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Imaging Foams

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Outline

- Flow of liquid foam
around an obstacle
in constriction
- Dynamic tomography for various foams
- The tomographic workflow

Foams are all around

Food /drinks



Fire fighting



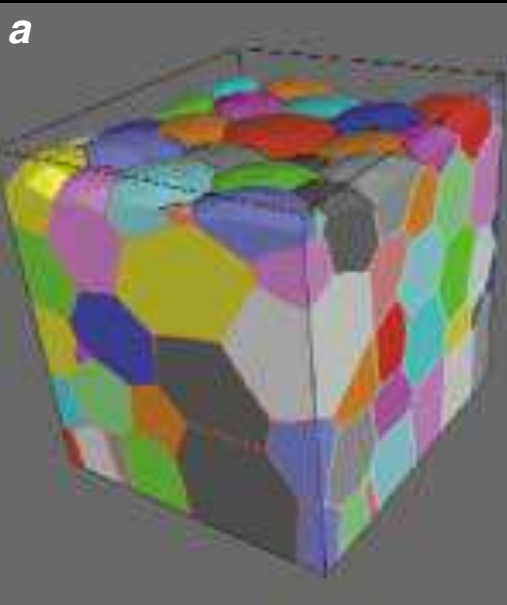
Ore / oil extraction



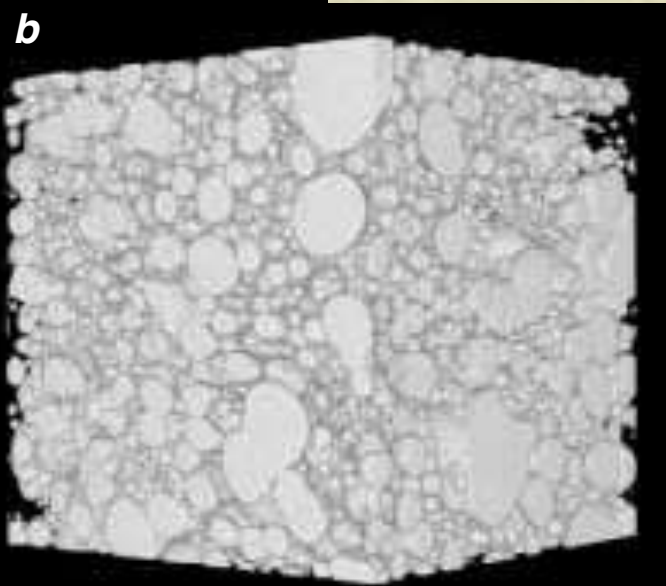
Nature



The first synchrotron tomography of a foam



chocolate



La vie éphémère

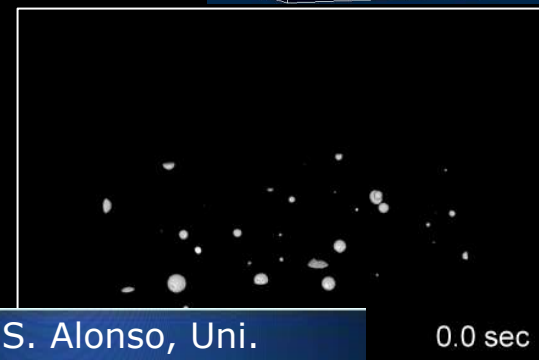
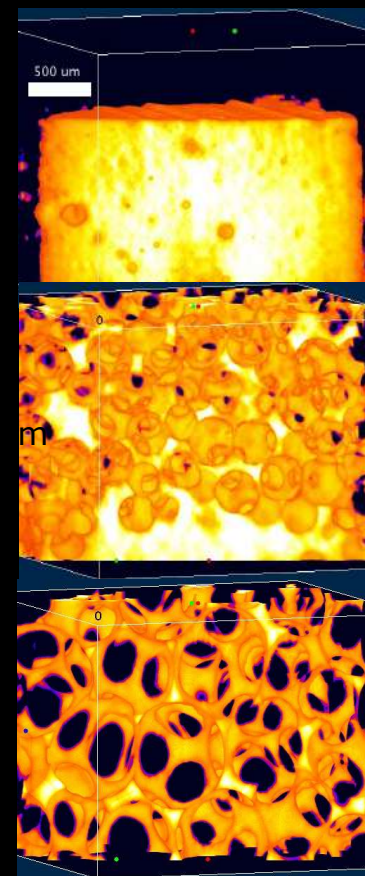
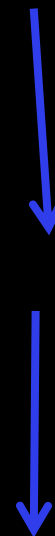
MICHÈLE VIGNES-ADLER • FRANÇOIS GRANER

La mousse du champagne disparaît rapidement. Celle de la bière persiste davantage. Les physiciens découvrent les mécanismes responsables de la fugacité des mousses.

ID19, ESRF Grenoble, France

Adler, Graner, Pour la Science 2002

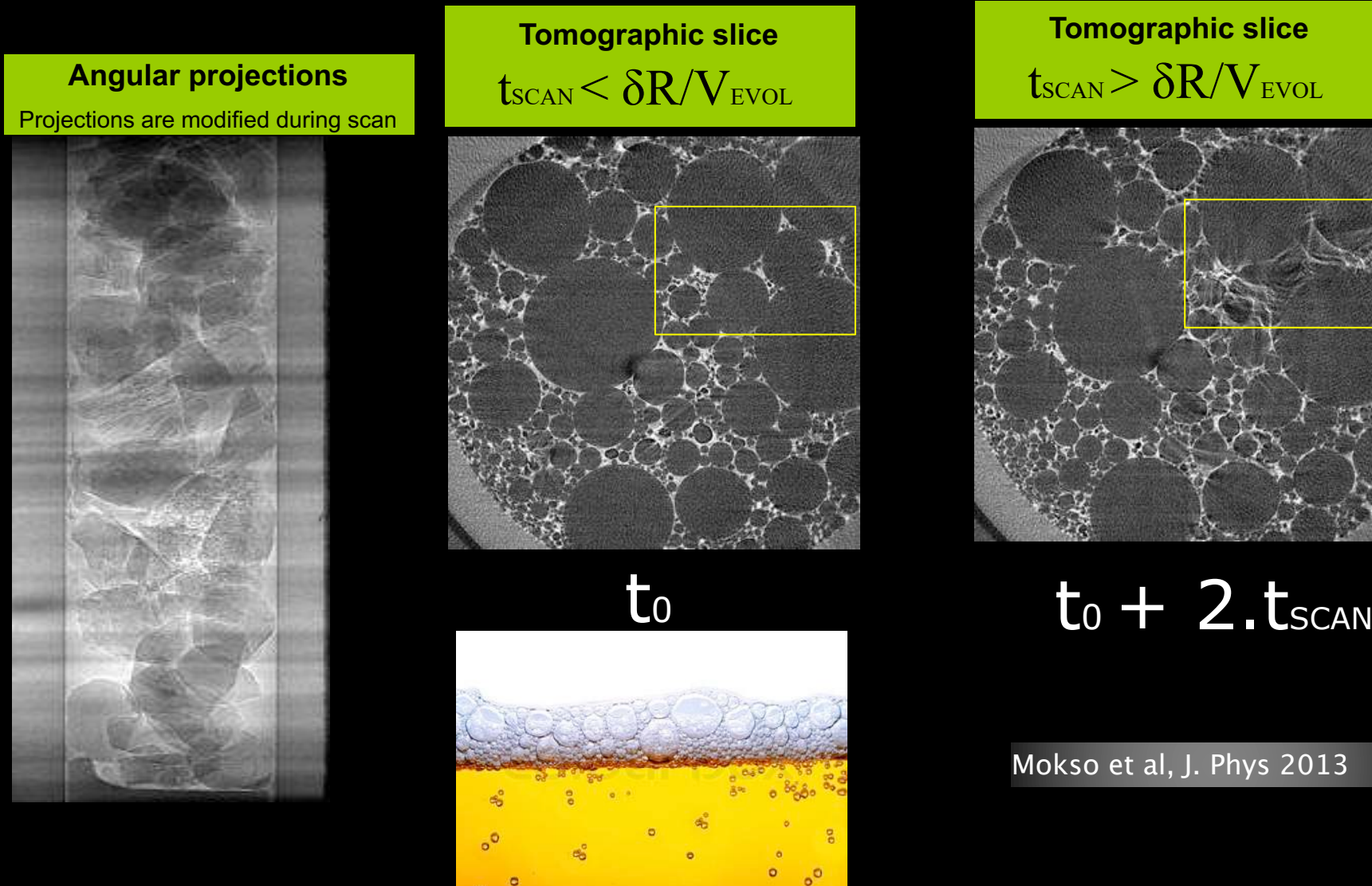
In-situ foaming



E. Solorzano, S. Alonso, Uni.
Valladolid

Fast tomography: motion artifact

Localised events in foam during tomographic acquisition



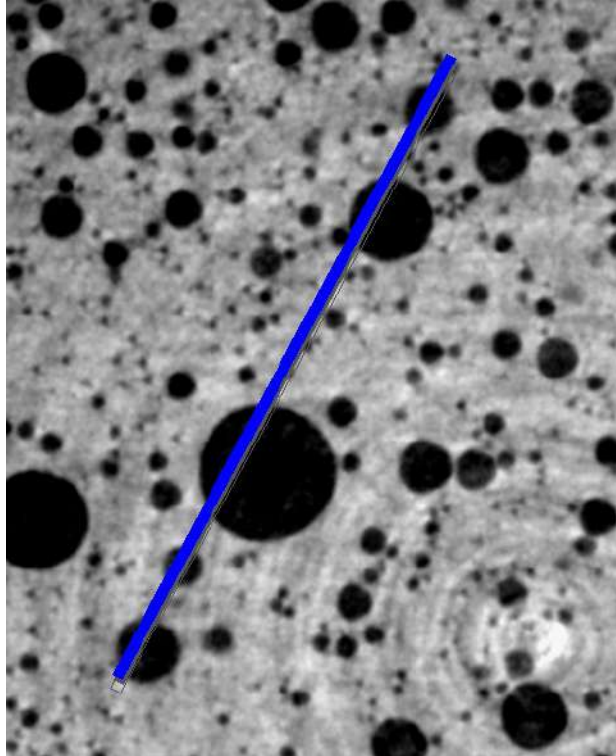
Tomographic microscopy: Why phase?

PU foam, 20 Hz tomography

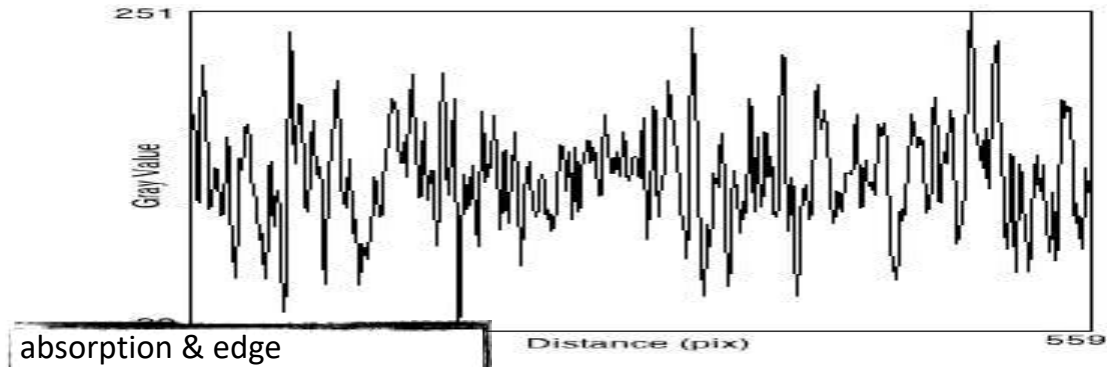
• Refractive index n

$$n = 1 - \delta + i\beta$$

$$\delta \gg \beta$$



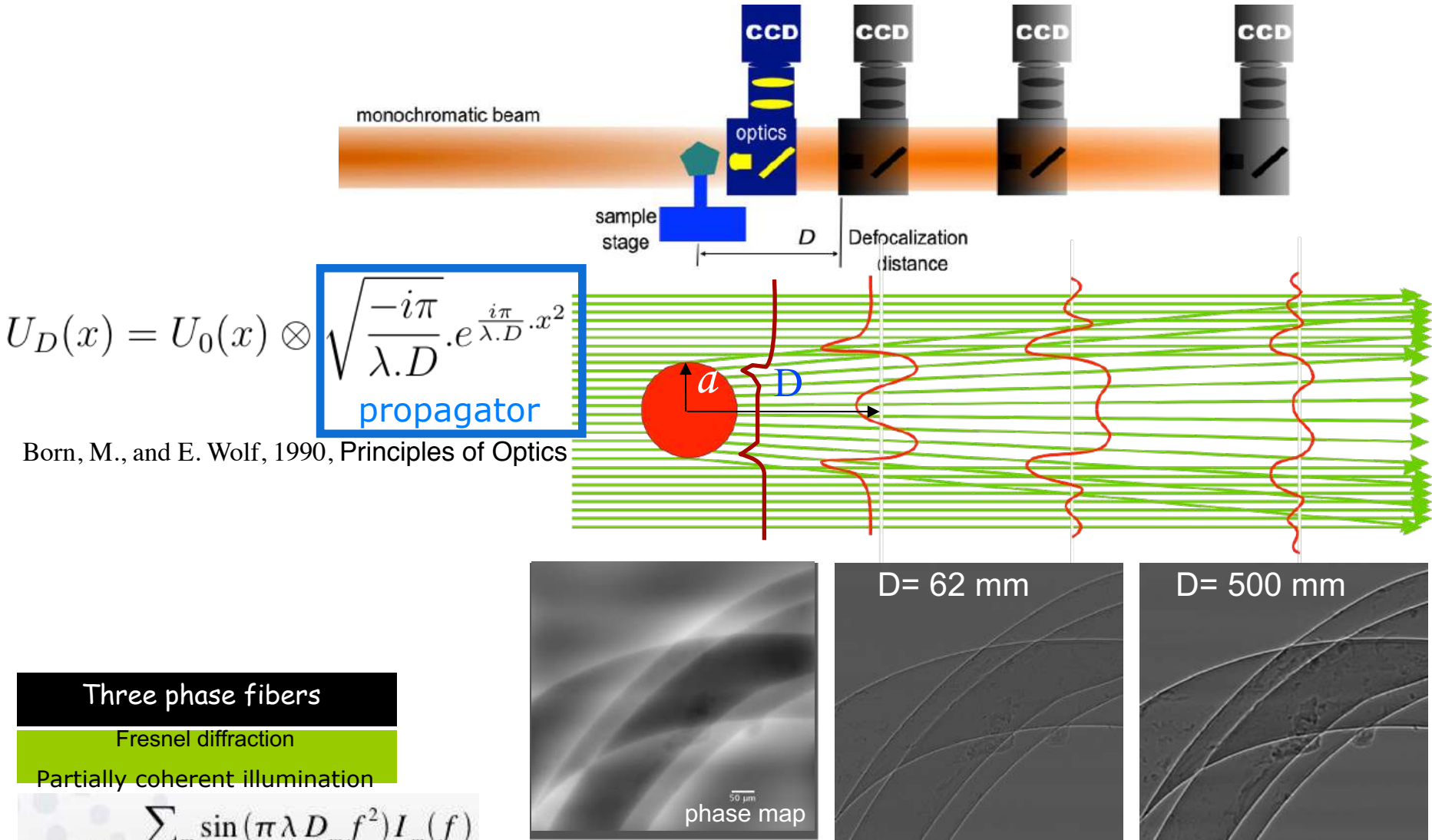
Windhab, SLS experiment, May 2014



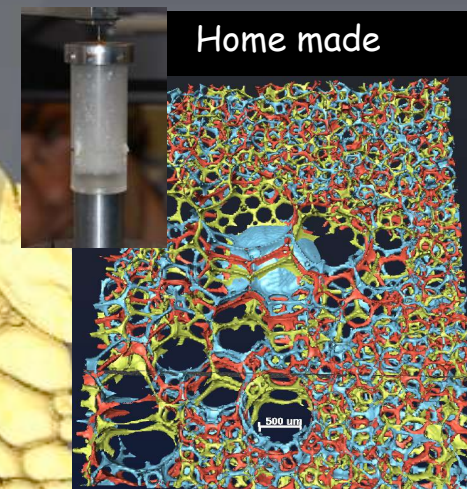
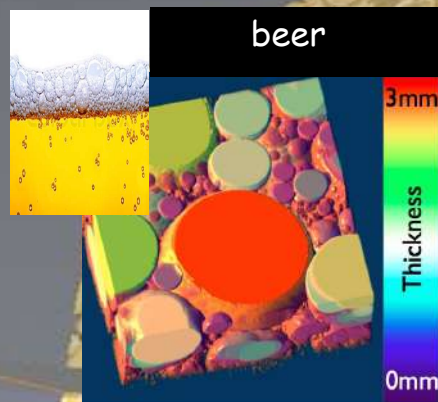
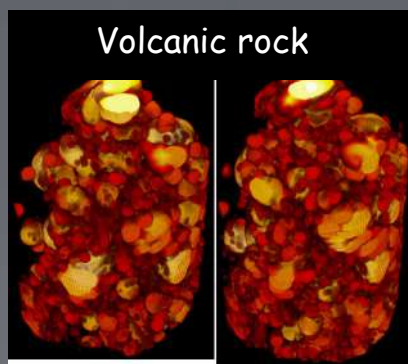
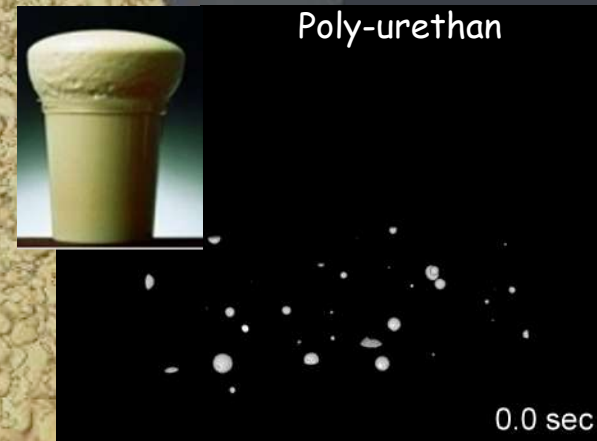
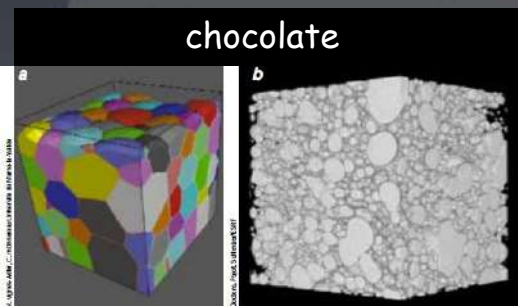
Phase contrast tomography

Mokso et al., J. Phys. D, 2013

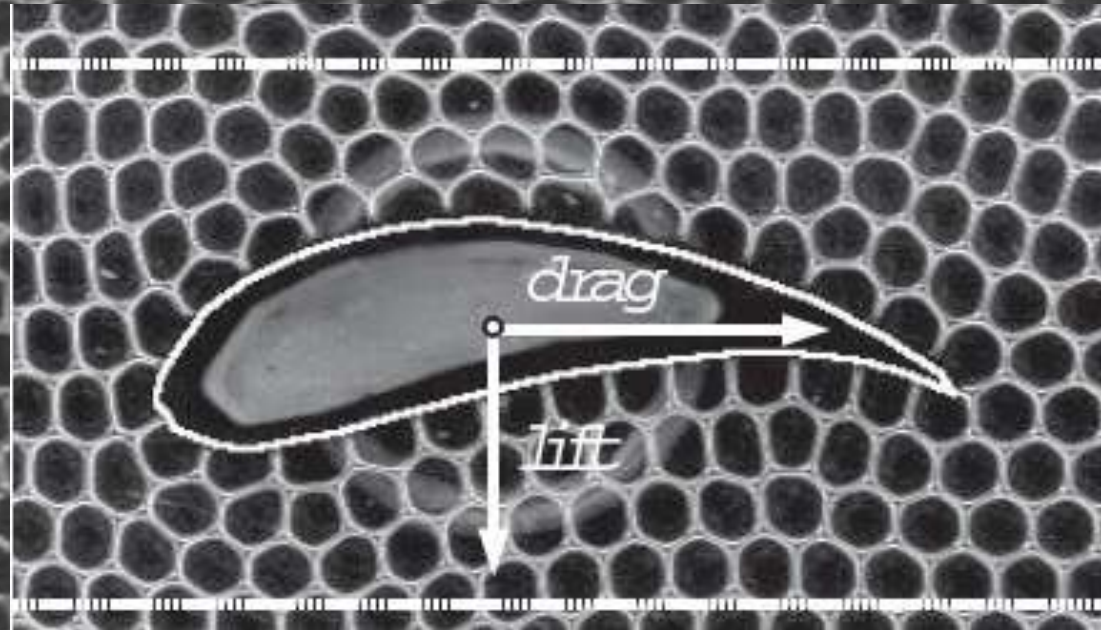
Phase contrast in free space propagation



Cloetens et al. J. Phys. 1999



Flow around a wing

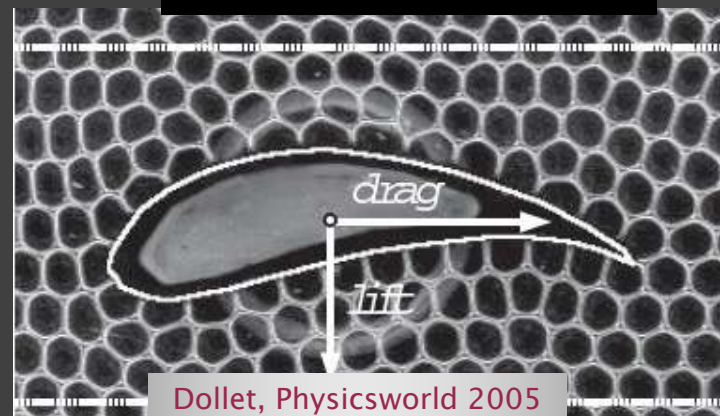


Dollet, Physicsworld 2005

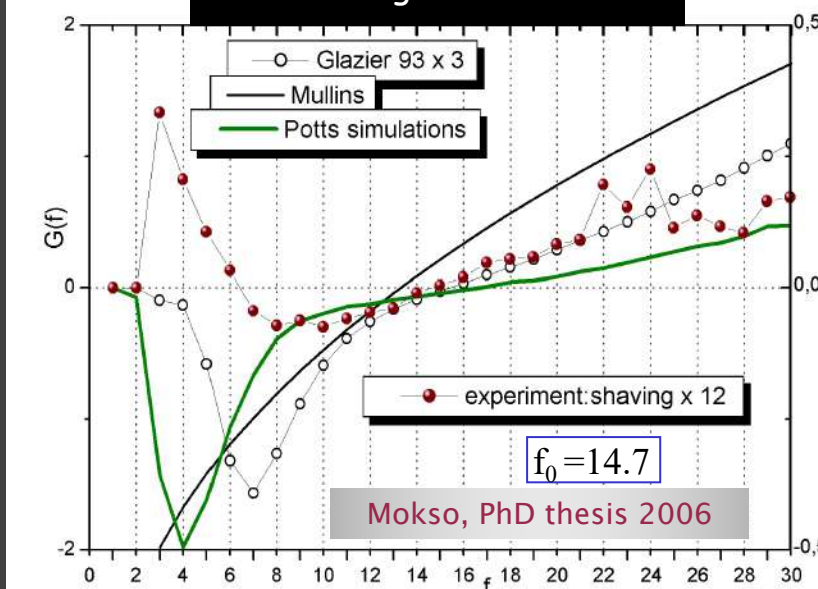
What would we like to know about foams

- How do individual bubbles grow and shrink?
- Foam stability?
- Do the Bubble Size Distribution and Bubble Topology Distribution reach a time invariant *scaling* state?
- How do Correlations evolve in time?
- Foams Under stress? Behavior in the presence of external forces?
- Drainage and redistribution of fluid
- How do individual bubbles change shape?
- How do macroscopic properties depend on Quantifiers?

Flow around a wing



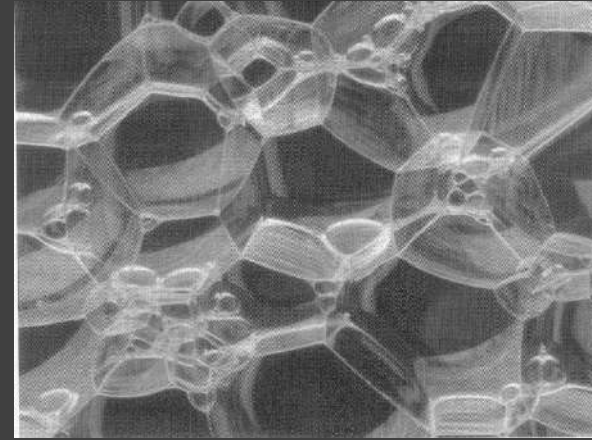
Bubble growth rate



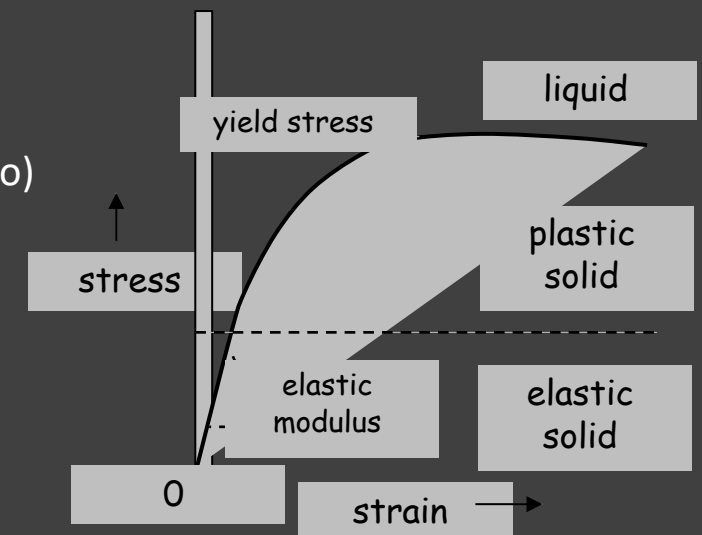
In-situ foaming

Liquid foam:

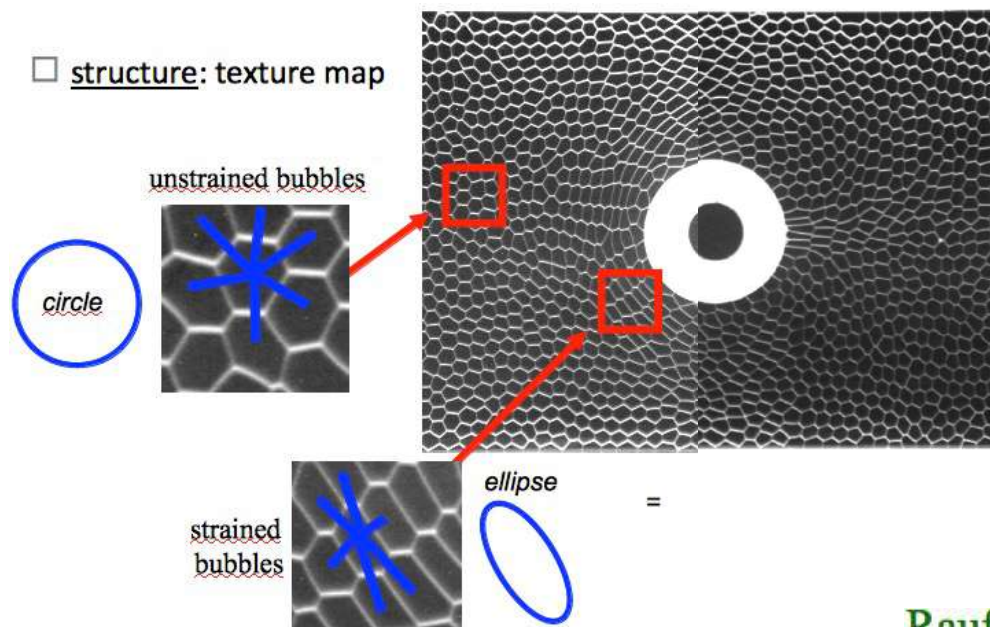
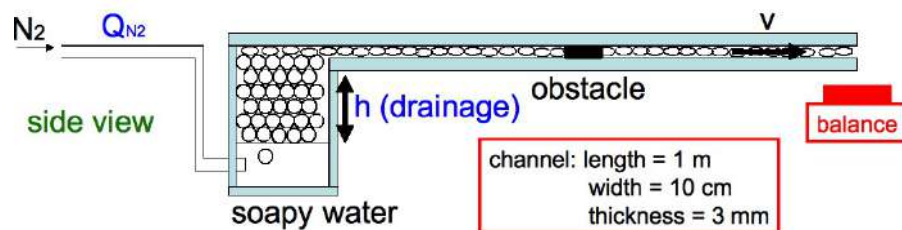
dispersion of a gaseous phase
inside a continuous liquid phase.
Interfaces stabilized by surfactants.



- Multiscale structure : films (micro) – bubbles (meso) – foam (macro)
 - (1) elastic solid at low strain
 - (2) plastic solids as strain increases
 - (3) liquid-like at very high strain
- Original mechanical properties!



Foam rheology: the 3D case

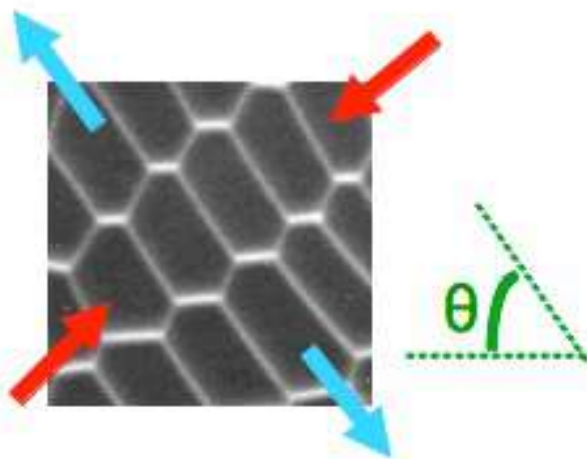


Raufaste & al, Phys. fluids 2009

Graner et al, EPJE 2008

Foam rheology: 2D tensor analysis

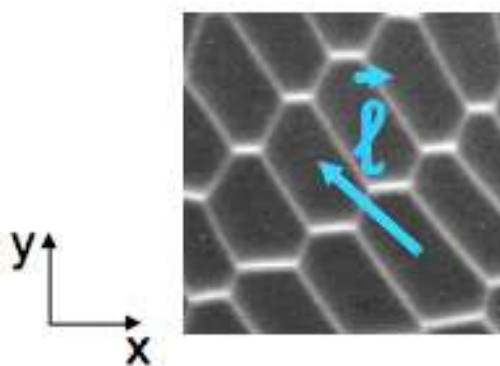
- structure: need for tensorial tools



Necessitates more than 2 informations:
elongation, compression, direction

~~vector~~

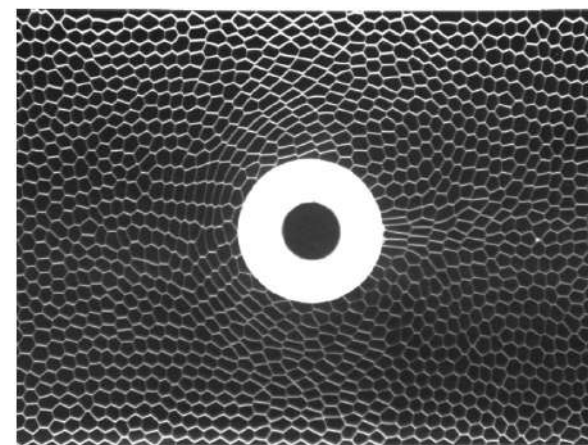
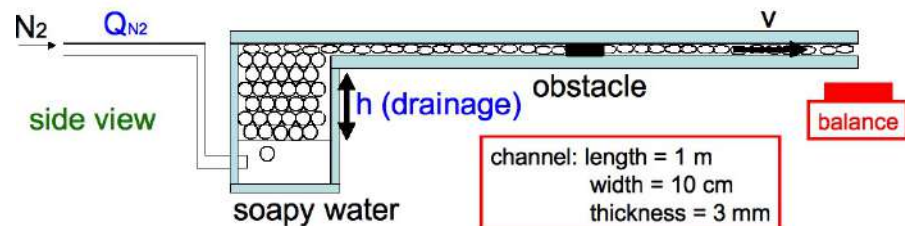
tensor



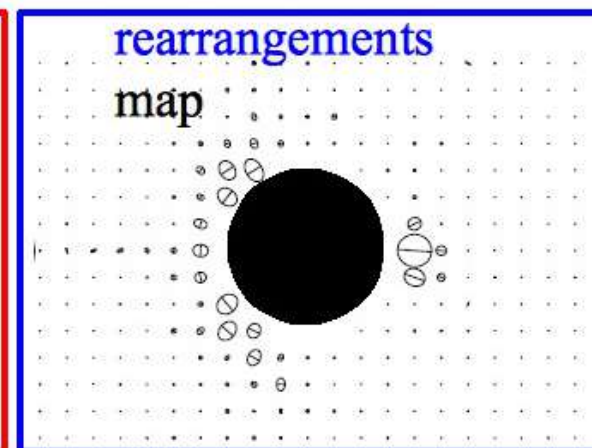
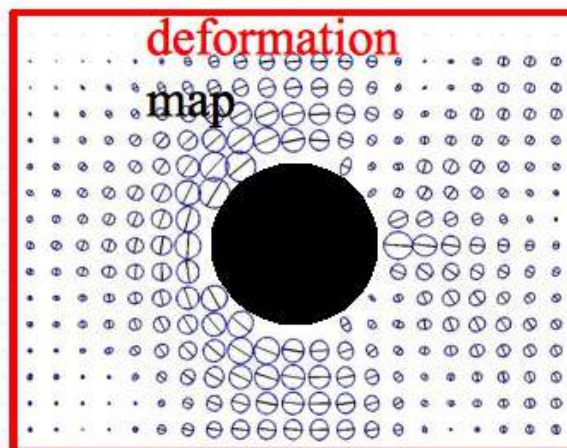
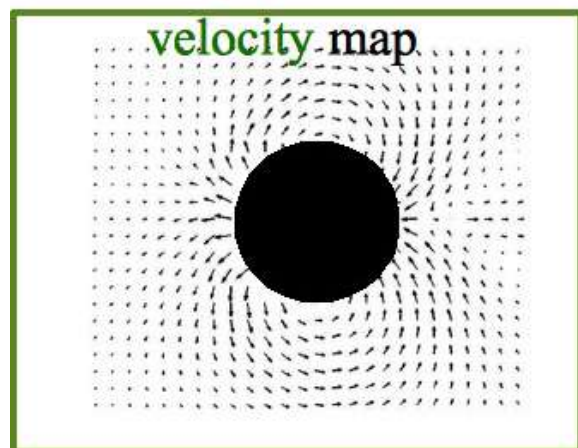
$\vec{l}$: link between two neighbors

$$\bar{\mathbf{M}}_{\vec{l}} = \begin{pmatrix} l_x l_x & l_x l_y \\ l_y l_x & l_y l_y \end{pmatrix}$$

Foam rheology: 2D tensor analysis



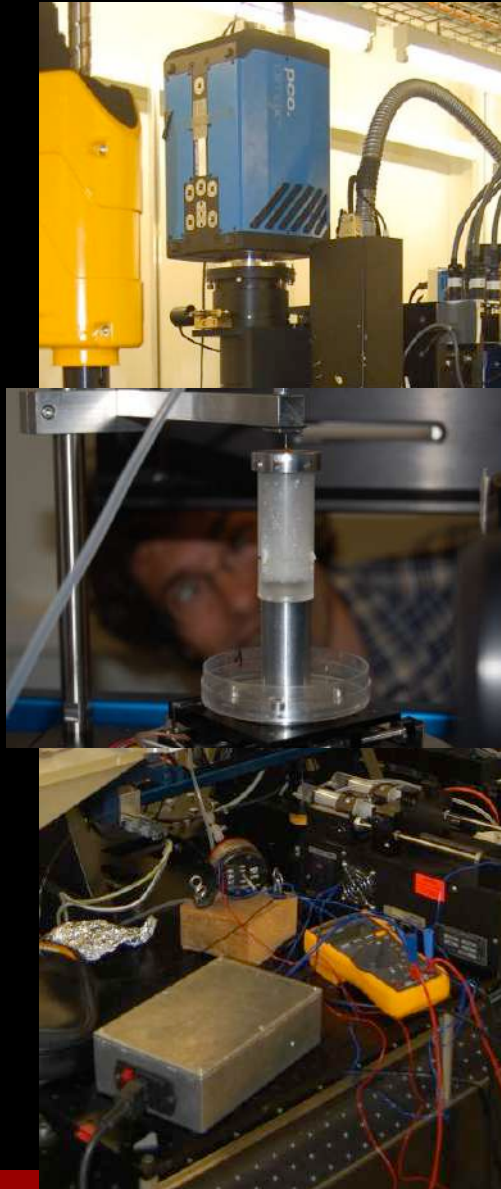
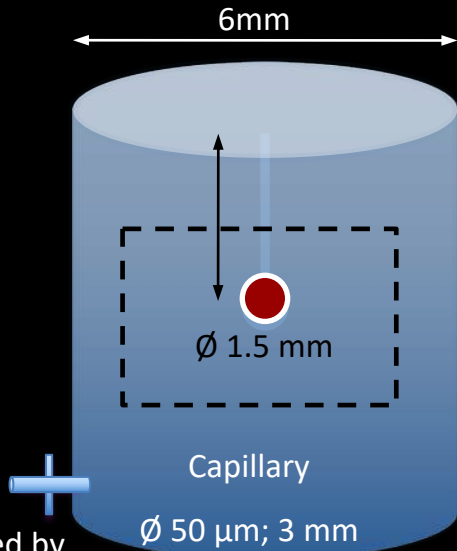
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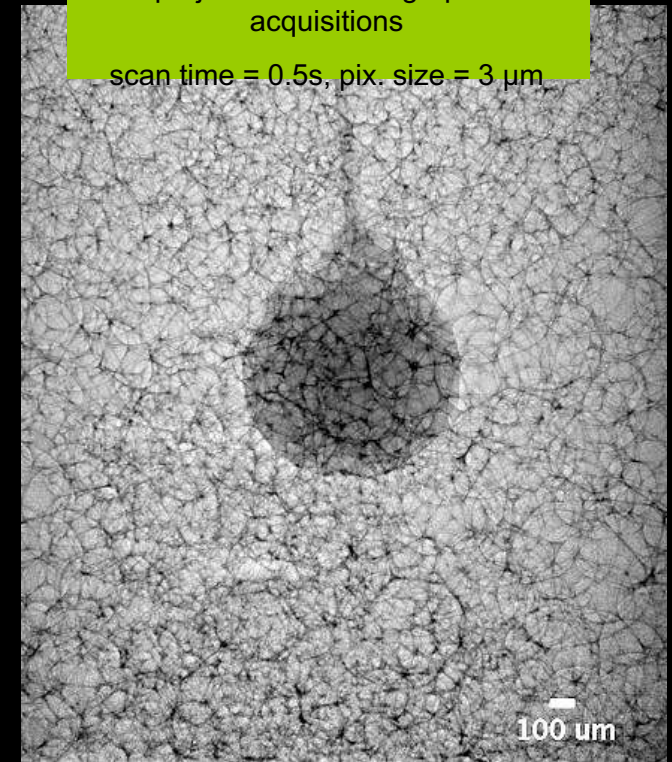
Foam flow around an obstacle



Obstacle size: 1.5 mm

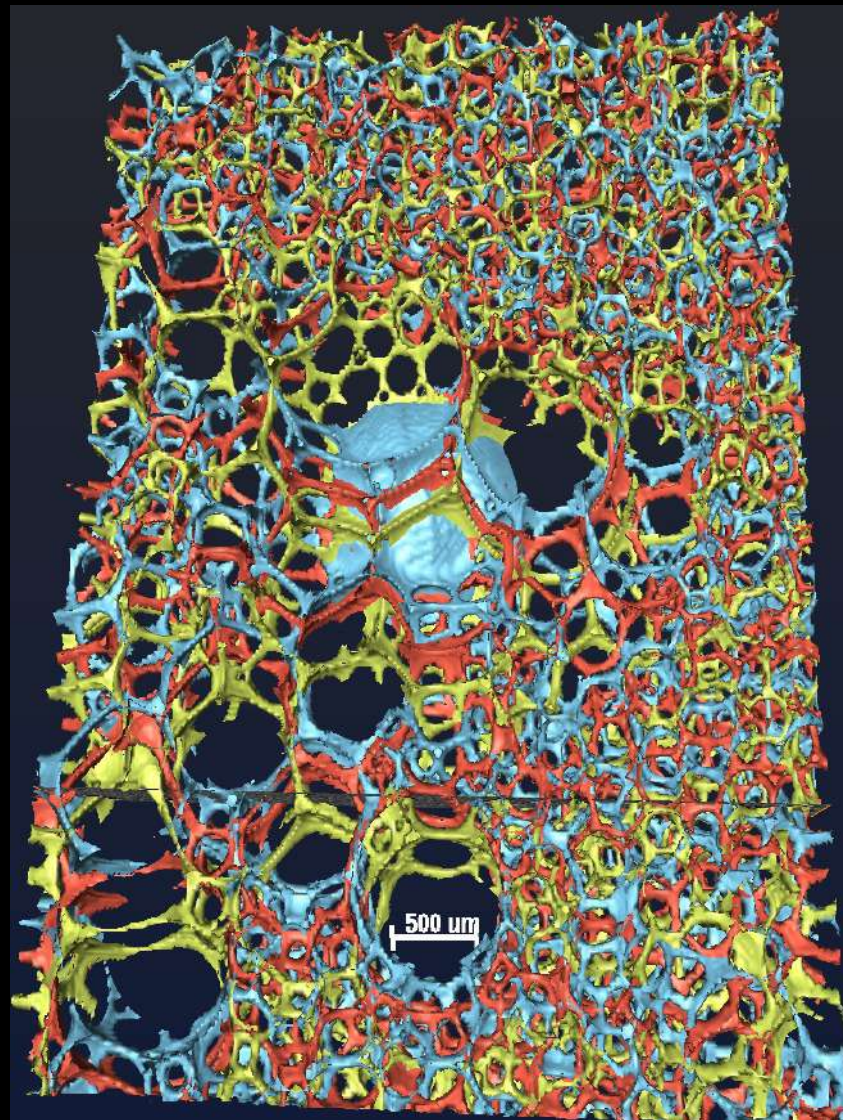
projections of tomographic
acquisitions

scan time = 0.5s, pix. size = 3 μm

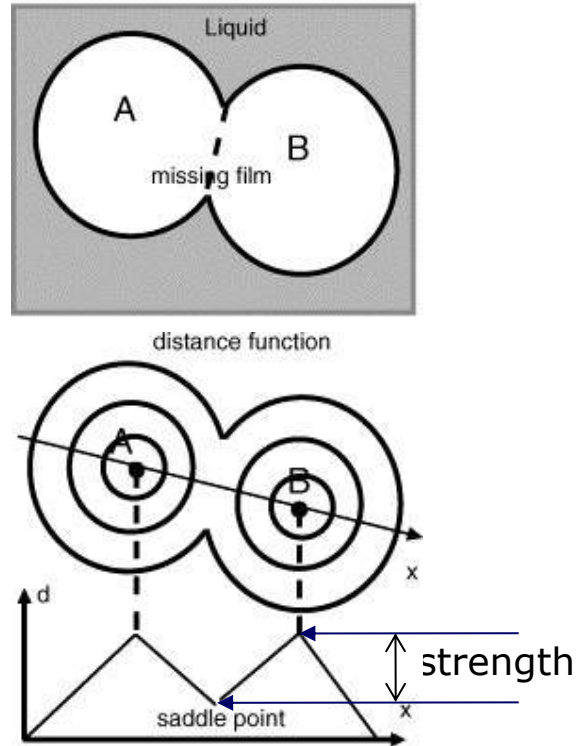


C. Raufaste, Nice
B. Dollet, Rennes
S. Santucci, Lyon

3D rendering of the foal flow

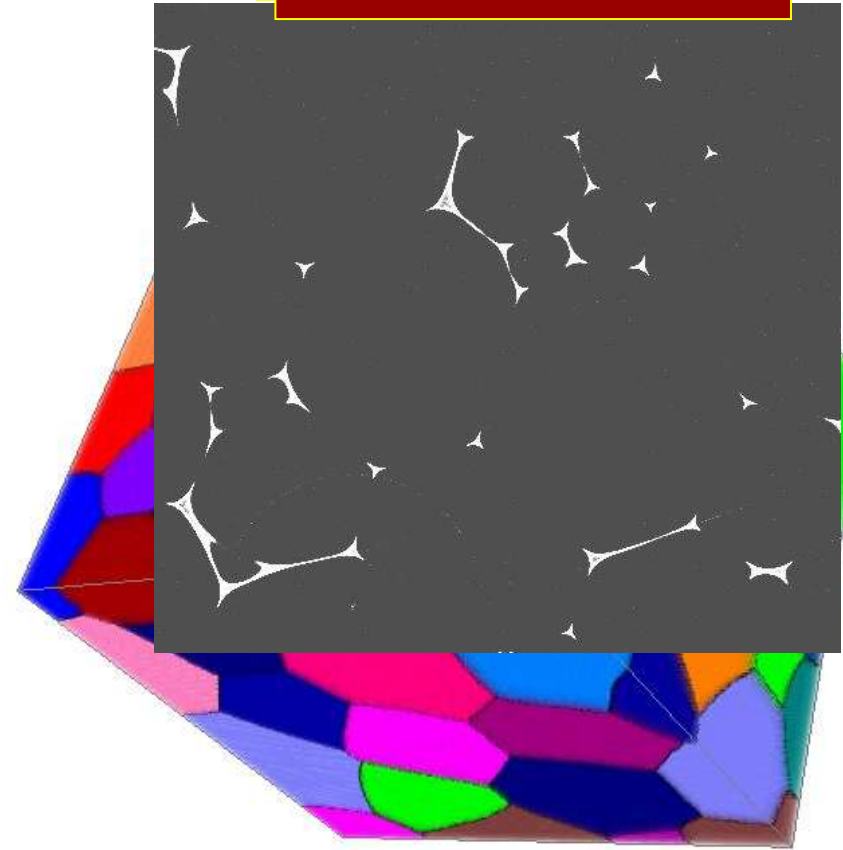


Quantitative analysis of complex cellular systems



film thickness in dry foams beyond the spatial resolution ($\sim 3-11 \mu\text{m}$) of the setup

labeled volume

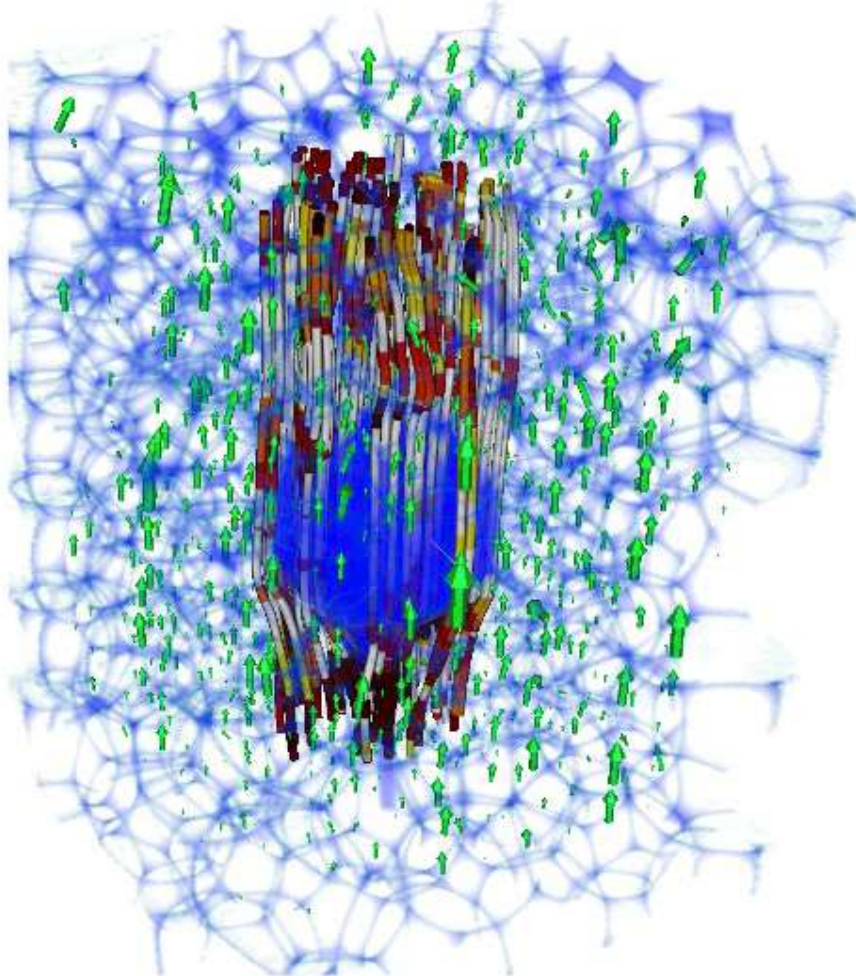


Dreft foam, liquid fraction $< 2\%$

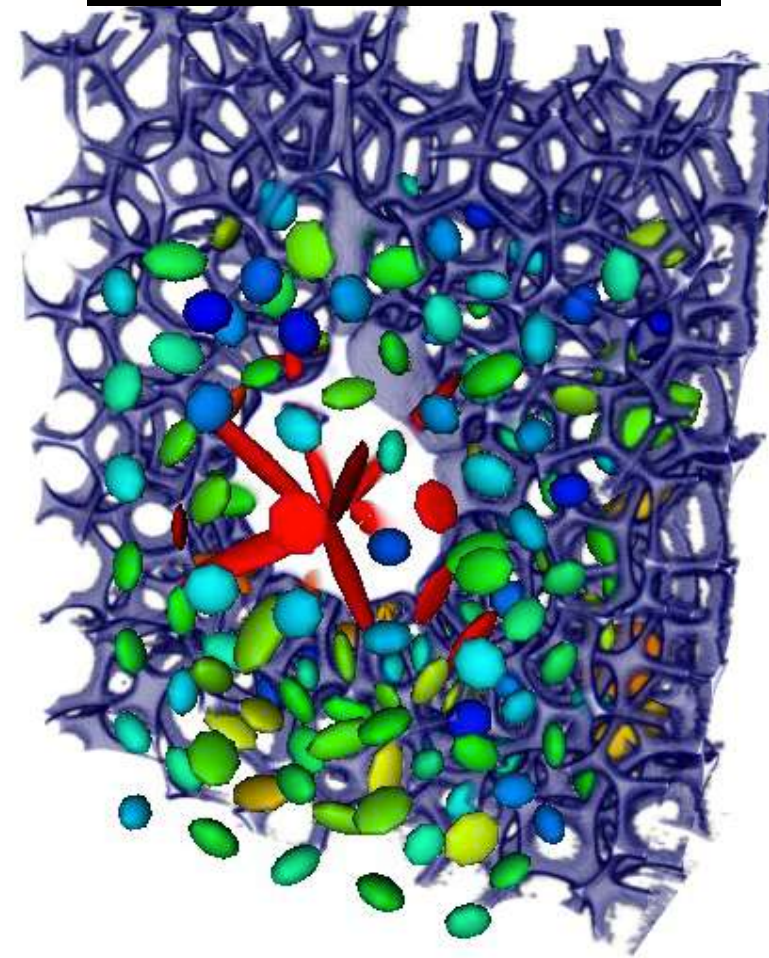
J. Lambert et al., APL (2005), Mader et al. Coloids & Surfaces (2012)

Flow around obstacle in 3D

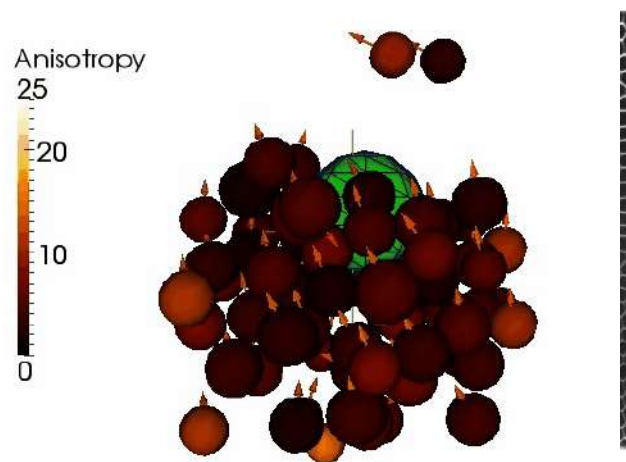
Velocity field



Deformation field

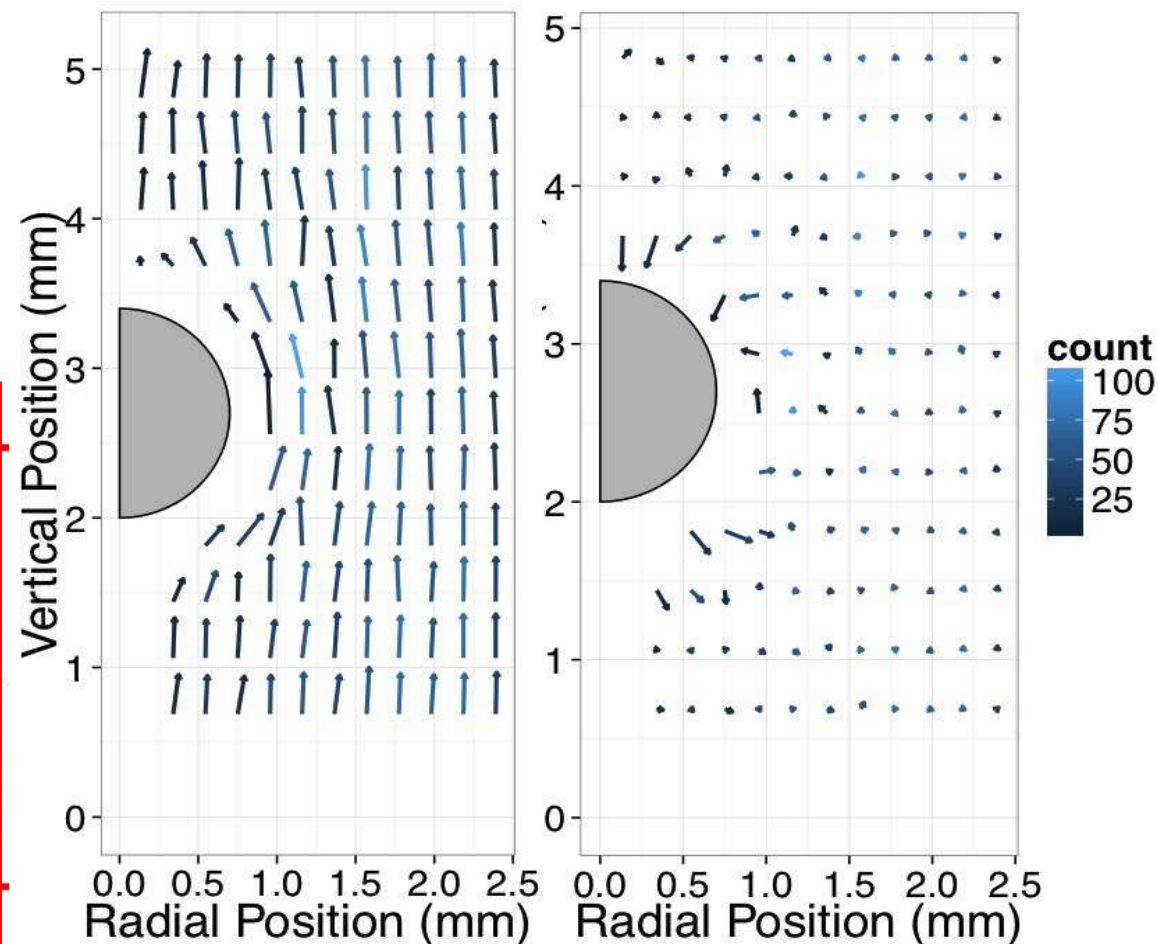
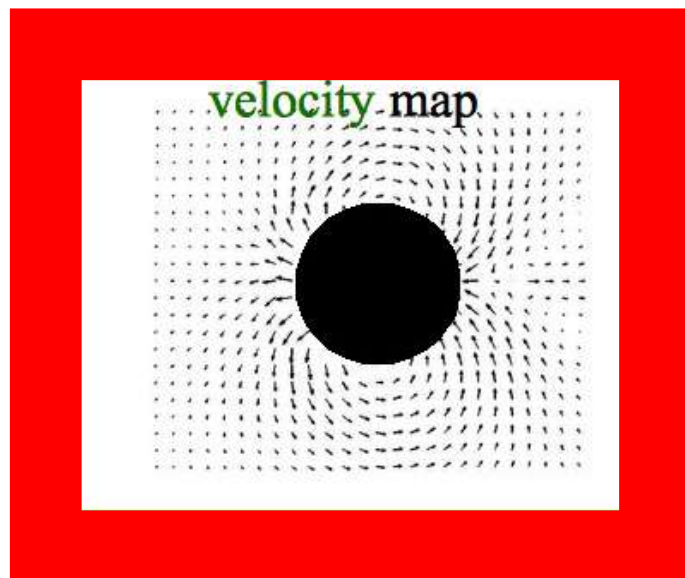


Flow around obstacle in 3D



-Flow field more localized

-recirculation as 2D

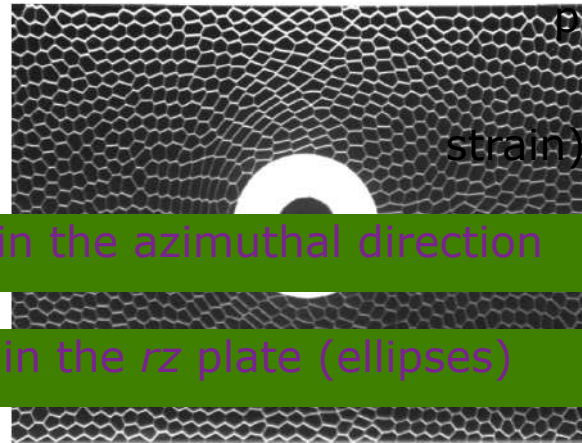


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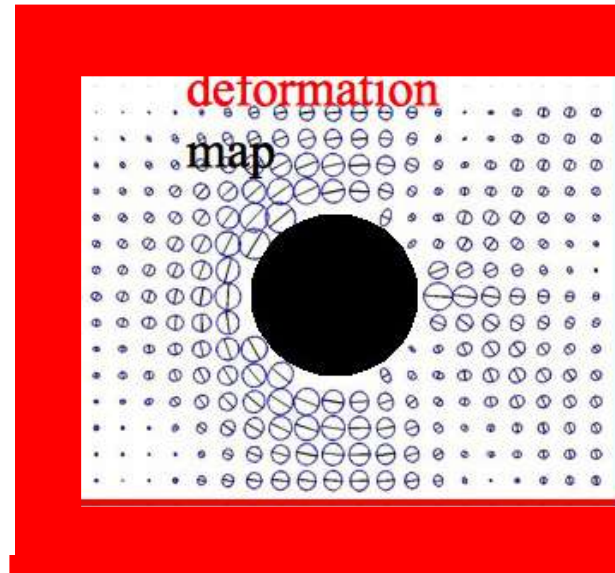
I. The deformation field in the rz plane

$(S_{\theta}-R_{\text{eff}})/R_{\text{eff}}$: Deformation in the azimuthal direction (colormap)

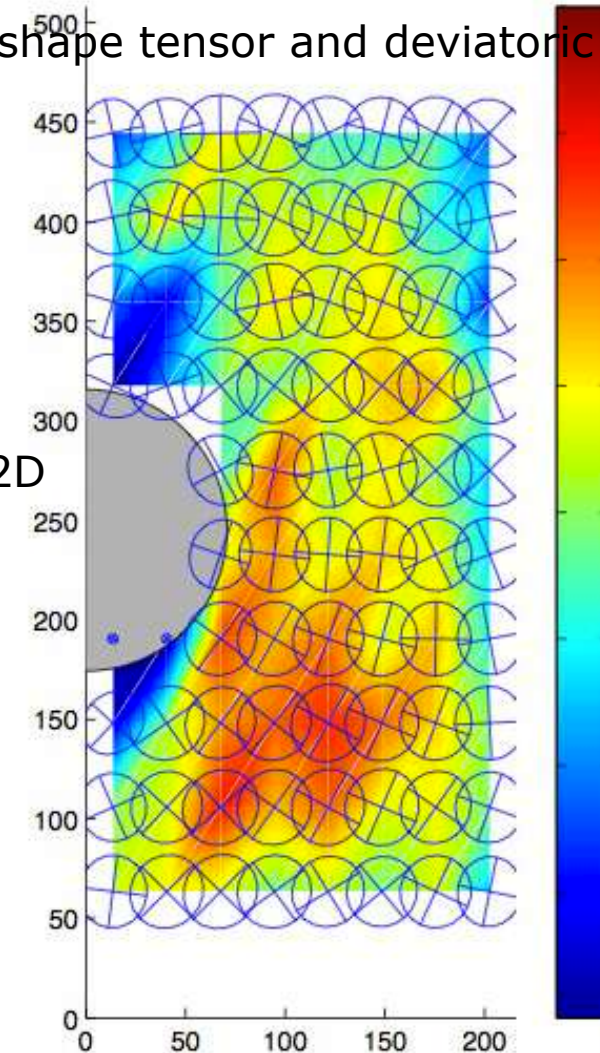
$(S_{rz}^{+}-S_{rz}^{-})/R_{\text{eff}}$: Deformation in the rz plane (ellipses)



Deformation is smaller than in 2D

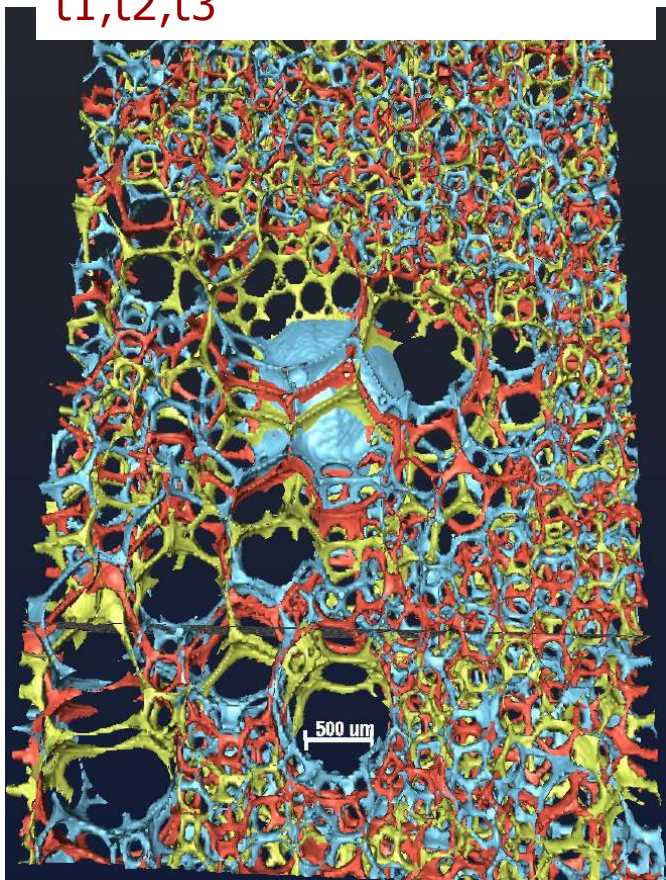


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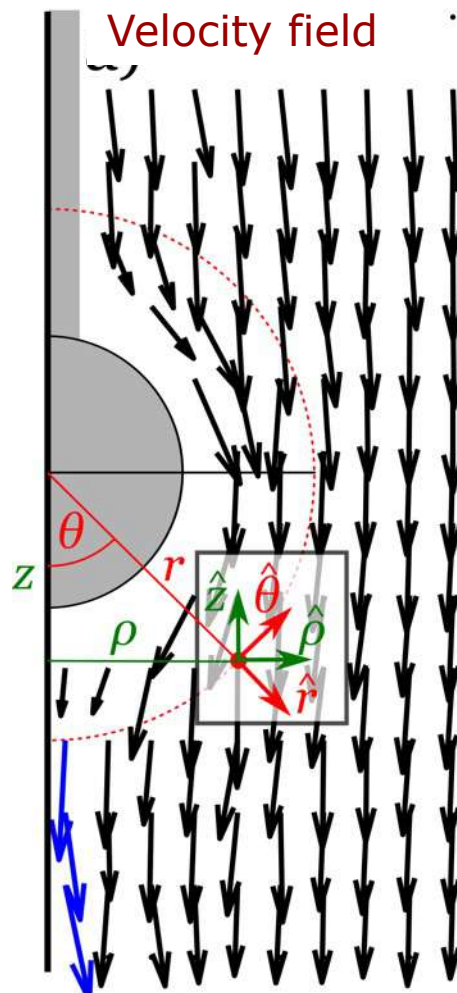


Liquid foam rheology in 3D

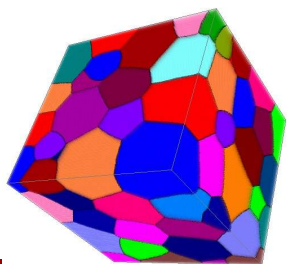
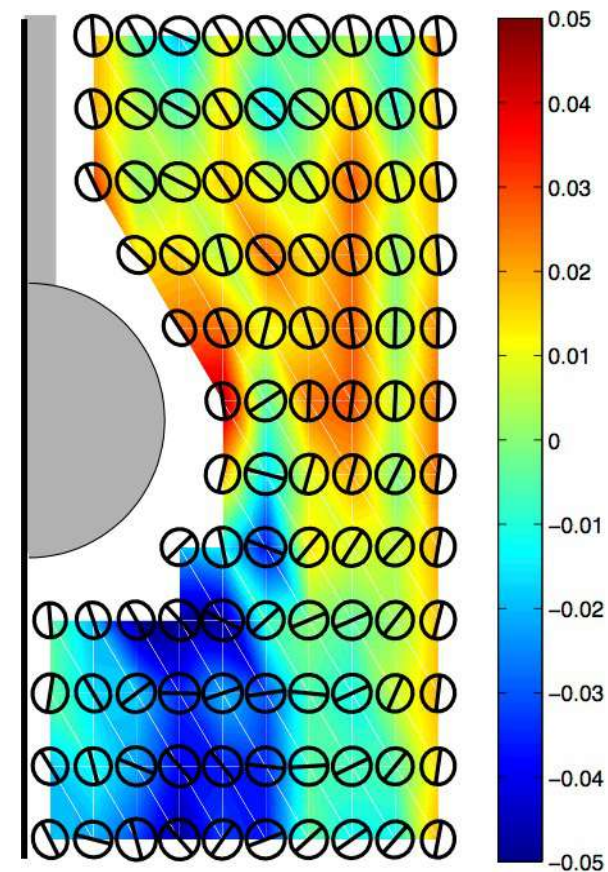
Isosurfaces at times t_1, t_2, t_3



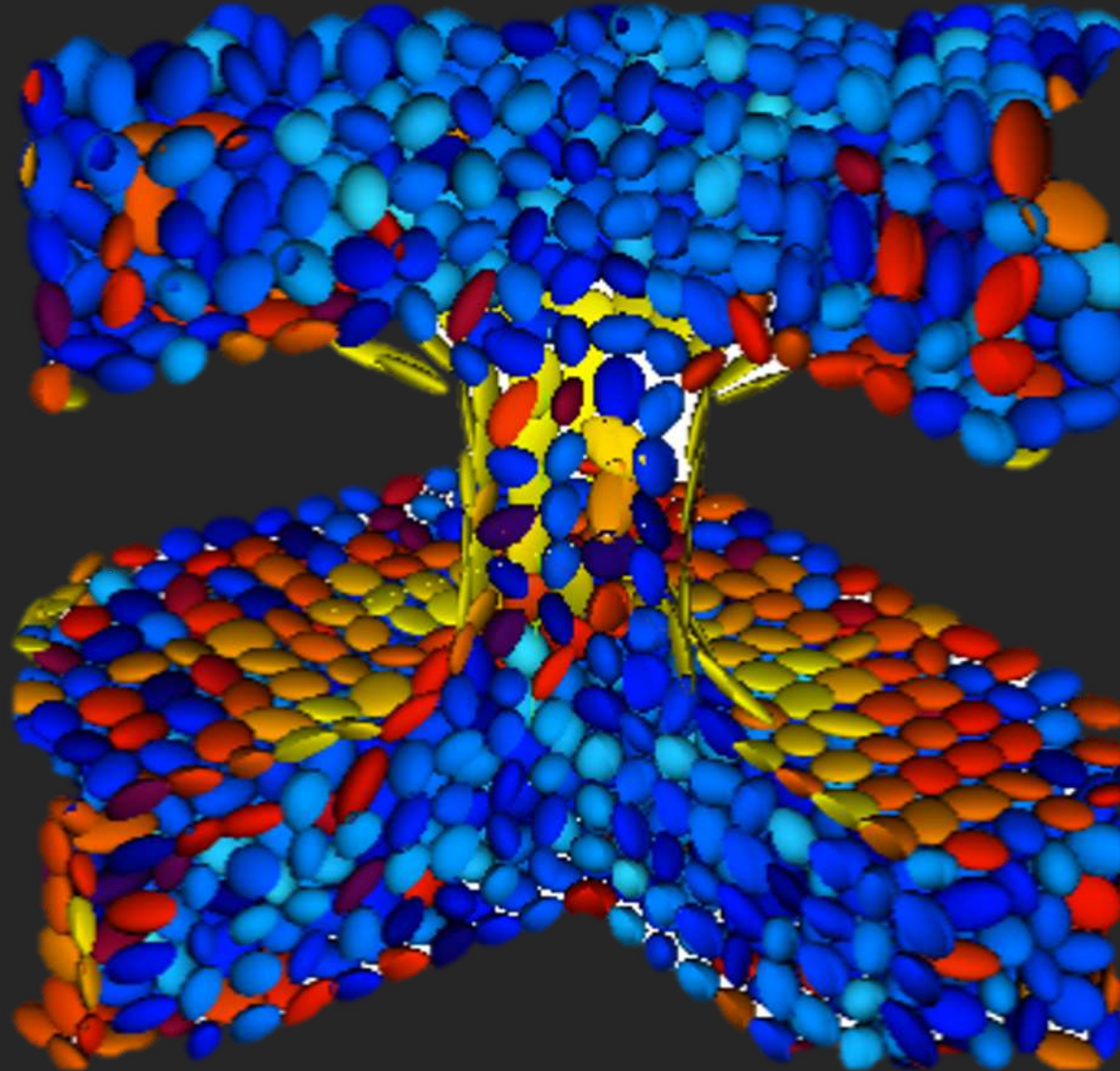
3 time instances in the flow experiment
 $T_0=0$ (blue), $T_1=10$ s (red), $T_2=20$ s (yellow)



deformation field

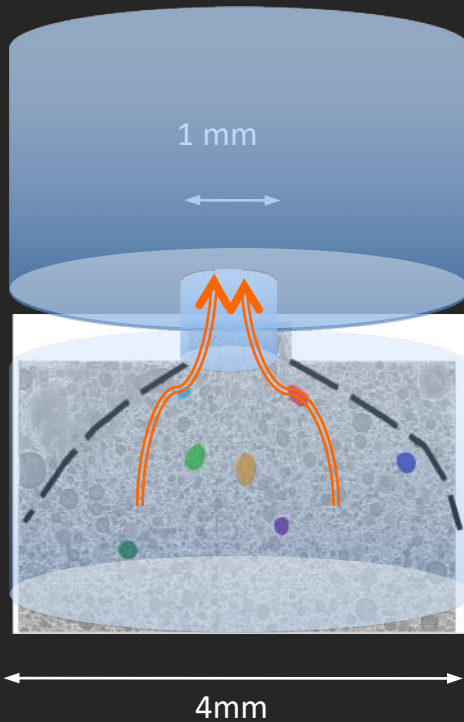


Straight constriction



Foam rheology in food science

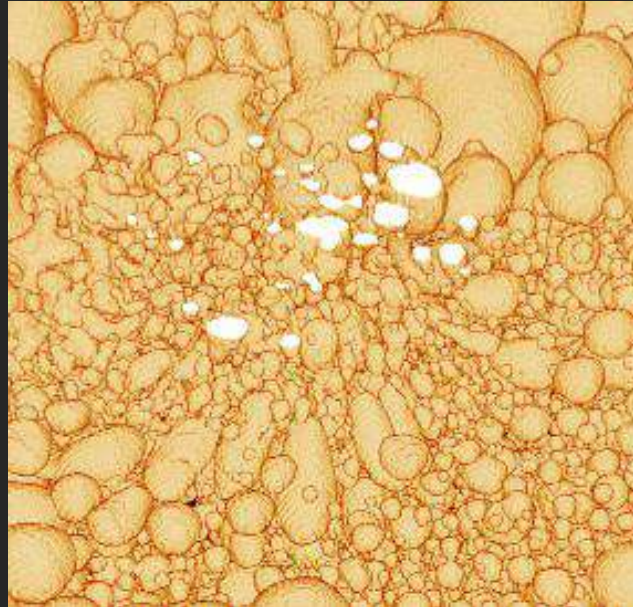
constriction (4:1:4)



20 HZ tomo

E= 20 keV, scan time = 50 ms, pix. size = 3 um

Concentrated glucose sirup

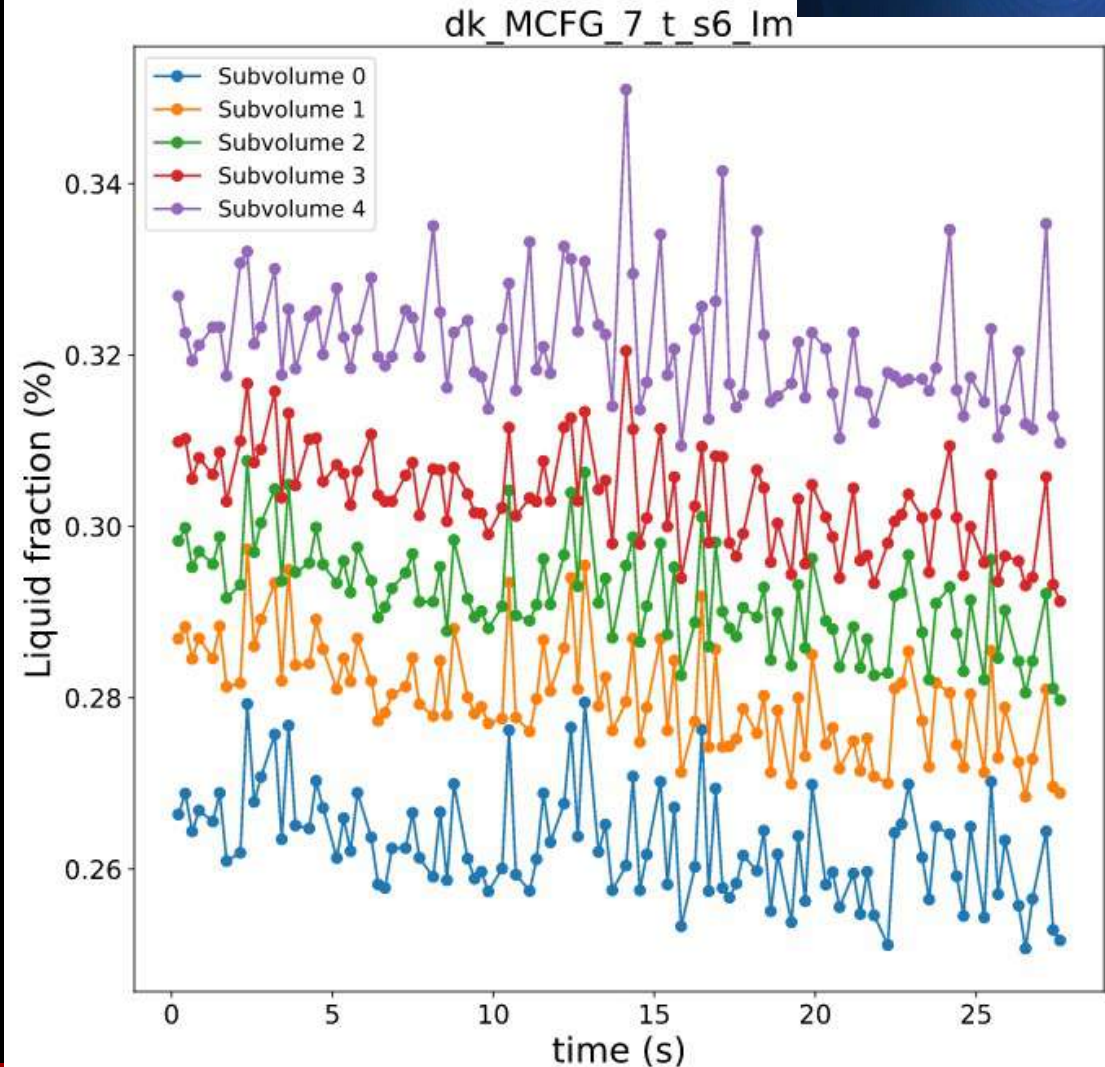
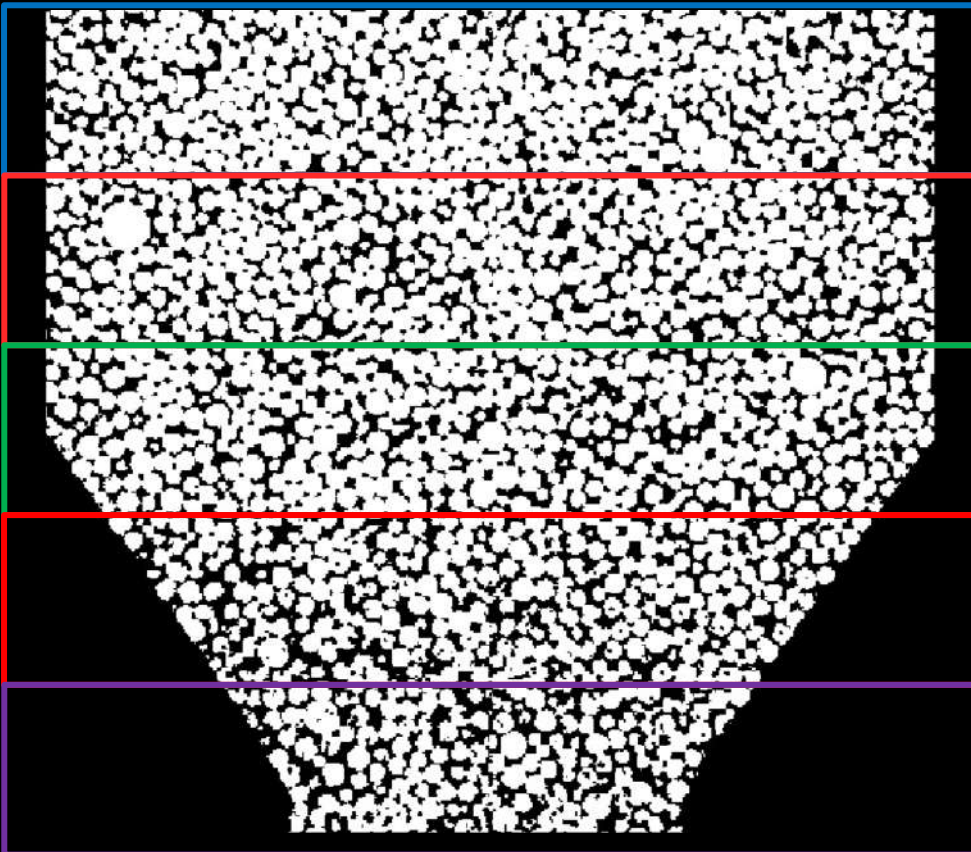


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Birbaum, experiment at TOMCAT, SLS 2015

Foam flow in a constriction

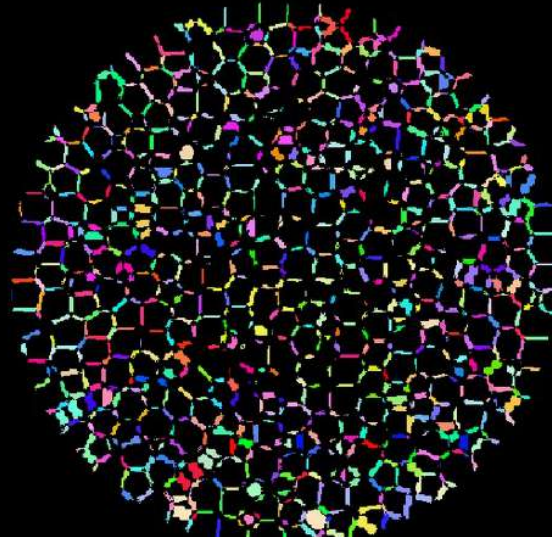
Liquid fraction



Foam flow in constriction: faces



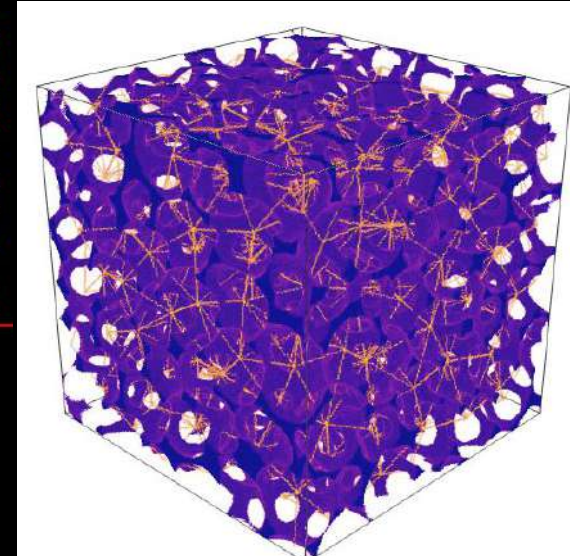
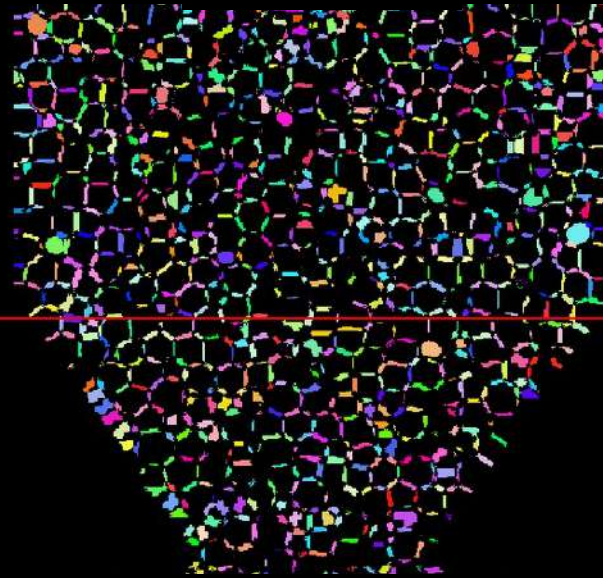
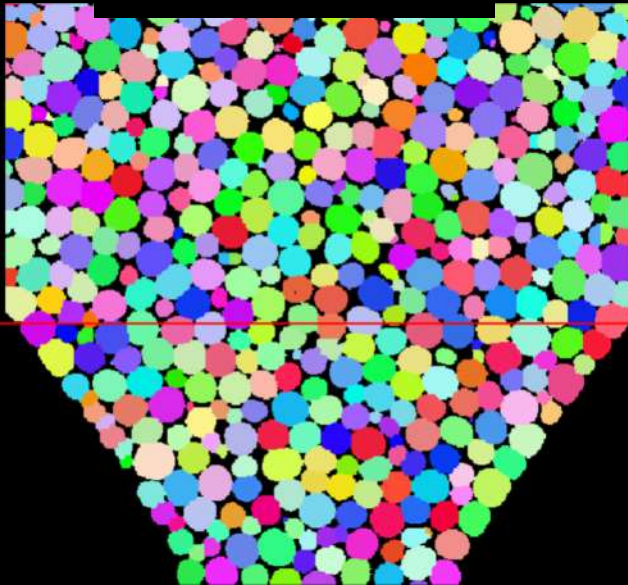
Labelled bubbles



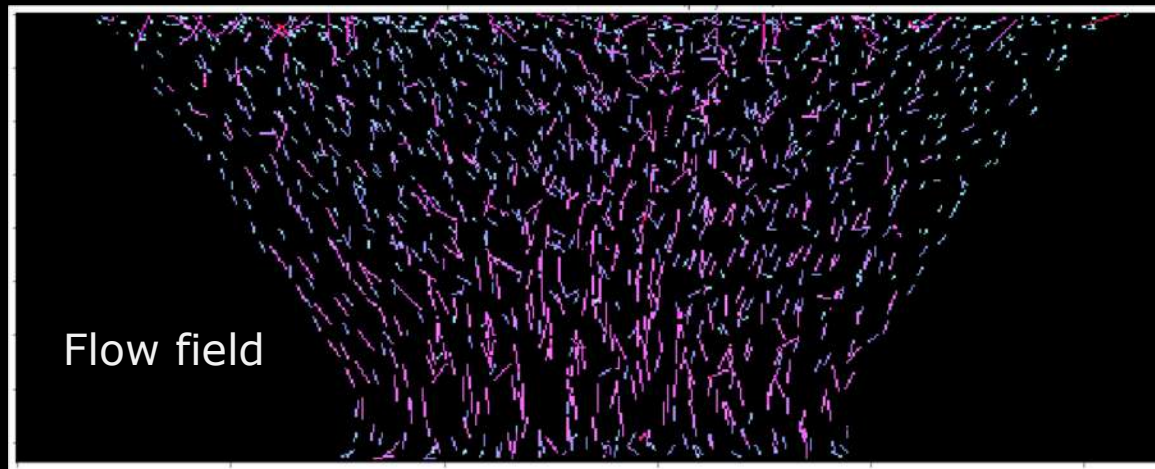
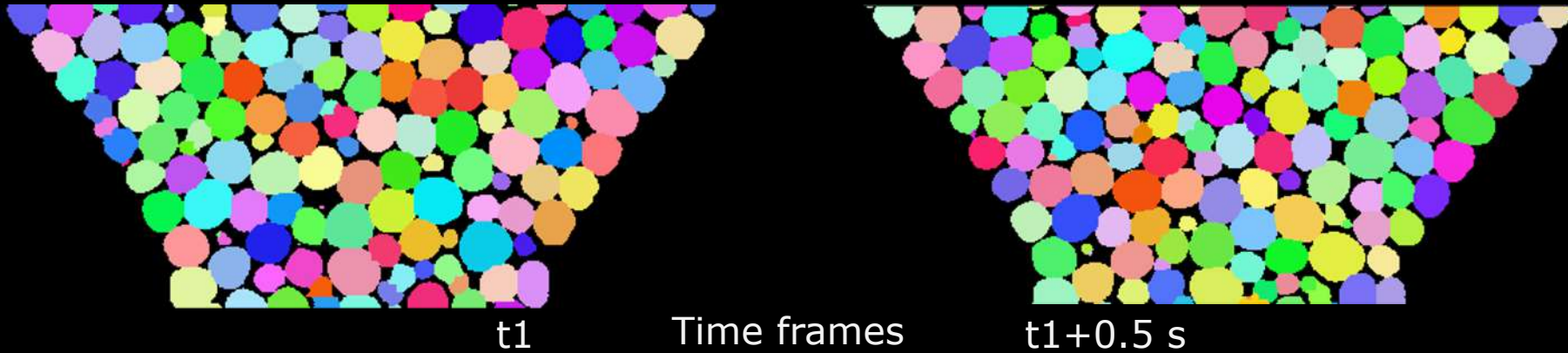
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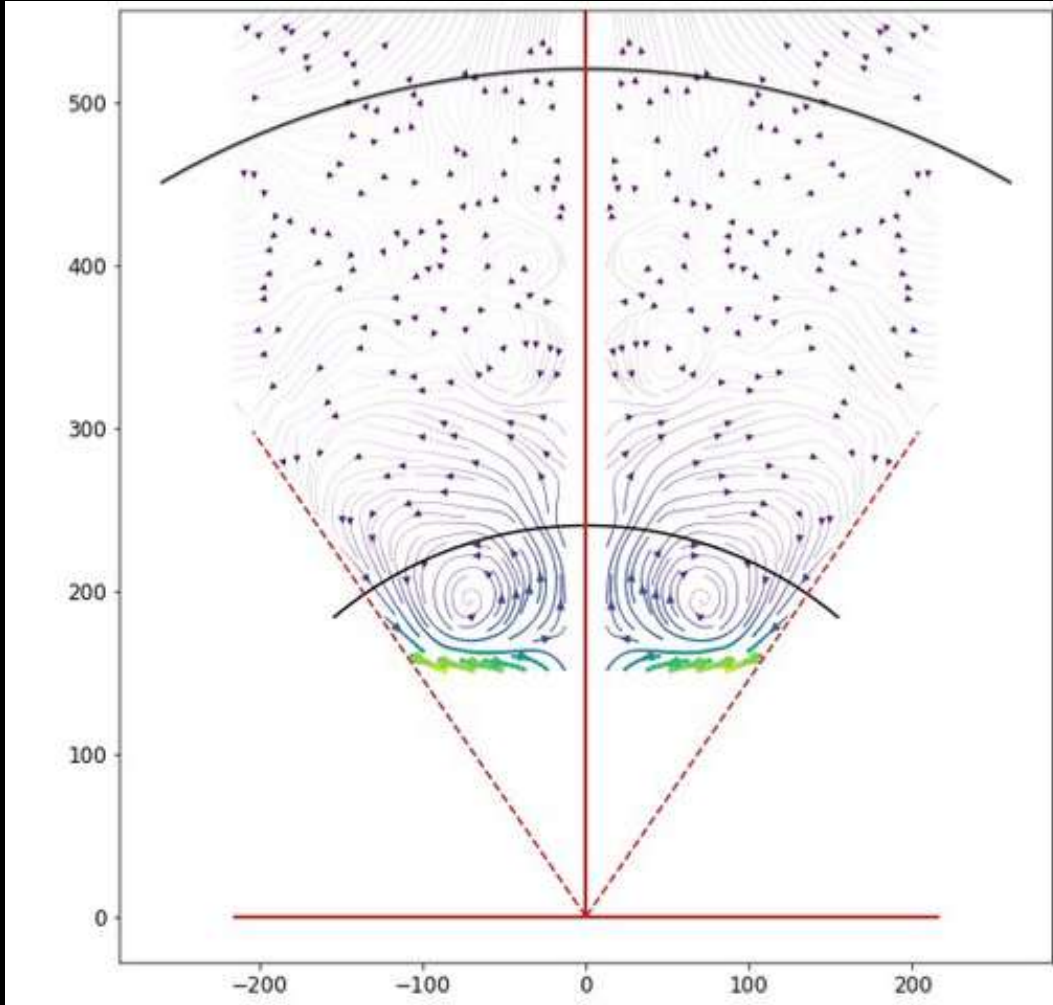
iFoam python toolbox
soon available

Centroid connections



Foam flow in constriction: trajectories





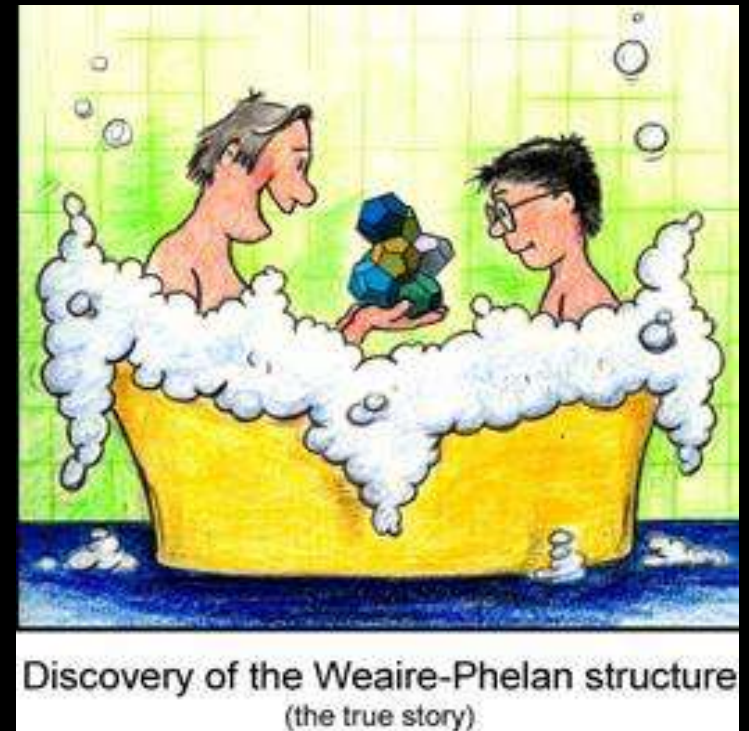
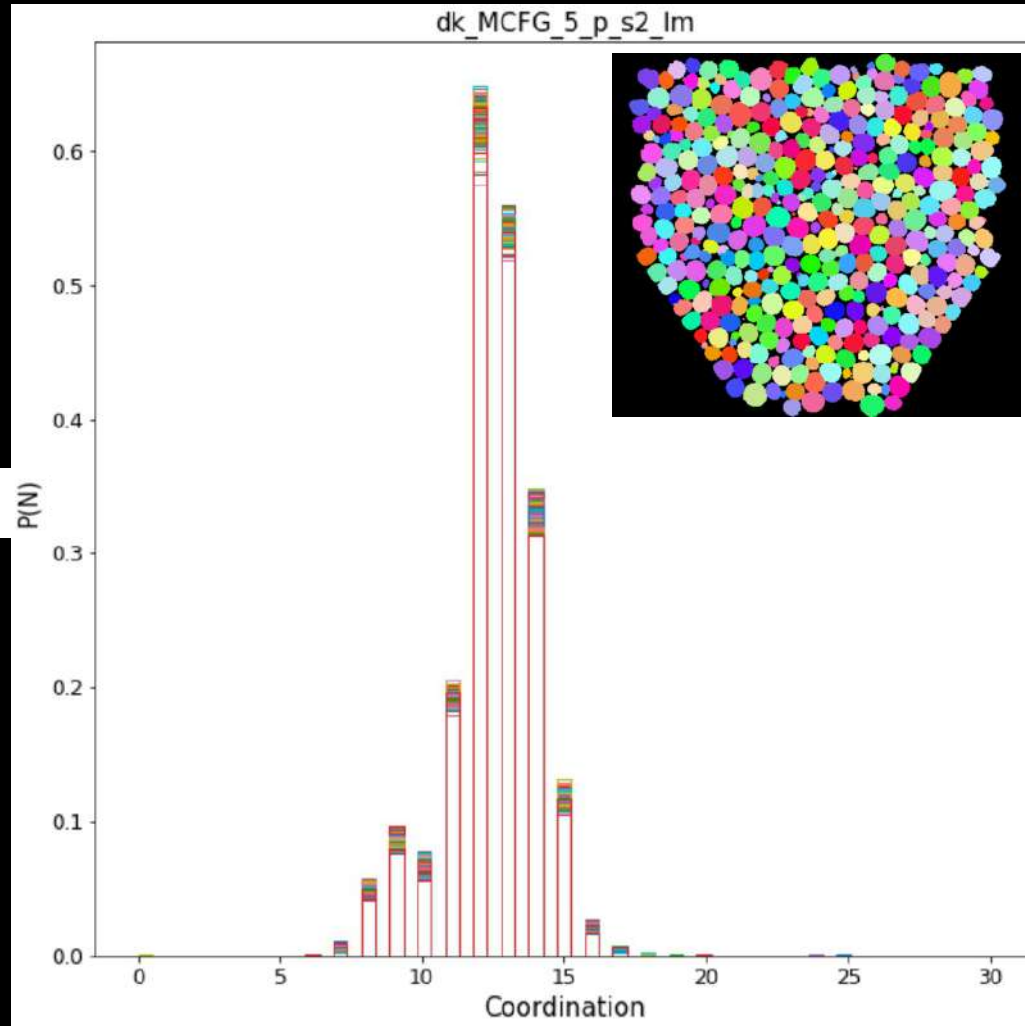
Florian Schott, PhD project – unpublished data

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Liquid foam topology: number of faces



Networklike Propagation of Cell-Level Stress in Sheared Random Foams

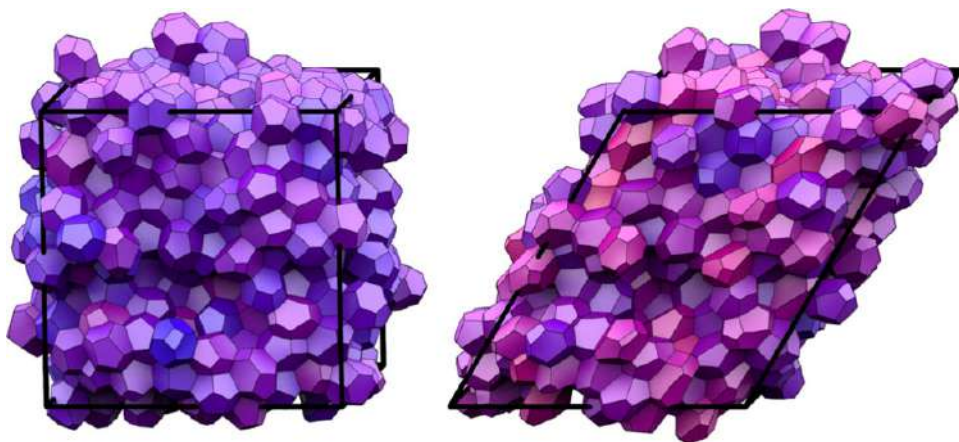
Myfanwy E. Evans,^{1,*} Andrew M. Kraynik,¹ Douglas A. Reinelt,² Klaus Mecke,¹ and Gerd E. Schröder-Turk¹

FIG. 1 (color online). A dry liquid foam with 512 cells in a unit cell at strains of 0 and 0.6, respectively. The cells are colored by Q , a scalar measure of cell distortion, where blue through red symbolizes values 0 through 1. The average Q values over all cells are 0.244 and 0.425, respectively.

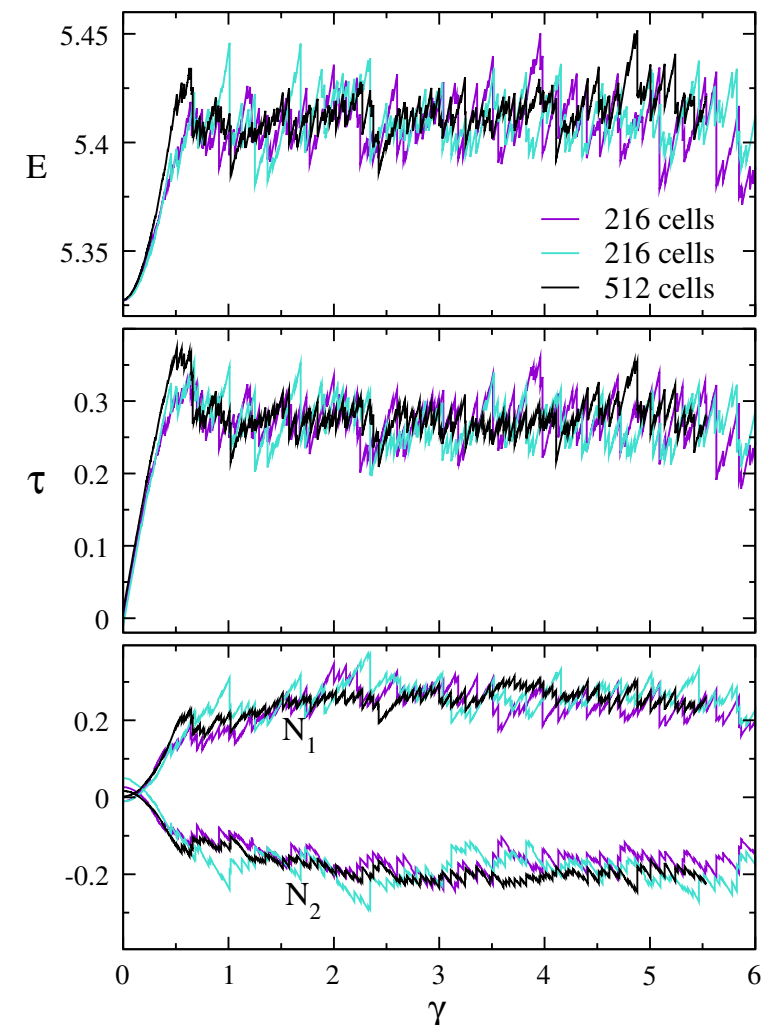
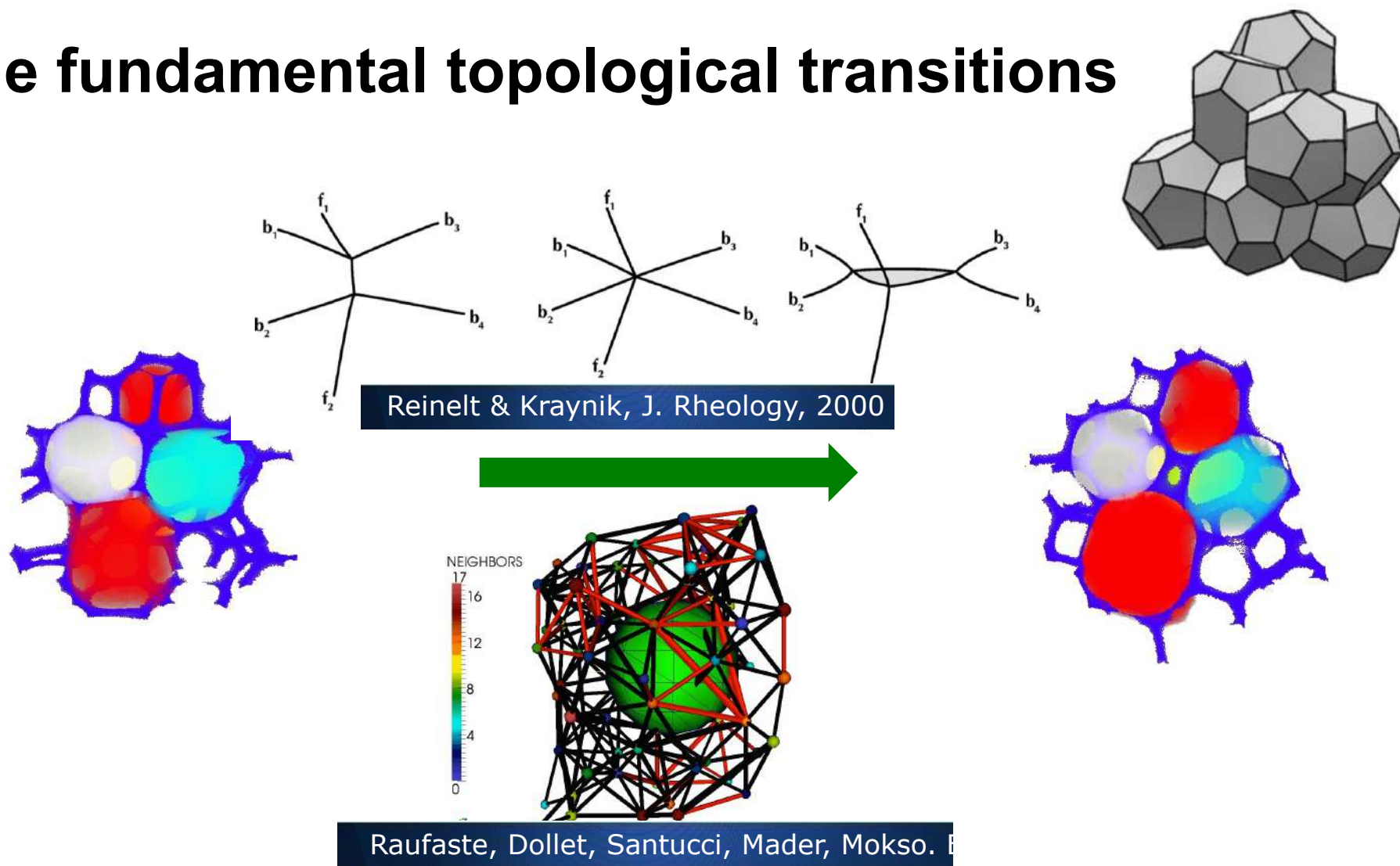
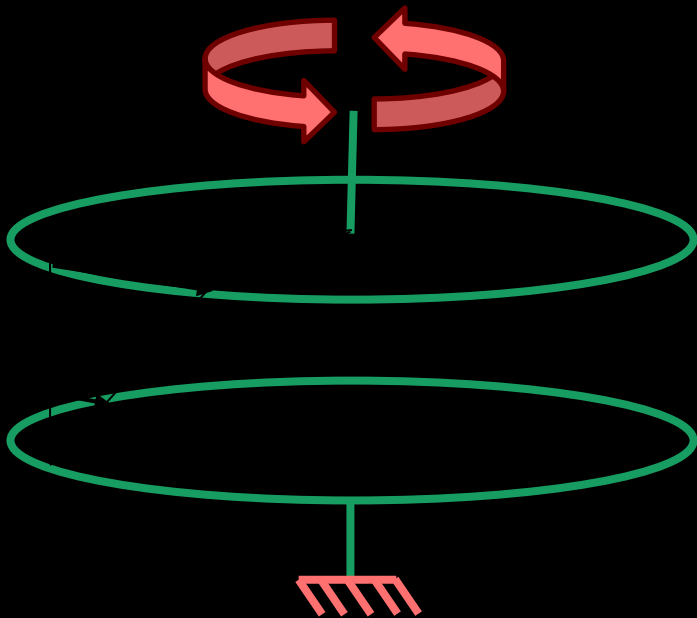


FIG. 3 (color online). The foam energy E (top), shear stress τ (middle), and normal stress differences N_1 and N_2 (bottom), normalized by surface tension and average cell volume $\sigma V^{-(1/3)}$,

The fundamental topological transitions



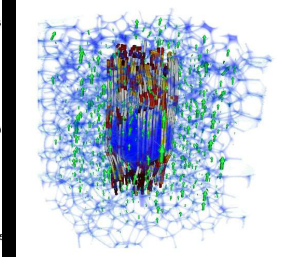
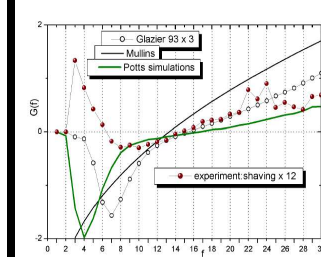
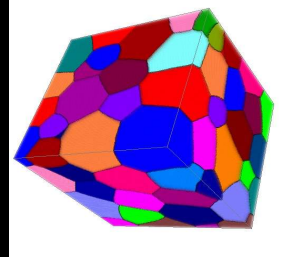
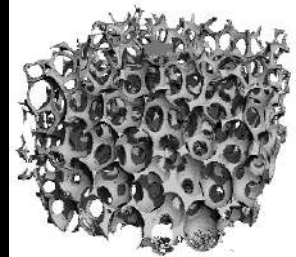
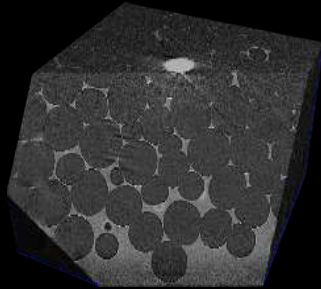
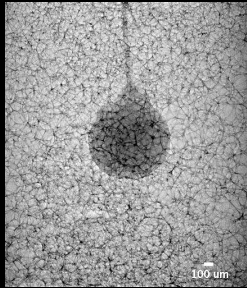
- We have the labeling tool, but the neighborhood relations are not yet reliable



Upcoming Rheometer experiments (Dec 2021 @ TOMCAT)

- Complete control of the deformation
- Simultaneous macroscopic torque measurement with tomography

Tomography workflow



acquisition

reconstruction

Inspection &
binarization

labeling

quantification

visualization

tomopy

Tomographic reconstruction methods

- FBP : the classical method The golden standard
 - requires perfect geometry

- GRIDREC: fourier based

+ fast

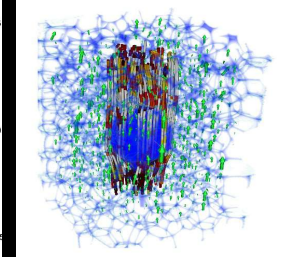
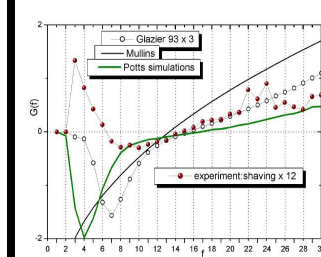
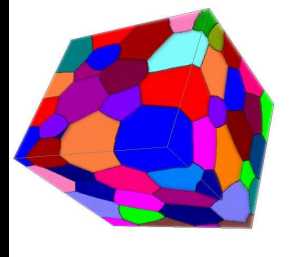
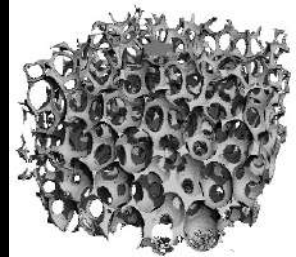
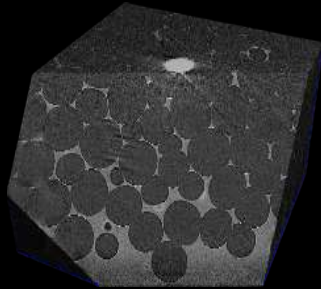
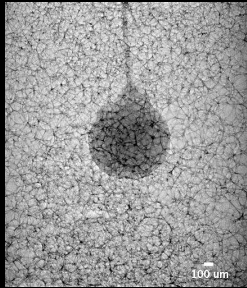
- ART (algebraic reconstruction):
 - slow,
 - + can deal with low number of projections

- SIRT (simultaneous iterative reconstruction):
 - slow
 - + low number of projections

- DART(discrete algebraic rec.):
 - Local tomography
 - + phases are directly binarized

tomopy.readthedocs.io

The workflow



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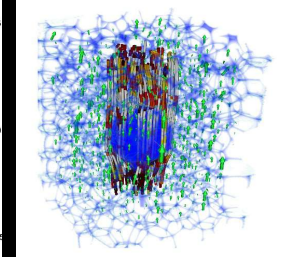
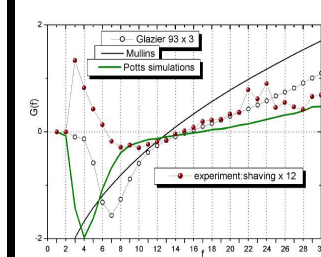
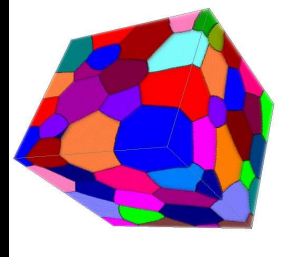
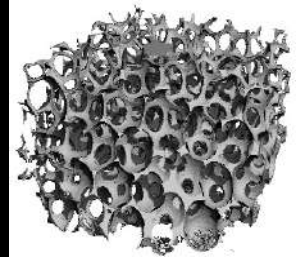
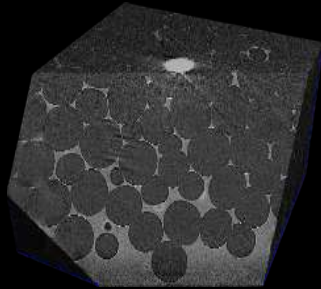
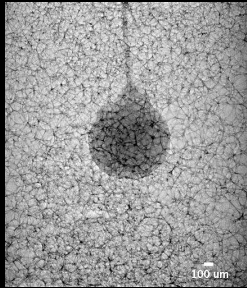
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ImageJ,
scikit

Binarization of gray-scale images

- First step is usually the data inspection. For this I often use ImageJ
- ImageJ and almost all other image viewers / processing tools have algorithms for binarization / segmentation
- For large / multiple datasets I use the scikit-image library in python

Tomographic workflow



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Scikit
sdk

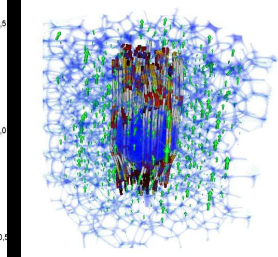
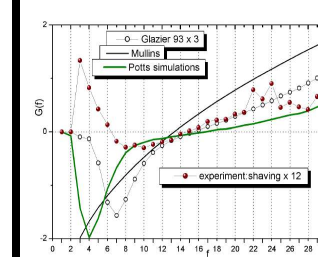
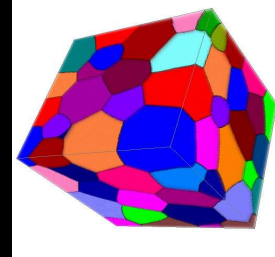
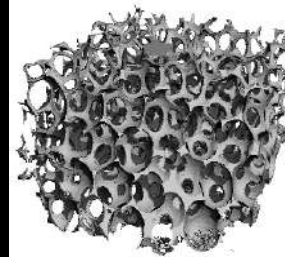
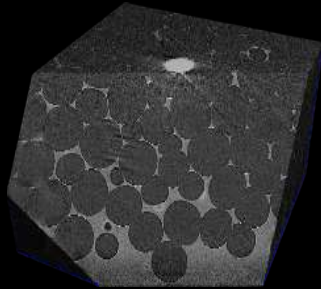
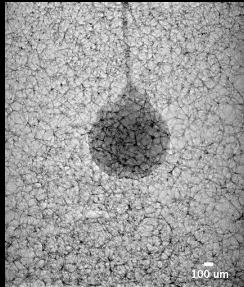
Scikit
matlab

Labelling and quantification

- A number of proprietary software exists: AVIZO, VG STUDIO
- Even more free toolboxes: PARAVIEW, MEVISLAB
- I use the scikit-image library in python. See link below for an example notebook

kaggle.com/rajmund

The full workflow



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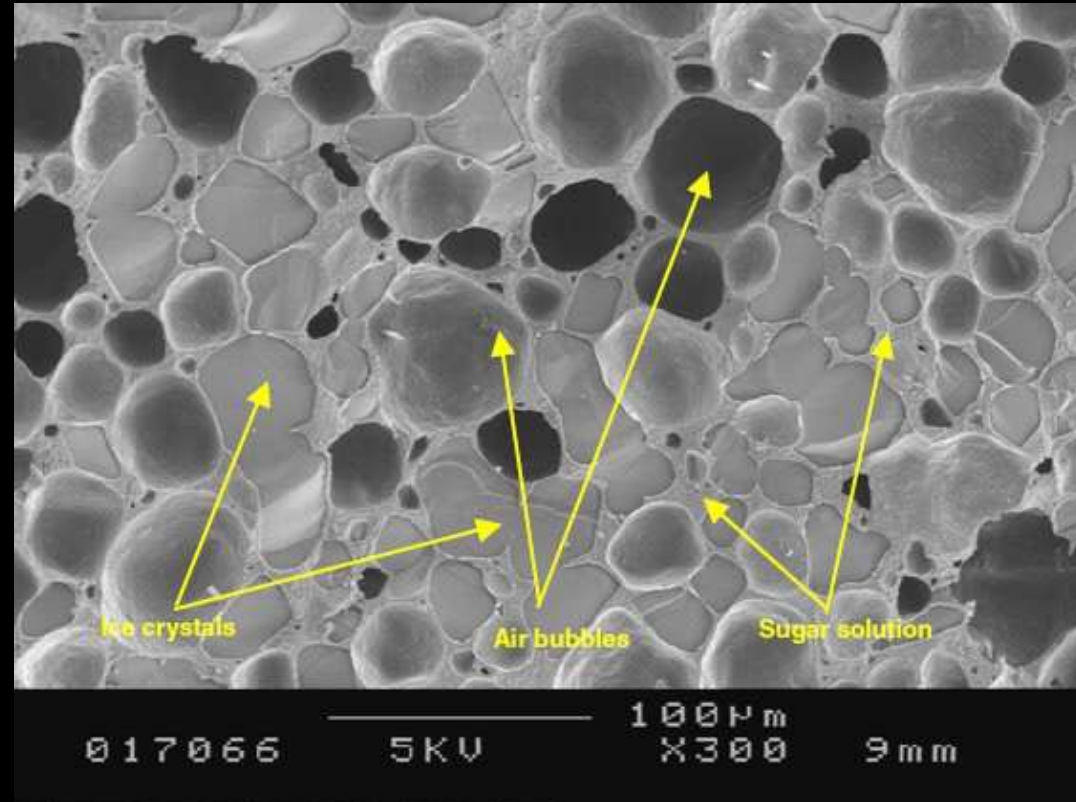
Scikit
matlab

Tomviz
Paraview



Ice cream: the swiss quest for a better taste

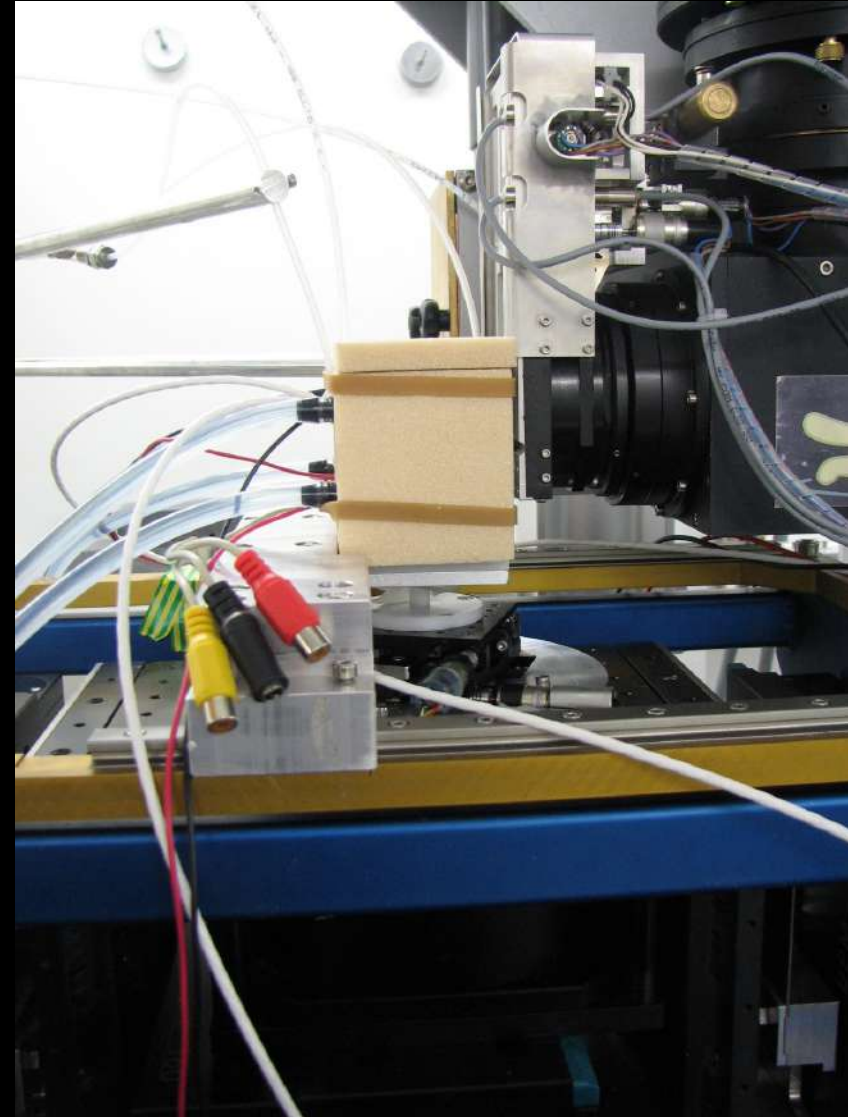
- Study micro structure of frozen food and its response to varying external conditions
- Needs / Boundary conditions
 - non-destructive, high-res, 3D
- Cryo conditions
- No contrast agents!



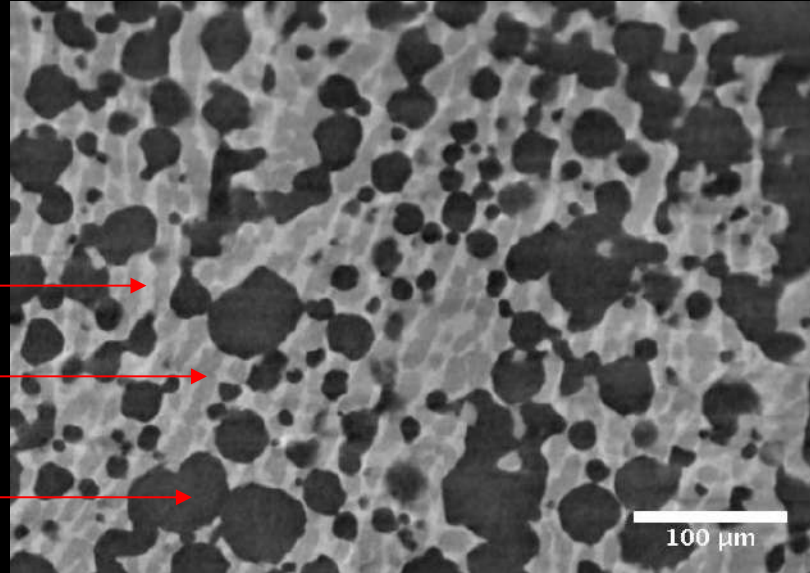
In-situ cryo experiment on ice cream

- Temperature range $+5^{\circ}$ to -45° C
- High stability (± 0.05 K)
- Suitable for frozen samples, e.g. snow, ice-cream, etc...

TOMCAT, Swiss Light Source

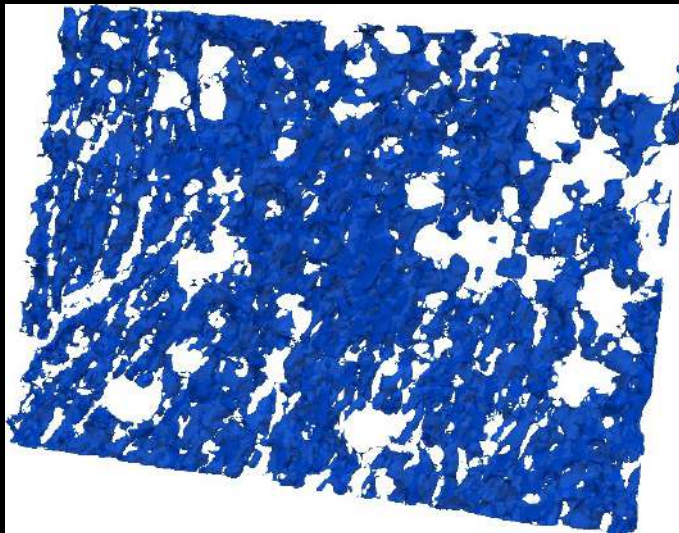


Sugar solution →
Ice crystals →
Air bubbles →

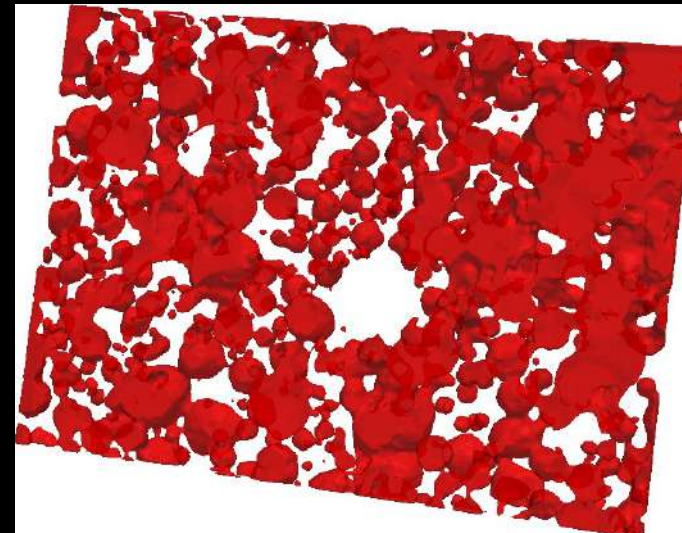


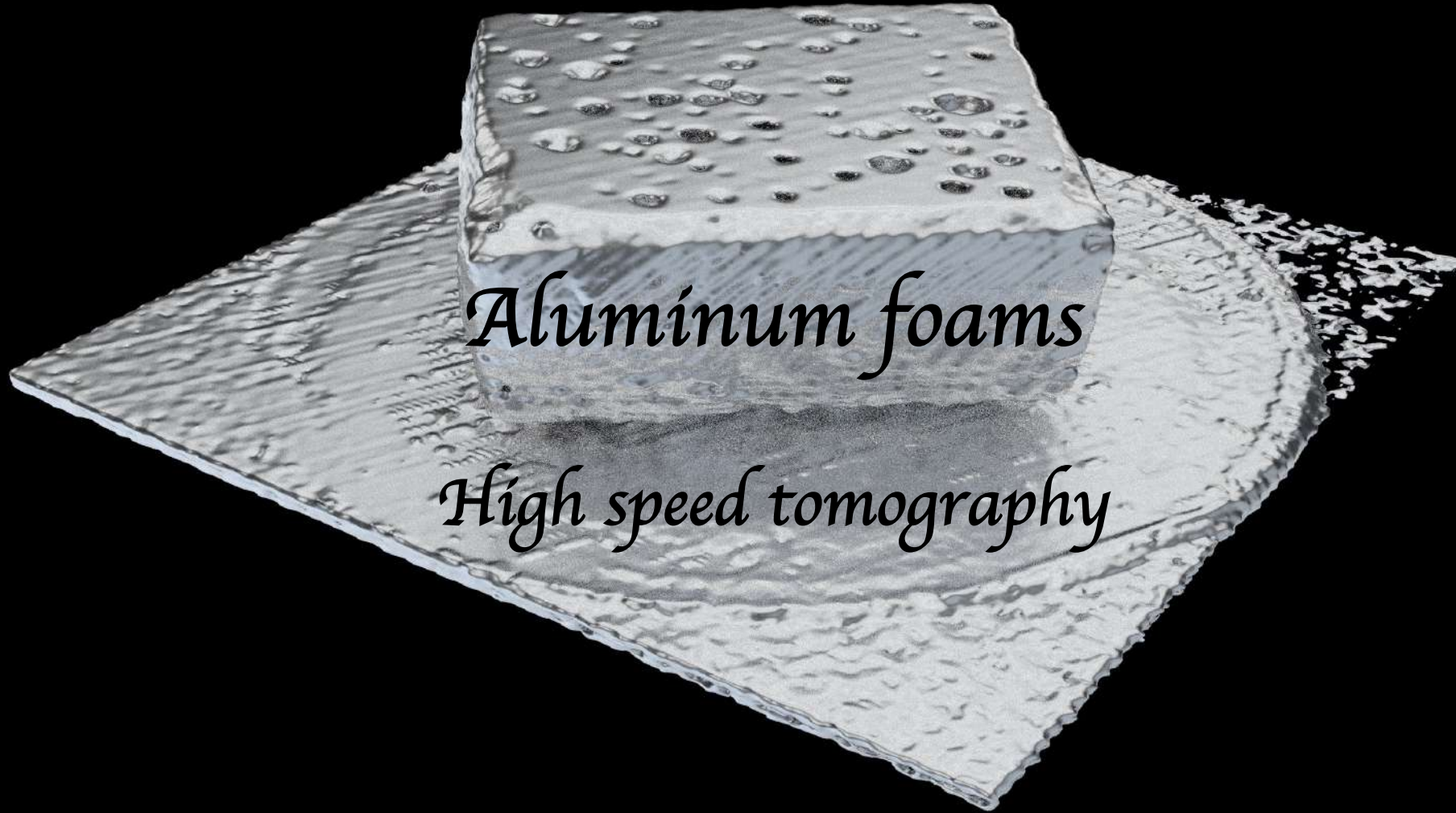
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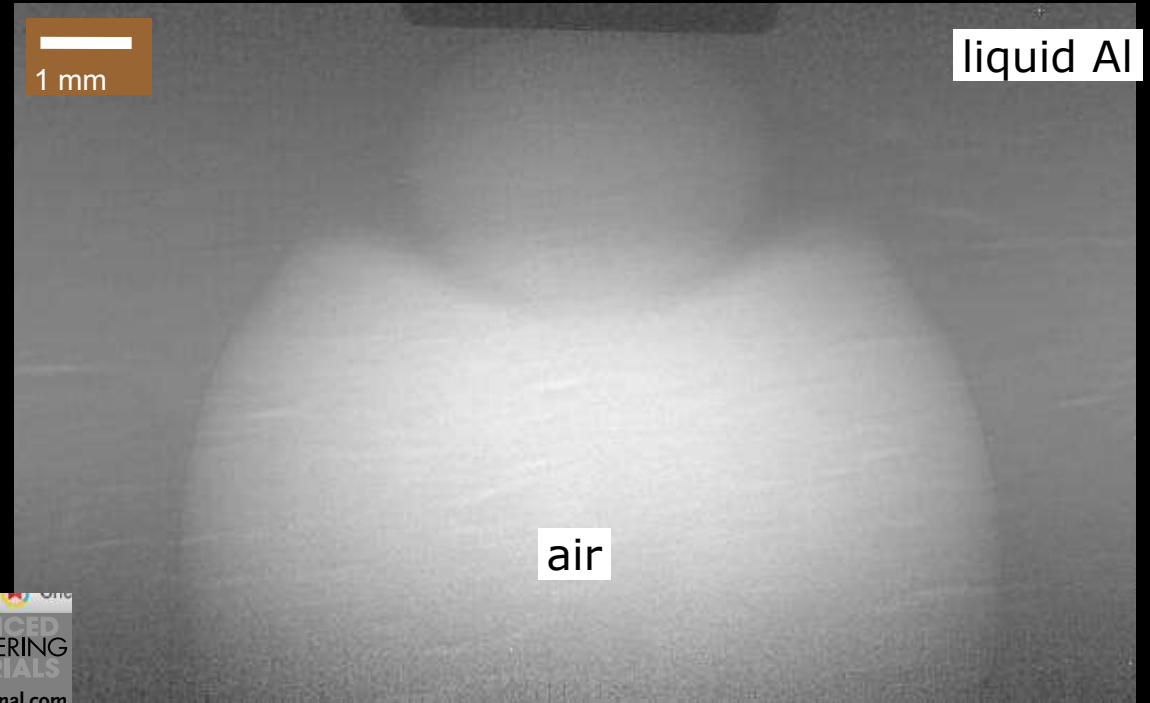
Air cells





Aluminum foams

High speed tomography



RESEARCH ARTICLE

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Acoustic-Pressure-Assisted Engineering of Aluminum Foams

Xavier Mettan, Edoardo Martino, Lidia Rossi, Jaćim Jaćimović, Juraj Krsnik, Osor S. Barišić, Norbert Babcsán, Sándor Beke, Rajmund Mokso, George Kaptay,* and László Forró*

Bubbling gas into liquid aluminum

Radiography at 10-20'000 fps

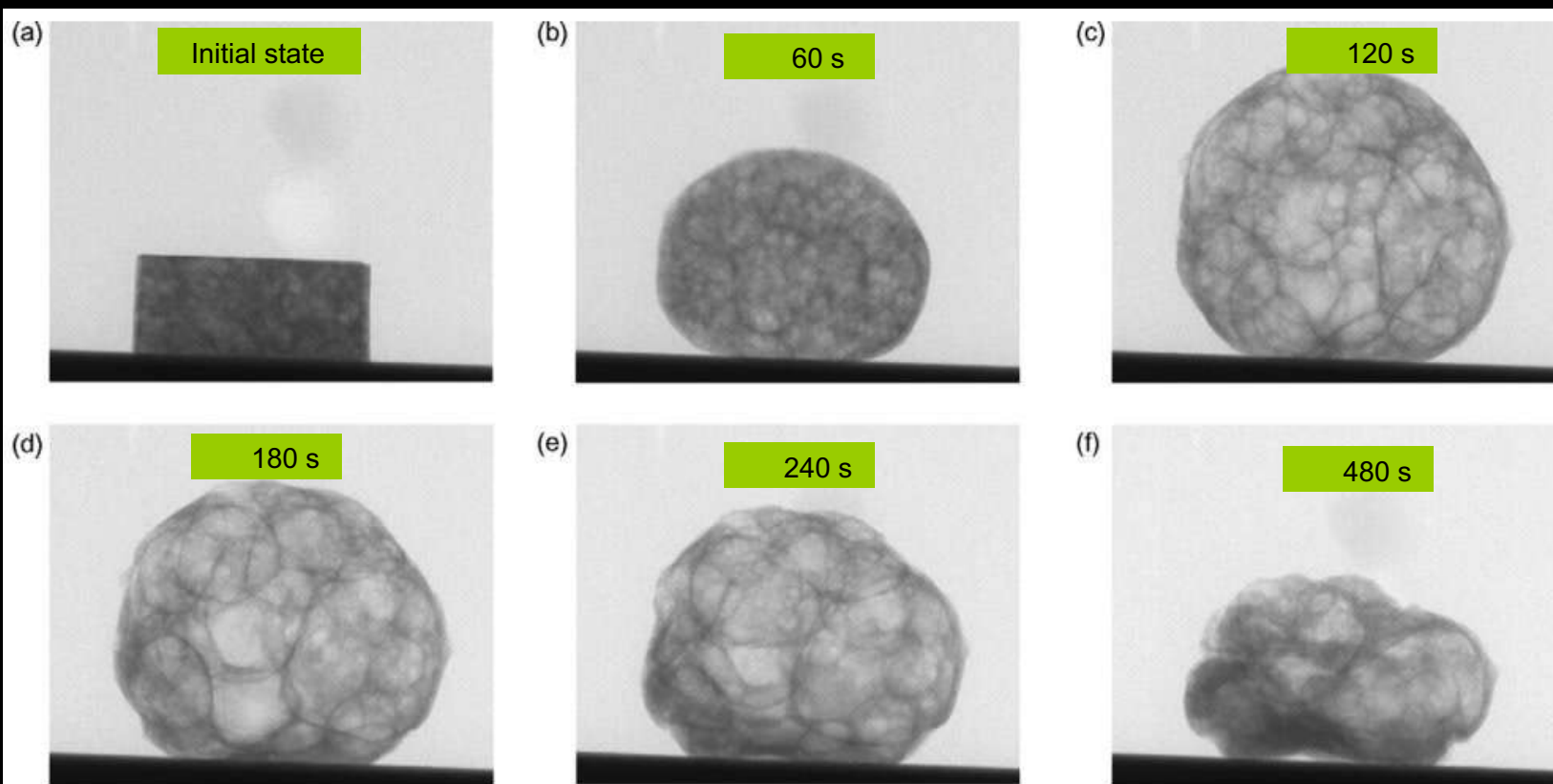
Pixel size = 5 μm

Acquisition time= 3 s

Producing Al foams with small and monodisperse cell sizes



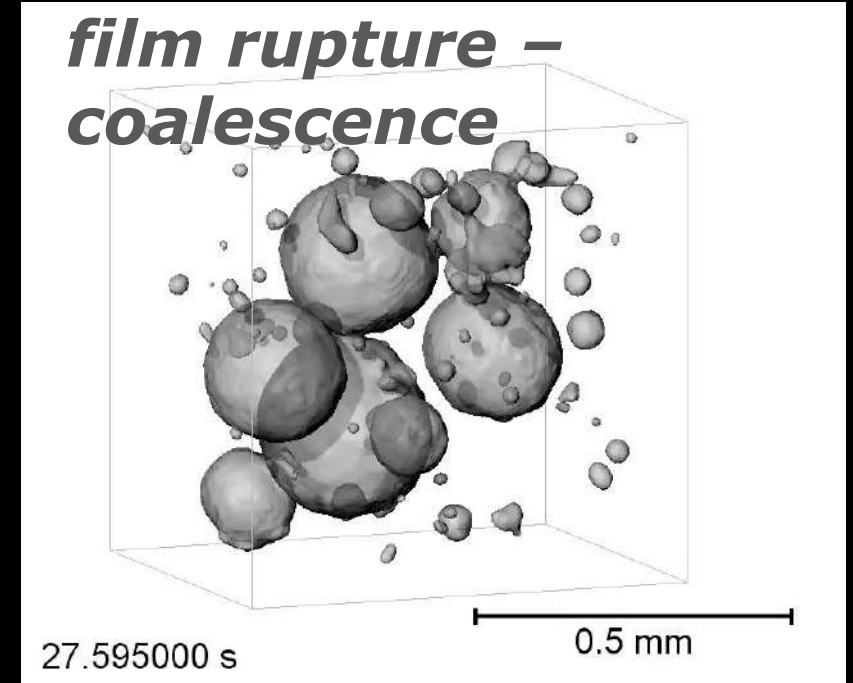
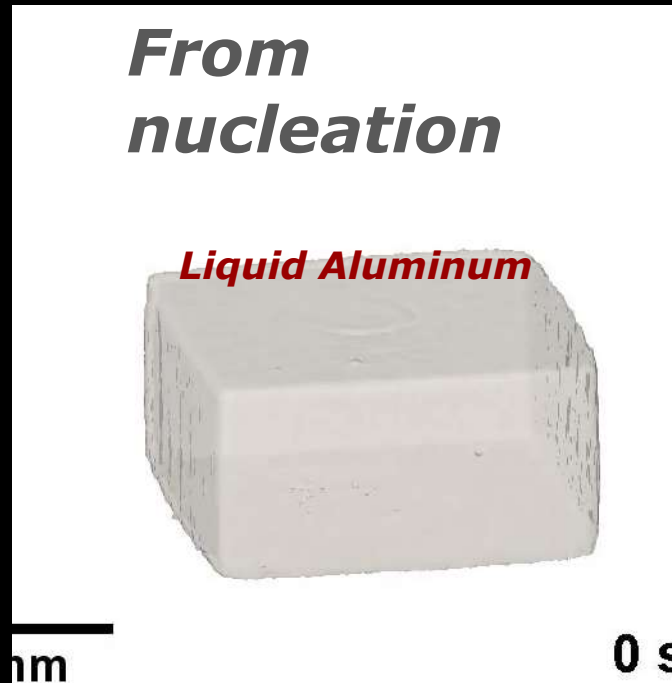
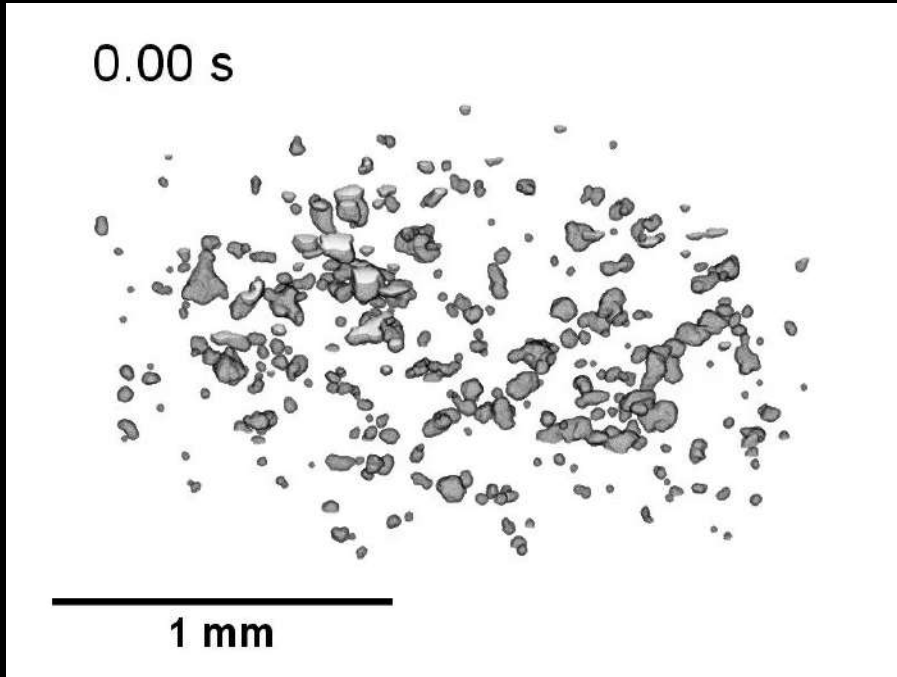
Nanoparticle stabilization for industrial Al foam production



Babcsan, Moreno, Banhart, Colloids & Surfaces A
2007

Precursor made from oxidised melt heated slightly above the melting point.

The rise and collapse of Al foam



TOMCAT, Swiss Light Source (2018)

Acquisition speed: 208 tomo/s



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<https://doi.org/10.1038/s41467-019-11521-1>

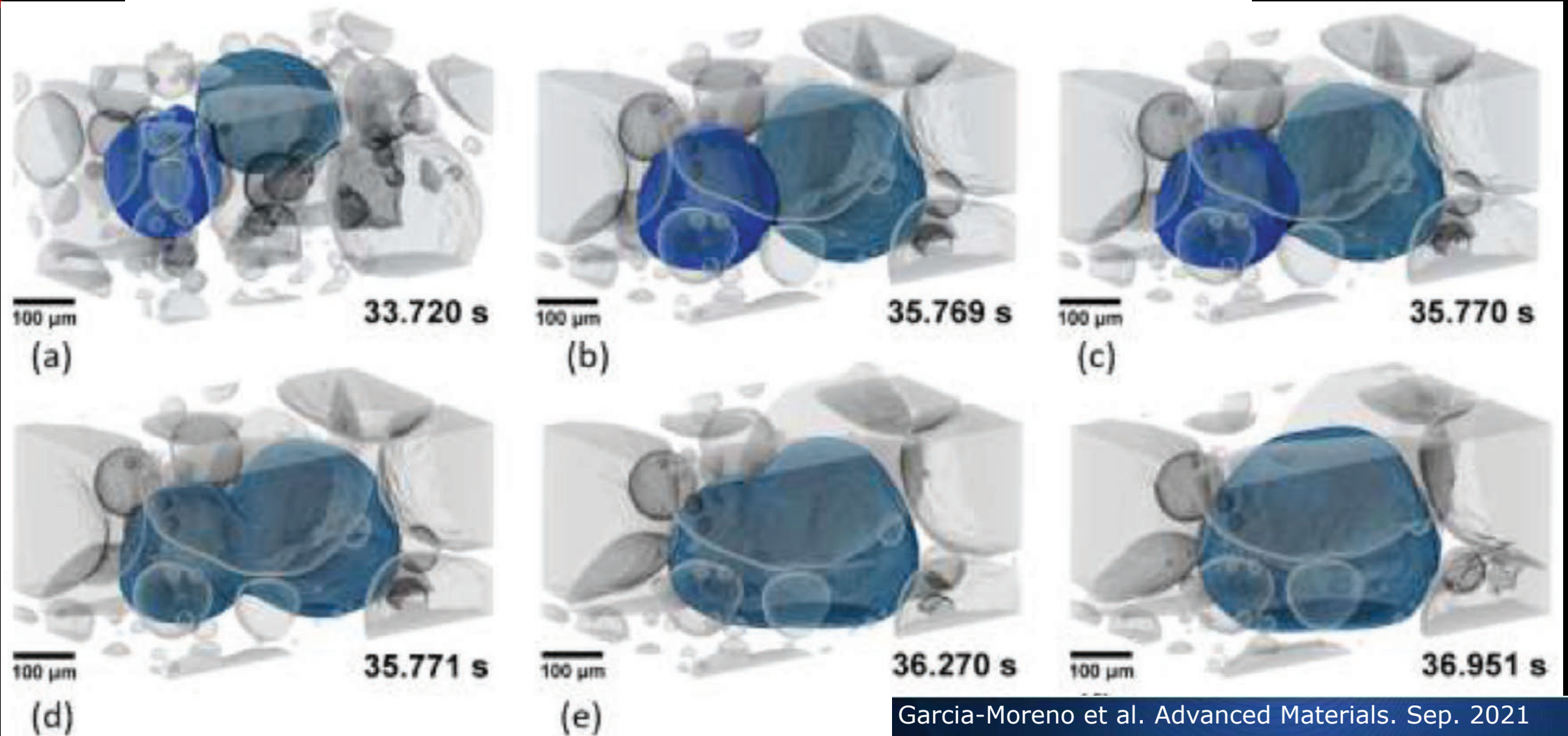
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Using X-ray tomography to explore the dynamics of foaming metal

Francisco García-Moreno^{1,2}, Paul Hans Kamm^{1,2}, Tillmann Robert Neu^{1,2}, Felix Bülk^{1,2}, Rajmund Mokso³, Christian Matthias Schlepütz⁴, Marco Stampanoni^{4,5} & John Banhart^{1,2}

Coalescence of Bubbles in AlSi8Mg4 Alloy



Garcia-Moreno et al. Advanced Materials. Sep. 2021

Coalescence of two cells in an Aluminum foam. Acquisition speed: 1000 tomo/s

Tomographic scan time improvements over time

What is the rate of acquisition speed increase of synchrotron microtomography?

(a)doubles every 5 years

(b)triples every 3 years

(c)ten fold every 3 years



Thank you



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