

Lecture Note #6 (Spring, 2020)

Liquid Interfaces

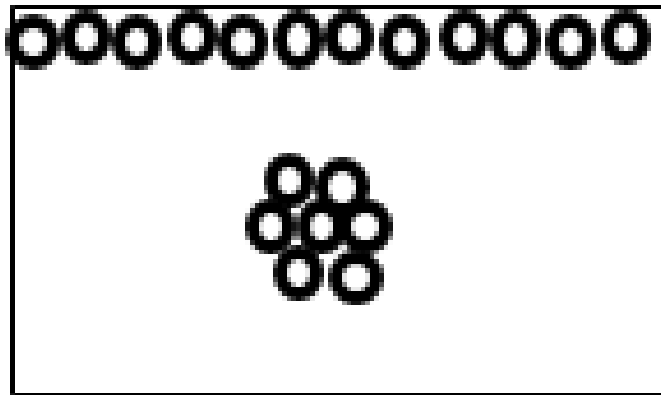
1. Surface energy and surface tension (5.2.1)
2. Liquid surfaces (5.2.2-)
3. Liquid films (5.3, 5.4, 5.5, 5.6)
4. Thermodynamics of liquid Interfaces (5.7)
5. Electrified and charged Interfaces (5.1, 5.8)

Reading: Kolasinski, ch.5,
Somorjai, ch.3, Shaw, ch. 4

Surface energy and surface tension (5.2)

Molecules at surface vs. in the bulk

- Molecules (or atoms) at the surface are in a quite **different chemical environment** compared to those in the bulk **in terms of intermolecular interactions**.
- The surface molecules have less number of neighbors to interact with compared to those in the bulk.
- The interactions are attractive in liquids and solids.
- Therefore, the surface molecules are in a unstable state with a **higher free energy**.



Definition of surface thermodynamic functions

- Consider a liquid droplet consisting of N molecules.
- The total energy of the system can be written as

$$E_{\text{total}} = NU^0 + AU^s$$

where

U^0 (or E^0) = internal energy per bulk atom,

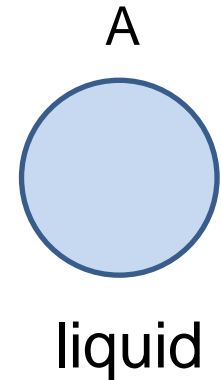
A = surface area,

U^s (or E^s) = **excess** surface energy per unit area. $U^s > 0$

(**specific surface energy** (energy per unit area))

→ AU^s : excess energy due to the surface

- S^s and H^s , G^s , A^s can be similarly defined. Then,
Surface free energy $G^s = H^s - TS^s$ (at const T , P),
surface work content (Helmholtz free energy) $A^s = U^s - TS^s$
(at const T , V)



- A homogeneous crystalline solid with N atoms & surface planes

$$E = NE^0 + AE^s$$

where E: total energy of the solid, A: surface area, E^0 : energy in the bulk, E^s : specific surface energy (energy per unit area)

- Entropy

$$S = NS^b + AS^s$$

- Surface work content (energy per unit area)

$$A^s = E^s - TS^s$$

- Surface free energy (energy per unit area)

$$G^s = H^s - TS^s$$

- Total free energy

$$G = NG^0 + AG^s$$

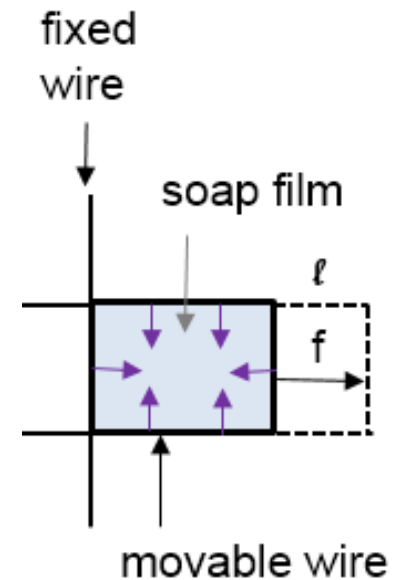
Extension of surface

- Case I: bulk atom(or molecule) \rightarrow surface
 - extension of a liquid film
 - breaking of a solid bar

- Case II: stretching (e.g., rubber mat): fixed number of surface atoms or molecules

Case I: extension of a soap film

- Extension brings more molecules from the bulk to the surface.
- Extension of the film requires work w
- $dG = dw_{\text{rev}} = f d\ell \rightarrow \Delta G = f \ell$
- If the movable wire is freed, the soap film will contract to reduce the surface area with a force $-f$.
- The contracting force acts at every point on the surface in the direction perpendicular to the boundary: **negative 2D pressure**.
- The origin of the contraction force is due to the attractive force acting on the surface molecules by all the molecules below the surface.



Note: Surface does not mean only the outmost layer and it also includes the 2nd, 3rd, ... layers for which the intermolecular interactions with neighbors are not symmetrical. However, the contributions to E^s by the 2nd, 3rd, ... layers decrease rapidly.

Surface Free Energy (Surface Tension), γ

- $G_{\text{total}} = NG^0 + AG^s = NG^0 + A\gamma$; $\gamma \equiv G^s$
work needed to create a surface
 - Since, G^0 is fixed at fixed P and T conditions,
 - $dG = d(A\gamma) = \gamma dA + A(\partial\gamma/\partial A)_{P,T}$

 - **Case I:** $(\partial\gamma/\partial A)_{P,T} = 0$; A-independent γ
 - surface free energy is independent of the size of surface area
 - A new surface is created by bringing molecules in the bulk to the surface
 - specific surface free energy G^s is independent of surface area
- **unstrained surface** → the case for **liquids**

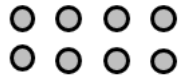
$$dG = dw = G^s dA = \gamma dA \text{ as seen for a soap film}$$

Exception: $\gamma \neq G^s$

- **Case II:** $(\partial\gamma/\partial A)_{P,T} \neq 0$; A-dependent $\gamma \rightarrow$ strained surface \rightarrow the case for unannealed solids.
e.g., a cold-rolled metal sheet



unstrained
(ideal)
surface



elongated
Surface (tensile
stress)



compressed
surface
(compressive stress)

Essential difference between 3D and 2D pressure

- 3D: gas in a container, expansion P , positive(outward), \perp to the wall, gas collisions
- 2D: liquid, contraction P , negative (inward), $//$ to the surface, intermolecular force
- Surface tension, γ
2D analogue of pressure, 2D analogue of PdV work

$\text{J/m}^2 \rightarrow \text{N}\cdot\text{m/m}^2 = \text{N/m}$, 2D surface pressure = force per unit length

cf) pressure: force per unit area (N/m^2 or dynes/cm^2)

γ as a pressure along the surface plane that opposes the creation of more surface

Rough estimation of 2D (surface) pressure

- Roughly assume that the surface pressure exists within 3 outmost molecular layers of $d \sim 1$ nm.
- $P = \text{force/area} = \gamma / d$.
- If the liquid is water ($\gamma = 72$ mN/m),
 $P = \gamma / d = (72 \text{ mN/m}) / 10^{-9} \text{ m} = 7.2 \times 10^7 \text{ Pa} \sim 720 \text{ atm}$

→ atoms in a metal surfaces are subject to very large compressive forces

γ in liquid: low → lower energy required to make new surface
liquid: minimize surface area → curved structure

e.g. metal, $\gamma \sim 1$ N/m

$$\rightarrow P = \gamma / d = 1 \text{ Nm}^{-1} / 10^{-9} \text{ m} = 10^9 \text{ N/m}^2 = 10^9 \text{ Pa} \sim 10^4 \text{ atm}$$

→ atoms in a metal surfaces are subjected to very large compressive forces

Table 5.1 Selected values of surface tension taken from Adamson and Gast [27]

	Temperature/°C	$\gamma/\text{mN m}^{-1}$
Liquid-Vapour Interface		
Perfluoropentane	20	9.89
Heptane	20	20.14
Ethanol	20	22.39
Methanol	20	22.50
Benzene	30	27.56
	20	28.88
Water	25	72.13
	20	72.94
Hg	25	485.5
	20	486.5
Ag	1100	878.5
Cu	1357 (T_f)	1300
Pt	1772 (T_f)	1880

Table 3.1. Average surface energies of selected solids and liquids at the indicated temperatures

Material	γ (mJ/m ²)	T (°C)
W (solid)	2900	1727
Nb (solid)	2100	2250
Au (solid)	1410	1027
Au (liquid)	1140	1338
Ag (solid)	1140	907
Ag (liquid)	879	1100
Fe(solid)	2150	1400
Fe (liquid)	1880	1535
Pt (solid)	2340	1311
Cu (solid)	1670	1047
Cu (liquid)	1300	1535
Ni (solid)	1850	1250
Hg (liquid)	487	16.5
LiF (solid)	340	-195
NaCl (solid)	227	25
KCl (solid)	110	25
MgO (solid)	1200	25
CaF ₂ (solid)	450	-195
BaF ₂ (solid)	280	-195
He (liquid)	0.31	-270.5
N ₂ (liquid)	9.71	-195
Ethanol (liquid)	22.75	20
Water	72.75	20
Benzene	28.88	20
n-Octane	21.80	20
Carbon tetrachloride	26.95	20
Bromine	41.5	20
Acetic acid	27.8	20
Benzaldehyde	15.5	20
Nitrobenzene	25.2	20

Source: From [7].

γ :
Vary 3 order magnitude
Low in liquid

$$1 \text{ J} = 10^7 \text{ ergs}$$

$$\text{J/m}^2 = 10^3 \text{ ergs/cm}^2$$

$$1 \text{ J/m}^2 = 1 \text{ N/m}$$

$$= 10^3 \text{ ergs/cm}^2 = 10^3 \text{ dyn/cm}$$

γ dependence on crystal face

FCC (Ar, Ni, Pd, Cu, Ag, Au)

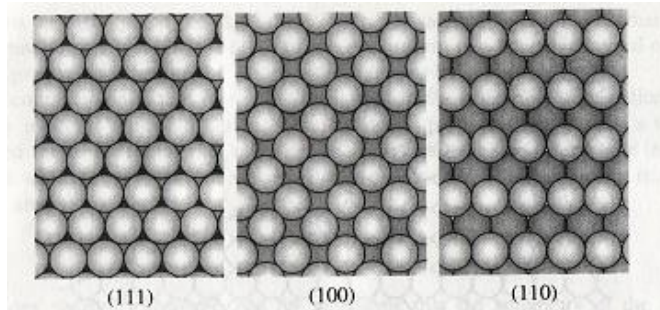
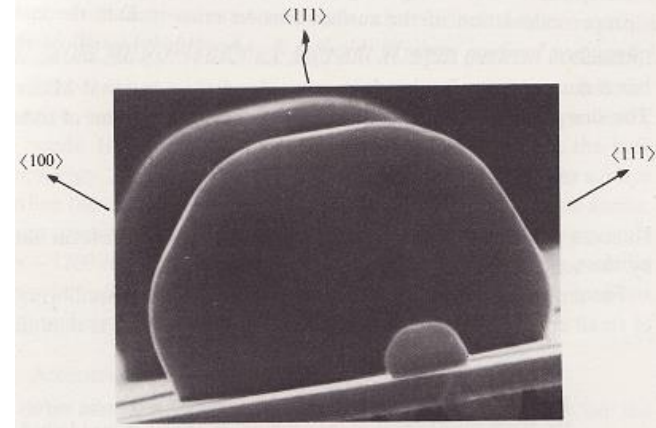


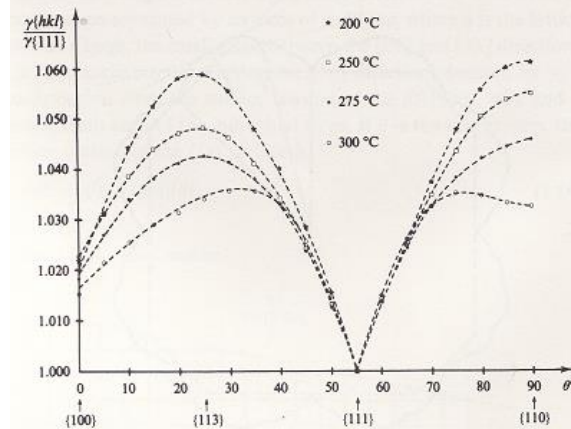
Fig. 1.7. Electron micrograph of a lead crystal at 473 K (Heyraud & Metois, 1983).



$T_m(\text{Pb}) = 601 \text{ K}$, fcc metal

Crystallographic orientation dependence of γ

Fig. 1.8. Anisotropy of γ relative to $\langle 111 \rangle$ for lead as a function of temperature (Heyraud & Metois, 1983).



In solid, lowest specific surface energy (γ) by closed packing (compressed)

lower energy needed to form

Correlation between γ and ΔH_{sub}

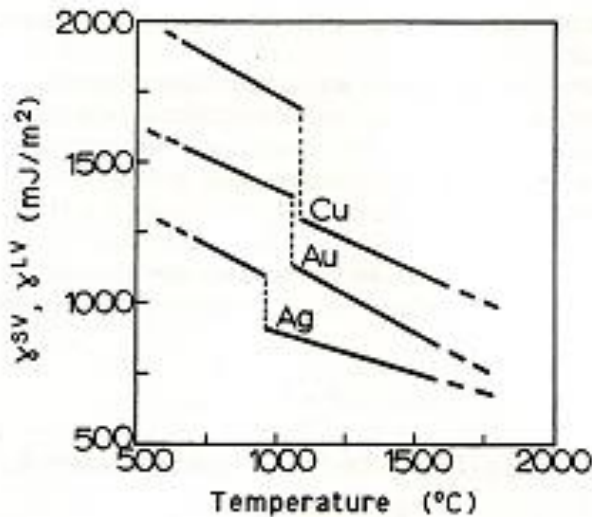
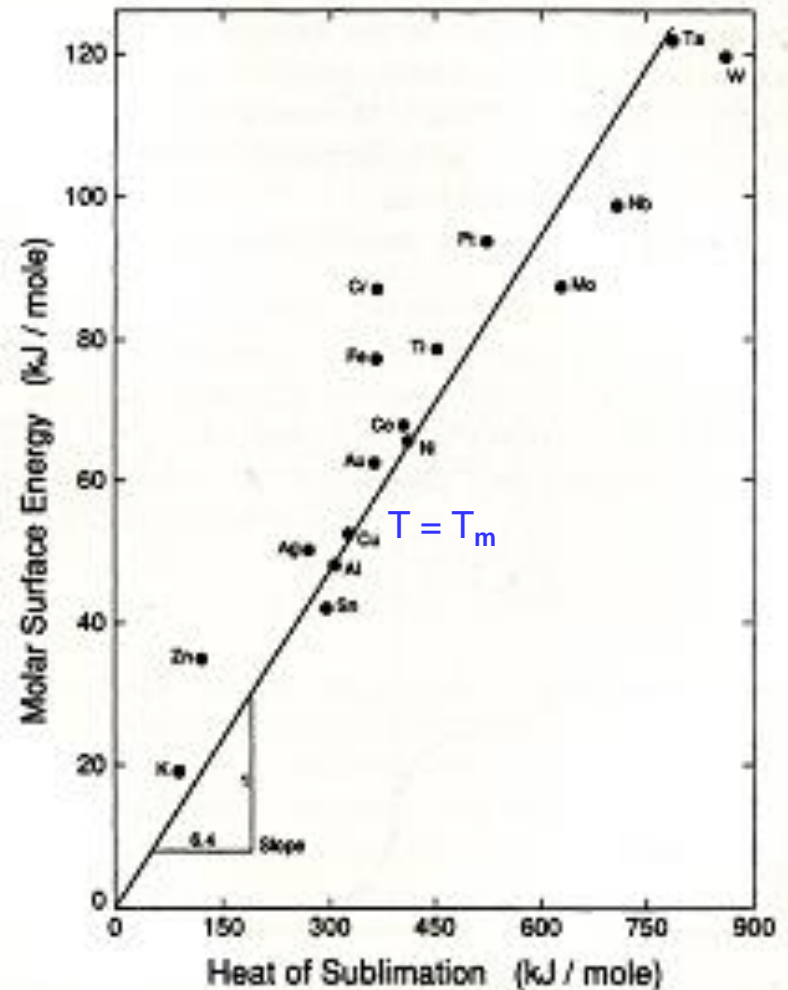


Figure 3.2. Temperature dependence of the surface energy and the solid-liquid phase transition for three f.c.c. metals. From [12].

$$\gamma^{\text{SV}} \cong 1.2(\gamma^{\text{LV}})_{\text{m}} + 0.45(T_{\text{m}} - T),$$

where $(\gamma^{\text{LV}})_{\text{m}}$ is the liquid surface energy at the melting point, T_{m} is the melting temperature, and T is the temperature below the melting point of the solid.

- $\gamma \propto \Delta H_{\text{sub}} \sim 0.16 \Delta H_{\text{sub}}$



- Rough estimate of the magnitude of γ
- Surface work is same magnitude as the heat of sublimation continually creates a new surface

e.g. for many **metals**,

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \text{the heat of sublimation } &\sim 10^5 \text{ cal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1} = 6.94 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J/atom} \\ &= 6.94 \times 10^{-12} \text{ erg/atom} \end{aligned}$$

typical surface concentration $\sim 10^{15} \text{ atoms/cm}^2 = 10^{19} \text{ atoms/m}^2$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \text{estimated } \text{surface tension } &\sim 6.94 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J/atom} \times 10^{19} \text{ atoms/m}^2 \\ &\sim 7 \text{ J/m}^2 = 7000 \text{ erg/cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

- Experimentally (in practice), $\gamma \sim 0.16 \Delta H_{\text{sub}}$

→ not necessary to break all the metal-metal bonds in the bulk to create a new surface

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considering relaxation: relaxation lowers the surface tension appreciably (contract toward to the bulk to maximize their bonding with the remaining neighbors)

The surface free energy is always positive

The change in total free energy, dG , of a one-component system can be written, with the inclusion of the surface work γdA , as:

$$dG = -S dT + V dP + \gamma dA \quad (3.8)$$

At constant temperature and pressure, Eq. 3.8 reduces to

$$(dG)_{T,P} = \gamma dA \quad (3.9)$$

Since, in our present discussion, the change in the total free energy of the system is due only to the change in the surface free energy (here, we consider a plane interface, so the pressure in the bulk solid is equal to the constant pressure P when the surface area changes), we have, from Eq. 3.5,

$$(dG)_{T,P} = d(G^s A) \quad (3.10)$$

In principle, there are two ways to form a new surface: (1) increasing the surface area by adding new atoms from the bulk and (2) stretching the already existing surface (as if it were a rubber mat) with the number of atoms fixed and thereby altering the state of strain (which amounts to changing γ) [8]. We can rewrite Eq. 3.10 to yield

$$(dG)_{T,P} = \left(\frac{\partial(G^s A)}{\partial A} \right)_{T,P} dA = \left[G^s + A \left(\frac{\partial G^s}{\partial A} \right)_{T,P} \right] dA \quad (3.11)$$

If we create the new surface by adding atoms from the bulk, the specific surface free energy G^s is independent of the surface area: $(\partial G^s / \partial A)_{T,P} = 0$. If we combine Eqs. 3.9 and 3.11, we have

$$(dG)_{T,P} = G^s dA = \gamma dA \quad (3.12)$$

or

$$\gamma = G^s \quad (3.13)$$

- Creation of surface always results in a positive free energy of formation → to minimize the surface free energy, solids will form surfaces of the lowest specific surface free energy or surface tension γ , which are usually crystal faces with the closest packing of atoms

→ Surfaces with high γ will always be covered with substances with lower γ

e.g. metals are covered by oxides if metal-gas interfacial energy,

$$\gamma_{m-g} > \gamma_{ox-g} + \gamma_{ox-m}$$

Water will cover on the oxide if $\gamma_{ox-g} > \gamma_{H_2O-g} + \gamma_{H_2O-ox}$

Organic molecules cover with even lower γ

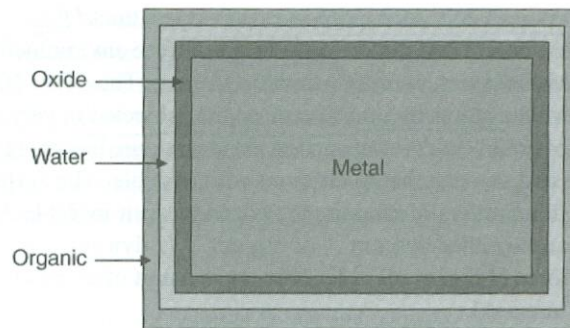


Figure 3.1. Representation of materials of lower surface energy coating materials of higher surface energy, leading to a net reduction of total surface energy ($\gamma_{old\ surface} > \gamma_{new\ surface} + \gamma_{interface}$).

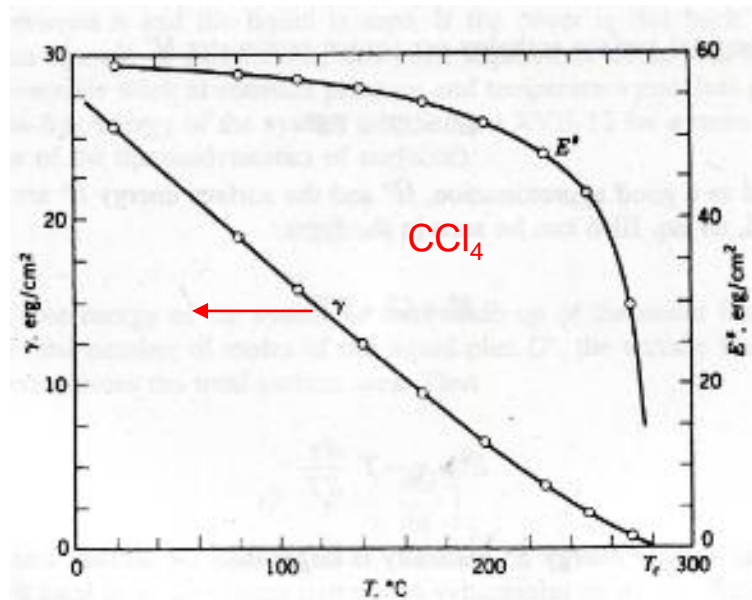
Temperature dependence of γ

- For an unstrained surface
 $(\partial\gamma/\partial T)_P = (\partial G^s/\partial T)_P = -S^s < 0 \leftarrow dG = VdP - SdT$
- S^s can be experimentally obtained from the T-dependence of γ .
- $H^s = G^s + TS^s = \gamma - T(\partial\gamma/\partial T)_P > 0$ (surface formation: heat absorbed (at const P))
- $H^s = U^s + PV = U^s$; the surface does not have any volume (no volume change).
- ΔH^s is the heat absorbed in a surface process, if no volume change is involved.
- $H^s = U^s = \gamma - T(\partial\gamma/\partial T)_P = (+) + (+) > 0$, $G^s = \gamma > 0$.
- Thus, all the surface thermodynamic quantities can be known.
- $\gamma \downarrow$ as $T \uparrow \rightarrow (\partial\gamma/\partial T)_P < 0$, U^s or $H^s > G^s (= \gamma)$

c.f. adsorption: $\Delta H_{\text{ads}} < 0$

Semiempirical equation for $\gamma(T)$

- $\gamma = \gamma^0 (1 - T/T_c)^n$, where γ^0 is the surface tension at 0 K and T_c is the critical temperature. So, $\gamma = \gamma^0$ at 0K,
 $\gamma = 0$ at T_c (no surface tension): no surface defined, condensed phase vanished
- $n \sim 1$ for metal and $n = 11/9$ for many organic liquids.
- A more satisfactory equation by Ramsay and Shields is $\gamma V_m^{2/3} = k (T_c - T - 6)$, where V_m is the molar volume and $k = 2.1 \times 10^{-7}$ J/K for most liquids.



$\gamma \downarrow$ as $T \uparrow \rightarrow (\partial \gamma / \partial T)_P < 0$,
 U^s or $H^s > G^s (= \gamma)$

Critical point

At $T = T_c$

- Not a liquid, not a vapor
- Condensation and vaporization occur rapidly.
- Local fluctuation of density
- No surface tension at $T = T_c$

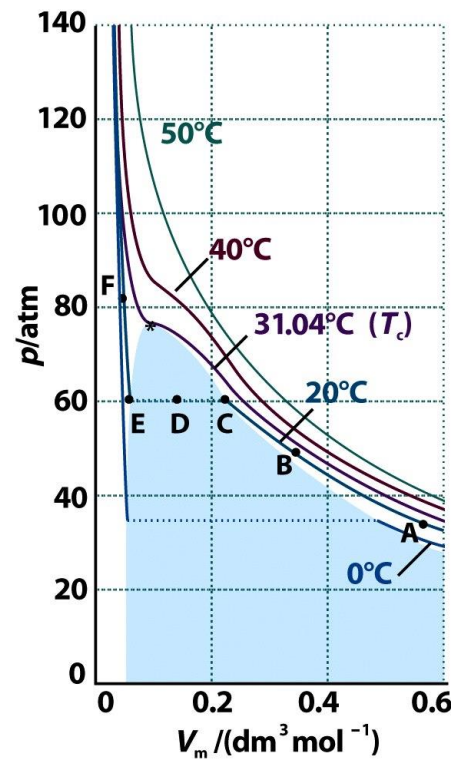


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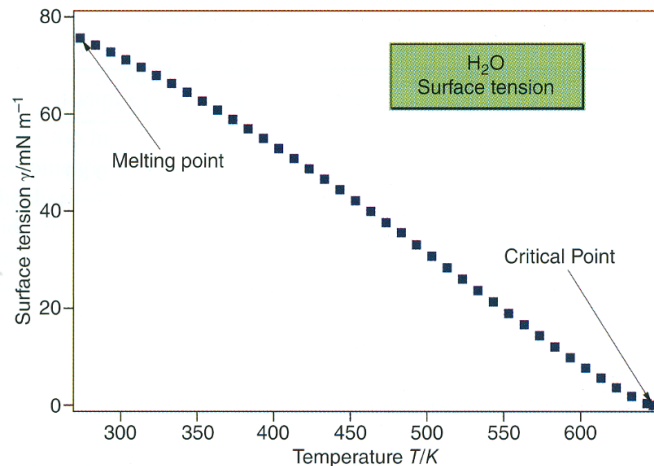


Figure 5.3 The surface tension of water plotted as a function of temperature over its normal existence range at standard pressure $p^\circ = 100 \text{ kPa}$. Source: Data taken from the Handbook of Chemistry and Physics, 96th Edition.

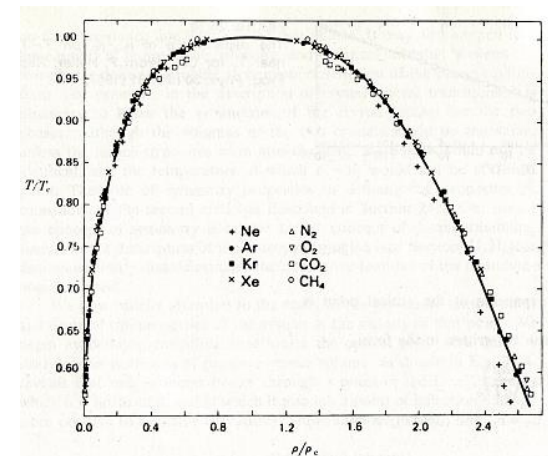


FIGURE 24.11

The liquid-gas coexistence curve for simple substances. The curve is a composite of data for Ne, Ar, Kr, Xe, N_2 , O_2 , CO_2 , and CH_4 . Note the use of the reduced variables T/T_c and ρ/ρ_c . From E. A. Guggenheim, *J. Chem. Phys.* **13**, 253 (1945).

Surface Heat Capacity

- $C_p^s = (\partial H^s / \partial T)_p = (\partial / \partial T)_p [\gamma - T(\partial \gamma / \partial T)_p] = (\partial \gamma / \partial T)_p - (\partial \gamma / \partial T)_p - T(\partial^2 \gamma / \partial T^2)_p = -T(\partial^2 \gamma / \partial T^2)_p$
- Heat capacity \rightarrow temperature derivative of surface tension \rightarrow measurement of surface tension \rightarrow surface heat capacity!

- Estimation based on the Debye model for solid
- For bulk $U_{T \rightarrow 0} \propto T^4 \rightarrow C_p \propto T^3$ at low T
- For surface $U_{T \rightarrow 0} \propto T^3 \rightarrow C_p^s \propto T^2$ at low T

- $C_v^s = (\partial U^s / \partial T)_v \sim 43.2 Nk_B (T/\theta_D)^2$, θ_D : Debye temperature
- In surface, $U_s = H_s$, $C_p^s = C_v^s$

c.f. in Lecture Note #2, surface atom vibration “phonon”
 \rightarrow Debye frequency (ν_D) & Debye temp (θ_D) “a measure of rigidity”

Additional notes on surface tension

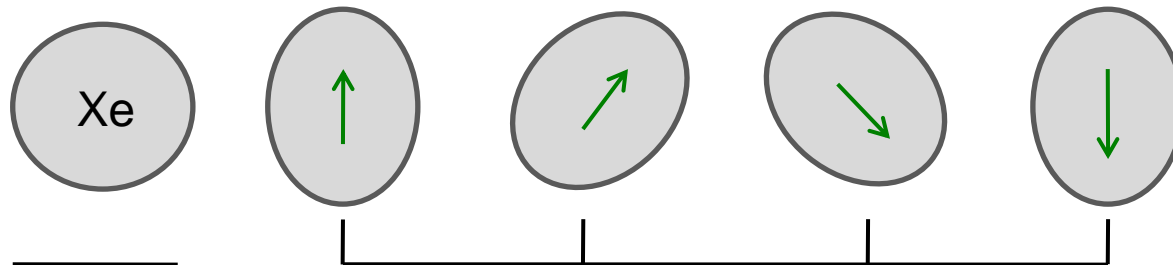
Origin of γ : attractive interatomic (solid) or intermolecular (liquid) force

Origin of van der Waals

1) Fluctuating dipole

- Consider Xe-Xe interaction
- Xe is an atom with a spherically symmetric electron distribution around the nucleus, so it possesses no permanent electrical dipole moment
- The probability of finding an electron at a given time, which is given by the solution of the Schrödinger equation, $|\Psi|^2$, is spherically symmetric.
- However, the above does not mean that the actual electron distribution at a given time is not necessarily spherically symmetric.
- In fact, it can be aspherical as shown, for example in the figure below;

electron distribution in Xe atom



time average
with $\rho = 0$

fluctuating dipole at various instants
with $\rho \neq 0$

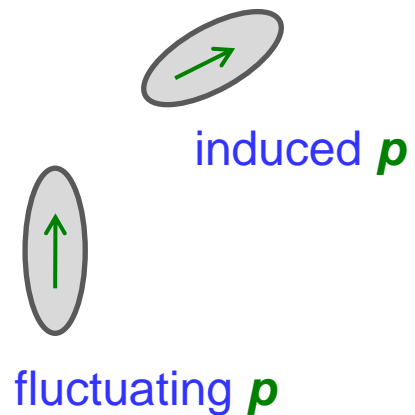
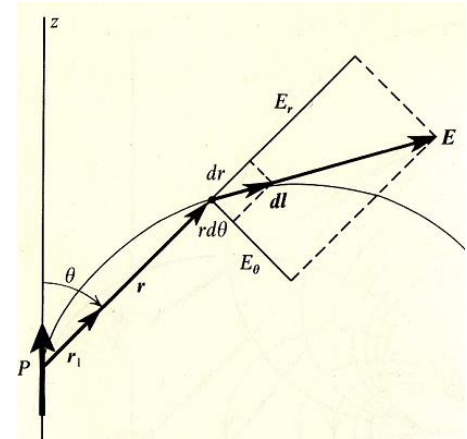
Dipole
moment,
 ρ or μ

2) Induced dipole

- Fluctuating (instantaneous) dipole produces an electric field \mathbf{E} in space, which induces a dipole moment in another Xe atom given by
- $\mathbf{p}_{\text{ind}} = \alpha \mathbf{E}$, α is the electric **polarizability**.
- The interaction energy

$$V = - \int_0. E \mathbf{p}_{\text{ind}} \cdot d\mathbf{E} = \alpha E^2/2$$
- The magnitude of the fluctuating dipole is also proportional to α , the tendency of forming an aspherical electron distribution.
- The angle θ between the two dipole can be varied from $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$ at a given distance r .
- When averaged over all orientations,

$$\mathbf{V}(\mathbf{r}) = - a \alpha^2/r^6 = - \mathbf{A}/r^6$$
, where $A (>0)$ is a atom or molecule-dependent constant.
- $\mathbf{V}(\mathbf{r})$ is always negative (**attraction**).
- α' (polarizability volume) = $\alpha/4\pi\epsilon_0$ is the volume of the electron cloud in atom(molecule).
- A larger molecule has a larger α , hence a larger attractive interaction, resulting in a higher boiling and melting points.



Intermolecular interactions

1. van der Waals (Dispersion force)

$$V(r) = -A/r^6 \quad \text{Induced dipole-induced dipole}$$

2. (permanent) dipole-induced dipole

3. dipole-dipole

4. Hydrogen bonding

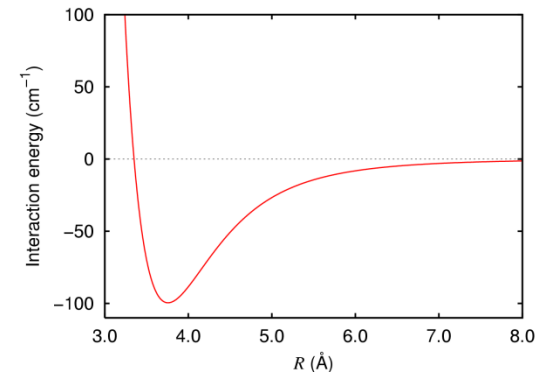
Relative magnitude

$$1 < 2 < 3 < 4$$

T_b of gases (K)

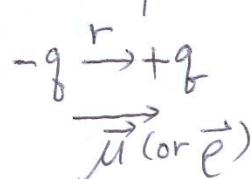
He	Ar	Xe	NH ₃	H ₂ O	C ₁₀ H ₈
4.2	87.3	165	230.7	373	491

Interaction energy of Ar-Ar



• Dipole: molecular interactions

electric dipole: two electric charges $(-) \rightarrow (+)$ direction



magnitude
 $\mu = q \cdot r$

1 Debye = $3.33564 \times 10^{-30} \text{ C} \cdot \text{m}$

e.g.) $+e - e \Rightarrow 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C} \cdot 100 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m}$
 $= 1.6 \times 10^{-29} \text{ C} \cdot \text{m} = \underline{4.8 \text{ D}}$

• Polar molecules: permanent electric dipole moment



• Induced dipole moment: applied electric field can distort as well as align its permanent electric dipole moment
 \rightarrow polarizability ($\text{C}^2 \cdot \text{m}^2 \cdot \text{J}^{-1}$)

μ^* (or p_{ind}) = αE \rightarrow field strength

$d \uparrow \rightarrow \mu^* \uparrow$

$\alpha' = \frac{\alpha}{4\pi\epsilon_0}$: polarizability
 volume

$\alpha' (10^{-30} \text{ m}^3)$

CCl_4

10.5

H_2

0.819

• polarization P : electric dipole moment density

$P = \langle \mu \rangle N$ \rightarrow number density
 \downarrow
 mean dipole moment

• q_1, q_2 two charge separation, r , in vacuum

→ Coulomb potential energy of the interaction, $V = \frac{q_1 q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$ in vacuum

in a medium (e.g. air or liquid), $V = \frac{q_1 q_2}{4\pi\epsilon r}$, ϵ : permittivity

→ $\epsilon_r = \frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon_0}$, ϵ_r : relative permittivity \equiv dielectric constant

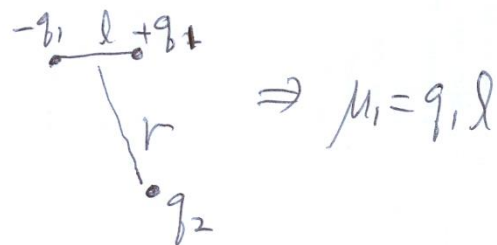
e.g.) H_2O at $25^\circ C$, $\epsilon_r = 78 \rightarrow$ Coulomb interaction $\frac{1}{78}$ vs. vacuum

→ weaken interaction

highly polarizable molecule $\rightarrow \epsilon_r \uparrow$

• Interaction between molecules

- interaction between dipoles

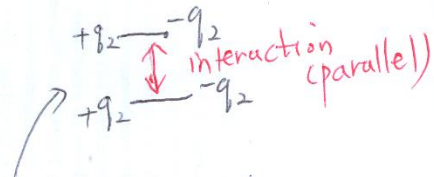


Coulomb potential energy of the interaction

ion-dipole interaction

$$V = - \frac{\mu_1 q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2}$$

Interaction type	distance dependence of potential energy (-: attractive)	typical energy (kJ/mol)	
ion-ion	$-\frac{1}{r}$	250	
ion-dipole	$-\frac{1}{r^2}$	15	
dipole-dipole	$-\frac{1}{r^3}$	2	between stationary polar molecules (non-rotating)
	$-\frac{1}{r^6}$	0.6	between rotating polar molecules
London (dispersion)	$-\frac{1}{r^6}$	2	between all types of molecules
Hydrogen bond		20	A-H...B



- Van der Waals interactions: the attractive molecules between closed-shell molecules ($\frac{1}{r^6}$ interactions)

Liquid surfaces (curved) (5.2.2)

Phenomena at curved surfaces

1. Pressure difference across a surface

- Liquid drop suspended in air → The equilibrium shape is a sphere
→ Minimization of the surface area for a given volume. (smallest A/V)
- Can you prove it using the calculus of variation?
- The free energy change dG in contraction from $r \rightarrow r-dr$ is

$$dG = -\gamma 8\pi r dr + \Delta P \cdot 4\pi r^2 dr$$

at equilibrium $dG = 0$.

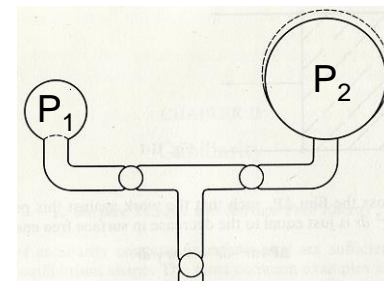
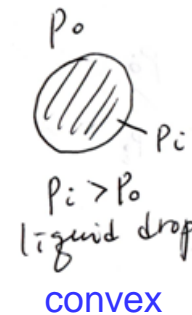
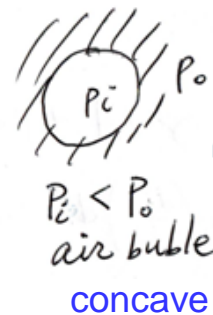
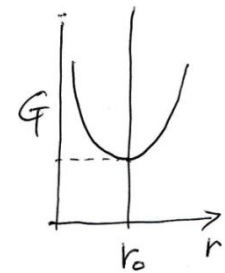
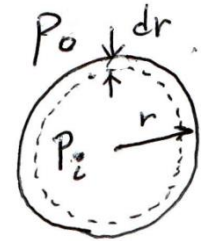
$$\Delta P = \frac{8\pi r \gamma}{4\pi r^2} = \frac{2\gamma}{r} \quad \text{Young-Laplace eq.}$$

In general, a surface has two principal curvatures of radii r_1 and r_2

$$\Delta P = \left(\frac{1}{r_1} + \frac{1}{r_2}\right) \gamma$$

The liquid drop is in a compressed state.

$$\Delta P = P_i - P_o$$



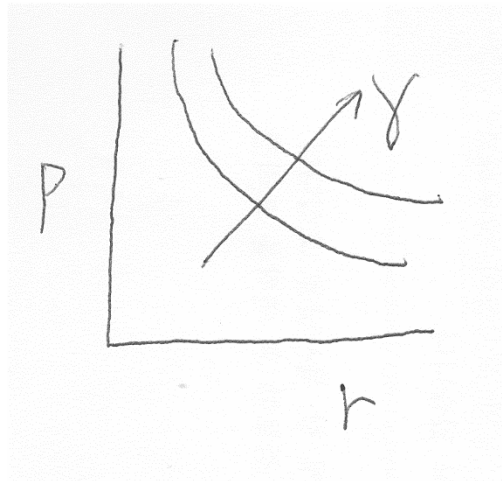
The illustration of the equation of Young-Laplace

- $dW = PdV = \gamma dA \rightarrow P[\frac{3}{4}\pi(r + dr)^3 - \frac{3}{4}\pi r^3] = \gamma[4\pi(r + dr)^2 - 4\pi r^2]$
- smallest surface to volume ratio
volume $V = \frac{3}{4}\pi r^3$, $dV = 4\pi r^2 dr$
- Opposite sign: i) PV : expanding force, ii) γA : contracting force
i) $4\pi r^2(P_i - P_o)dr$
ii) $dA \rightarrow [4\pi(r + dr)^2 - 4\pi r^2] = 8\pi r dr$

$$\rightarrow \gamma dA = 8\pi r \gamma dr$$

Young-Laplace equation, $P_{in} = P_{out} + 2\gamma/r \rightarrow \Delta P = 2\gamma/r$

$r \downarrow$ (droplet \downarrow) $\rightarrow \Delta P \uparrow$
 $r = \infty \rightarrow \Delta P = 0$



Equilibrium vapor pressure of a liquid drop

A Liquid drop is in a compressed state

→ The inner pressure is higher than that of liquid with a flat surface by ΔP

→ in a higher free energy state → higher vapor pressure.

Chemical potential change in the processes 1 and 2

$$d\mu = -SdT + VdP$$

$$\mu_l^{(c)} - \mu_l^{(f)} = \int V dp \sim V_m \Delta P$$

$$\mu_g^{(c)} - \mu_g^{(f)} = RT \ln(P_2/P_1)$$

where V_m is the molar volume of the liquid, which is assumed to be constant. ($V_m = M/\rho$, ρ : density)

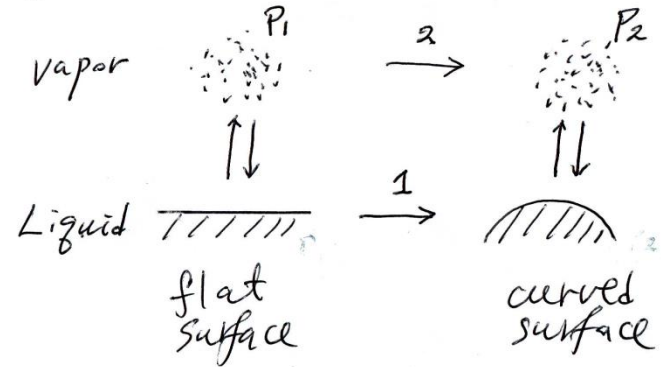
The two quantities should be the same, and therefore

$$V_m \Delta P = RT \ln(P_2/P_1) \text{ or}$$

$$\frac{2V_m \gamma}{r} = RT \ln(P_2/P_1)$$

$$P_2/P_1 = \exp\left[\frac{2V_m \gamma}{rRT}\right] \text{ Kelvin equation}$$

P_1 : flat



If $r = \infty$, $P_1 = P_2$

For finite r $P_2 > P_1$

For H_2O ($\gamma = 72.8$ mN/m) at 300 K,

$V_m = 18$ cm³/mole

$r = 1000$ Å → $P_2/P_1 = 1.01$

$r = 100$ Å → $P_2/P_1 = 1.1$

$r = 10$ Å → $P_2/P_1 = 3.0$

Smaller particle → higher vapor pressure
→ higher evaporation

Kelvin equation

$$RT \ln(P_r/P_o) = 2\gamma M/\rho r = 2\gamma V_m/r$$

P_o : vapor pressure, P_r : droplet vapor pressure.

$V_m = M/\rho$, ρ : density

- Droplet: high surface free energy, higher surface to volume ratio than flat, $P_r > P_o$

$r \rightarrow r + dr$, area $8\pi r dr \uparrow \rightarrow$ surface free energy, $8\pi r \gamma dr \uparrow$

- dn mole \uparrow from flat to droplet by r to $r + dr$
 $\rightarrow dG = dn \cdot RT \ln(P_r/P_o)$

$$dn = 4\pi r^2 dr \rho / M$$

- $8\pi r \gamma dr = dn \cdot RT \ln(P_r/P_o)$

Solubility, condensation, Oswald ripening, sintering

- Size-dependent solubility

The same concept can be equally applied to the solubility of a particle

$c_2/c_1 = \exp(2V_m \gamma / rRT)$, where c is the concentration in the solution
→ small particles at solid → greater solubility than large particles

- Capillary condensation in porous materials

→ easy condensation in capillary at lower pressure

Vapor pressure:

droplet: convex(볼록) liquid surface > flat surface

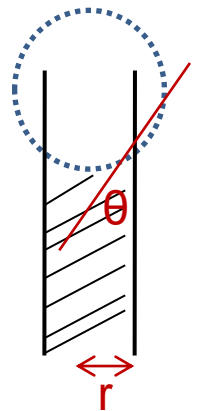
capillary: concave(오목) surface < flat surface

→ lower vapor pressure → condensation at lower pressure

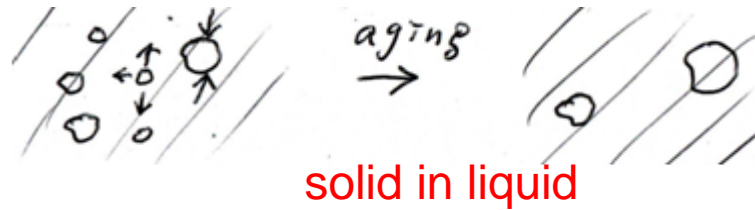
For concave interface, $RT \ln(P_r/P_o) = -2V_m \gamma \cos\theta / r$

c.f. capillary rise

the radius of curvature r is **positive** for a droplet, **negative** for a bubble



Oswald ripening



desolution \leftrightarrow deposition process is in a dynamic equilibrium to maintain a constant saturation solubility.

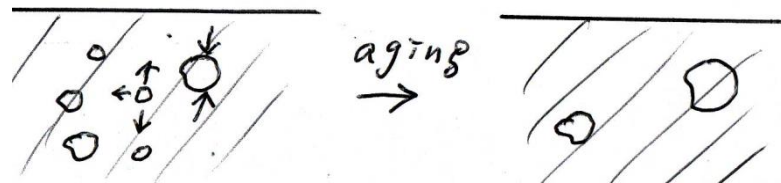
small particle \rightarrow high solubility and **large particle \rightarrow low solubility**

Large particles grow at the expense of the smaller particles \rightarrow aging minimize the total surface area \rightarrow the way to reach a G_{\min} , an equilibrium state

Agl sol \rightarrow highly insoluble \rightarrow little tendency of ripening (slow kinetics)

CaCO₃ sol \rightarrow highly soluble \rightarrow strong tendency of ripening (fast kinetics)

Sintering



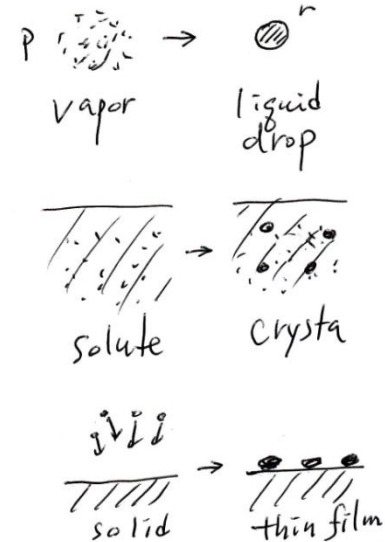
solid in (on) solid

Formation of a new phase : nucleation and crystal growth

vapor → liquid drop

solute in a liquid → crystal

- In the initial stage of condensation a liquid drop of radius r is formed from a supersaturated vapor
- Small drop has a high vapor pressure → it tends to re-evaporate →
- Therefore, only droplets of a radius greater than a critical radius r_c (embryo) survive and grow.
- This process is called **nucleation** and the nuclei grow in time.



Consider the free energy change in nucleation of a droplet from a vapor.

nA (gas, P) → A_n (small liquid drop, r)

$$\Delta G = -nRT \ln(P/P_0) + 4\pi r^2 \gamma$$

$$= -(4/3)\pi r^3 (\rho/M) RT \ln(P/P_0) + 4\pi r^2 \gamma$$

M = molecular weight, ρ = density
 P_0 = equilibrium vapor pressure
 P/P_0 = degree of supersaturation

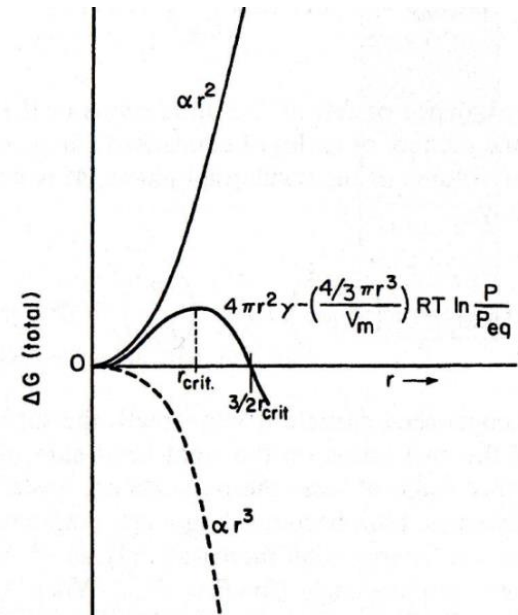
$$d(\Delta G)/dr = 0 \text{ at } r = r_c$$

$$r_c = 2\gamma V_m / RT \ln(P/P_0)$$

This means there is always a free energy barrier of

$$\Delta G_m = 16 \pi \gamma^3 V_m / 3 [RT \ln(P/P_0)]^2$$

which is overcome by thermal fluctuation.



* Related concepts

artificial raining: spraying dry ice particle in the damp air

seeding in crystallization: adding a crystal seeds in a supersaturated solution

- $P > P_o \rightarrow$ liquid \uparrow
 $P < P_o \rightarrow$ vaporize

$$dn = 4\pi r^2 dr \rho / M \rightarrow n = (4/3)\pi r^3 \rho / M, \quad \text{molar volume } V_m = M/\rho$$

$$dG = VdP - SdT$$

$$\text{at const } T \text{ (isothermal), } dG = VdP$$

$$\rightarrow \Delta G = -nRT \ln(P/P_o) + \text{consider surface free energy}$$

+ γ : impede growth (성장 방해)

$$r_c \sim 0.6 \sim 1 \text{ nm (50} \sim 100 \text{ atoms or molecules)}$$

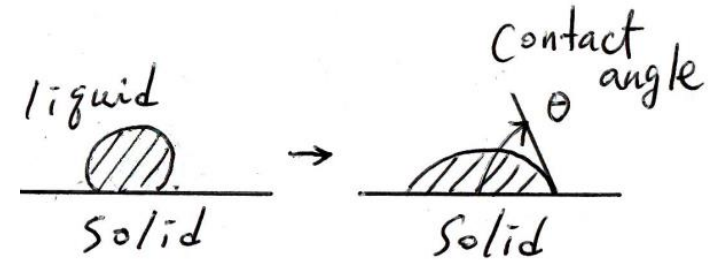
- (i) Small particle ($r < r_c$) \rightarrow 2nd term dominant, $r^2 \uparrow \rightarrow \Delta G \uparrow$
- (ii) $r > r_c \rightarrow$ 1st term dominant, r^3 faster than $r^2 \rightarrow$ spontaneous

Capillary rise and depression

- Wetting

$\theta = 0^\circ$: complete wetting

$\theta = 180^\circ$: complete dewetting



- Wetting occurs to minimize the total free energy which includes the surface and **interfacial** free energies

- Force balance at the interface

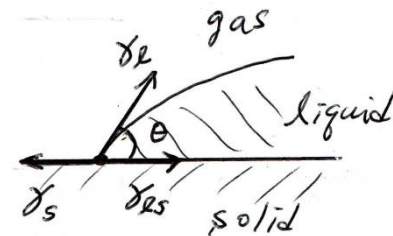
- Criteria for wetting

When the interface area is increased by dA ,

$$\begin{aligned} dG &= \gamma_{ls} dA + \gamma_l \cos \theta dA - \gamma_s dA \\ &= (\gamma_{ls} + \gamma_l \cos \theta - \gamma_s) dA = x dA \end{aligned}$$

If $x < 0 \rightarrow$ wetting occurs, and

If $x > 0 \rightarrow$ dewetting occurs.



$$\gamma_l \cos \theta + \gamma_{ls} = \gamma_s$$

There is a certain contact angle for which $x = 0$: equilibrium contact angle

Capillary rise

- Force balance at the top of the meniscus

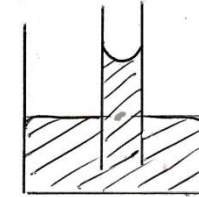
Total wetting force = gravitational force of the water column

$$2\pi r \gamma \cos \theta = (\rho - \rho_0) (\pi r^2 h) g = \Delta\rho (\pi r^2 h) g$$

ρ = density of the liquid

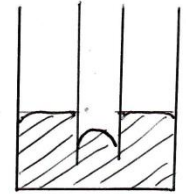
ρ_0 = density of the air

$$h = 2 \gamma \cos \theta / \Delta\rho g r$$



capillary
rise

$$\gamma_c > \gamma_l$$



capillary
depression

$$\gamma_c < \gamma_l$$

Another view

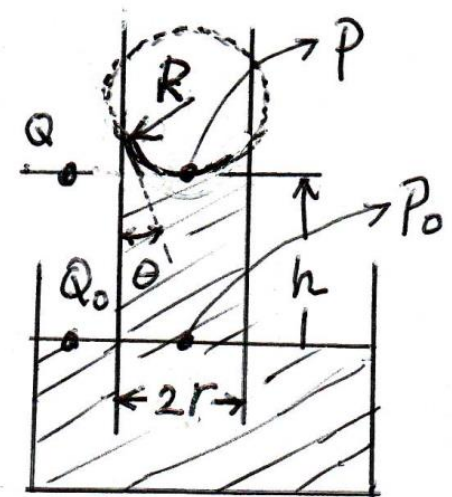
pressure difference between the points Q and Q_0 : $\Delta P = \rho_0 g h$

pressure difference between the points P and P_0 : $\Delta P = -2\gamma/R + \rho g h$

The two ΔP 's should be the same. $r = R \cos \theta$

$$2\gamma/R = \Delta\rho g h \rightarrow h = 2\gamma \cos \theta / \Delta\rho g r$$

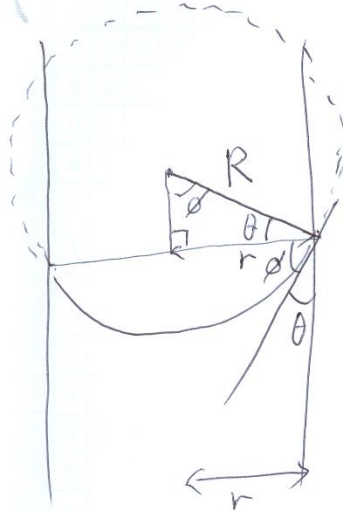
More accurately, $h' = h + r/3$



$$\Delta p = \frac{2\gamma}{r}$$

$r \downarrow \rightarrow \Delta p \uparrow$ (large P_i (internal pressure))

\rightarrow liquid \uparrow (liquid rise) \rightarrow = hydrostatic pressure
to decrease total free energy



$$R \cos \theta = r$$

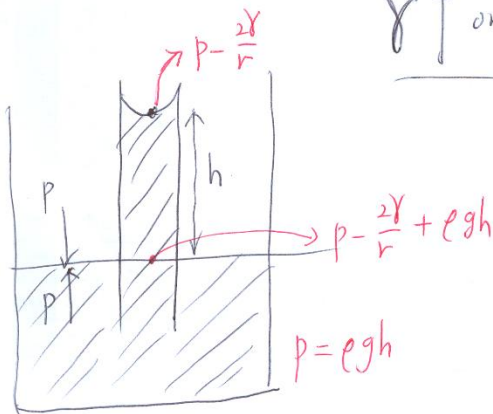
$$R = \frac{r}{\cos \theta}$$

$$\Delta \rho g h = \frac{2\gamma}{R} = \frac{2\gamma}{r} \cos \theta$$

$\Delta \rho$: density difference between
liquid and gas pressure

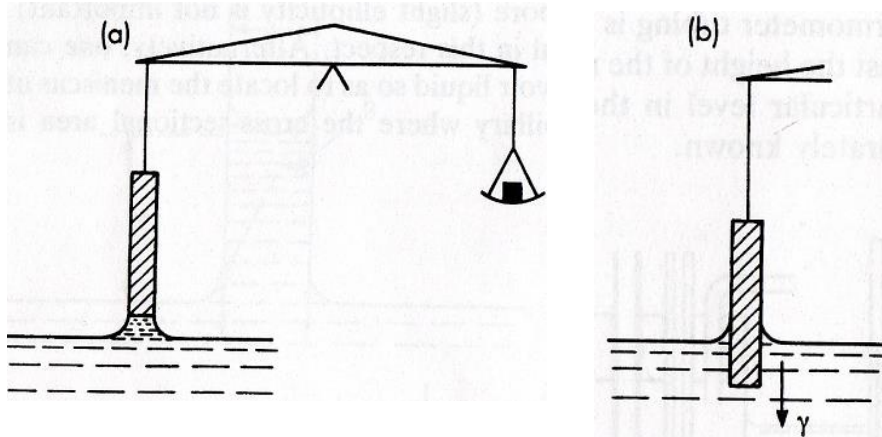
if $\theta = 0 \rightarrow \gamma = \frac{1}{2} r h \Delta \rho g$

$\gamma \uparrow$ or $r \downarrow \Rightarrow h \uparrow$



Measurements of surface tension

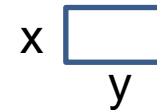
Measurement of interfacial tension by the ring method



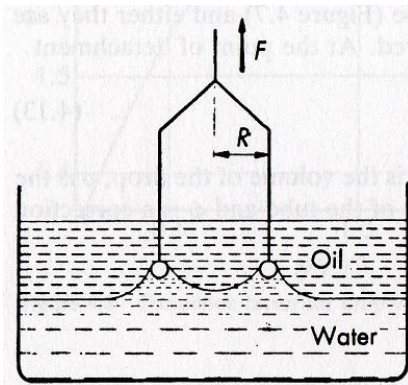
Wilhelmy plate methods: (a) detachment; (b) static

$$W_{\text{det.}} - W = 2(x + y)\gamma \cos\theta$$

Assume $\theta = 0$



Perimeter, $2(x + y)$



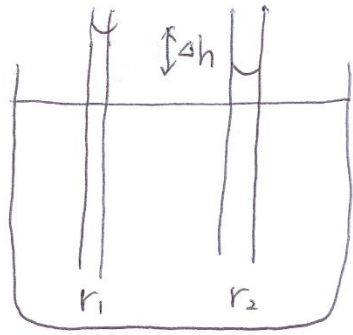
$$\gamma = \frac{\beta F}{4\pi R}$$

$$(\beta - a)^2 = \frac{4b}{\pi^2} \cdot \frac{1}{R^2} \cdot \frac{F}{4\pi R(\rho_1 - \rho_2)} + c$$

Correction factor β



Ring perimeter,
 $2\pi R + 2\pi R$

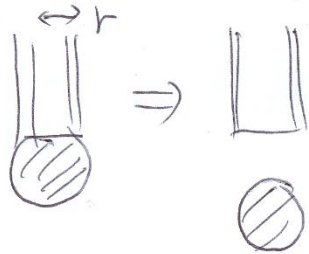


$$\gamma = \frac{1}{2} r_1 h_1 \Delta \rho g = \frac{1}{2} r_2 h_2 \Delta \rho g$$

$$\Delta h = h_1 - h_2$$

$$\gamma = \frac{\Delta \rho g r_1 r_2 \Delta h}{2(r_1 - r_2)}$$

Drop-volume, drop-weight method



$$\gamma = \frac{\phi \cdot m \cdot g}{2\pi r}$$

$$= \frac{\phi V \rho g}{2\pi r}$$

ϕ : correction factor
 ρ : density of liquid
 m : mass of the drop
 V : volume

force of drop weight, $g \cdot m \cdot t_{\max}$ t_{\max} : lifetime of drop

$$m g t_{\max} = \gamma \cdot 2\pi r$$

Interfacial tension

- Force /unit surface area for a pure liquid = γ
- Force /unit interface area at a liquid-liquid interface/unit length = γ_i
- The total unbalanced force acting on the molecules at the interface

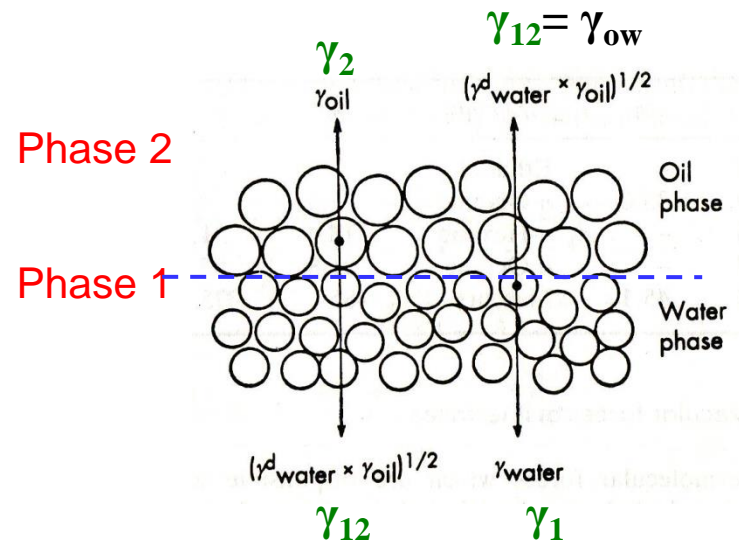
$$\gamma_i = (\gamma_1 - \gamma_{12}) + (\gamma_2 - \gamma_{21}) = \gamma_1 + \gamma_2 - 2\gamma_{12}$$

where $\gamma_{12} = \gamma_{21}$ (action-reaction)

γ_i = free energy per unit interfacial area

If 1 and 2 are the same materials, $\gamma_i = 0$

- Consider the case where 2 surfaces are brought from infinity to contact



Additivity of intermolecular force

$$\gamma_w = \gamma_w^d + \gamma_w^h \quad \text{Dispersion force (van der Waals) + hydrogen bonding}$$

$$\gamma_{\text{Hg}} = \gamma_{\text{Hg}}^d + \gamma_{\text{Hg}}^m \quad \text{Dispersion force (van der Waals) + metal bonding}$$

$$\gamma_{\text{ow}} = \gamma_o^d + (\gamma_w^d + \gamma_w^h) - 2 \times (\gamma_w^d \times \gamma_o^d)^{1/2}$$

Ex: n-hexane-water interface

Hydrocarbon:

Dispersion force only

$$51.1 = 18.4 + 72.8 - 2 \times (\gamma_w^d \times 18.4)^{1/2}$$

$$\gamma_w^d = 21.8 \text{ mNm}^{-1}$$

$$\gamma_w^h = 72.8 - 21.8 = 51.0 \text{ mNm}^{-1}$$

H₂O, Hg → high γ
hydrogen bonding,
Metal bonding

Table 4.1 Surface tensions and interfacial tensions against water for liquids at 20°C (in mN m⁻¹)

<i>Liquid</i>	γ_o	γ_i	<i>Liquid</i>	γ_o	γ_i
Water	72.8	–	Ethanol	22.3	–
Benzene	28.9	35.0	<i>n</i> -Octanol	27.5	8.5
Acetic acid	27.6	–	<i>n</i> -Hexane	18.4	51.1
Acetone	23.7	–	<i>n</i> -Octane	21.8	50.8
CCl ₄	26.8	45.1	Mercury	485	375

c.f colloidal particle

- The dispersed particles with a size of $1\text{nm}(10^{-9}\text{m}) \sim 10\mu\text{m}$ may be solid particles, liquid drops, macromolecules (polymers, proteins) etc
- A colloidal system can be made by combination of various phases
- Areas of colloidal systems

Aerosols	Foodstuffs
Agrochemicals	Ink
Cement	Paint
Cosmetics	Paper
Dyestuffs	Pharmaceuticals
Emulsions	Plastics
Fabrics	Rubber
Foams	Soil

- Applications

Adhesion

Chromatography

Detergency

Electrophoretic deposition

Emulsion polymerisation

Food processing

Grinding

Heterogeneous catalysis

Ion exchange

Lubrication

Oil-well drilling

Ore flotation

Precipitation

Road surfacing

Sewage disposal

Soil conditioning

Sugar refining

Water clarification

Water evaporation control

Water repellency

Wetting

- Factors to contribute the overall of a colloidal system

Particle size

Particle shape and flexibility

Surface (including electrical) properties

Particle-particle interactions

Particle-solvent interactions

Classification of colloidal systems

- Dispersions

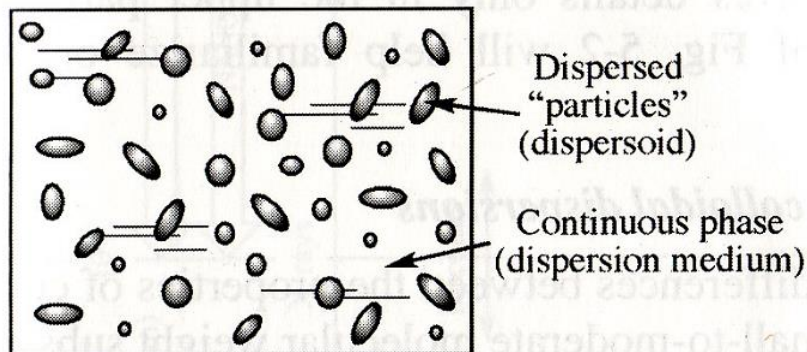


Table 1.1 Types of colloidal dispersion

<i>Dispersed phase</i>	<i>Dispersion medium</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Examples</i>
Liquid	Gas	Liquid aerosol	Fog, liquid sprays
Solid	Gas	Solid aerosol	Smoke, dust
Gas	Liquid	Foam	Foam on soap solutions, fire-extinguisher foam
Liquid	Liquid	Emulsion	Milk, mayonnaise
Solid	Liquid	Sol, colloidal suspension; paste (high solid concentration)	Au sol, AgI sol; toothpaste
Gas	Solid	Solid foam	Expanded polystyrene
Liquid	Solid	Solid emulsion	Opal, pearl
Solid	Solid	Solid suspension	Pigmented plastics

		<u>dispersoid</u>		
		s	l	g
medium dispersion	s	o	o	o
	l	o	o	o
	g	o	o	x

- e.g. oil-in-water (O/W) emulsion & water-in-oil (W/O) emulsion

- ‘*sol*’ is used to distinguish colloidal suspensions from macroscopic suspensions. When the dispersion medium is aqueous: ‘*hydrosol*’. If the dispersed phase is polymeric in nature: ‘*latex*’
c.f. *gel*: solid appearance which all of the solvent becomes mechanically trapped and immobilized within this network

Importance of interface

- A characteristic feature of colloidal dispersions is the large area to volume ratio for the particles involved
- Characteristic surface properties such as adsorption and electric double layer at the interface play an important part in determining the physical properties of the system as a whole
- Even a small amount of additives can significantly modify the interfaces, hence influencing the overall bulk properties
- **Surface science is closely linked to colloid science; indeed colloid science is a part of surface science**

Lyophilic and lyophobic systems

- lyophilic (liquid-loving) and lyophobic (liquid-hating): in aqueous, *hydrophilic* and *hydrophobic*

Surfactants, Langmuir films, Langmuir-
Blodgett films,
self assembly monolayers
(5.3, 5.4, 5.5, 5.6)

Surface tension of 2-component systems

Surface activity

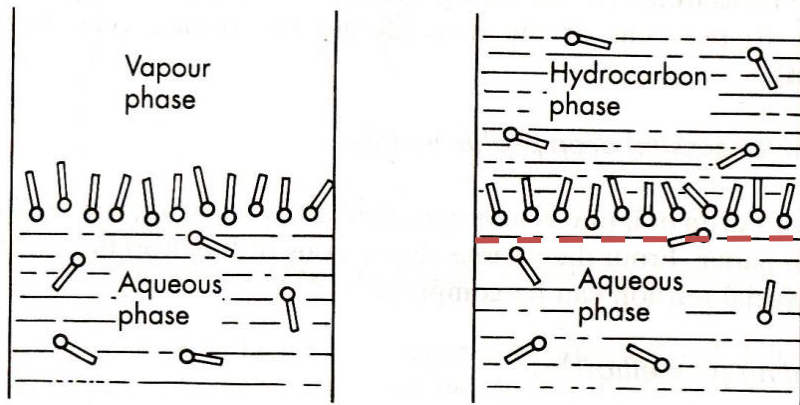
$$\gamma = \gamma_0 - \pi$$

$\gamma \downarrow \rightarrow$ emulsification
If $\pi > \gamma_0$ microemulsion

π : surface pressure (expanding pressure)

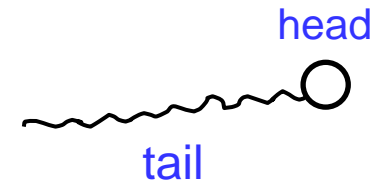
Surface active agent, surfactant : $\gamma \downarrow$

Adsorption and orientation at interfaces



Surfactant (surface active agent)

- Molecules which drastically reduces the γ of water when added.
- Typically consists of **hydrophobic hydrocarbon chain (tail)** and **hydrophilic group (head)** such as -OH, -COOH, -SO₃H, -NH₂ etc.
- Surfactants are used in many important industrial applications



Classification of surfactant

Table 4.2 Surface-active agents

Anionic

Sodium stearate	$\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_{16}\text{COO}^- \text{Na}^+$
Sodium oleate	$\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_7\text{CH}=\text{CH}(\text{CH}_2)_7\text{COO}^- \text{Na}^+$
Sodium dodecyl sulphate	$\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_{11}\text{SO}_4^- \text{Na}^+$
Sodium dodecyl benzene sulphonate	$\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_{11} \cdot \text{C}_6\text{H}_4 \cdot \text{SO}_3^- \text{Na}^+$

Most widely used
(low cost, performance)

Cationic

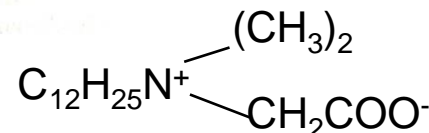
Dodecylamine hydrochloride	$\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_{11}\text{NH}_3^+ \text{Cl}^-$	expensive
Hexadecyltrimethyl ammonium bromide	$\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_{15}\text{N}(\text{CH}_3)_3^+ \text{Br}^-$	

Surfactant:
Synthetic detergent
Wetting agent
Emulsifier
dispersant

Non-ionic

Polyethylene oxides	
Spans (sorbitan esters)	
Tweens (polyoxyethylene sorbitan esters)	e.g. $\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_{11}(\text{O} \cdot \text{CH}_2 \cdot \text{CH}_2)_6\text{OH}^*$

Ampholytic (amphiphilic) dodecyl betaine



Self-assembly of surfactant: Micelle formation

Micelle: organized aggregates

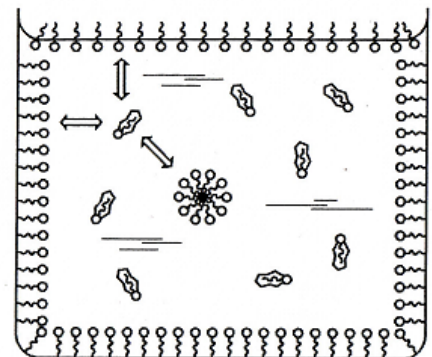
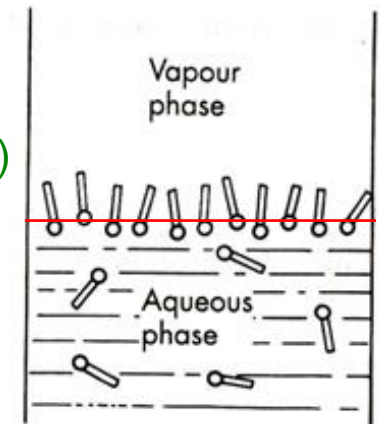
- When added in water, surfactant molecules strongly positively adsorb at the surface.
- Surfactant molecules in bulk water is thermodynamically unstable, so the bulk concentration is very small.
- The solubility of surfactants in water, especially the ones with a long alkyl chain, is very low.
- Above a certain temperature, **Kraft Temperature T_K** , the solubility increases rapidly because of **micelle formation**.
- Isolated surfactant molecules spontaneously form a stable aggregate (micelle) above a certain concentration, **critical micelle concentration (CMC)**
- Micelle formation occurs sharply at CMC like a phase transition.

Table 4.5 Kraft temperatures for sodium alkyl sulphates in water

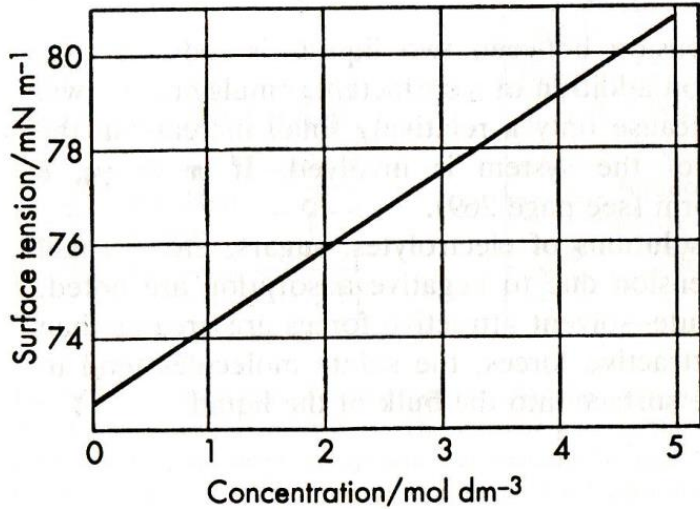
Number of carbon atoms	10	12	14	16	18
Kraft temperature/ $^{\circ}\text{C}$	8	16	30	45	56

$T \uparrow \rightarrow$ solubility \uparrow , longer chain: insoluble

Micellization: alternative mechanism to adsorption by which the interface energy of surfactant solution might decrease

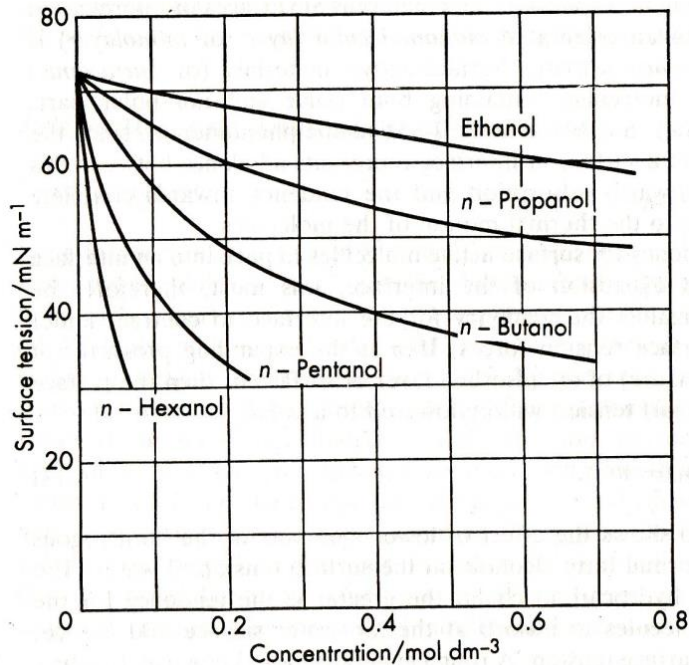


NaCl solution



Electrolyte \uparrow or sugar \uparrow \rightarrow $\gamma\uparrow$
Negative adsorption:
Solute-solvent > solvent-solvent
attractive force attractive force

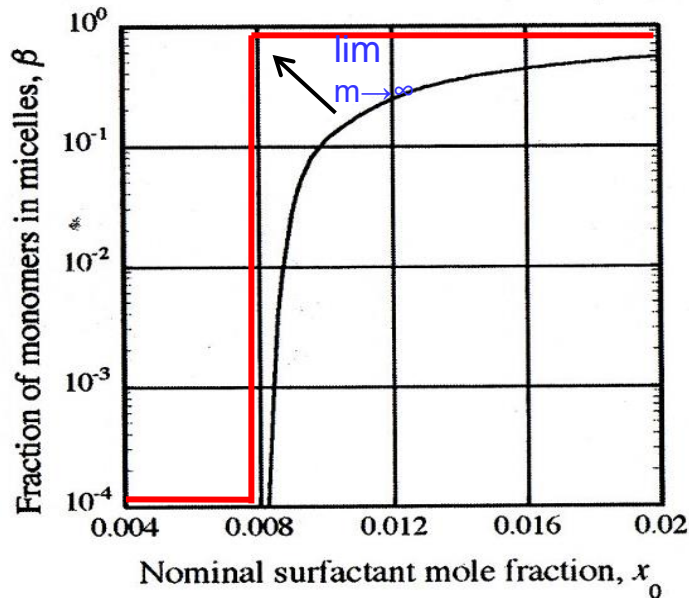
Alcohol in water



One CH₃ group \rightarrow factor of 3 of $\gamma\downarrow$
Longer HC chain \rightarrow
surface activity (adsorption at interface) \uparrow
 \rightarrow $\gamma\downarrow$

Sharpness of CMC

- $mS \leftrightarrow S_m$: β = fraction of monomer in micelles
 $c(1-\beta)$ $c\beta/m$ c : solution concentration, m : # of monomer per micelle
- $K = (c\beta/m) / [c(1-\beta)]^m \rightarrow \beta = \beta(c)$ at constant K
- $Kmc^{m-1} = \beta/(1-\beta)^m$
- Typically, $m \sim 100$ and $CMC \sim 10^{-3}$.
- $\beta(c)$ is plotted in the bottom Figure
 Transition is fairly sharp $\rightarrow \lim (m \rightarrow \infty) \beta(c)$ is a step function



Spherical micelle

- Nearly monodispersed.
- The size is limited and it depends on the nature of the lyophobic part of the surfactant.
 $m S \leftrightarrow S_m$: S = monomer, S_m = micelle,
 m = aggregation number

n = # of CH_2 unit in a straight chain hydrocarbon

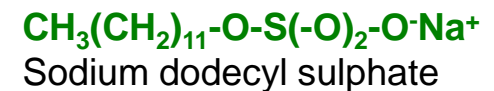
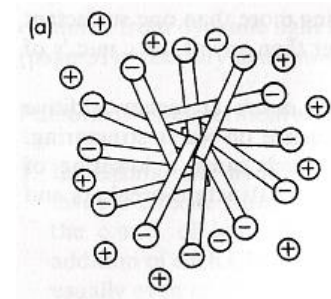
n	12	14	16	18
m	33	46	60	78

- Counter ion binding: counter ion / $S < 1$

TABLE 8.1 Critical Micelle Concentration, Degree of Aggregation, and Effective Fractional Ionization for Several Surfactants With and Without Added Salt

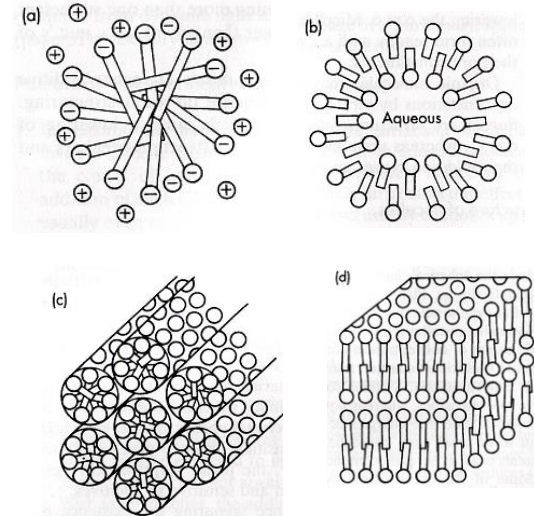
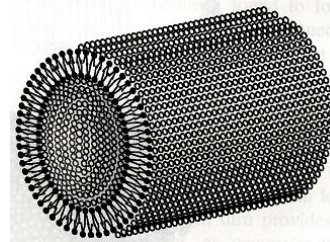
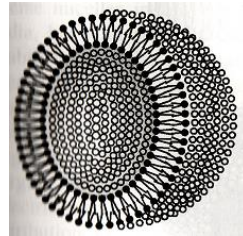
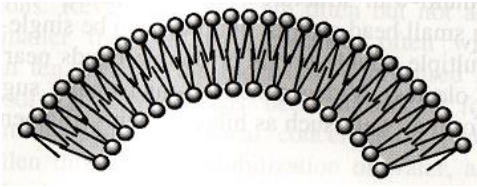
Surfactant	Solution	Critical micelle concentration (mole liter ⁻¹)	Aggregation number n m	Ratio of charge to aggregation number, z/n
Sodium dodecyl sulfate	Water	0.00810	80	0.18
	0.02 M NaCl	0.00382	94	0.14
	0.03 M NaCl	0.00309	100	0.13
	0.10 M NaCl	0.00139	112	0.12
	0.20 M NaCl	0.00083	118	0.14
	0.40 M NaCl	0.00052	126	0.13
Dodecylamine hydrochloride	Water	0.01310	56	0.14
	0.0157 M NaCl	0.01040	93	0.13
	0.0237 M NaCl	0.00925	101	0.12
	0.0460 M NaCl	0.00723	142	0.09
Decyl trimethyl ammonium bromide	Water	0.06800	36	0.25
	0.013 M NaCl	0.06340	38	0.26
Dodecyl trimethyl ammonium bromide	Water	0.01530	50	0.21
	0.013 M NaCl	0.01070	56	0.17
Tetradecyl trimethyl ammonium bromide	Water	0.00302	75	0.14
	0.013 M NaCl	0.00180	96	0.13

Source: J. N. Phillips, *Trans. Faraday Soc.*, **51**, 561 (1955).

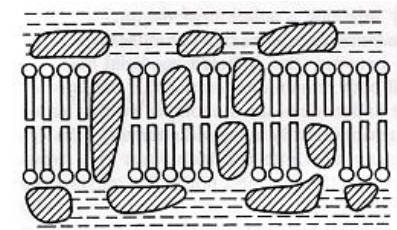


Structure of micelle

- Spherical, spherical bilayer, hexagonal, lamella
- Typically, micelles tends to be approximately spherical over a fairly wide range of concentration above **CMC**.
- There are often marked transition to larger, non-spherical liquid crystal structure at high concentrations.



Micelle structures; a) spherical, b) spherical vesicle bilayer, c) hexagonal, d) lamella



Biological cell membrane

Evidence for micelle formation

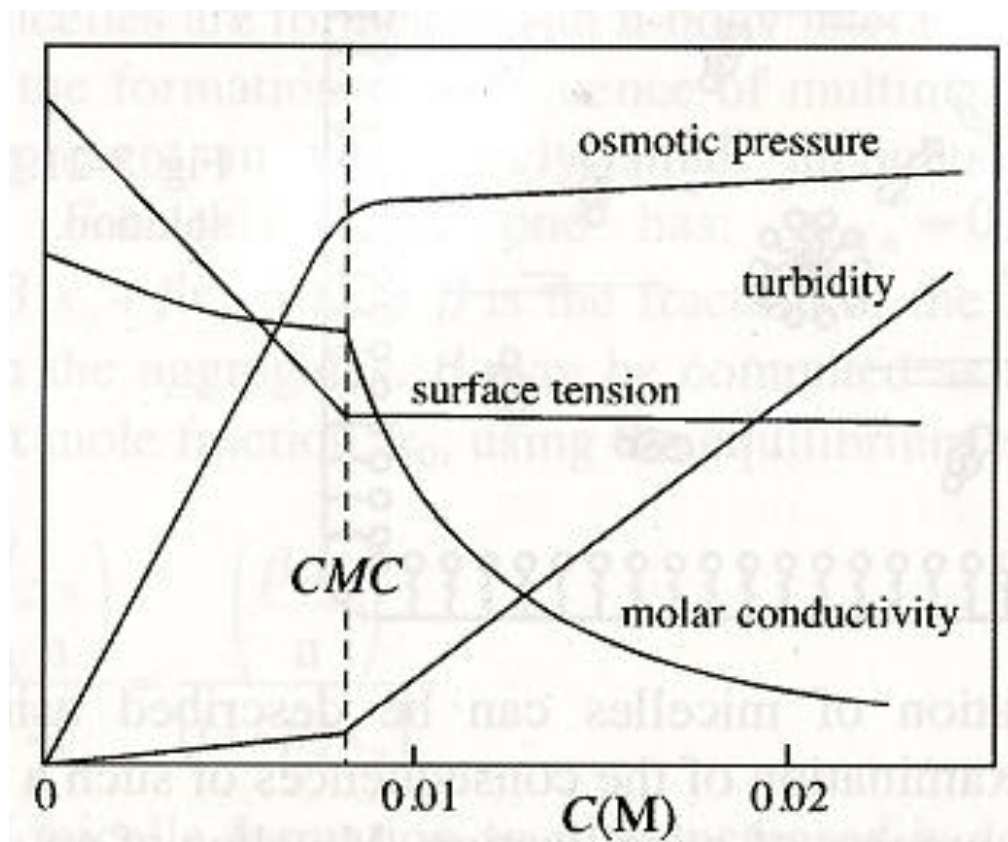


Fig. 3-20: Schematic diagram of physical property changes of aqueous solutions of sodium dodecyl sulfate at 25°C as a function of concentration.

Physical property changes at cmc

1. Molar conductivity Λ of ionic surfactants

- Ions contribute to the conductivity but Λ gradually \downarrow with increasing concentration because of ion-ion interactions.
- A sharp decrease in Λ above the c.m.c. due to micelle formation.
 - 1) The total viscous drag is reduced when micelles are formed.
 - 2) Counter-ions become kinetically a part of micelle \rightarrow the net charge of a micelle z is much smaller than n , reducing the # of counter-ions available for carrying current.
 - 3) The electrophoretic retardation effect of the ionic atmospheres of unattached counter-ions is greatly increased.
- The last two effects are responsible for the sharp decrease in Λ when micelles are formed.

2. Osmotic pressure Π

- $\pi V = cRT$ (van't Hoff eq.)
- The # of molecules only slightly increases above c.m.c.

3. Turbidity τ

- Turbidity is due to the scattering of visible light by particles.
- The scattering power increases with increasing particle size, reaching about maximum when the size is comparable to the wavelength.
- The size of an unassociated surfactant molecule is too small to appreciably scatter visible light.
- When micelle is formed, it can significantly scatter light.

4. Surface tension γ

- Surface tension sharply decreases with increasing surfactant concentration.
- However, when micelle is formed, its concentration (number-based) increases very slowly.

Factors affecting CMC

1. Hydrophobic chain length n of straight aliphatic surfactant.

Table 4.3 Critical micelle concentrations for a homologous series of sodium alkyl sulphates in water at 40°C¹¹

Number of carbon atoms	8	10	12	14	16	18
c.m.c./10 ⁻³ mol dm ⁻³	140	33	8.6	2.2	0.58	0.23

ionic: $n \rightarrow n+1$, $CMC(n+1)/CMC(n) \sim 1/2$
 non-ionic: $n \rightarrow n+1$, $CMC(n+1)/CMC(n) \sim 1/3$
 $\log(CMC) = A - Bn$: Klevens constants A and B

Table 3-6: Some values for CMC and aggregation number. From [From Rosen, M. J., **Surfactants and Interfacial Phenomena**, 2nd Ed., pp. 108ff, Wiley, New York, 1989.]

Surfactant	Medium	T(°C)	CMC (mM)	Agg. No., n
C ₁₀ H ₂₁ SO ₄ Na ⁺	H ₂ O	40	33	40 _{30°C}
C ₁₂ H ₂₅ SO ₄ Na ⁺	H ₂ O	40	8.6	54
C ₁₄ H ₂₉ SO ₄ Na ⁺	H ₂ O	40	2.2	
C ₁₂ H ₂₅ SO ₄ Na ⁺	H ₂ O	25	8.2	
C ₁₂ H ₂₅ SO ₄ Na ⁺	0.01 M NaCl	21	5.6	
C ₁₂ H ₂₅ SO ₄ Na ⁺	0.03 M NaCl	21	3.2	
C ₁₂ H ₂₅ SO ₄ Na ⁺	0.10 M NaCl	21	1.5	90 _{20°C}
C ₁₄ H ₂₉ SO ₄ Na ⁺	0.01 M NaCl	23		138
C ₁₂ H ₂₅ SO ₄ Na ⁺	3M urea	25	9.0	
C ₁₂ H ₂₅ N(CH ₃) ₃ ⁺ Br ⁻	H ₂ O	25	1.6	50 _{23°C}
n-C ₁₂ H ₂₅ (C ₂ H ₄ O) ₇ OH	H ₂ O	25	0.05	
n-C ₁₂ H ₂₅ (C ₂ H ₄ O) ₆ OH	H ₂ O	25	0.05	
n-C ₁₂ H ₂₅ (C ₂ H ₄ O) ₁₄ OH	H ₂ O	25	0.055	
C ₁₆ H ₃₃ (C ₂ H ₄ O) ₆ OH	H ₂ O	25		2,430
C ₁₆ H ₃₃ (C ₂ H ₄ O) ₆ OH	H ₂ O	34		16,600

Note: n of nonionic surfactant is much larger

Ionic surfactants

Surfactant series	T(°C)	A	B
Na carboxylates (soaps)	20	1.8 ₅	0.30
K carboxylates (soaps)	25	1.9 ₂	0.29
Na (K) <i>n</i> -alkyl 1-sulfates or -sulfonates	25	1.5 ₁	0.30
Na <i>n</i> -alkane-1-sulfonates	40	1.5 ₉	0.29
Na <i>n</i> -alkane-1-sulfonates	55	1.1 ₃	0.26
Na <i>n</i> -alkane-1-sulfonates	60	1.4 ₂	0.28
Na <i>n</i> -alkane-1-sulfates	45	1.4 ₂	0.30
Na <i>n</i> -alkane-1-sulfates	60	1.3 ₅	0.28
Na <i>n</i> -alkane-2-sulfates	55	1.2 ₈	0.27
Na <i>p</i> - <i>n</i> -alkylbenzenesulfonates	55	1.6 ₈	0.29
Na <i>p</i> - <i>n</i> -alkylbenzenesulfonates	70	1.3 ₃	0.27
<i>n</i> -Alkylammonium chlorides	25	1.2 ₅	0.27
<i>n</i> -Alkylammonium chlorides	45	1.7 ₉	0.30
<i>n</i> -Alkyltrimethylammonium bromides	25	1.7 ₂	0.30
<i>n</i> -Alkyltrimethylammonium chlorides (in 0.1 M NaCl)	25	1.2 ₃	0.33
<i>n</i> -Alkyltrimethylammonium bromides	60	1.7 ₇	0.29
<i>n</i> -Alkylpyridinium bromides	30	1.7 ₂	0.31
<i>n</i> -C _{n} H _{2n+1} (OC ₂ H ₄) ₆ OH	25	1.8 ₂	0.49

PEO surfactants

Surfactant series	T(°C)	A'	B'
<i>n</i> -C ₁₂ H ₂₅ (OC ₂ H ₄) _{x} OH	23	-4.4	+0.046
<i>n</i> -C ₁₂ H ₂₅ (OC ₂ H ₄) _{x} OH	55	-4.8	+0.013
<i>p</i> - <i>t</i> -C ₈ H ₁₇ C ₆ H ₄ (OC ₂ H ₄) _{x} OH	25	-3.8	+0.029
C ₉ H ₁₉ C ₆ H ₄ (OC ₂ H ₄) _{x} OH	25	-4.3	+0.020
<i>n</i> -C ₁₆ H ₃₃ (OC ₂ H ₄) _{x} OH	25	-5.9	+0.024

2. Type of surfactant

- Nonionic surfactants (PEO type) have lower CMC's than ionic ones for the same HC chain length and temperature: ~ **an order of magnitude**
- Micelle formation of ionic surfactants is less favored because of the electrostatic repulsion between adjacent charged head groups.

3. Presence of electrolytes

- For ionic surfactants, addition of electrolytes(salts) lowers CMC.
- Counter ions (of added salt) near the head groups reduce the electrostatic repulsion, and therefore micelle formation is more favored.

Table 4.4 Critical micelle concentrations of sodium dodecyl sulphate in aqueous sodium chloride solutions at 25°C¹¹

	CH₃(CH₂)₁₁-O-S(=O)-O-Na⁺				
<i>c.</i> (NaCl)/mol dm ⁻³	0	0.01	0.03	0.1	0.3
<i>c.m.c.</i> /10 ⁻³ mol dm ⁻³	8.1	5.6	3.1	1.5	0.7

4. Temperature

- Micelle formation is opposed by thermal agitation and CMC is expected to increase with T↑. This is not always the case.
- T-dependence is, in general complex because of various competing factors.
- For ionic surfactant, the dependence is weak over a significant T-range.
- For nonionic surfactant (PEO type), CMC sharply↓ with T↑ due to the progressive **dehydration of the PEO groups (Fig.3-23 b)** until a point **(cloud point)** is reached where very large micelles are formed, producing visible turbidity.
- The transition occurring at cloud point is sharp **like a macroscopic phase transition.**

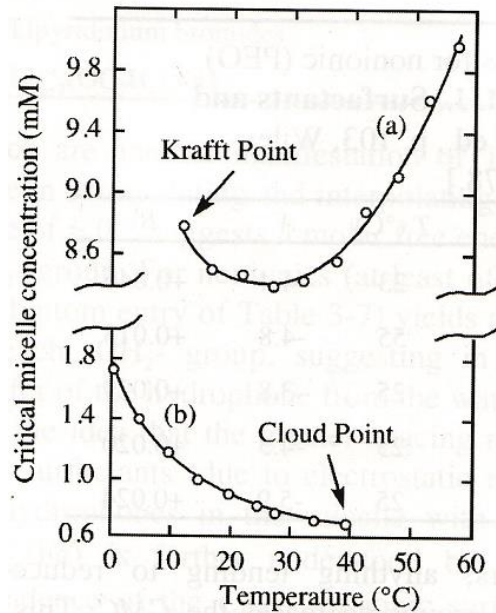


Fig. 3-23: Variation of CMC with temperature for:

- (a) sodium dodecyl sulfate;
- (b) $\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_9(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{O})_5\text{OH}$

At lower T
 Enthalpy of micellization > 0 (endothermic)
 \rightarrow micellization is entropy directed

5. Addition of organic molecules

- e.g. alcohol \rightarrow reduced electrostatic repulsion & steric hindrance $\rightarrow \text{cmc} \downarrow$
- sugar \rightarrow structure makers (water structuring) $\rightarrow \text{cmc} \downarrow$
- urea or formamide \rightarrow structure breakers $\rightarrow \text{cmc} \uparrow$

Energetics of micellization

Interactions involved in micelle formation

Monomer

- **Hydrophobic effect** (breaking H-bonds among H₂O molecules (1))
- Hydration of the hydrophilic groups (2)
- Entropy of monomers with respect to micelle (2)

Micelle

- Electrostatic repulsion between adjacent ionic head groups (1)
- Significant entropy of hydrophobic chains (1),

where (1) favors micellization, while (2) disfavors it.

$mS \leftrightarrow S_m$; $K = (c\beta/m) / [c(1-\beta)]^m$; $\beta =$ the fraction of total monomers in micelles

$$\Delta G^0 = -RT \ln K$$

Per mole of monomer, $\Delta G^0 = - (RT/m) \ln K$

$$= - (RT/m) \ln(c\beta/m) + RT \ln [c(1-\beta)] = RT [- \{ \ln(c\beta/m) \}/m + \ln \{c(1-\beta)\}]$$

At CMC, $\beta \sim 0$ and the 1st term ~ 0 because of a large m . Therefore,

$$\Delta G^0 = RT \ln(\text{CMC})$$

$$dG = VdP - SdT, \text{ and } \Delta S^0 = - (\partial G^0 / \partial T)_p$$

$$\Delta S^0 = - d(\Delta G^0) / dT = - RT d \ln(\text{CMC}) / dT - R \ln(\text{CMC})$$

$$\Delta H^0 = \Delta G^0 + T \Delta S^0$$

$$= - RT^2 d \ln(\text{CMC}) / dT$$

- In general, $\text{CMC} \uparrow$ with $T \uparrow$, meaning that micellization process is an exothermic process.
- As stated earlier, it is not always the case (ref. Fig.3-2 a).
- This suggests that the entropy of a micelle is not small, i.e., the inner hydrophobic part has significant freedom (motion).

TABLE 8.3 Some Thermodynamic Properties for the Micellization Process at or Near 25°C for Various Surfactants

Surfactant	ΔG_{mic}^0 (kJ mole ⁻¹)	ΔH_{mic}^0 (kJ mole ⁻¹)	ΔS_{mic}^0 (J K ⁻¹ mole ⁻¹)
Dodecyl pyridinium bromide	-21.0	-4.06	+56.9
Sodium dodecyl sulfate ^a	-21.9	+2.51	+81.9
<i>N</i> -Dodecyl- <i>N,N</i> -dimethyl glycine	-25.6	-5.86	+64.9
Polyoxyethylene(6) decanol	-27.3	+15.1	+142.0
<i>N,N</i> -Dimethyl dodecyl amine oxide	-25.4	+7.11	+109.0

Source: Data from J. H. Fendler and E. J. Fendler, *Catalysis in Micellar and Macromolecular Systems*, Academic Press, New York, 1975.

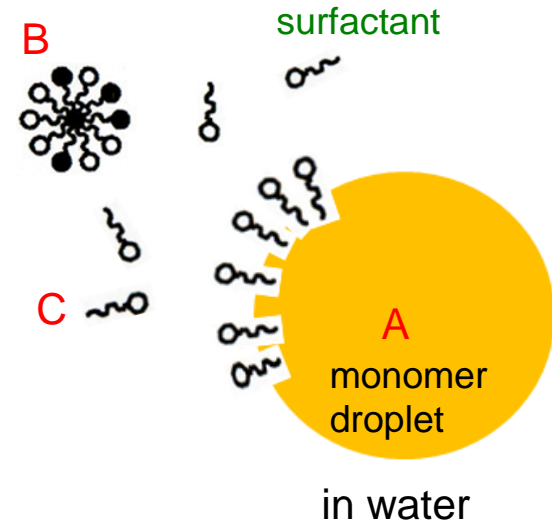
^aCalculated in Example 8.4.

Solubilization

- Surfactant solutions above the CMC can solubilize otherwise **insoluble organic material** by incorporating it into the **interior of micelles**.
- Examples: the dye xylenol orange dissolves only sparingly in pure water but gives a deep red solution with sodium dodecyl sulphate present above its CMC.
- Of practical importance in many applications;
 - 1) formulation of pharmaceutical and other water-insoluble ingredients,
 - 2) detergency (removal of oily soil),
 - 3) emulsion polymerization,
 - 4) micellar catalysis of organic reactions

Emulsion polymerization: Harkins model

- Ex: polymerization of polystyrene
- Monomer distribution
 - A: monomer droplet
 - B: inside a micelle (solubilized)
 - C: in water (dissolved, isolated)
- Polymerization occurs within micelles
- size and shape (spherical bead) regulation
- Radical polymerization
- Initiators($R\cdot$) formed in water, combining with dissolved monomers to form $RM\cdot$ → transferred into micelles; the probability of diffusion into a micelle is much greater than that into a monomer droplet because of **much larger surface areas of micelles**.



Spreading

Adhesion and cohesion

Dupré equation

- Work of adhesion $W_a = \gamma_A + \gamma_B - \gamma_{AB}$
- Work of cohesion $W_c = \gamma_A + \gamma_A - \gamma_{AA} (= 0) = 2 \gamma_A$

Spreading of one liquid on another

- When a drop of an insoluble oil is placed on a clean water surface it may
 - 1) remain as a lens (non-spreading)
 - 2) spread as a thin film until it is uniformly distributed over the surface as a duplex film (a film thick enough for the two interface to be independent and possess characteristic surface tension)
 - 3) spread as a monolayer, leaving excess oil as lenses in equilibrium (Fig.4.17)
- If the lens in Fig. 4.16 is very thin, a contact area change of dA is accompanied by
$$dG = [(\gamma_o + \gamma_{ow}) - \gamma_w] dA = - S dA$$

Initial spreading coefficient S

$S = \gamma_w - (\gamma_o + \gamma_{ow})$: oil on water

- If $dG < 0$ or $S > 0$: spontaneous spreading
- If $dG > 0$ or $S < 0$: contraction of the lens
- If $dG = 0$ or $S = 0$: equilibrium

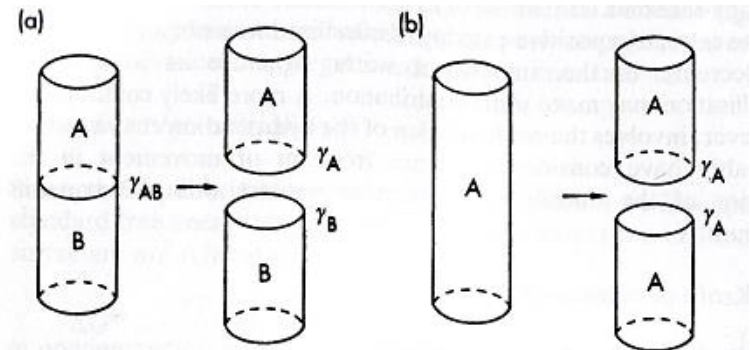


Figure 4.15 Work of adhesion (a) and of cohesion (b)

Figure 4.16 A drop of non-spreading oil on a water surface

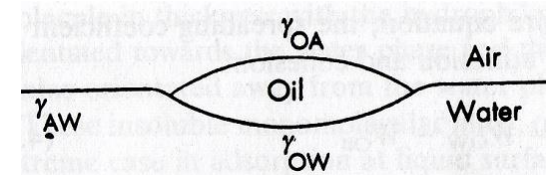


Table 4.6 Initial spreading coefficients (in mN m^{-1}) for liquids on water at 20°C ⁵⁴
 (By courtesy of Academic Press Inc.)

<i>Liquid</i>	$\gamma_{WA} - (\gamma_{OA} + \gamma_{OW}) = S$	<i>Conclusion</i>
<i>n</i> -Hexadecane	$72.8 - (30.0 + 52.1) = -9.3$	will not spread on water
<i>n</i> -Octane	$72.8 - (21.8 + 50.8) = +0.2$	will just spread on pure water
<i>n</i> -Octanol	$72.8 - (27.5 + 8.5) = +36.8$	will spread against contamination

Spreading (cont'd)

- Substituting in the Dupré equation,

$$S = \gamma_W - (\gamma_O + \gamma_{OW}) = \gamma_W + \gamma_O - \gamma_{OW} - 2\gamma_O = W_{OW} - W_{oil}$$

Factors influencing spreading

Impurities

- Impurities in water lowers γ_W more than it does γ_{OW} , especially if γ_{OW} is already low.

ex: $S_{initial} = 0.2$ for n-octane on pure water

$S_{initial} < 0$ for n-octane on contaminated water

Spreading occurs when oil adheres to the water more strongly than it coheres to itself,

$$W_a = W_{OW} = \gamma_O + \gamma_W - \gamma_{OW}$$

$$W_c = W_o = 2\gamma_o$$

Mutual saturation of one liquid with another

- The solubility of oil in water or vice versa at room temperature is small. However, the reduction in γ_W may be significant enough to affect spreading.

- Ex: Benzene on water

$$S_{initial} = 72.8 - (28.9 + 35.0) = 8.9 > 0 ; \text{spreading}$$

$$S_{final} = 62.4 - (28.8 + 35.0) = -1.4 < 0 ; \text{non-spreading}$$

- Initial spreading stops, and the film may retract slightly to form very flat lens.

- Ex: n-hexanol on water

$$S_{initial} = 72.8 - (28.9 + 35.0) = 8.9 > 0 ; \text{spreading}$$

$$S_{final} = 28.5 - (24.7 + 6.8) = -3.0 < 0 ; \text{non-spreading}$$

n-octane spread on clean water surface, not on contaminated water
Impurity in oil: $\gamma_{OW} \downarrow \rightarrow S > 0$

The final state is shown in Fig. 4.17

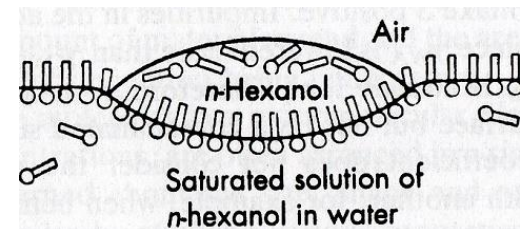


Figure 4.17 Spreading of n-hexanol on a water surface

Monomolecular Film

Insoluble (Langmuir) monolayer

- Surfactant molecules adsorb at the surface, resulting in the reduction of the surface tension.
 $\gamma_0 - \gamma = \pi$, where π is the spreading pressure
- The spreading pressure can be measured using a surface balance (Fig. 4.18).
- The surfactant molecules form a monolayer film.

Physical states of monomolecular films

- The monolayers can be roughly classified as
 1. **Condensed (solid) films**
 - Closely packed film with molecules steeply oriented towards the surface.
 2. **Liquid states**
 - Films are still coherent but occupy a much larger area than condensed films.
 - It is like a highly compressible liquid, in this sense there is no real 3D equivalent.
 - There exist a number of different **expanded films**, the most important being the **liquid-expanded state**.
 3. **2D Gaseous films**
 - Molecules are separate and move about the surface independently.
 - Surface pressure is exerted on the 2D barrier by a series of collisions

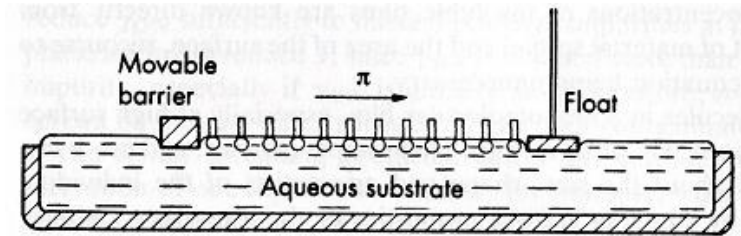
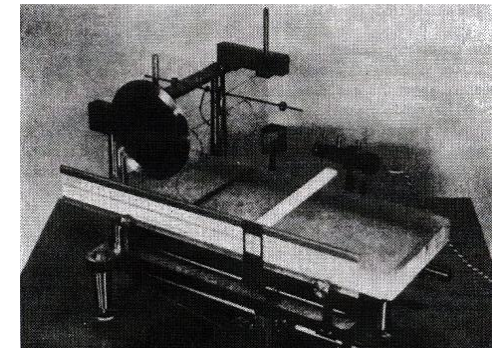


Figure 4.18 The principle of the Langmuir–Adam surface balance



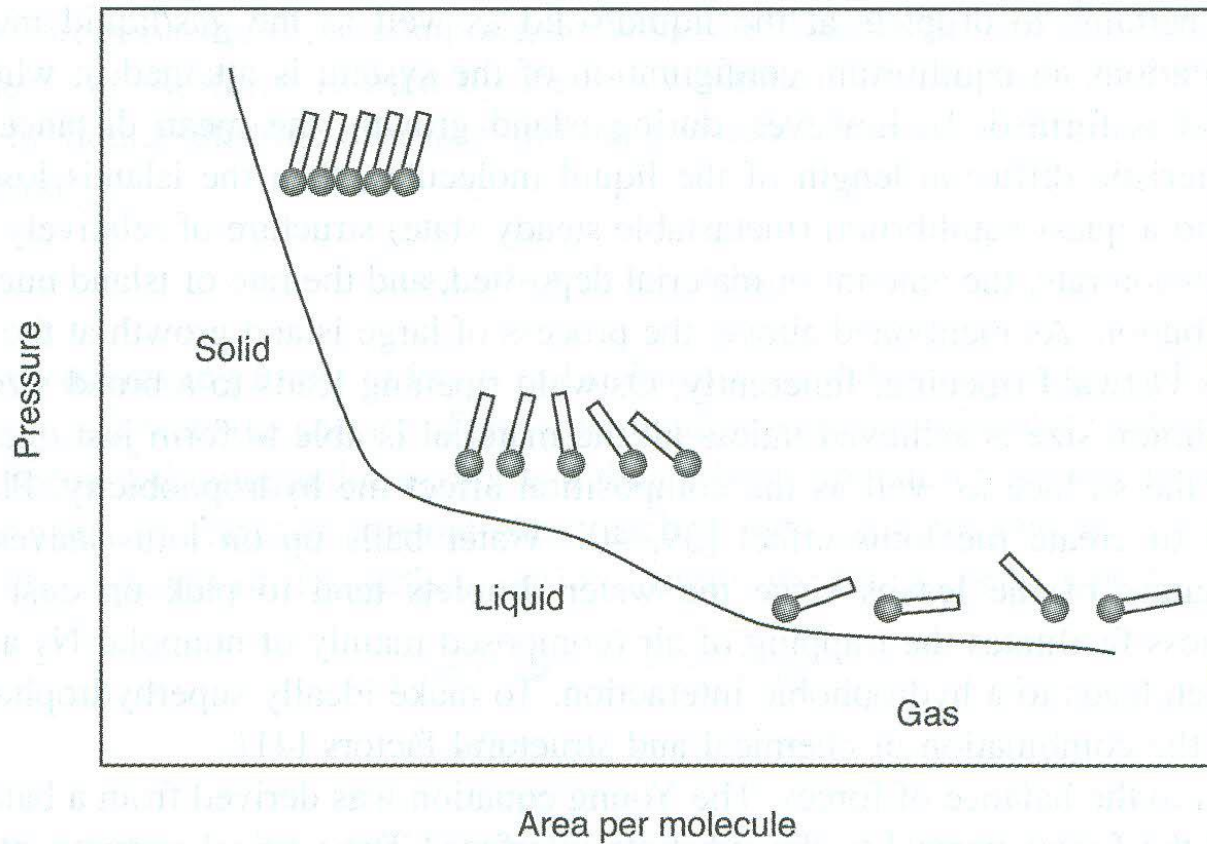


Figure 5.5 Phase diagram of surface pressure versus area per molecule (amphiphile) in a Langmuir film. The (hydrophobic) tails should only be considered rigid in the solid-like phase in which tail–tail interactions lock them into an ordered structure.

Gaseous films

• Molecules in a gaseous film behaves like a 2D gas. Assume no lateral interaction

• Equation of state:

$\Gamma_2 = -c_2 / RT (d\gamma/dc_2)$, where Γ_2 is in mole/unit surface area. Gibbs adsorption equation

$\pi = \gamma_0 - \gamma = bc_2$ at low concentration, and $d\gamma/dc_2 = -b = -\pi/c_2$.

$\Gamma_2 = -c_2 / RT (-\pi/c_2) = \pi / RT$,

$\Gamma_2 = n_2 (\text{mole})/\mathcal{A} = N_2 (\text{molecules})/\mathcal{A} N_A = \pi / RT$

$\mathcal{A} N_A / N_2 = RT / \pi \rightarrow \mathcal{A} / N_2 = kT / \pi$

Let A be the average surface area taken by a molecule, $A = \mathcal{A} / N_2$

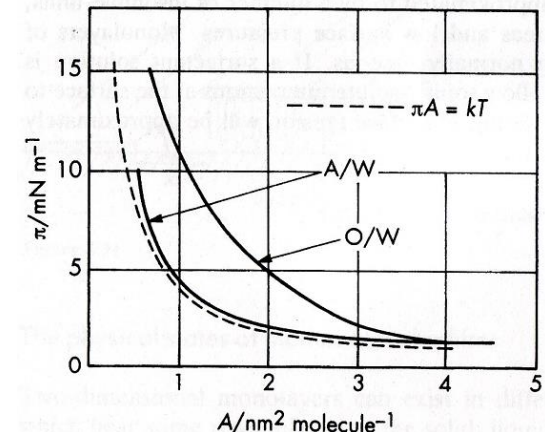
$$\pi A = kT$$

- It is just a 2D ideal gas law.
- As for 3D van der Waals equation,
- $(\pi - \pi_0)(A - A_0) = kT$ is more appropriate for real gases.

• Ex: For CTAB (cetyl trimethyl ammonium bromide) $C_{16}H_{33}N(CH_3)_3^+Br^-$ at water- air interface, $\pi A = kT$ approximately holds, for

• The electrostatic repulsion between the ionic head group is nearly compensated by the attractive force between the alkyl chains.

• At water-oil interface, π is much larger for a given A because the repulsion $F = q^2 / 4\pi\epsilon r$ is much stronger due to a smaller dielectric constant $\epsilon_r (= \epsilon/\epsilon_0)$ of the oil.

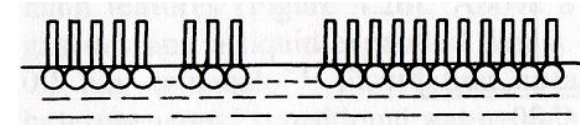


$\pi - A$ curves for CTAB at Water-air and water-oil Interfaces at 20 °C

Condensed films

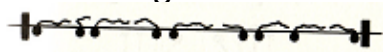
- Higher straight chain fatty acids such as stearic acid $\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_{16}\text{COOH}$ and palmitic acid $\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_{14}\text{COOH}$ are examples of condensed films.
- The cohesion (attractive interaction) is strong for these molecules, thus forming clusters and islands (Fig. 4.23).
- Because of this strong cohering tendency the surface pressure remains very low as the film is compressed and then rises rapidly when the molecules become tightly packed together.

Fig. 4.23

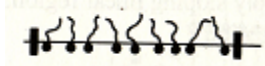


Ex: $\pi - A$ curves for stearic acid spread on HCl solution at 20 °C (bottom Fig)

- At very low pressure molecular orientation is random and tilted (a)
- In the horizontal region the molecules are lifted up (b). The compressibility is large (easily compressible) and the pressure rise is very small.
- Initial pressure rise at 0.25 nm^2 → initial packing of end groups.
- $\pi - A$ curve becomes very steep at 0.205 nm^2 → more efficient packing by staggering and interlocking of the end groups.
- Limiting surface area = $0.20\text{-}0.22 \text{ nm}^2$ for straight chain fatty acid irrespective of the chain length.
- This value is close to the cross-section of crystalline SA measured by X-ray diffraction.
- Further compression beyond this limit will eventually lead to collapse or buckling of the film.



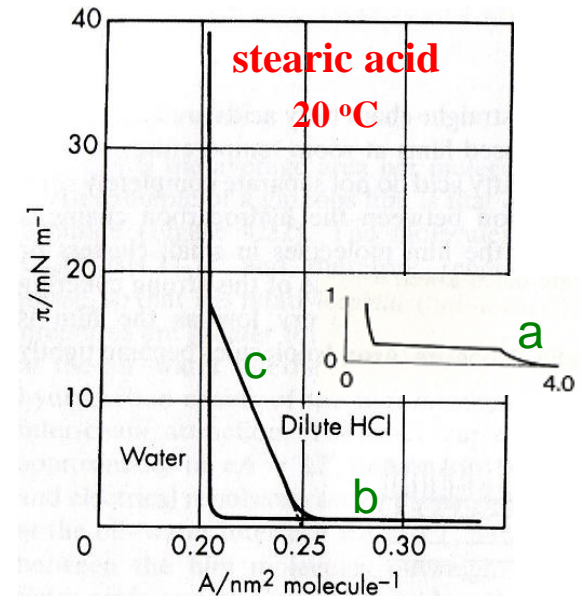
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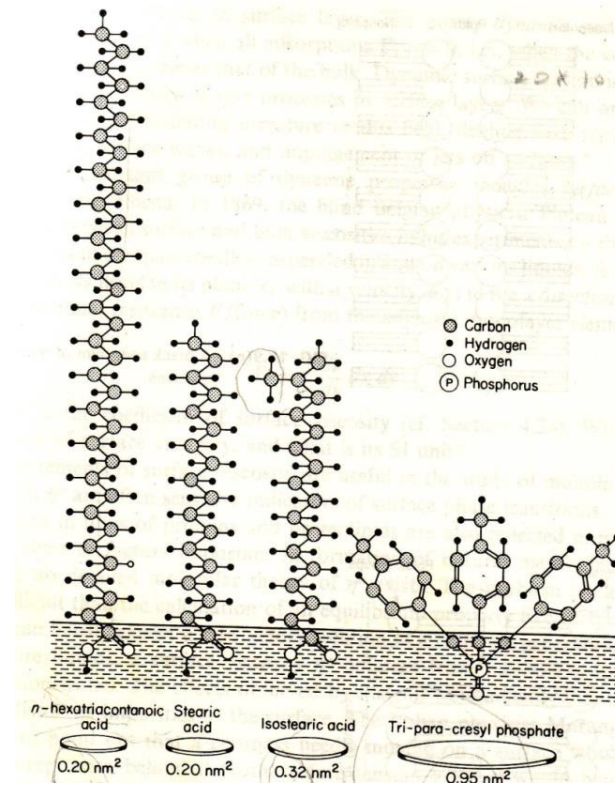
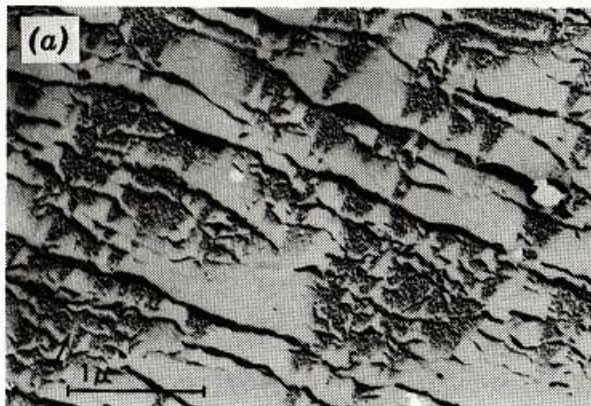
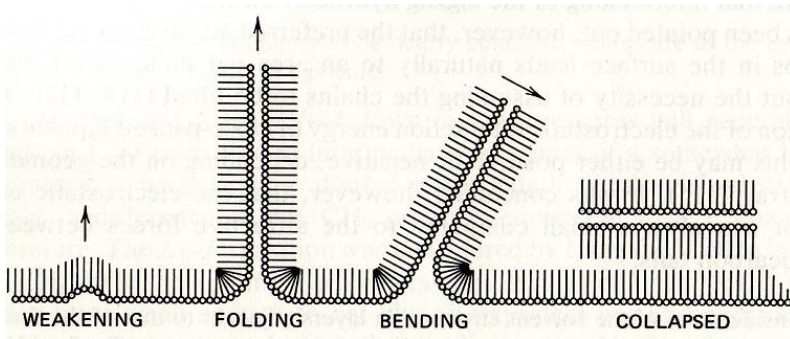
b) partially compressed



c) compressed



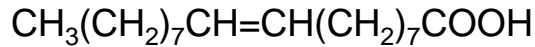
Various forms of film deformation beyond the elastic limit.



Cross-sectional areas of various surfactant molecules measures from the $\pi - \Delta$ curves

Expanded films

Oleic acid

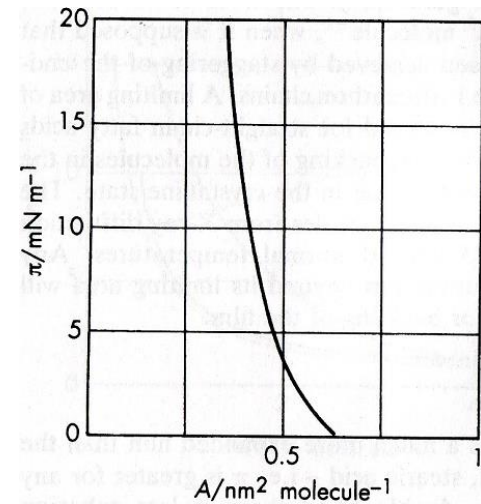


- Oleic acid gives a much **more expanded** film than the corresponding saturated acid, stearic acid.
- Because of the double bond there is less cohesion between the hydrocarbon chains than the stearic acid and a greater affinity for the aqueous surface.
- So π is larger for a given A .

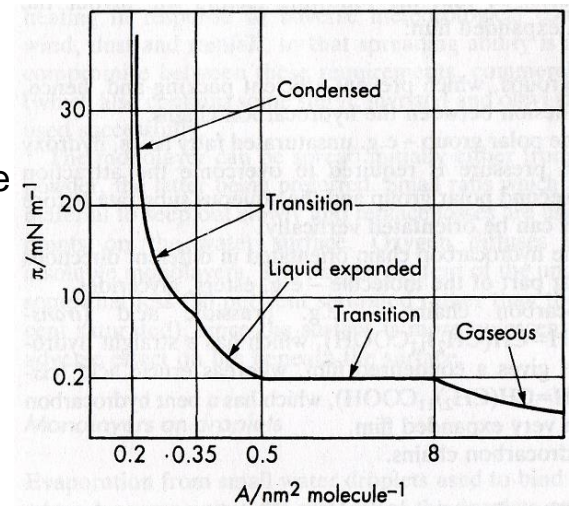
van der Waals equation

$$(\pi - \pi_0)(A - A_0) = kT$$

- The $\pi - A$ curve for myristic acid, $\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_{12}\text{COOH}$, spread on 0.1 M HCl at 14 °C (bottom Fig.) shows its overall resemblance to the p-V curve of a 3D real gas.
- But the liquid expanded state has no 3D equivalent.



$\pi - A$ curve for oleic acid on water at 20 °C



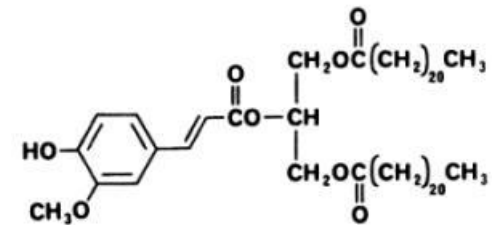
Factors influencing the physical state of monomolecular films

- Lateral cohesion between the end groups (attraction)
- Cohesion depends on the geometry and orientation of the HC chain
- Affinity for the aqueous phase (attraction)
- A longer HC chain has a higher tendency for cohesion
- The transition temperature is lowered by $\sim 5-8^\circ\text{C}$ by adding one more CH_2 group.

The following factors will favor the formation of an expanded films;

1. Bulky head groups (ex: $-\text{SO}_4$, $-\text{PO}_4$) prevent efficient packing and, hence, maximum cohesion between the HC chains.
2. More than one polar head groups- e.g. unsaturated fatty acids, hydroxy acids.
3. More than one HC chain oriented in different direction for the polar part of the molecule- e.g. esters, glycerides
4. Bent HC chains gives very expanded films.
5. Branched HC chains.
6. The nature of the substrates.

- pH is very important for ionizable monolayers.
- The repulsion between ionized COO^- groups favors the formation of gaseous or liquid-expanded films at low T.
- Dissolved electrolytes have a profound effect on the state of the film;
Ex: Ca^{2+} ions form insoluble calcium soaps with fatty acid films (unless the pH is very low), thus making the film more condensed.



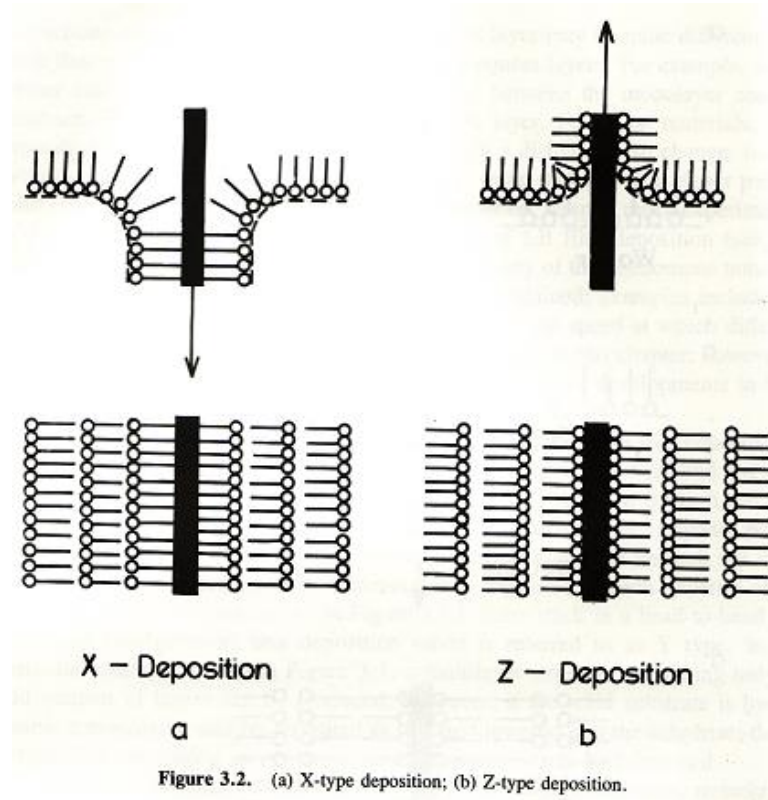
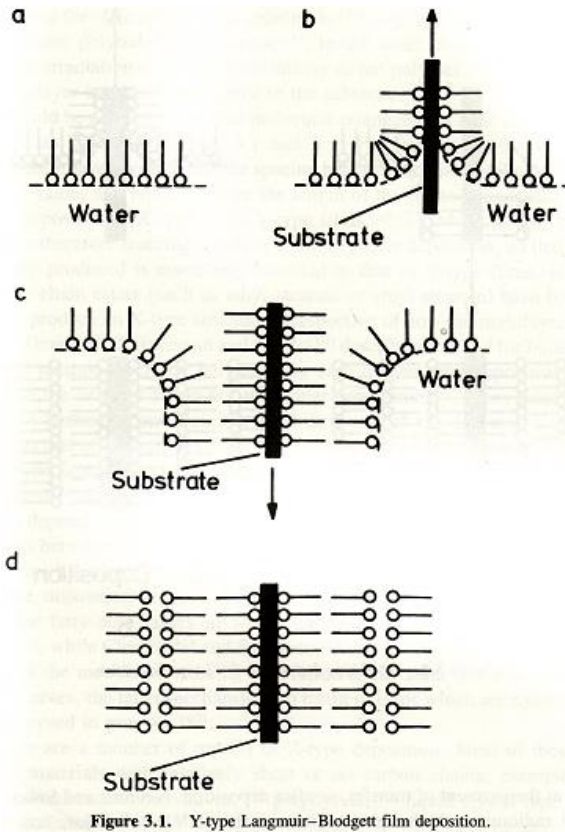
triiglyceride

Film deposition

Langmuir film: molecular film on the liquid surface

Langmuir-Blodgett film

A film of amphiphiles transferred on to a solid surface



Controlling parameters: pH, surface pressure etc.

Self assembled monolayers (SAMs)

Molecular assemblies formed spontaneously by immersion of an appropriate substrate into a solution of an active surfactant in an organic solvent

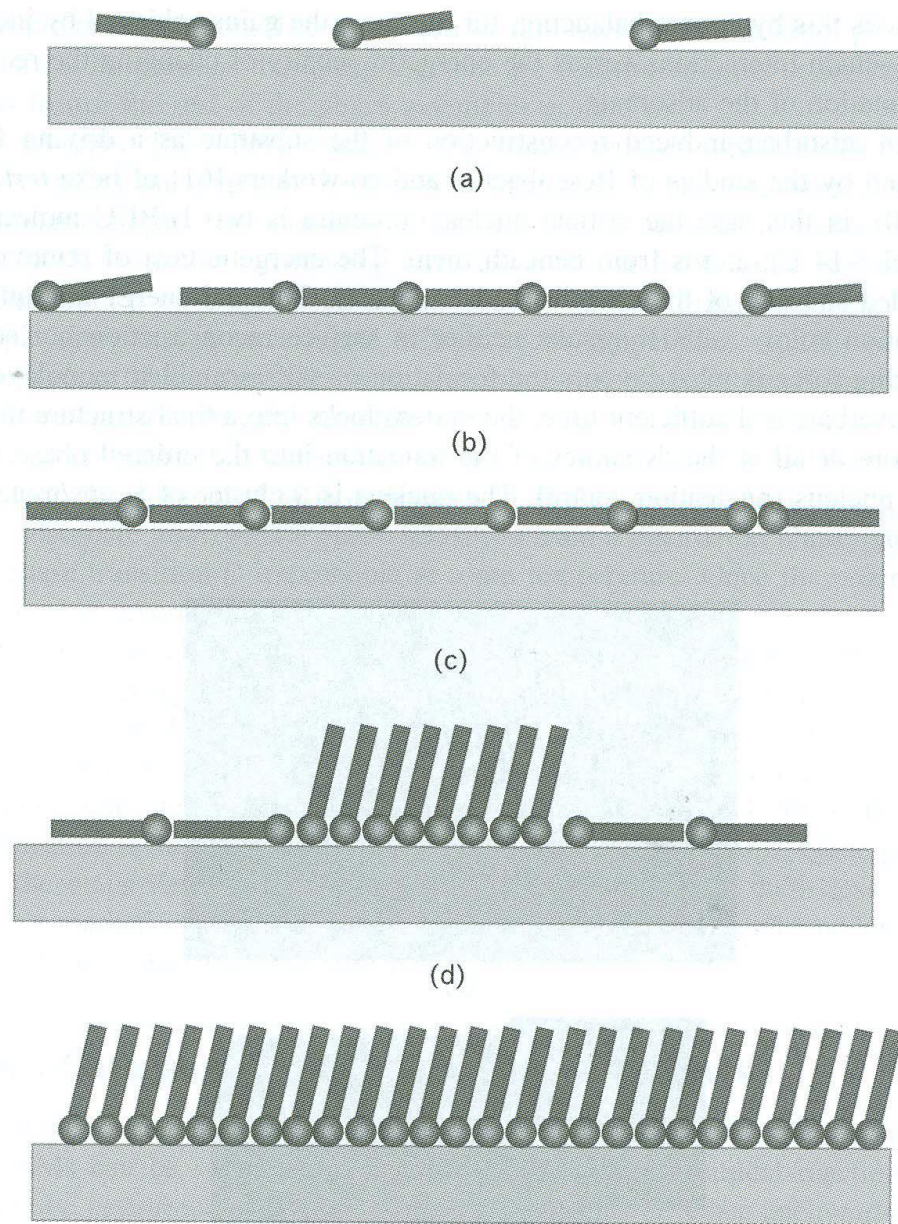


Figure 5.11 Mechanism of self assembly: (a) disordered, mobile lattice gas; (b) lattice gas plus ordered islands; (c) saturated surface-aligned phase; (d) nucleation of solid-phase islands; (e) saturated solid phase. Self-assembly progresses in stages, as long as a sufficient supply of adsorbates is available, until the thermodynamically most favoured final state is reached. Not depicted in the figure is a reconstruction of the surface, which often accompanies the process.

Thermodynamics of liquid Interfaces (5.6)

Thermodynamics of surface (or interface)

- The surface tension γ of a pure solvent changes when a solute is added.
- $\Delta\gamma (= \gamma - \gamma_0)$ depends on the concentration c of the solute.
- Thermodynamics can tell the functional relation $\Delta\gamma(c)$.
- The thermodynamic equations for a bulk need to be modified when applied for a surface.

$$dU = dq + dw = TdS - P dV \quad \text{for single-component bulk}$$

$$dU = dq + dw = TdS - P dV + \sum \mu_i dn_i \quad \text{for multi-component bulk}$$

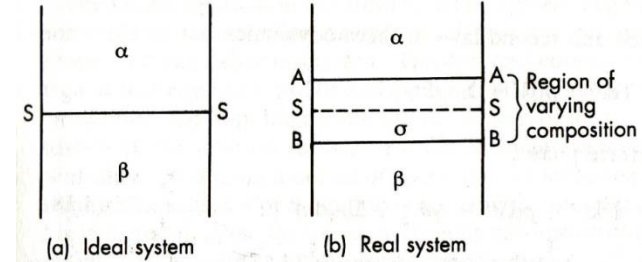
$$U = TS - PV + \sum \mu_i n_i \quad \text{integration at constant } T, P, \text{ and } \mu_i$$

$$dU = SdT - VdP + \sum n_i d\mu_i = 0$$

interface

Gibbs dividing surface (interface)

- The interface of a real system is blurred.
- The system is considered consisting of α phase + β phase + σ plane (ideal abrupt interface)
- The choice of the locus of the σ plane is arbitrarily.



$$dU^\sigma = dq + dw = TdS^\sigma - P dV^\sigma + \gamma dA + \sum \mu_i^\sigma dn_i^\sigma ; \text{ surface, multi-component}$$

$$U^\sigma = q + w = TS^\sigma - P V^\sigma + \gamma A + \sum \mu_i^\sigma n_i^\sigma$$

$$dU^\sigma = S^\sigma dT - V^\sigma dP + A d\gamma + \sum n_i^\sigma d\mu_i = 0$$

Gibbs-Duhem equation (extended to include the surface)

Gibbs adsorption equation

- In general, the concentration profile of solute is different from that of solvent.
- $dU^\sigma = S^\sigma dT - V^\sigma dP + A d\gamma + \sum n_i^\sigma d\mu_i = 0$
- $A d\gamma + \sum n_i^\sigma d\mu_i = 0$ at constant T and P
- $n_i^{\text{total}} = n_i^\alpha + n_i^\beta + n_i^\sigma$, where n is the number of molecules (solvent or solute). → Material conservation

$\Gamma_i \equiv n_i^\sigma/A$: surface excess A: interface area

- $A d\gamma + \sum n_i^\sigma d\mu_i = 0$ and $d\gamma = - \sum (n_i^\sigma/A) d\mu_i = - \sum \Gamma_i d\mu_i$ General form of Gibbs equation

- For a binary system, solvent (phase1) + solute (phase 2),

$$d\gamma = - (\Gamma_1 d\mu_1 + \Gamma_2 d\mu_2)$$

- The position of the σ plane is conveniently taken so that $\Gamma_1 = 0$ for the solvent.

- Then, $d\gamma = - \Gamma_2 d\mu_2$

- $\mu_2 = \mu_2^0 + RT \ln a_2$ For a dilute solution, $a_2 \sim c_2$

- $d\mu_2 = RT (dc_2/c_2)$

$$\Gamma_2 = - c_2 / RT (d\gamma/dc_2) \quad \text{: Gibbs adsorption equation}$$

- $\Gamma_2 > 0$ (+ adsorption): accumulation of solute at the surface (interface).

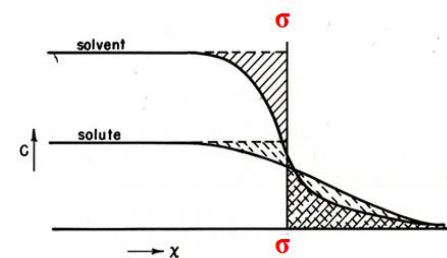
Namely, the solute likes to be at the surface (interface).

- $\Gamma_2 < 0$ (- adsorption): depletion of solute at the surface (interface).

The solute tends to avoid the surface (interface).

- If $\Gamma_2 > 0$, i.e., $d\gamma/dc_2 < 0$, γ decreases with increasing solute concentration.

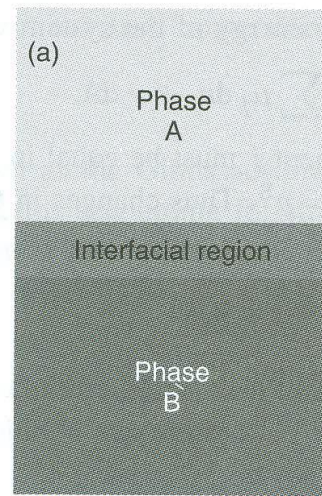
- Surfactant molecules which causes a large $\Delta\gamma < 0$ strongly positively adsorbs at surface (interface)



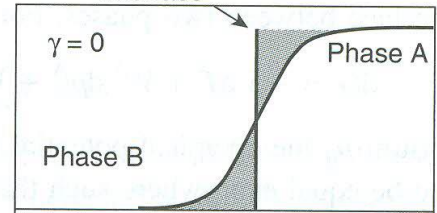
concentration profile along the x direction ($\perp \sigma$)

$l-l$, $l-v$ interface: $\gamma \rightarrow$ surface conc.

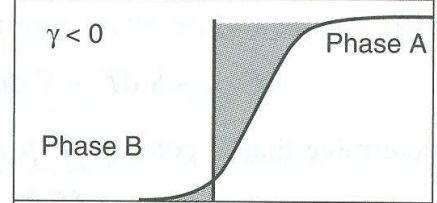
$s-g$ interface: surface conc $\rightarrow \gamma$



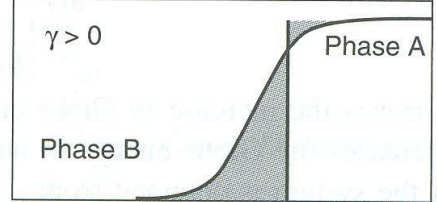
(b)



(c)



(d)



$\Gamma > 0, \gamma < 0$
+ adsorption

$\Gamma < 0, \gamma > 0$
- adsorption

General form of Gibbs equation

$$d\gamma = - \sum \Gamma_i d\mu_i$$

→ fundamental of all adsorption process

Γ_i : surface excess

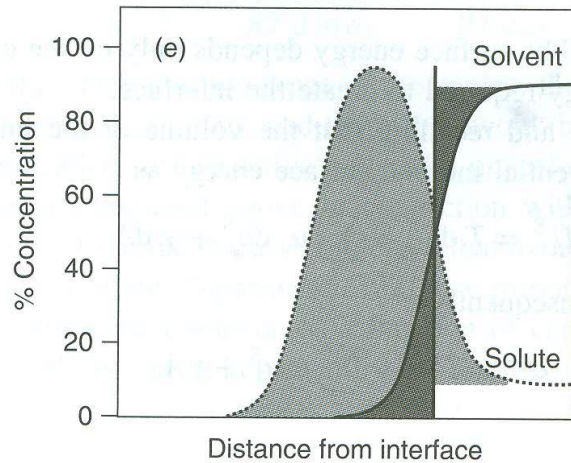


Figure 5.13 The definition of the Gibbs model of an interface. (a) The system is composed of two homogeneous phases separated by an interfacial region. (b)–(d) In the interfacial region, the composition varies. The Gibbs surface is drawn at an arbitrary plane in the interfacial region, conventionally such that the surface excess of one component vanishes as shown in (b). (e) In a solution, the composition of a solute near the interface is generally not the same as in the bulk and the Gibbs surface is drawn such that the surface excess of the solvent vanishes.

Electrified and charged Interfaces (5.1, 5.8)

Structure of liquid/solid interface (5.1)

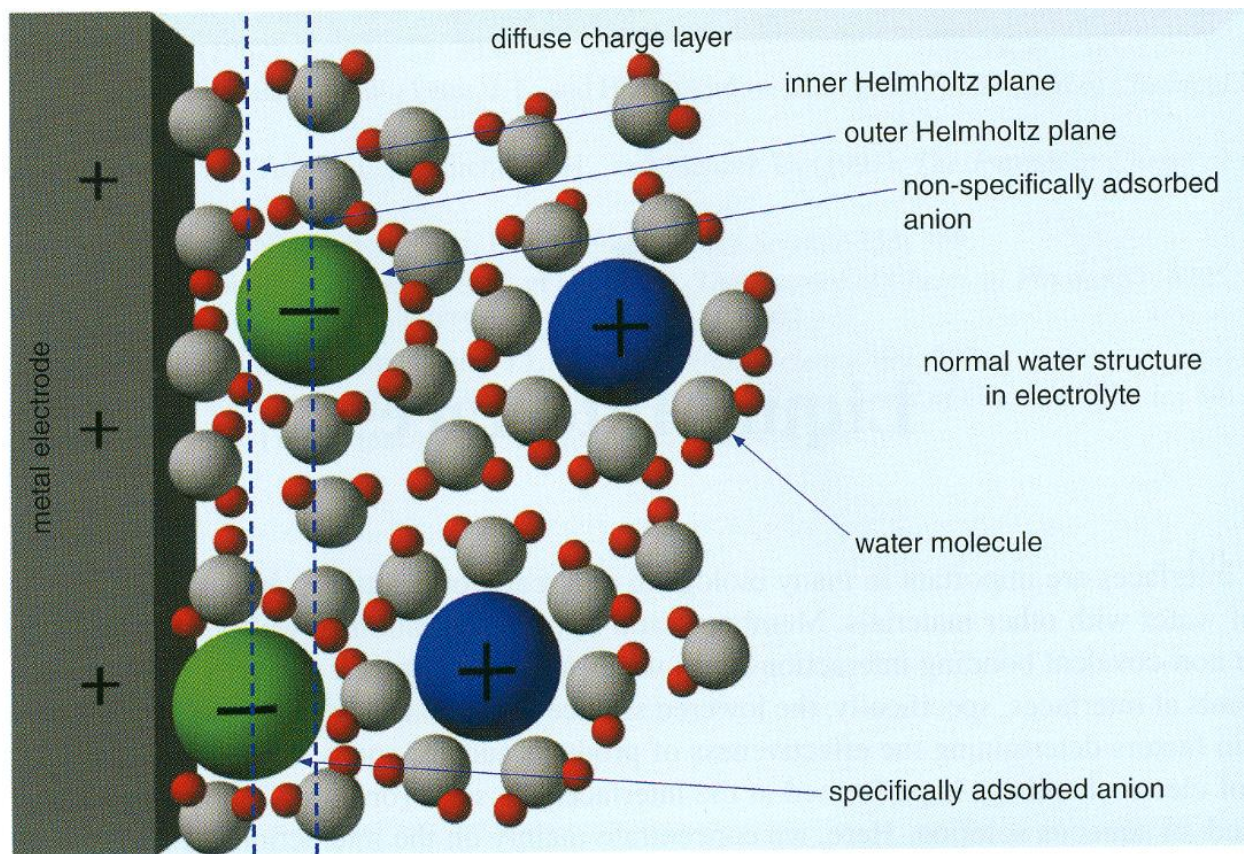


Figure 5.1 A model of the liquid/solid interface with examples of specific and non-specific adsorption. (a) The structure of the Helmholtz layers and a pure solvent is also shown. (b) The potential drop across the interface in case of non-specific (—) and specific (- - -) ion adsorption. Source: Adapted from K.W. Kolasinski, *Physical Chemistry: How Chemistry Works* with permission from Wiley.

Structure of water/solid interface

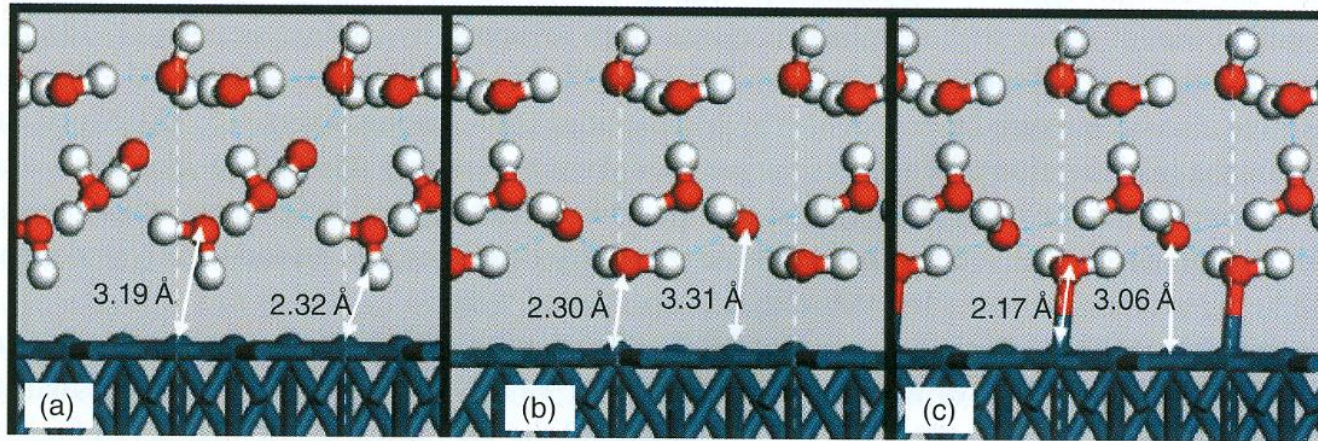
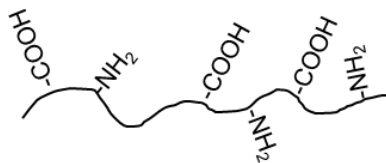


Figure 5.2 Water bilayer structure for adsorption on close-packed metal surfaces. The optimized structure of water changes in response to an applied electric field flipping from H atom down in panel (a) at -3.0 V to flat in panel (b) at -0.02 V to O atom down in panel (c) at $+1.6\text{ V}$. Source: Reproduced from J.-S. Filhol [20]. © 2006 with permission from Wiley.

Origin of the charge at colloidal surfaces

1. Ionization

- Proteins acquire their charge by ionization of $-\text{COOH}$ and NH_2 group.
- The degree of ionization, hence the charge, is pH-dependent.
- **Isoelectric point (pH)** : the pH at which the net charge is zero
- Experimentally measured **electrophoretic mobility** can provide information on the sign and magnitude of the surface charge

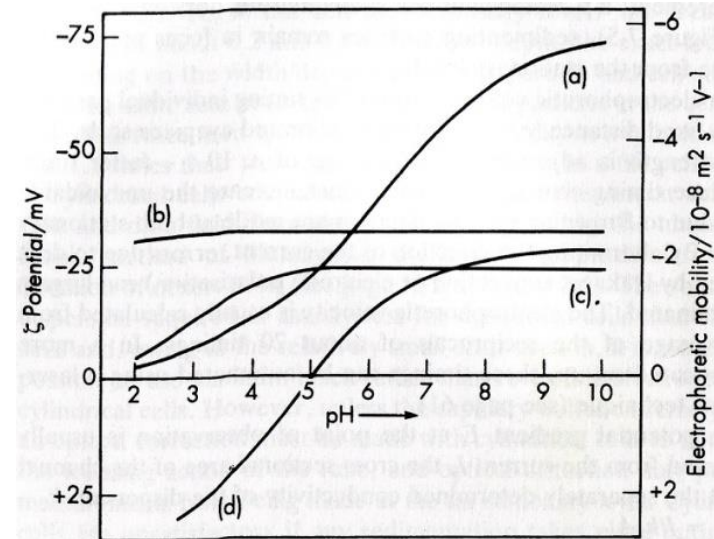


proteins

Isoelectric point (pH)

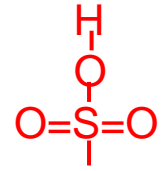
Myoglobin	7.0
Gliadin	
β -Lactoglobulin	5.2
Ovalbumin	4.55
Haemoglobin (horse)	6.9
Serum albumin (horse)	4.8
Serum globulin (horse)	
Fibrinogen (bovine)	5.2
Myosin	5.4
Bushy stunt virus	4.1

High pH $-\text{COOH} \rightarrow -\text{COO}^- + \text{H}^+$ -charge
 Low pH $-\text{NH}_2 + \text{H}^+ \rightarrow -\text{NH}_3^+$ +charge



- a) HC oil droplet, b) Sulfonated PS
 c) Arabic acid (carboxylated polymer),
 d) Serum albumin adsorbed on to oil droplets

2. Ion adsorption



Sulfonic acid

- Unequal adsorption of (+) and (-) ions at colloid surfaces from the bulk solution.
- Ions may be electrolytes, the ubiquitous H^+ and OH^- present in the solution.
 - * (+) ions are usually small and so more hydrated than (-) ions.
 - * (-) ions are less hydrated and easily polarized.
- Larger hydrated (+) ions have a smaller adsorption tendency: weaker electrostatic interaction with the surface.
- Surfaces in contact with aqueous media are more often (-)ly charged than (+)ly charged.
- Hydrocarbon oil droplets and even air bubbles in aqueous media are (-)ly charged, which can be explained in terms of **Gibbs adsorption** at the interface:
 - * The smaller (+) ions usually have a more negative adsorption at the interface than (-) ions.
 - * (-) ions like to be at the interface than (+) ions do.
 - * $\gamma \uparrow$ by addition of NaCl in water has the same origin.

ex: μ (oil droplet) = $-6 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^2/\text{V}\cdot\text{s}$ vs. μ (Cl^- ion) = $-7.8 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^2/\text{V}\cdot\text{s}$

Electrophoresis: $F = F_{\text{elec}} - F_{\text{fric}} = 0$ at equilibrium $\rightarrow qE = fv_d = 6\pi\eta a v_d$
mobility $\mu \equiv v_d/E = q/6\pi\eta a$

- * Similar μ values mean that the oil droplet has a very large surface charge.

3. Ion dissolution

- Ionic substances can acquire a surface charge by unequal dissolution of (+) and (-) ions.

Ex: $\text{AgI(s)} \leftrightarrow \text{Ag}^+(\text{aq}) + \text{I}^-(\text{aq})$: $K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Ag}^+][\text{I}^-] \sim 10^{-16}$ at RT.

- * **Zero point of charge** is achieved at $\text{pAg} = 5.5 \rightarrow [\text{Ag}^+] = 3.16 \times 10^{-6} \text{ M}$
- * The smaller Ag^+ ion is less strongly bound than I^- ion in AgI(s) and so it is mobile.
- The smaller ion has a stronger tendency of solvation (hydration) than a larger ion.
 $\text{Ag}^+(\text{s}) \rightarrow \text{Ag}^+(\text{aq}); \Delta G_{\text{Ag}}$ and $\text{I}^-(\text{s}) \rightarrow \text{I}^-(\text{aq}); \Delta G_{\text{I}} > \Delta G_{\text{Ag}}$ (more negative).

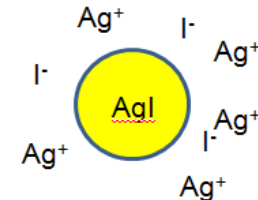
- Additionally added Ag^+ or I^- ions can modify the surface charge by via adsorption.

* Thus, Ag^+ or I^- is called the **potential-determining ion**.

- H^+ and OH^- ions are the potential-determining ions for hydrous metal oxide sols.

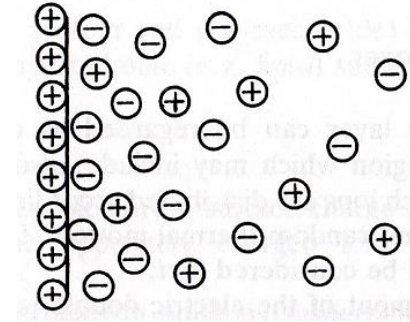
* $-\text{M}-\text{OH} + \text{H}^+ \rightarrow -\text{M}-\text{OH}_2^+$

* $-\text{M}-\text{OH} + \text{OH}^- \rightarrow -\text{M}-\text{O}^- + \text{H}_2\text{O}$



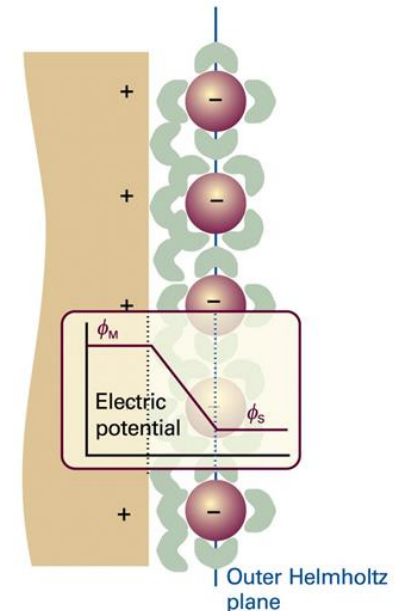
Diffuse (electrical) double layer

- Electrolytes present in the solution.
- Electrical neutrality.
- Coions and counter ions
- Coions are repelled and counter-ions are attracted by the surface charges.
- How are these ions distributed near the charged surface ?



Helmholtz model

- Simplest model but it does not accurately represent the actual double layer.
- **Inner** Helmholtz plane: charged surface
- **Outer** Helmholtz plane: fixed distance from the surface equal to the **radius of a solvated counter-ion**.
- Inner region: only solvent molecules present.
- Outside OHP: random distribution of both ions.
- Electrical potential variation as show in the right figure.



Charge density σ , voltage drop V (or $\Delta\Phi$)

$$\sigma = \epsilon\epsilon_0\Delta\Phi/d$$

ϵ : dielectric constant of the medium,
 ϵ_0 : permittivity of free space (vacuum)
 d : spacing

$$d\sigma/d\Phi = C_d = \epsilon\epsilon_0/d, \quad \text{Capacitance (C/V)cm}^{-2} = \text{Fcm}^{-2}$$

electric potential (ϕ) ^{or ψ} , electric field E

$$\nabla\phi = -E$$

$$1-D \frac{d\phi}{dx} = -E$$

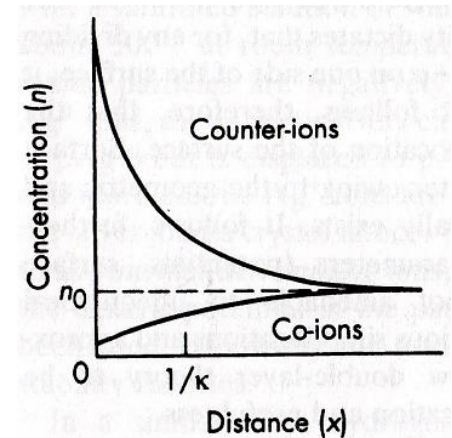
Poisson equation $\nabla E = -\nabla^2\phi = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon}$

ρ : charge density, ϵ : permittivity

Gouy-Chapman model

Assumptions

1. Uniformly charged flat surface of infinite extent.
2. Ions in the diffuse layer are **point charges**: Boltzmann distribution
3. Symmetrical ions of z^+z^- type.



Boltzmann distribution law

$$n_+ = n_0 \exp\left[\frac{-ze\psi}{kT}\right] \quad n_- = n_0 \exp\left[\frac{+ze\psi}{kT}\right]$$

$$\rho = ze(n_+ - n_-) = zen_0 \left(\exp\left[\frac{-ze\psi}{kT}\right] - \exp\left[\frac{+ze\psi}{kT}\right] \right) = -2zen_0 \sinh\left(\frac{ze\psi}{kT}\right)$$

$$\frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} = -\frac{\rho}{\epsilon}$$

$$\frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} = \frac{2zen_0}{\epsilon} \sinh\left(\frac{ze\psi}{kT}\right)$$

Poisson-Boltzmann equation

Boundary conditions: $\psi(0) = \psi_0$ at the flat surface and $d\psi/dx = 0$ at $x = \infty$.

$$\psi = \frac{2kT}{ze} \ln\left(\frac{1 + \gamma \exp[-\kappa x]}{1 - \gamma \exp[-\kappa x]}\right) \quad \gamma = \frac{\exp[ze\psi_0 / 2kT] - 1}{\exp[ze\psi_0 / 2kT] + 1}$$

$$\kappa = \left(\frac{2e^2 n_0 z^2}{\epsilon kT}\right)^{1/2} = \left(\frac{2e^2 N_A c z^2}{\epsilon kT}\right)^{1/2} = \left(\frac{2F^2 c z^2}{\epsilon RT}\right)^{1/2}$$

$1/\kappa$ = Debye screening = avg. EDL
(shielding) length thickness

Debye-Hückel approximation

If $ze\psi_0/2kT \ll 1$ ($kT/e = 25.6$ mV at 25°C)

$$n_+ = n_0 \exp\left[\frac{-ze\psi}{kT}\right] = n_0(1 - ze\psi/kT)$$

$$n_- = n_0 \exp\left[\frac{+ze\psi}{kT}\right] = n_0(1 + ze\psi/kT)$$

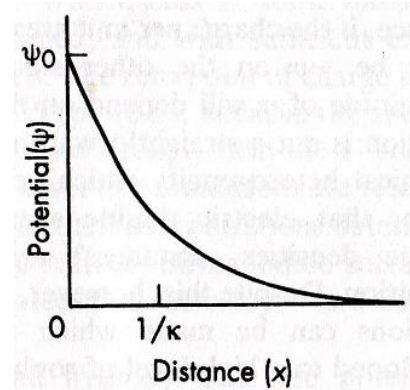
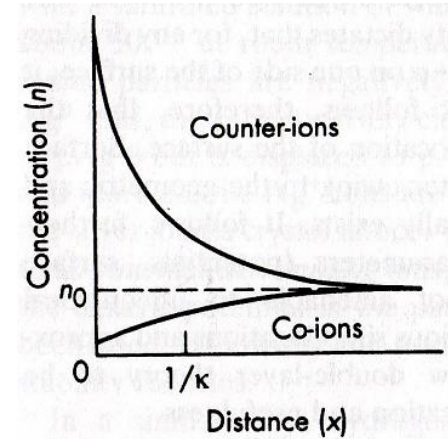
$$\rho = ze(n_+ - n_-) = -2zen_0 \frac{ze\psi}{kT}$$

$$\frac{d^2 \psi}{dx^2} = -\frac{\rho}{\epsilon} = (2n_0 z^2 e^2 / \epsilon kT) \psi = \kappa^2 \psi$$

$$\frac{d^2 \psi}{dx^2} - \kappa^2 \psi = 0 \rightarrow \psi = \psi_0 \exp[-\kappa x]$$

- $\psi = \psi_0 \exp(\kappa x)$ was discarded because of $d\psi/dx = 0$ at $x = \infty$.

$$\sigma_0 = - \int_0^\infty \rho dx \rightarrow \sigma_0 = \epsilon \kappa \psi_0$$



Surface charge vs. surface potential

$$\sigma_0 = \epsilon \kappa \psi_0$$

- Meaning of $1/\kappa$: thick of diffuse double layer.
- ψ_0 determined by σ_0 and κ or σ_0 determined by ψ_0 and κ

Two cases

1) ψ_0 fixed and σ_0 adjusted:

- When the surface charge is due to adsorption of potential-determining ion. ex: AgI sol.
→ ψ_0 is determined by the concentration of Ag^+ (and I^-) ions in solution.
- Addition of inert electrolyte increases κ and results in more adsorption of ion to keep ψ_0 approximately constant.

2) σ_0 fixed and ψ_0 adjusted:

- The charge density at an ionogenic surface remains constant upon adding an inert electrolyte and ψ_0 decreases.
ex: protein solution

For a symmetrical electrolyte at 25 °C

$$\kappa = 0.329 \times 10^{10} \left(\frac{cz^2}{\text{mol dm}^{-3}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \text{ m}^{-1}$$

$1/\kappa \sim 1 \text{ nm}$ for $c = 0.1 \text{ M}$ and
 $1/\kappa \sim 10 \text{ nm}$ for $c = 10^{-3} \text{ M}$
of 1:1 electrolyte

Gouy-Chapman model for spherical interface

$$\nabla^2 \psi = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{d}{dr} \left(r^2 \frac{d\psi}{dr} \right) = \frac{2ze n_0}{\epsilon} \sinh \frac{ze\psi}{kT} \quad (7.11)$$

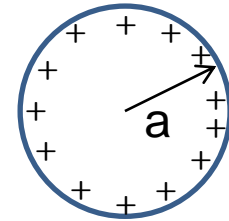
within Debye-Hückel approximation

$$\nabla^2 \psi = \kappa^2 \psi$$

Boundary conditions

$$\psi = 0, \quad d\psi/dr = 0 \quad \text{at } r = \infty,$$

$$\psi = \psi_0 \frac{a}{r} \exp[-\kappa(r - a)]$$



- Debye-Hückel approximation ($ze\psi \ll \sim 25 \text{ meV}$) is often not a good one for colloid and surface phenomena. Unapproximated, numerical solution to eq.(7.11) can be computed.

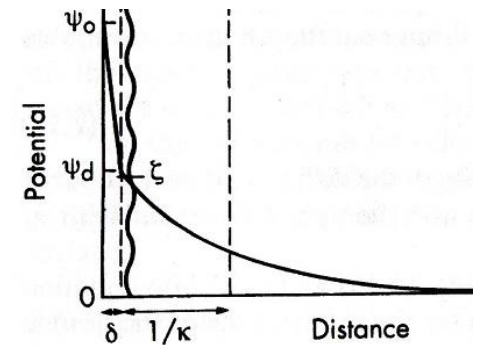
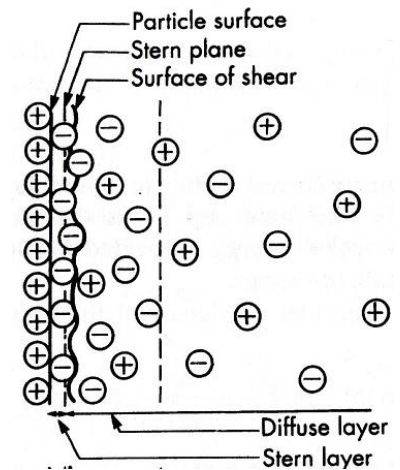
Stern model

Modification of the Gouy-Chapman model by considering

1. Finite size of ion: ions cannot approach the surface (**Stern plane**) within the radius of hydrated ion.
2. Specific ion adsorption in the Stern layer is included.
3. EDL is divided into two parts: **inner part** + **diffuse DL**, the boundary of which is the **Stern plane**.
4. **Surface of shear** is located outside of the Stern plane because of the hydrated ions
5. The potential at the shear plane is called **electrokinetic** or **zeta (ζ) potential**, which can be measured experimentally.

Inner part of EDL(Stern layer)

- Thickness of $\delta \sim 5 \text{ \AA}$
- Specifically adsorbed ions may be present.
- Oriented solvent molecules in the Stern layer has a smaller $\epsilon'(\sim 5 - 10) < \epsilon (= 78.5 \text{ for H}_2\text{O})$ due to **mutual depolarization**.

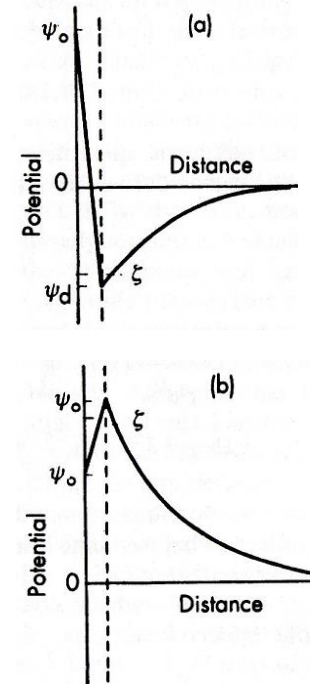
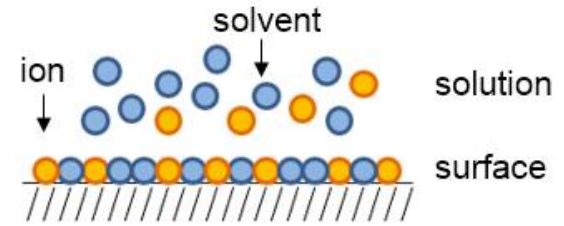


Specific ion adsorption

- Counter-ion adsorption in Stern plane
- $I(\text{bulk}) + S(\text{surf}) \leftrightarrow I(\text{surf}) + S(\text{bulk})$; solvent = 1, ion = 2
 $K' = a_2^s a_1^b / a_1^s a_2^b$
- Assuming a 2D ideal solution for the adsorbed layer
- $a_i \sim c_i = n x_i$; $n = \text{total moles/unit surface area}$, $x_i = \text{mole fraction}$
- $a_2^s / a_1^s = x_2^s / x_1^s = x_2^s / (1 - x_2^s)$
- $K' a_2^b / a_1^b = a_1^s / a_2^s = x_2^s / (1 - x_2^s)$
- Solving for x_2^s , $x_2^s = K' (a_2^b / a_1^b) / \{(1 + K' (a_2^b / a_1^b))\} = 1 / \{1 + (a_1^b / K' a_2^b)\}$
- Since $x_2^s + x_1^s = 1$, $x_2^s = \theta$ (coverage).
- Letting $K' / a_1^b = K$ (a new constant), $\theta = K a_2^b / (1 + K a_2^b)$.
- This is one form of the **Langmuir adsorption isotherm**.
 cf: for gas adsorption $\theta = Kp / (1 + Kp)$

- $\Delta G^0 = -RT \ln K$
- $\Delta G^0 = \Delta H^0 - T\Delta S^0 \sim \Delta H^0 = \Delta E^0$ (no PV term involved)
 $= N_A (ze \psi_d + \Phi) \rightarrow K = \exp\{-N_A(ze \psi_d + \Phi)/RT\}$
 ($\Phi = \text{van der Waals term}$)
- The electrical interaction is the dominant term at RT.
- Let σ_1 is the surface charge density due to specifically adsorbed ions.
- $x_2^s = \sigma_1 / \sigma_m = 1 / \{1 + (a_1^b / K a_2^b)\} \sim 1 / \{1 + (c_1^b / K c_2^b)\}$
- $c_1^b / c_2^b = (1/V_m) / (n_0/N_A)$, where V_m is the molar volume of solvent.

- $\sigma_1 = \sigma_m / [1 + (N_A/V_m n_0) \exp\{(ze\psi_d + \Phi)/kT\}]$



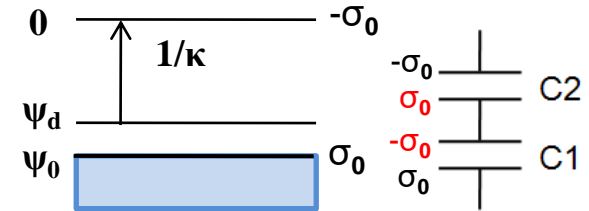
- a) Reversal of charge due to the adsorption of surface-active or polyvalent counter-ions.
- b) Adsorption of surface-active co-ions.

Capacitance of EDL

- Usually counter-ion adsorption is dominant.
- Adsorption of polyvalent ions can result in charge reversal.

I. If there is no specifically adsorbed ions

$$C_1 = \frac{\sigma_0}{\psi_0 - \psi_d} \quad \text{and} \quad C_2 = \frac{\sigma_0}{\psi_d} \quad \rightarrow \quad \boxed{\psi_d = \frac{C_1 \psi_0}{C_1 + C_2}}$$



II. If specifically adsorbed ions are present

$\sigma_0 + \sigma_1 + \sigma_2 = 0$; electrical neutrality

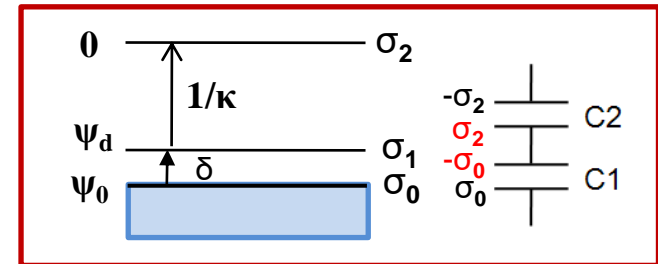
$$\sigma_0 = \frac{\epsilon'}{\delta} (\psi_0 - \psi_d), \quad \sigma_1 = \frac{\sigma_m}{1 + \frac{N_A}{n_0 V_m} \exp\left[\frac{ze\psi_d + \phi}{kT}\right]}$$

$$\sigma_0 + \sigma_1 + \sigma_2 = 0$$

$$\frac{\epsilon'}{\delta} (\psi_0 - \psi_d) + \frac{\sigma_m}{1 + \frac{N_A}{n_0 V_m} \exp\left[\frac{ze\psi_d + \phi}{kT}\right]} - (8n_0\epsilon kT)^{1/2} \sinh\frac{ze\psi_d}{2kT} = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{C} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2},$$

$$C_2 = \frac{\sigma_2}{\psi_d} = \epsilon\kappa = 2.28 \left(\frac{cz^2}{\text{mol dm}^{-3}} \right)^{1/2} \text{ F m}^{-2} \quad \text{for aqueous electrolyte at } 25^\circ\text{C} \quad (1)$$



- For Hg- aqueous electrolyte interfaces C can be measured from electrocapillary measurements and for AgI- aqueous electrolyte interfaces from potentiometric measurements.
- C_2 can be calculated from the eq.(1) above.
- Then, from $C_1 = \epsilon'/\delta$ (Stern layer capacitance) can be obtained.
- For the AgI- aqueous electrolyte interface $C_1 \approx 0.1 - 0.2 \text{ Fm}^{-2}$.
- Taking $\delta = 5 \text{ \AA}$, one gets $\epsilon' = 5 - 10$ ($\ll \epsilon = 78.5$ for H_2O at RT) \rightarrow ordering of H_2O in the Stern layer.

Electrokinetic Phenomena

Relative motion between charged surface and diffuse double layer

1. Electrophoresis: $\mathcal{E} \rightarrow$ charge particle movement.
2. Electro-osmosis: $\mathcal{E} \rightarrow$ DL layer movement against fixed surface charge.
3. Streaming potential: DL layer movement $\rightarrow \mathcal{E}$ generation.
4. Sedimentation potential: charge particle movement $\rightarrow \mathcal{E}$ generation.

- All arising from the relative movement of particle with respect to the liquid.
- \mathcal{E} field \rightarrow relative motion: Electrophoresis, electro-osmosis
- relative motion $\rightarrow \mathcal{E}$ field: Streaming potential, sedimentation potential

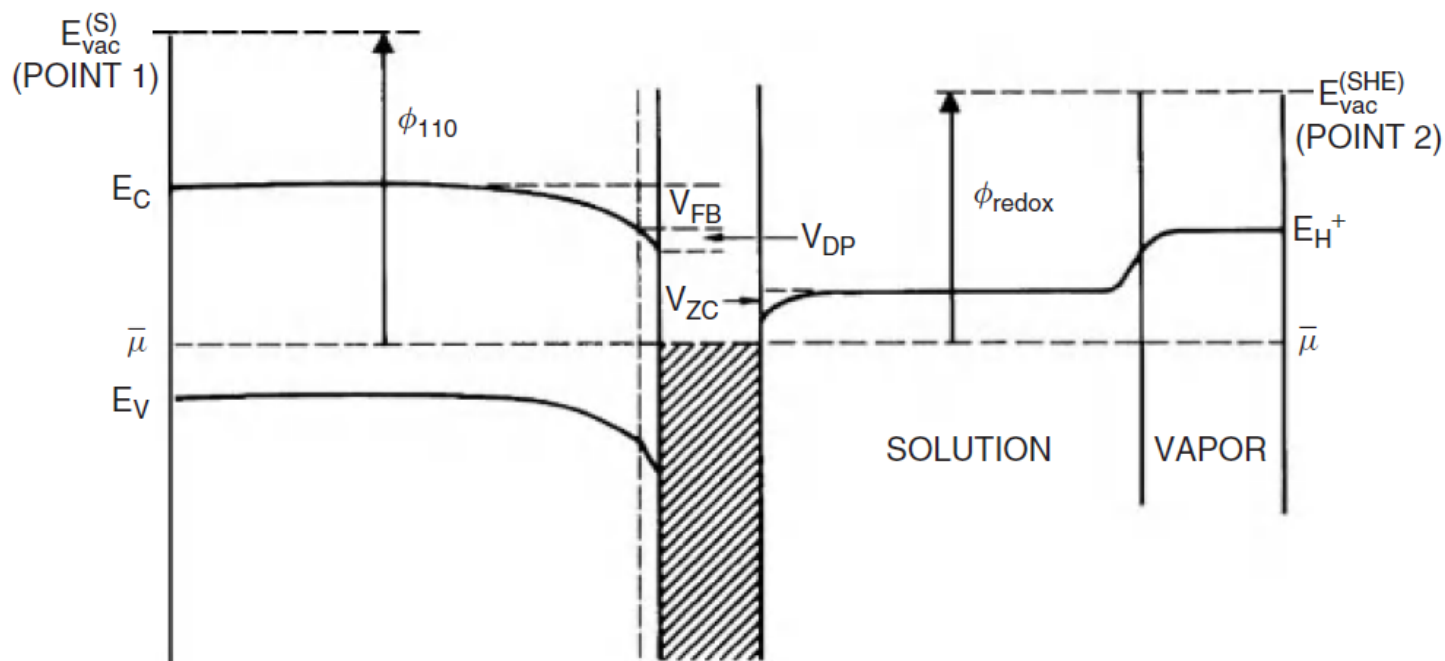


Figure 5.14 An energy level diagram depicting the levels associated with the connection of a semiconductor electrode to a standard hydrogen electrode. Reproduced from H. Reiss, A. Heller, *J. Phys. Chem.*, 89, 4207. ©1985 with permission from the American Chemical Society.

Summary

- At the liquid/solid interface we need to consider not only the structure of the adsorbed layer but also that the near-surface region of the liquid has a structure and composition that can differ markedly from that of the bulk.
- Strongly solvated solution species do not lose their solvation shell and can become non-specifically adsorbed. A solvated species that loses at least part of its solvation shell and chemisorbs to the solid is specifically adsorbed.
- The structure of water near the surface depends on the substrate, the presence of specifically adsorbed ions and the presence of an electric field. Field effects and direct ion-water dipole interactions influence the orientation of the water molecules. Water dissociates on some metal surfaces to form mixed H + OH layers.
- By adjusting the potential and the pH, the net charge on the surface can be tuned from positive to neutral to negative.
- Surface energy and surface tension are synonymous for liquids.
- Surface energy can be thought of as being analogous to a 2D pressure, compare Eq. (5.2.1) and (5.2.2), or else as the surface Gibbs energy per unit area of a pure liquid, Eq. (5.2.6).
- Curved interfaces act differently than planar interfaces. One consequence is that the vapour pressure changes, which leads to the instability of small droplets and capillary condensation within small pores and between small particles.
- Langmuir films are monomolecular films on the surface of a liquid.
- When these films are transferred onto a solid substrate, they are called Langmuir-Blodgett films.
- Self-assembled monolayers are ordered monolayer films that form spontaneously on a solid substrate. It is the chemical potential that provides the thermodynamic driving force for self-assembly.
- Whereas the chemisorption interaction between the head group and the surface accounts for the bulk of binding interaction in SAMs, it is the weak, predominantly noncovalent interactions between the chains and endgroups that lead to the order in the SAM.
- The Gibbs model of adsorption allows us to define the surface excess and calculate fundamental thermodynamic quantities at liquid interfaces.
- The Gibbs surface energy is always positive and creating additional surface area is always energetically unfavourable.
- The Stern-Guoy model describes the interface between an electrode and a solution in terms of a charged adsorbed layer, a layer of solvated ions above this (which together form the electric bilayer), followed by a diffuse and mobile continuous medium that extends into the remainder of the solution.
- The electrochemical potential and chemical potential are related by Eq. (5.8.2). The electrochemical and chemical potentials of neutral species are the same. At equilibrium, it is the electrochemical potential of all charged species that is the same throughout the system.
- The inner or Galvani potential is not the same everywhere even at equilibrium, and it is the Galvani potential that underlies the integrity of the Nernst equation.
- Relating electrochemical potentials to work functions on an absolute scale is a nontrivial but important exercise that allows us to understand how the electronic levels of electrodes and solution species are aligned with respect to one another.