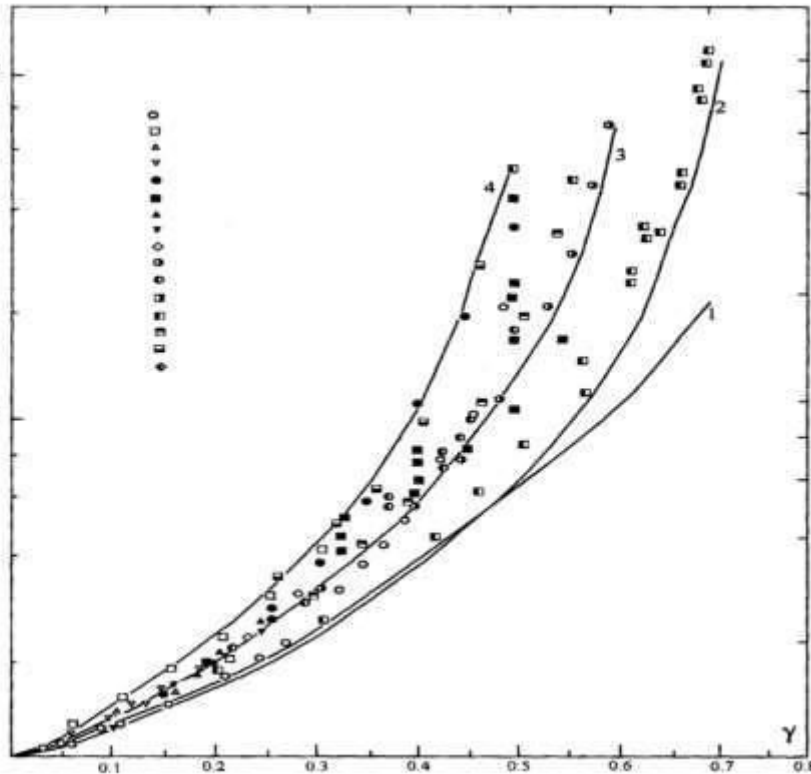


No clusters

Cluster formation

Viscosities are different though particle volume fractions are equal

$$\eta^{eff} / \eta^m$$



Viscosity on volume fraction of dispersed particles.

Experimental data from review (Thomas), solid lines according to our equation

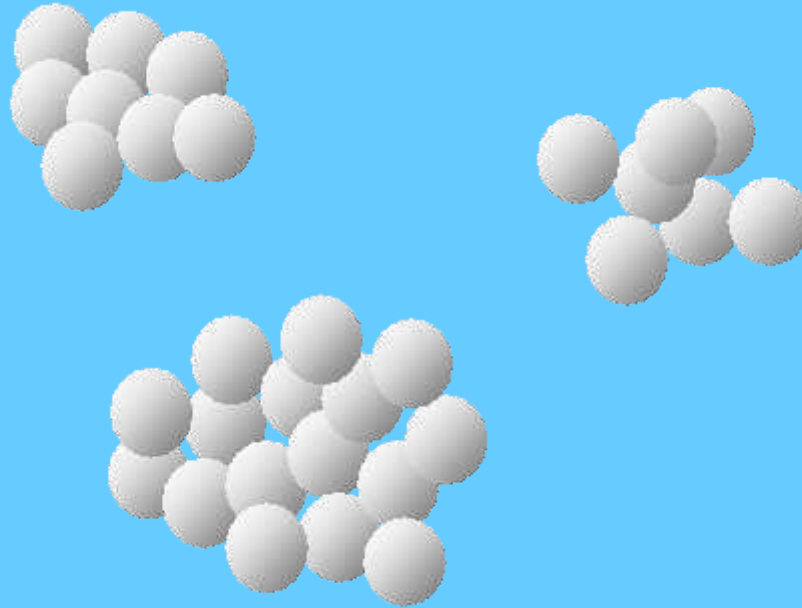
1. $\gamma_m = 1, A = 1$ (particles do not form clusters)

2. $\gamma_m = 0.73$ (close to hexagonal packing of particles inside clusters), $A = 0.61$

3. $\gamma_m = 0.65$ (close to cubic centered packing of particles inside clusters), $A = 0.67$

4. $\gamma_m = 0.56$ (close to simple cubic packing of particles inside clusters), $A = 0.72$

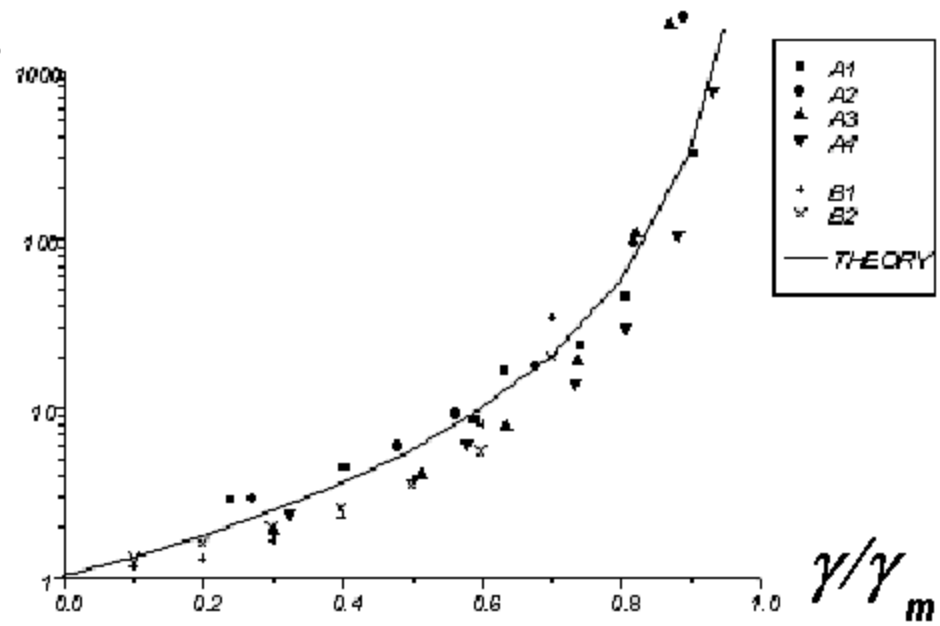
EMULSIONS



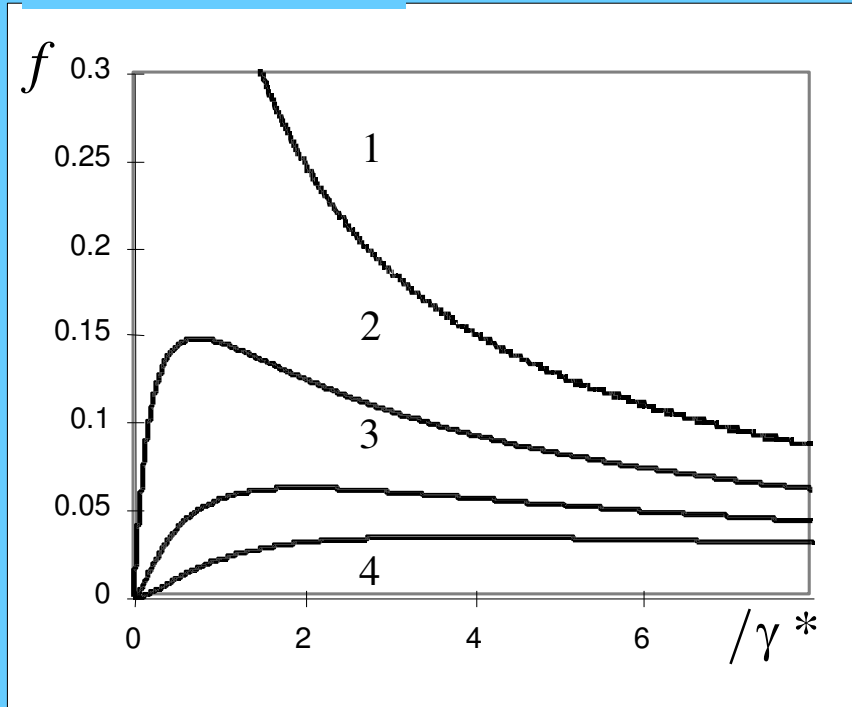
Developed flocculation

γ_m density of droplets inside flocs

$$\left(\frac{\eta}{\eta_0}\right) \left[\frac{2\eta + 5\eta_c}{2\eta_0 + 5\eta_c} \right]^{3/2}$$

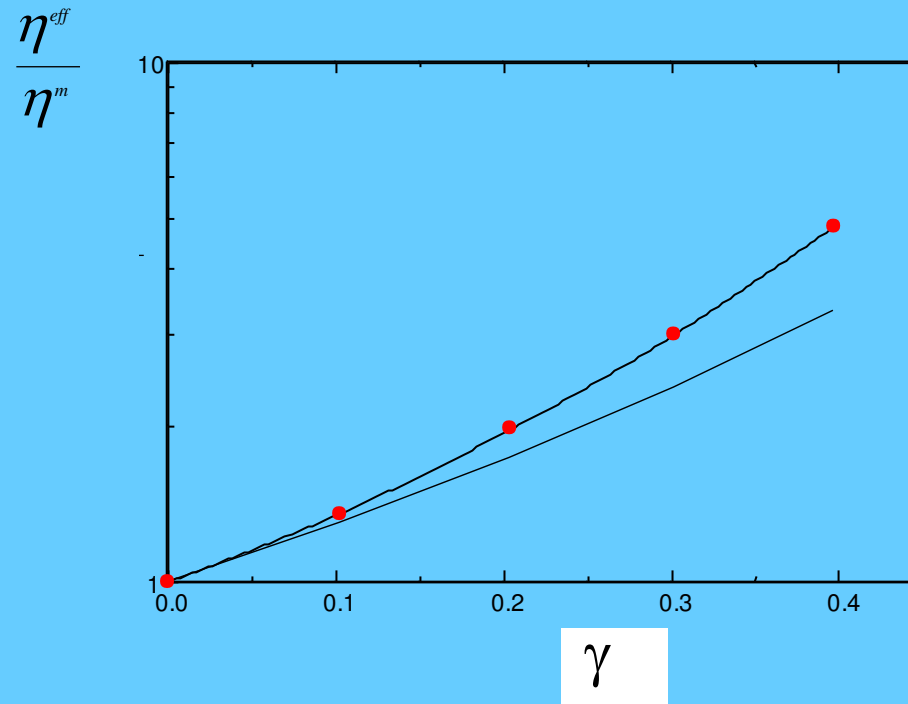


Theory of reversible coagulation



γ^* volume fraction when clusters start to form

Low flocculated emulsion

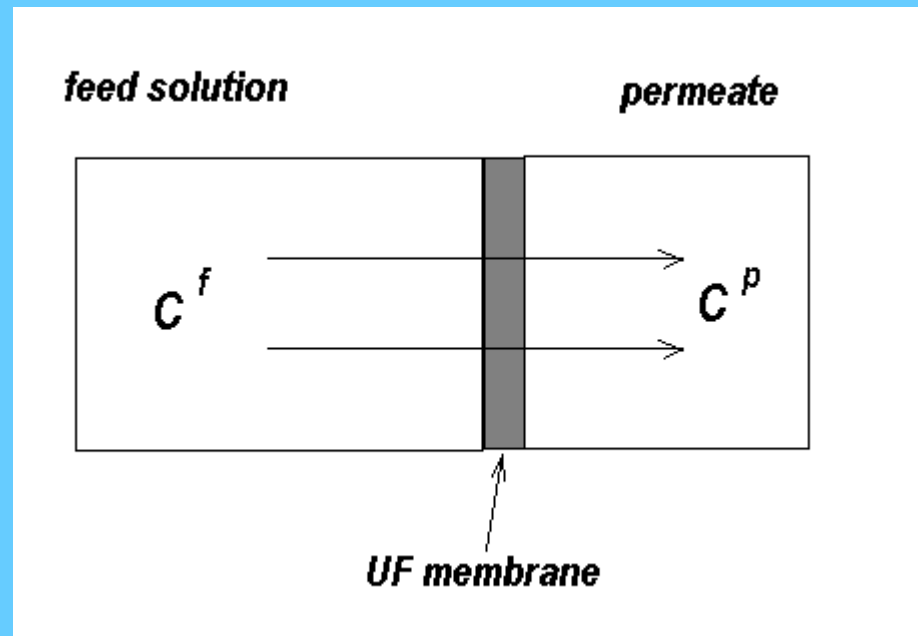


Milk at different volume fractions of fat (Leviton, A, and Leighton, A., 1936).

Curve 1 our theory (cluster formation)

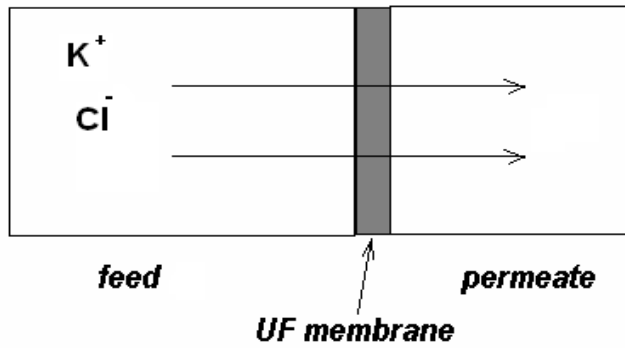
Curve 2 no cluster formation

DEADEND ULTRAFILTRATION



$$\lambda = \frac{C^p}{C^f}$$

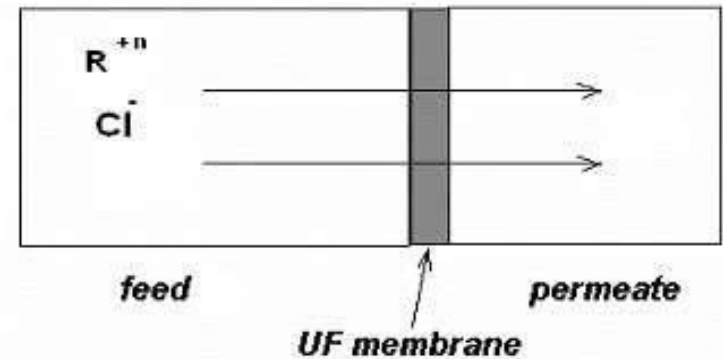
Only KCl



$$C_{K^+}^f = C_{K^+}^p$$

Rejection = 0

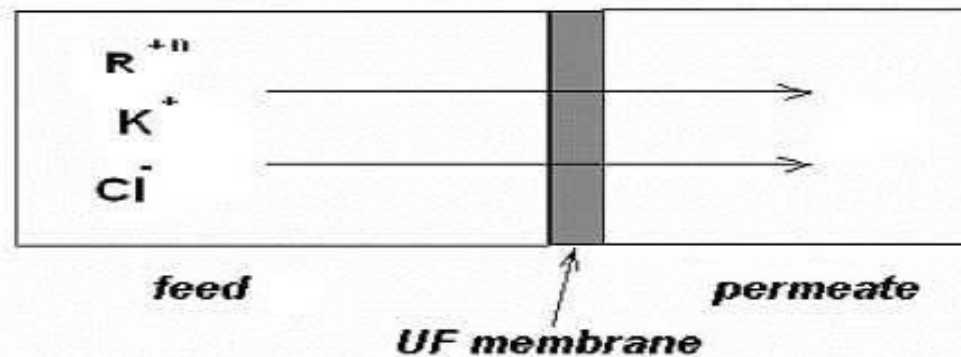
Only water soluble polymer



$$C_R^p = 0$$

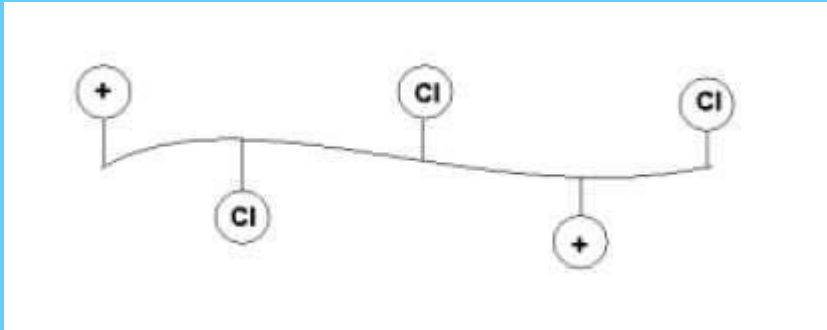
Rejection = 1

Mixture of water soluble polymer and KCl

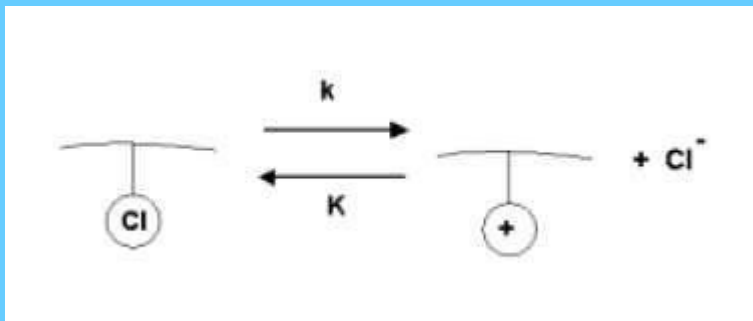


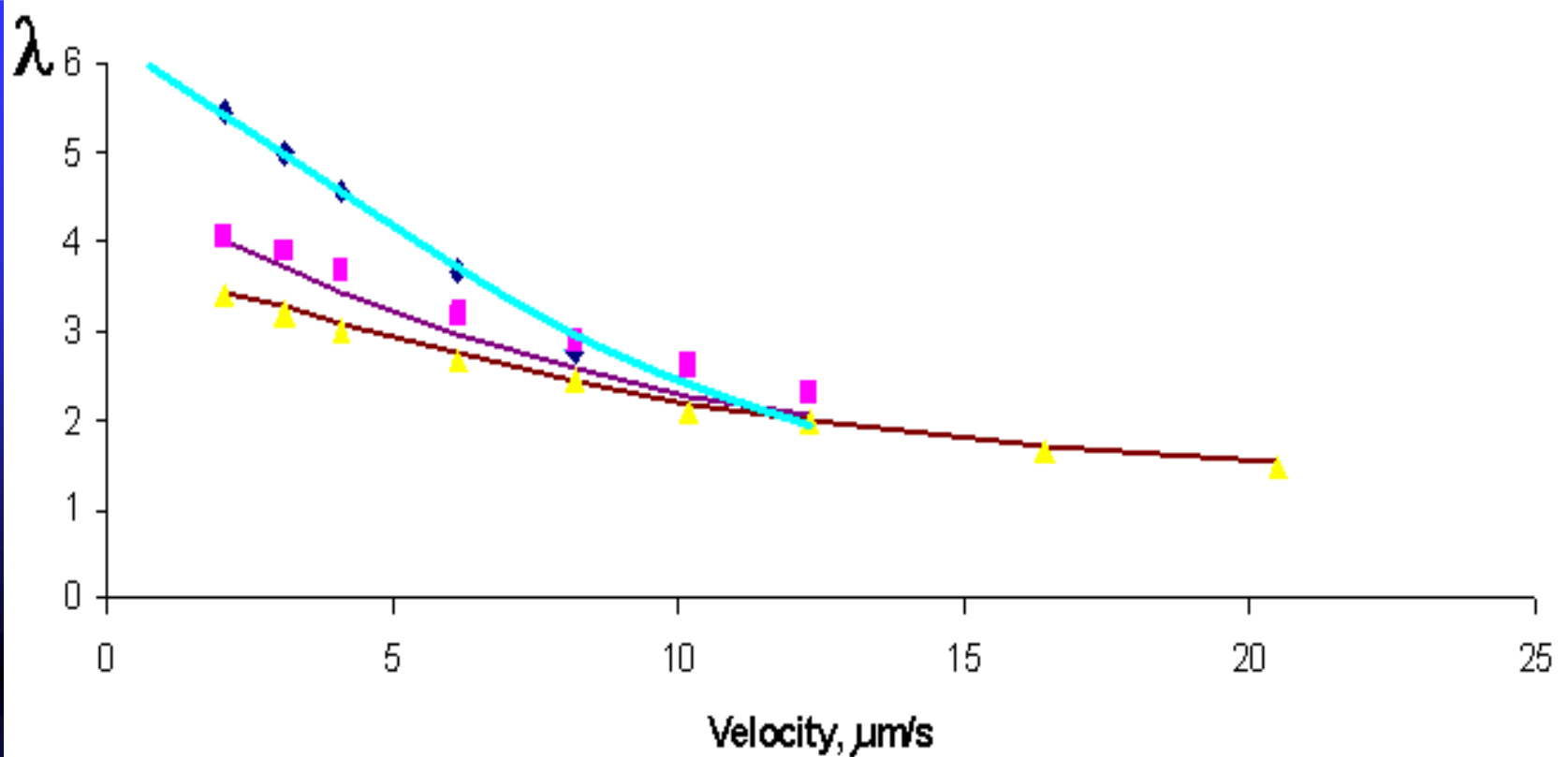
Concentration of K is higher in the permeate than in the feed solution

Water soluble polymer,
n-repeated units (n=5)



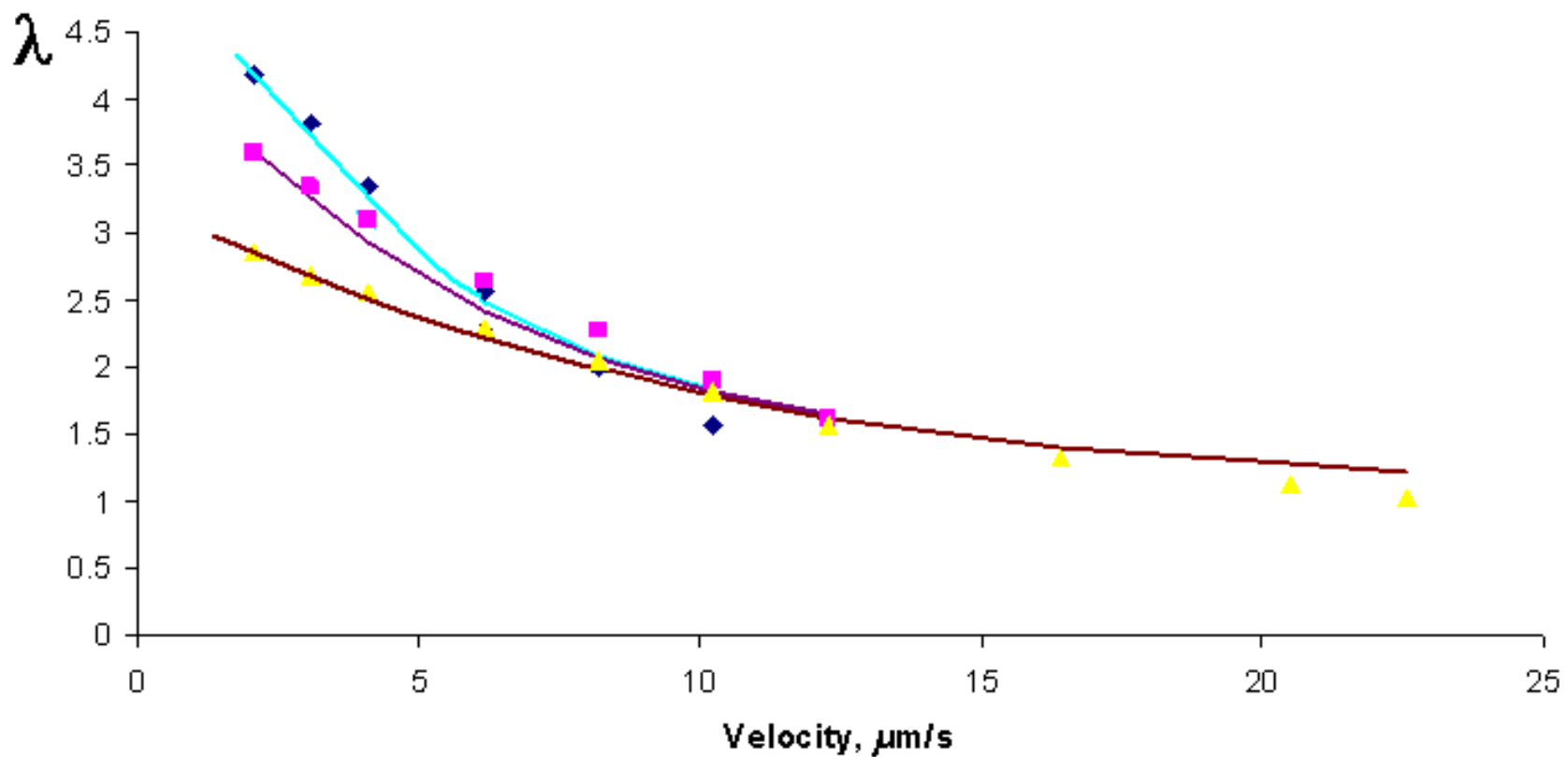
Dissociation/association
of each unit





- ◆ KCl+polymer, $C_0^+/C_{0p}=0.83$
- KCl+polymer, $C_0^+/C_{0p}=1.56$
- ▲ KCl+polymer, $C_0^+/C_{0p}=3.71$
- Predicted
- Predicted
- Predicted

$$\lambda = C^p/C^f > 1$$



- ◆ NaCl+polymer, $C_0^+/C_0^p=1.02$ — Predicted
- NaCl+polymer, $C_0^+/C_0^p=1.84$ — Predicted
- ▲ NaCl+polymer, $C_0^+/C_0^p=4.25$ — Predicted

$$\lambda = C^p/C^f > 1$$

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