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Colloidal Routes to Super-Hydrophobic Surfaces

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Classical Wetting and Capillarity

• Young Equation



• Laplace Equation



$$\Delta P = P_2 - P_1 = \gamma \left(\frac{1}{r_1} + \frac{1}{r_2}\right)$$

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Outline

- the purity of the Lotus Leaf
- Properties of Super-Hydrophobic Surfaces
- Colloidal Texturing and Properties
- Predictions for Nano-Textured Surfaces

The Lotus Effect

W. Barthlott und C. Neinhuis "Purity of the sacred lotus or escape from contamination in biological surfaces", PLANTA 202: 1-8.(1997) (University of Bonn, Department of Botany and Botanic Garden)







Model to Explain Super-Hydrophobic Effect

K. Tadanaga, N. Katata, and T. Minami, Super-Water-Repellent Al₂O₃ Coating Films with High Transparency, J. Am. Ceram. Soc. 80 1040-1042 (1997).



Textured, thin film produced by spin coating Al₂O₃ precursor treated with monolayer of fluoroalkyltrichlorosilane molecules



$$\cos\theta^* = -1 + \phi(1 + \cos\theta)$$

 ϕ = area fraction of wetted 'hills'

Relation between Wetting Angle and Wetted Area Fraction

J. Bico, C. Marzolin and D. Quéré, "Pearl Drops", Europhys. Lett., 47 (2), pp. 220 (1999)



Silica Patterned Surfaces, treated with monolayer of fluoroalkyltrichlorosilane molecules





Pattern ϕ_s	Øa	θ_r	0*
Plane 1	118	100	
Holes 0.64	138	75	131
Stripes 0.25	165 (上)	132	151
0.25	143 (//)	125	151
Spikes 0.05	170	155	167

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Bouncing Water Drops

D. Richard and D. Quéré, Europhys.Lett.50 (6) 769 -775 (2000)

Normal Surfaces







falling drop

impact

recovery

• Super-Hydrophobic Surfaces (some cases)



Water drop falling on a super-hydrophobic surface ($\theta = 170^{\circ}$) of very small contact angle hysteresis ($\theta_a - \theta_r < 5^{\circ}$).

Rolling Drops

D. Richard and D. Quéré, Europhys. Lett., 48 (3), pp. 286-291 (1999)

Normal Surfaces



• Super-Hydrophobic Surfaces (some cases)



Super-Hydrophobic Surfaces via Texturing with Silica Particles

- Colloidal Chemistry for Texturing
- Wetting Angle vs Wetted Surface Area
- Conditions for Spontaneous Wetting
- Conditions for Adherence

Colloidal Chemistry for Texturing

M.L. Fisher, M. Colic, M.P. Rao, and F.F. Lange "Effect of Silica Nanoparticle Size on the Stability of Alumina/Silica Suspensions," J. Am. Ceram. Soc. 84 (4): 713-718 APR 2001





Textured Surface via Colloidal Interaction

Rob J. Klein*, P. Maarten Biesheuvel, Ben C. Yu, Carl D. Meinhart, and Fred F. Lange, "Producing Super-Hydrophobic Surfaces with Nano-Silica Spheres" to be published



Silica particles (≈ 45 nm in diameter) adsorbed onto the surface of polycrystalline alumina substrates.



Conditions for Spontaneous Wetting



$$P_c = \frac{2\phi\gamma\cos\theta}{r(1-\phi)} \approx \frac{2\phi\gamma\cos\theta}{r}$$
, when $\phi < 0.1$

Conditions for Adherence

FF Lange and Ben Yu, unpublished



$$P_d = \frac{2(\phi)^{1/2}}{\pi} \frac{\gamma \cos\theta}{r}$$

Rheology of Ceramic powders with Chemically Modified Surfaces

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Outline

- Interparticle Potentials in Ceramic Processing
- Interparticle Pair Potentials and Rheology
- Specifically Adsorbing Species, Small → Large
 - Counterions
 - Charged Clusters and Marcomolecules
 - Particles
- Growth of Particles and Coating via Adsorption

Three General Particle Networks

($0.01 < \phi < \phi_{\rm m}$)



Two Ways of Producing Short-Range Repulsive Potentials

(Different Types of Barrier Layers)

• Chem-Adsorb Molecules



• Electrostatic Double Layer



Colloidal Processing of Powder for Reliable Ceramics

Current Opinion in Solid State & Material Science, 3 [5] 496-500, 1998



Repulsion via Counterion Clouds (Diffusion Double Layer, DLVO)



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Modified DLVO



Adding Salt (Counterions) decreases cloud thickness to a finite value

(Modified DLVO)



Network Strength



Measuring Particle Network Properties

- Slurry
 - Viscosity vs Shear Rate
 - Elastic Modulus
 - Yield Stress



- Consolidated Body
 - Plastic or Brittle Nature
 - Flow Stress



Viscosity vs Shear Rate

Al₂O₃ (AKP 50), 20 v/o



Specifically Adsorbing Species, Small → Large

Adsorption ordered or random ???

Ions

- Ba+² Cations on (100) SrTiO₃ L. Zhao, A.T. Chien, F.F. Lange, and J.S. Speck, J. Mat. Res., 111 325-28, 1996
- Citrate Anions on Al₂O₃ Particles
 Erik P. Luther, George V. Franks, Joseph A. Yanez, F. F. Lange and D. S. Pearson, J. Am. Ceram. Soc. 78 [6] 1495-1500 (1995).

Clusters/Macromolecules

- Adsorbtion of SiW₁₂O₄₀⁻⁴ Anions on Ag(111) Zhong, Klemperer and Gewirth, J.Am. Chem Soc. 118, 5812 (1998)
- Adsorbtion of Di-Block Copolymers on Al₂O₃ Particles Lisa Palmquist, Fred Lange, W. Sigmund and J. Sindel

Particles

- Adsorbtion of Silica Spheres on Alumina Particle M. L. Fisher, M. Colic, M. Rau, and F. F. Lange (to be published)
- Coating Silicon Nitride Particles with 'Alumina' E. P. Luther, F. F. Lange and Dale S. Pearson, J. Am. Cer. Soc. 78 2009-14 (1995).

Ba⁺² can be a Specifically Adsorbing Counterion

Electrophoretic Mobility vs. pH for SrTiO3 powder



Ba+2 can be a Specifically Adsorbing Counterion

L. Zhao, A.T. Chien, F.F. Lange, and J.S. Speck, J. Mat. Research, 111 325-28, 1996.

• With Ba+2 Additions

(Ba⁺² is a potential determining Counterion)



Specifically Adsorbing Citrate Ion



• Viscosity vs Shear rate



Adsorbtion of SiW₁₂O₄₀⁻⁴ Anions on Ag(111)

Zhong, Klemperer and Gewirth, J.Am. Chem Soc. 118, 5812 (1998)

• The Anion (10.2 Å diameter)



• AFM of Ordered Arrangment



Di-Block Copolymer/ Al₂O₃ poly(methacrylic acid)-b-(ethylene oxide)



• Zeta Potential of Coated and Uncoated Powders



Viscosity vs Shear Rate at pH 5



Adsorbtion of Silica Spheres on Alumina Particle





• 25 nm Silica Particles on 250 nm Al₂O₃ particle

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• 25 nm Silica Particles on 250 nm Al₂O₃ particle



Adsorbtion of Silica Spheres on Alumina Fiber

• 300 nm Silica Spheres on Al₂O₃ Fiber



• 85 nm Silica Spheres on Al₂O₃ Fiber





Small Particles Attracted to Large Particles DLVO derivation

Edelson and Glaeser, J. Am. Ceram. Soc. 71 (1988)

 TiO_2 particles formed in Solution



Coating Si₃N₄ Particles with Al₂O₃ Al(NO₃)₃ + (H₂N)₂CO (urea) + Water

 $(H_2N)_2CO + H_2O + 2H_3O^+ \xrightarrow{\Delta} CO_2 \uparrow + 2H_2O + 2NH_4^+$





Coating Si₃N₄ **Particles with Al**₂O₃ 20 vol/o Si3N4 Coated Powder

