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Multiscale Modelling and Tribosimulation

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Classical transport and shape evolution



Wear of surfaces: Nature Mat. 10, 34 (2011)



Capillary impregantion: NJP, 10, 113022 (2008)



Rayleigh instability: Science **289**, 1165 (2000)



Science 309, 1545 (2005)

Classical molecular dynamics of nanojet formation and breakup





Rayleigh instability and the validity of hydrodynamics on the nanoscale?

Lubrication equations:

$$egin{aligned} \partial_t v + v \partial_z v &= -rac{\gamma \partial_z \kappa}{
ho} + 3
u rac{\partial_z (h^2 \partial_z v)}{h^2} \ \partial_t h + v \partial_z h &= -rac{h \partial_z v(z,t)}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Jens Eggers, Rev. Mod. Phys. **69**, 865,(1997) J. Eggers, E. Villermaux, Rep. Prog. Phys. **71**, 036601 (2008)

Intrinsic scales.

$$\ell_{\nu} = \nu^2 \frac{\rho}{\gamma} \quad t_{\nu} = \nu^3 \left(\frac{\rho}{\gamma}\right)^2$$

$$\partial_t v + v \partial_z v = -(\partial_z \kappa) + 3 \partial_z (h^2 \partial_z v) / h^2$$

Similarity solution : → threads

$$h_{\mathrm{neck}} \ll$$

 ℓ_{ν}



Navier-Stokes:

$$\rho(\partial_{t}v_{i}(\mathbf{r},t) + v_{j}(\mathbf{r},t)\partial_{j}v_{i}(\mathbf{r},t)) = \partial_{j}\sigma_{ji}(\mathbf{r},t) \quad (1)$$
Stress tensor $\sigma_{ik}(\mathbf{r},t) = -p(\mathbf{r},t)\delta_{ik} +$
 $\partial_{t'} \qquad \eta(\partial_{k}v_{i}(\mathbf{r},t) + \partial_{i}v_{k}(\mathbf{r},t)) + s_{ik}(\mathbf{r},t)$
Fluctuation-dissipation theorem
 $\partial_{t}j \langle s_{ik}(\mathbf{r},t)s_{lm}(\mathbf{r}',t') \rangle = 2k_{B}T\eta \left(\delta_{il}\delta_{km} + \delta_{im}\delta_{kl} - \frac{2}{3}\delta_{ik}\delta_{lm} \right)\delta(\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}')\delta(t-t')$
Expansion $\mathbf{v}(r,z,t) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} v^{(2i)}(\bar{z},t)\mathbf{w}^{(2i,\bar{z})}(r,z)d\bar{z}$
 $\langle j \text{ Into divergence-free basis } \mathbf{w}^{(2i,\bar{z})}(r,z) = \left(\begin{array}{c} -\frac{r^{2i+1}}{2i+2}\delta'(z-\bar{z}) \\ r^{2i}\delta(z-\bar{z}) \end{array} \right)$
6. Lubrication approximation
 $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r},t)) = \left(\begin{array}{c} -\frac{x}{2}\partial_{z}v^{(0)}(z,t) \\ -\frac{y}{2}\partial_{z}v^{(0)}(z,t) \\ v^{(0)}(z,t) \end{array} \right)$
Multiplication of eq. (1) with $\mathbf{w}^{(0,\bar{z})}(\mathbf{r})$
Integration over jet volume $V = \{\mathbf{r}|\sqrt{x^{2}+y^{2}} \le h(z)\}$

Experimental validation?

Stochastic terms dominate on length scales smaller than Thermal capillary length scales:

$$\ell_{\rm T} = (k_{\rm B}T/\gamma)^{1/2}$$



Hennequin, et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 97 244503 (2006)



Colloidal fluids:



Growth of carbon nanotubes and the shape evolution of catalyst particles

Bamboo structure

50 nm



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Environmental TEM experiments: Shape dynamics of Ni catalyst particles







Molecular dynamics of a solid Ni nanoparticle in
a double wall carbon nanotubeMoseler et al.,

Moseler et al., ACS Nano 5, 686 (2011)

5 nm

A T=1160 K EAM Ni₁₀₅₆₁ interacting via Morse potentials with a static CNT





Transport mechanism: surface diffusion













Comparison with experiment







CNT with Fe-Catalyst

Tip growth of (15,0) tube catalysed by Fe_{501}

Molecular dynamics simulation with reactive Bond-Order-Potential (Albe, Nordlund)

Deposition rate 2. 10¹⁰C/s



Growth at 600 K



Growth at 1200K



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In Situ Study of Iron Catalysts for Carbon Nanotube Growth Using X-Ray Diffraction Analysis Kenji NISHIMURA¹, Nobuharu OKAZAKI², Lujun PAN^{1,2} and Yoshikazu NAKAYAMA^{1,2,*}



Cross section of the newly grown CNT



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Embedding Transition-Metal Atoms in Graphene: Structure, Bonding, and Magnetism

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Fe (green) is incorporated in CNT-walls



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Decay mechanism 0.3 0.2 0.1 0.3 0.1 <l

■ Non-local effect of surface on cluster → Barrier from ca. 0.4 to 0.2 eV

Barrier inferred from experiment at 77 K: ca. 0.25 eV



-0.5

1

2

3

Layer

4

5

Summary

A hierarchical atomistic/continuum modelling is quite usefull for a quantitative understanding of complex shape dynamics in nanoscale systems.

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Thank you for your attention!



Topography evolution during thin film growth



The Ultrasmoothness of Diamond-like Carbon Surfaces

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The ultrasmoothness of diamond-like carbon coatings is explained by an atomistic/continuum multiscale model. At the atomic scale, carbon ion impacts induce downhill currents in the top layer of a growing film. At the continuum scale, these currents cause a rapid smoothing of initially rough substrates by erosion of hills into neighboring hollows. The predicted surface evolution is in excellent agreement with atomic force microscopy measurements. This mechanism is general, as shown by similar simulations for amorphous silicon. It explains the recently reported smoothing of multilayers and amorphous transition metal oxide films and underlines the general importance of impact-induced downhill currents for ion deposition, polishing, and nanopattering.

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Capillary smoothing?



C impinges on ta-C with 100 eV



MD with Brenner BOP, D. W. Brenner. Phys. Rev. B 42. 8458 (1990) $E_b = \sum_{i} \sum_{j(>i)} \left[V_R(r_{ij}) - \overline{B}_{ij} V_A(r_{ij}) \right]$



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Atomistic simulation of film growth

The smoothing of a rough DLC film 4000 C-atoms with 100 eV hit a film with an area 7.05nm x 2.35nm







Downhill

currents

G.Carter, PRB 54, 17647 (1996) **M.Moseler** et al. Comp. Mat. Sci. 10, 452 (1998)





Particle current: $\mathbf{j}(\mathbf{x}) = -\nu \nabla h(\mathbf{x})$







Mesoscale description



Stochastic differential equation of motion

$$\partial h(\mathbf{x},t)/\partial t = -\Omega \nabla \cdot \mathbf{j}(\mathbf{x},t) + \eta(\mathbf{x},t)$$

$$\langle \eta(\mathbf{x},t),\eta(\mathbf{x}',t')
angle ~=~ r\Omega^2\delta(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{x}')\delta(t-t')$$

$$\mathbf{j}(\mathbf{x},t) = -v\nabla h(\mathbf{x},t)$$

r: deposition rate, Ω : average atomic volume

Stanley&Barabasi, Fractal concepts in Surface Growth





 $\langle |h_{\mathbf{k}}(s)|^2 \rangle = e^{-2\nu k^2 s} \langle |h_{\mathbf{k}}(0)|^2 \rangle + \Omega(1 - e^{-2\nu k^2 s}) / (2\nu L_1 L_2 k^2)$









Nanocapillary pumps

Applications in

- Lab-on-Chips
- Nanotribology
- Printing











Meniscus relaxation:

$$\tau_0 = \sqrt{\rho(b/2)^3/\gamma}$$

Establisment of Poiseuille flow:

$$\tau_1 = \rho(b/2)^2/\eta$$

D. Quere, Europhys.Lett. 39, 533 (1997).

Washburn's law
$$L(t) = \sqrt{\gamma bt \cos \theta_{\rm e} / (3\eta)}$$

Balance of capillary and Poiseuille pressure: $p_c = \gamma \kappa$

$$p_p = -12\eta L\dot{L}/b^2$$











Continuum mechanical modelling

Velocity from lubrication approx.+ BCs $u_x(x,z) = U - [z^2 + 2h(x)z + 2h\lambda(x)] \partial_x p(x)/(2\eta)$

Mass flux:

$$Q(t) = \int_0^h dz \, u_x = Uh - \partial_x p \left(\frac{h^3}{3} + \lambda h^2\right) / \eta$$

Steady state:

$$Q = (U_{1L}^{wrf} + U)h_{1L}$$

$$3\frac{\mathsf{Ca}(h-h_{1L})-\mathsf{Ca}_{1L}^{wrf}h_{1L}}{h^3} = \frac{\partial_x p}{\gamma}\left(1+\frac{3\lambda(x)}{h}\right)$$



$$Ca_{1L}^{wrf} = \frac{U_{1L}^{wrf}\eta}{\gamma}$$

Au/ML:Ca_{1L}^{wrf} = 0
Au:Ca_{1L}^{wrf} \approx 0.227









