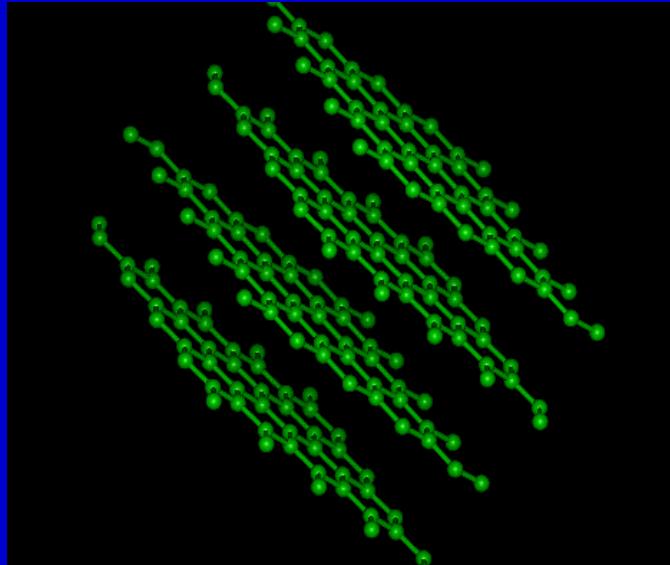


Solid Lubricants and Nanotribology

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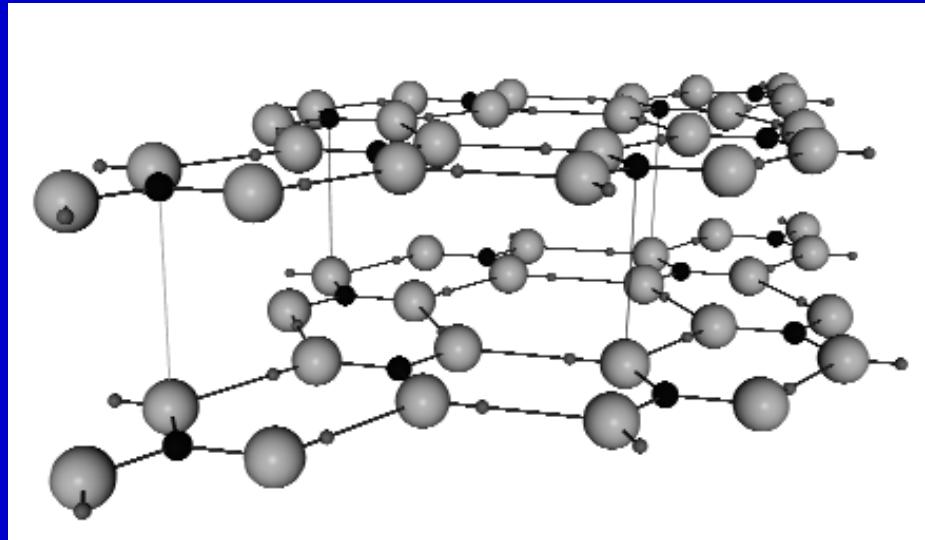
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Solid Lubricants



C-C sp^2 → interatomic distancee: 1.42 Å

Distance between planes: 3.35 Å

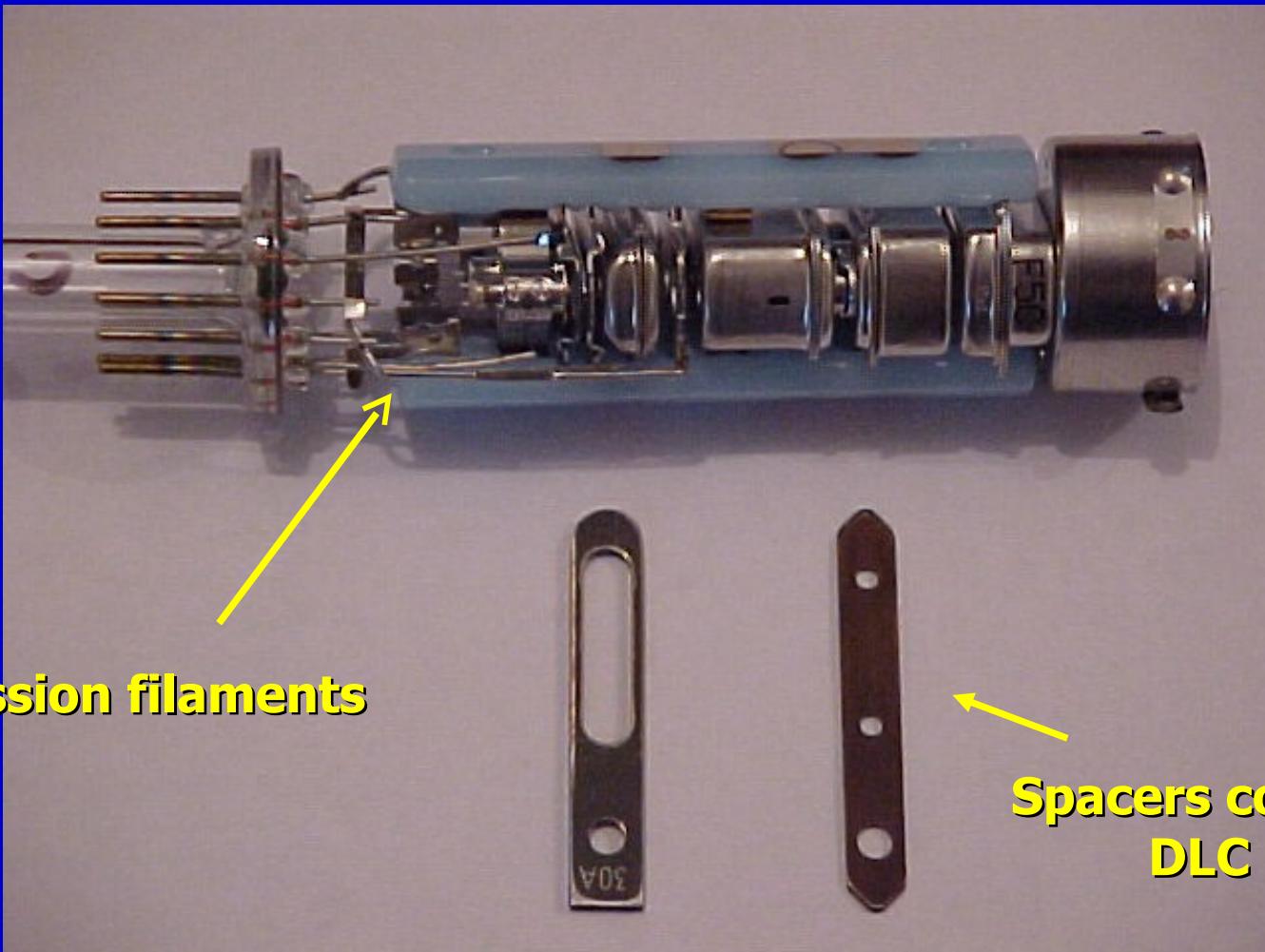


Boric acid: H_3BO_3

Distance between planes : 3.18 Å

Surf. Eng. 15, 291 (1999)

Cathode rays tubes



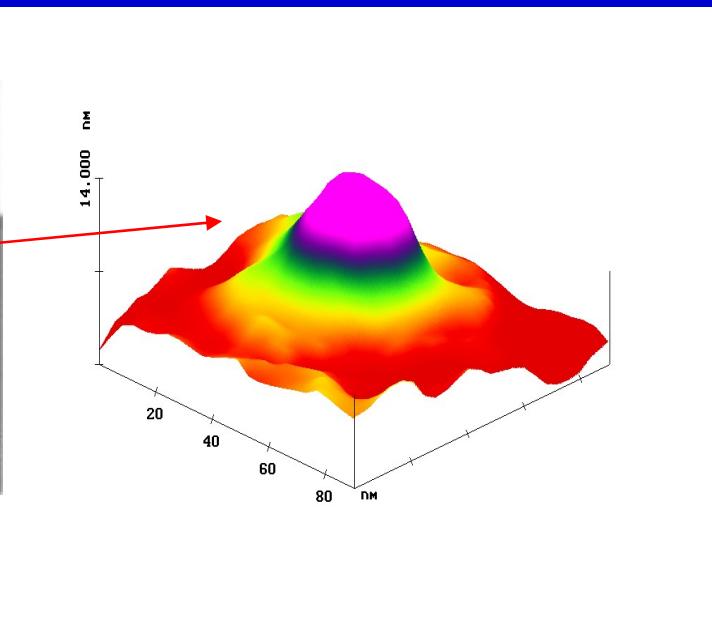
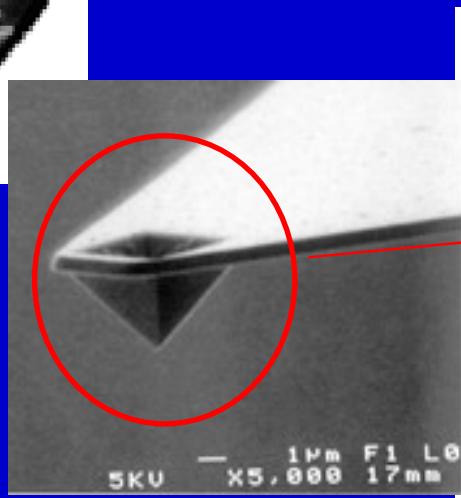
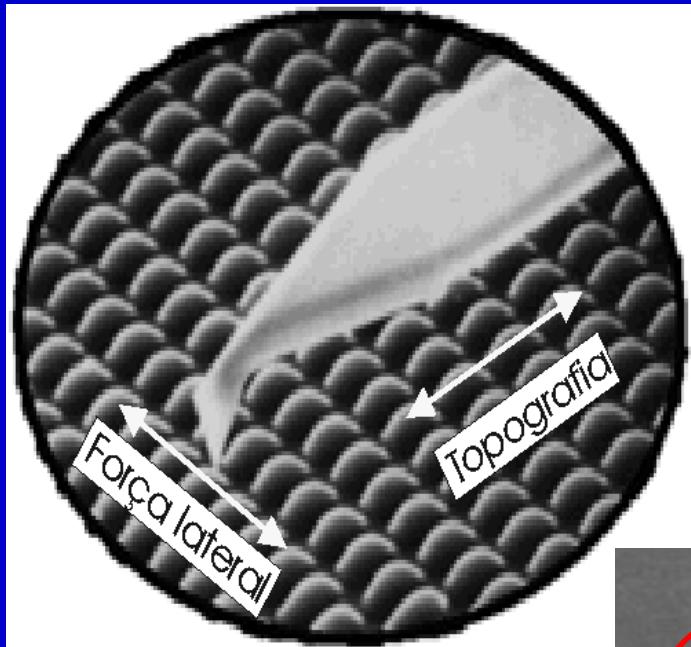
Macroscopic friction

AMONTON Laws (1698):

- Friction is independent on the contact area.
- Friction is independent on the velocity.
- Friction is proportional to the normal force

$$\mu = F_F / F_N$$

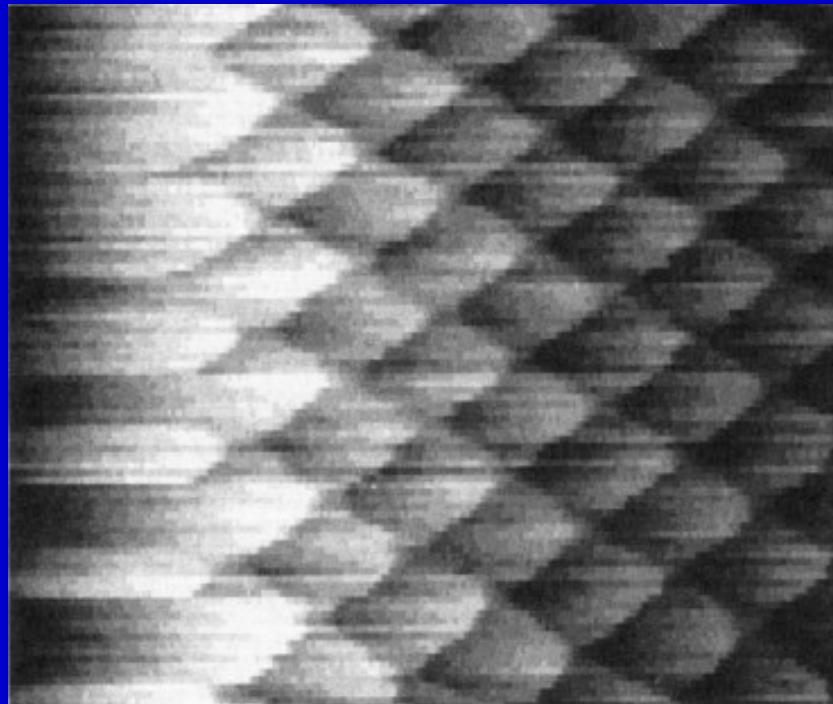
AFM: Nanotribology



Stick and slip

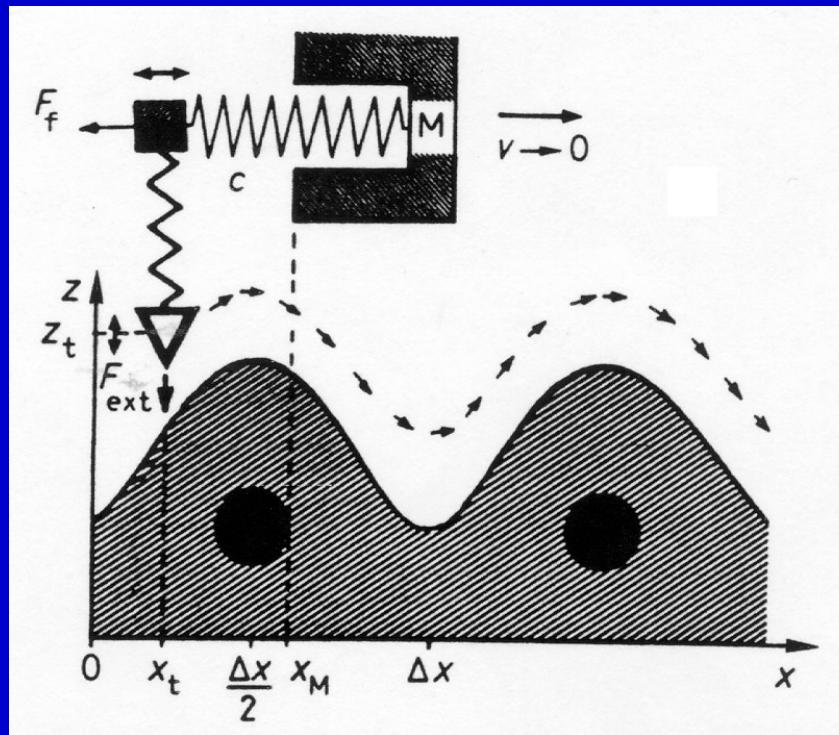
2 x 2 nm²

Dark-light: 1.6 μN



C.M. Mate *et al*, PRL 59 (1987) 1942

Tip movement

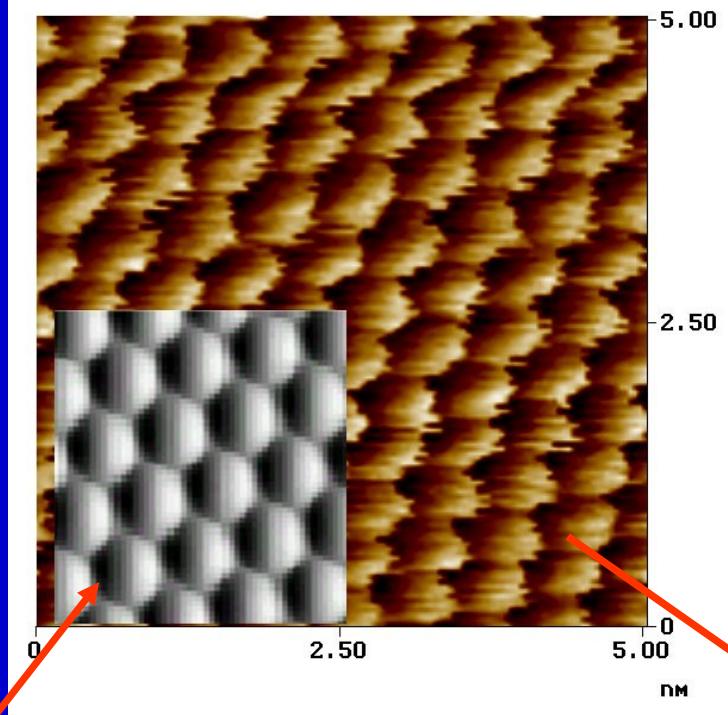


$$m \frac{\partial^2 x}{\partial t^2} = k_x (X - x) - \frac{\partial U_{BA}(x, y)}{\partial x} - \gamma \frac{\partial x}{\partial t},$$

$$m \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = k_y (Y - y) - \frac{\partial U_{BA}(x, y)}{\partial y} - \gamma \frac{\partial y}{\partial t},$$

$$U_{BA}(x, y) = U_0 \left[\cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a_x}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi y}{a_y}\right) \right].$$

H_3BO_3

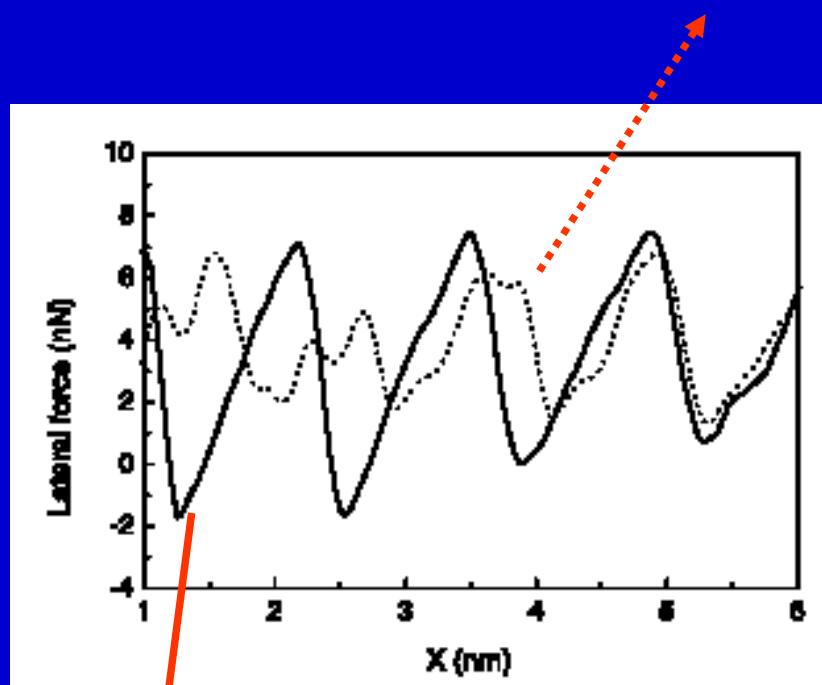


simulation

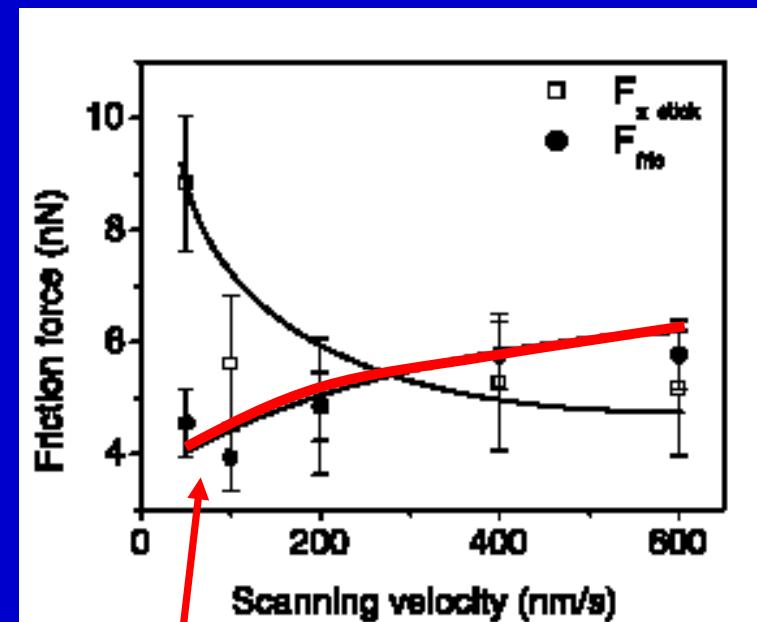
friction force map

A.R. Rivas, R. Prioli, R.M. Zamora, Ultramicroscopy 97 (2003) 315
Stick and slip amorphous surfaces

500 nm/s



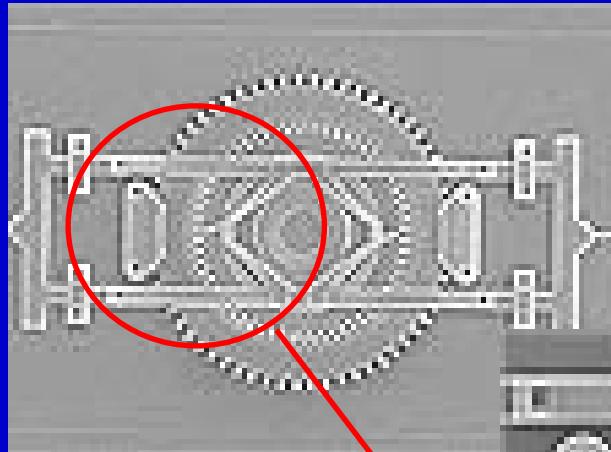
50 nm/s



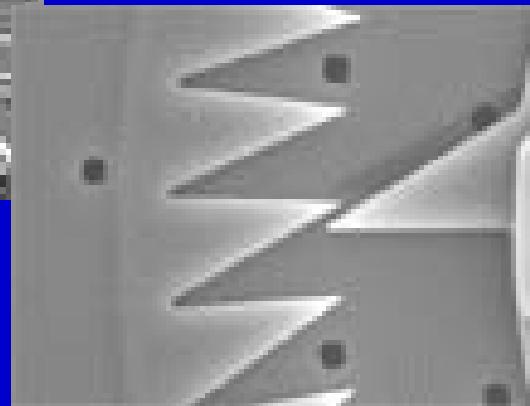
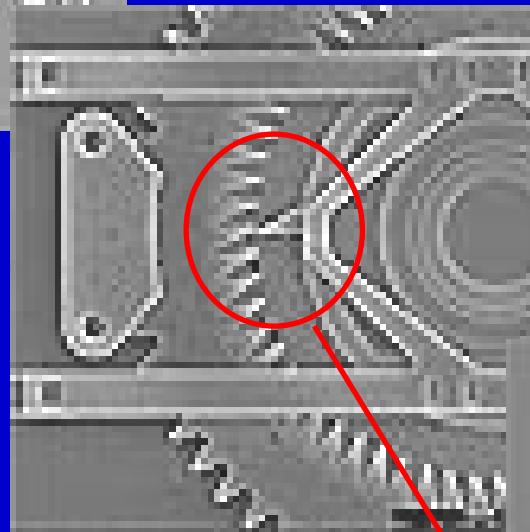
$$F_F = (F_x^{\max} + F_x^{\min})/2$$

R. Prioli, A.R. Rivas, F.L. Freire Jr., Appl. Phys. A 76 (2003) 565
Dependence with velocity and normal force

Nanotribology applications

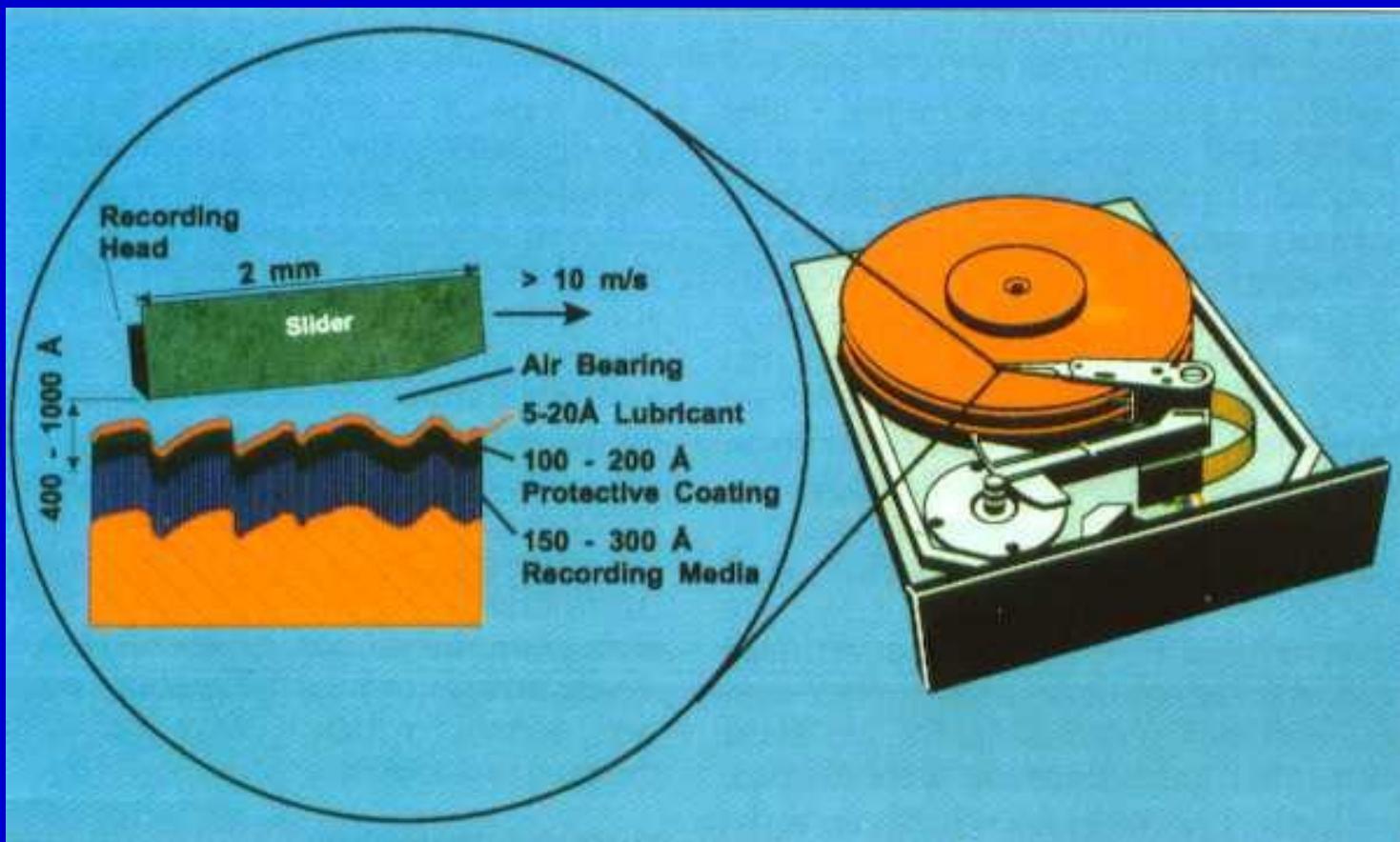


**Energy dissipation processes
Adhesion forces**

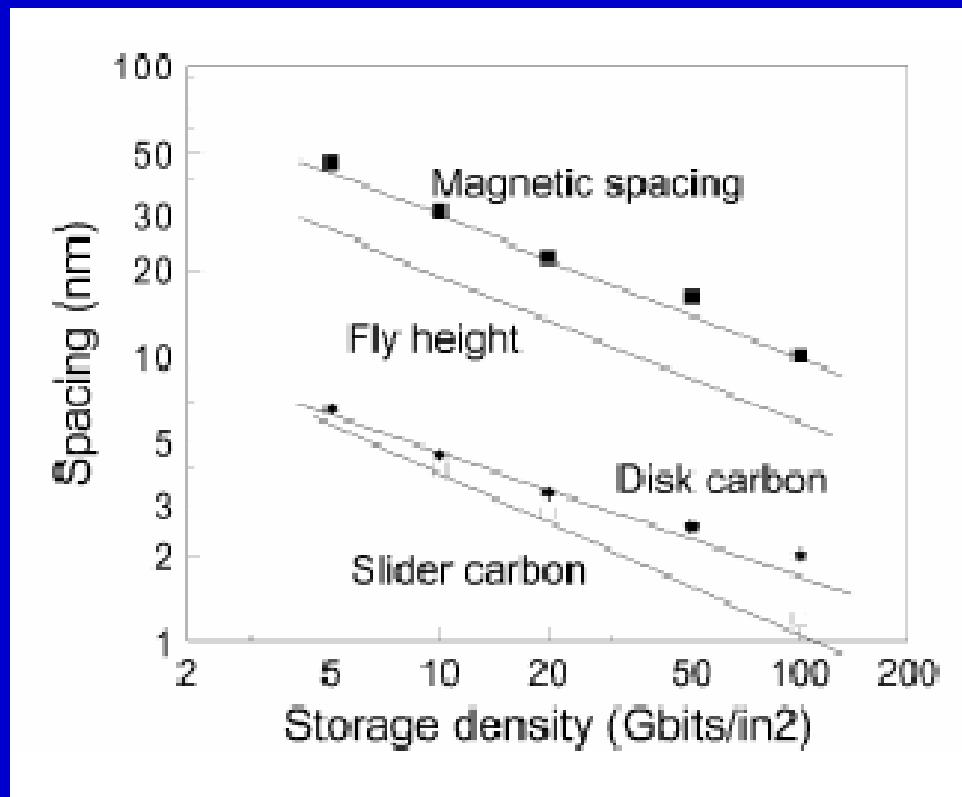


MEMS and NEMS

Hard magnetic disks

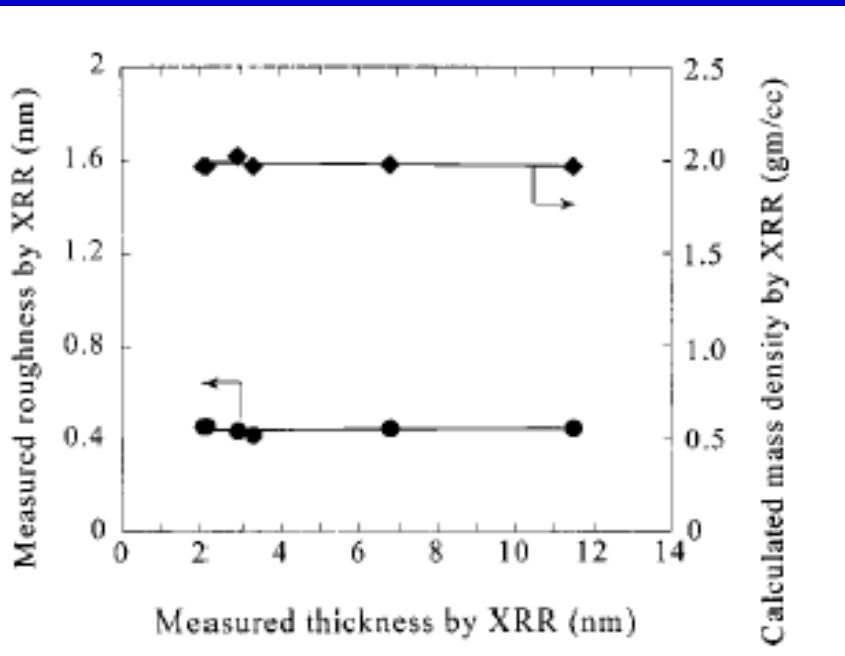


Hard magnetic disks: road map



<http://www.almaden.ibm.com/st/projects/lubricants/>

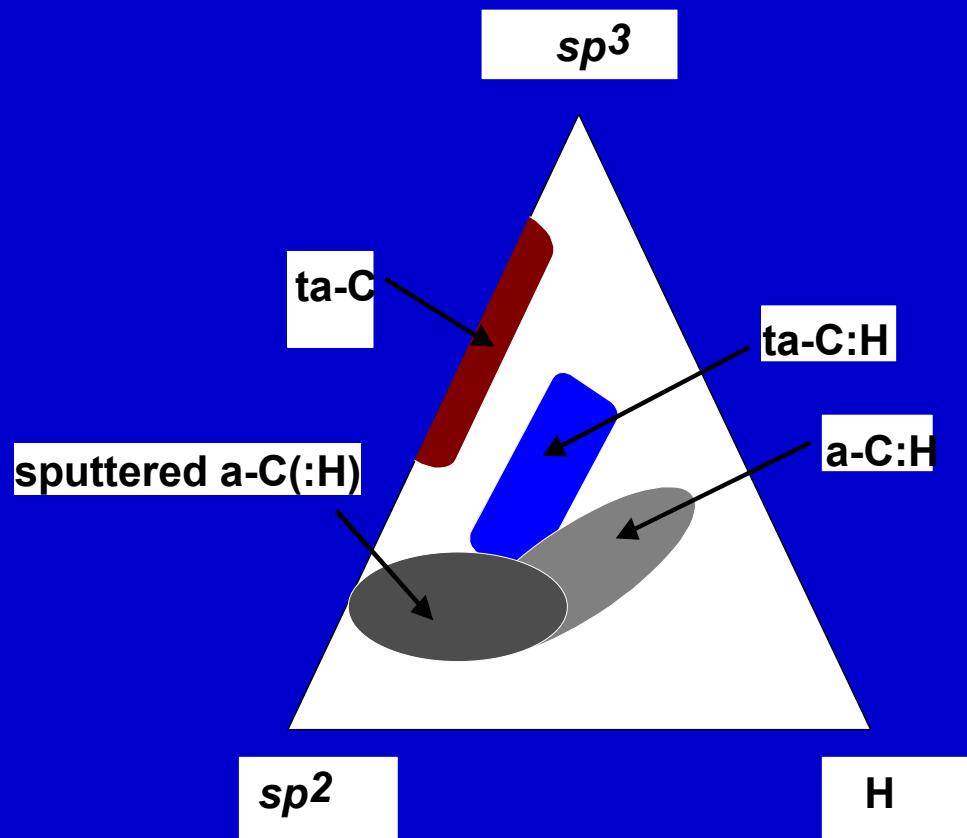
Metrology of 1–10 nm thick CN_x films: Thickness, density, and surface roughness measurements



a- CN_x films deposited by
pulsed dc magnetron
sputtering

Dejun Li, Yanfeng Chen, Yip-Wah Chung, F. L. Freire Jr.
J. Vac. Sci. Technol. A 21 (2003) L19

Carbon-based films:



Influence of humidity and velocity

- AFM calibration.
- hidrofilic and hidrofobic surfaces.
- results.

R. Prioli, M.E. H. Maia da Costa, F.L. Freire Jr., Tribology Letters 15 (2003) 177

R.M.R. Zamora, C. S. Tasayco, R. Prioli, F.L. Freire Jr., Phys. Stat. Sol. A 201 (2004) 550; Surface Science (submitted)

Influence of surface wettability

- **Hydrophobic films**

**Amorphous carbon films Contact
angles ($^{\circ}$)**

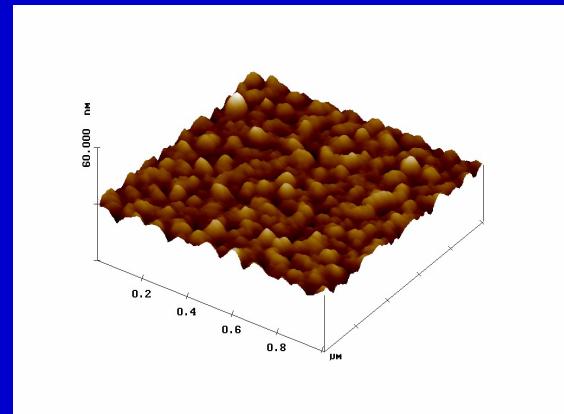
a-C:F

70 - 95

a-C:H:N



60 - 78

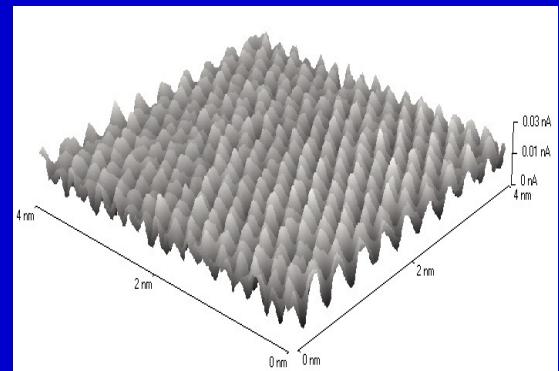


- **Hydrophilic surfaces**

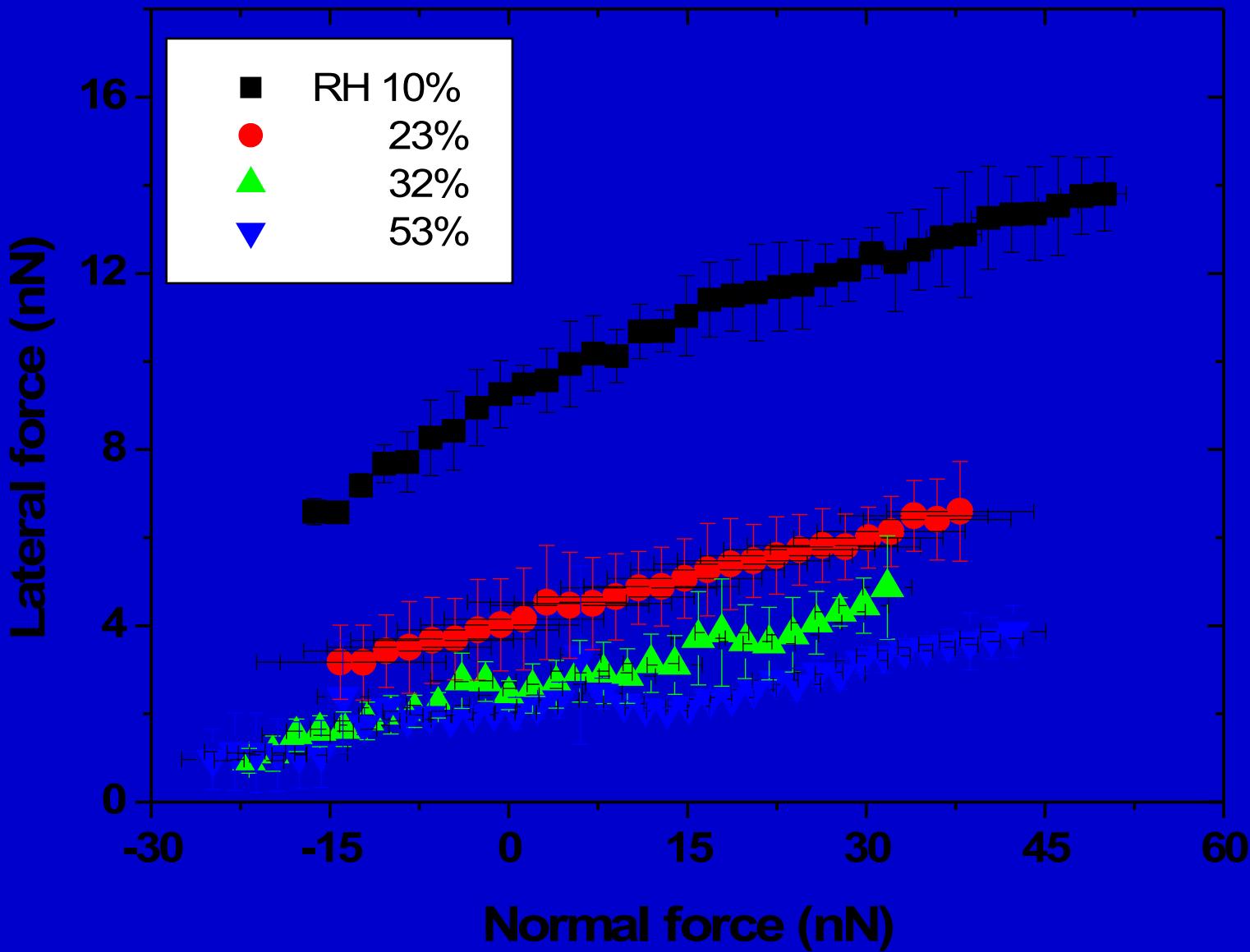
mica



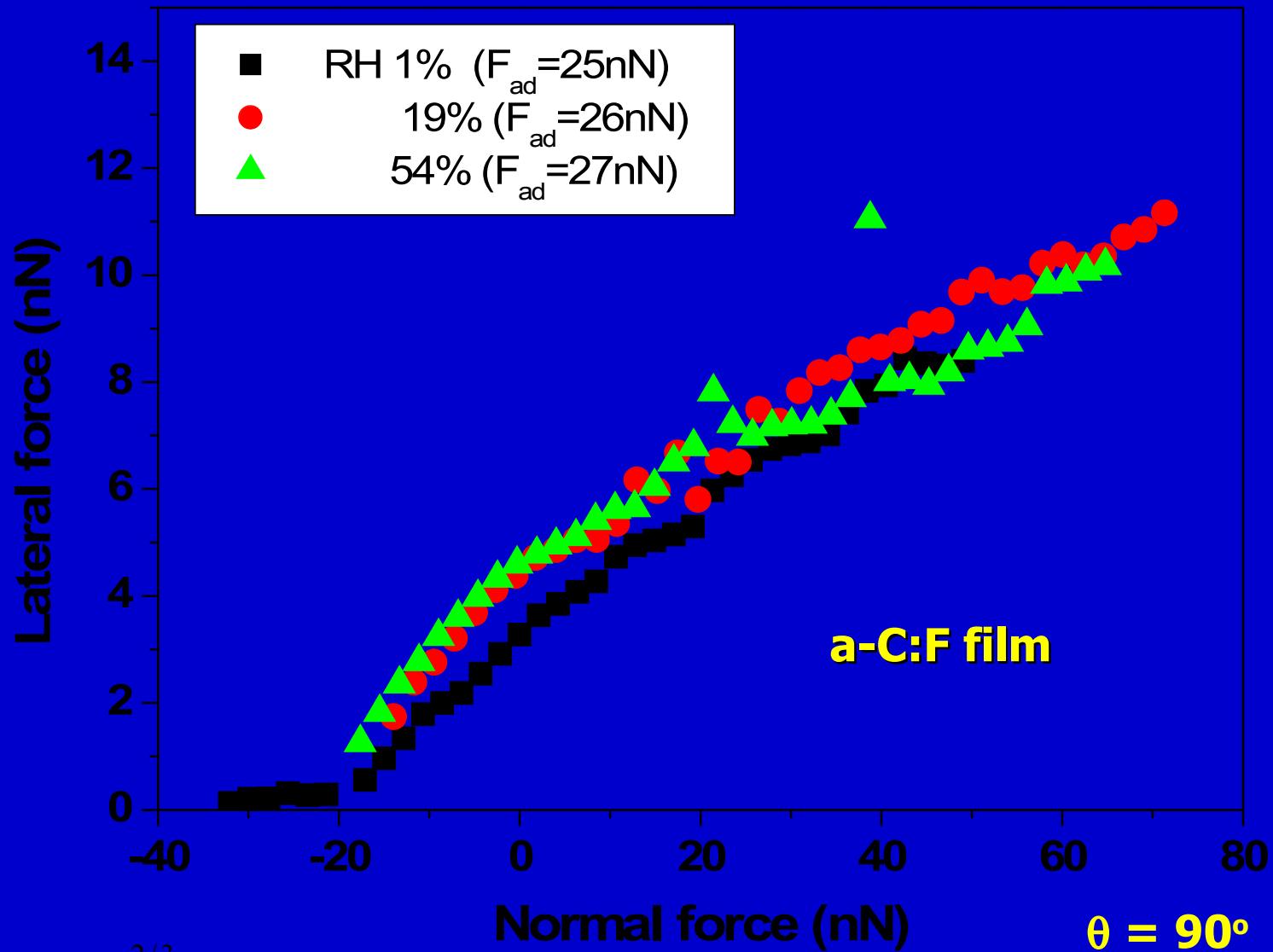
5 - 10



Hydrophilic mica

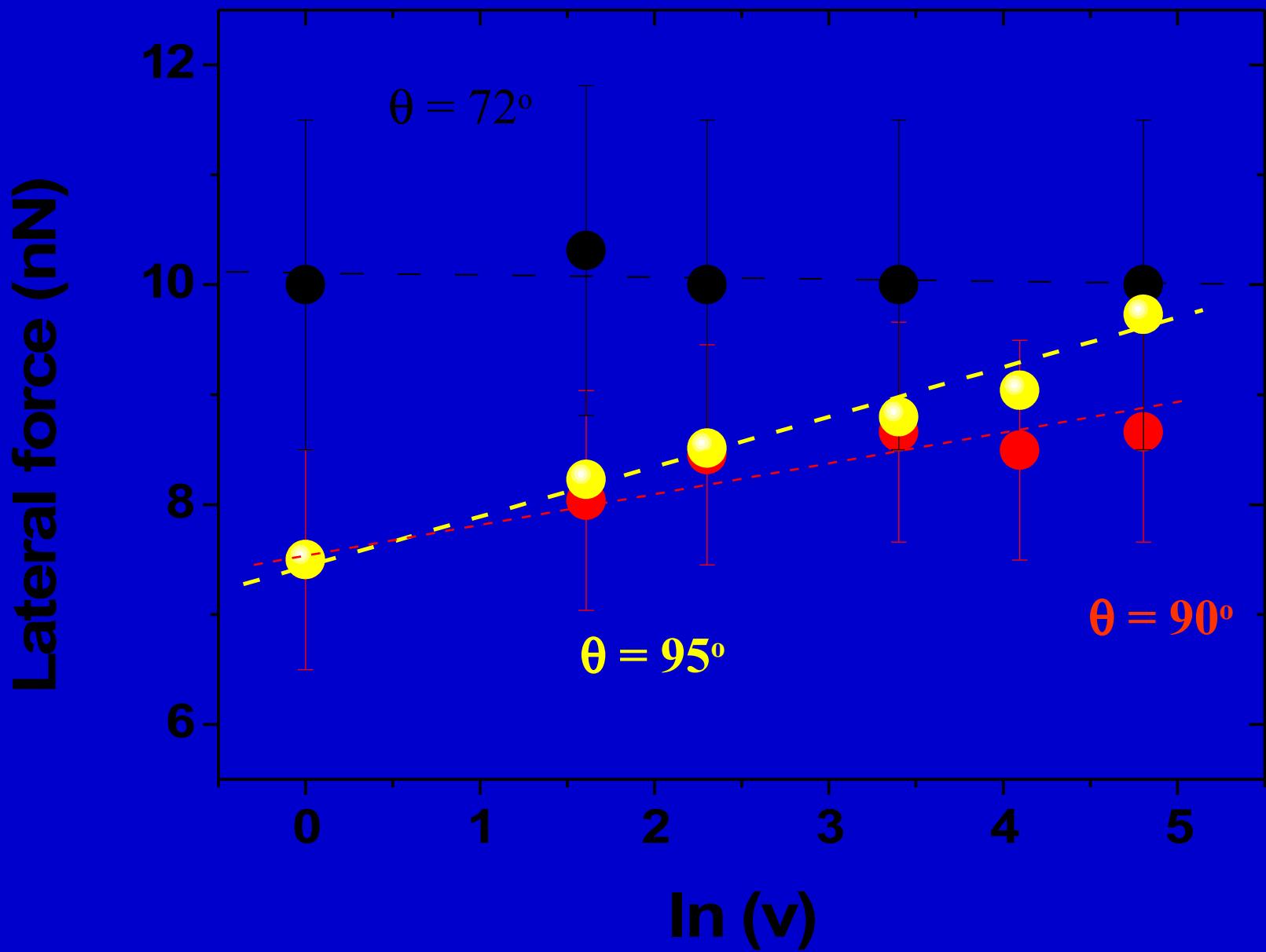


Hydrophobic amorphous carbon



$$F_L = C F_N^{2/3} + \alpha F_N$$

$\theta = 90^\circ$



Friction model

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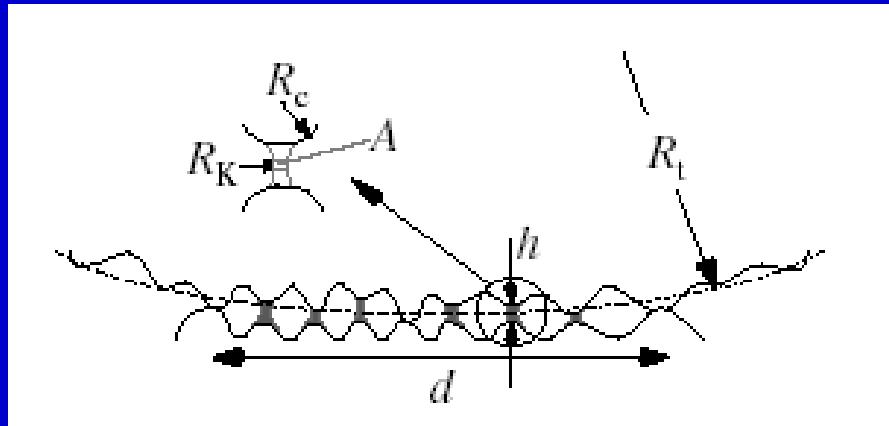
Kinetics of Capillary Condensation in Nanoscopic Sliding Friction

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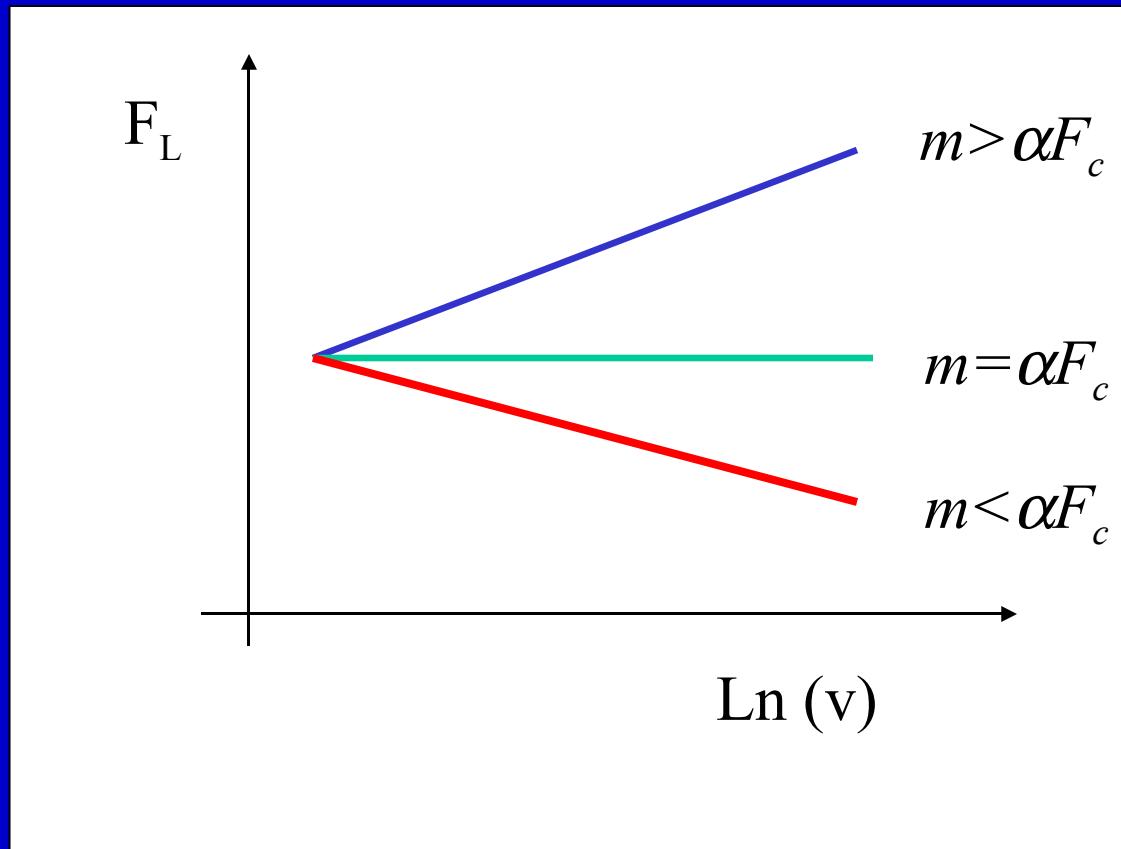
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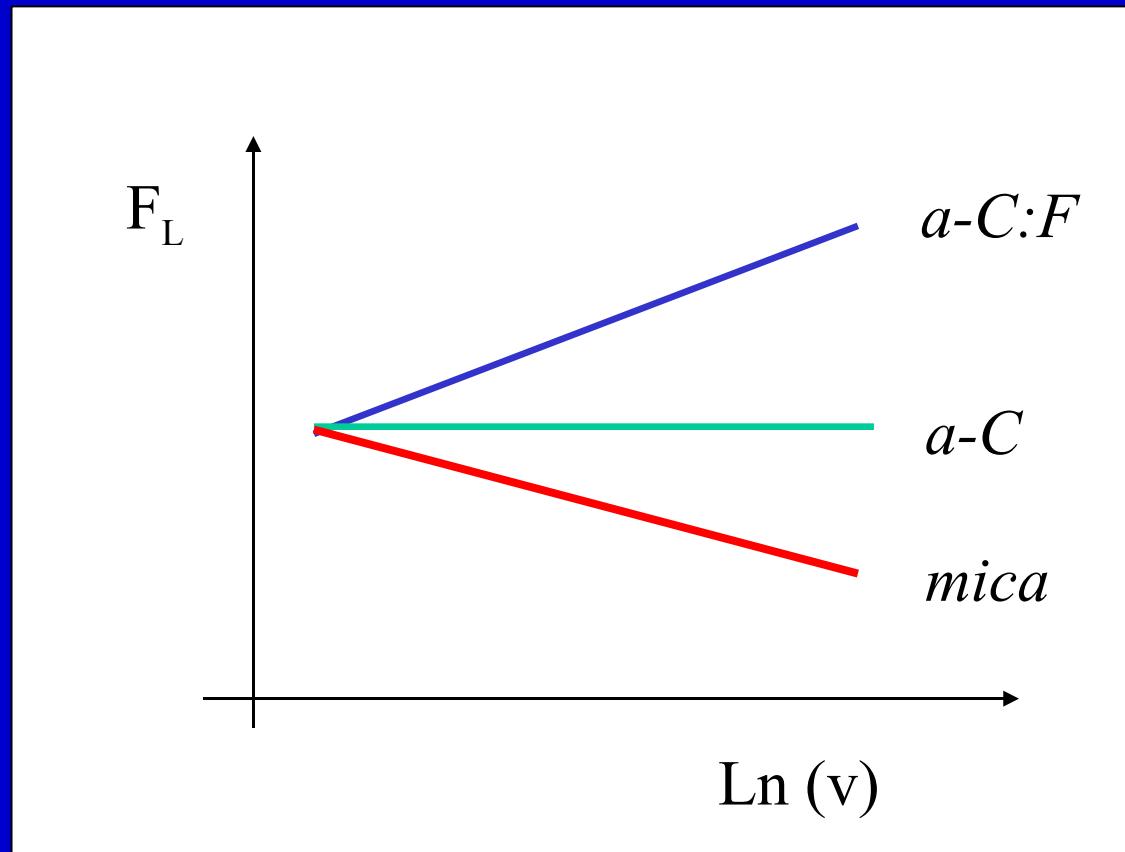


$$\begin{aligned} F_F &= \mu(F_N + F_{ss}) + \mu[F_c f(t)] + m \ln\left(\frac{v}{v_B}\right) \\ &= \mu(F_N + F_{ss}) - \mu[2\pi R_t \gamma(\cos\theta_s + \cos\theta_t)] \\ &\quad \times \left(\frac{1}{\lambda A \rho} \frac{1}{\ln \frac{P_s}{P}}\right) \ln \frac{v}{v_A} + m \ln\left(\frac{v}{v_B}\right), \end{aligned}$$

$$F_L = \mu F_N + [m - \alpha F_C] \ln(v)$$



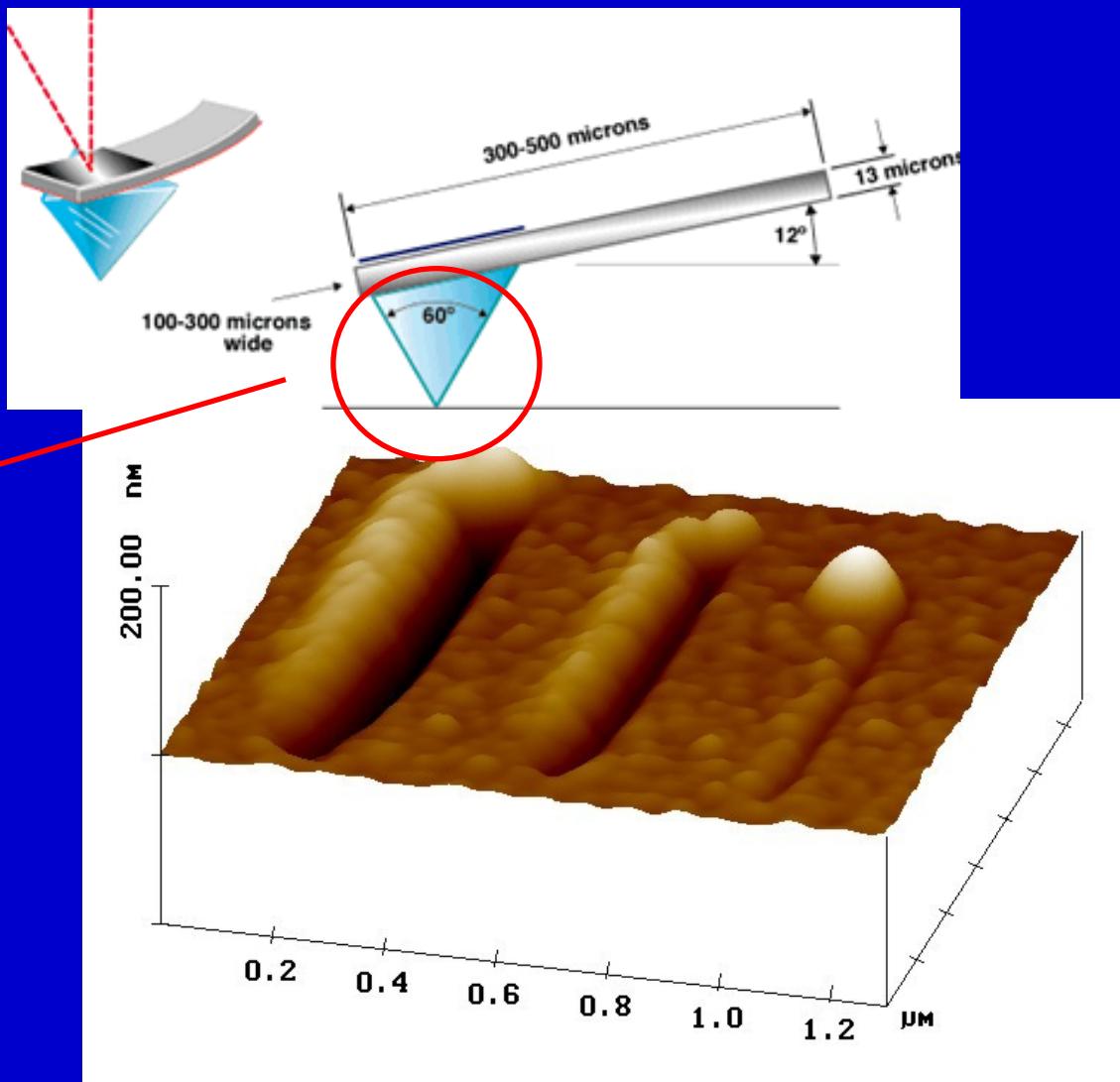
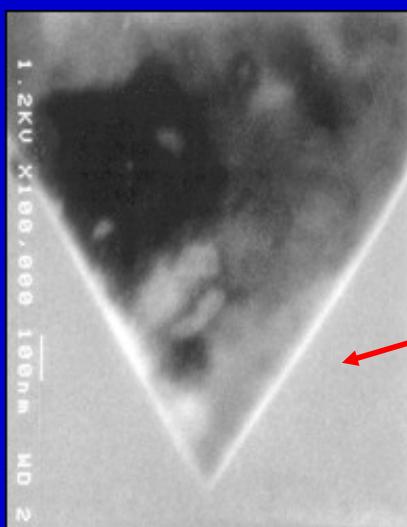
$$F_L = \mu F_N + [m - \alpha F_C] \ln(v)$$



Conclusions:

- **The velocity dependence of friction is strongly influenced by the capillary condensation of water.**
- 
- **The friction can be correlated with the surface hydrophobicity.**

Wear at nanometer scale



Films:

→ deposited by PECVD in C_2H_2 - CF_4 atmosphere: a-C:H and a-C:F

a-C:H Hardness → 20 GPa; $\text{sp}^3/\text{sp}^2 \sim 1$; H = 20 at.%

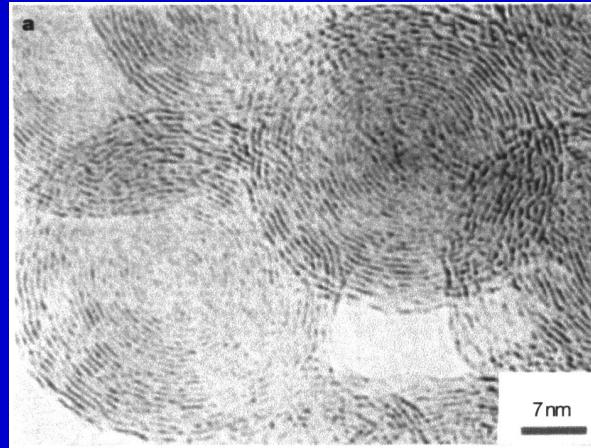
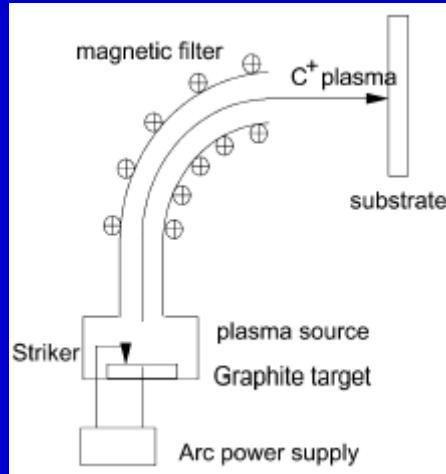
a-C:F Hardness → 5 GPa; F = 23 at.%

→ deposited by filtered arc: ta-C and nanostructured carbon films

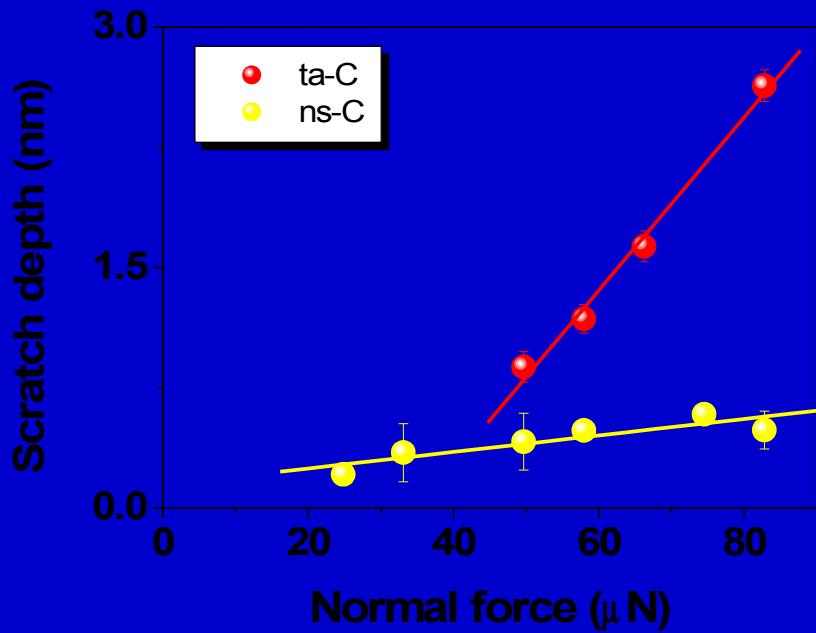
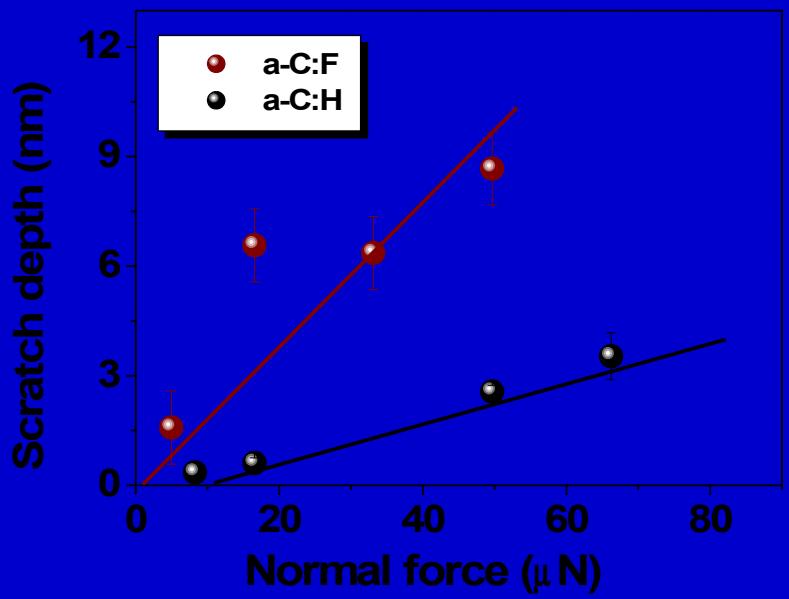
ta-C Hardness → 80 GPa; $\text{sp}^3/\text{sp}^2 \sim 4$

ns-C Hardness → ? (high elastic recovery); $\text{sp}^3/\text{sp}^2 \sim 0$

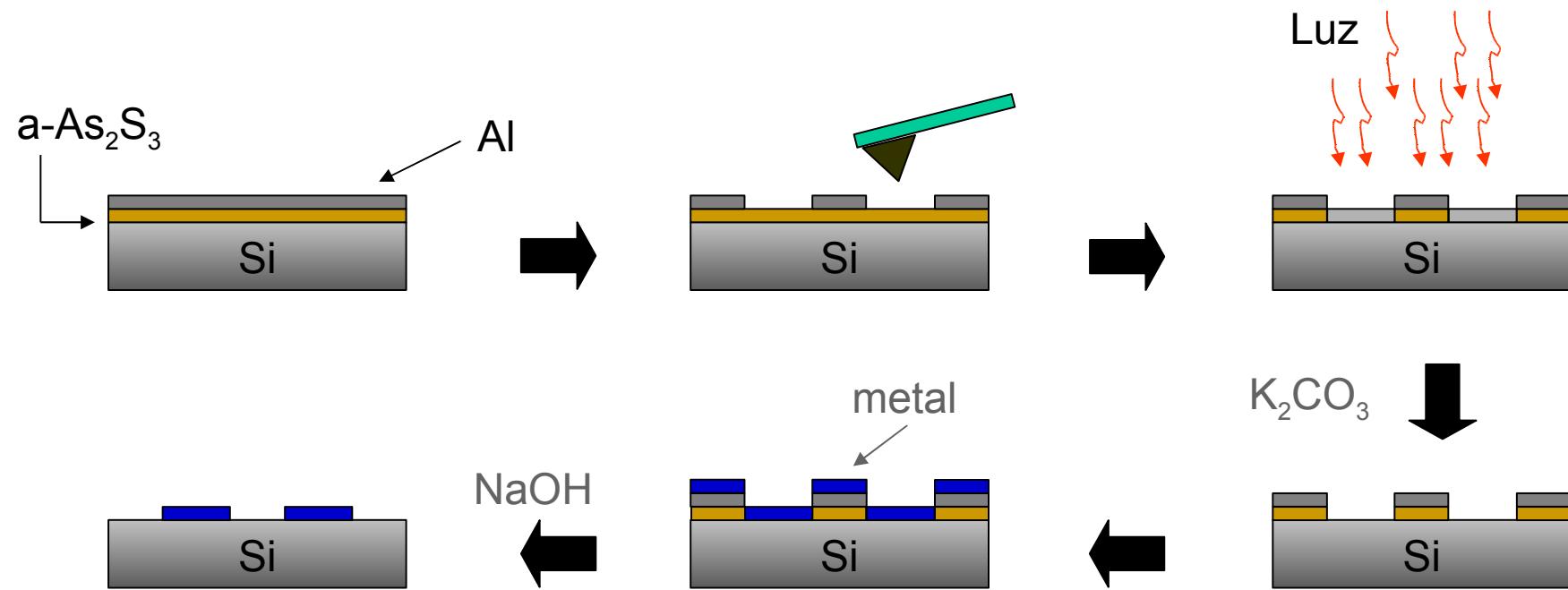
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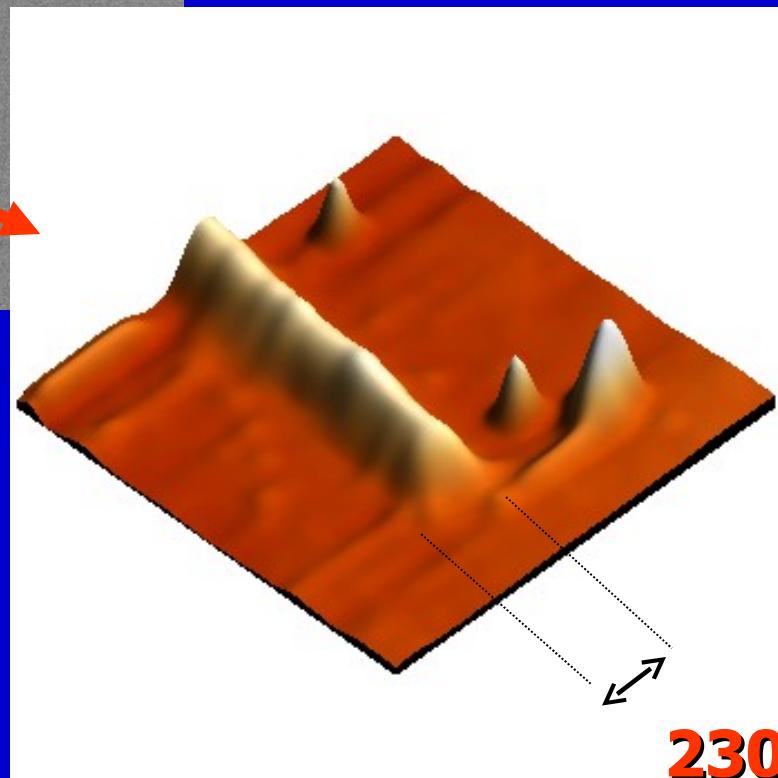
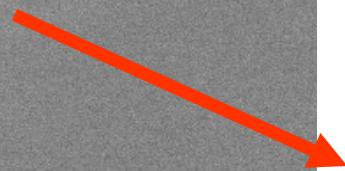
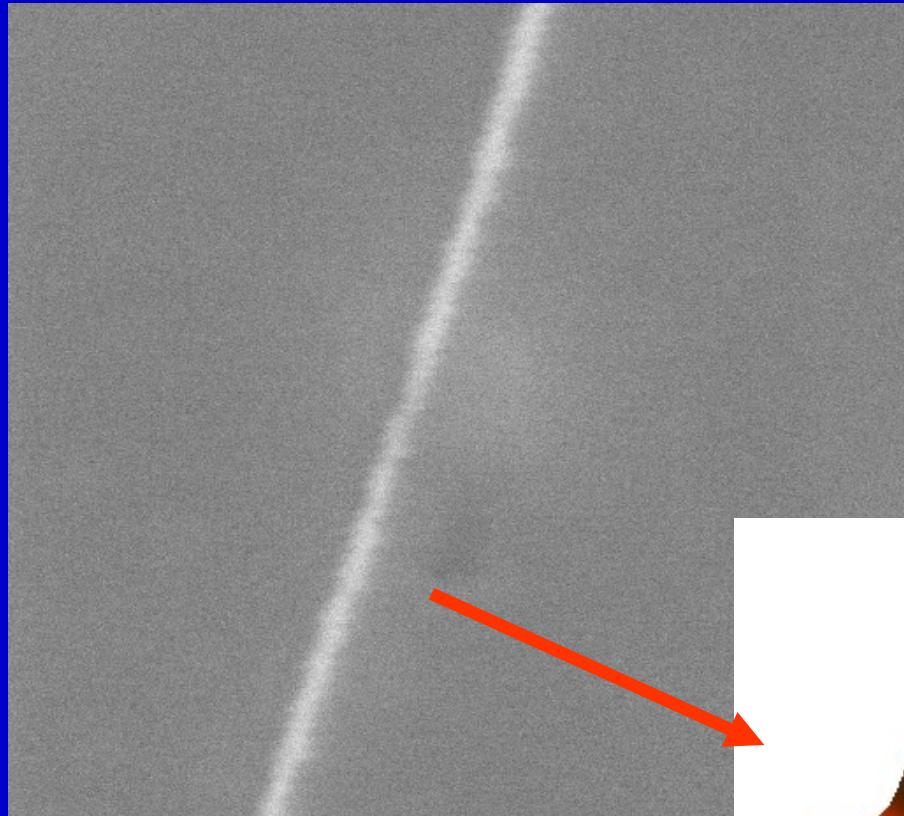
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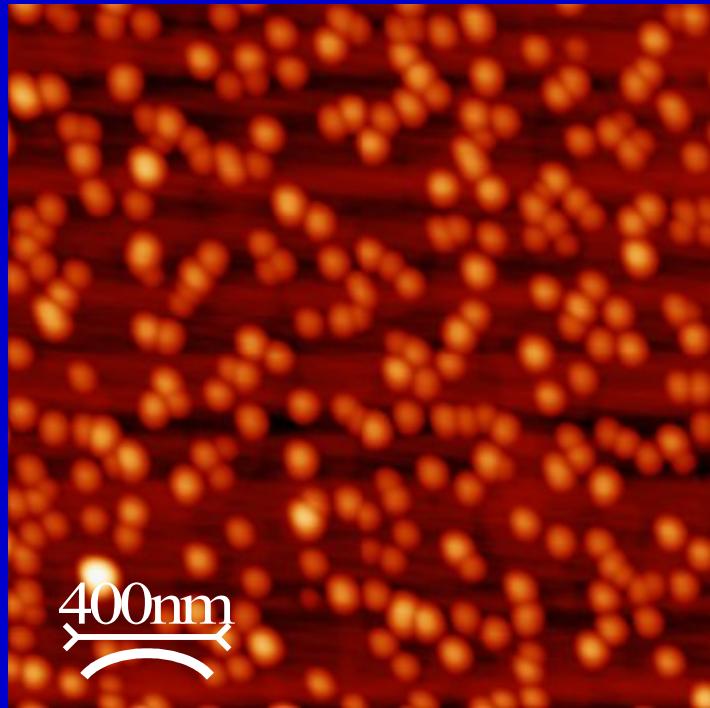
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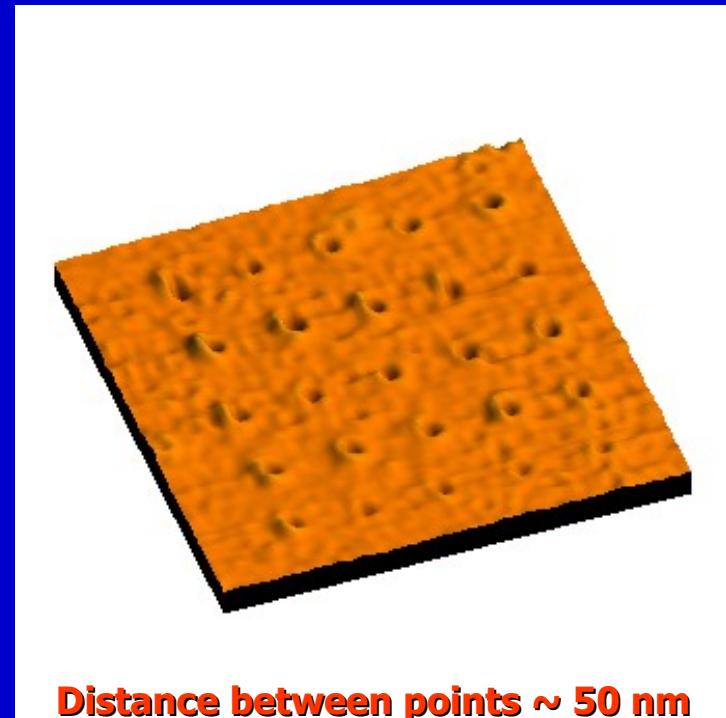
scheme



230 nm

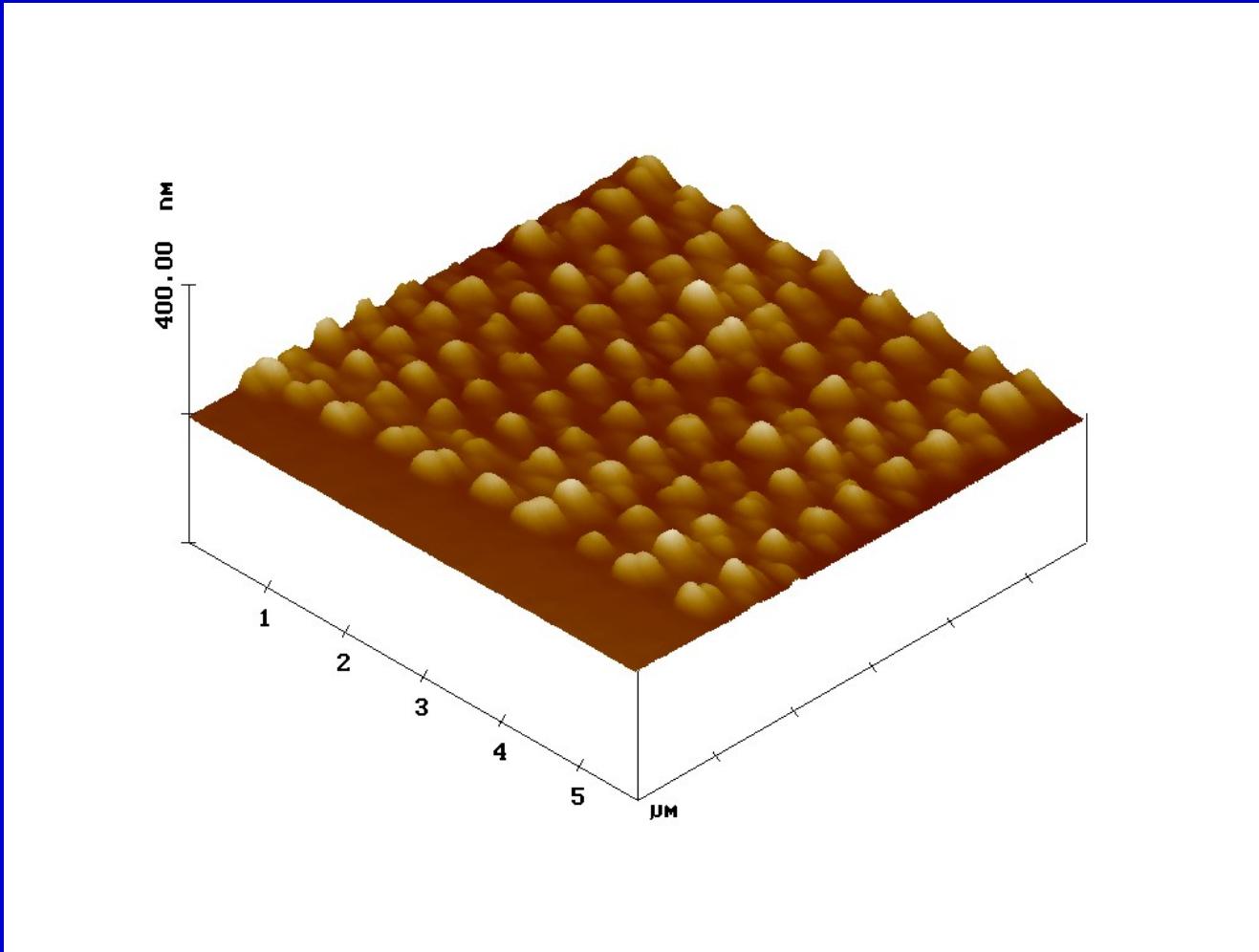


**Atomic force microscopy of InAs
on InP**



Distance between points ~ 50 nm

**Defects induced by AFM tip on the
surface of InP**



InAs quantum dots grown onto InP

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In order to fit our experimental data with Riedo's model we need to calculate or measure the parameters ν_a , ν_b , m , P_s , P etc.

$$\nu_a = \frac{2a}{t_a} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{(contact diameter)} \\ \text{(time to built up a capillary bridge } 25 \mu\text{s}) \end{array}$$

a is obtained with the use of the Johnson-Kendal-Robertson

$$F_{ad} = -\frac{3}{2}\pi RW_{12}$$

$$\frac{1}{E} = \frac{(1 - \nu_{tip}^2)}{E_{tip}} + \frac{(1 - \nu_s^2)}{E_s}$$

$$a^3 = \frac{R}{E} \left[F + 3\pi RW_{12} + \sqrt{6\pi RW_{12}F + (3\pi RW_{12})^2} \right]$$

Calibração de Força Lateral

| | μ MICA | μ HOPG |
|-------------|------------|------------|
| PUC | 0.062 | 0.009 |
| LIU [1] | 0.095 | 0.011 |
| ELISA [2] | | 0.009 |
| RUAN [3] | | 0.006 |
| LABARDI [4] | 0.027 | 0.013 |
| WARMACK [5] | 0.086 | |
| Average | 0.068 | 0.01 |
| σ | 0.034 | 0.002 |

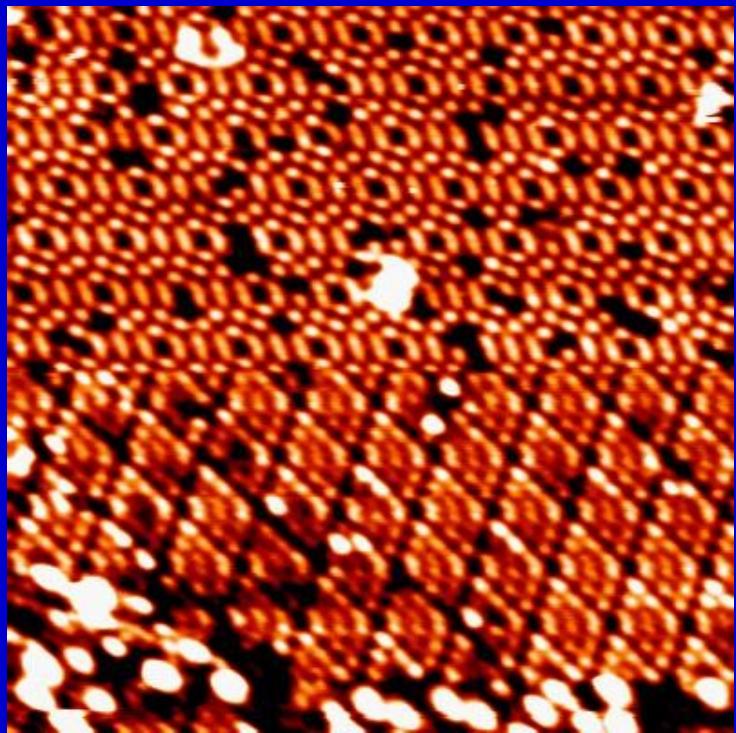
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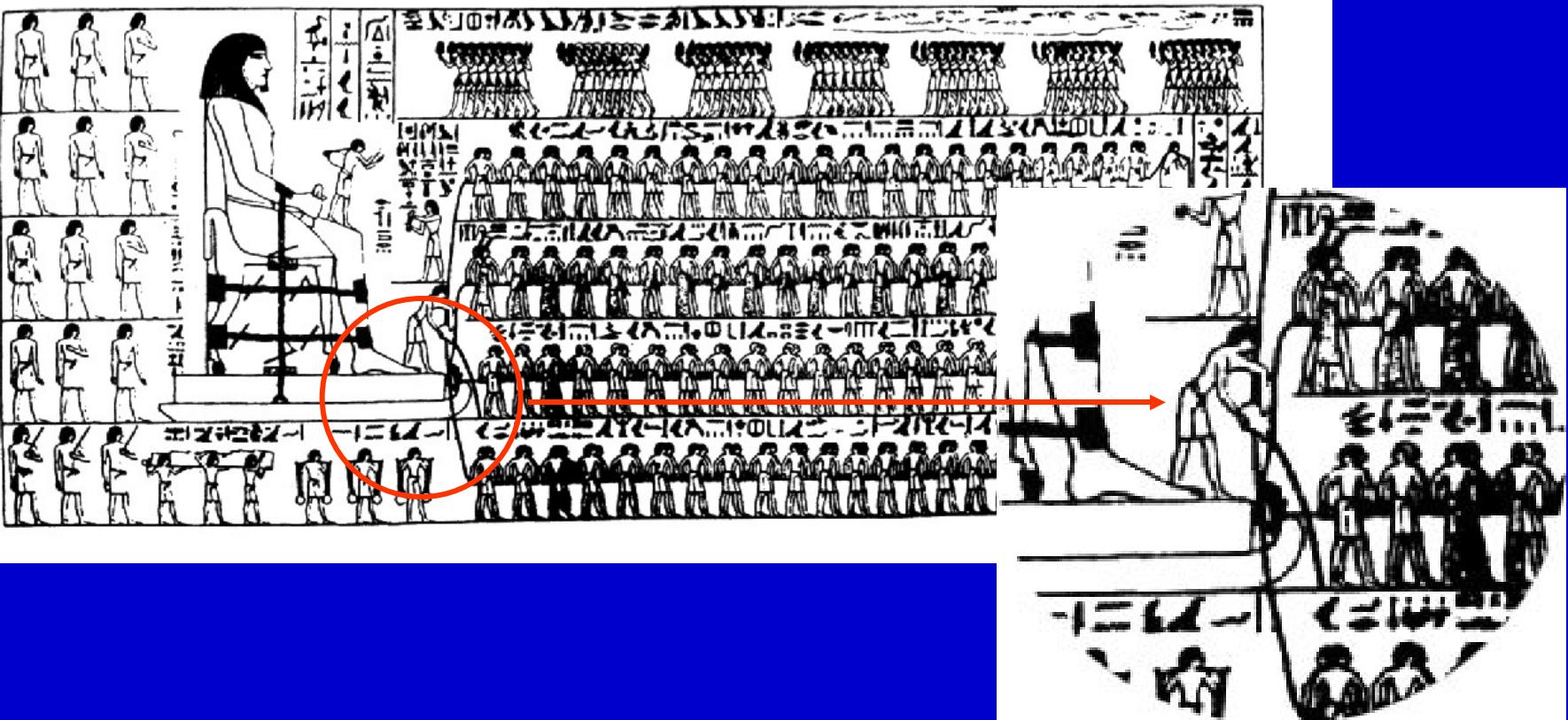


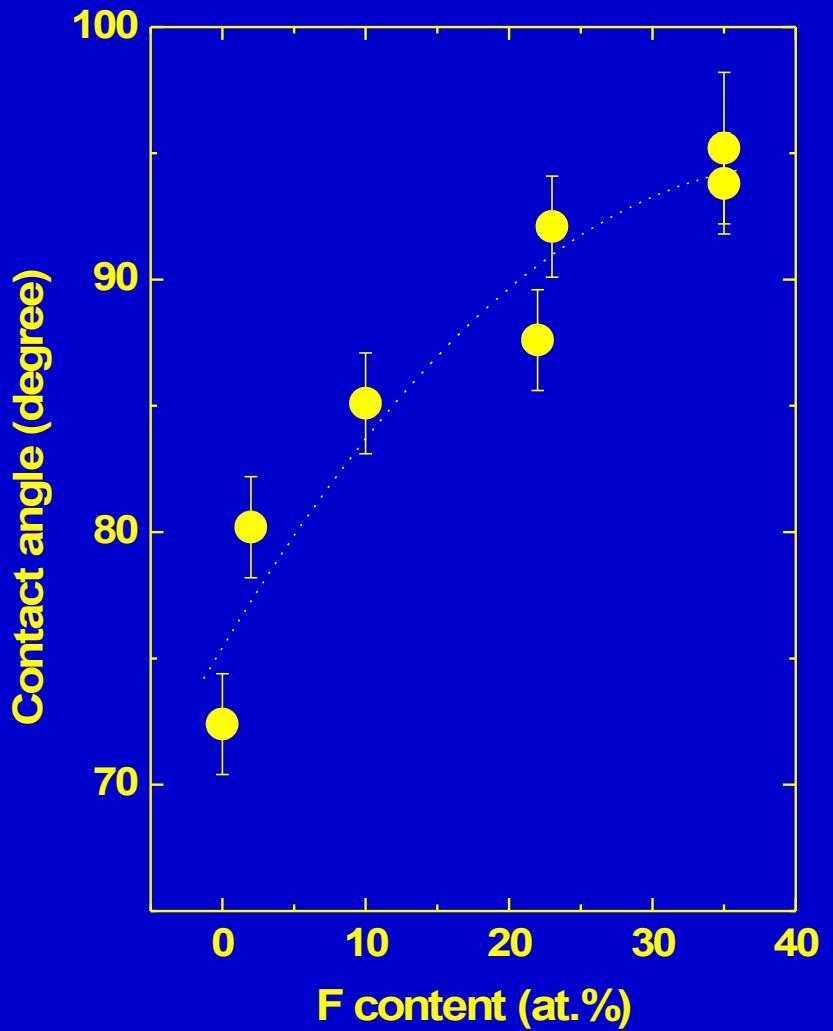
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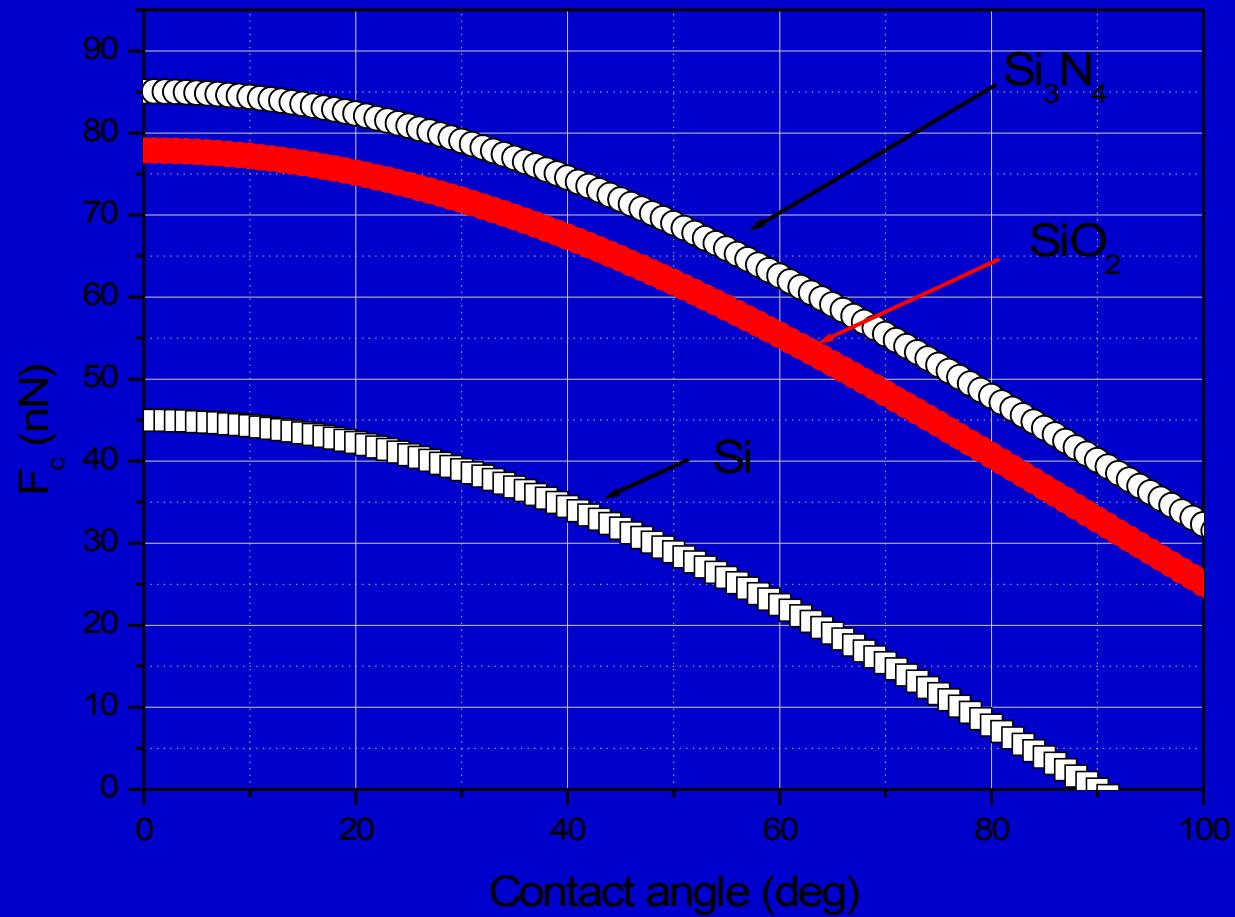
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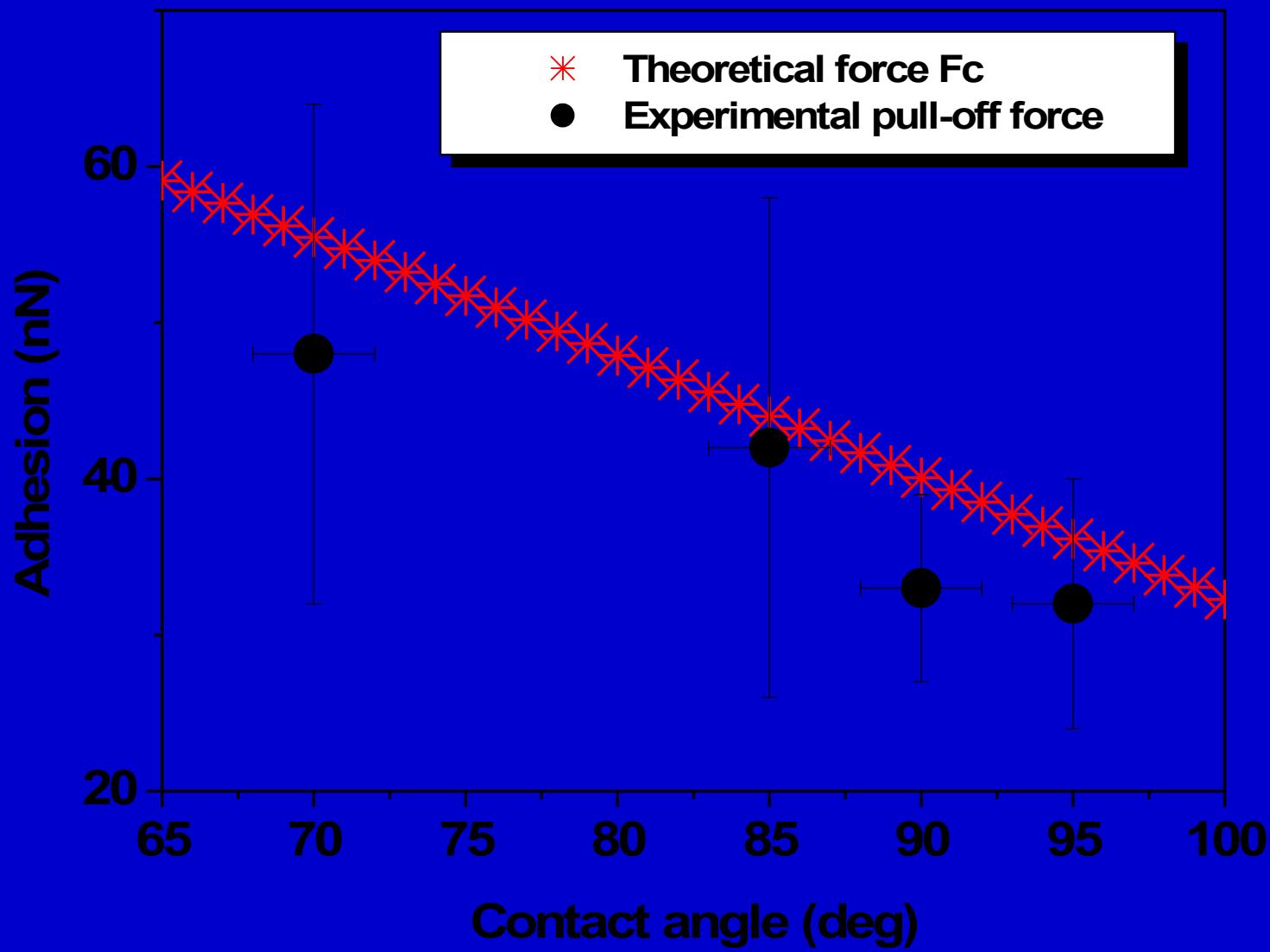
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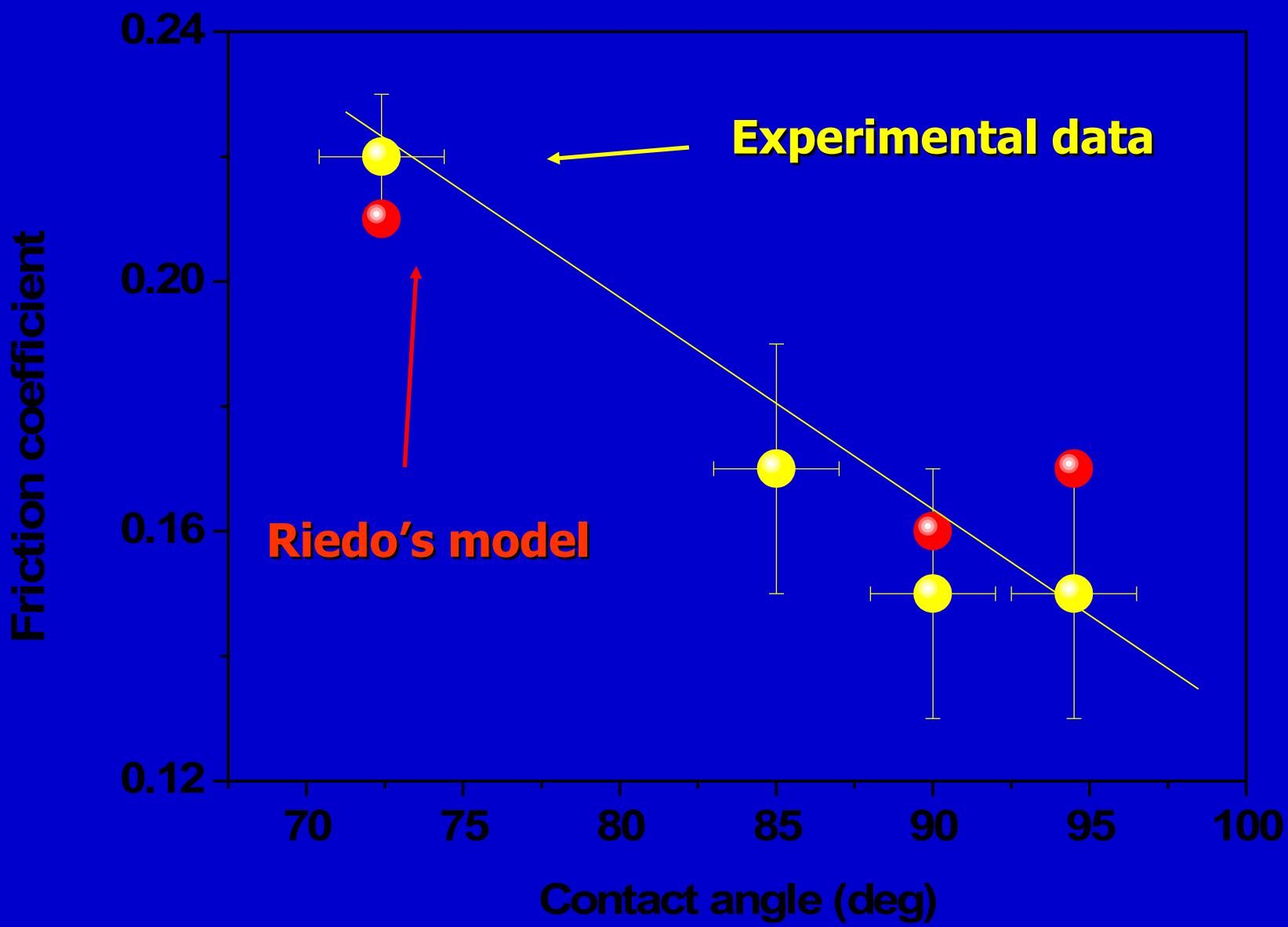




$$F_c = 2\pi R_t \gamma_L (\cos(\theta_s) + \cos(\theta_t))$$



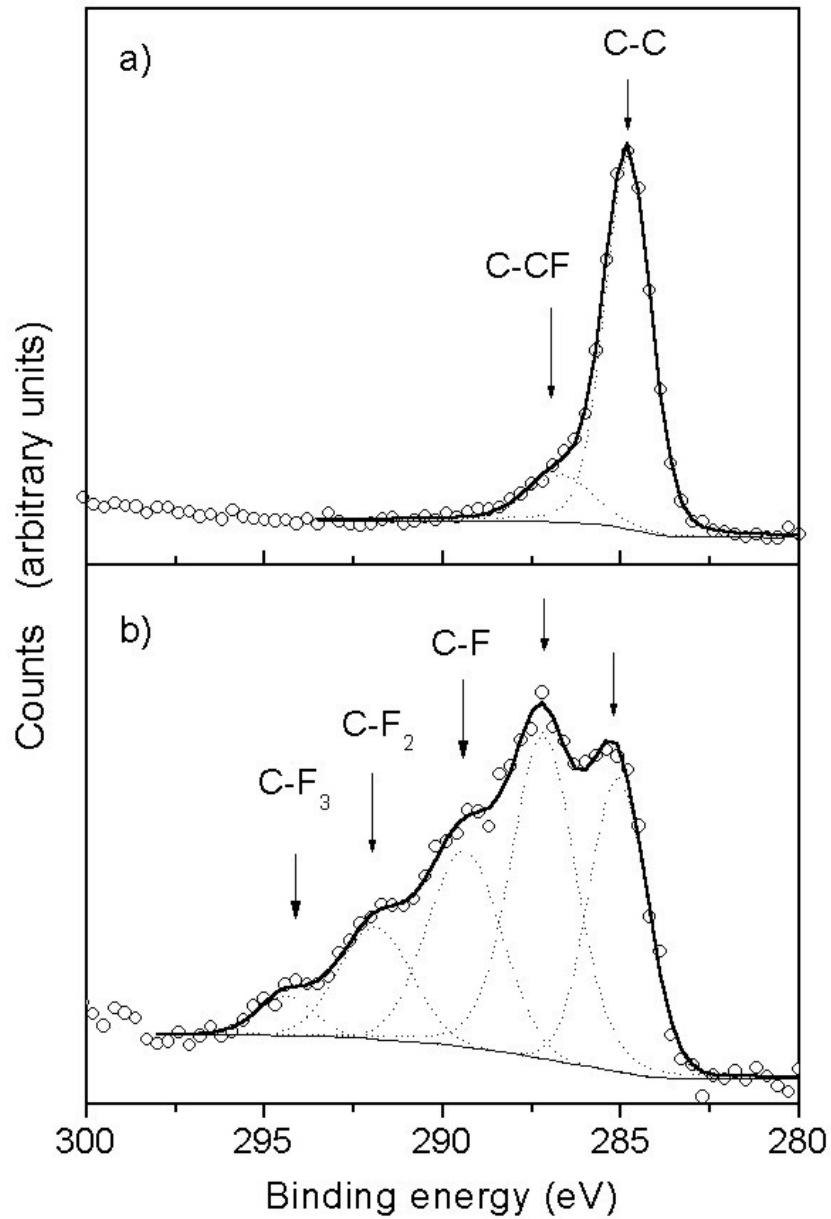




Films deposited by rf-PECVD using C₂H₂-CF₄ mixtures

| C ₂ H ₂ partial pressure (%) | Composition (at.%) | | | | Atomic density (10 ²³ atoms/cm ³) |
|---|-----------------------|----|----|---|--|
| | C | H | F | O | |
| 100 | 77 | 22 | 0 | 1 | 1.3 |
| 90 | 76 | 21 | 2 | 1 | 1.2 |
| 77 | 74 | 15 | 10 | 1 | 1.1 |
| 50 | 73 | 4 | 22 | 1 | 0.9 |
| 33 | 70 | 2 | 23 | 5 | 0.7 |
| 25 | 60 | 2 | 35 | 3 | 0.6 |
| 20 | 60 | 2 | 35 | 3 | 0.7 |

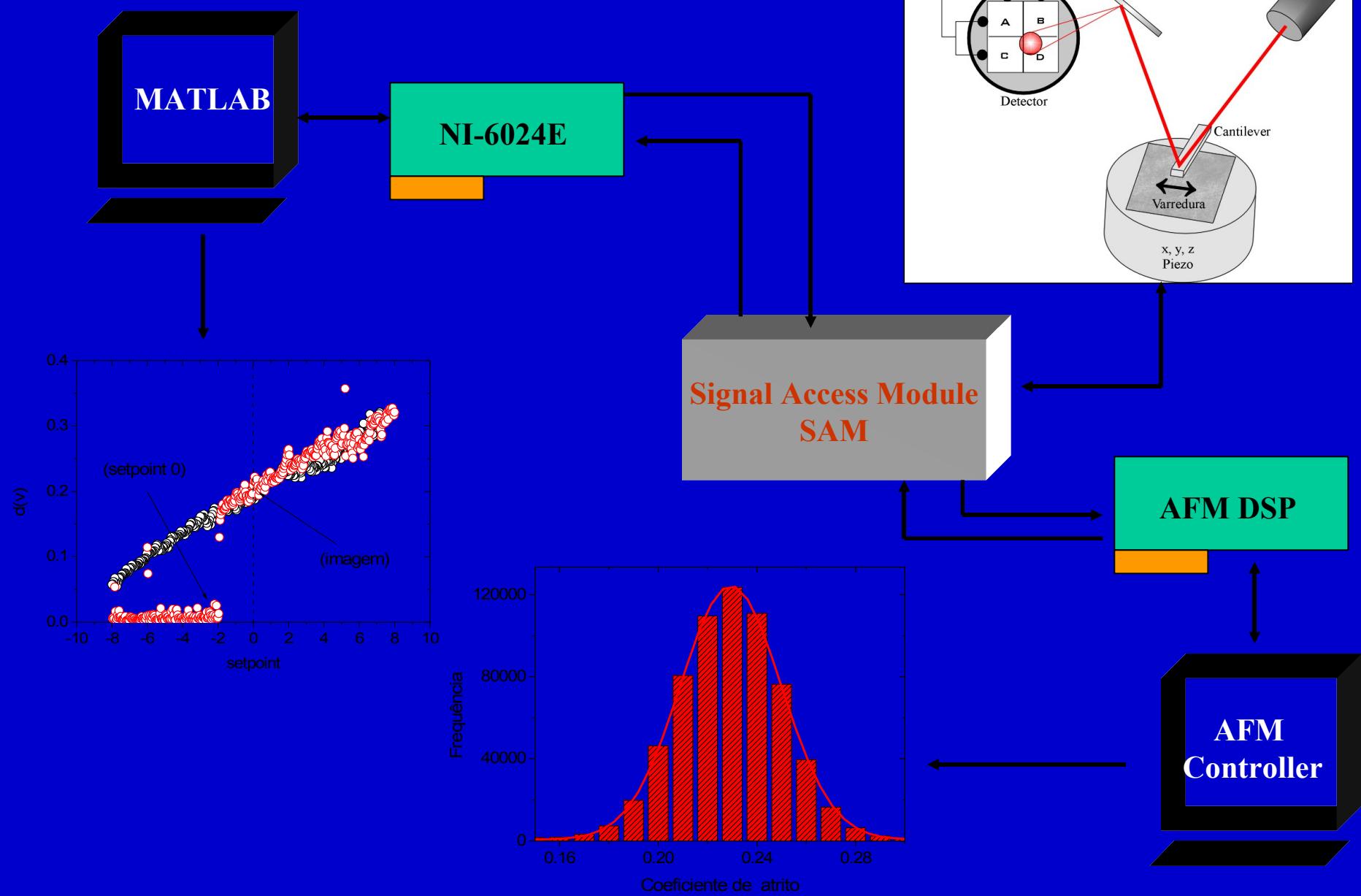
Chemical composition and atomic density by IBA



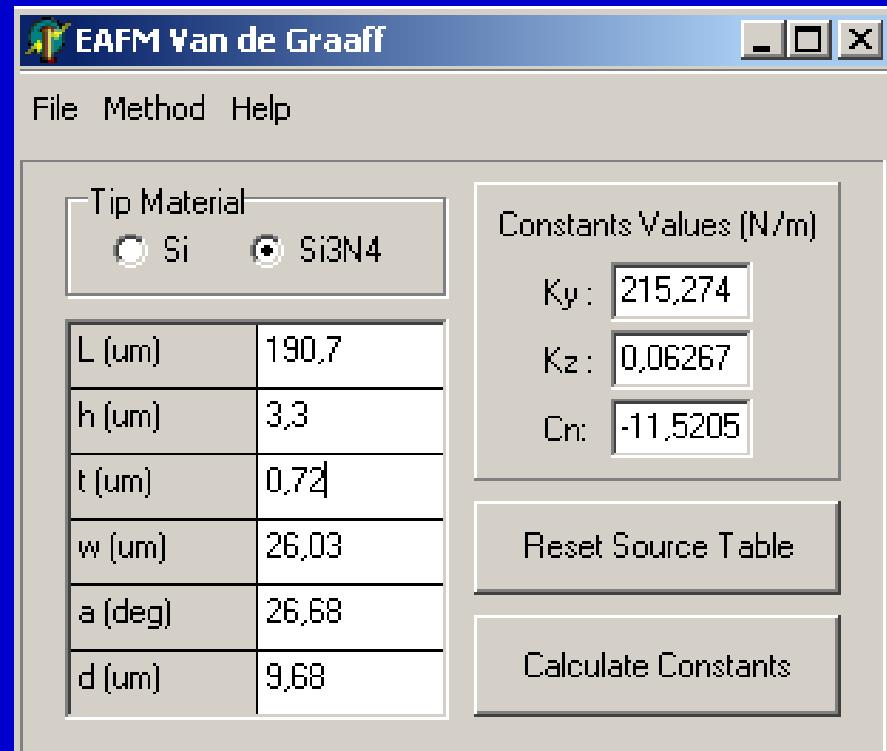
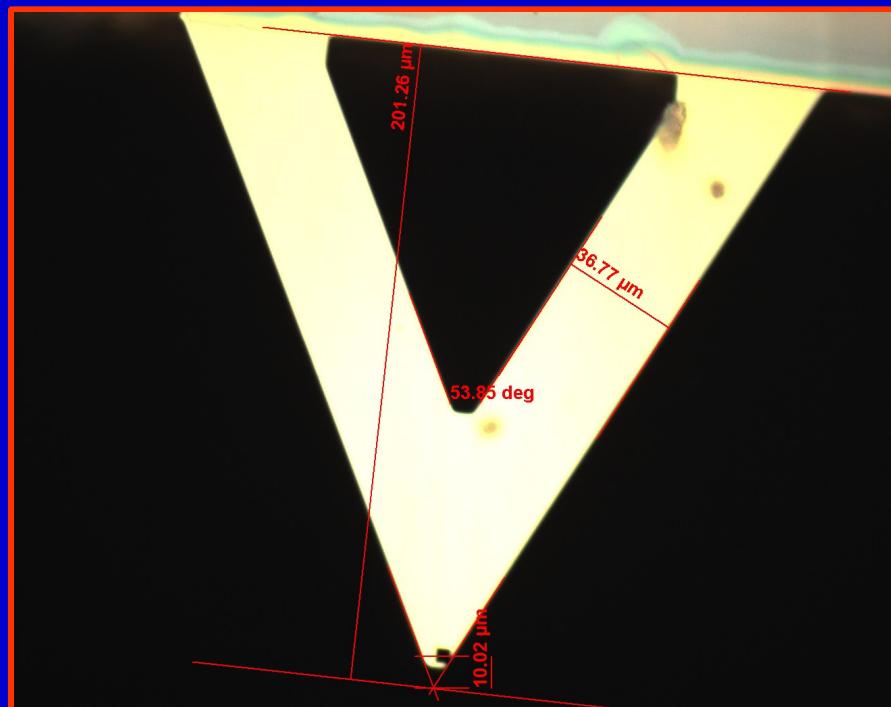
← **F = 10 at.%**

← **F = 35 at.%**

Friction forces measurements:



Cantilever calibration



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