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Sliding drops of water and of non-newtonian fluids

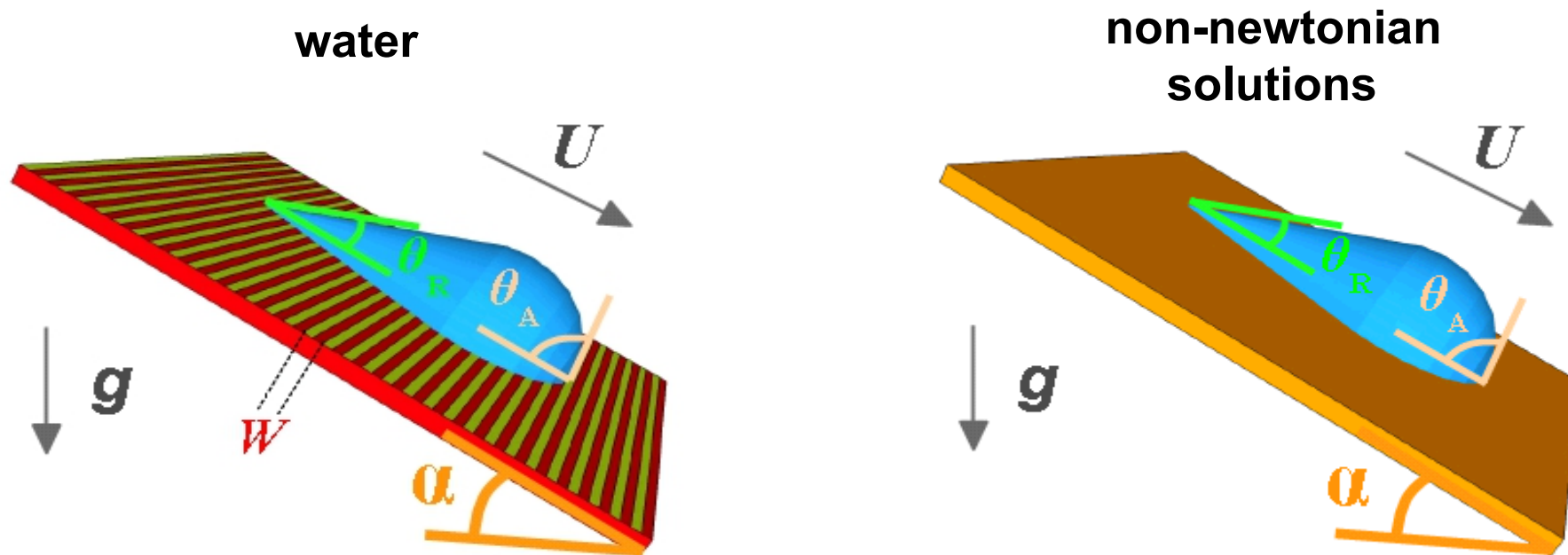
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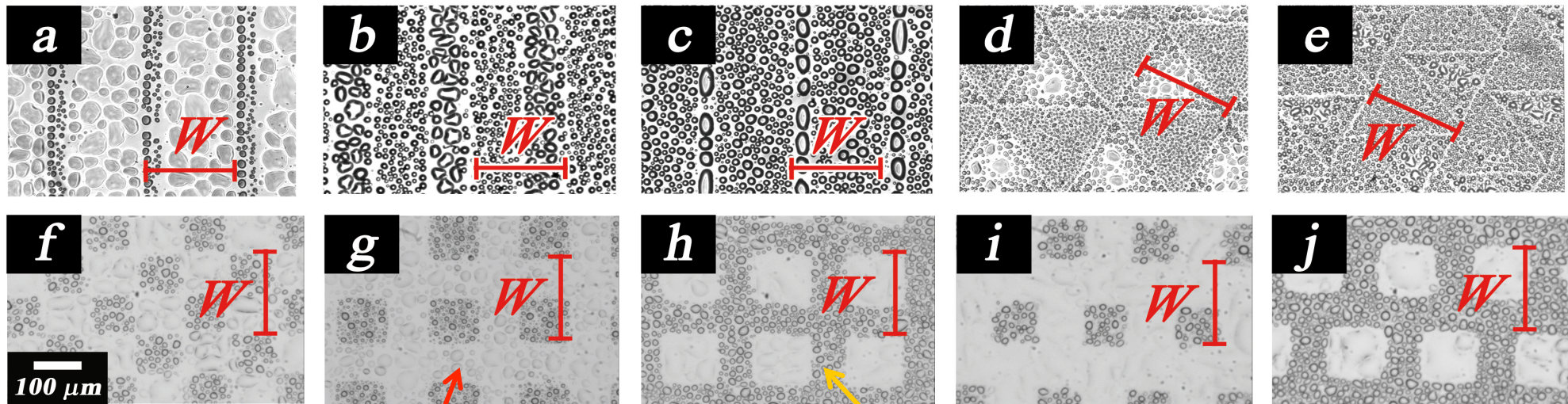
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Experimental studies





**BIG drops:
Hydrophilic
GLASS**

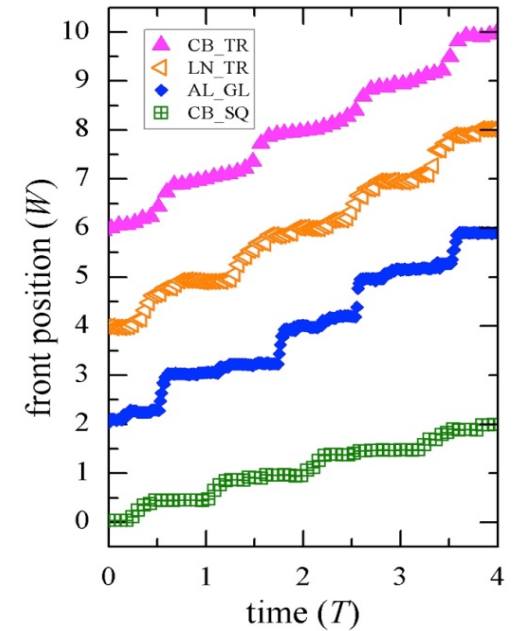
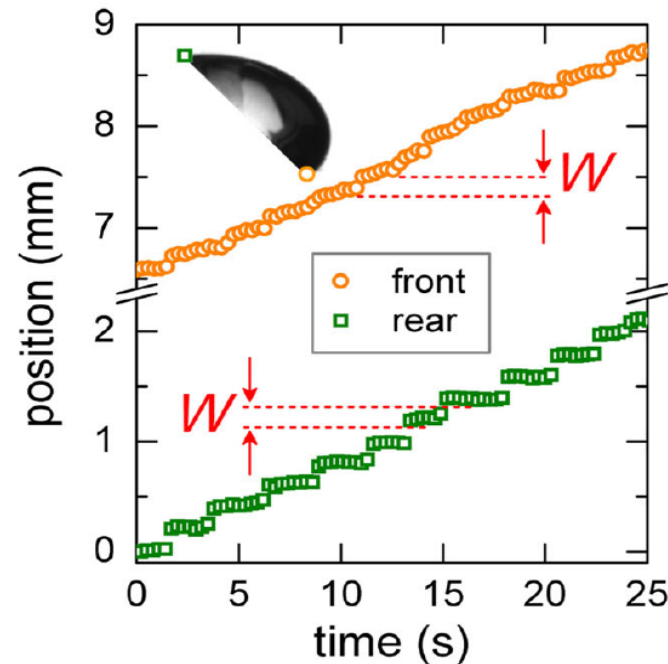
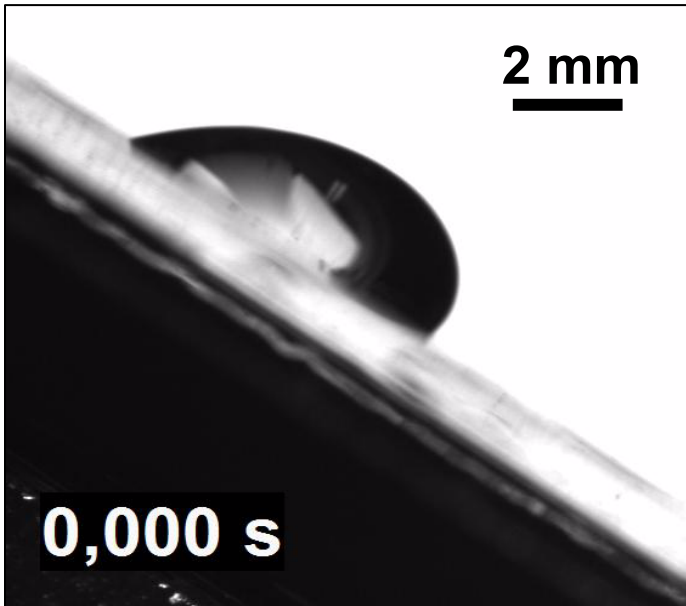
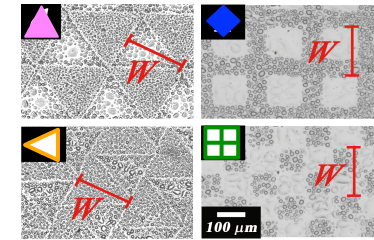
**small drops:
Hydrophobic OTS
(Octadecyltrichlorosilane)**



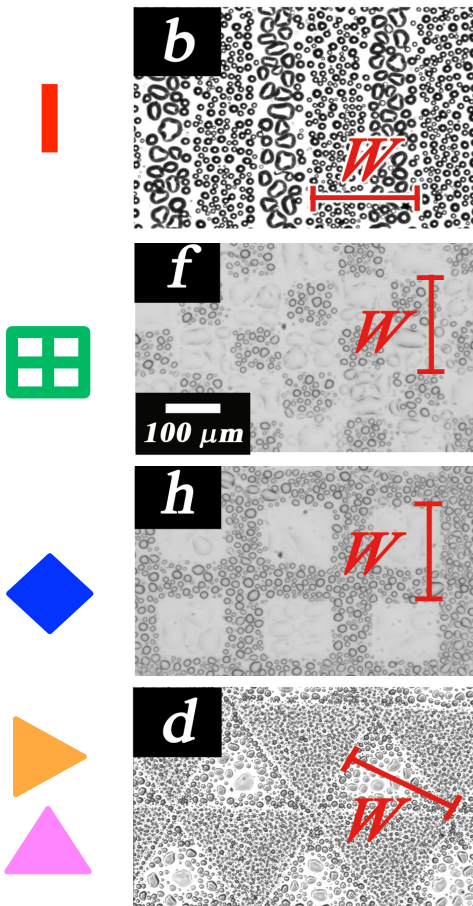
Stick-Slip on patterned surfaces



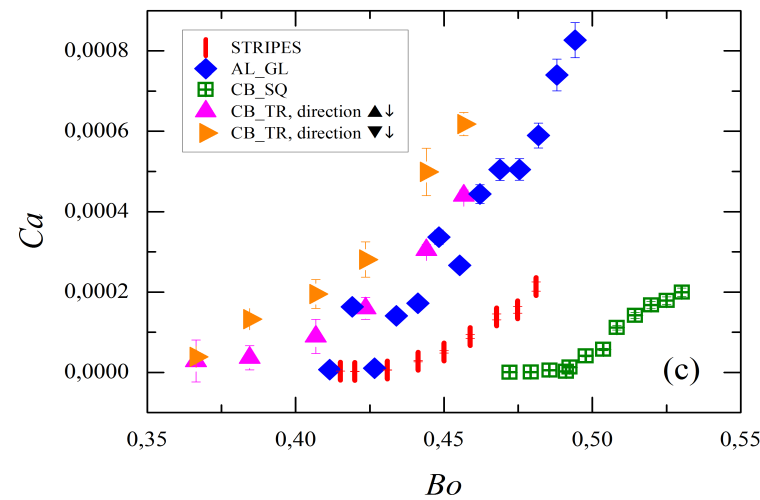
$W = 200 \mu\text{m}$



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Experiment



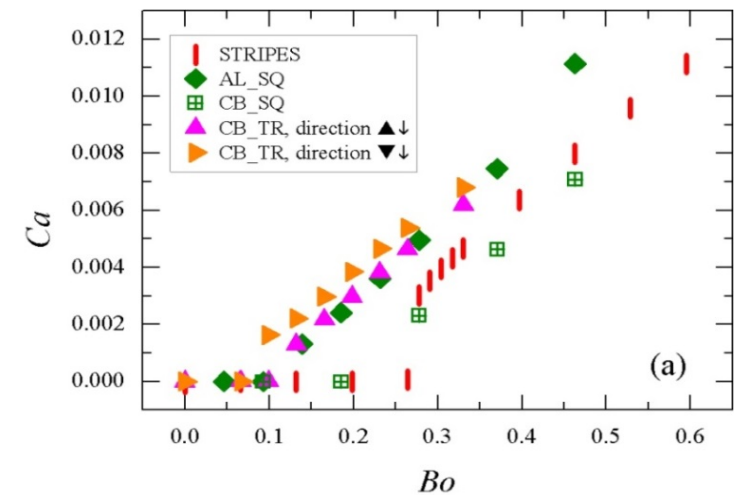
$$Ca = \frac{\text{viscous forces}}{\text{surface tension}} = \frac{\eta U}{\gamma}$$

$$Bo = \frac{\text{gravity}}{\text{surface tension}} = \left(\frac{3V}{4\pi}\right)^{2/3} \frac{\rho g}{\gamma} \sin \alpha$$

Capillary number

Bond number

LB Simulations

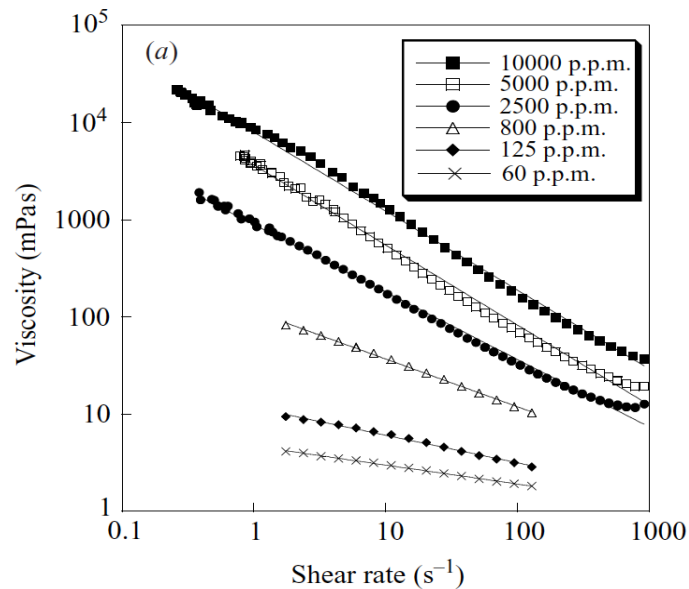


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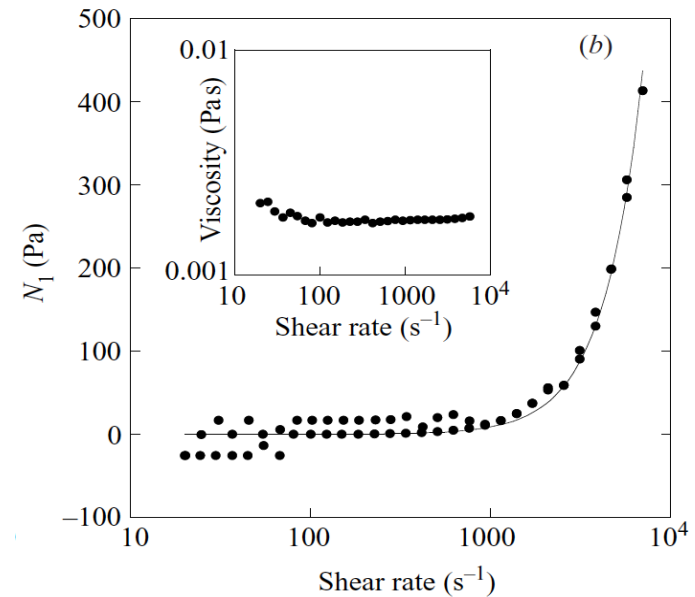
Xanthan

stiff rodlike polysaccharide



Polyacrylamide

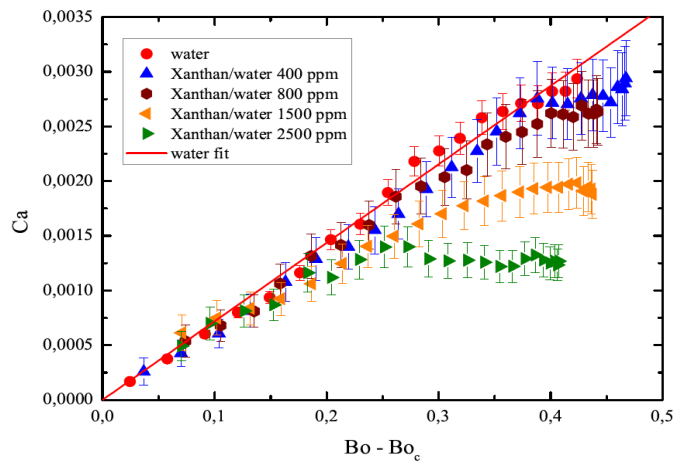
flexible polymer



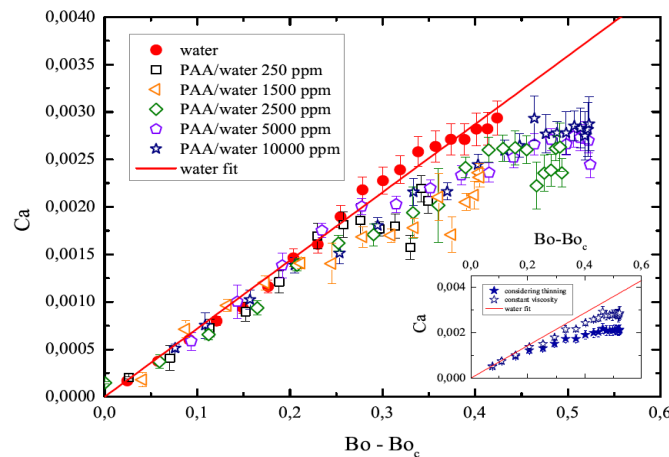
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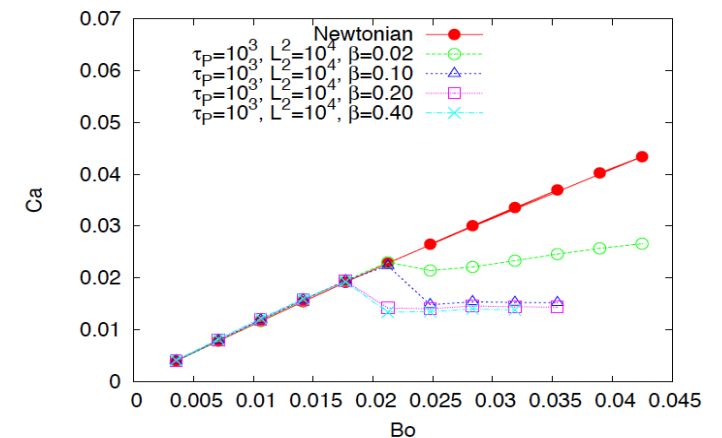
Xanthan



Polyacrylamide



LB Simulations



Suspension of non interacting finite
extensible nonlinear elastic
dumbbells

**Viscoelastic fluid with normal
stress difference effects**

$$Ca = \frac{\text{viscous forces}}{\text{surface tension}} = \frac{\eta U}{\gamma} \quad \text{Capillary number}$$

$$Bo = \frac{\text{gravity}}{\text{surface tension}} = \left(\frac{3V}{4\pi}\right)^{2/3} \frac{\rho g}{\gamma} \sin \alpha \quad \text{Bond number}$$

$$Bo_c = \left(\frac{3V}{4\pi}\right)^{2/3} \frac{\rho g}{\gamma} \sin \alpha_c \quad \text{Constant related to wettability}$$



Chemical patterns:

- Stick-slip
- Controlling drop velocity

Non-newtonian solutions:

- Saturation of the velocity



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