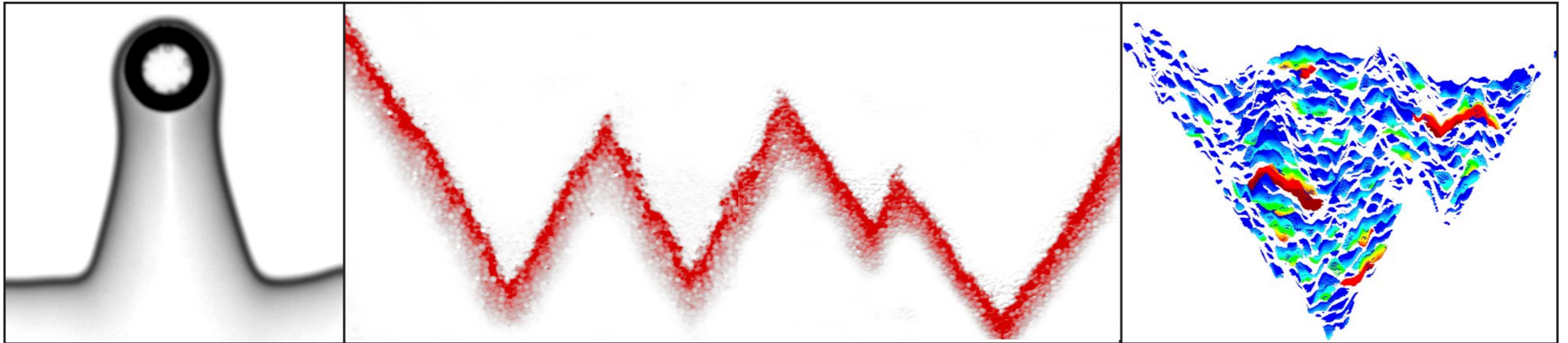


Reaction wave propagation in disordered flow



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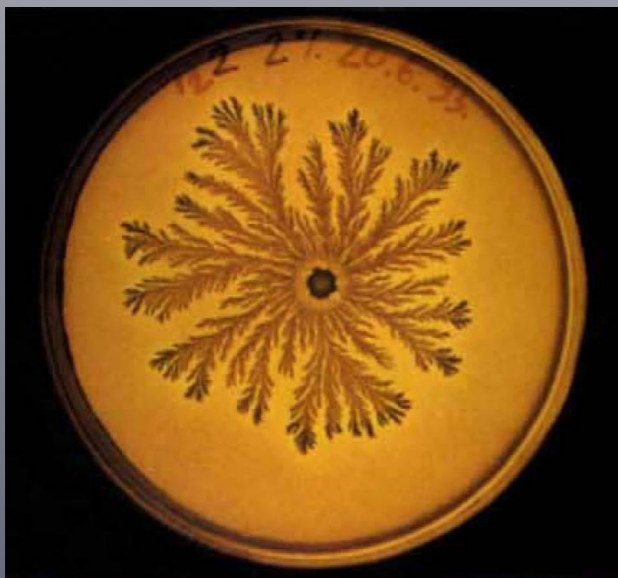
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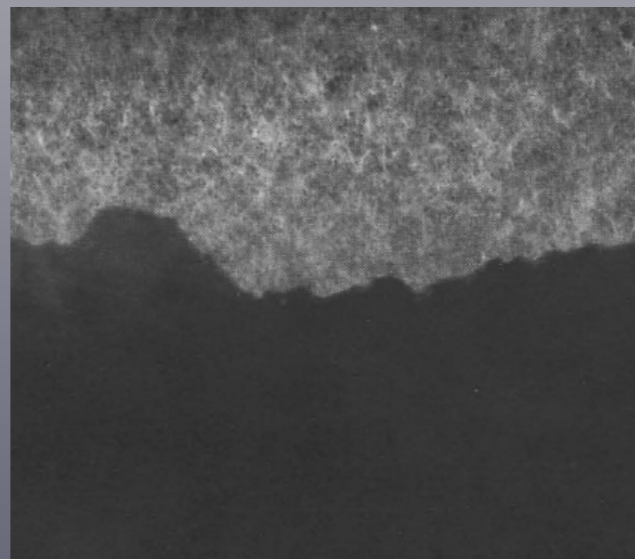
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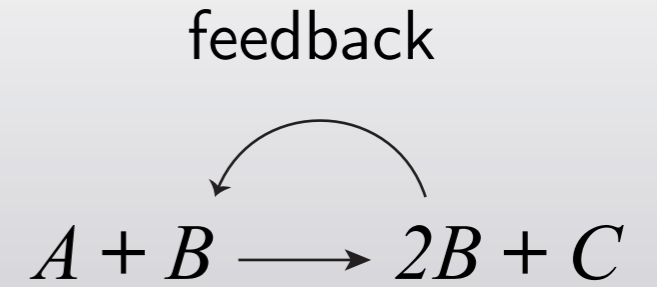


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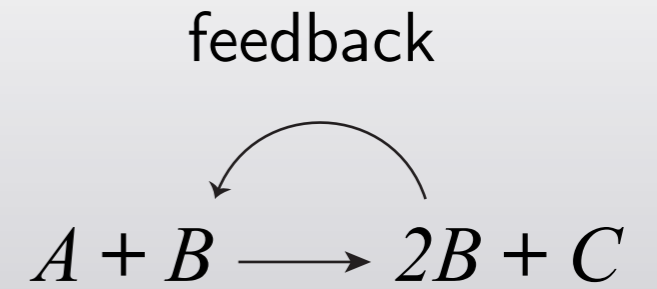
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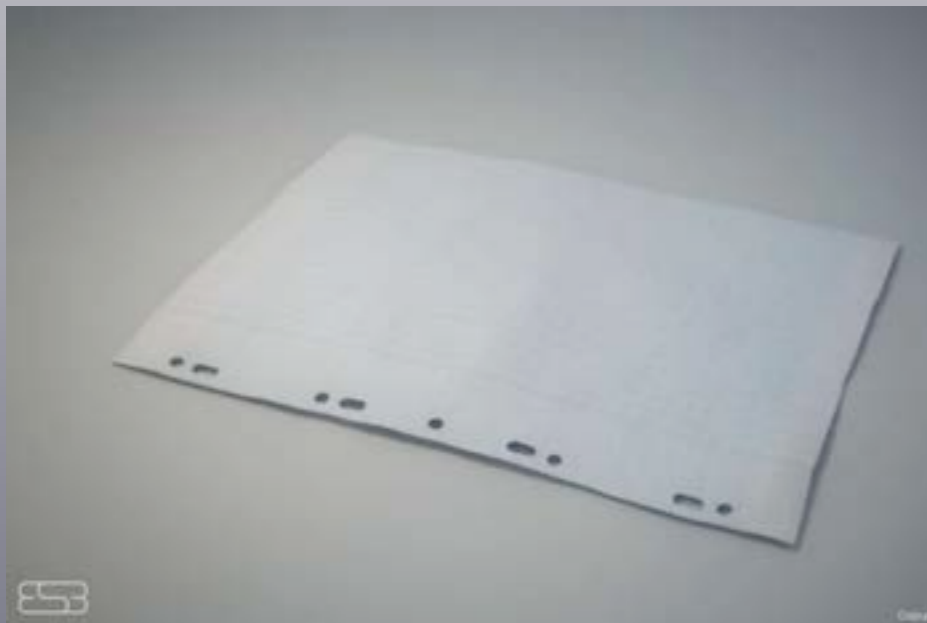
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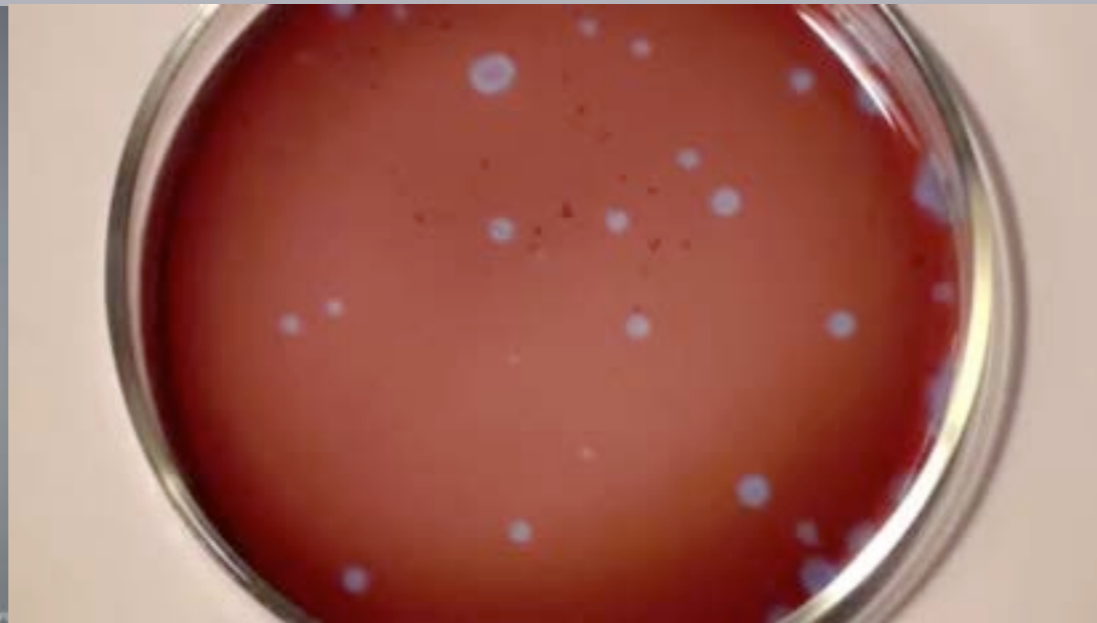
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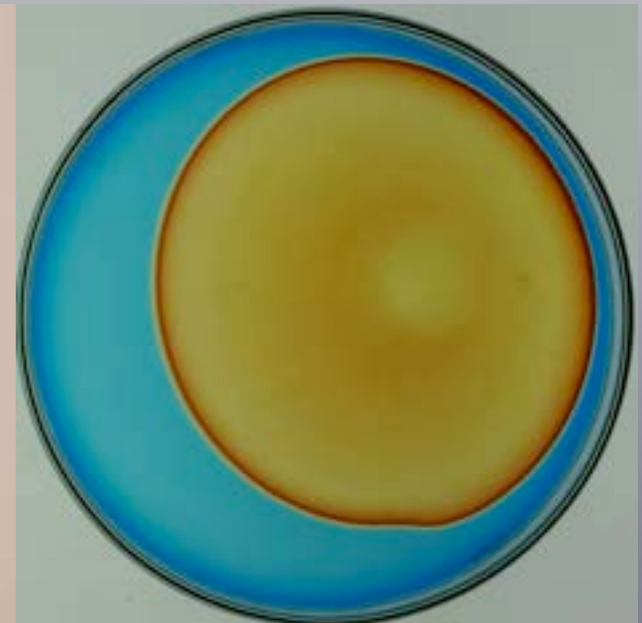
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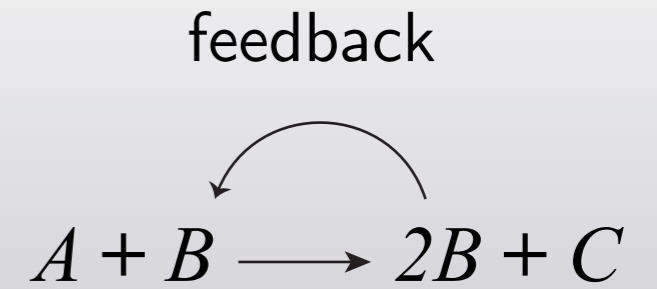


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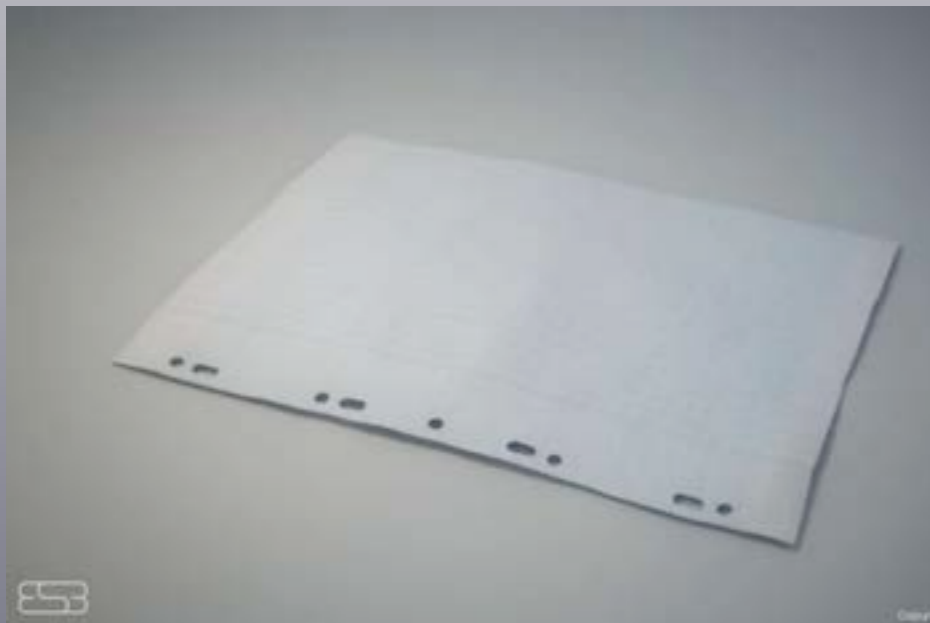
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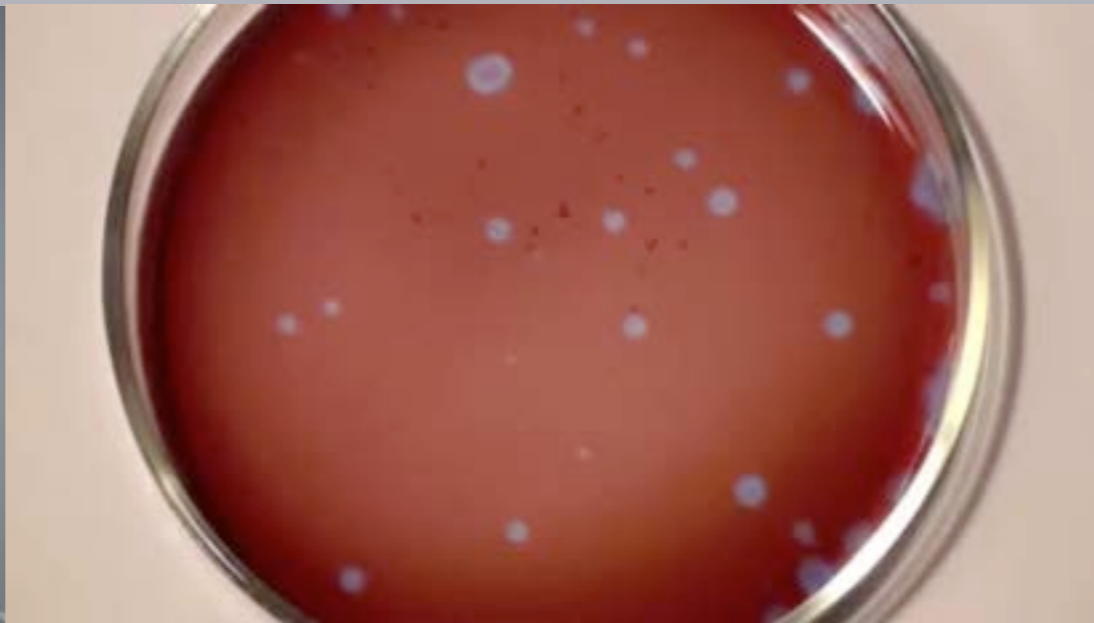
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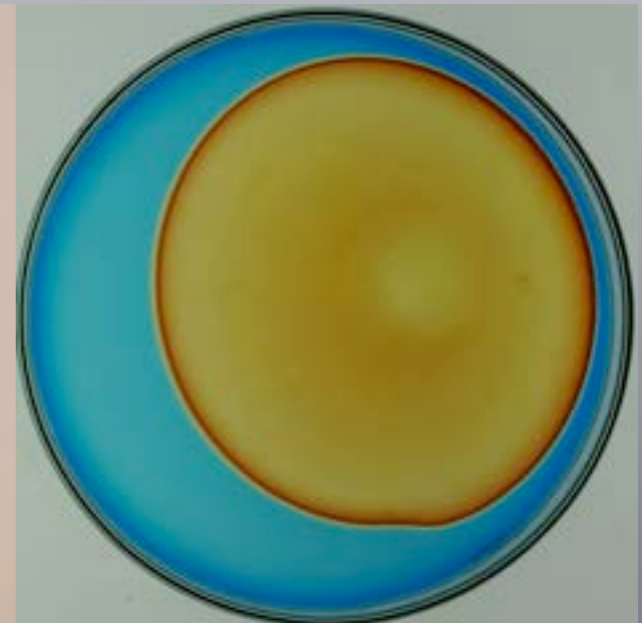
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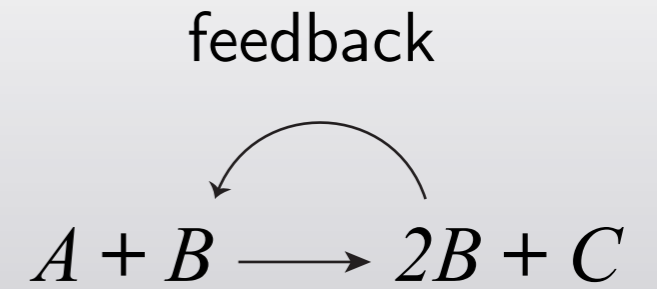


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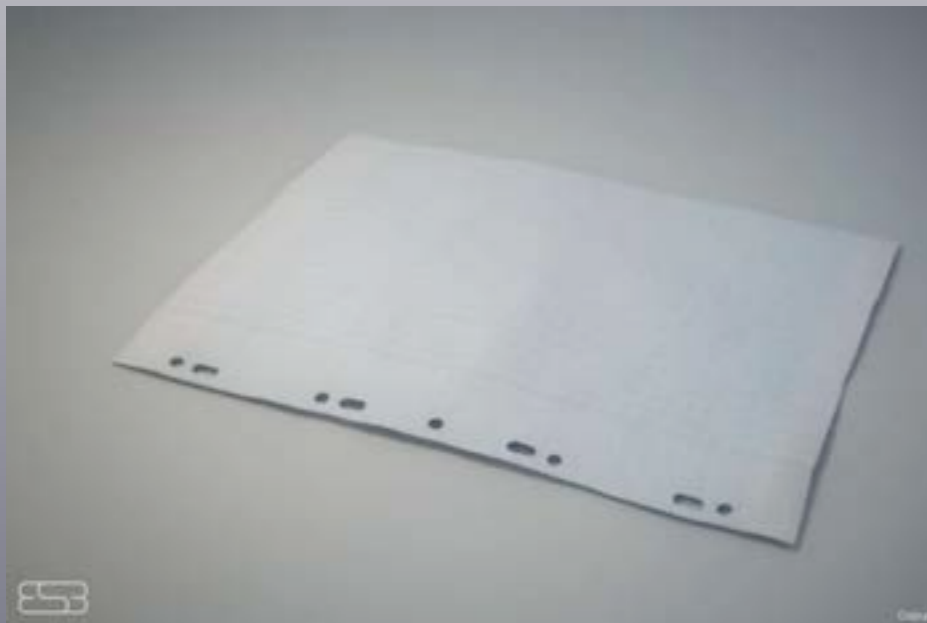
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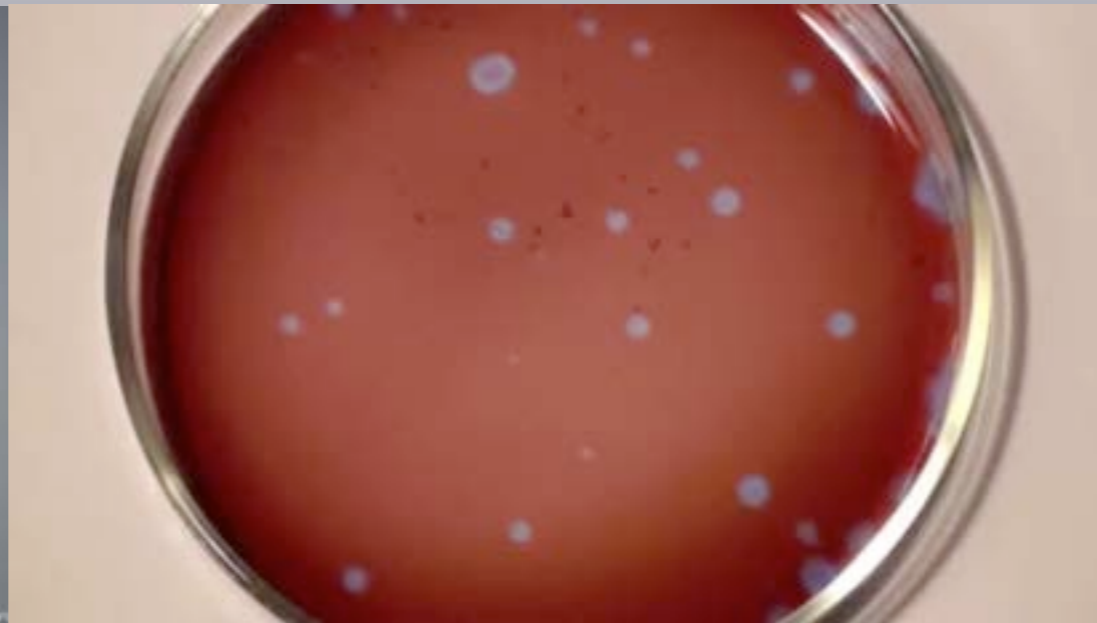
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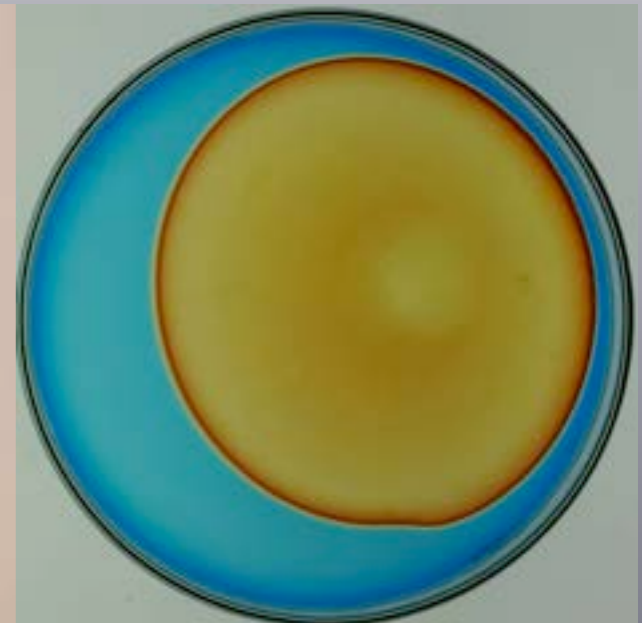
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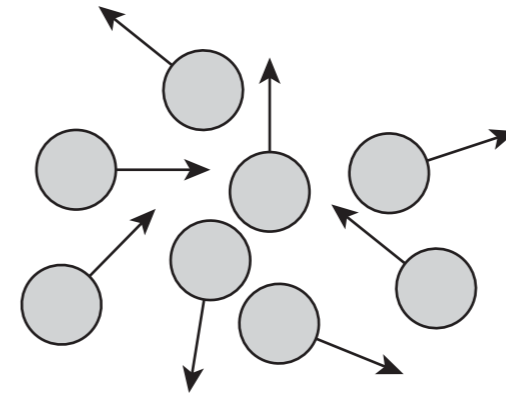
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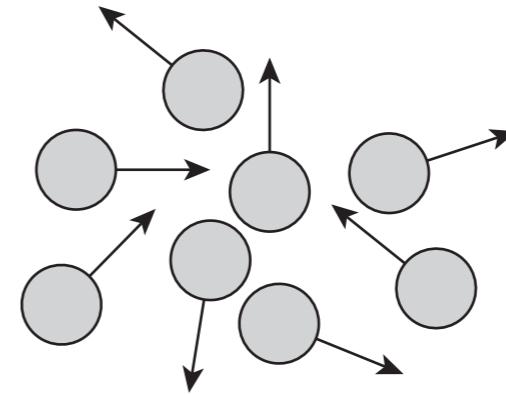
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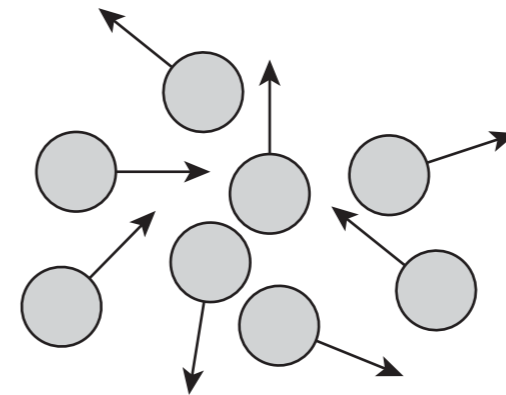


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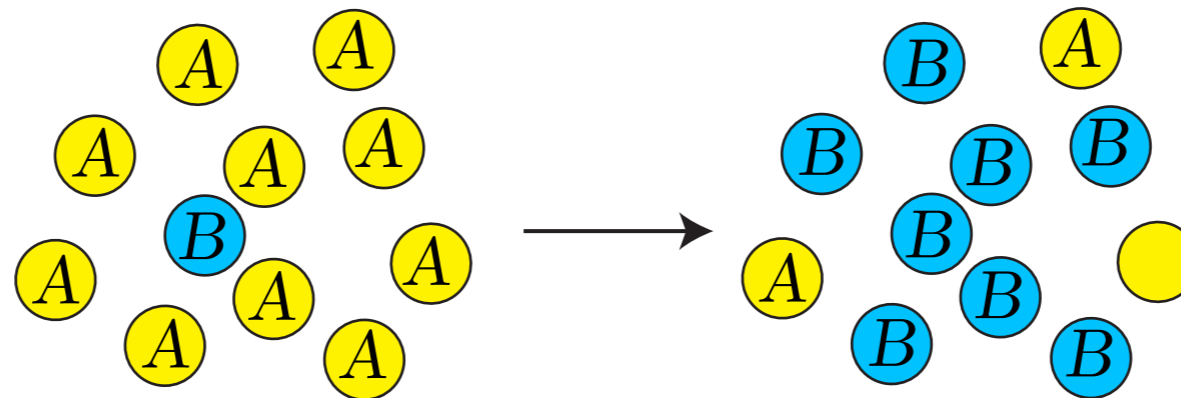
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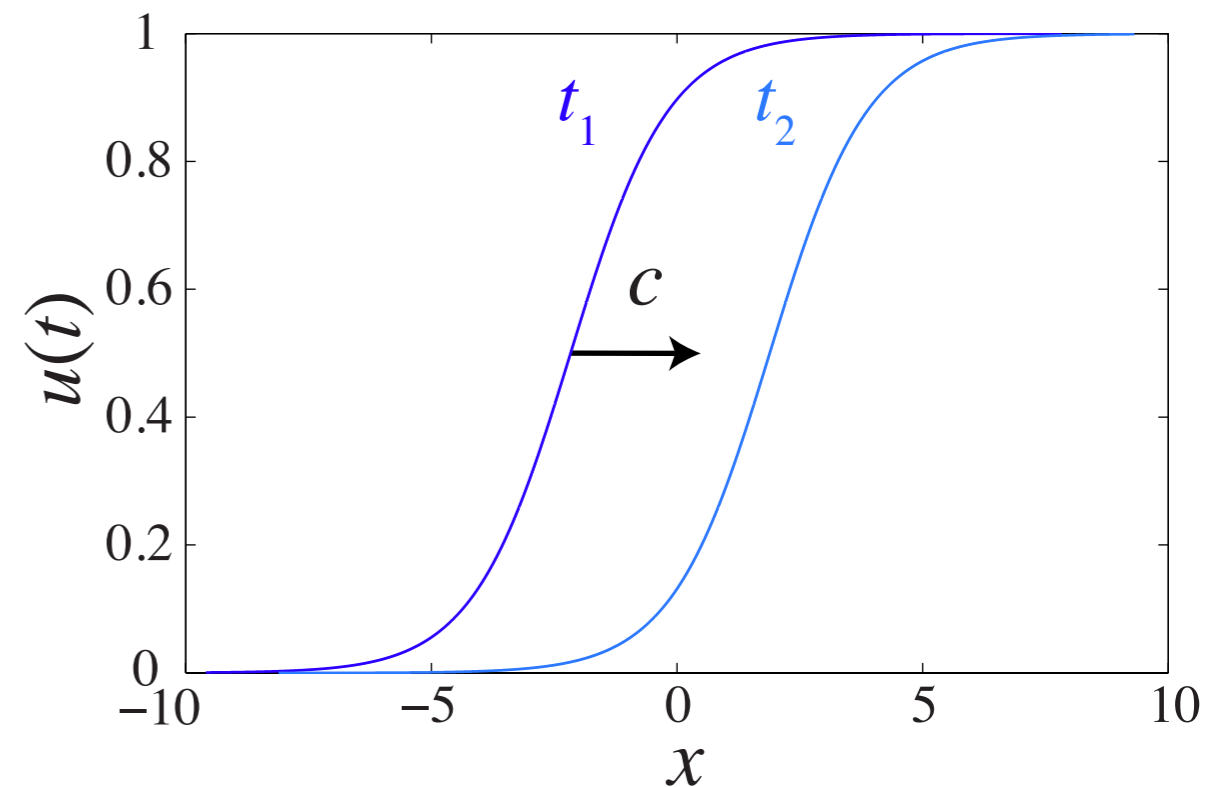
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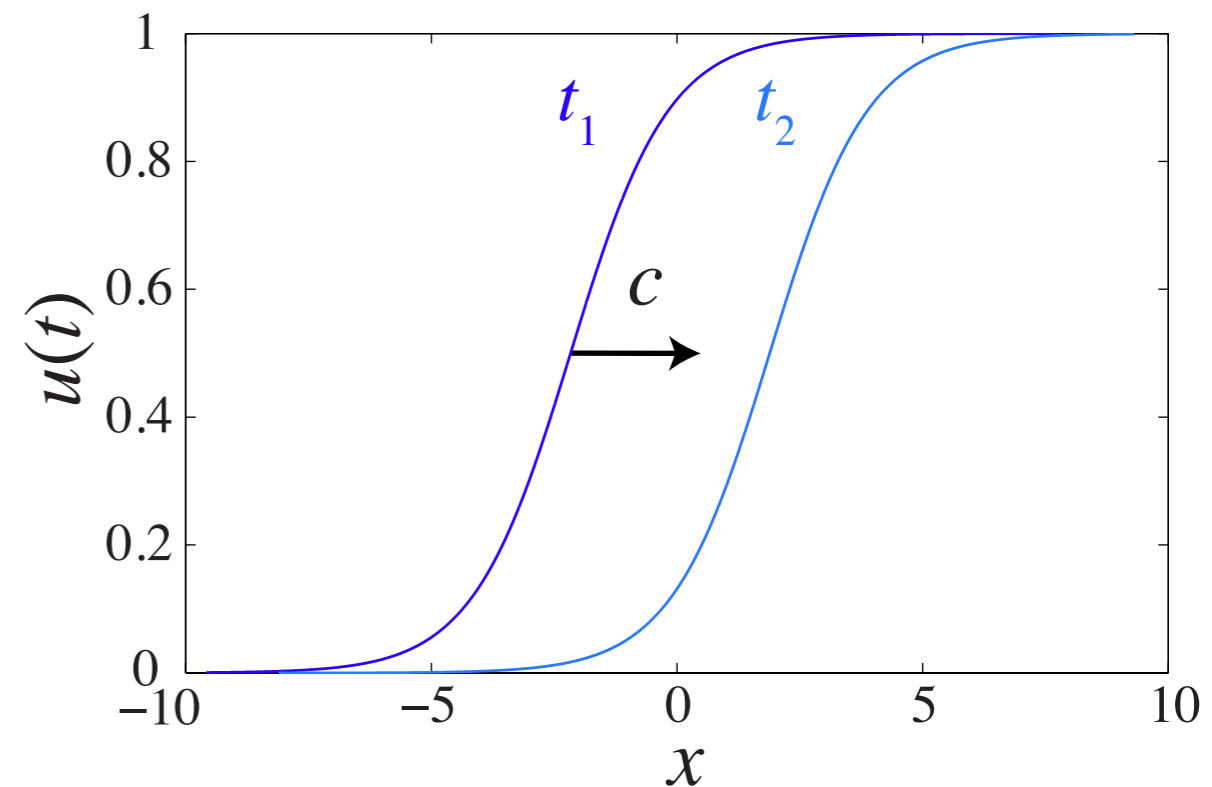
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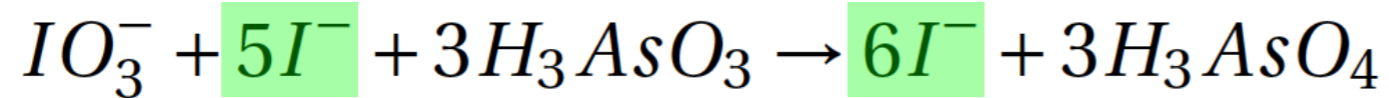
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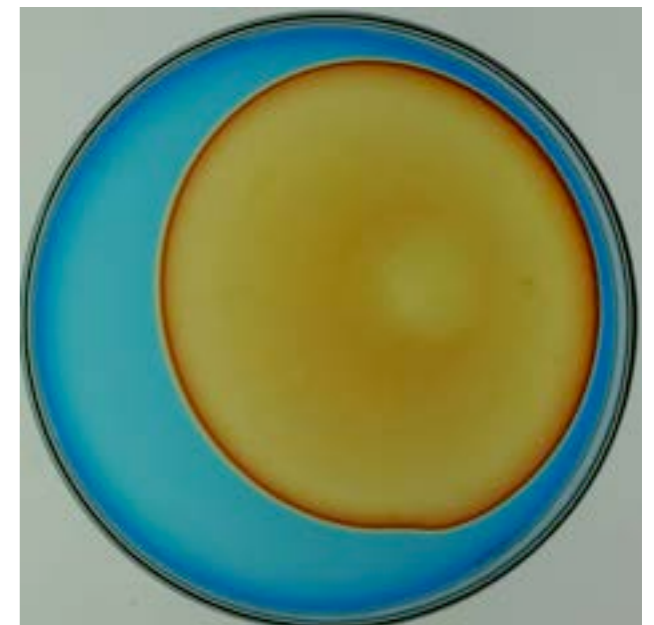


- 3rd order chemical kinetics $f(C) = \alpha C^2(1 - C)$

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C : autocatalists concentration $[I^-]/[IO_3^-]_0$

α : reaction rate



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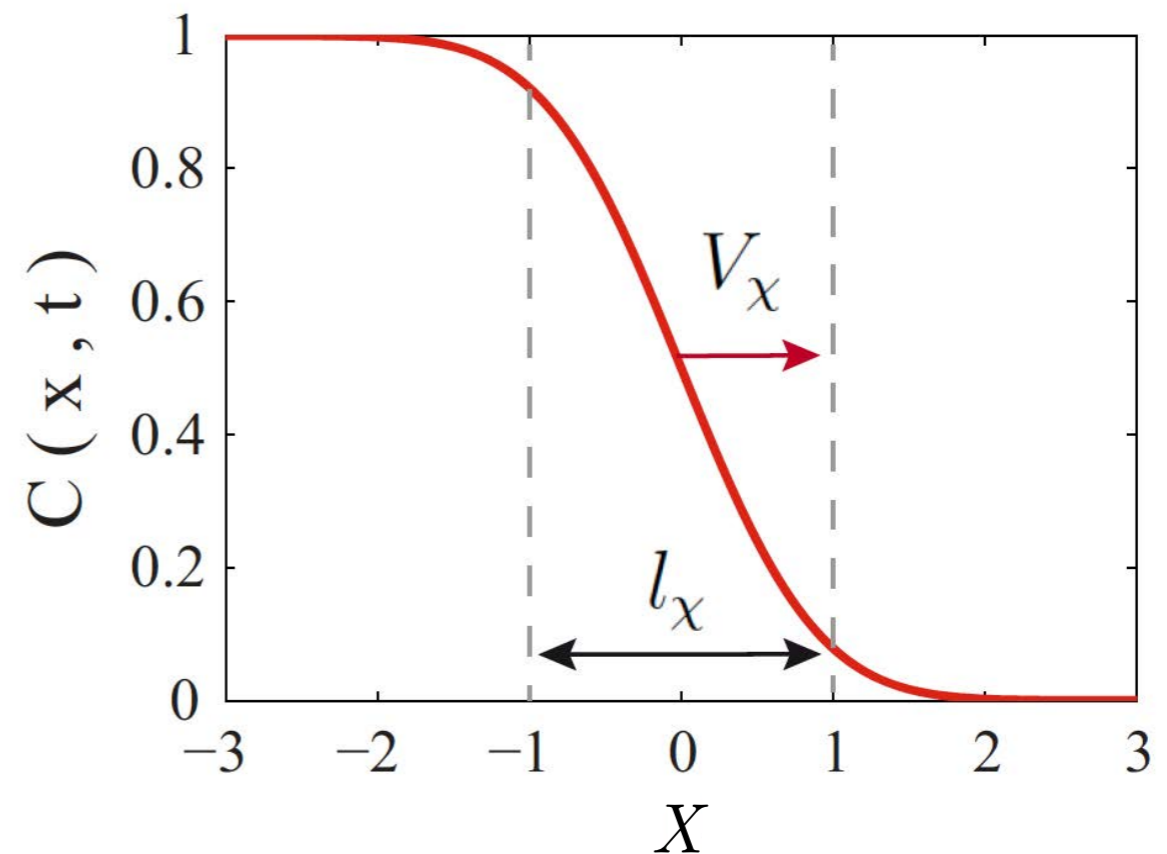
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→ resulting from the balance between diffusion and reaction

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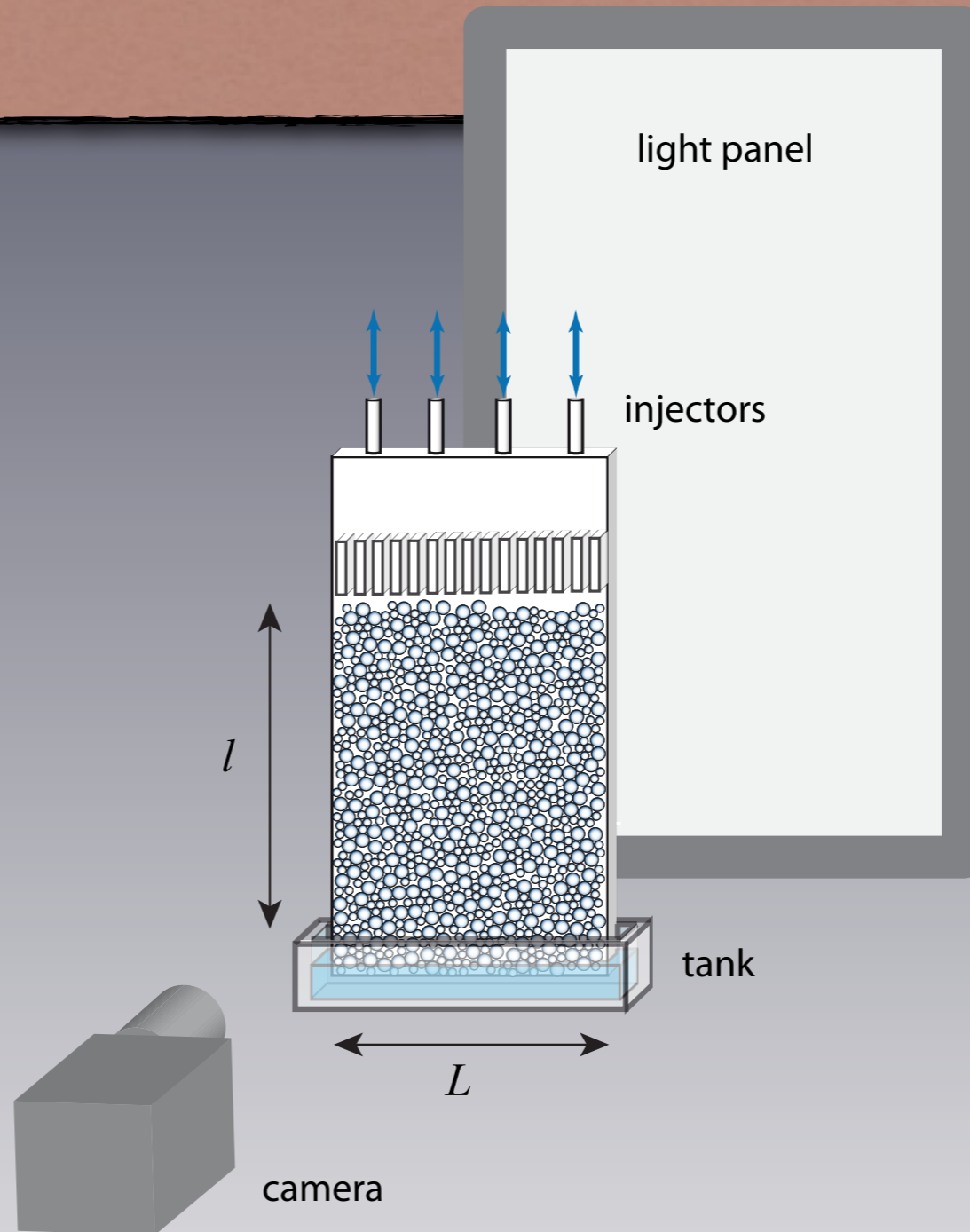
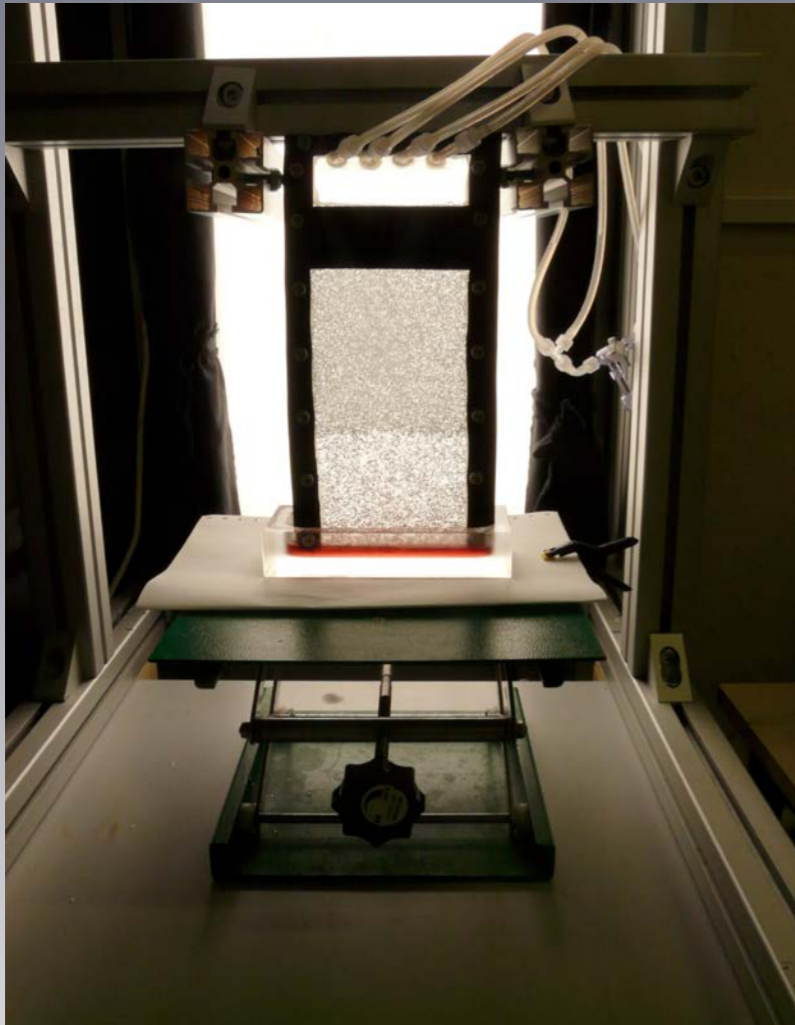
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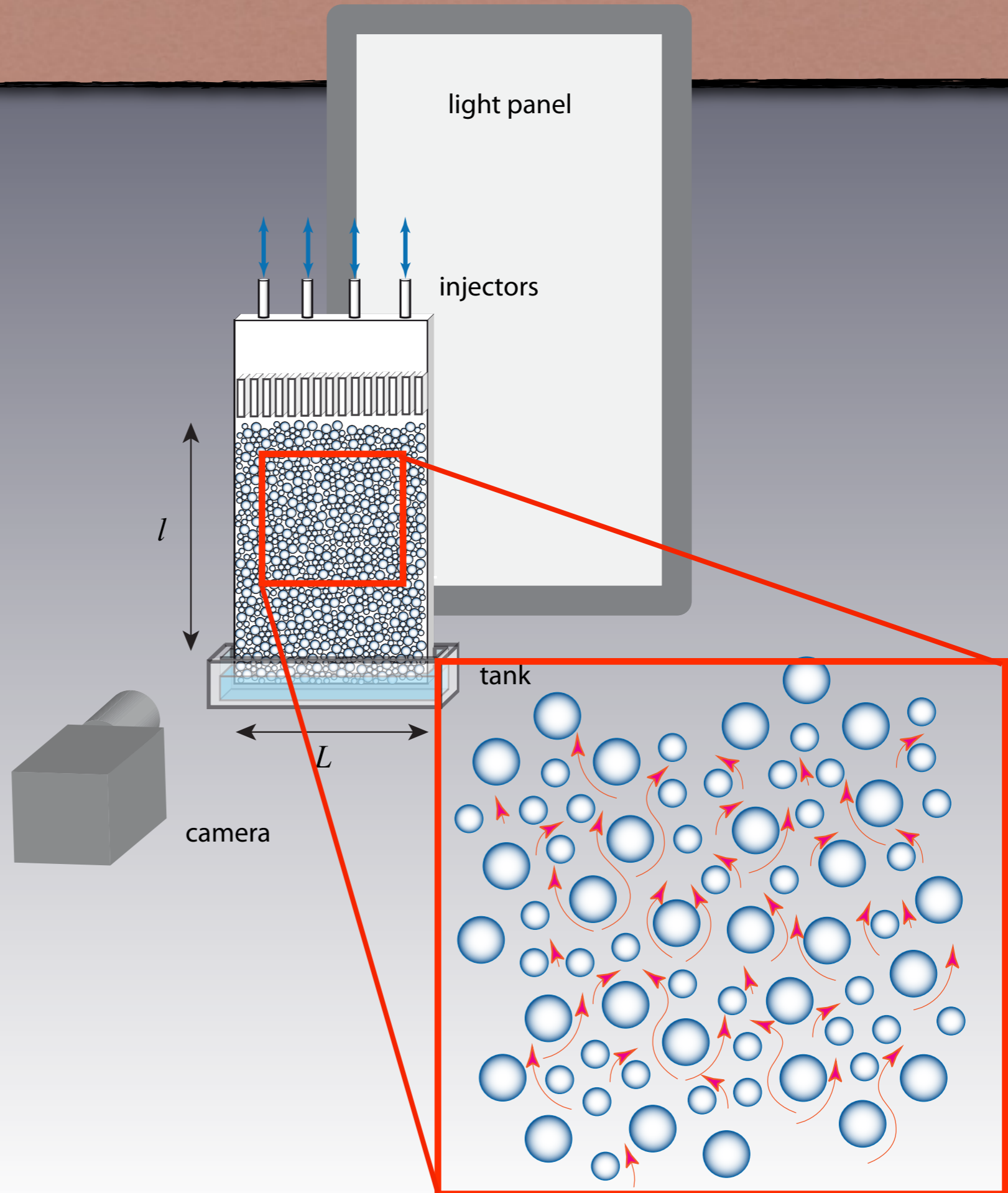
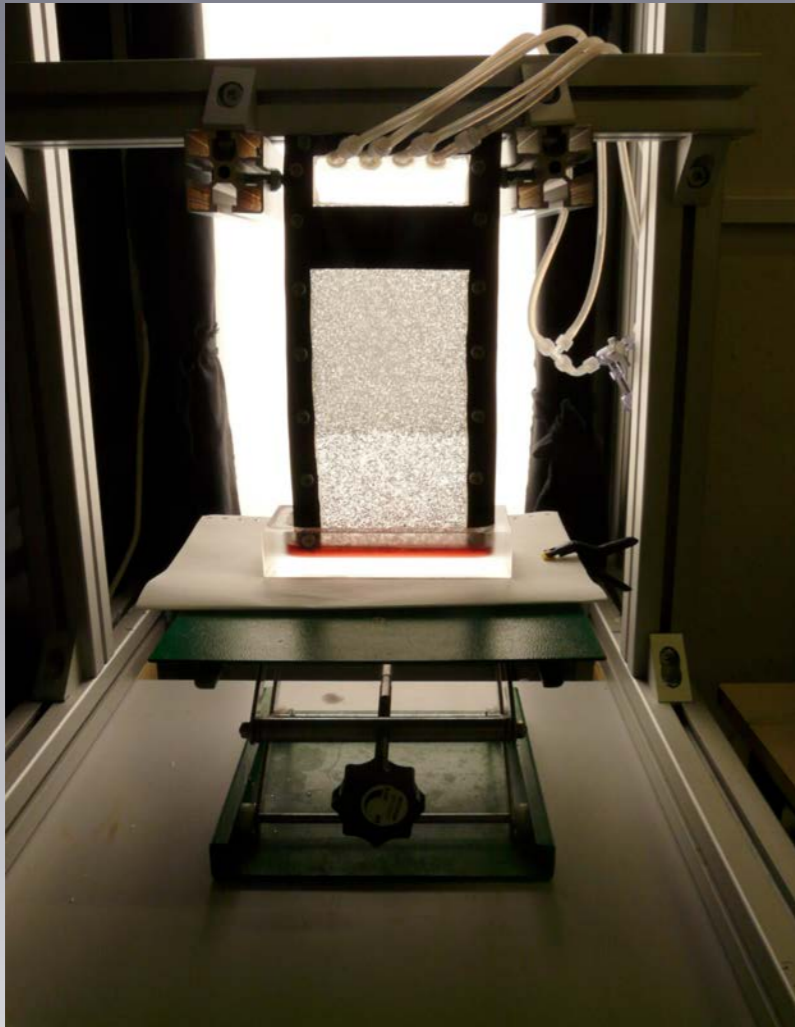


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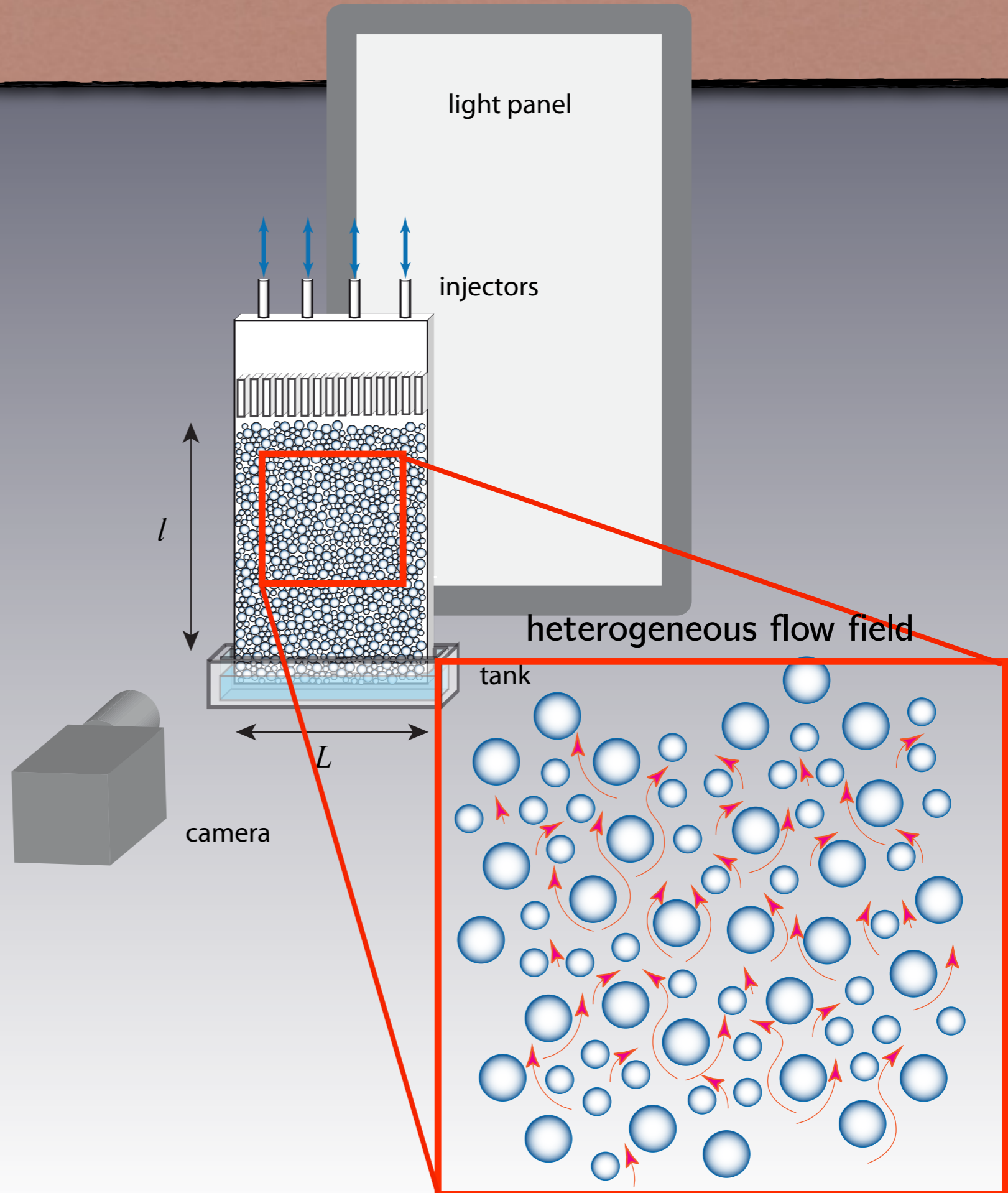
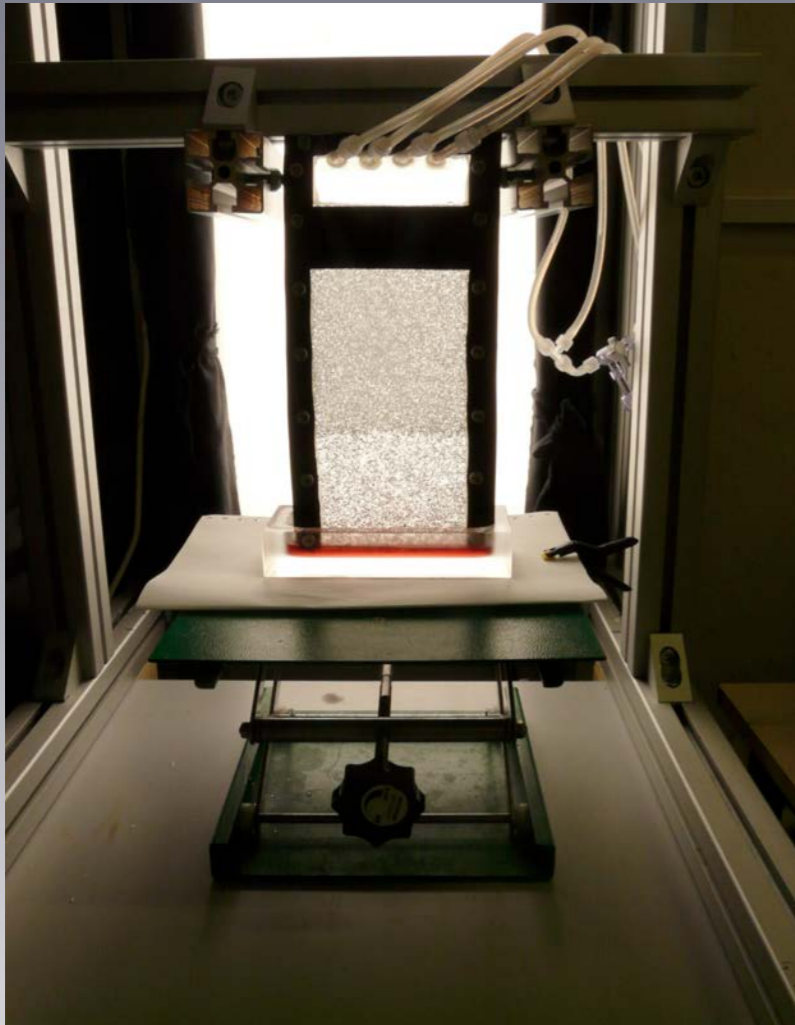


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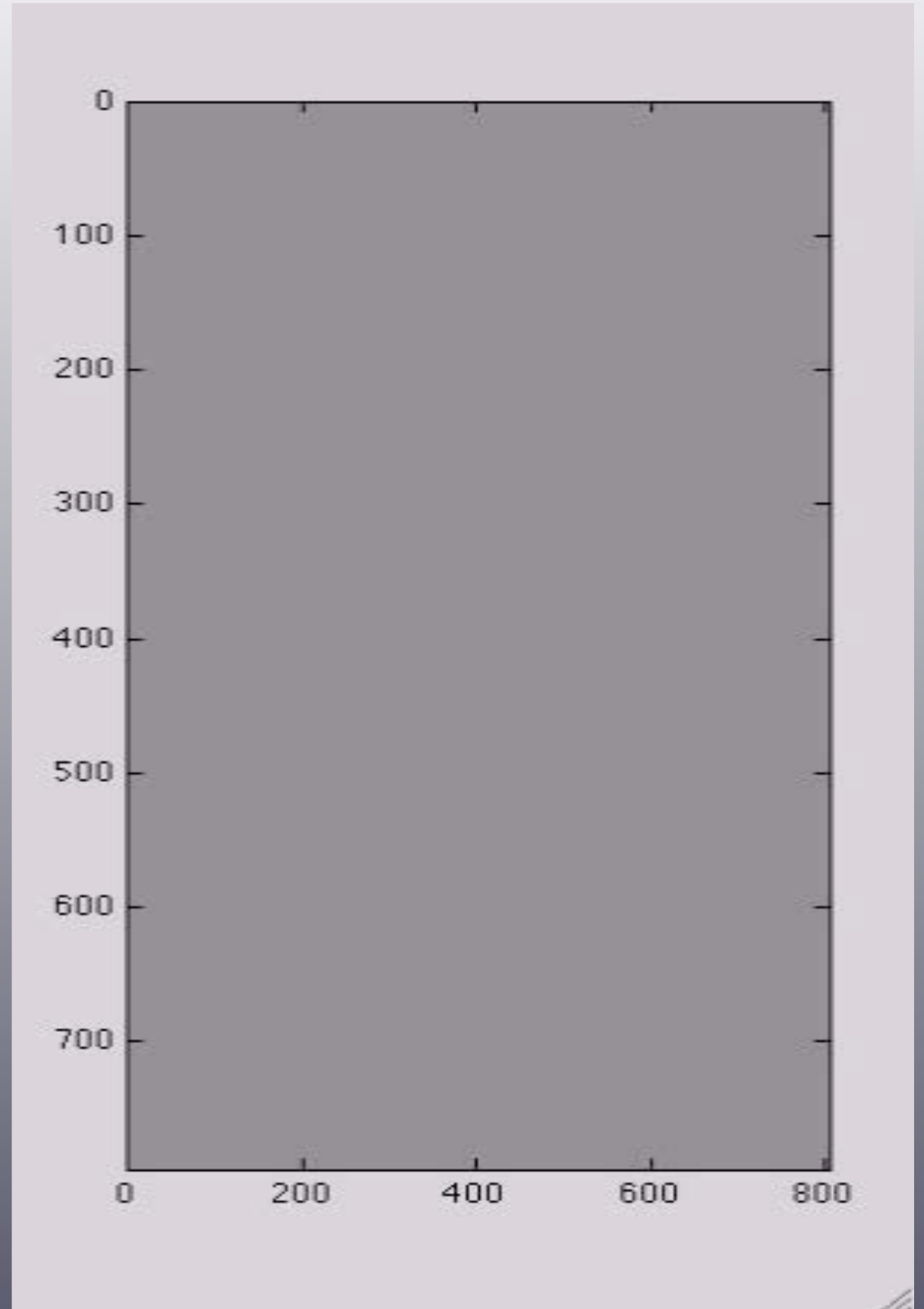
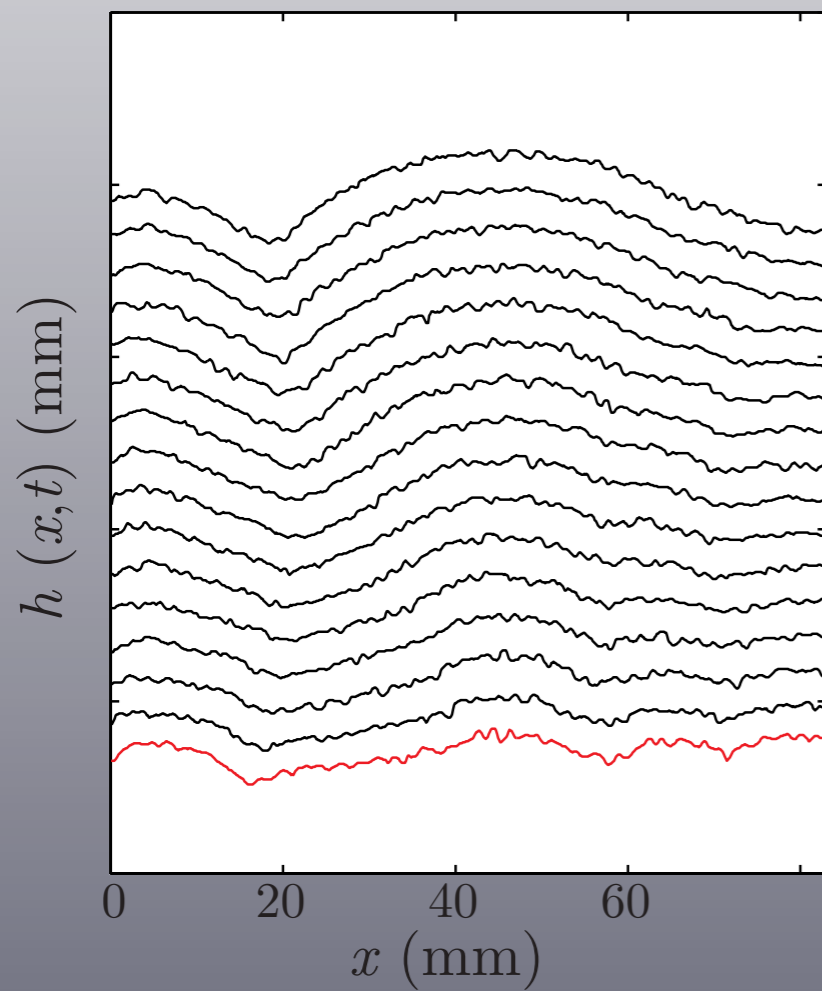


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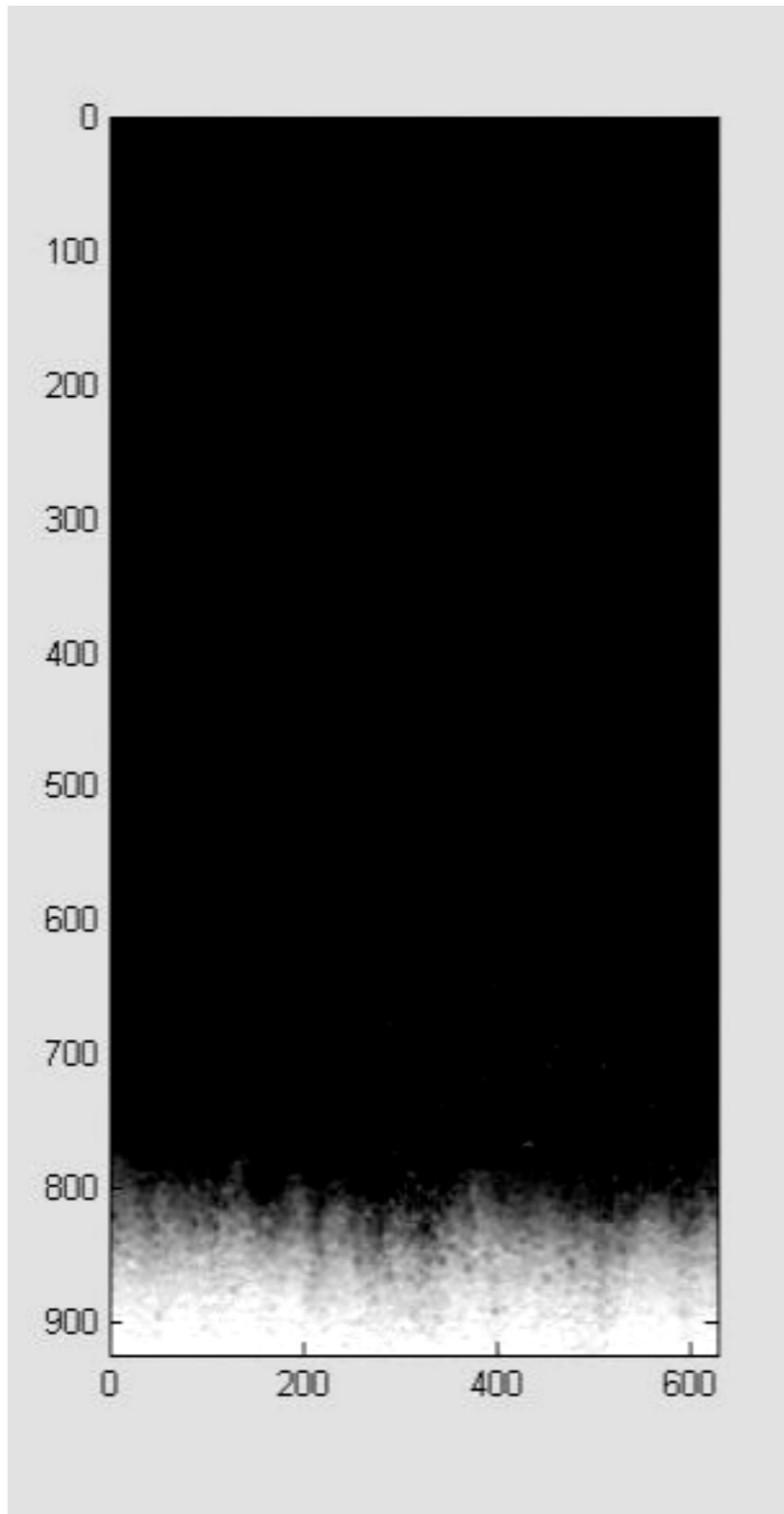


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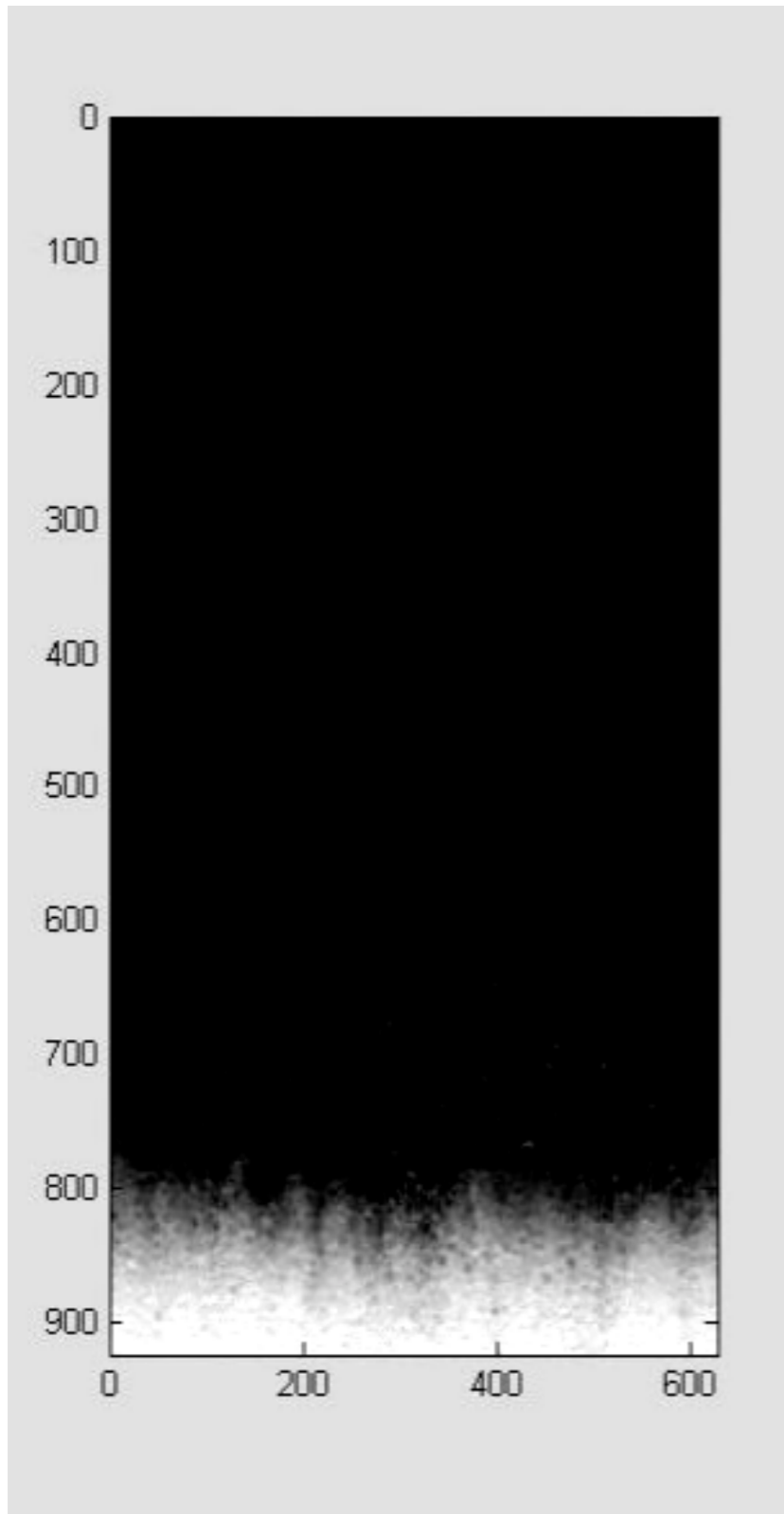
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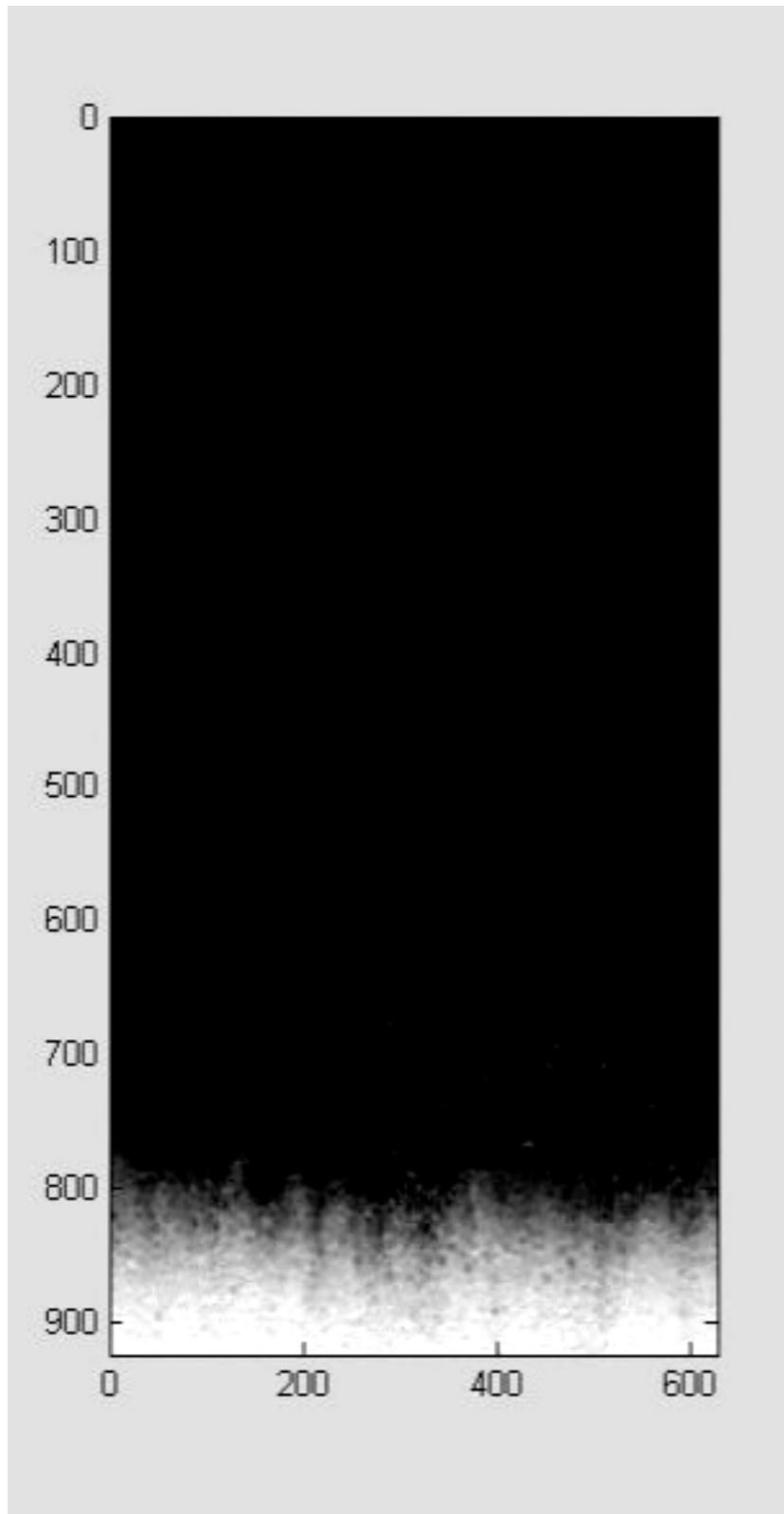


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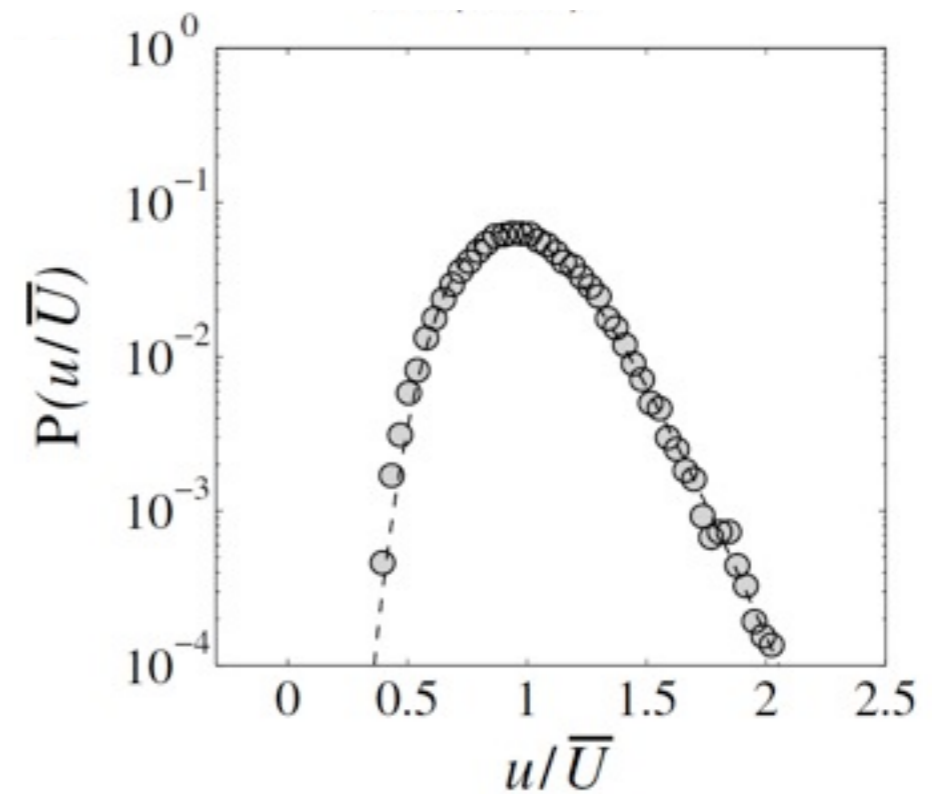
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[Lebond & al. 1997]

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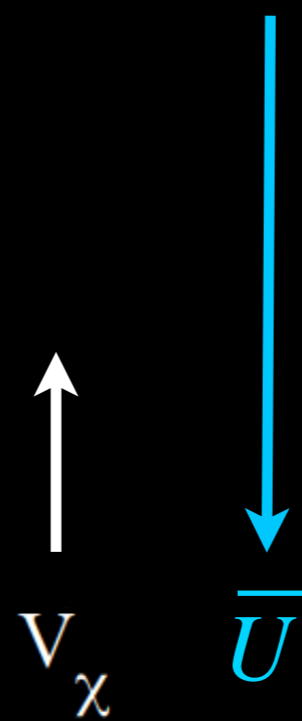
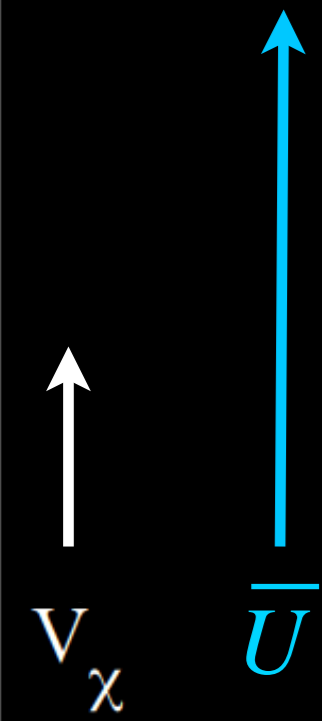
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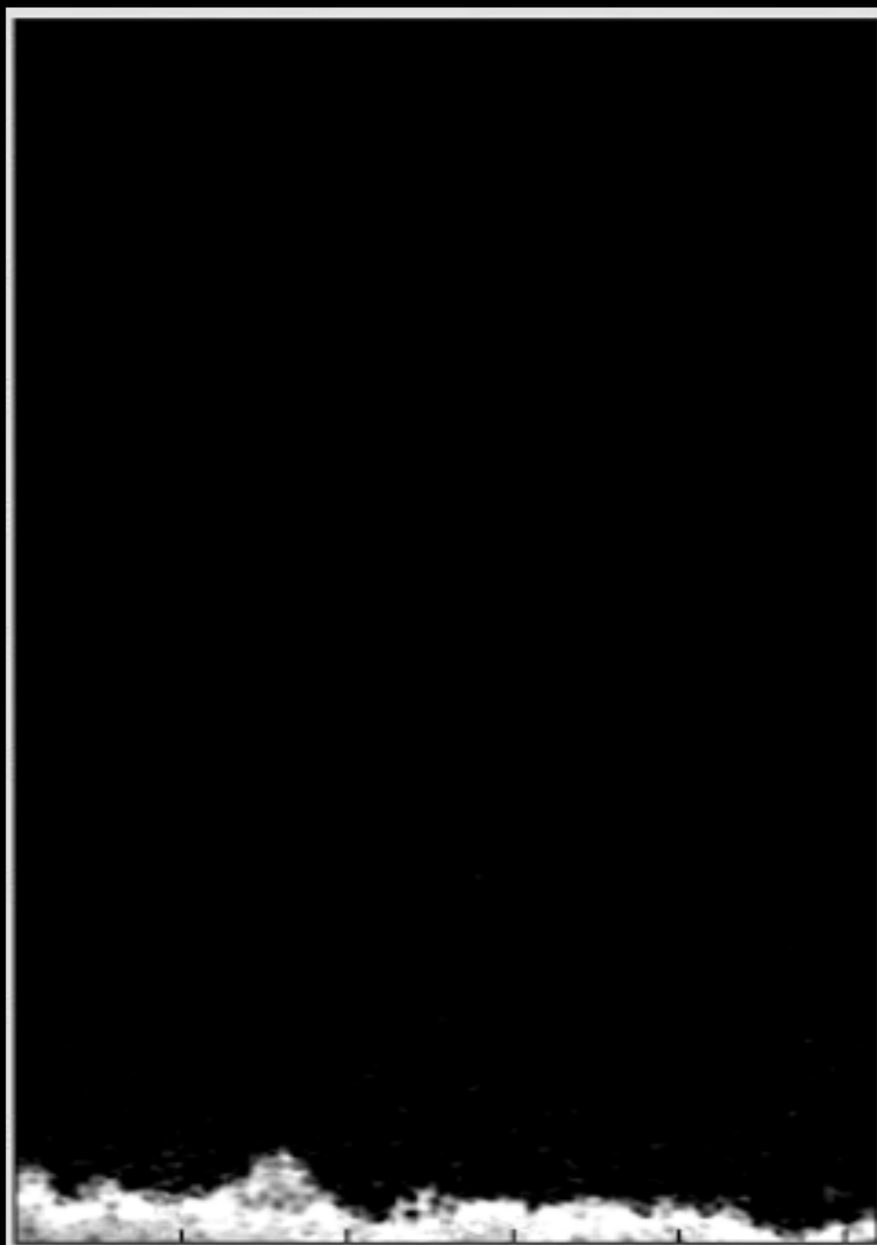
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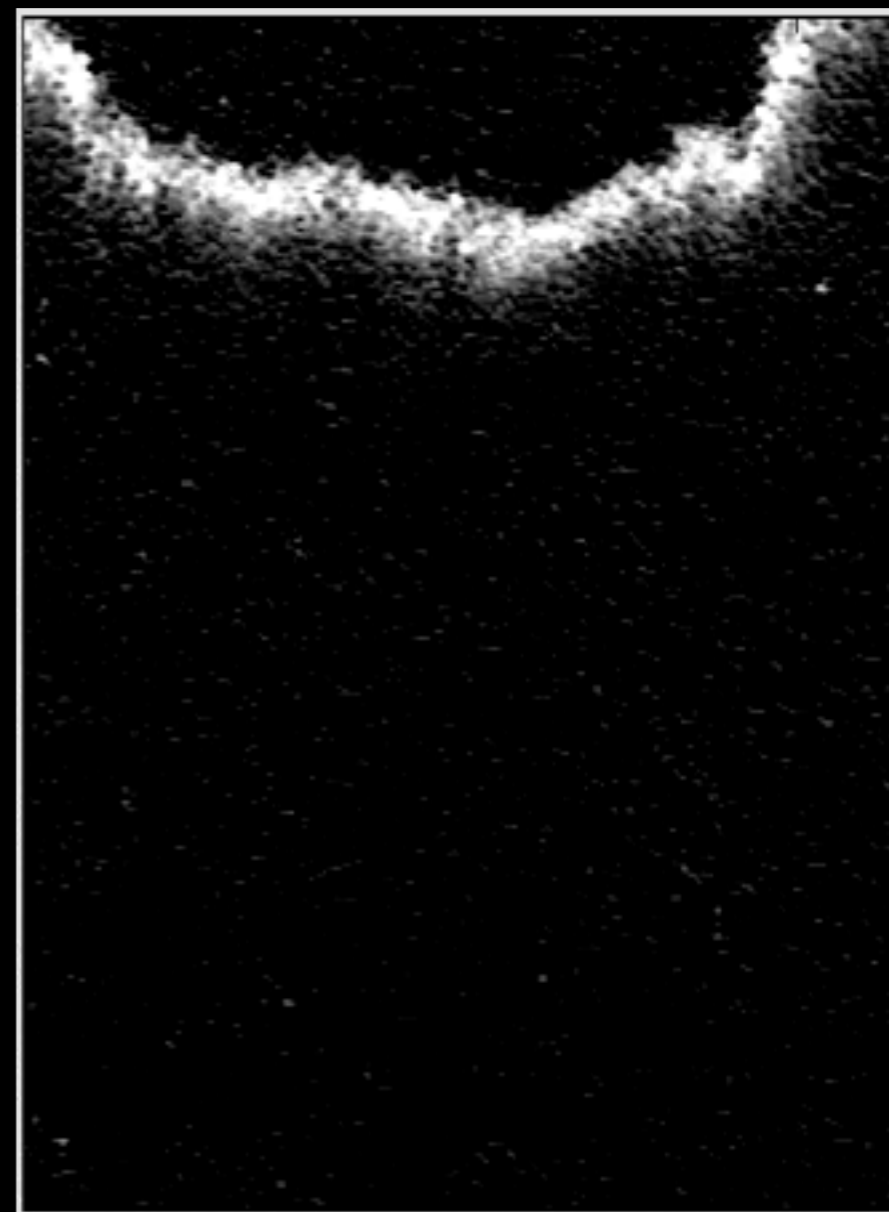
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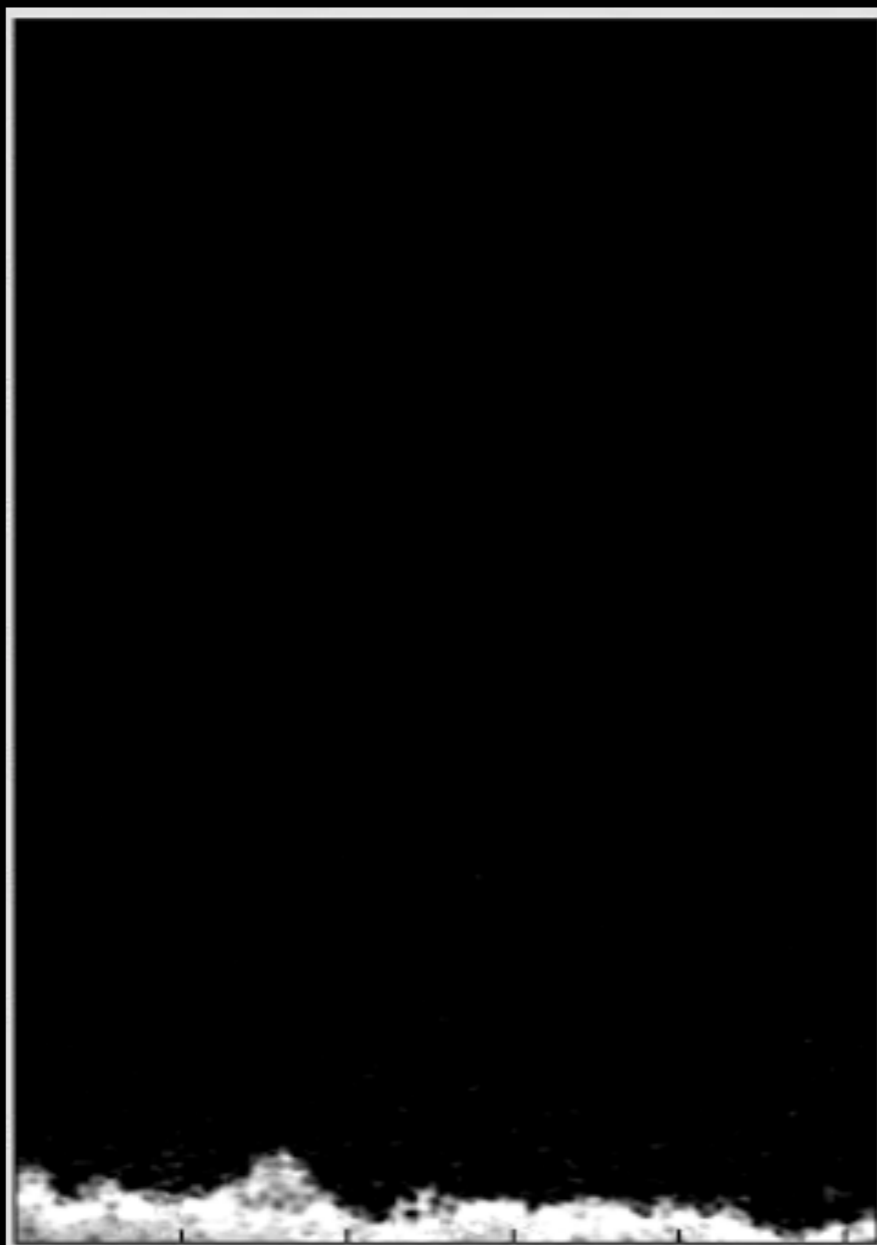
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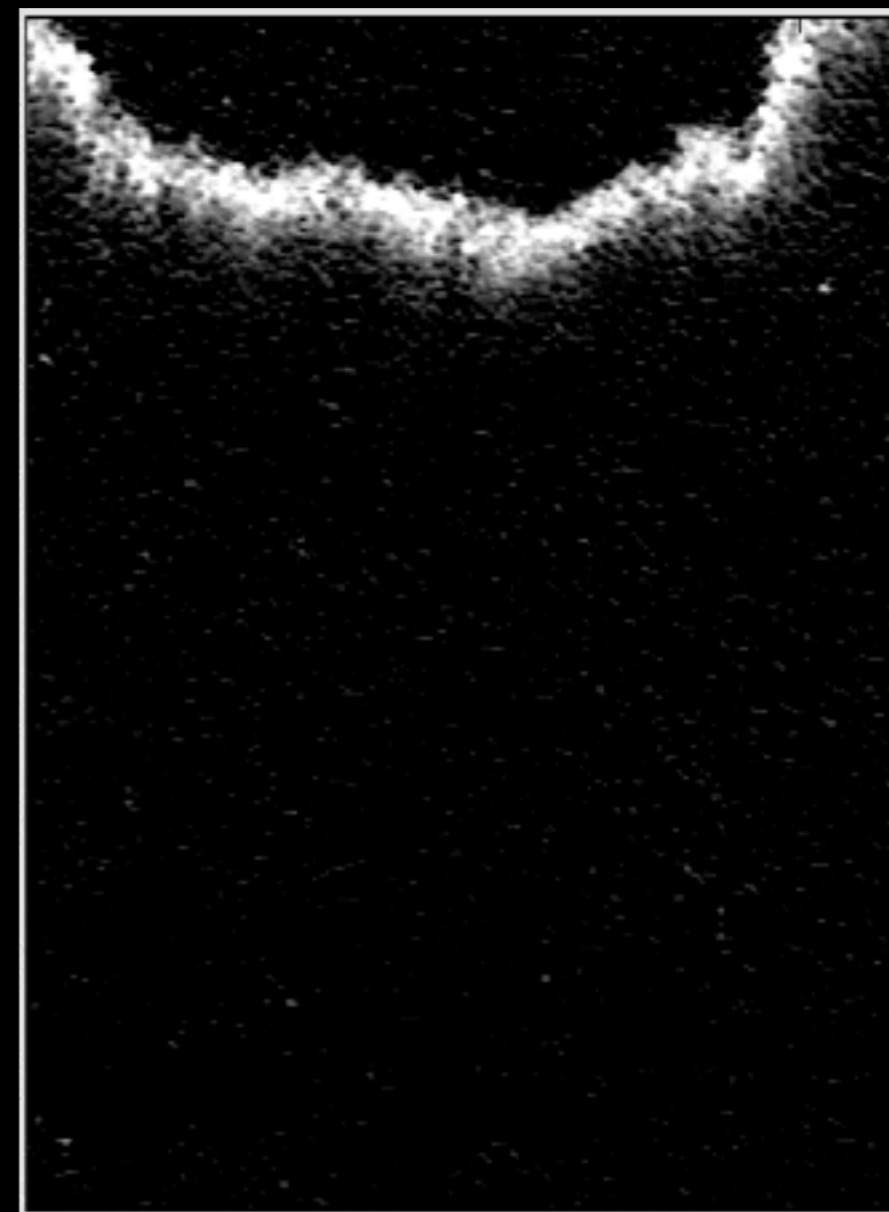
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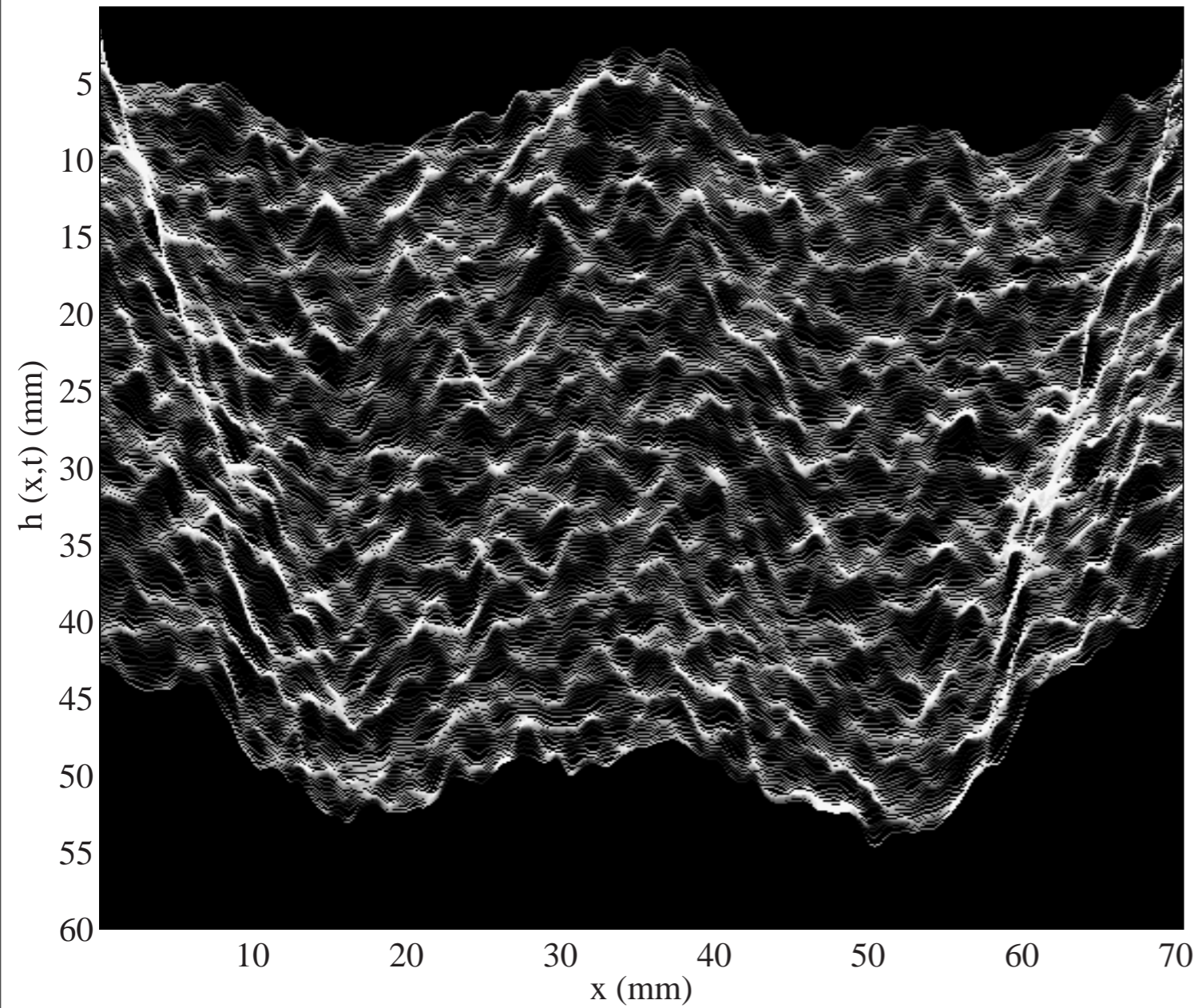


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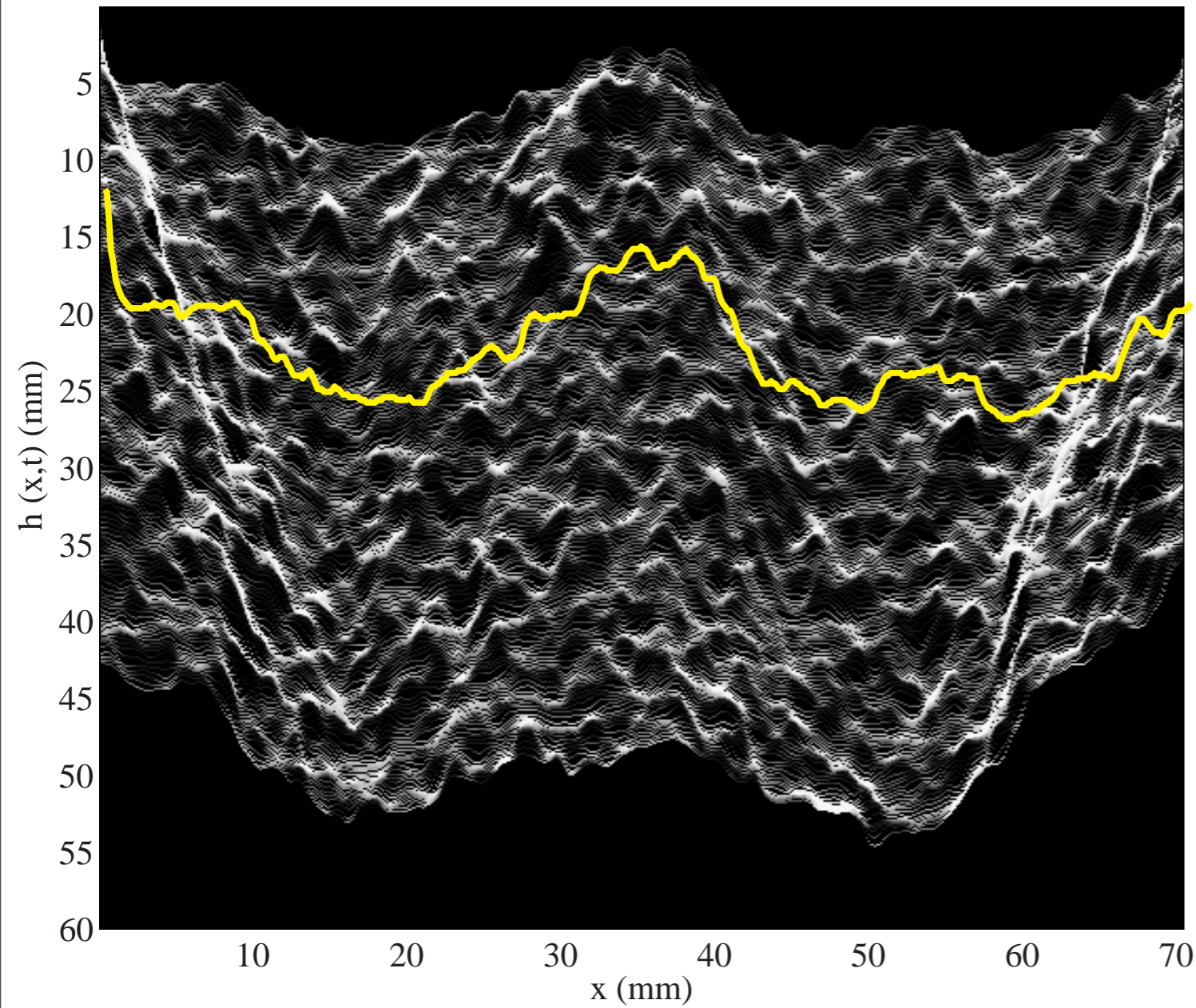
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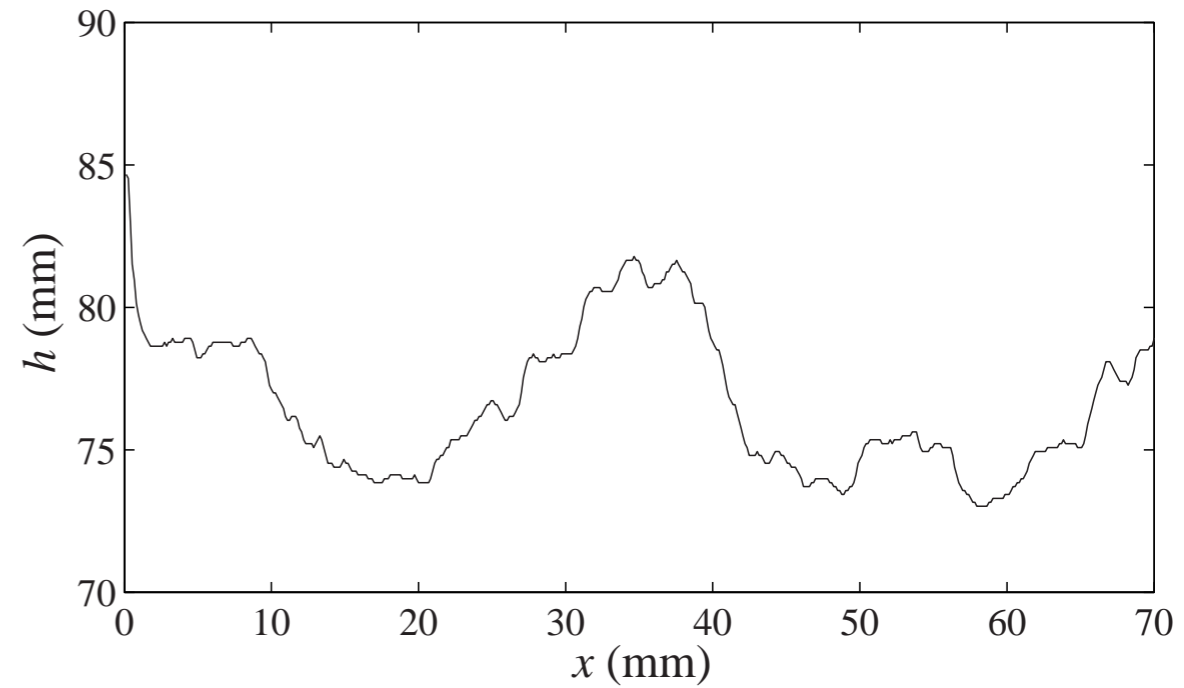
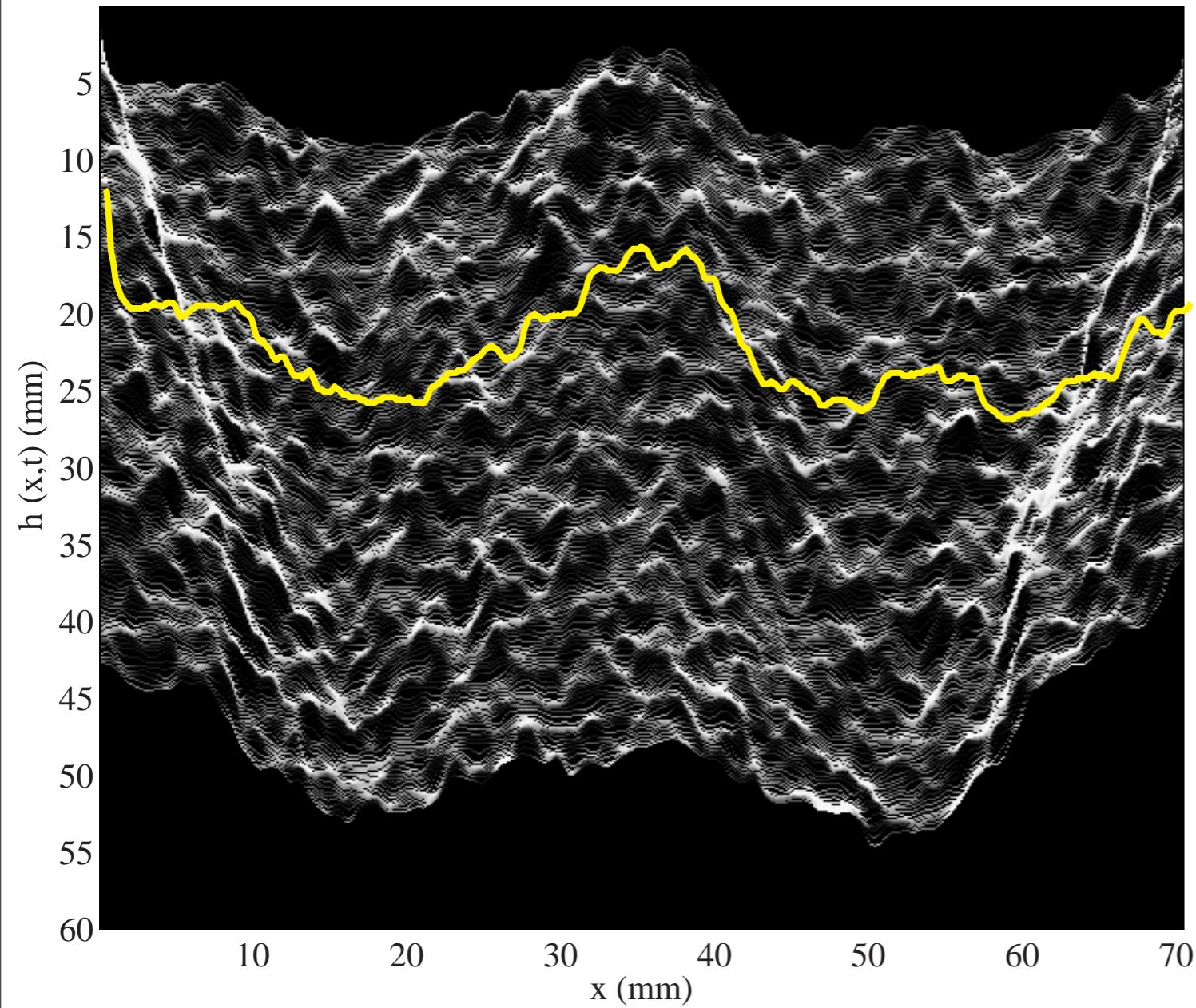
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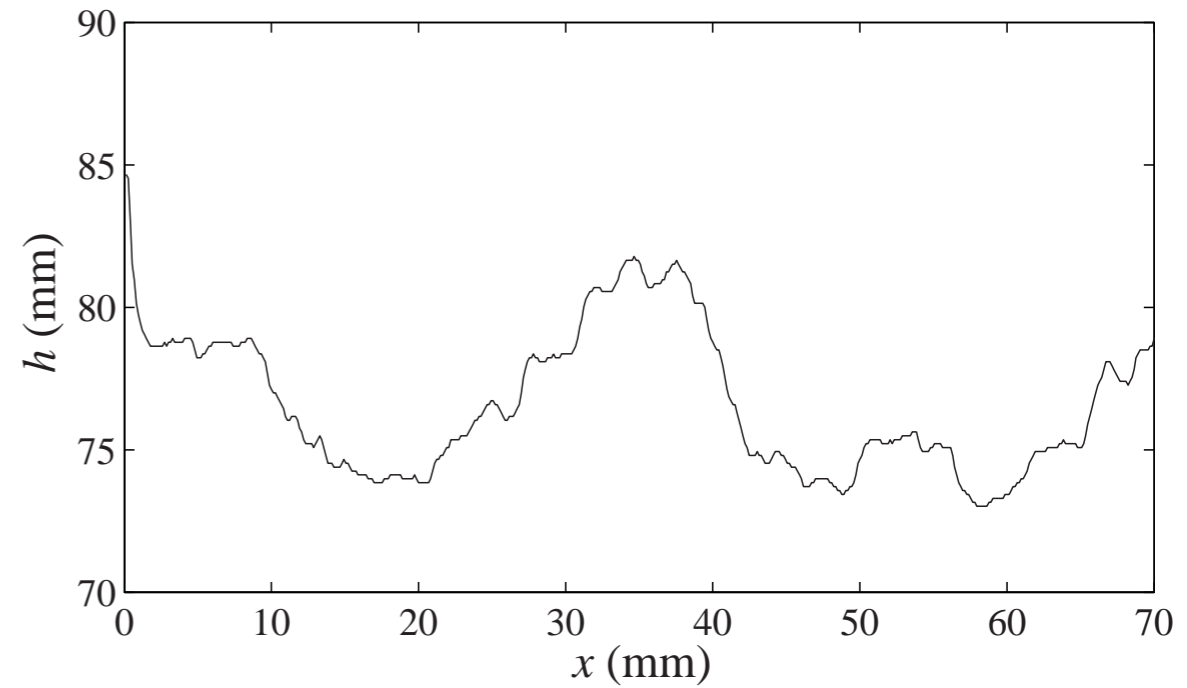
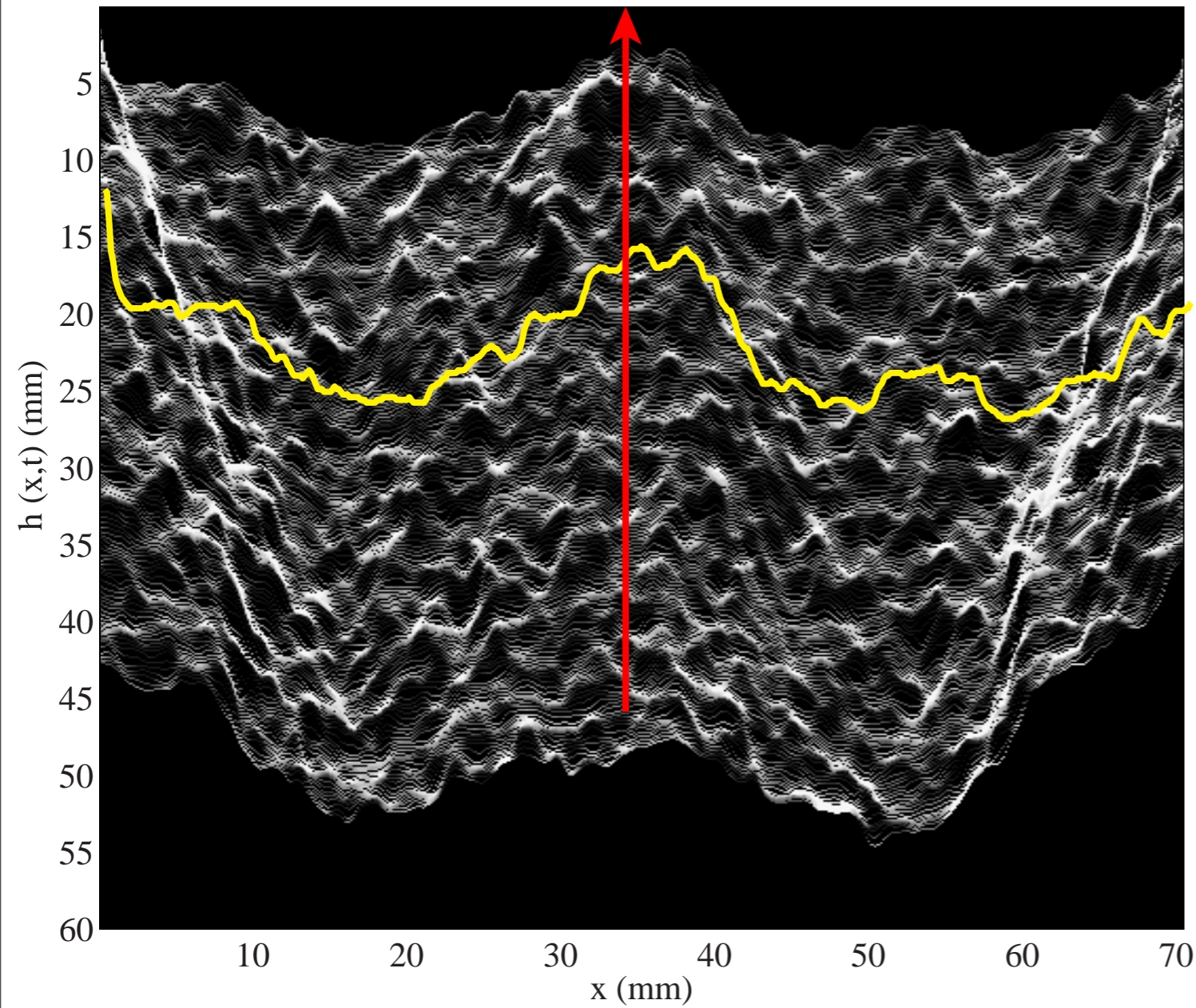
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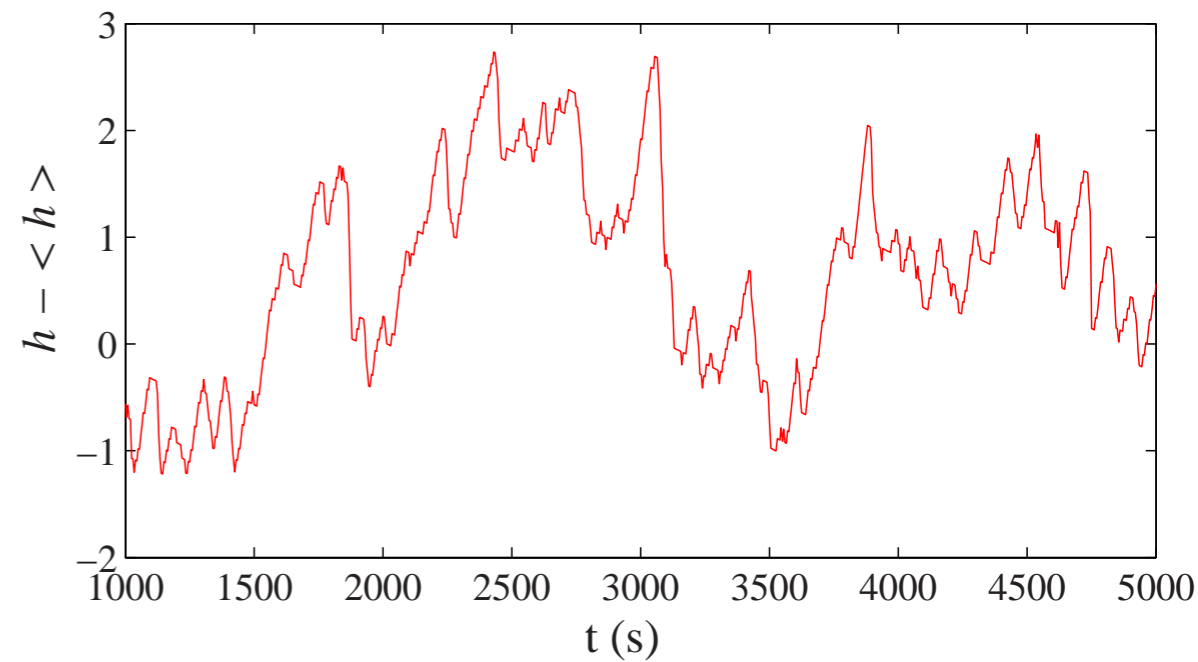
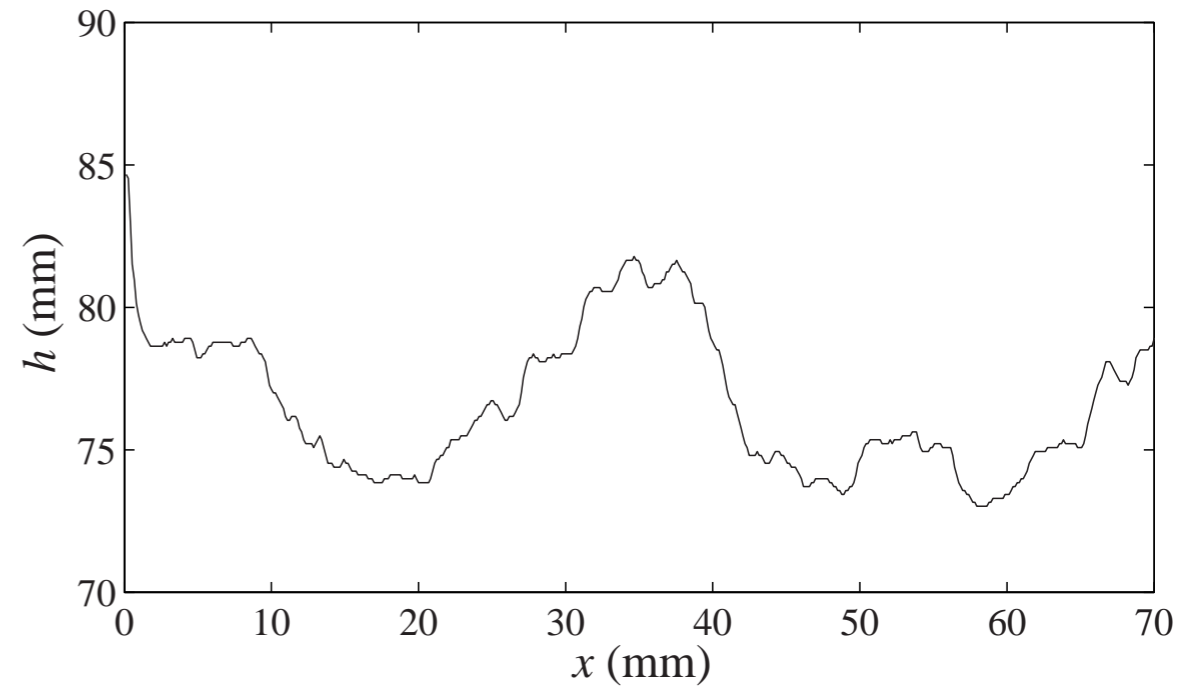
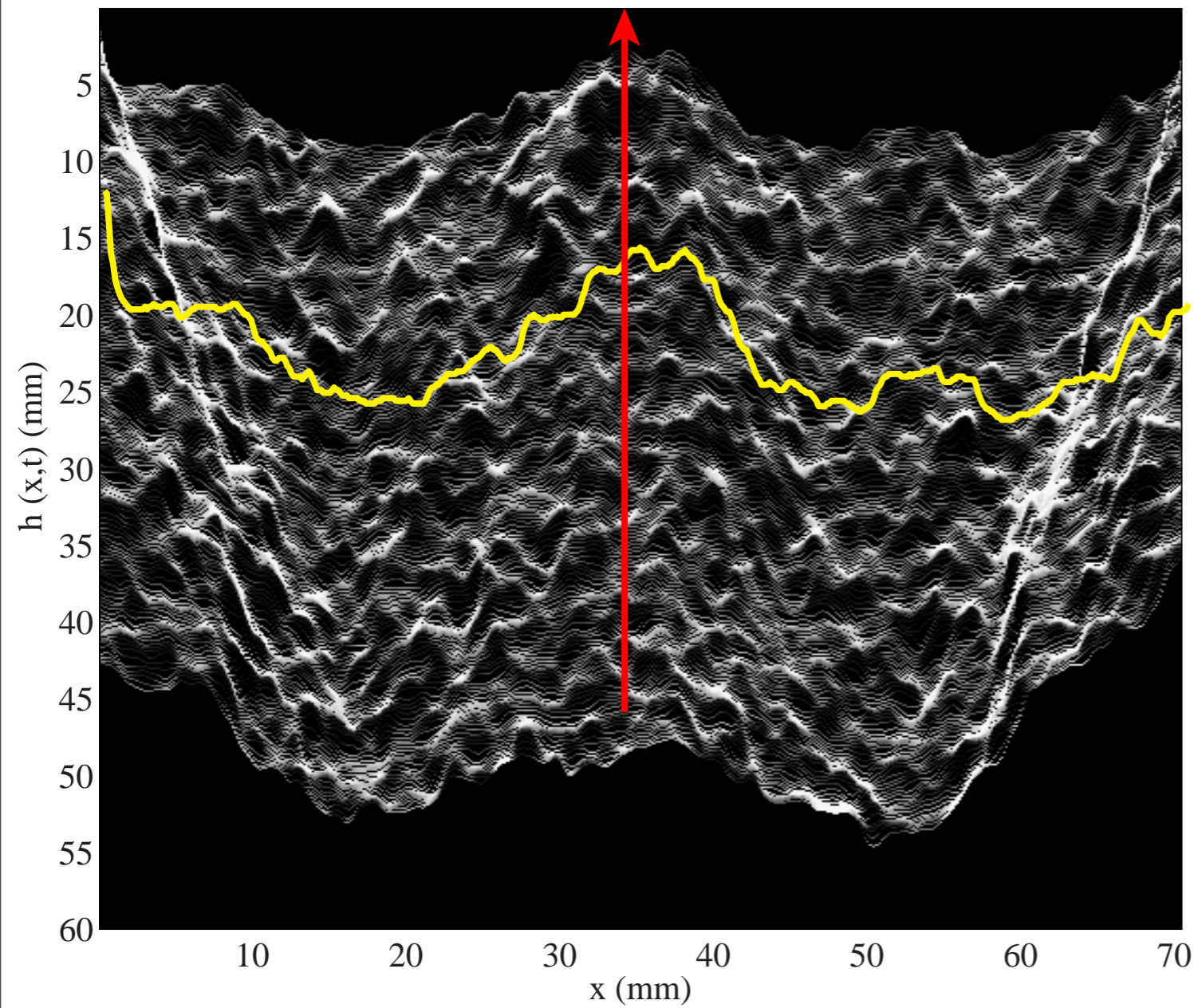
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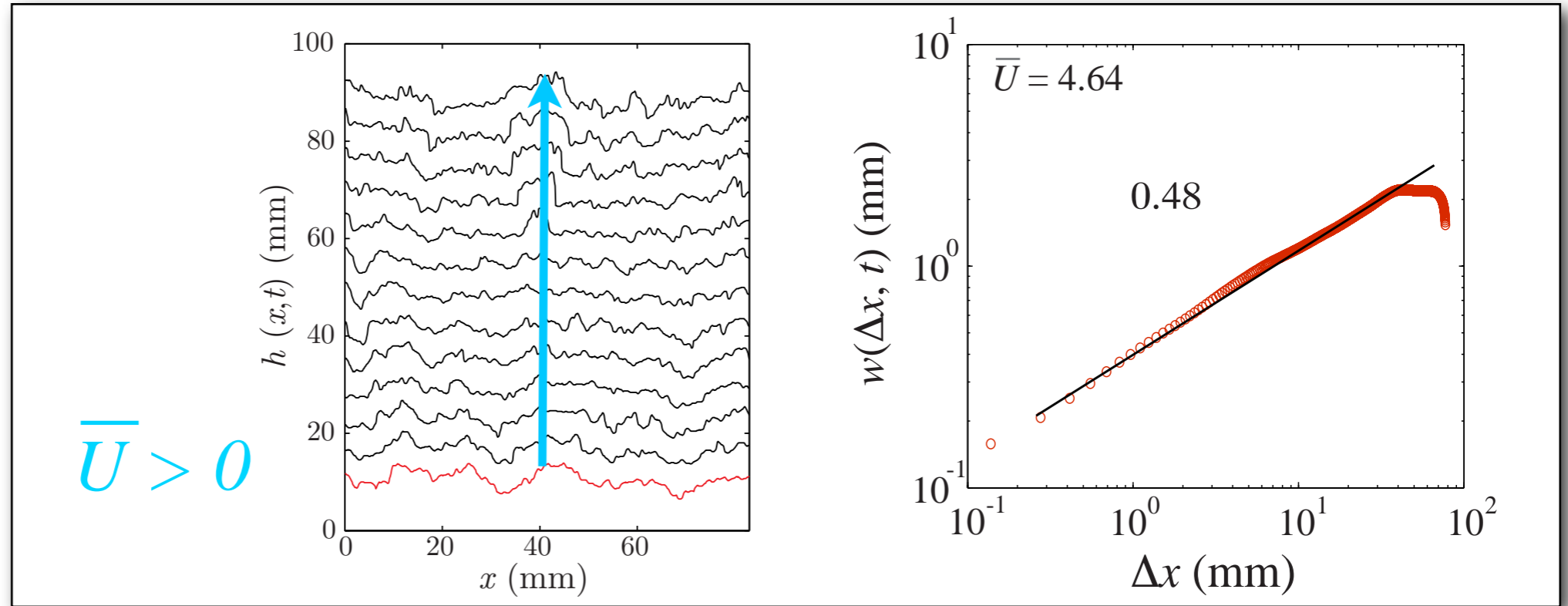
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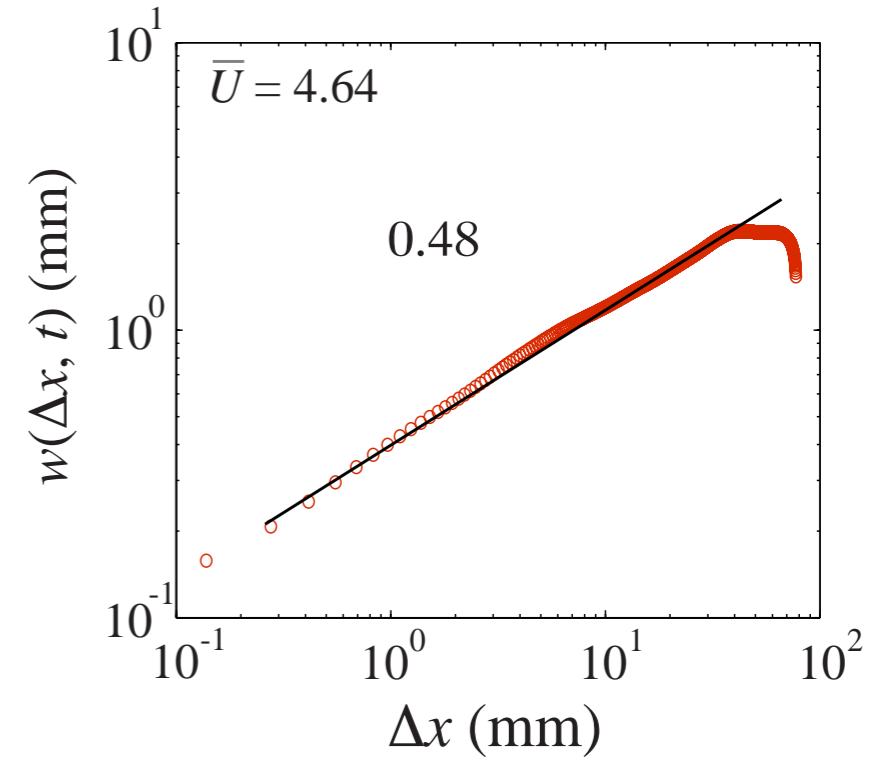
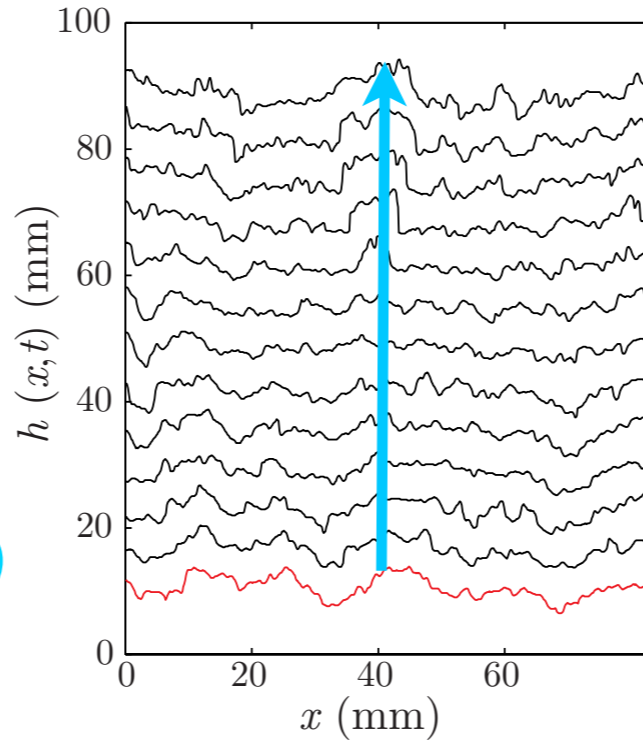
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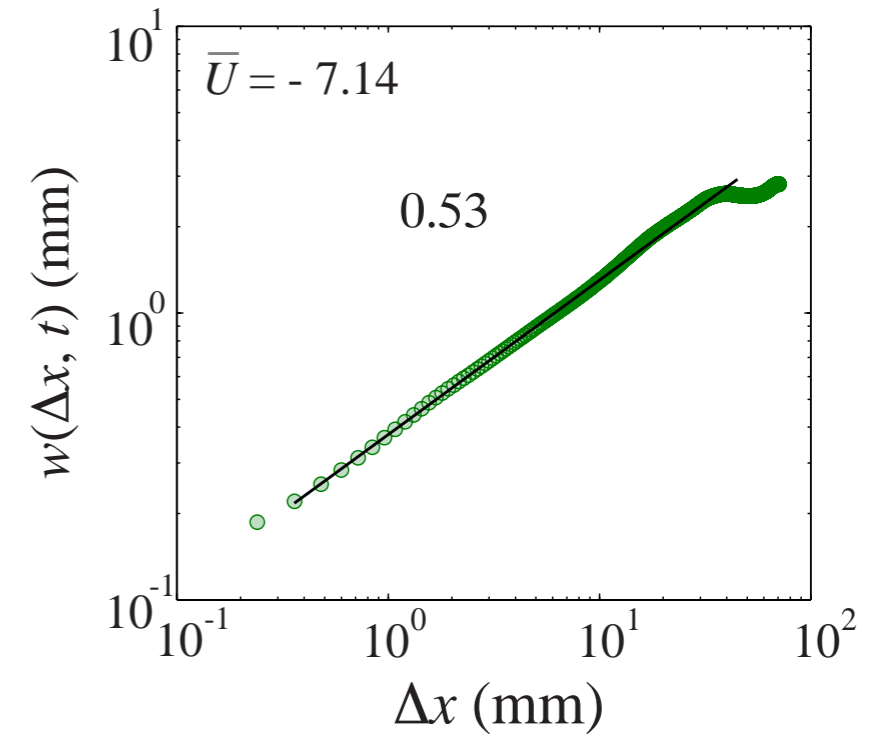
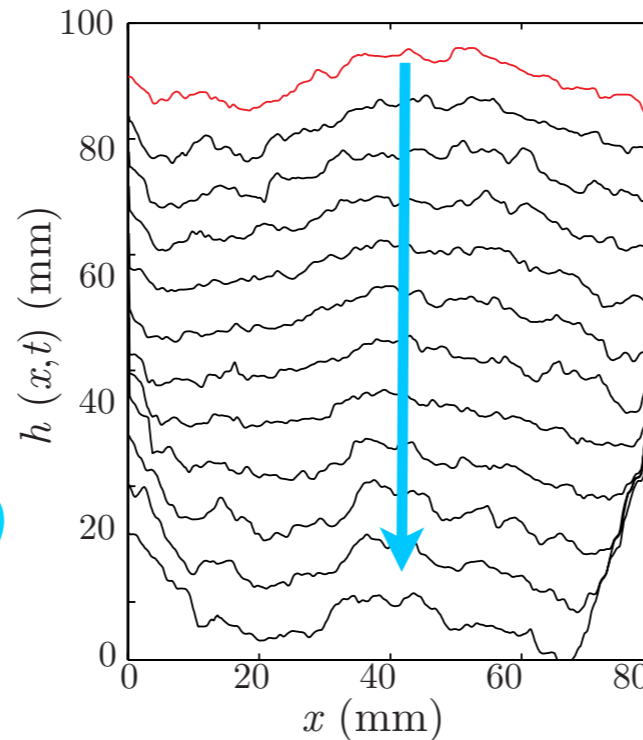
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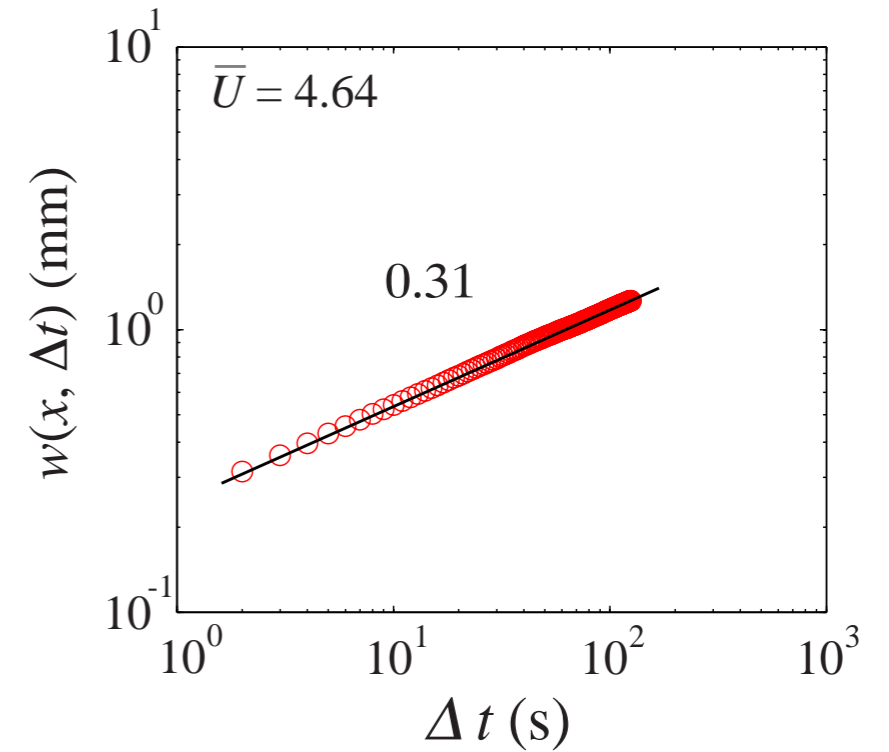
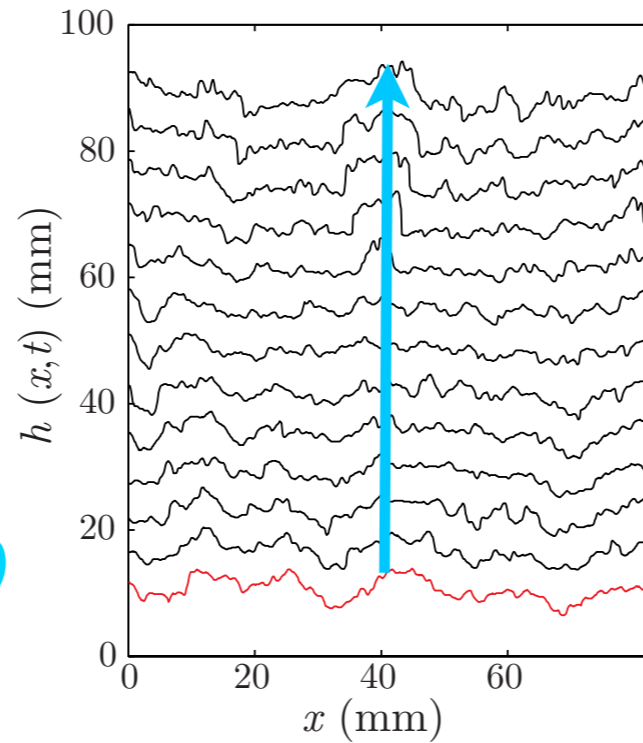
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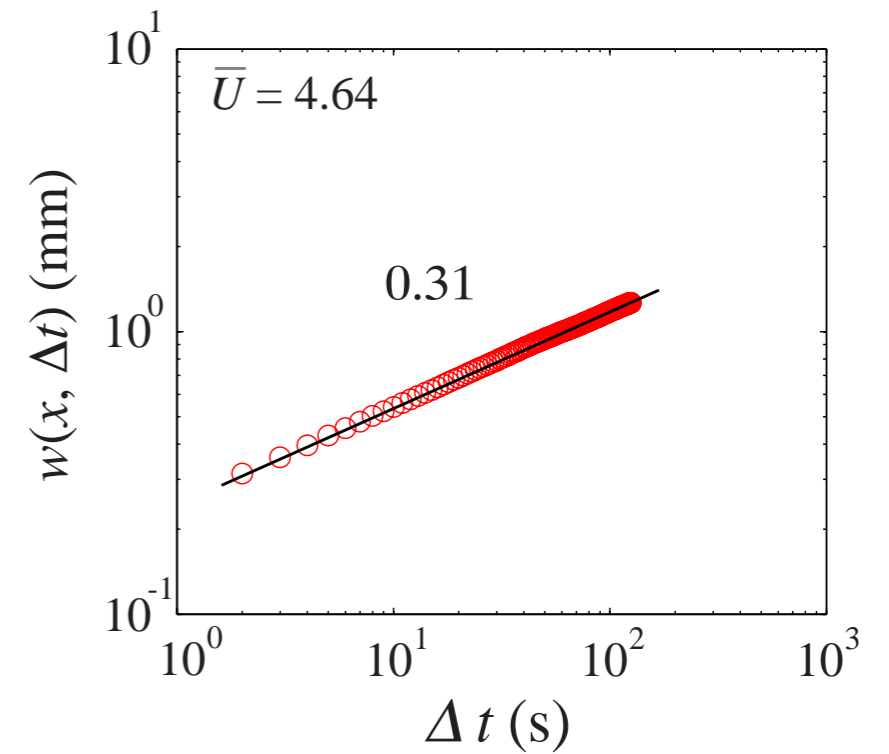
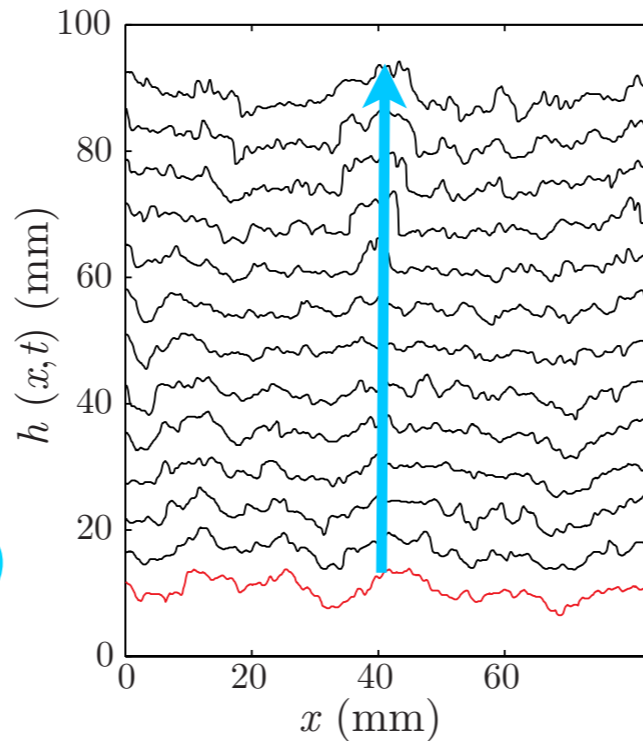
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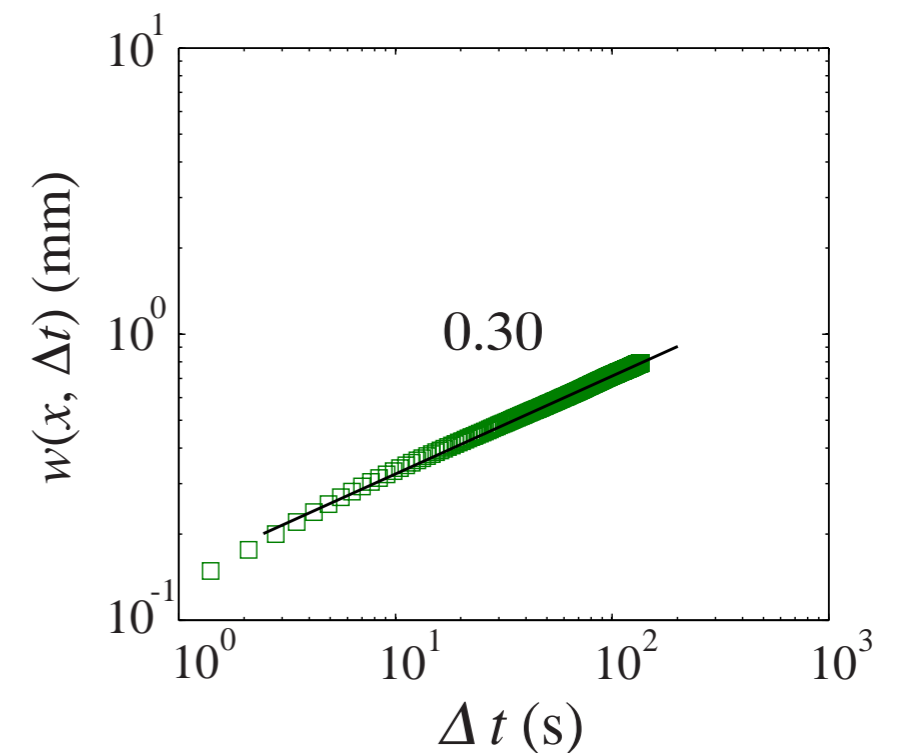
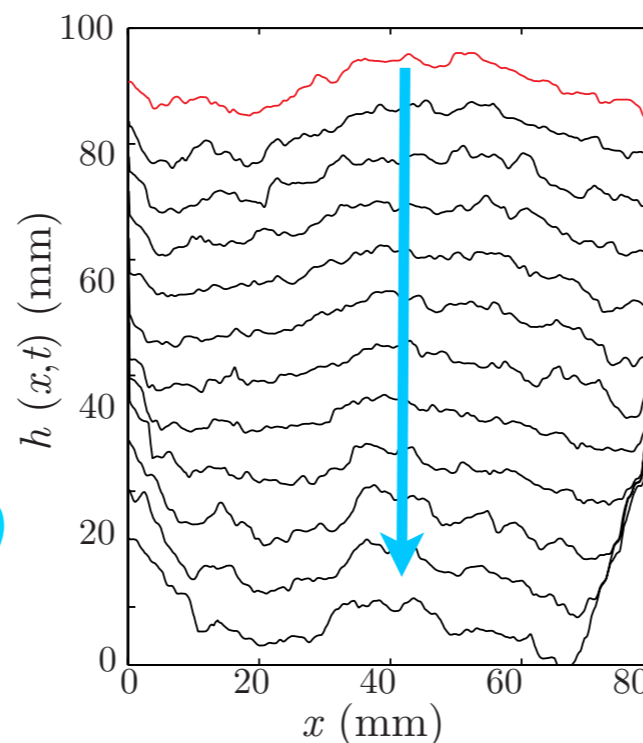
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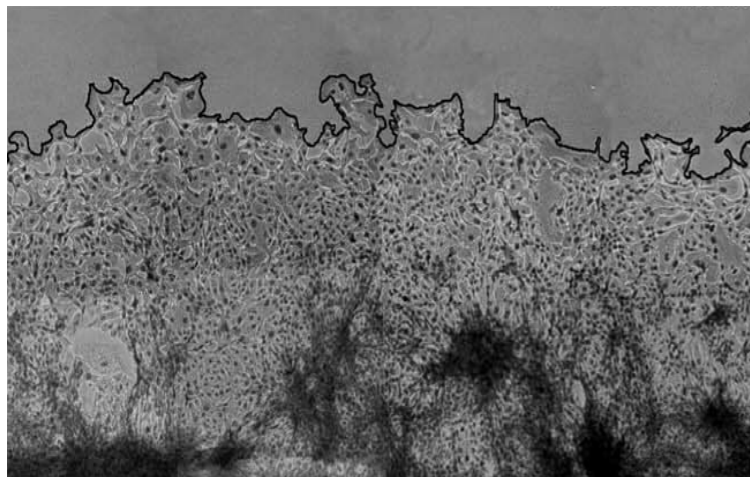
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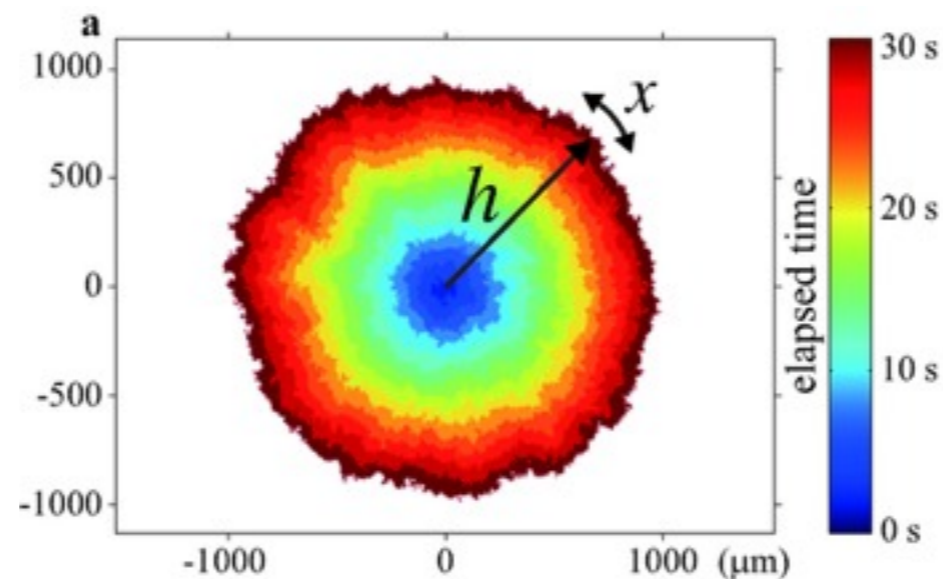
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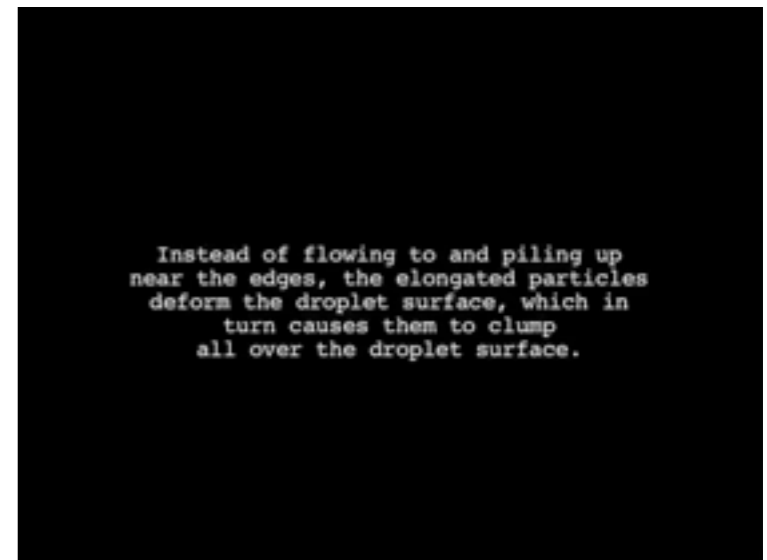
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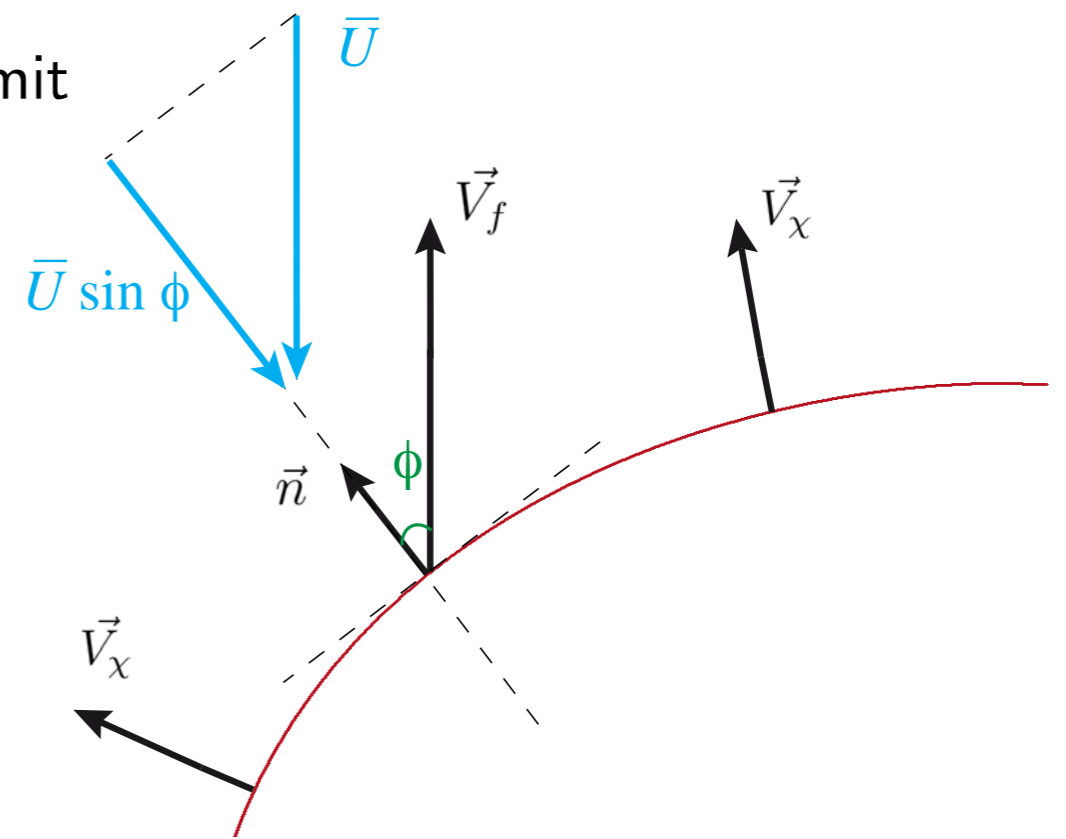
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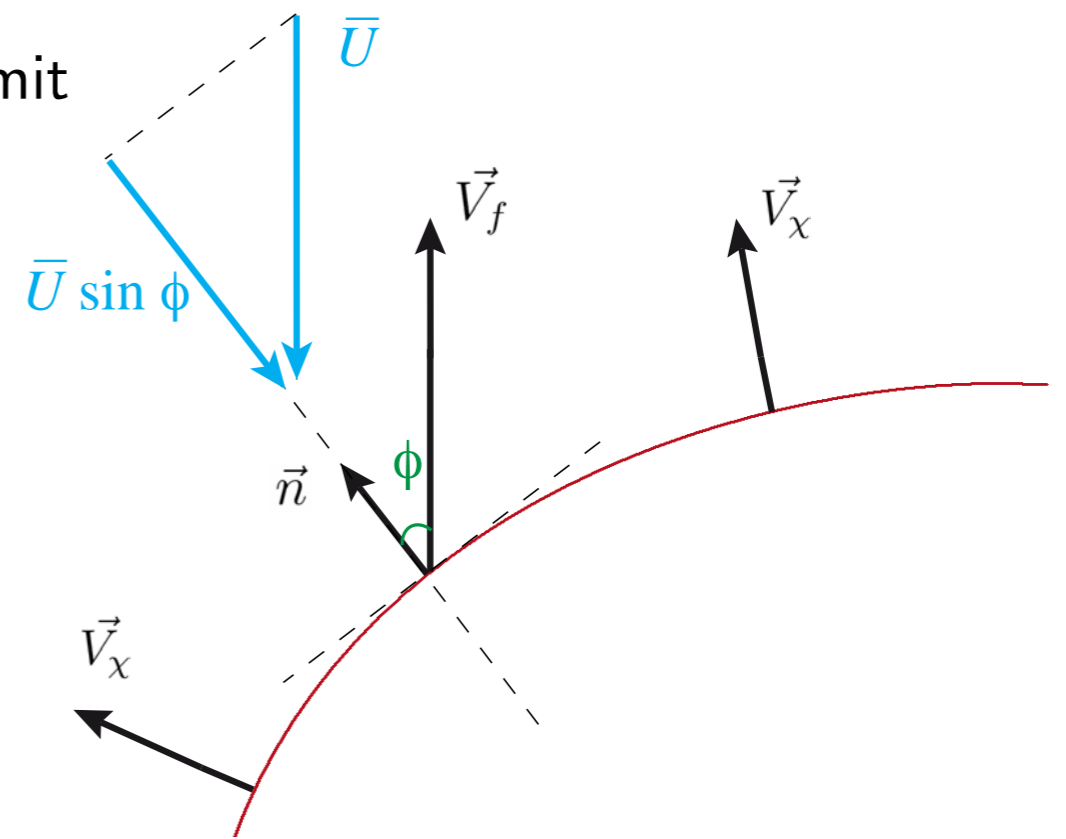
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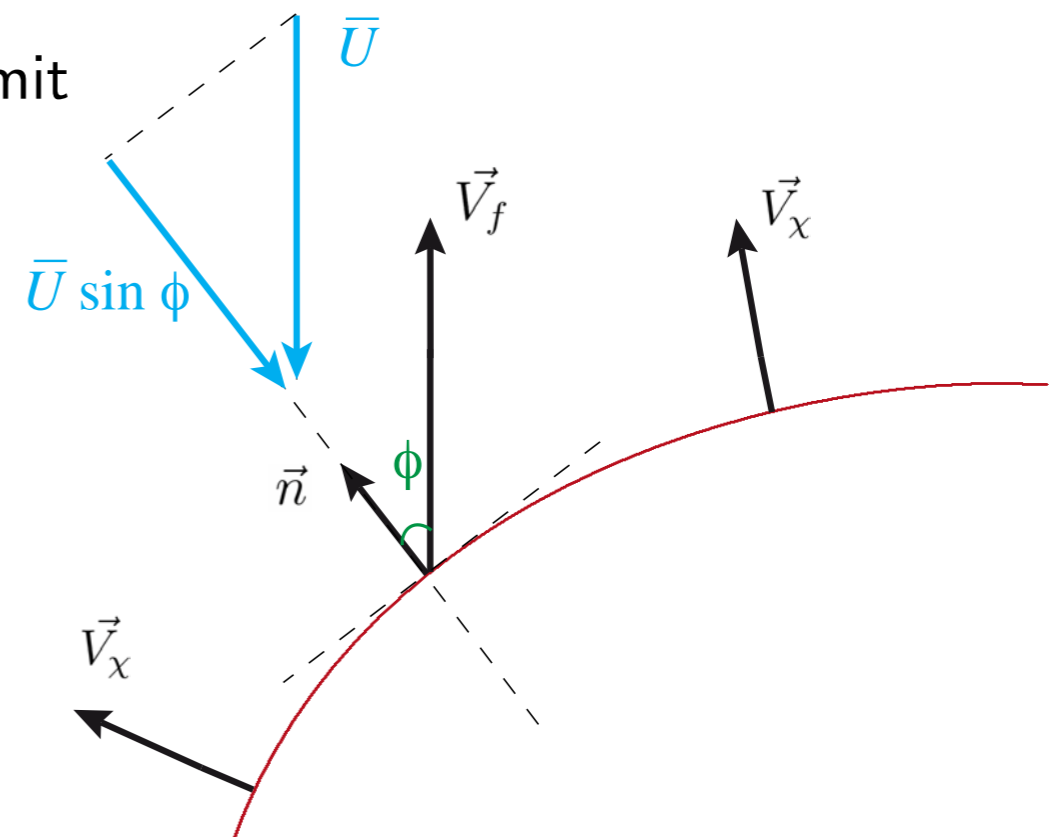
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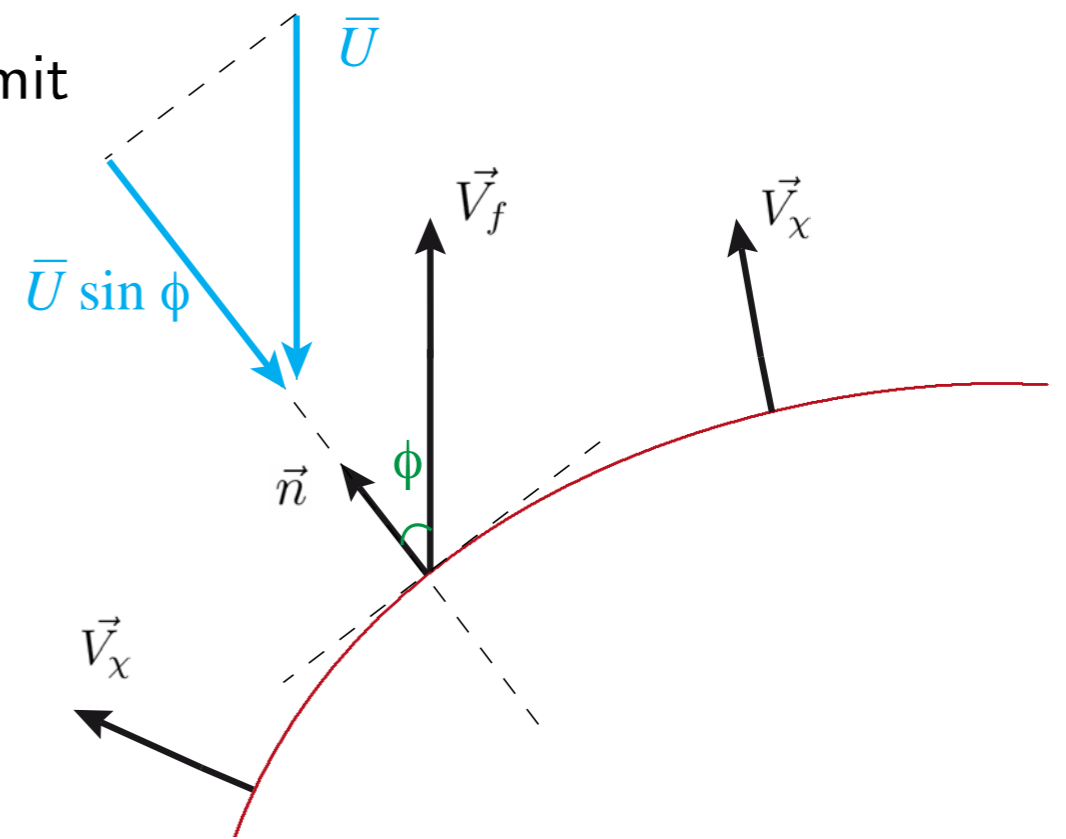
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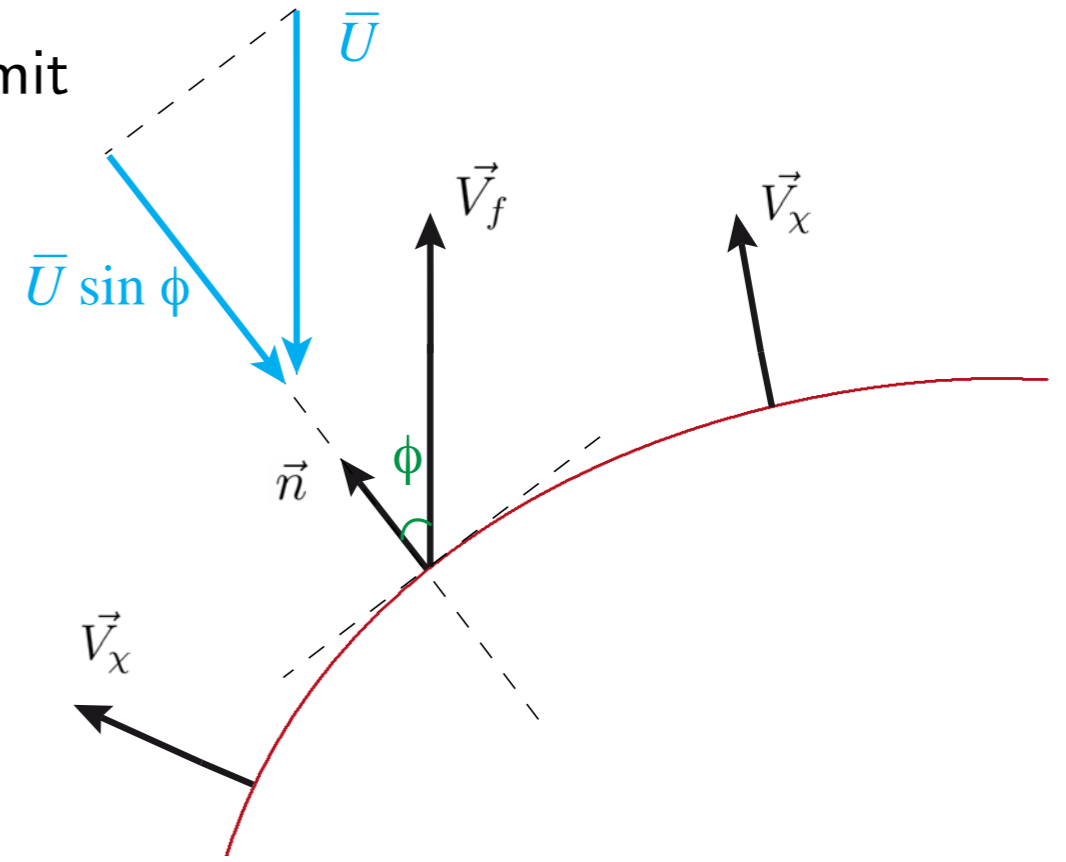
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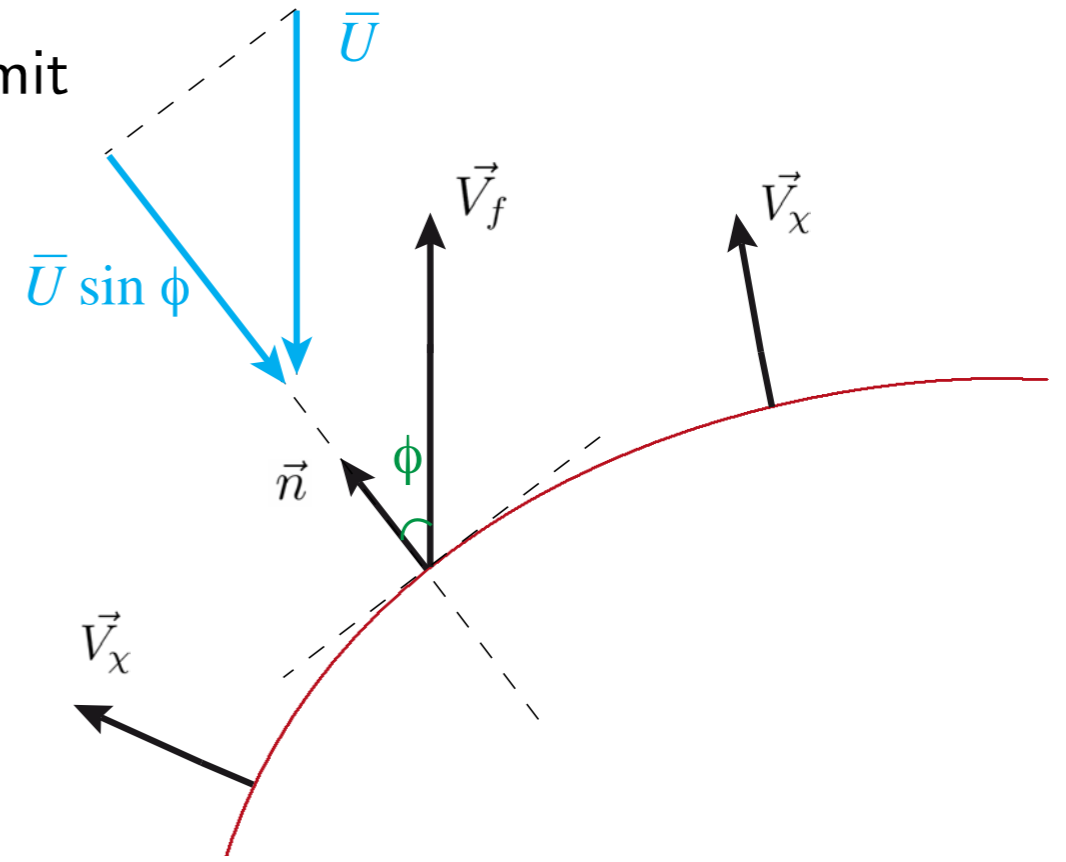
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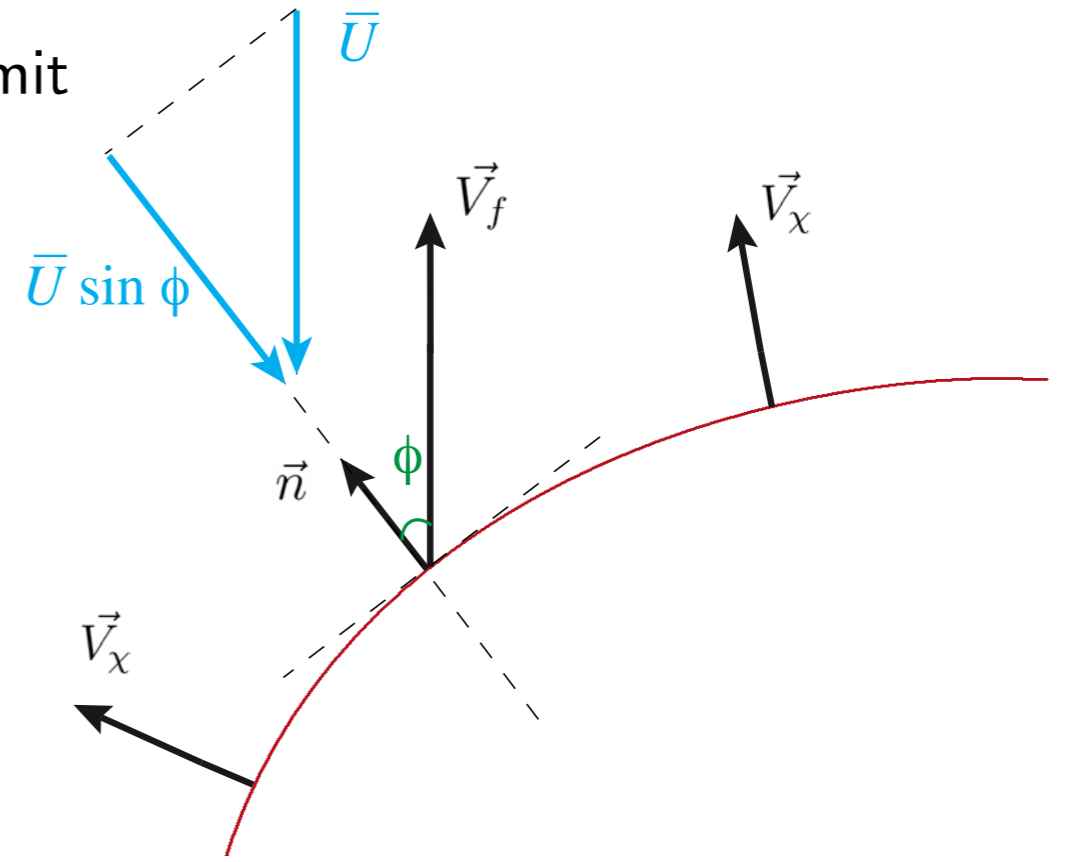
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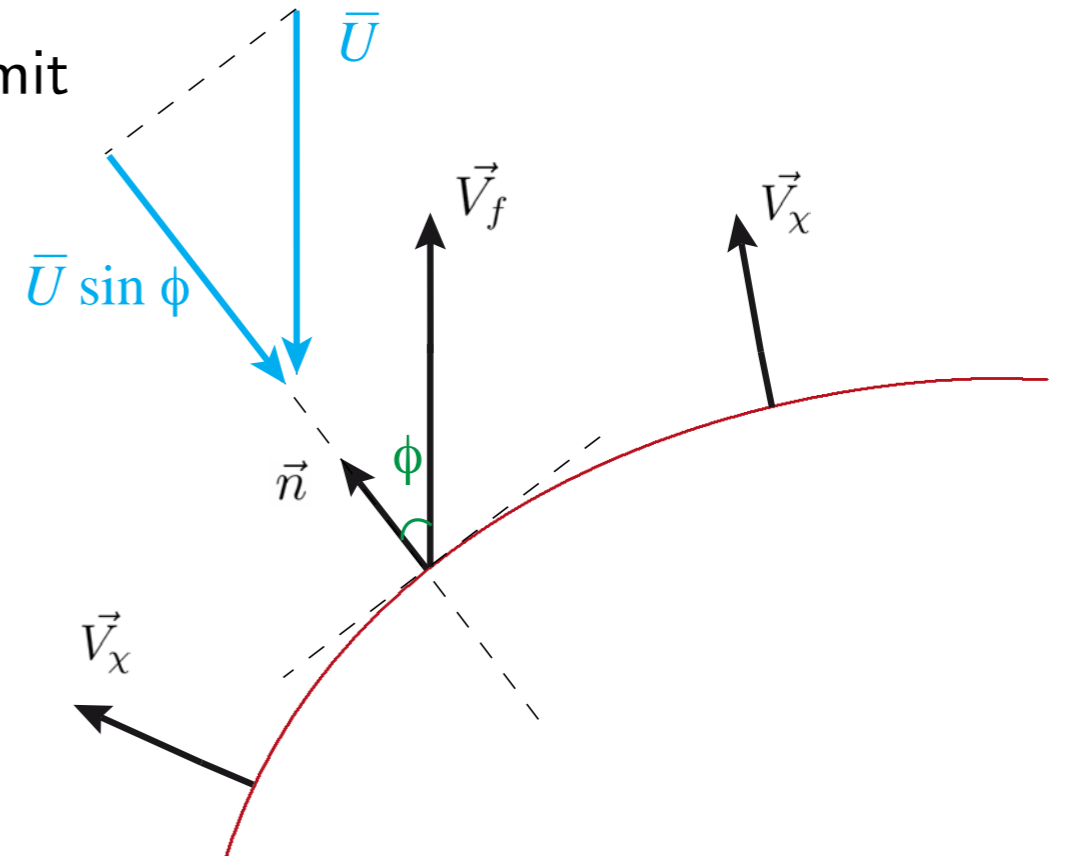
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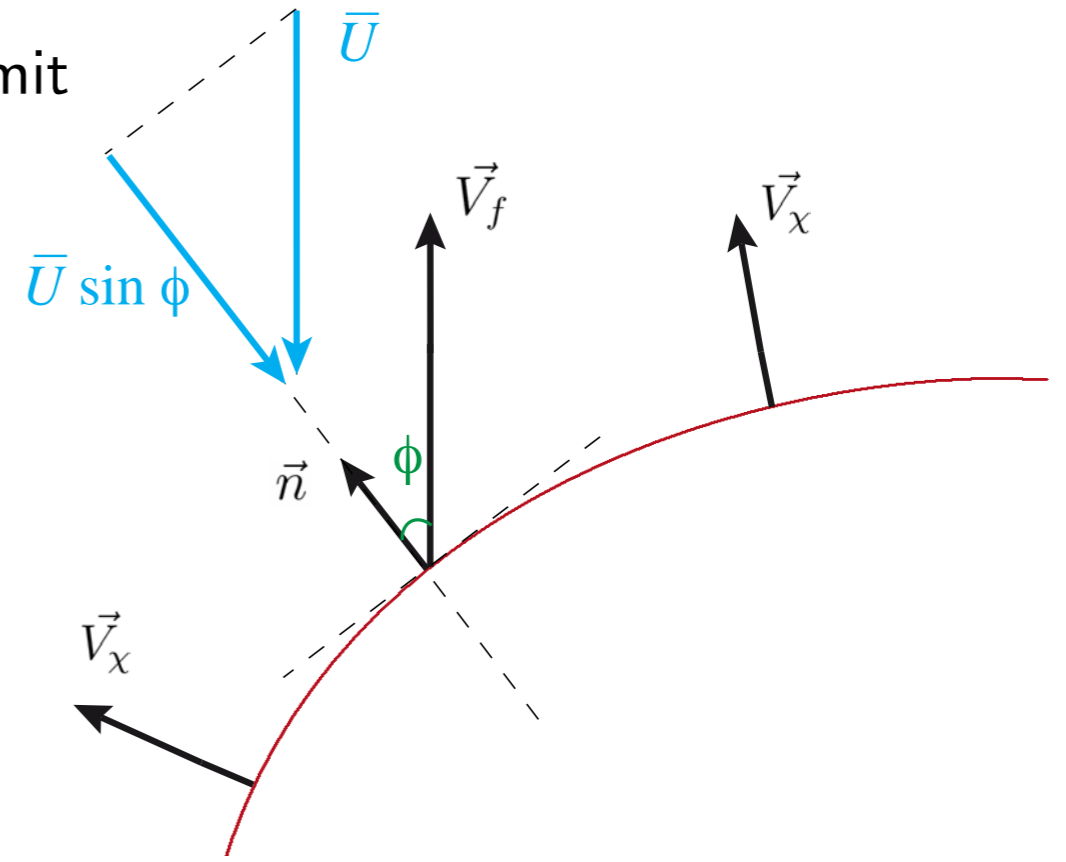
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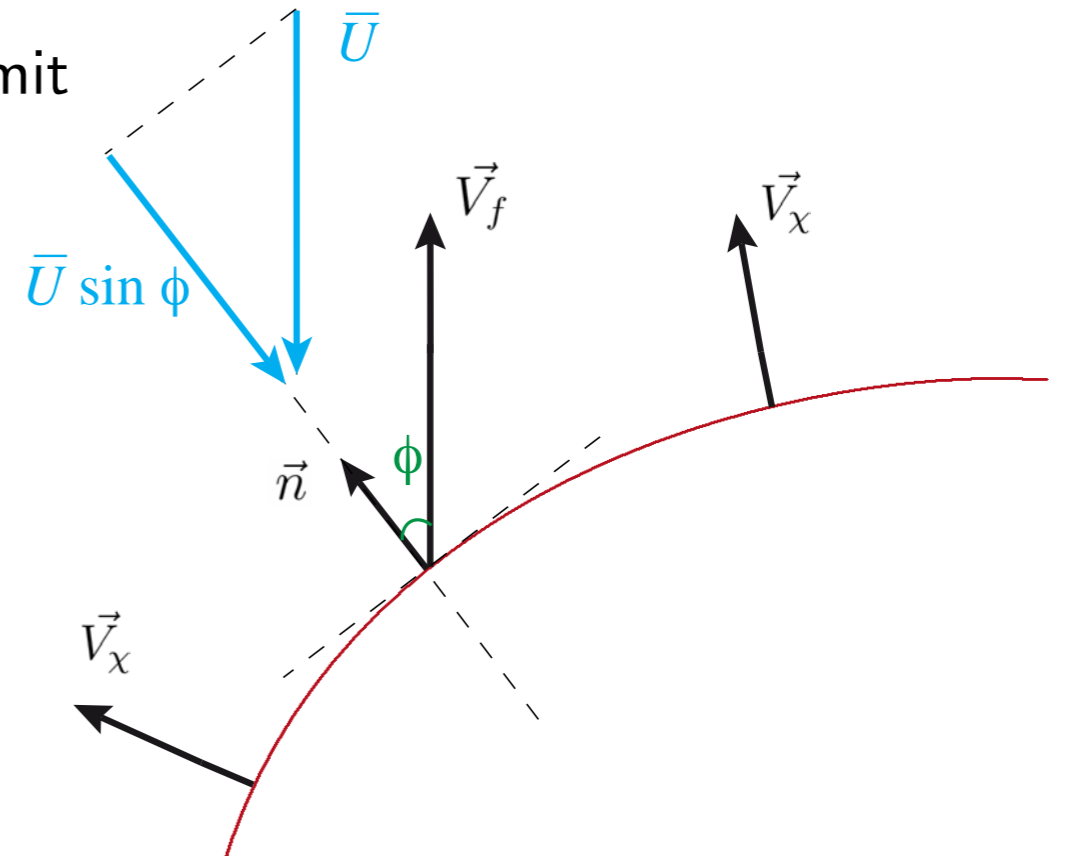
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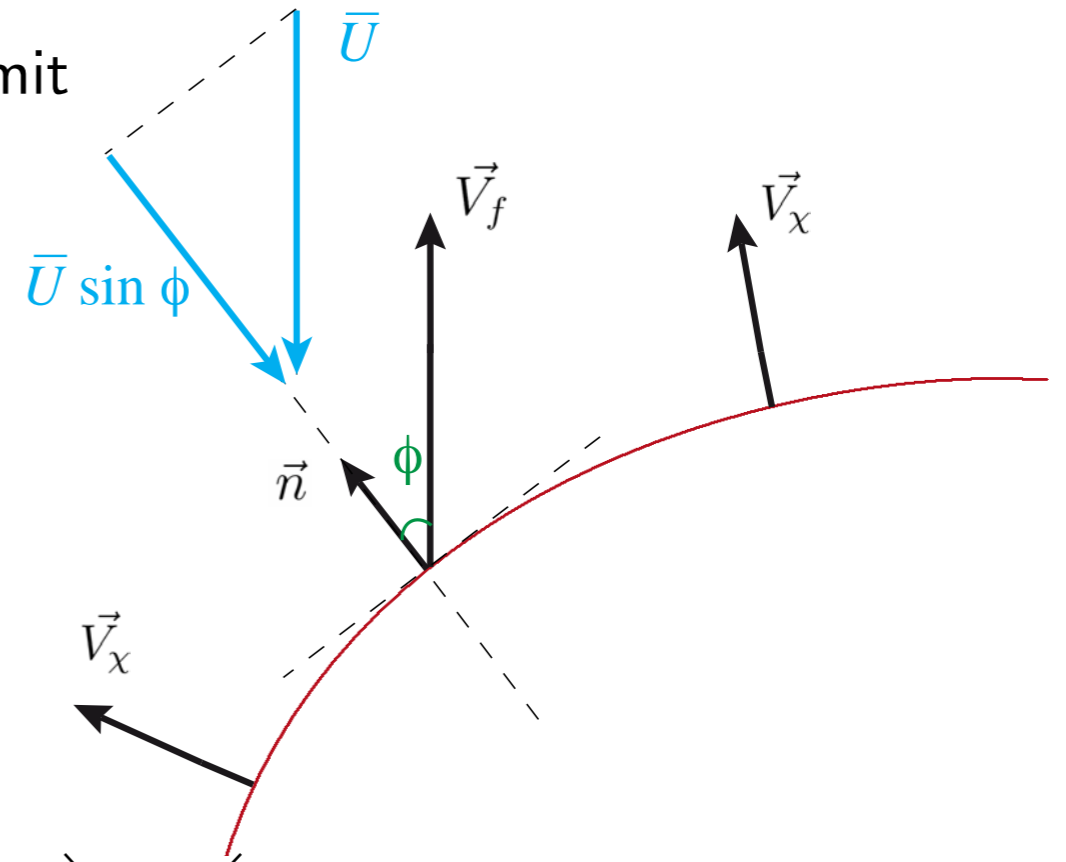
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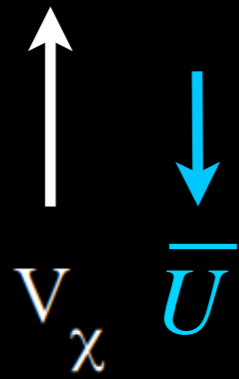
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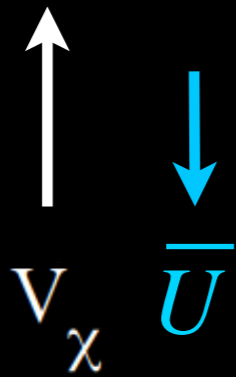
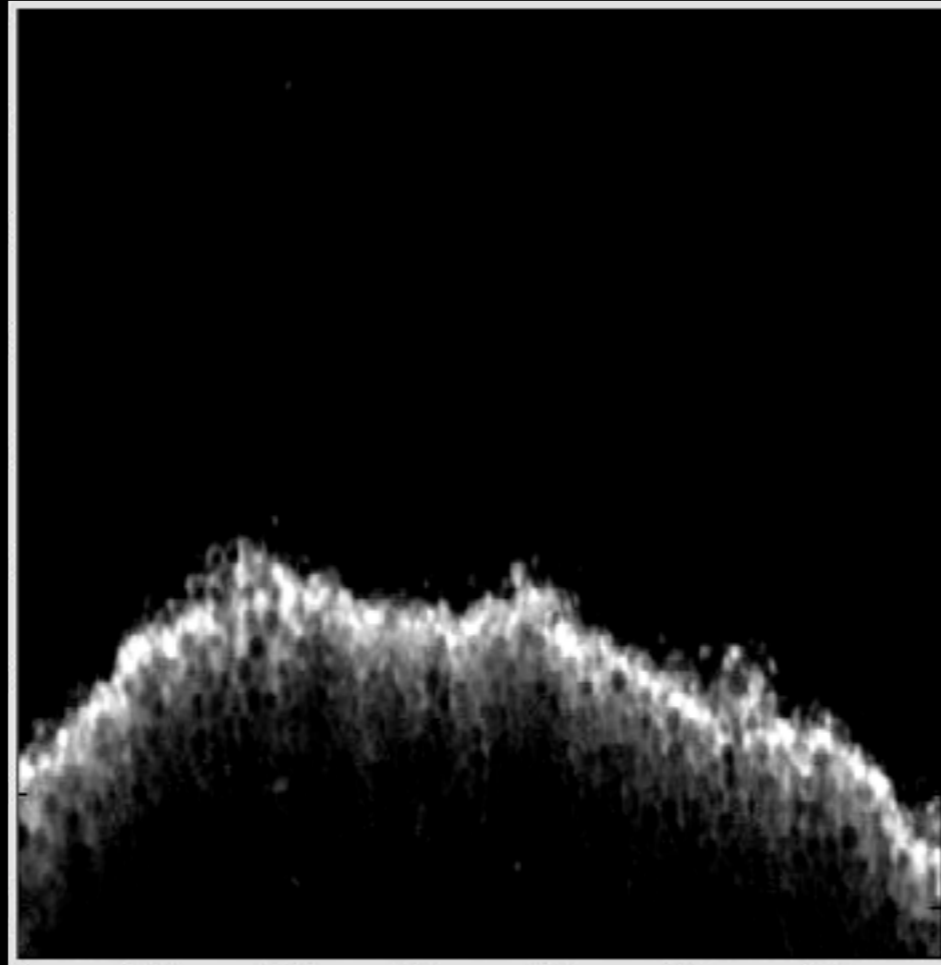
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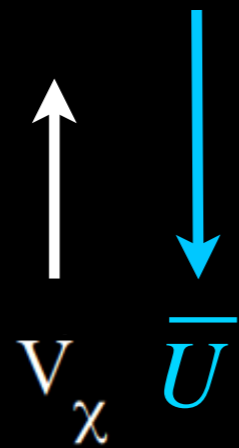
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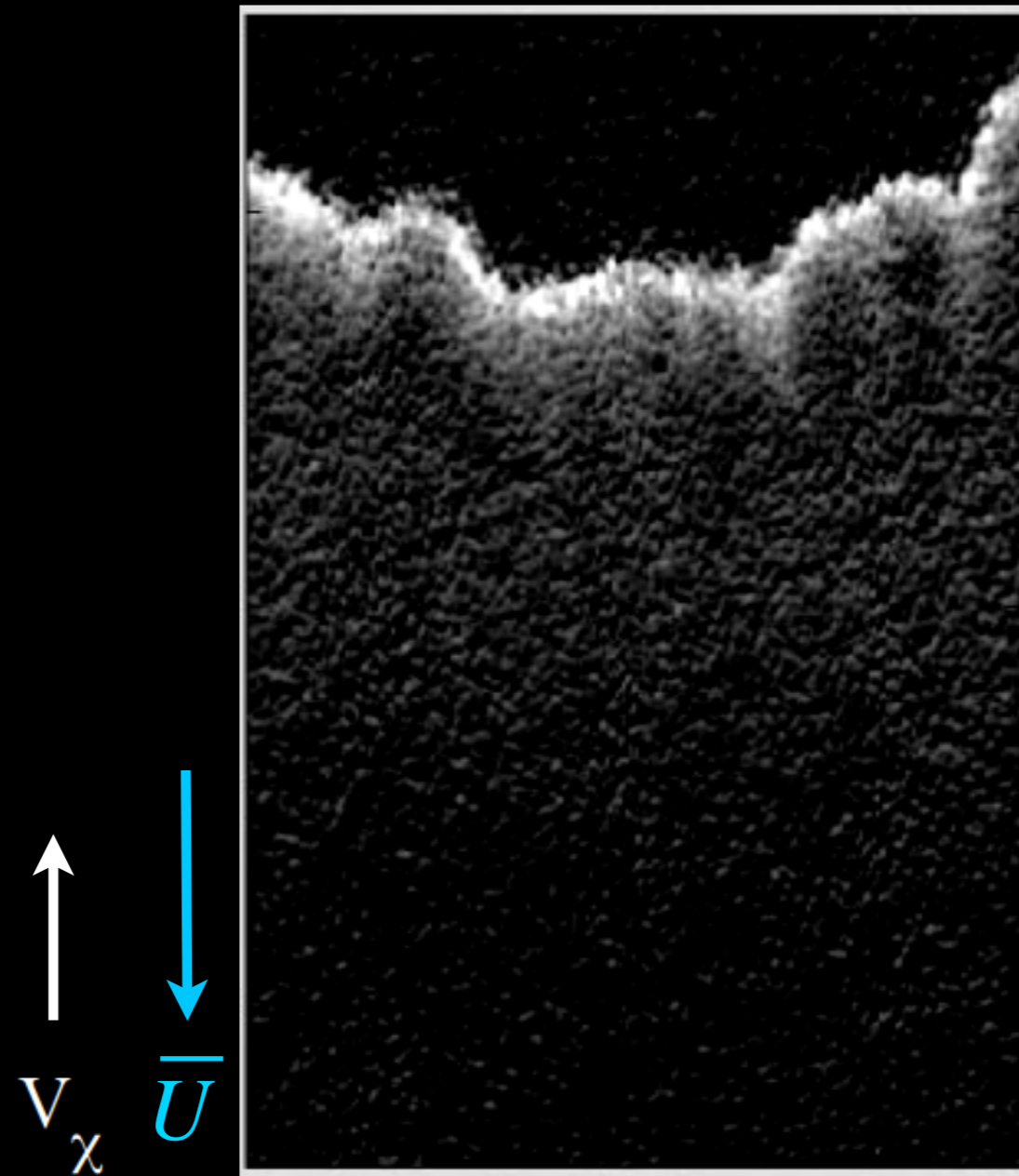
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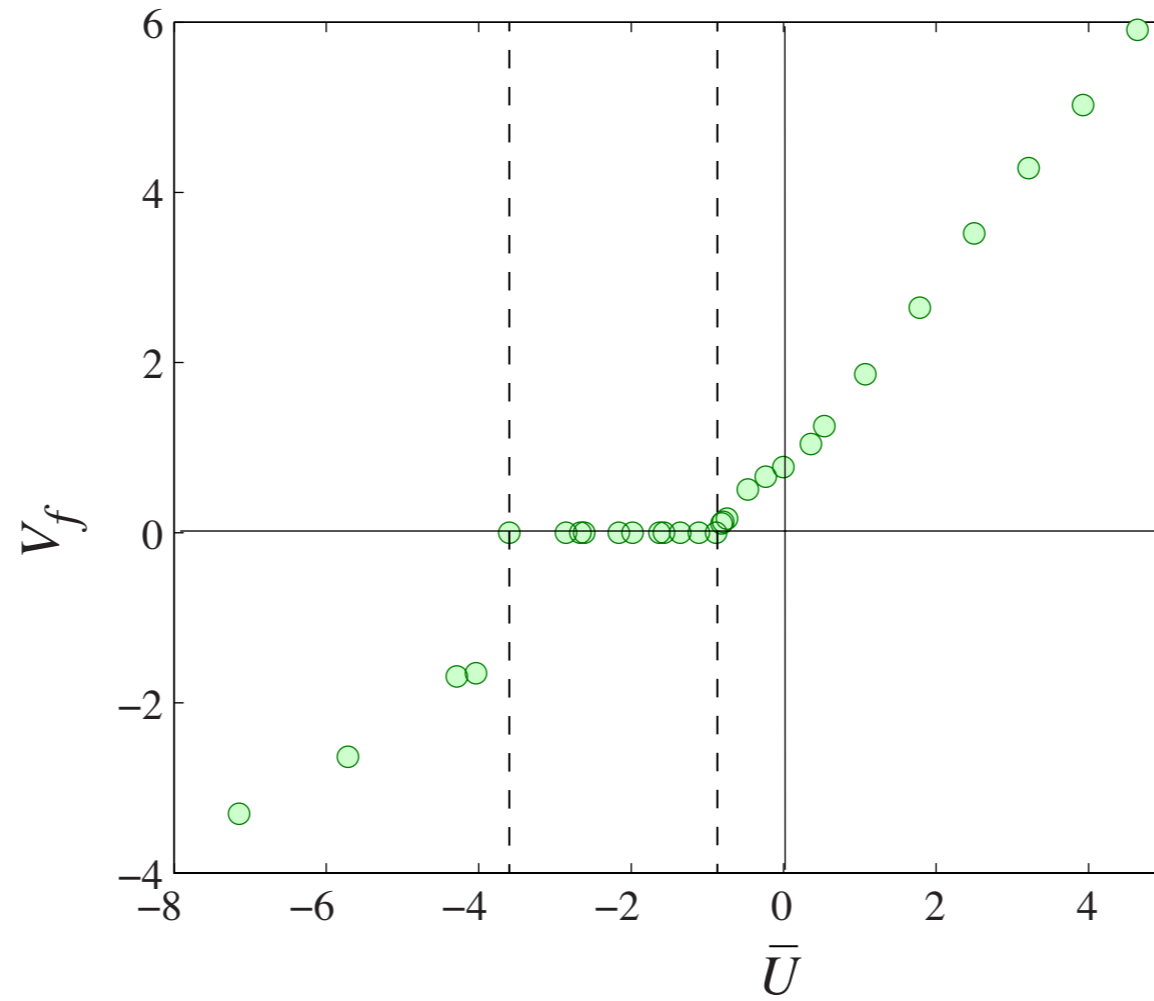


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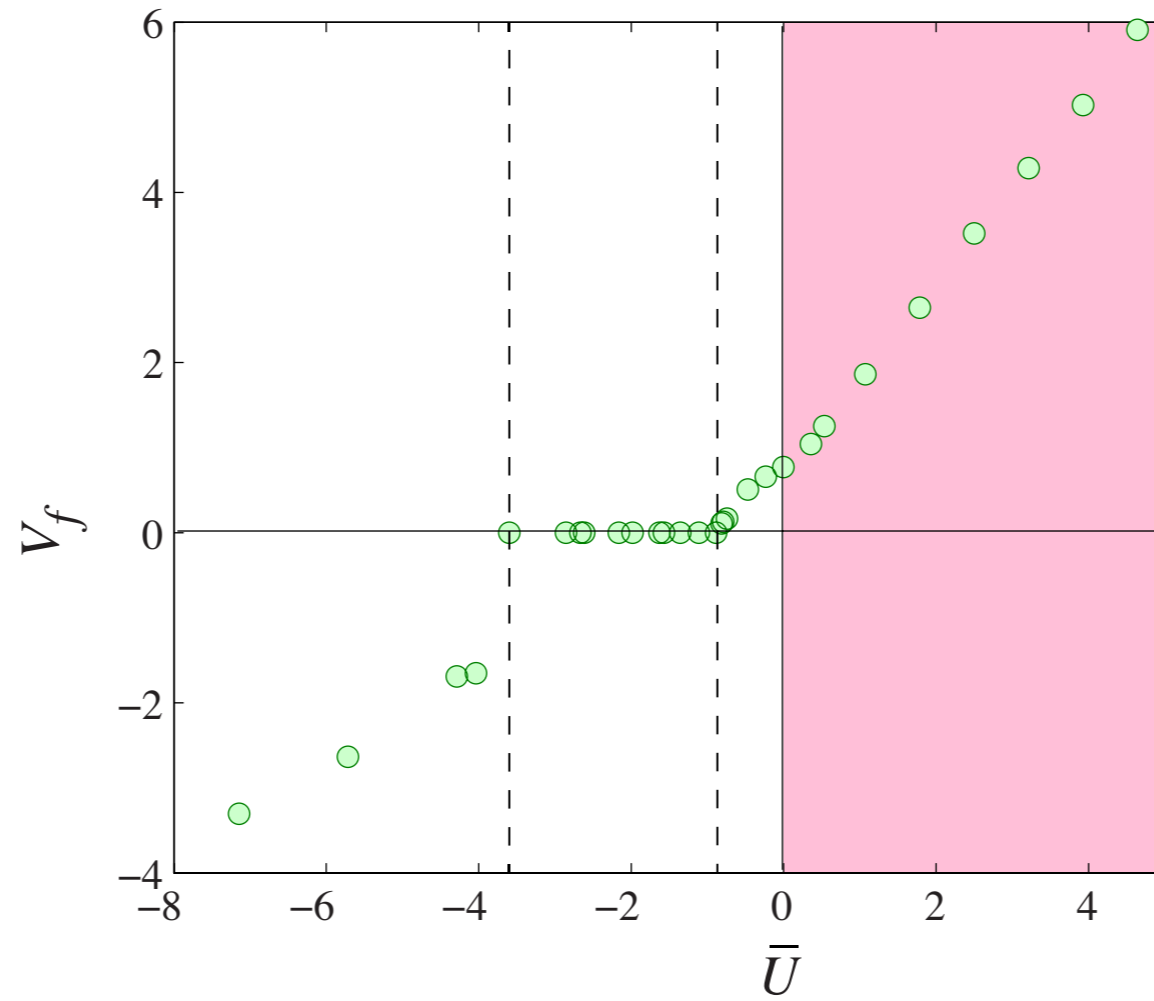
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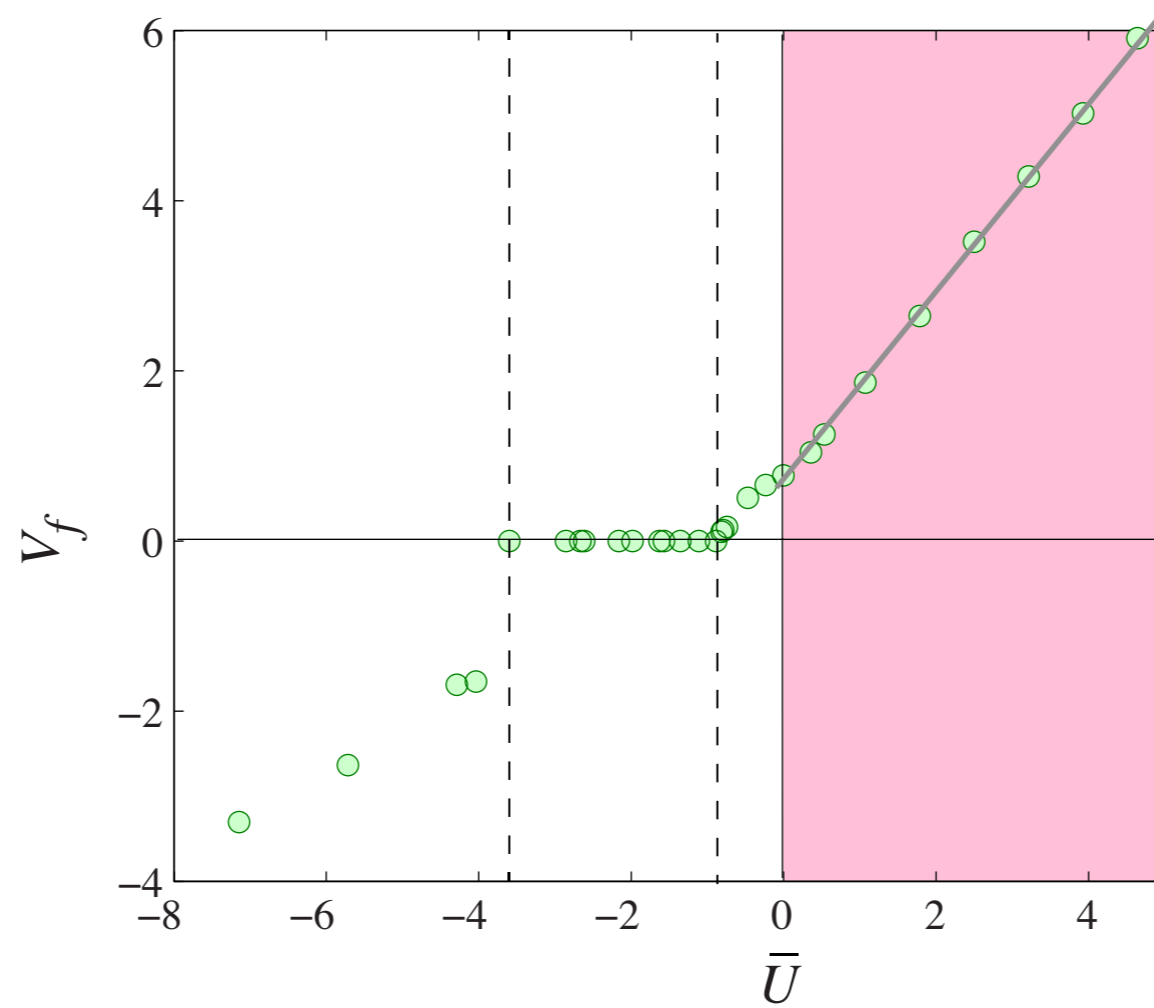
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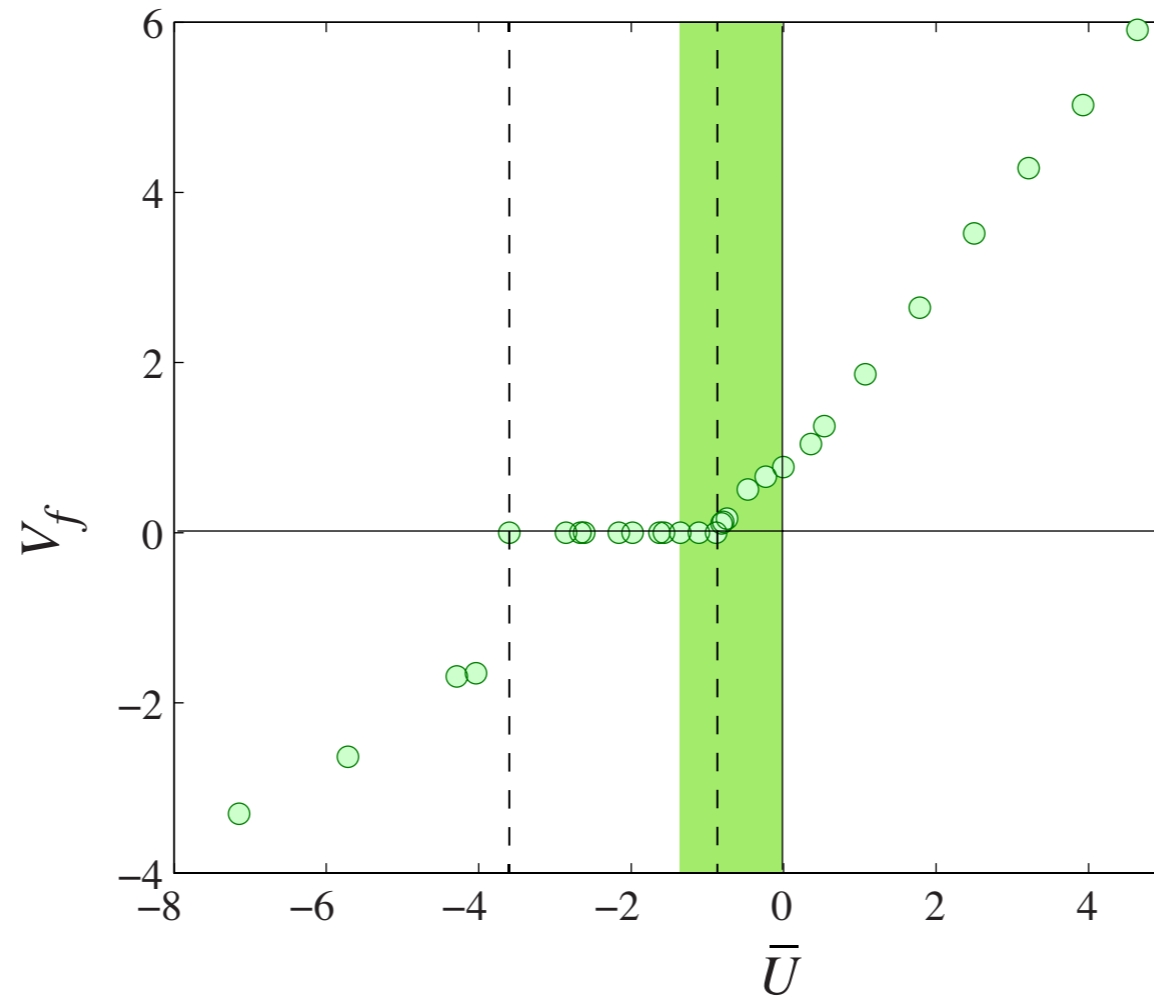
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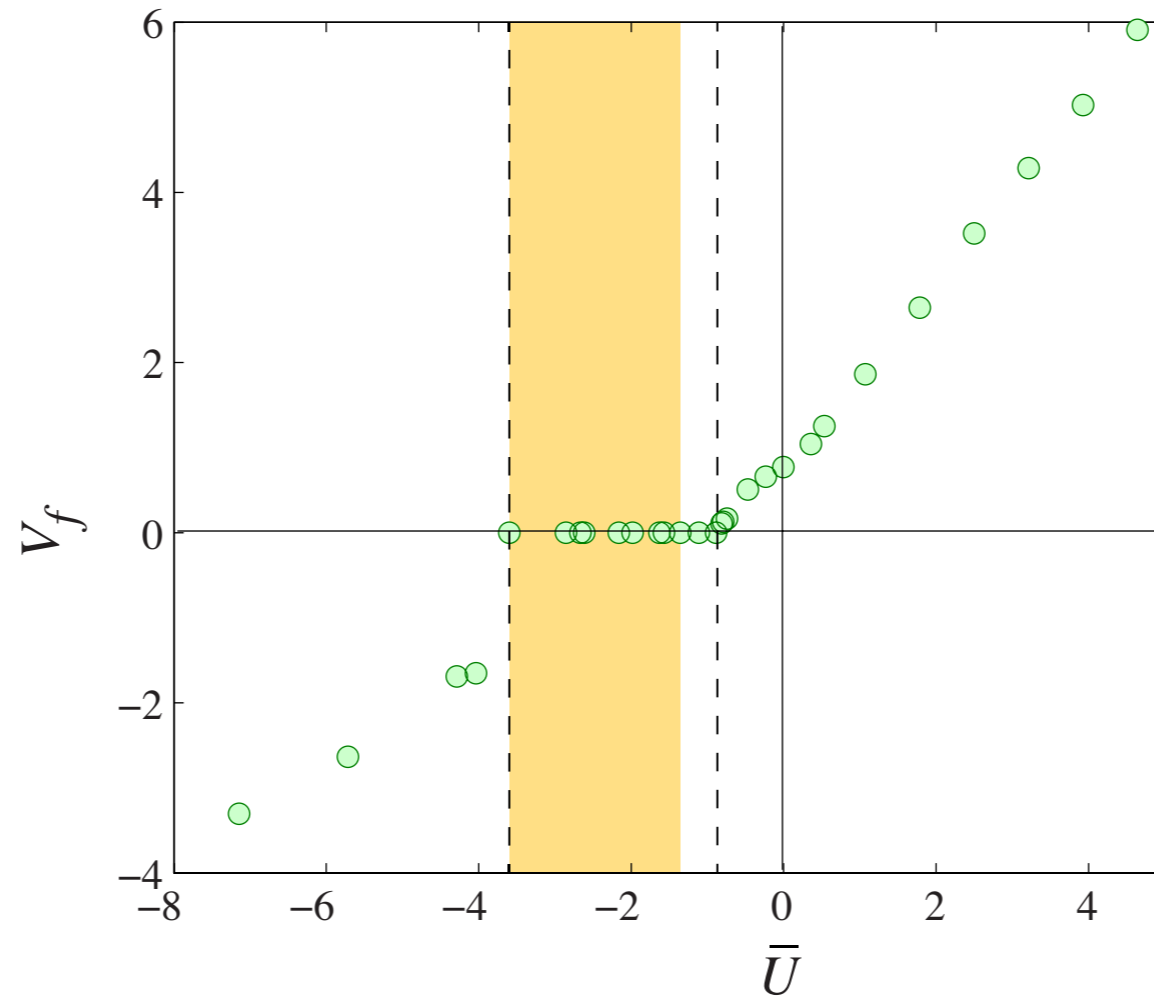
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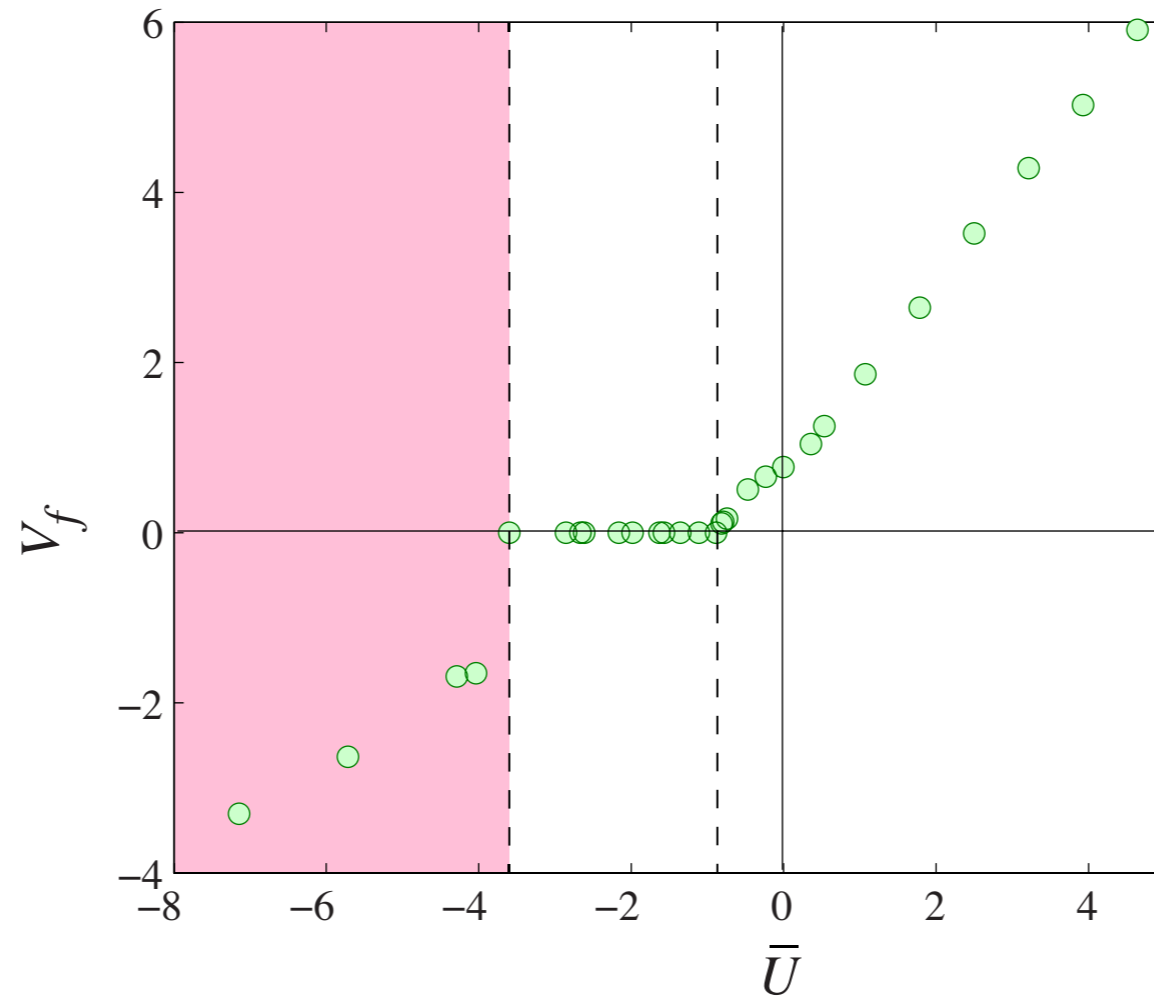
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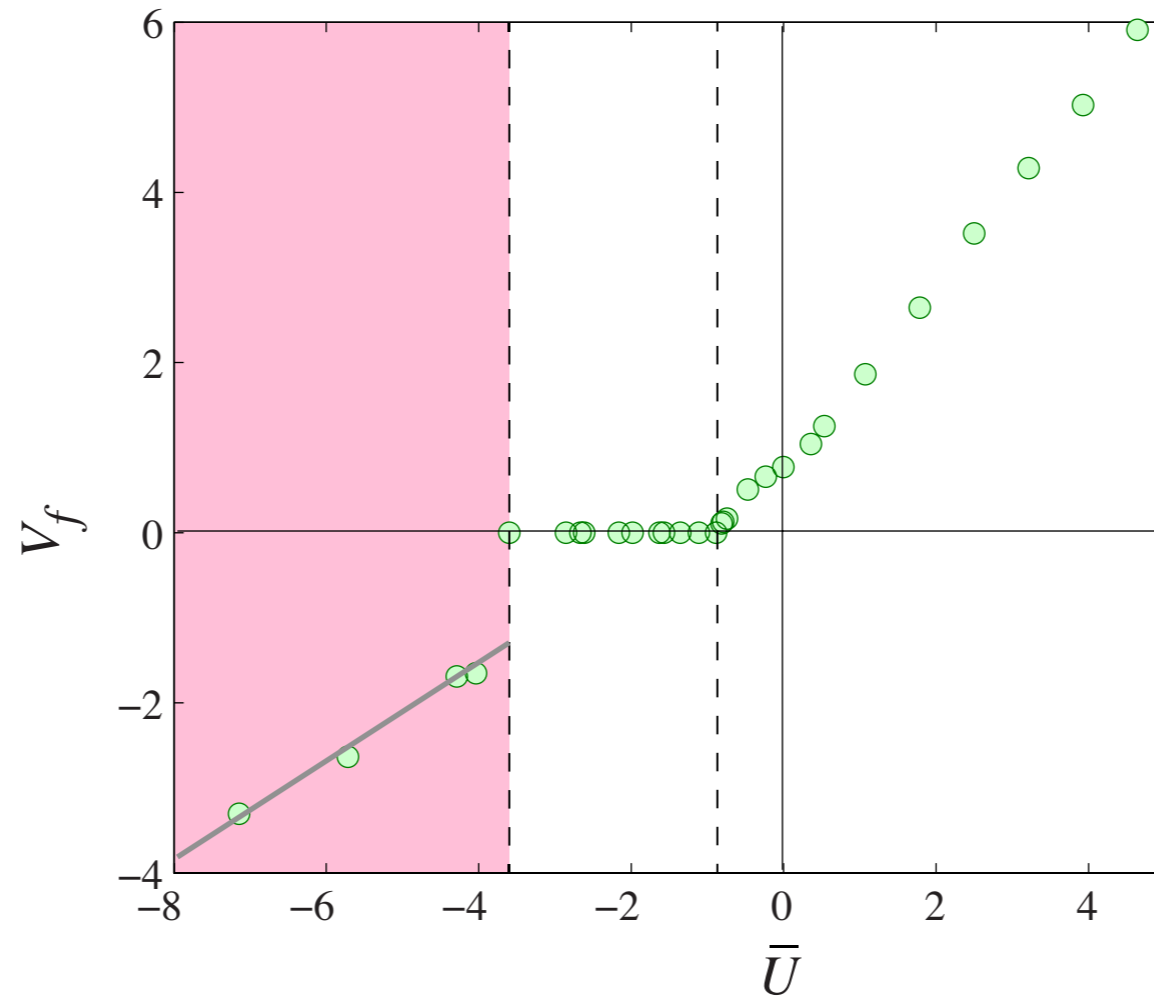
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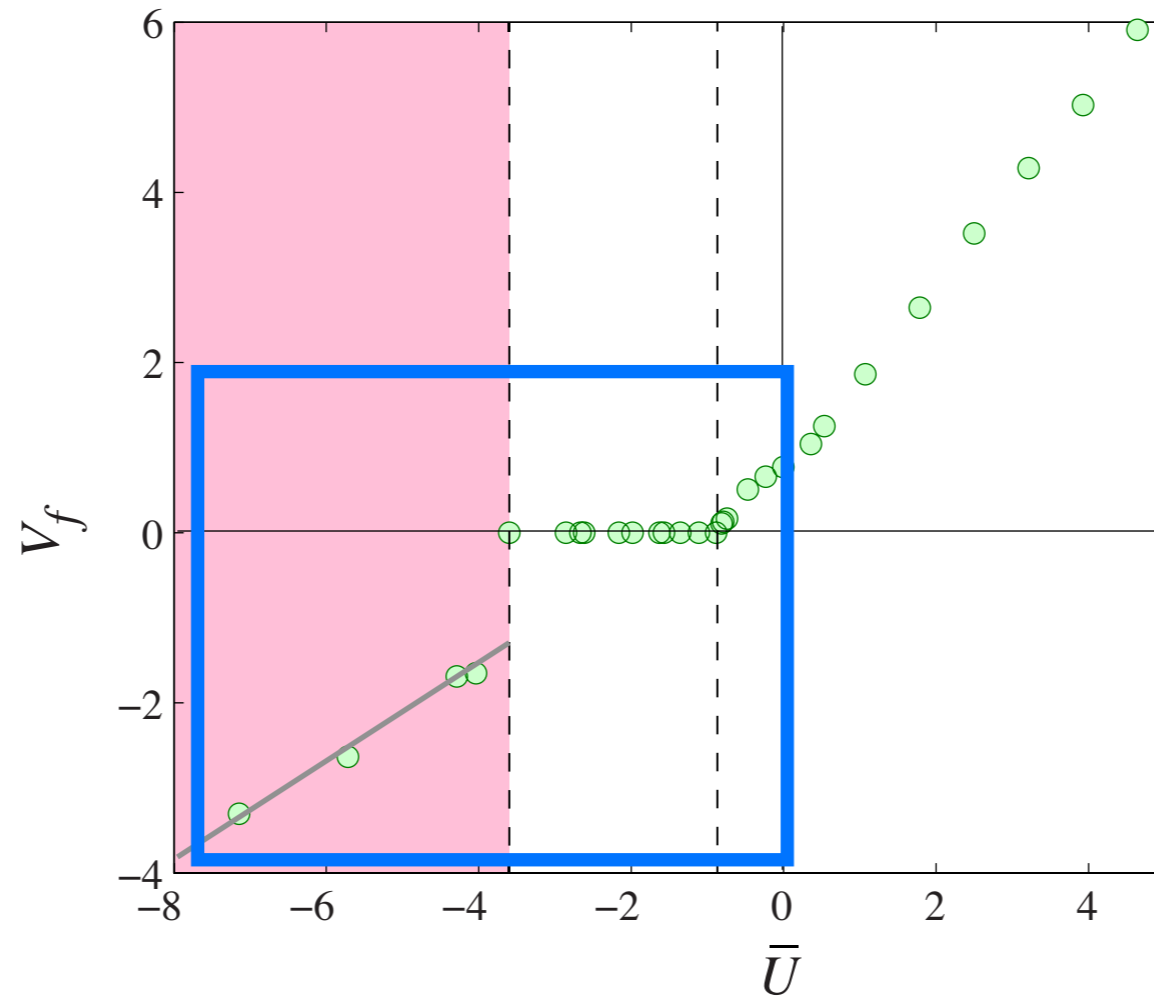
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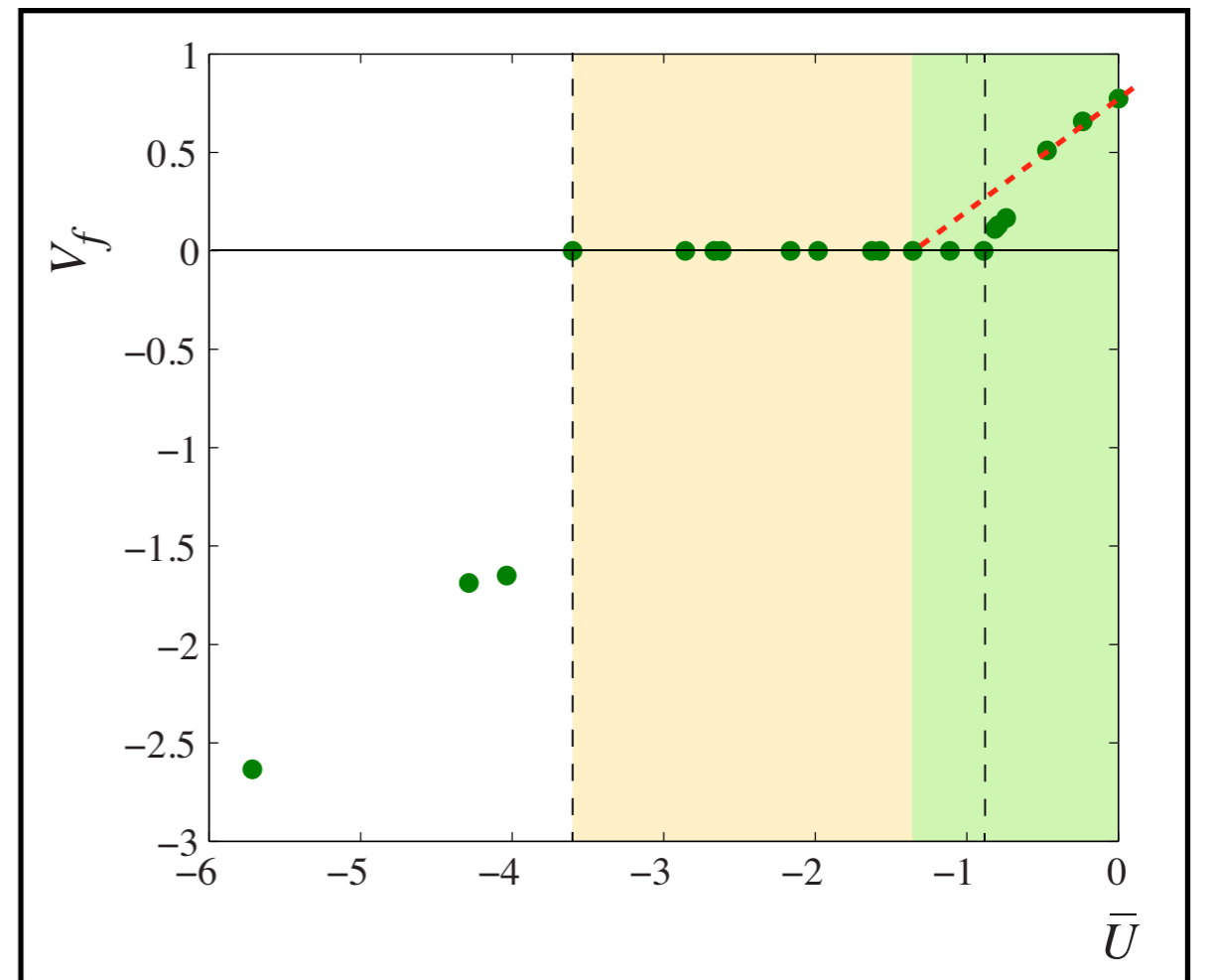


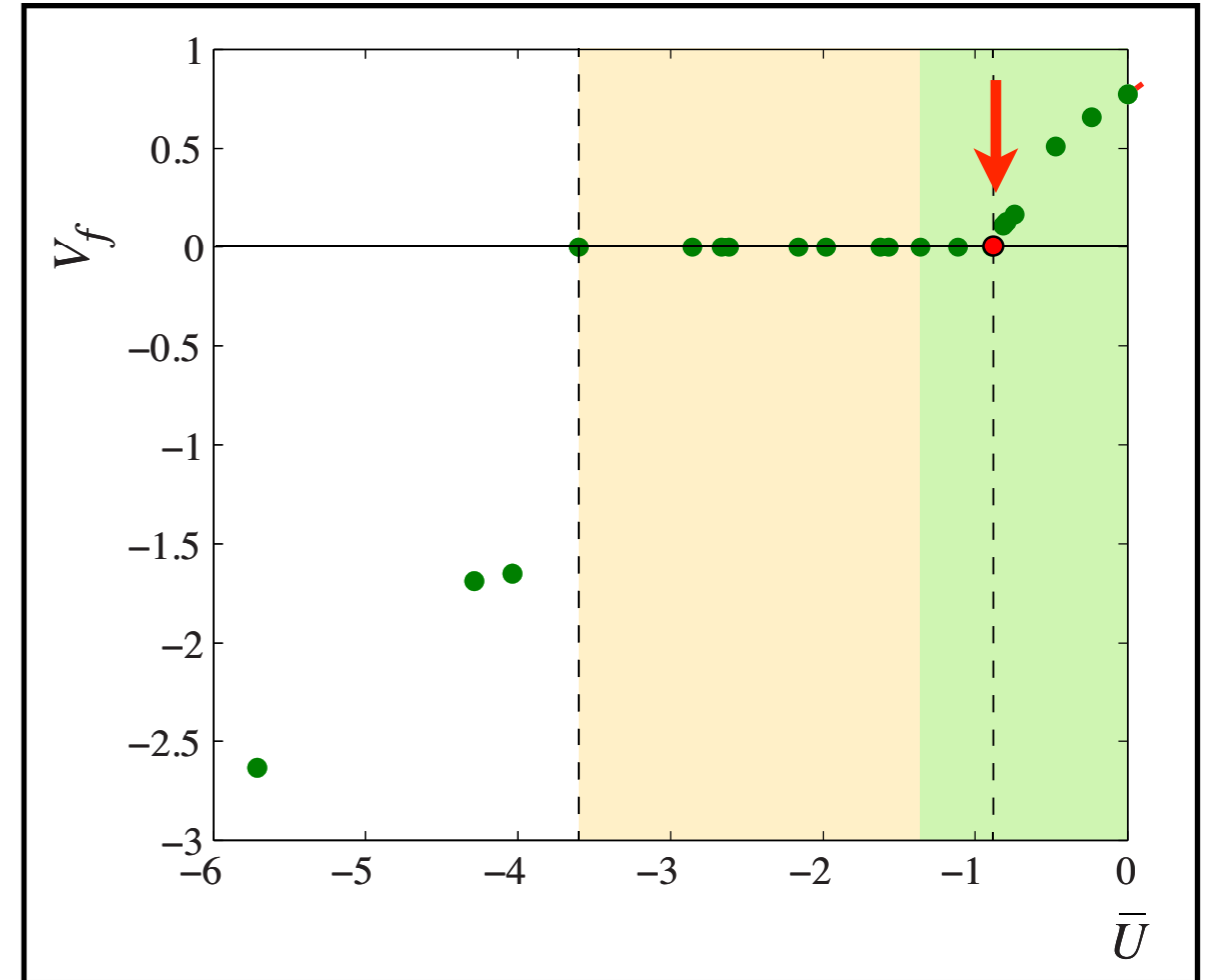
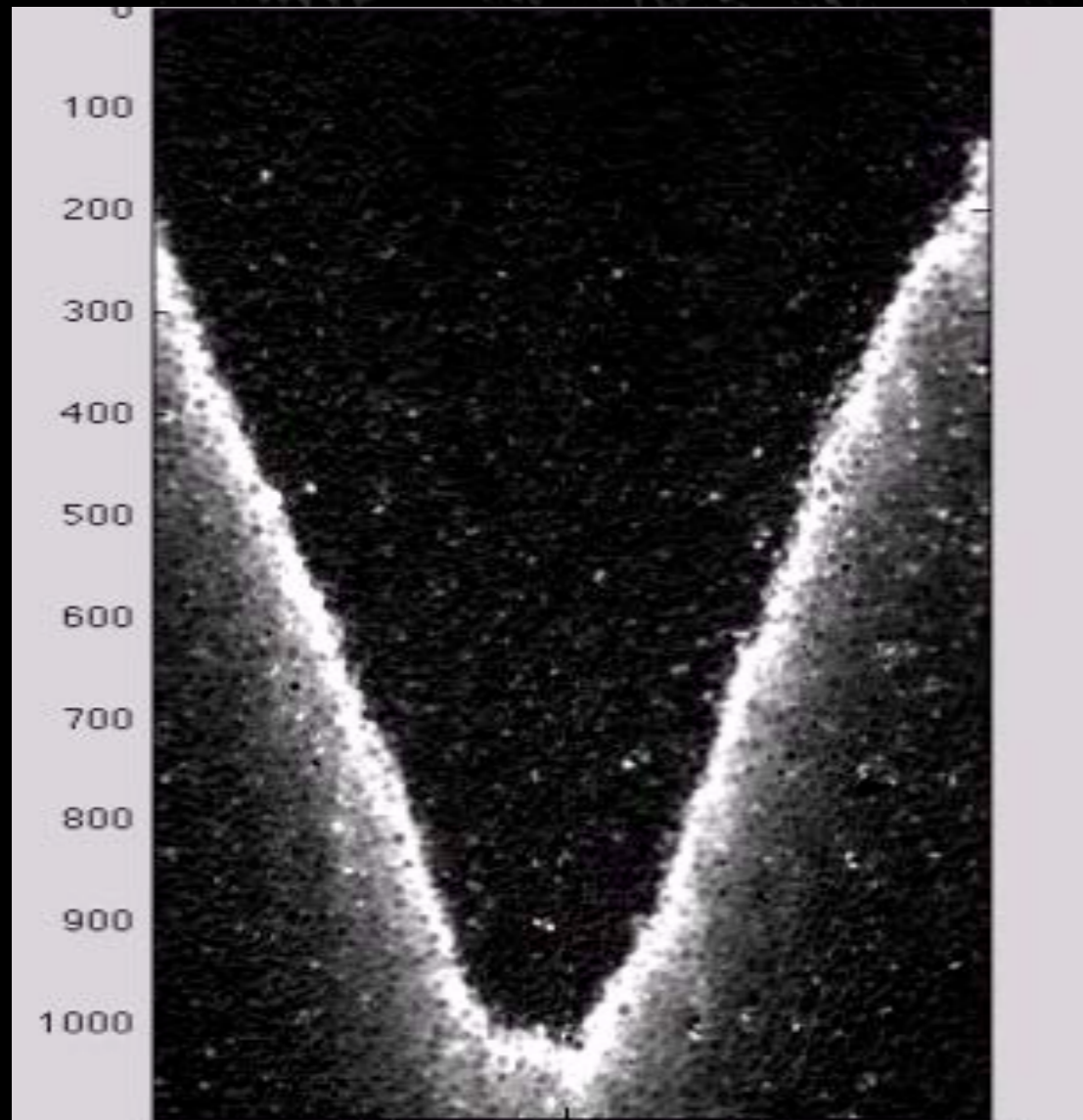
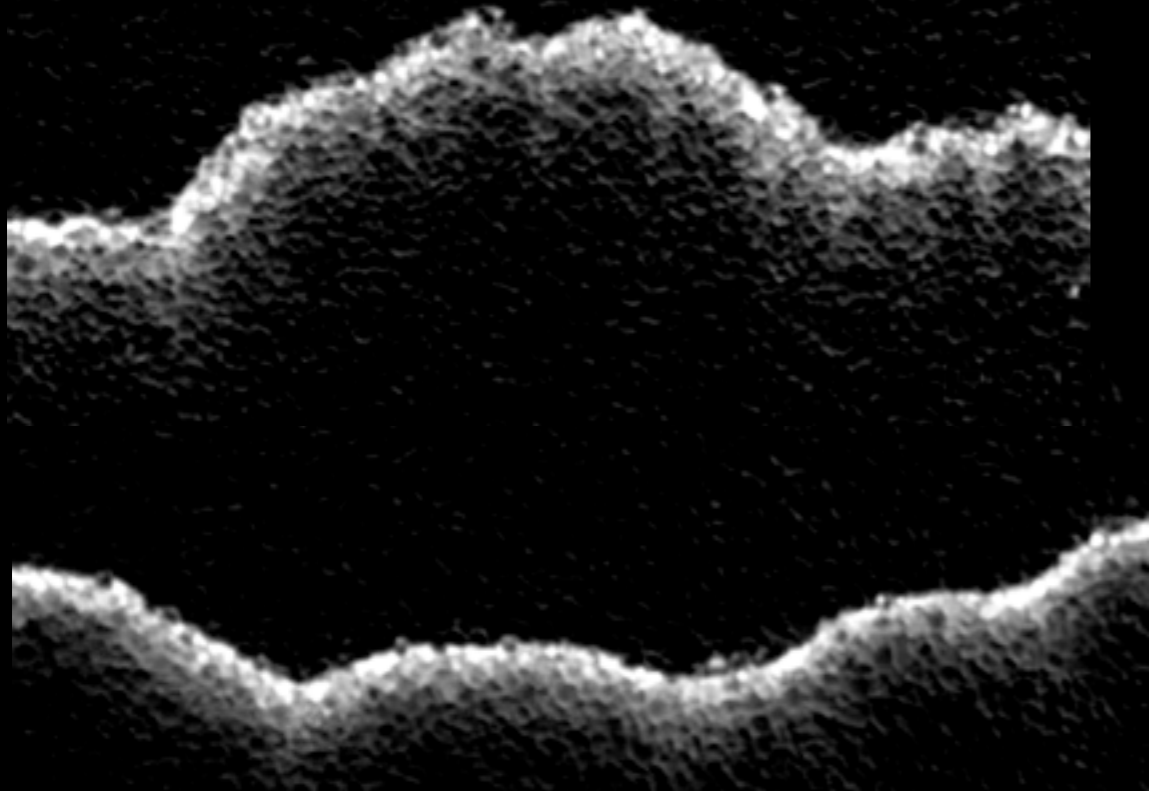
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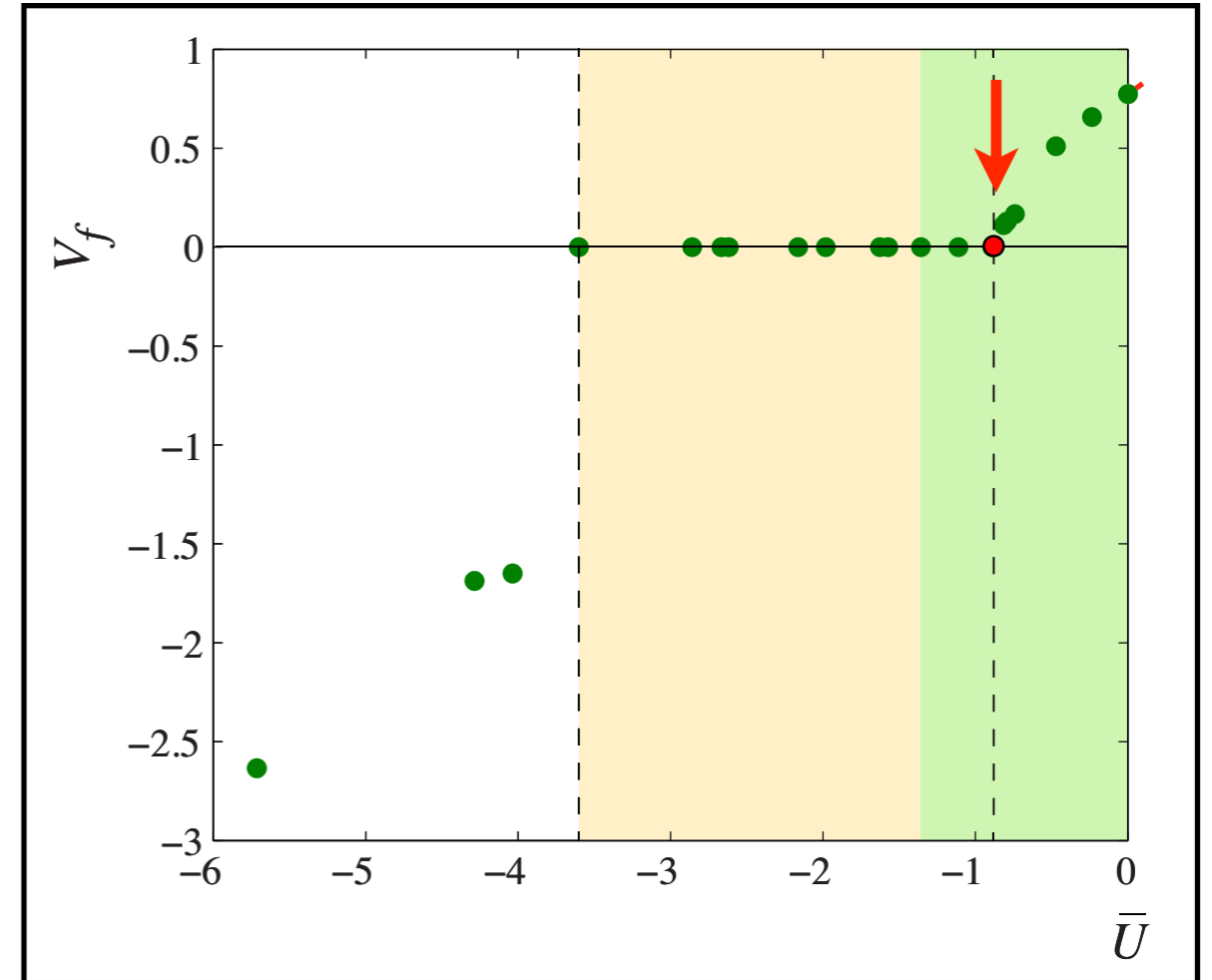
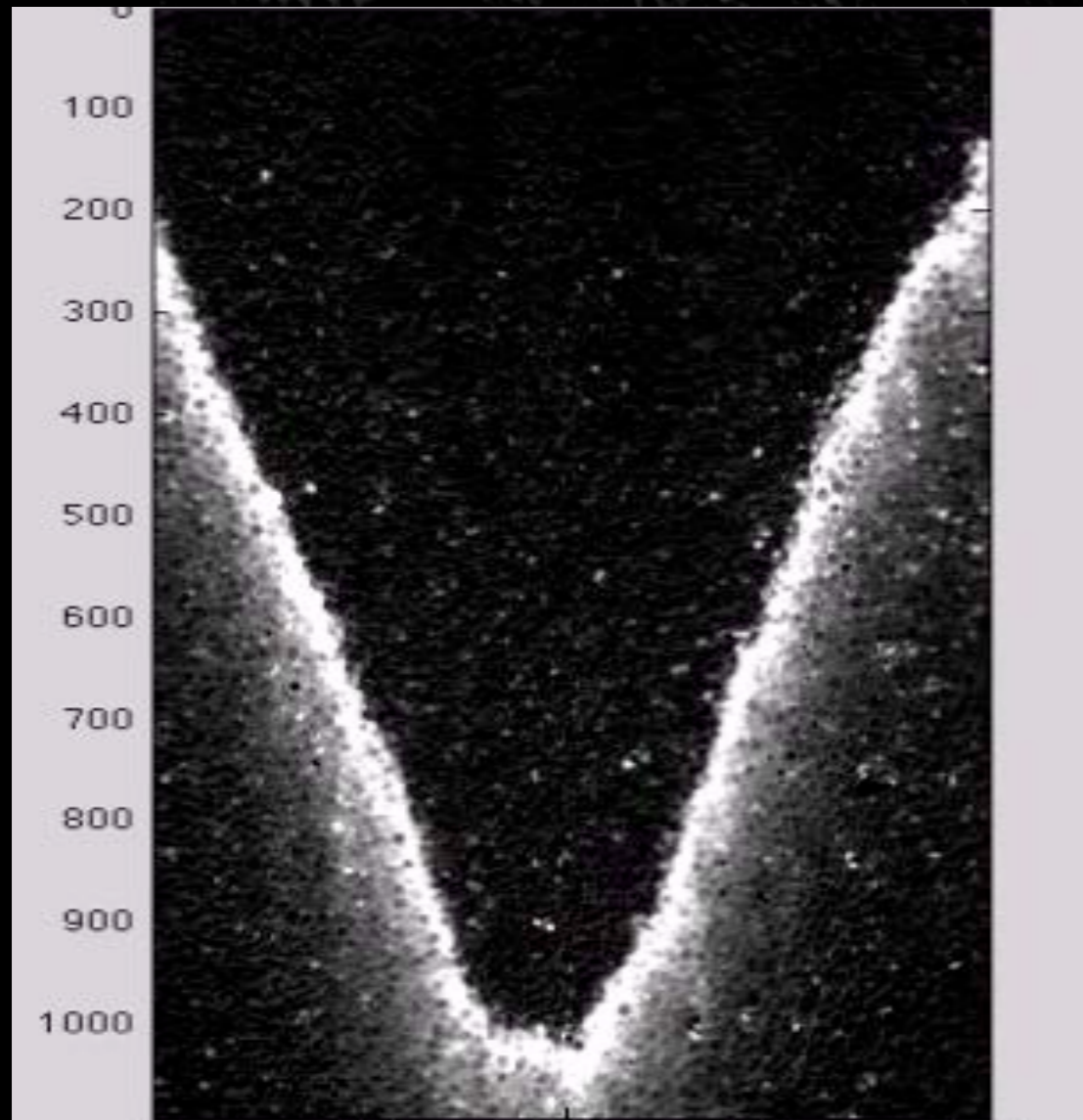
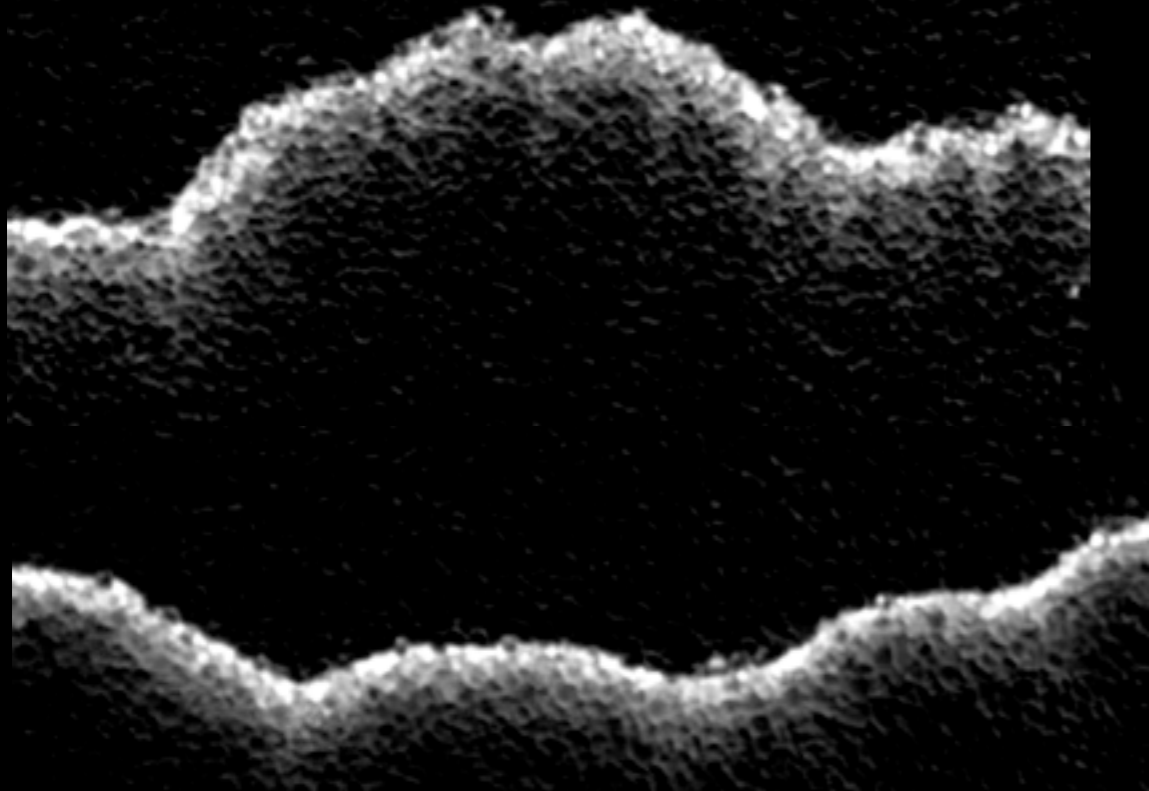


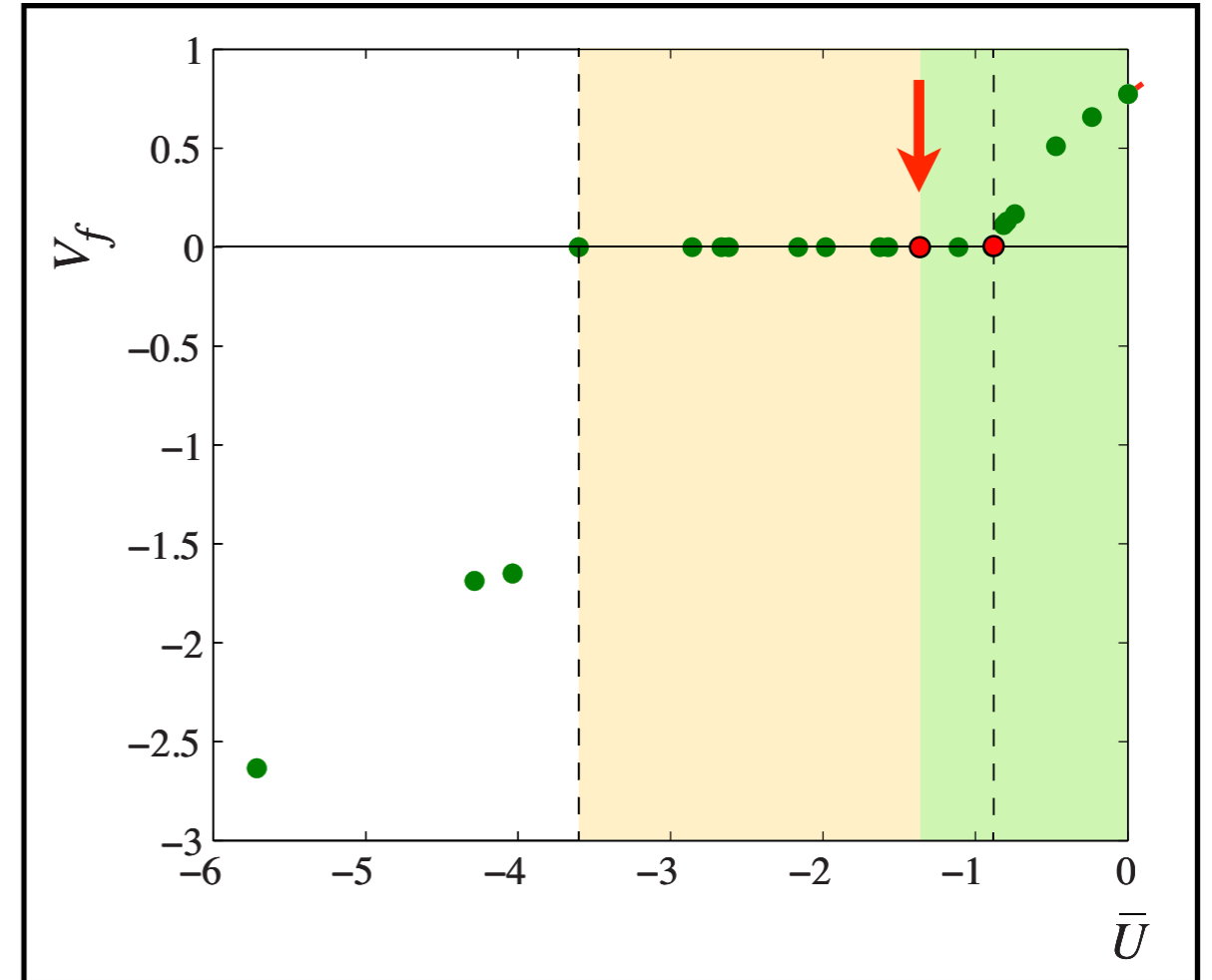
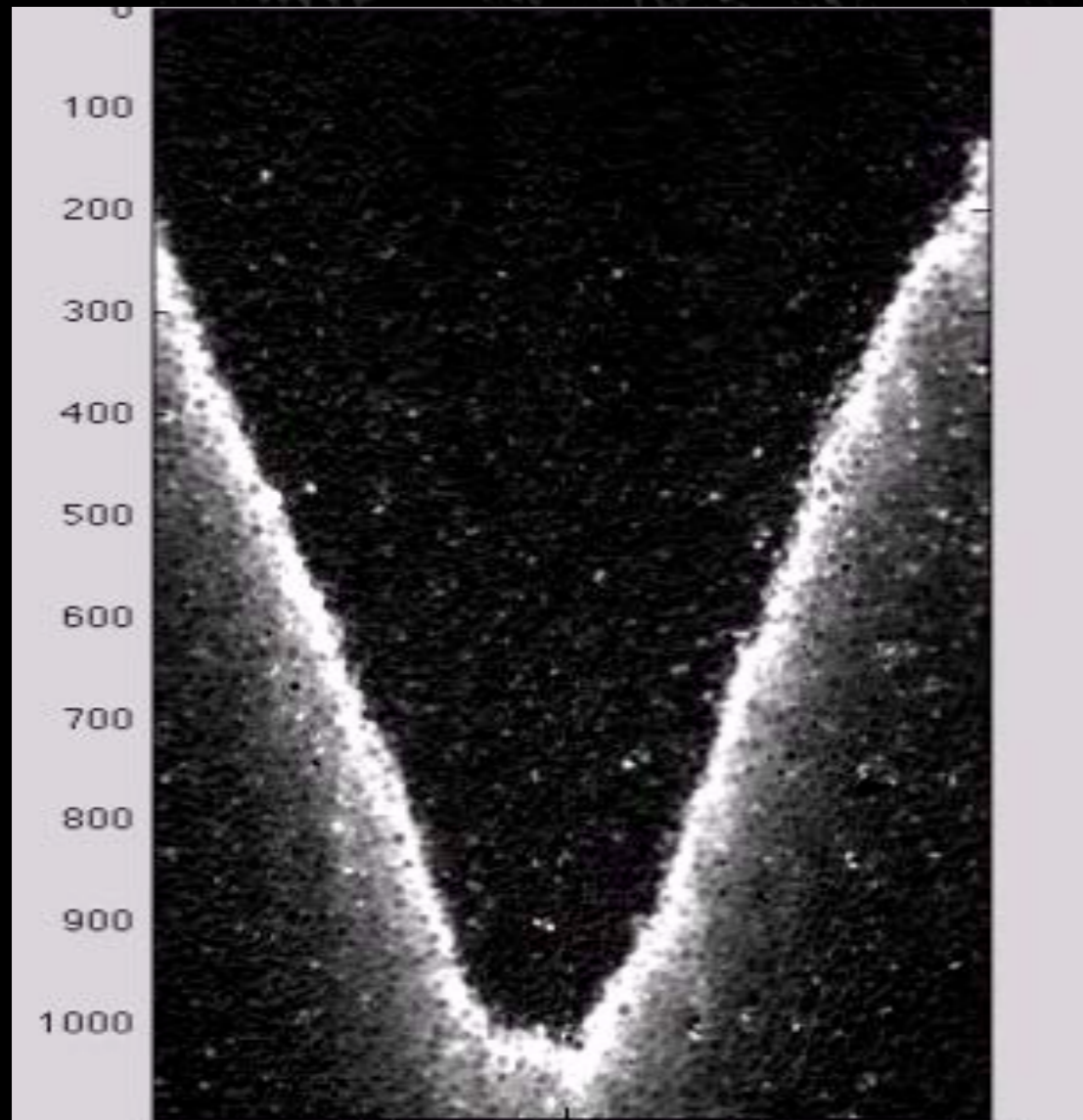
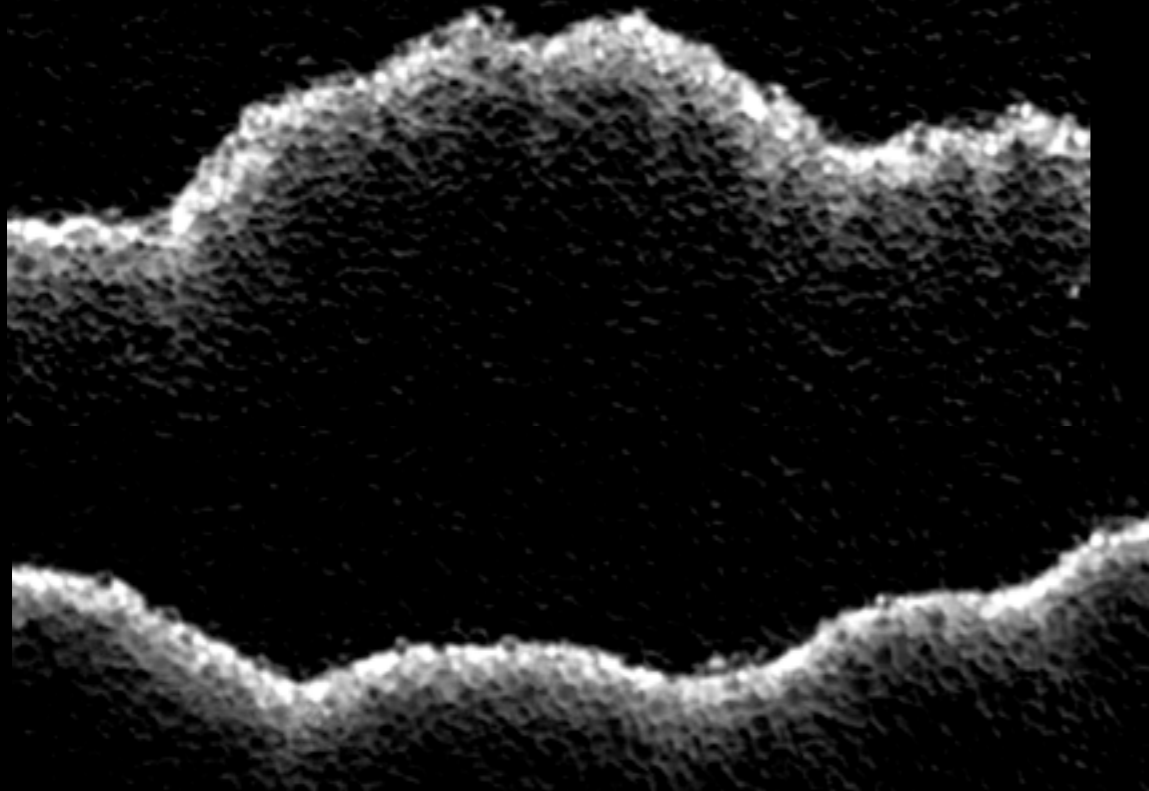
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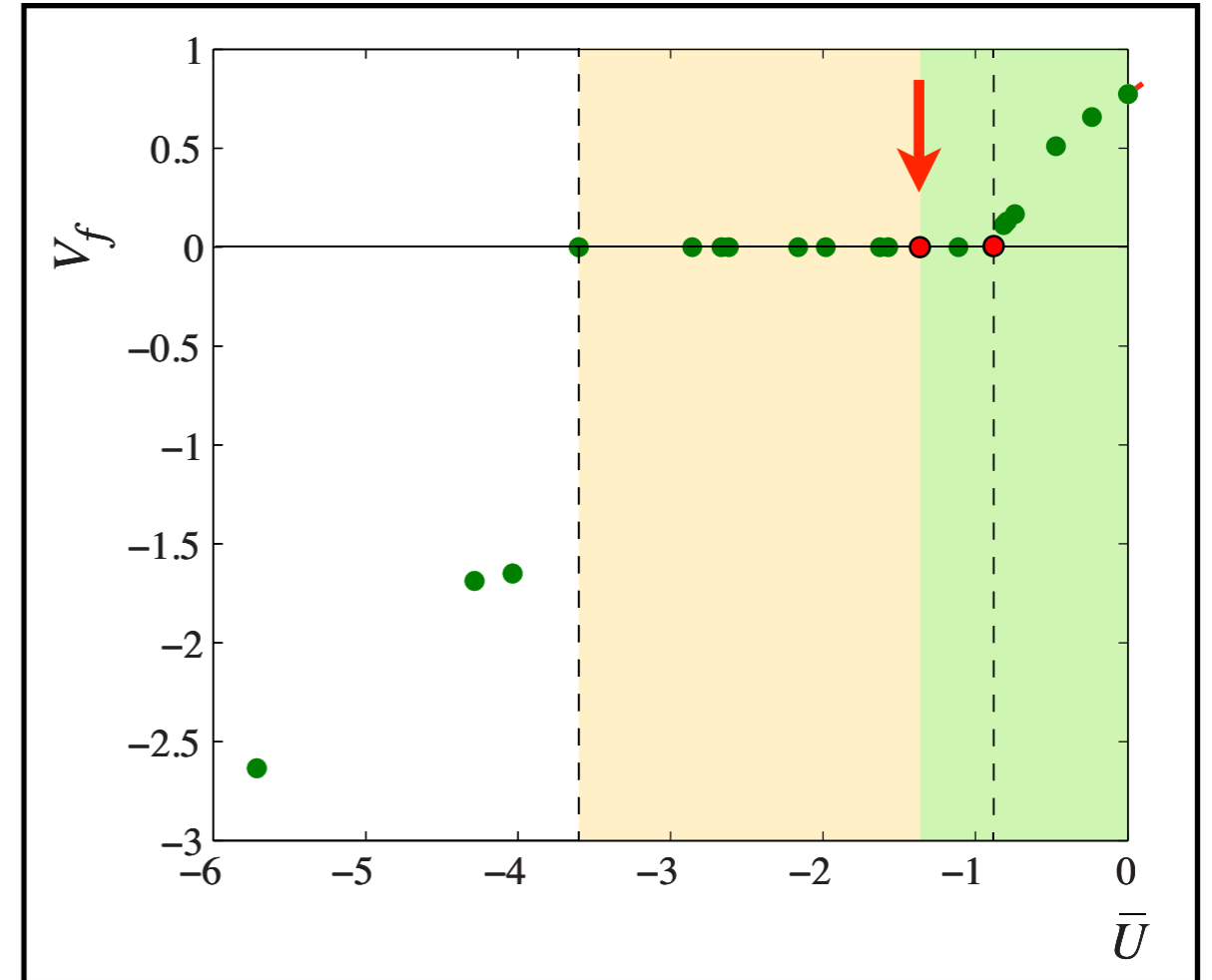
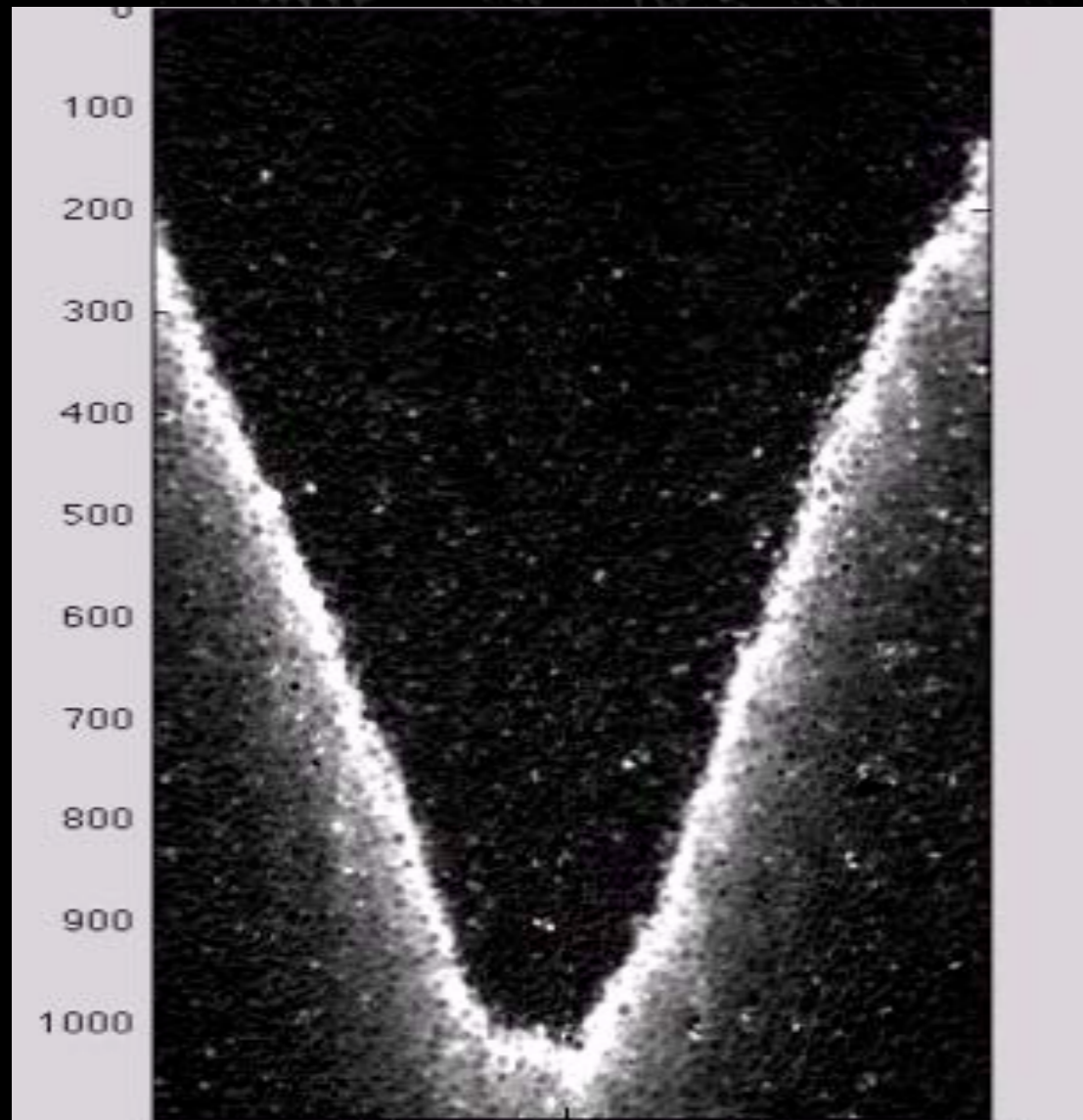
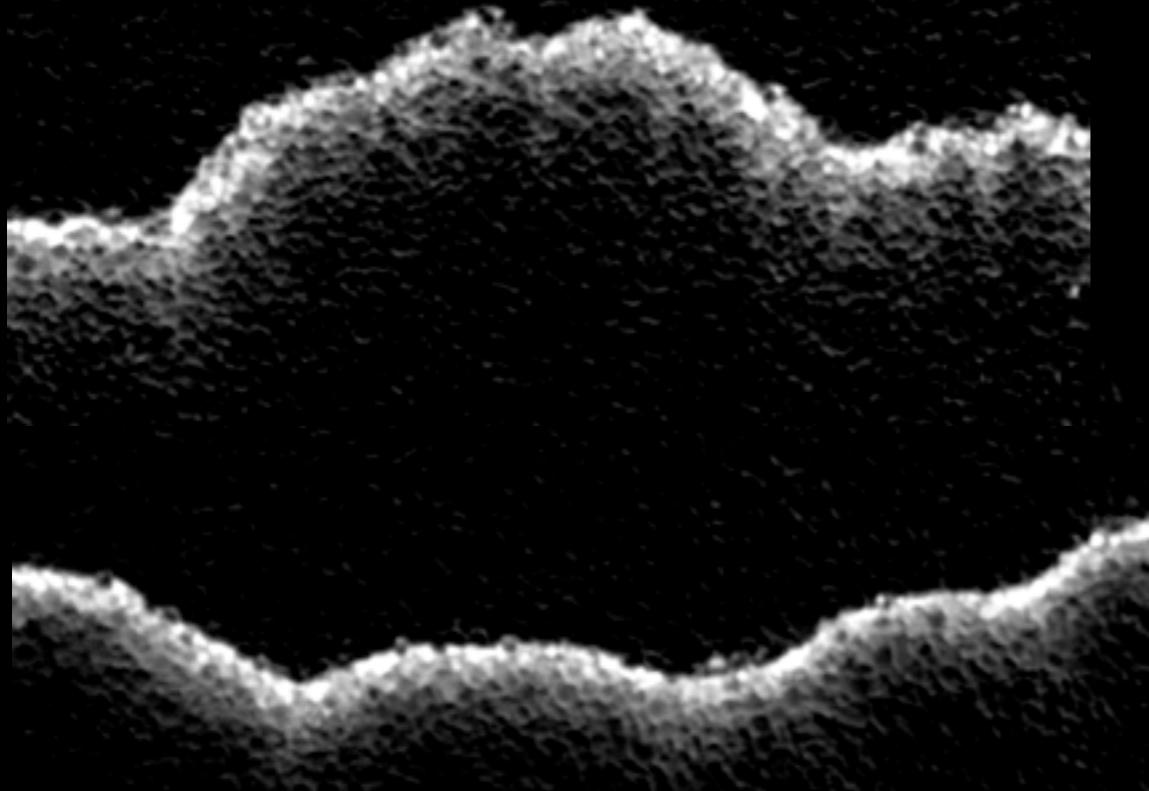


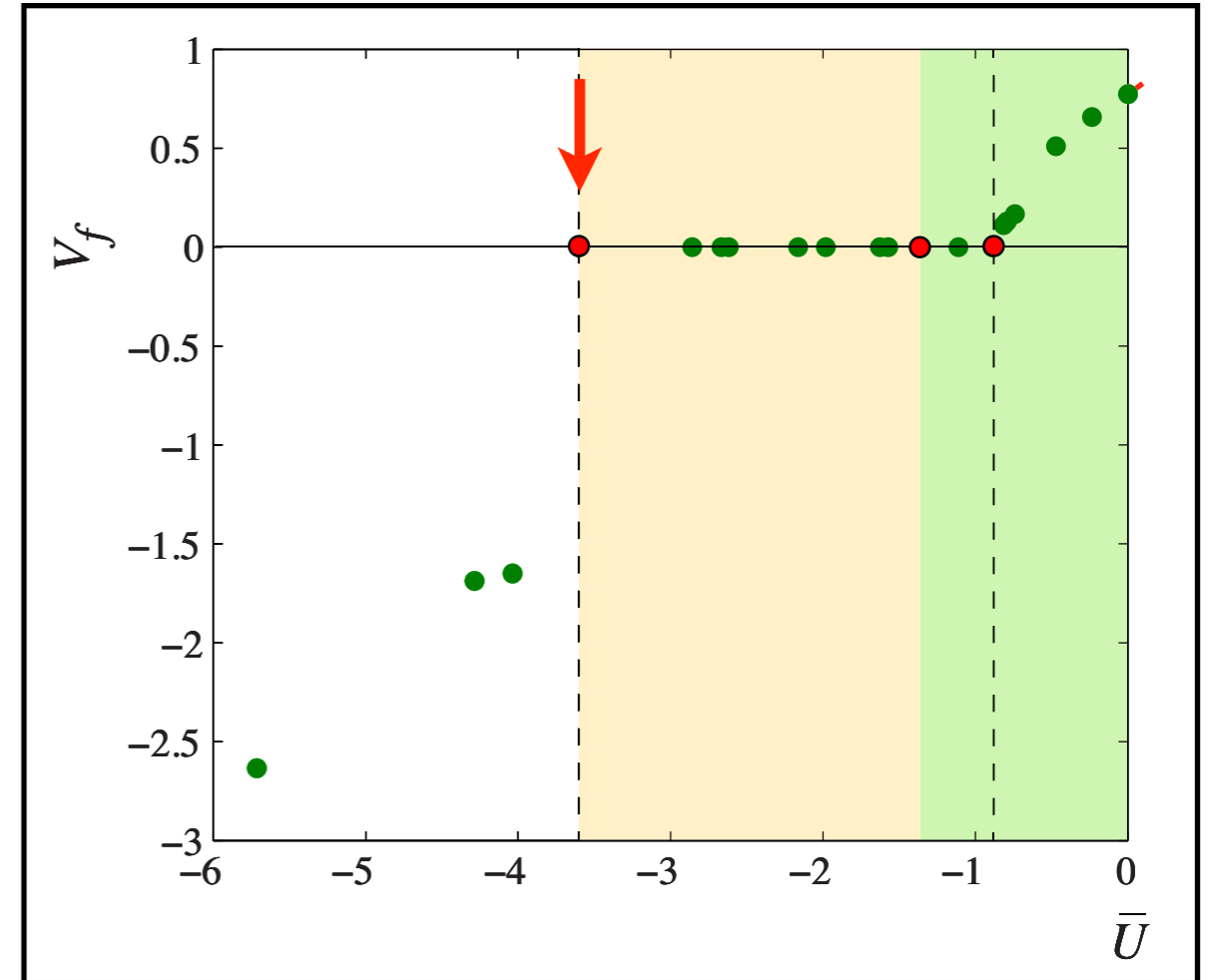
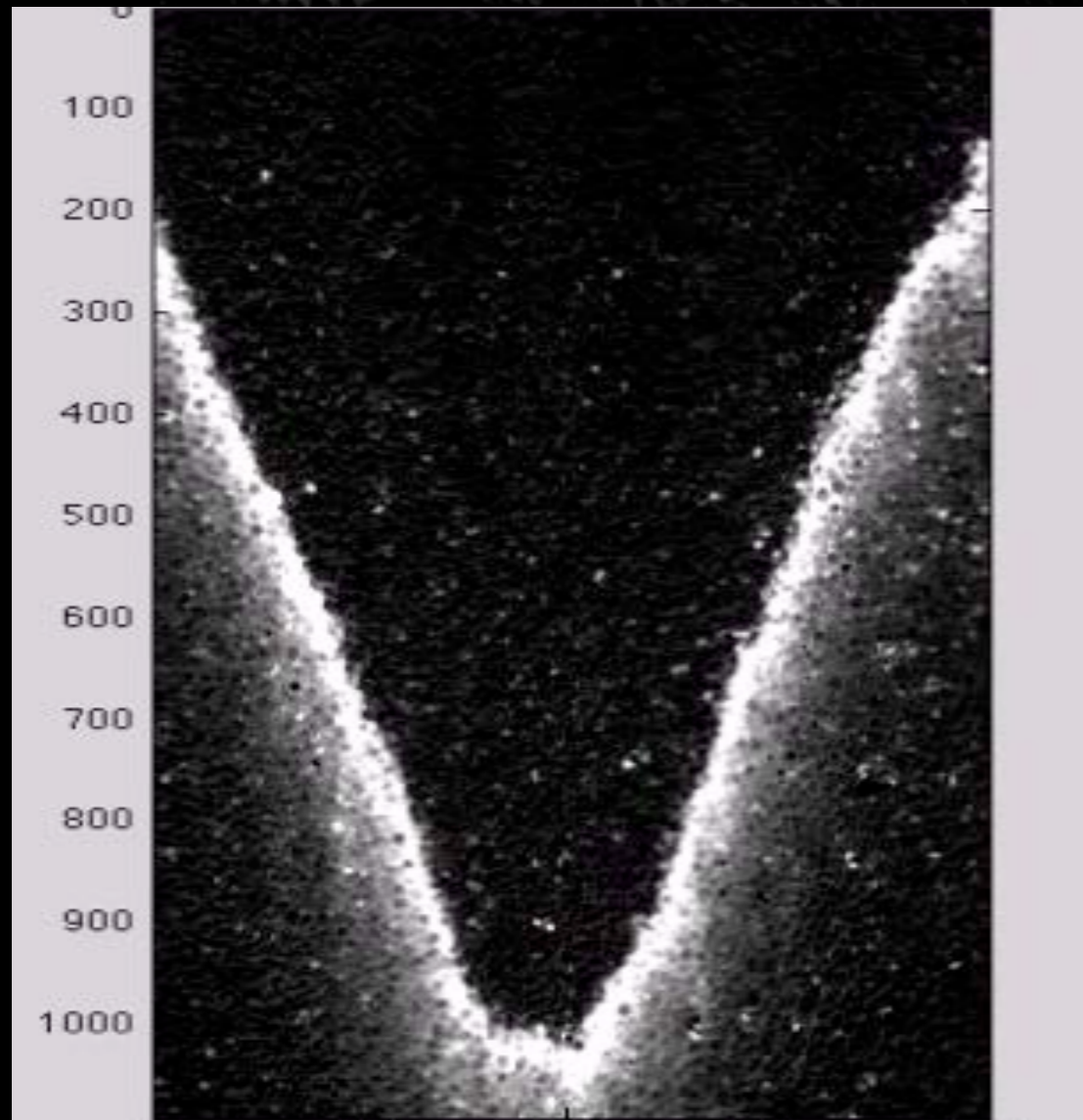
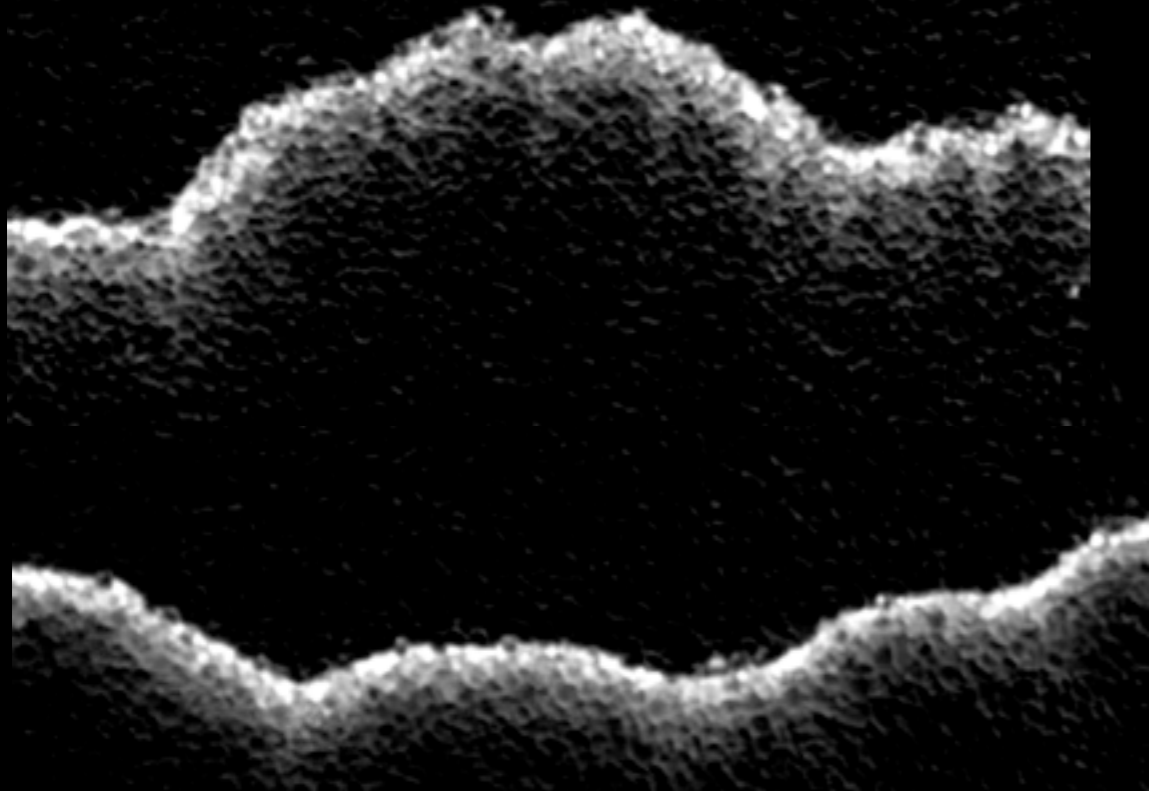


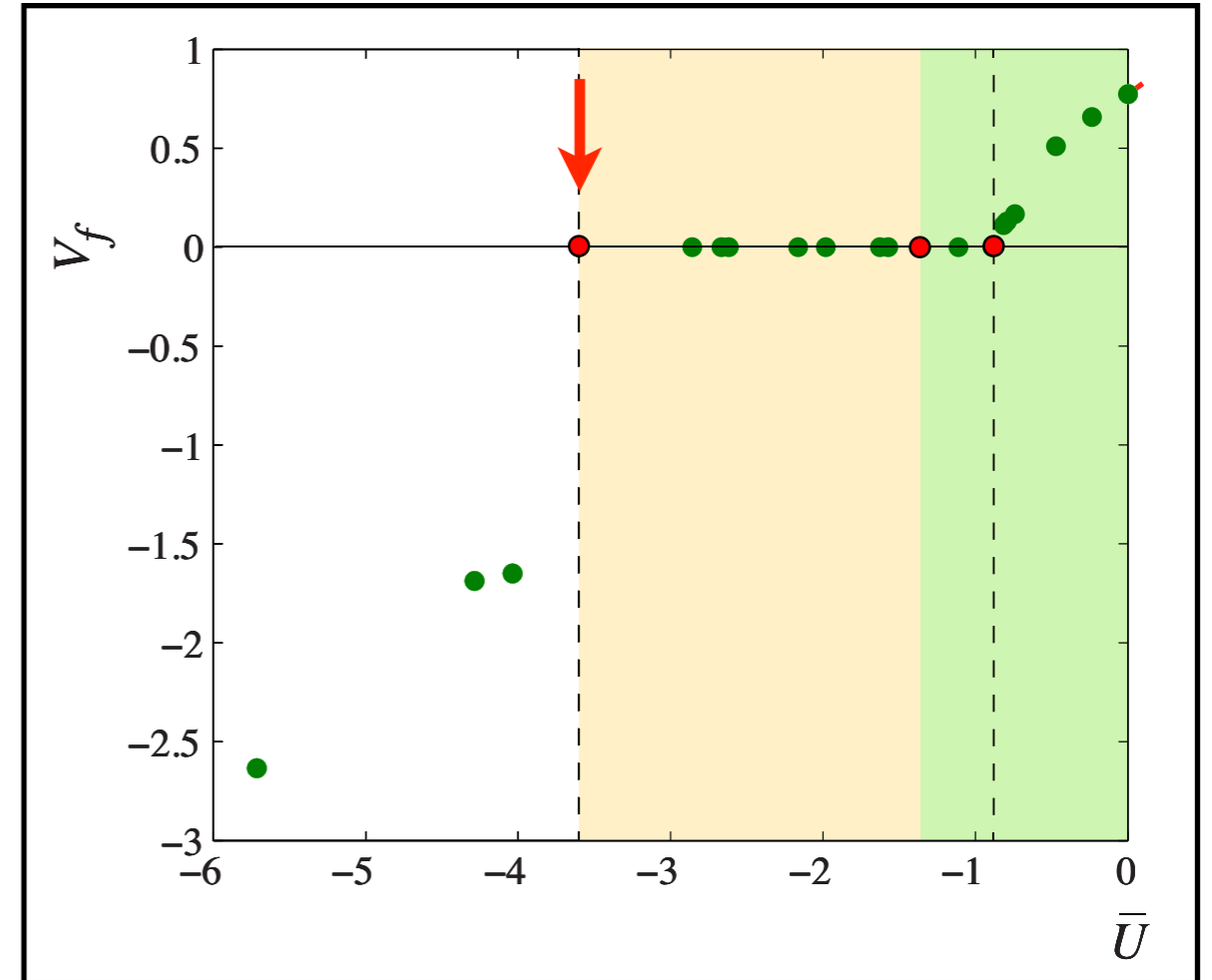
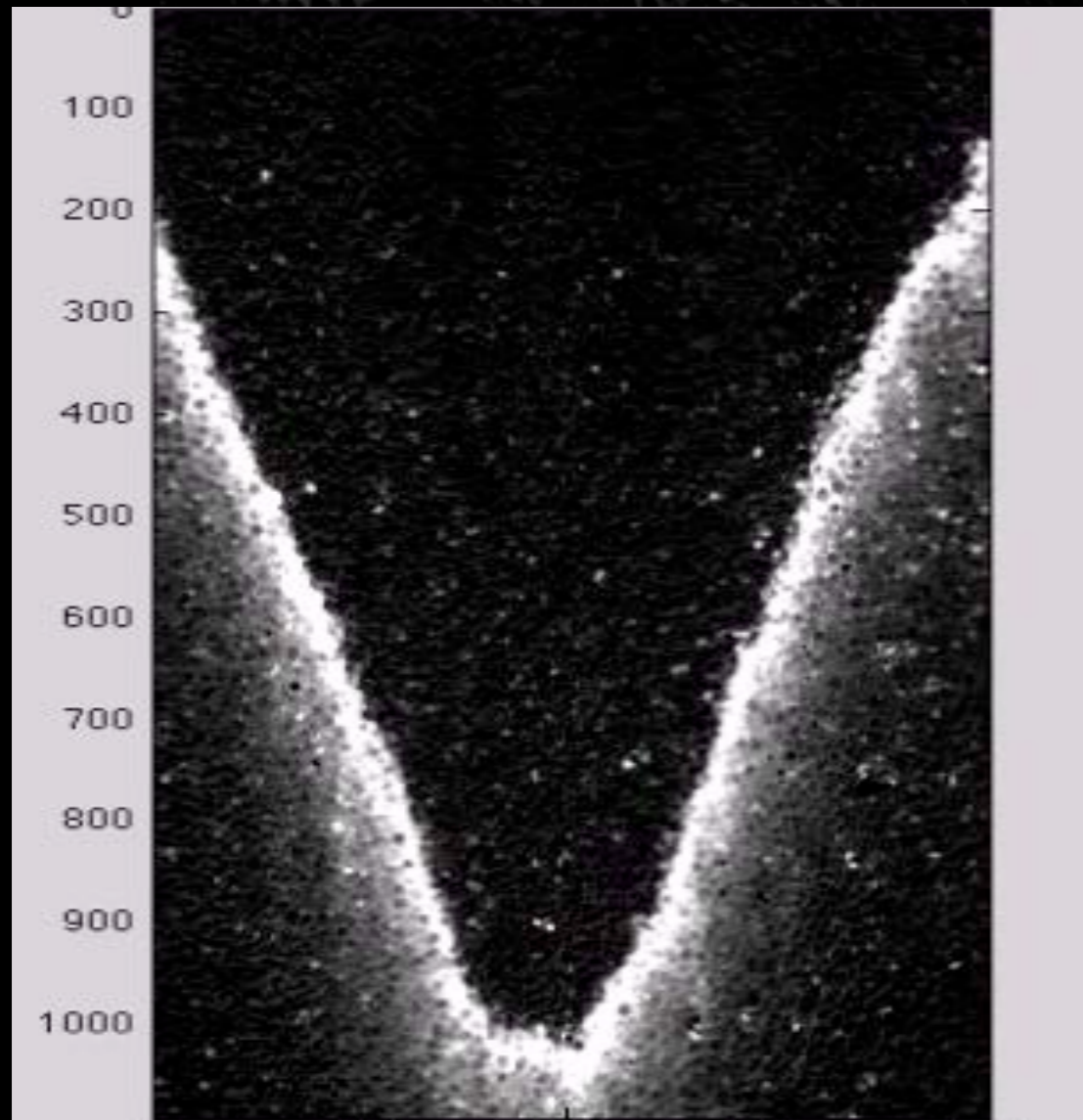
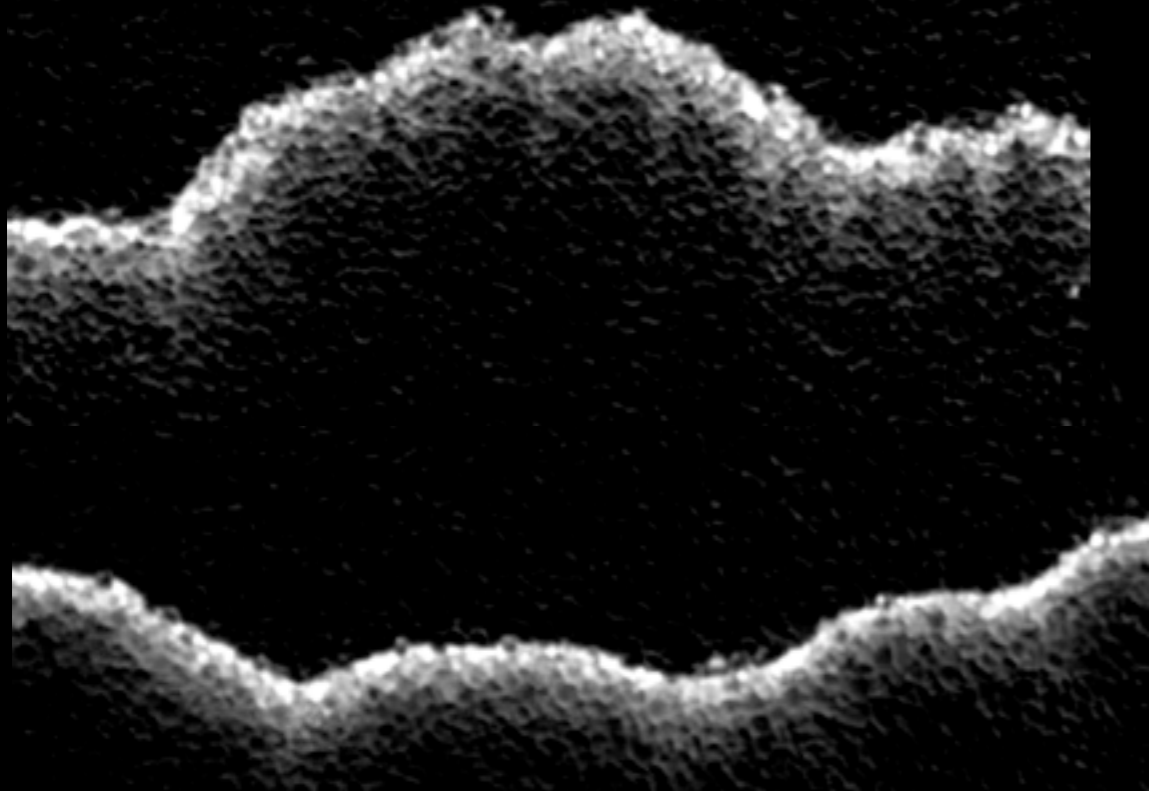


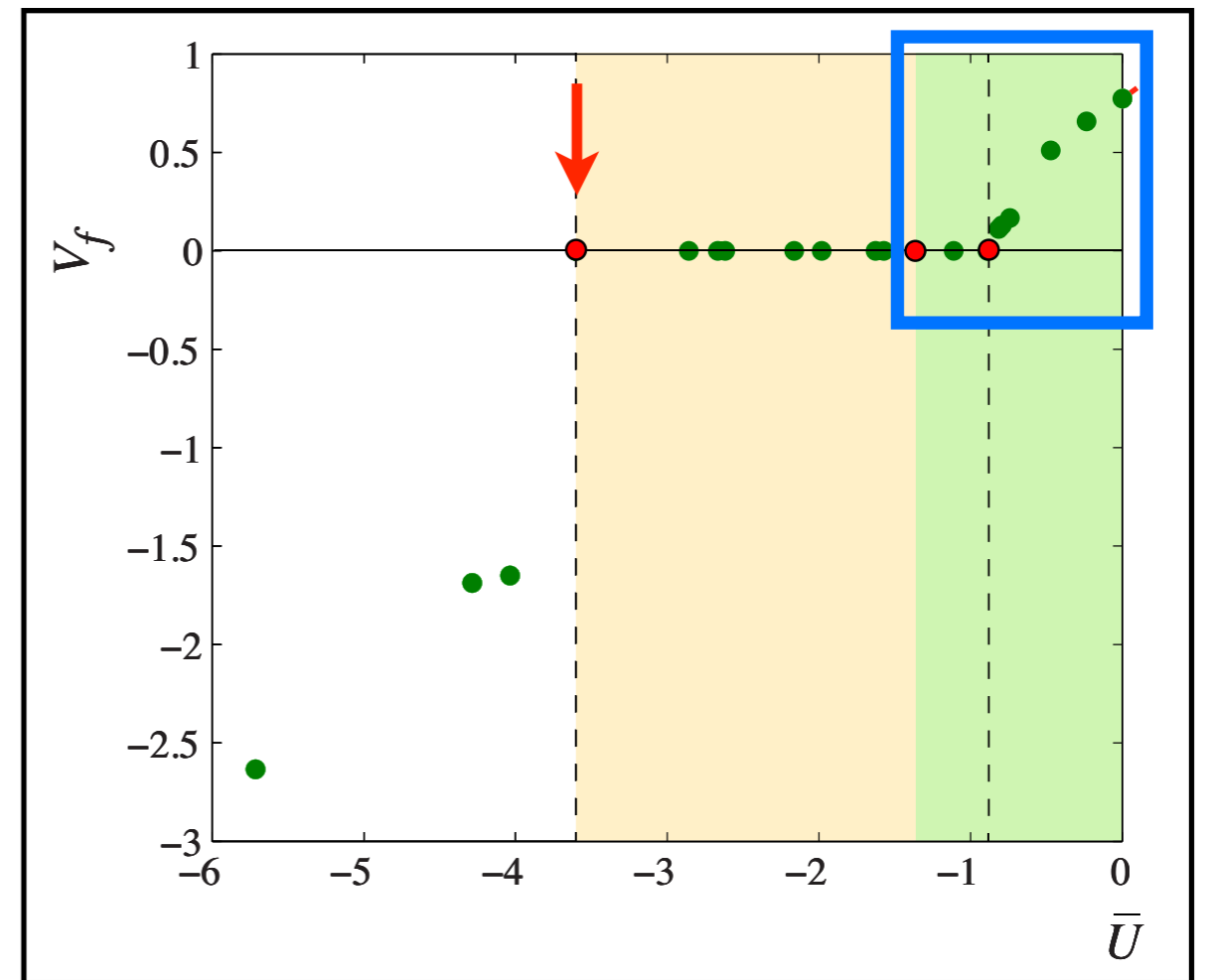
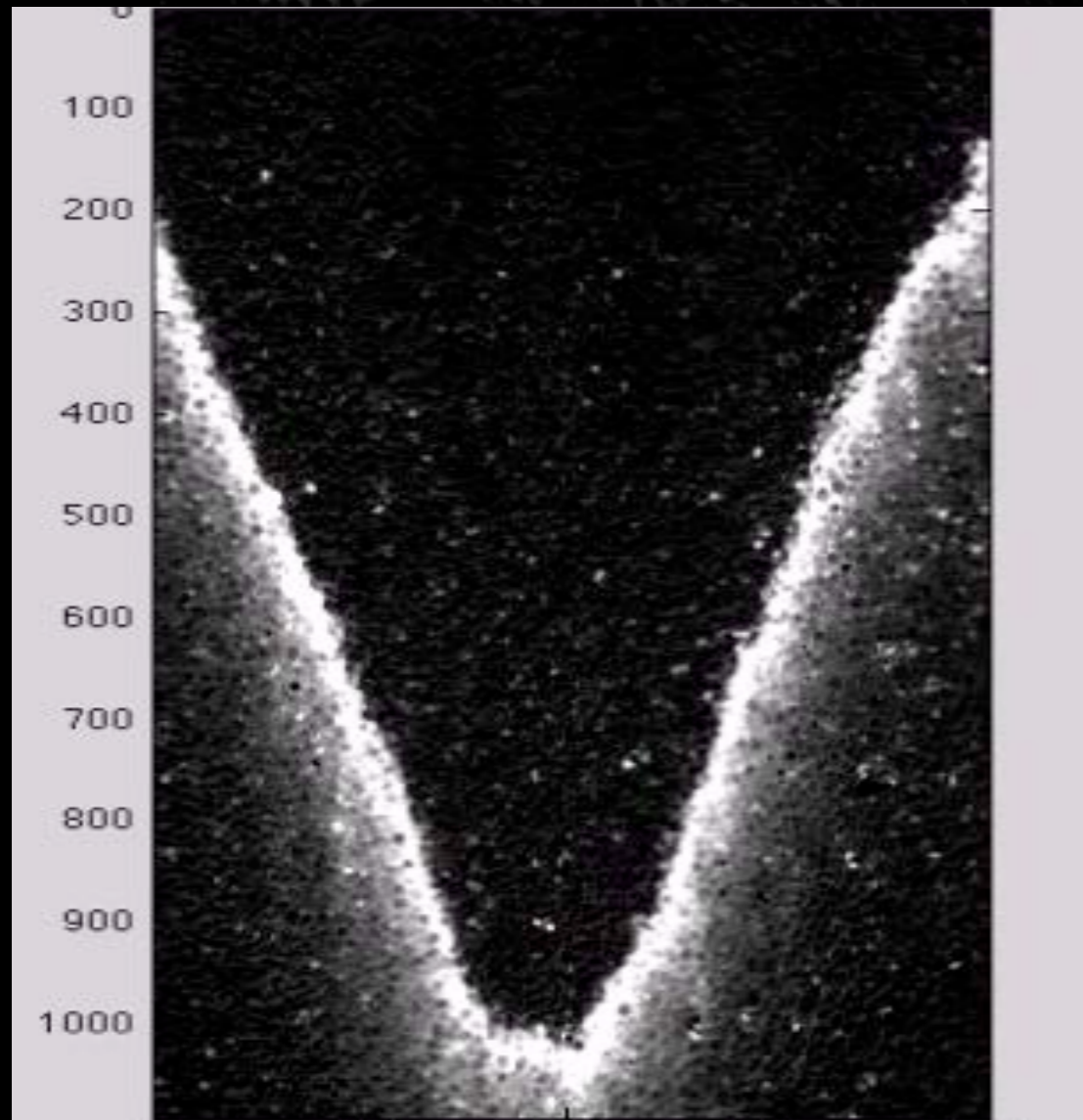
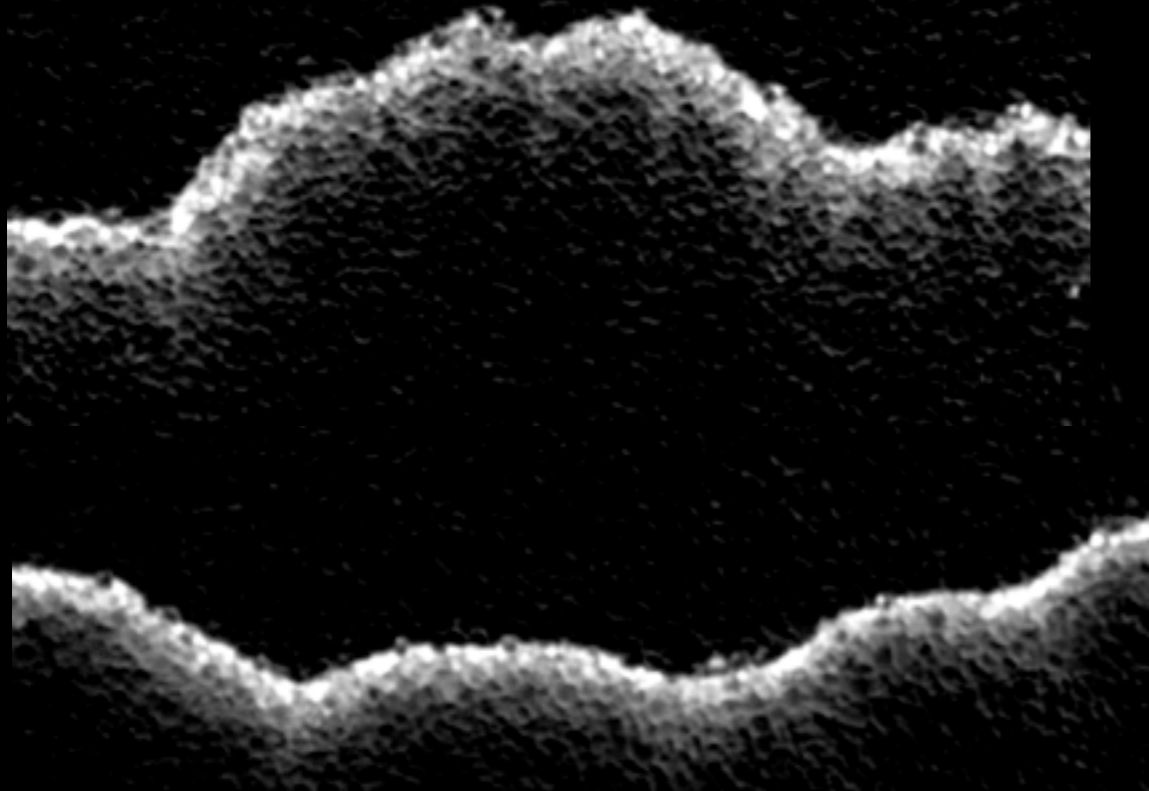


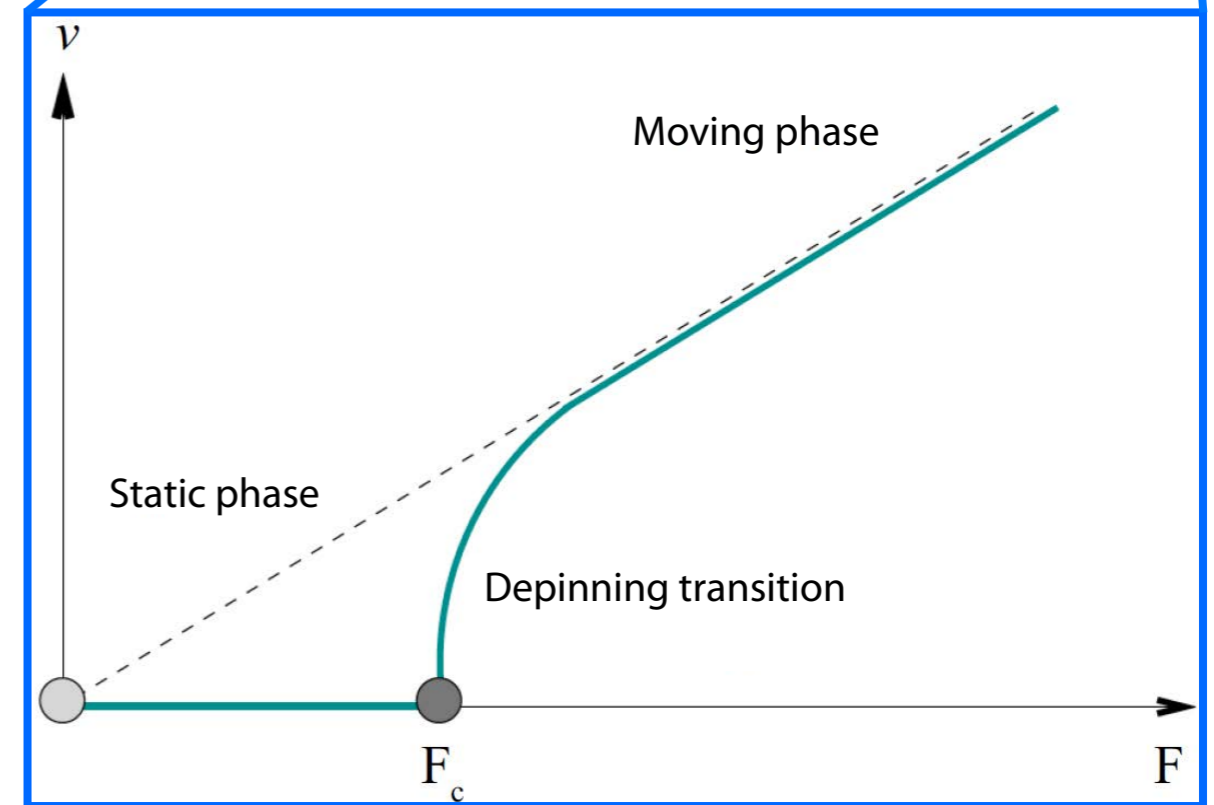
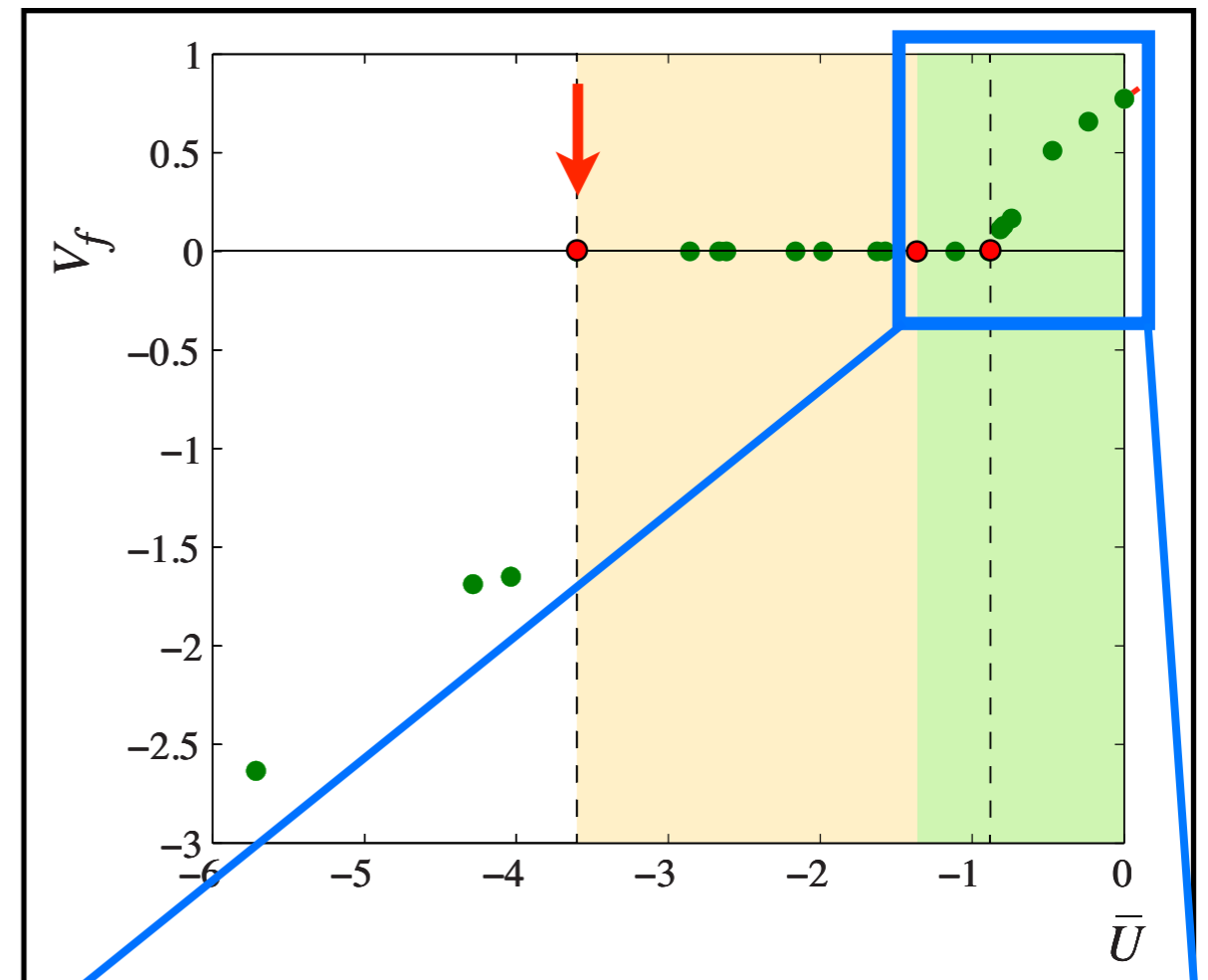
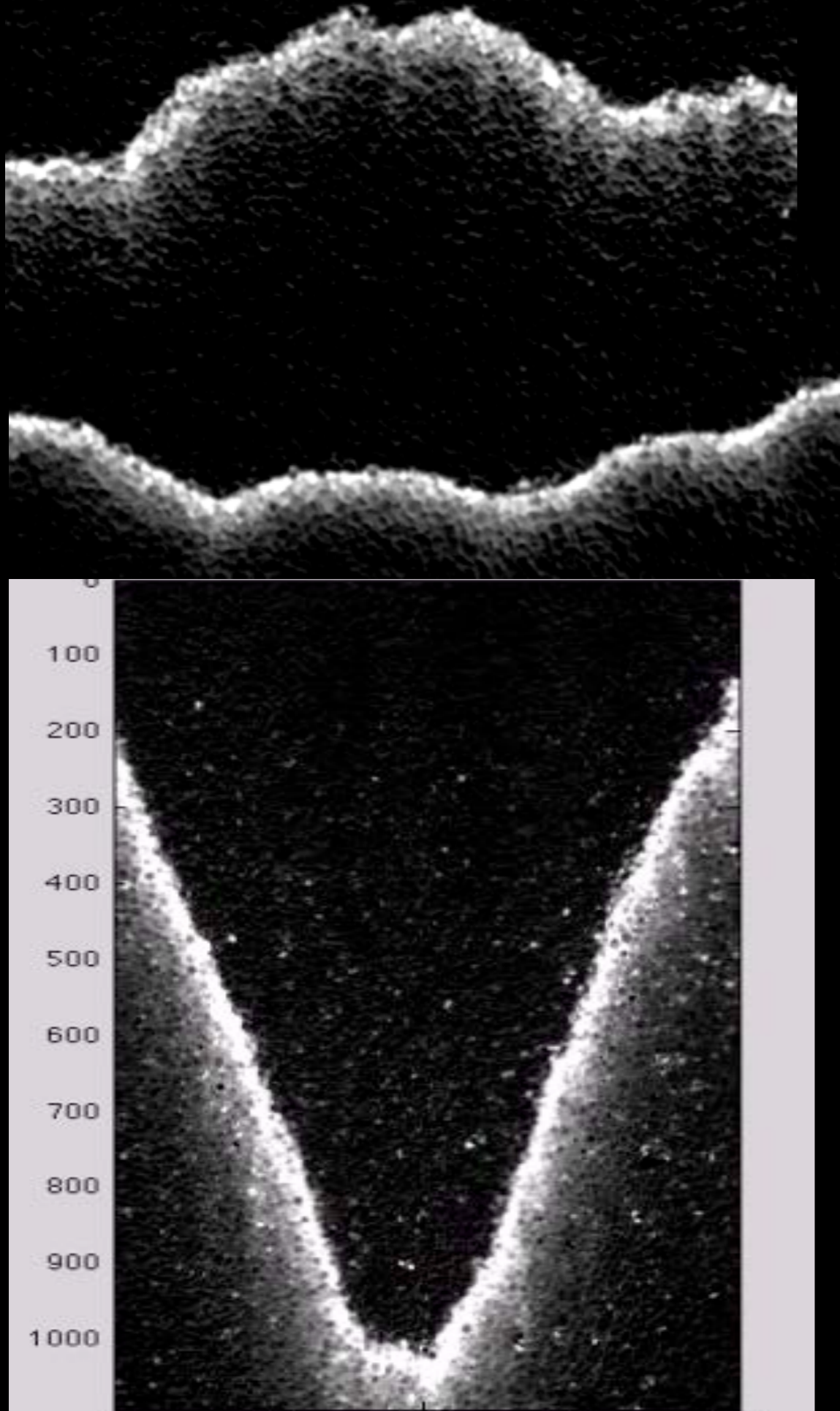


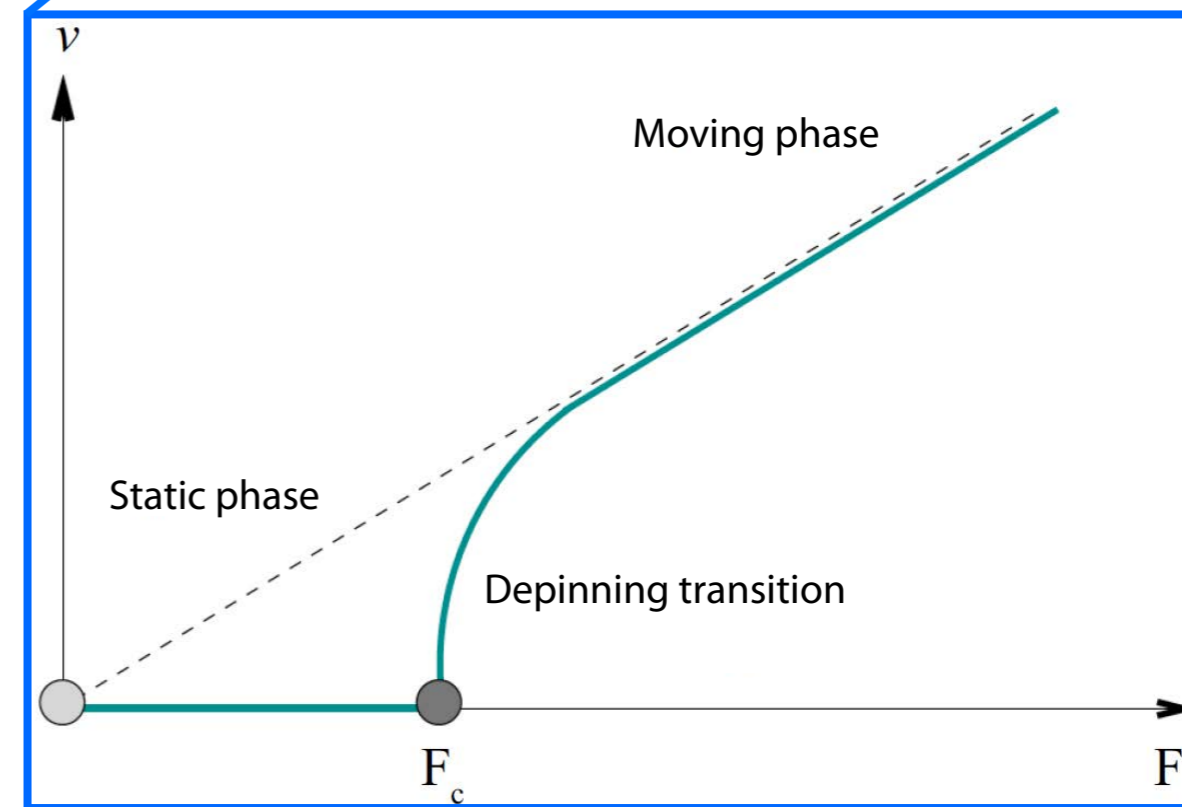
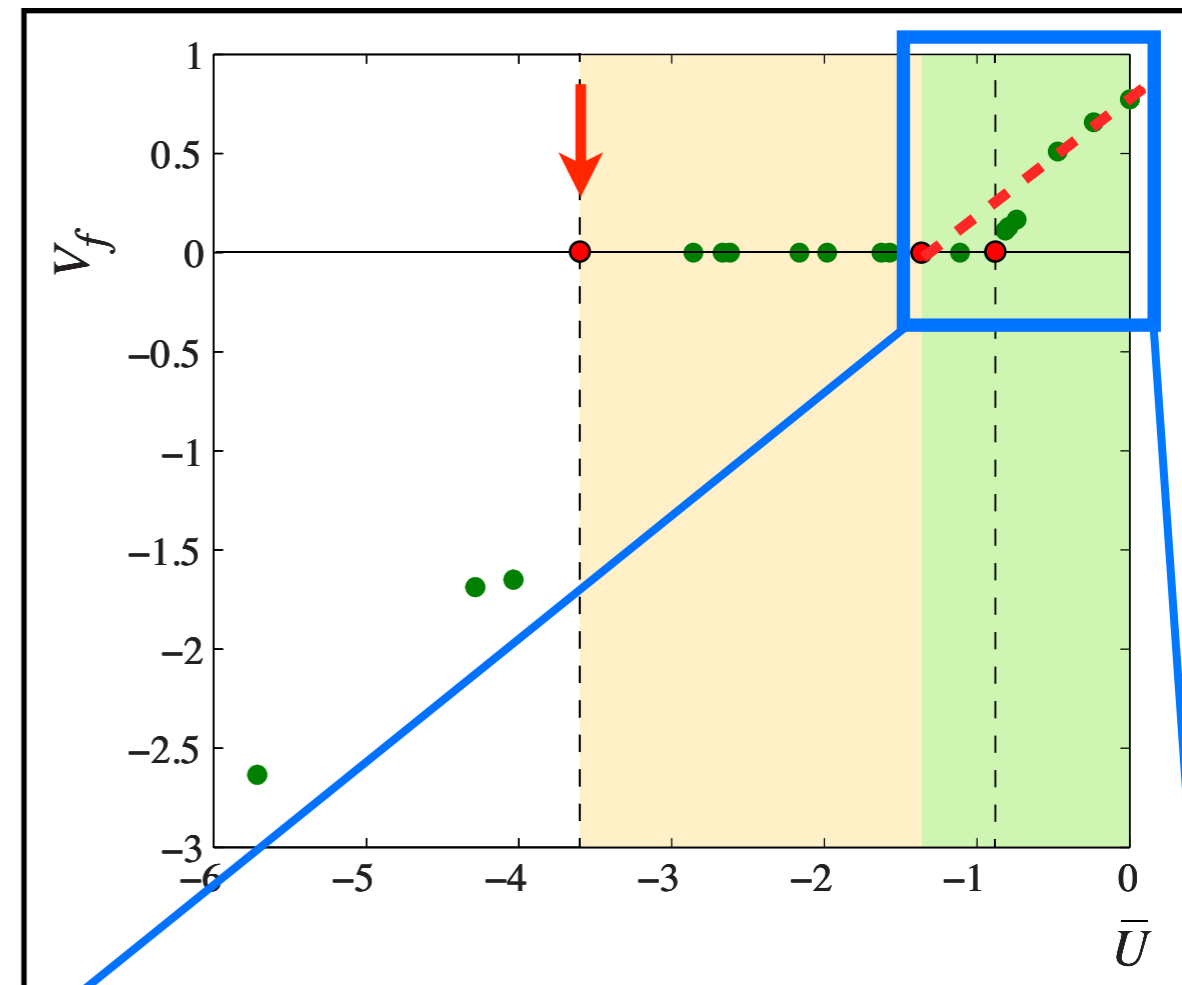
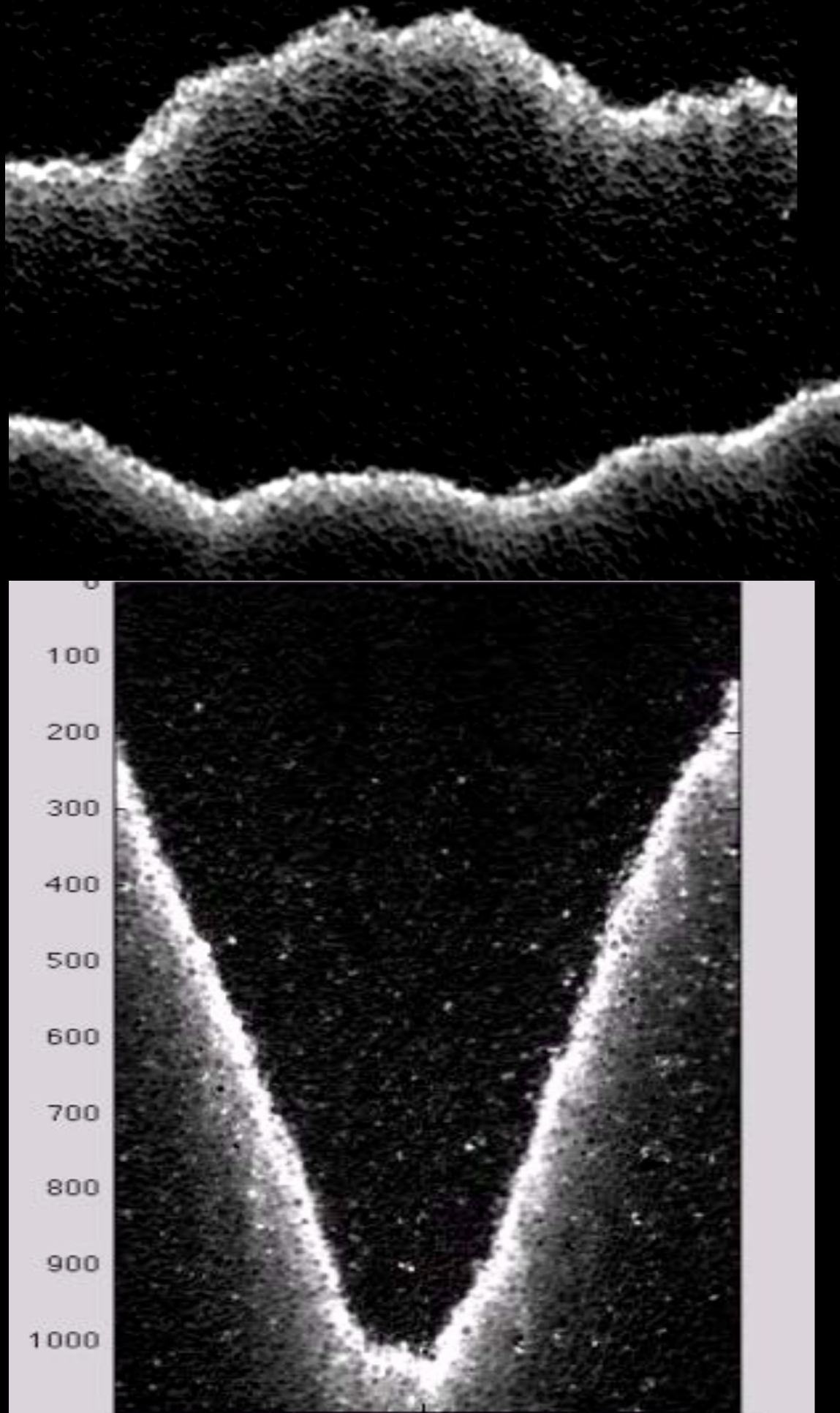












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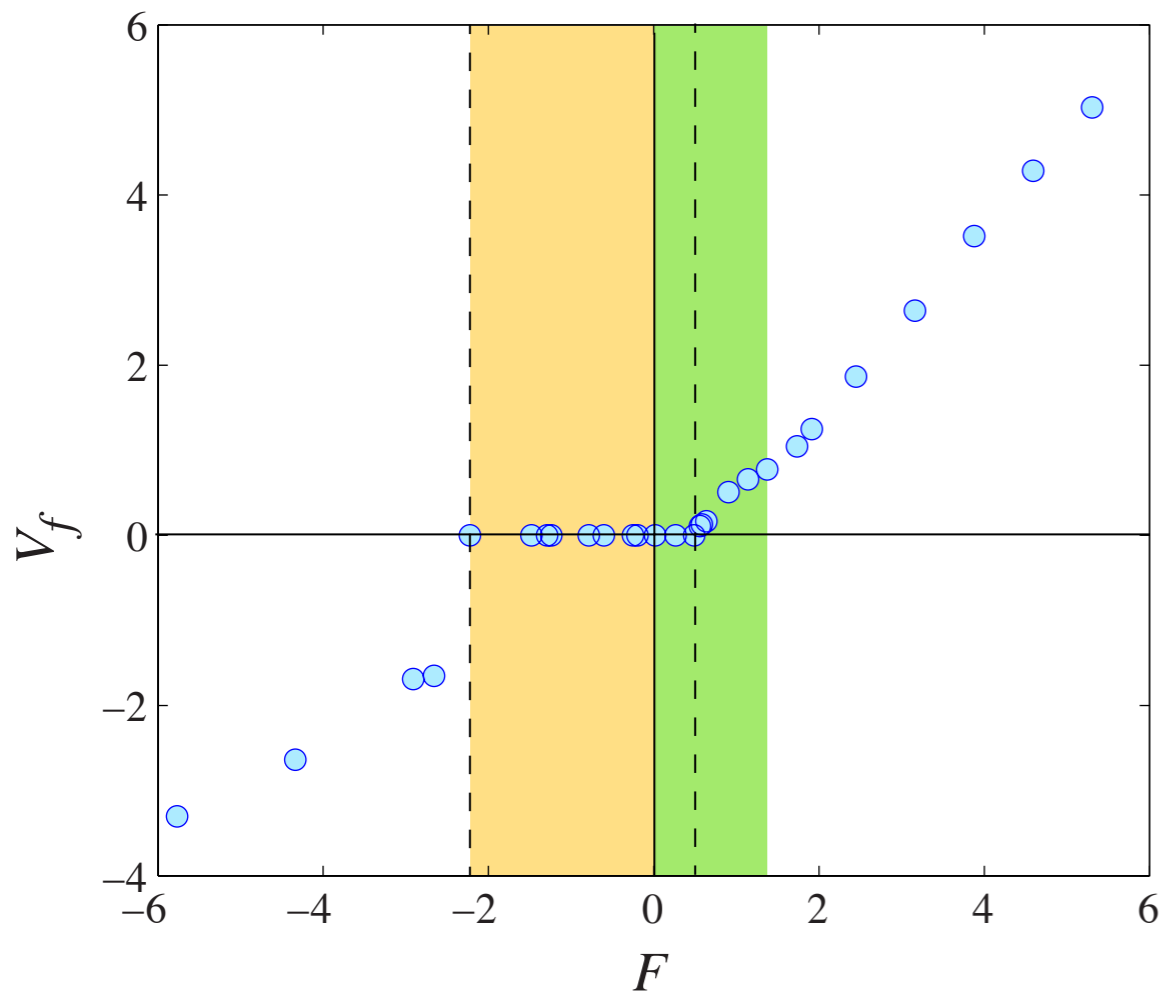
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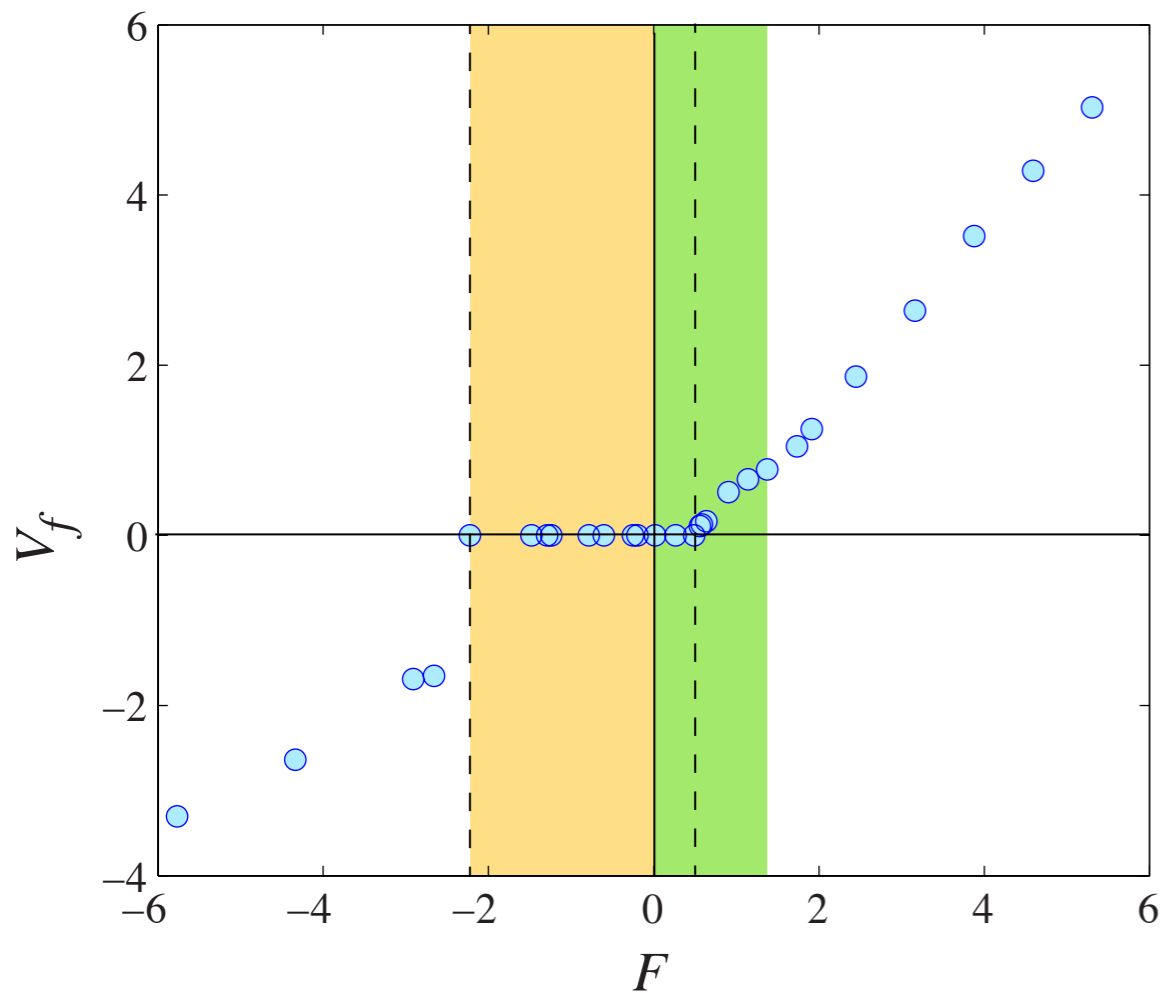
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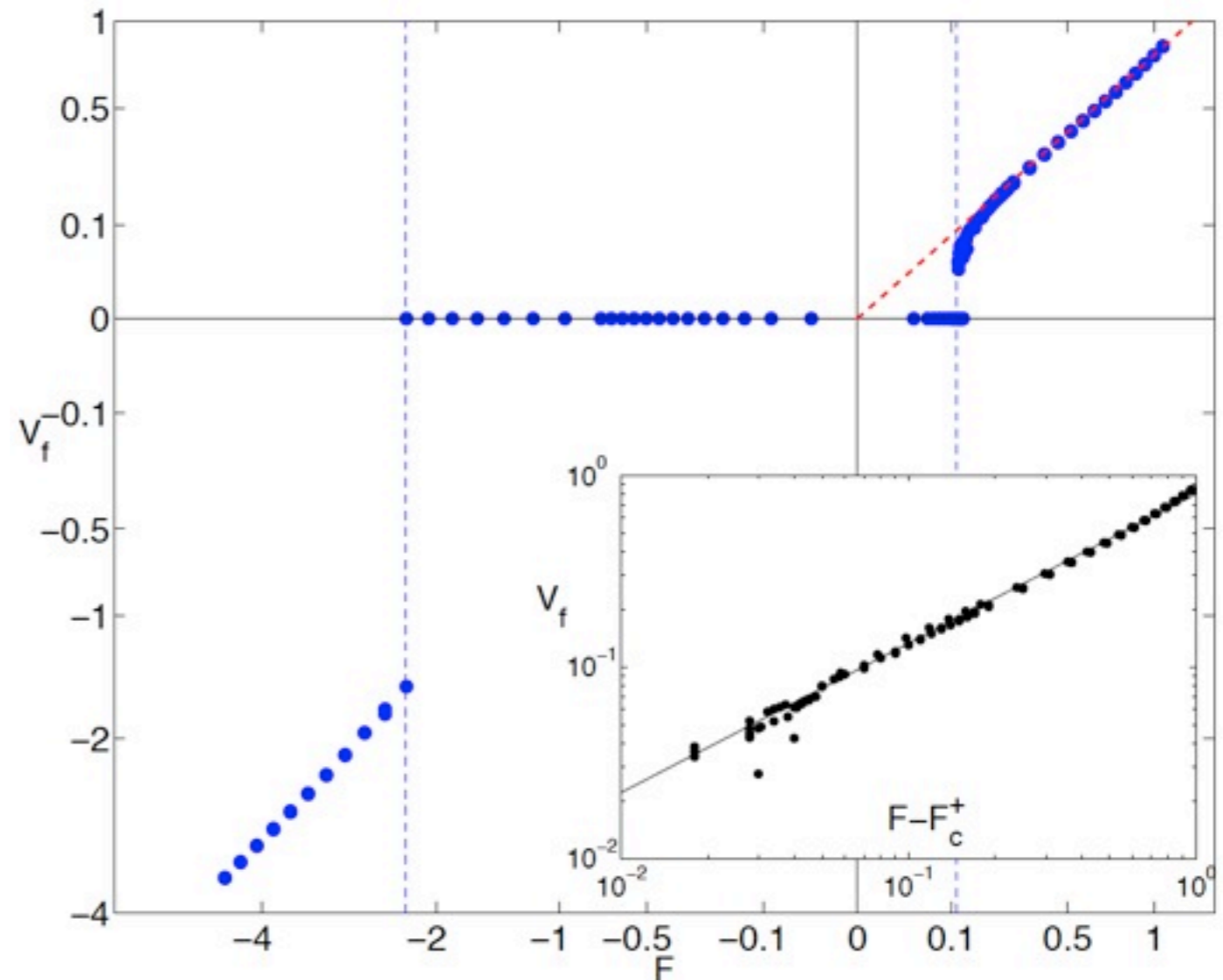
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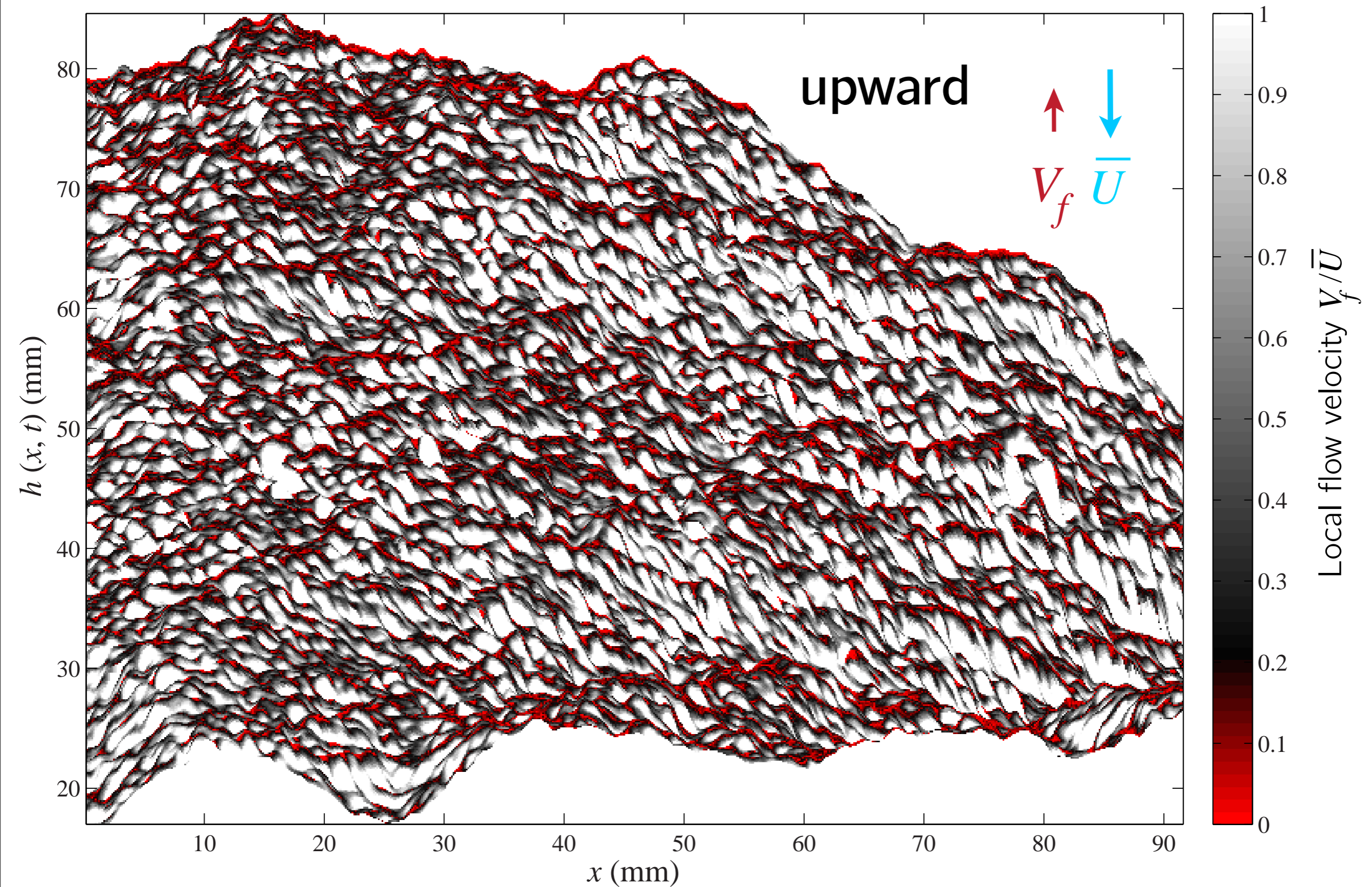
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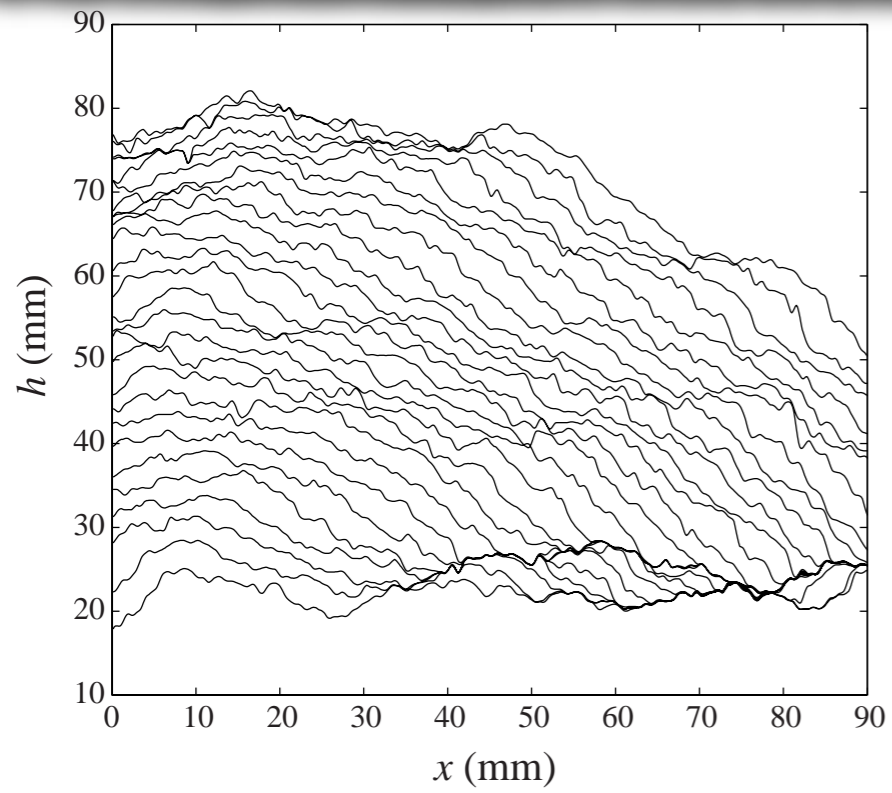
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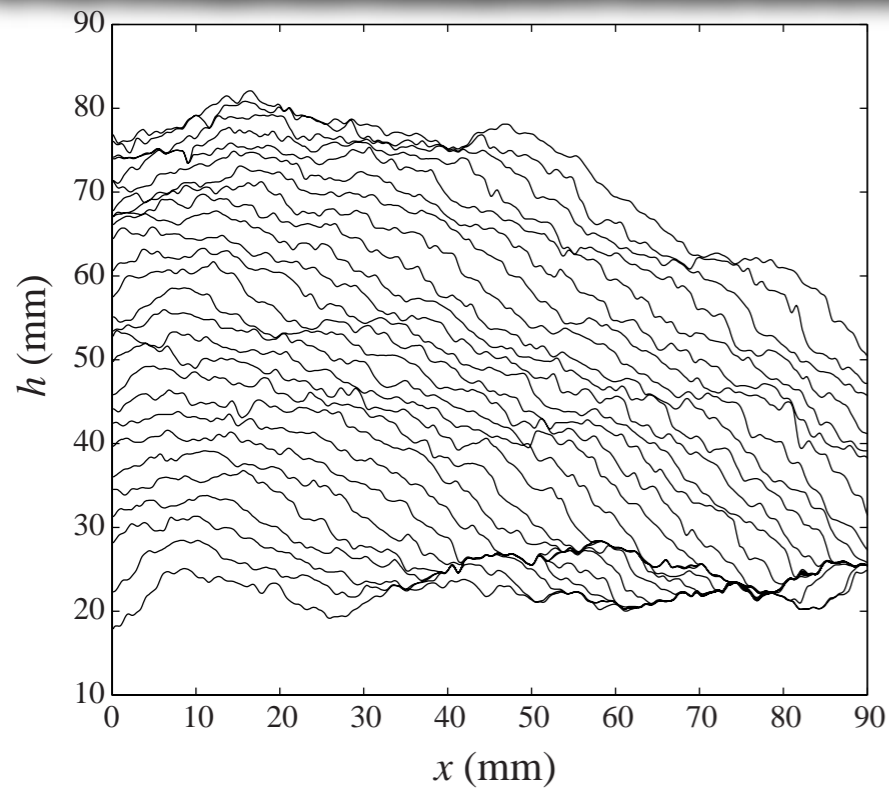
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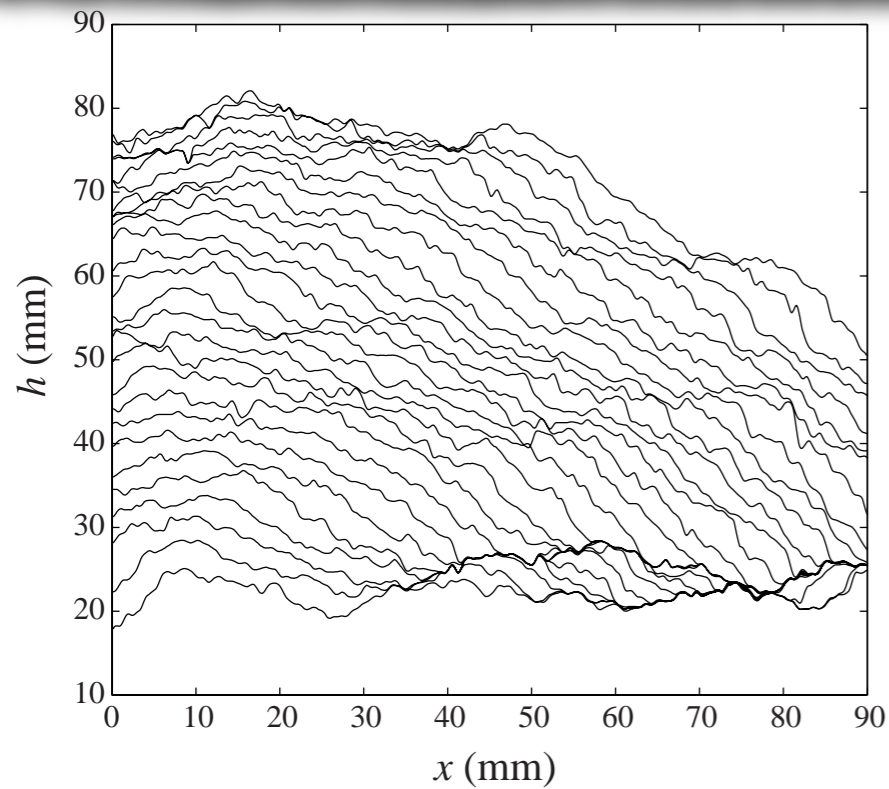
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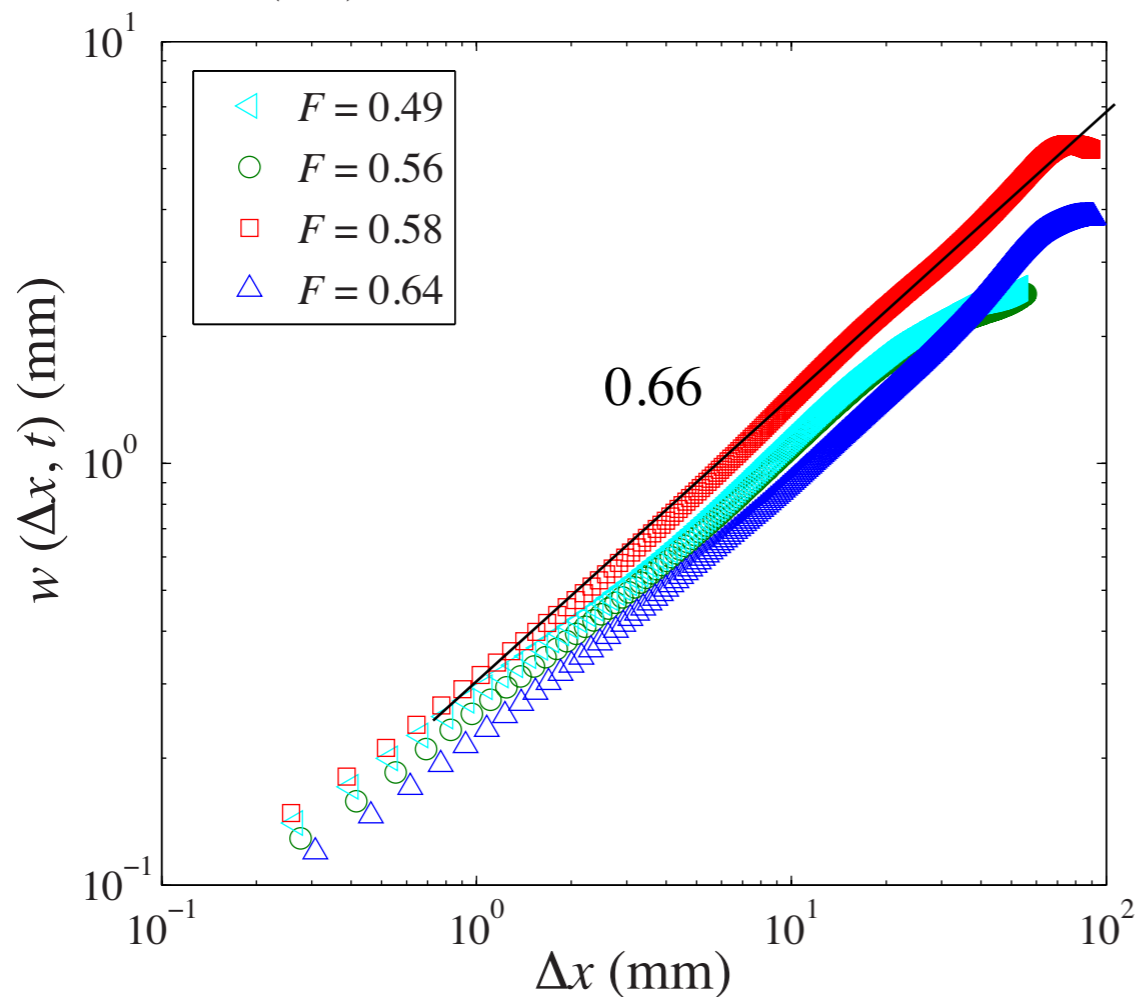
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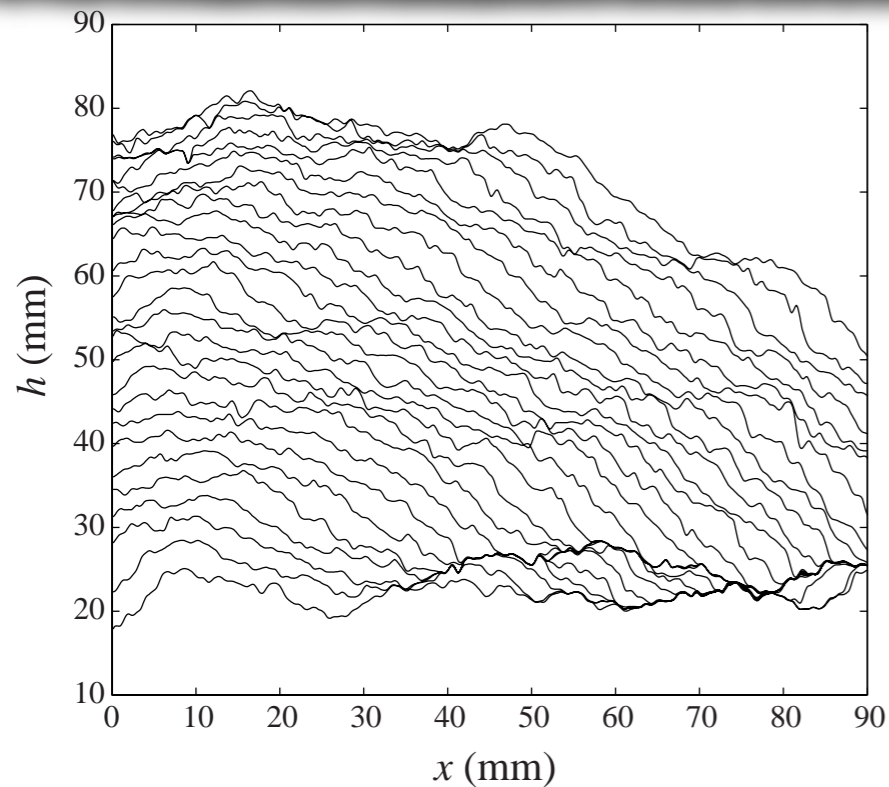


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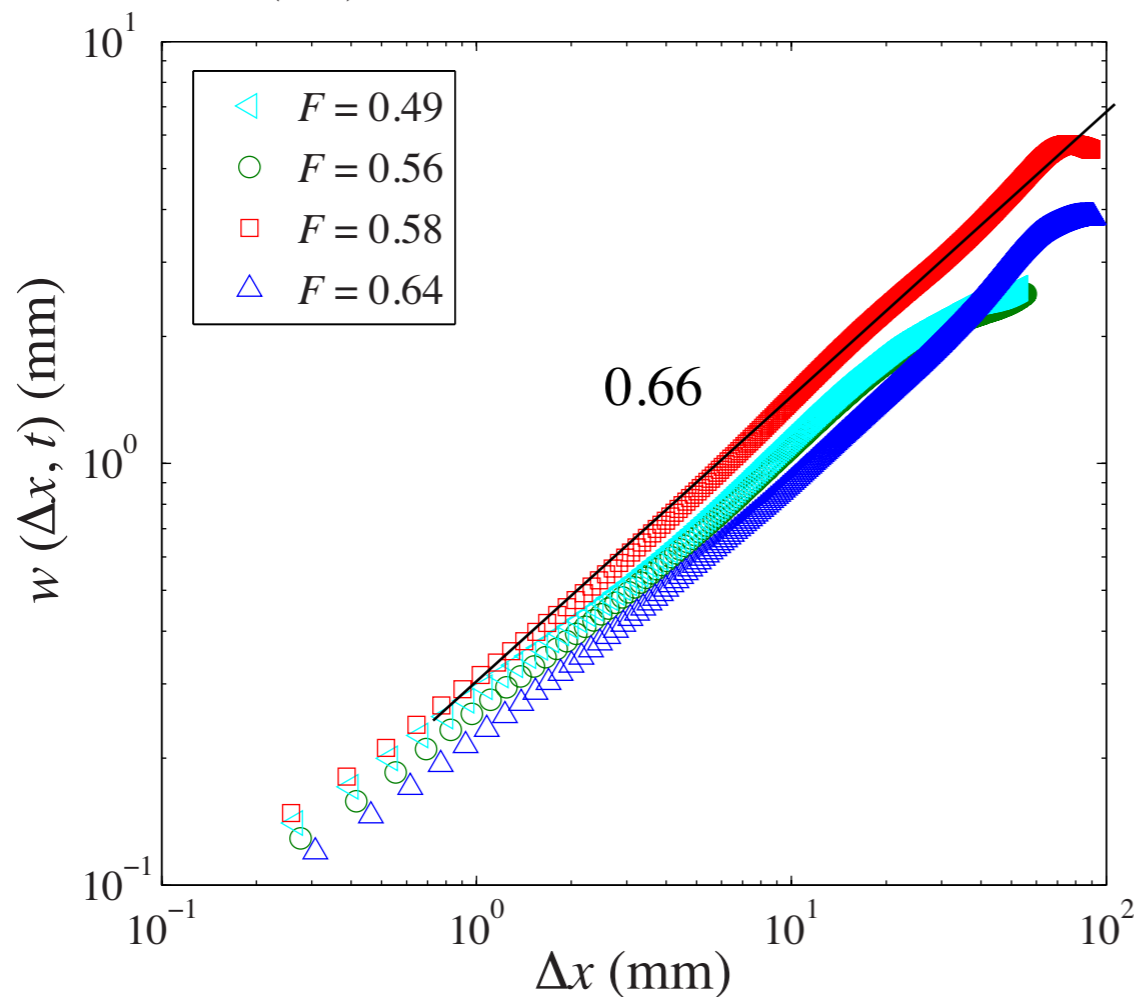


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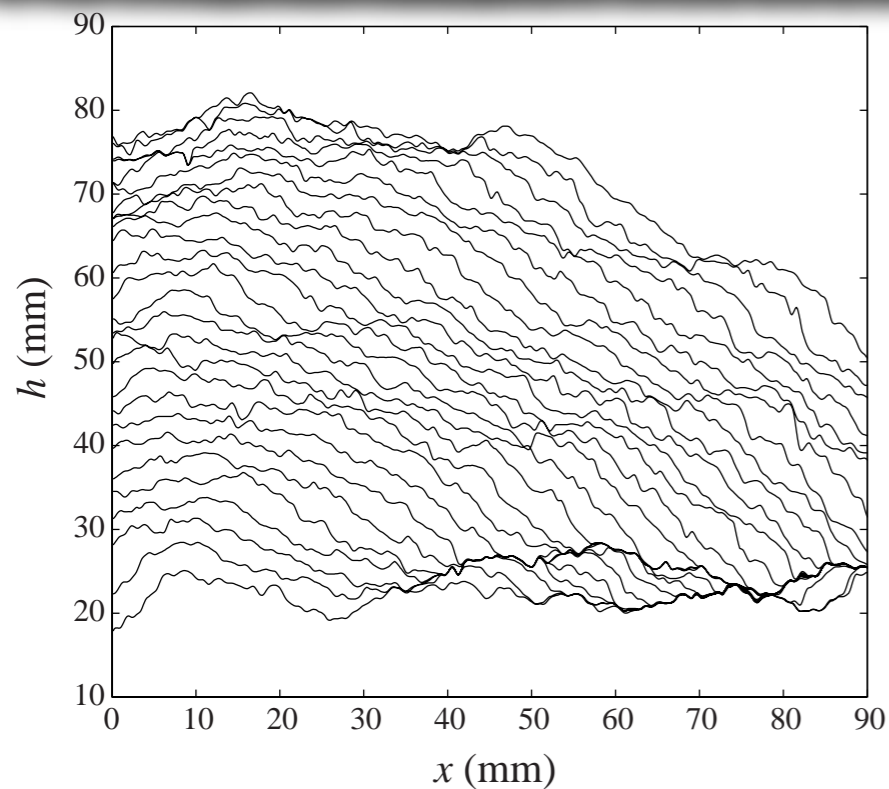
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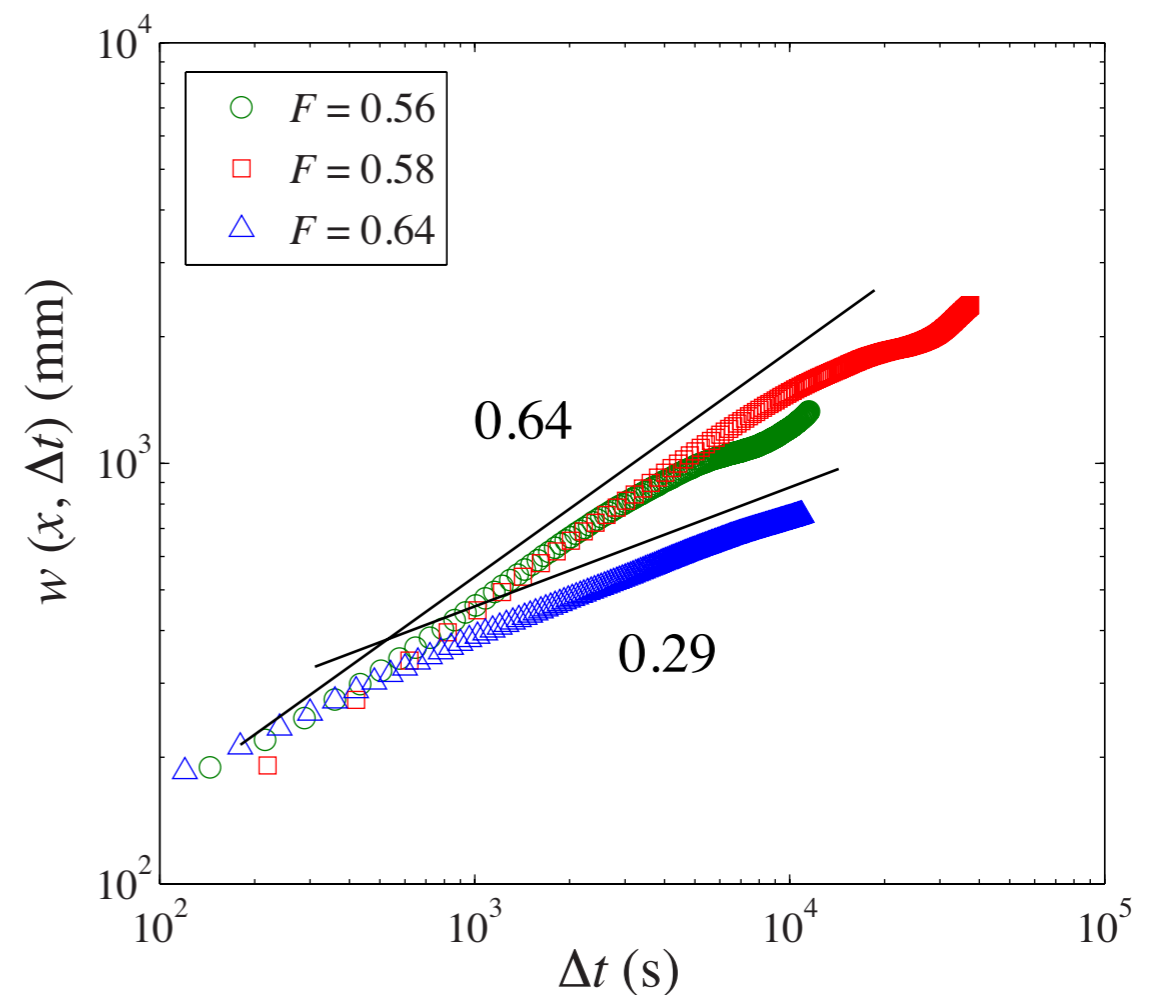
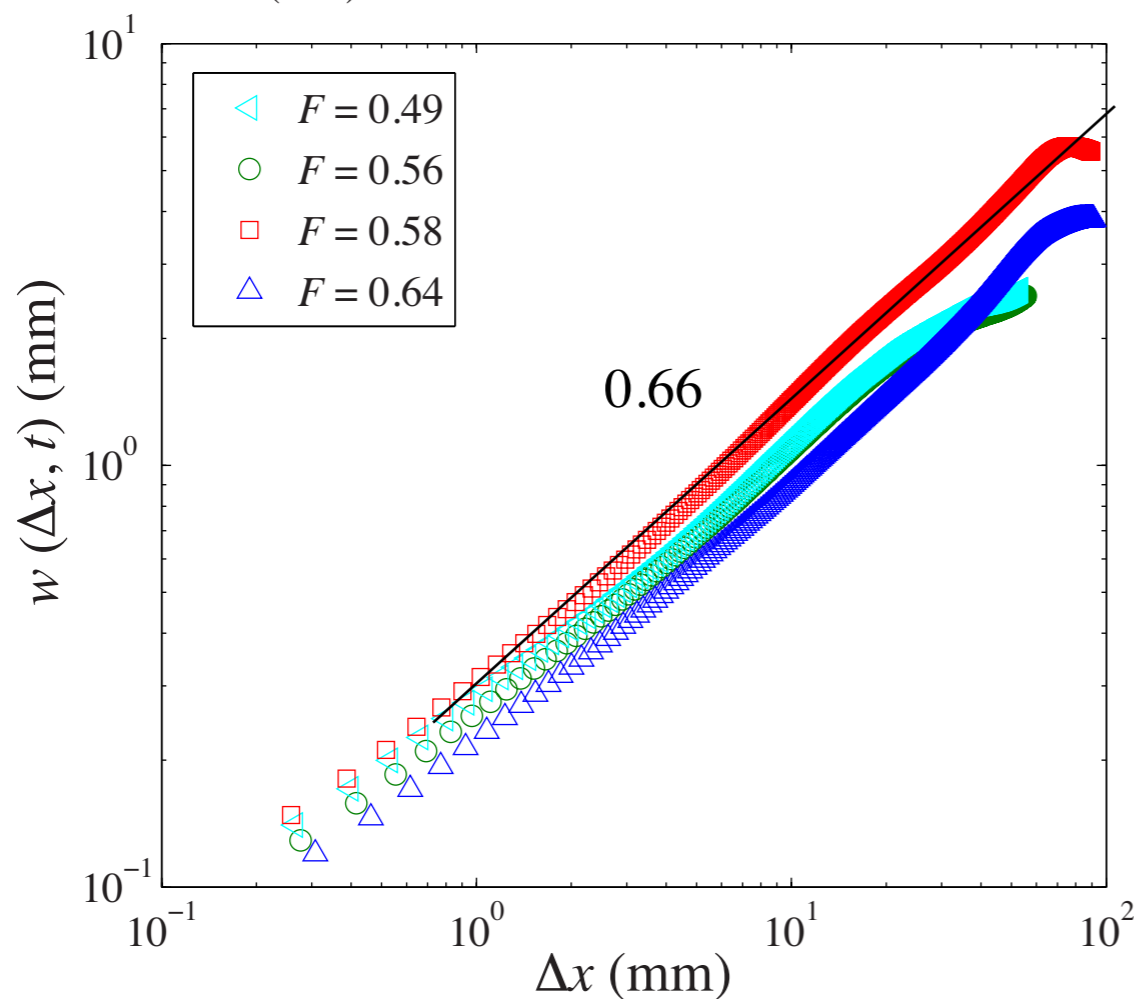


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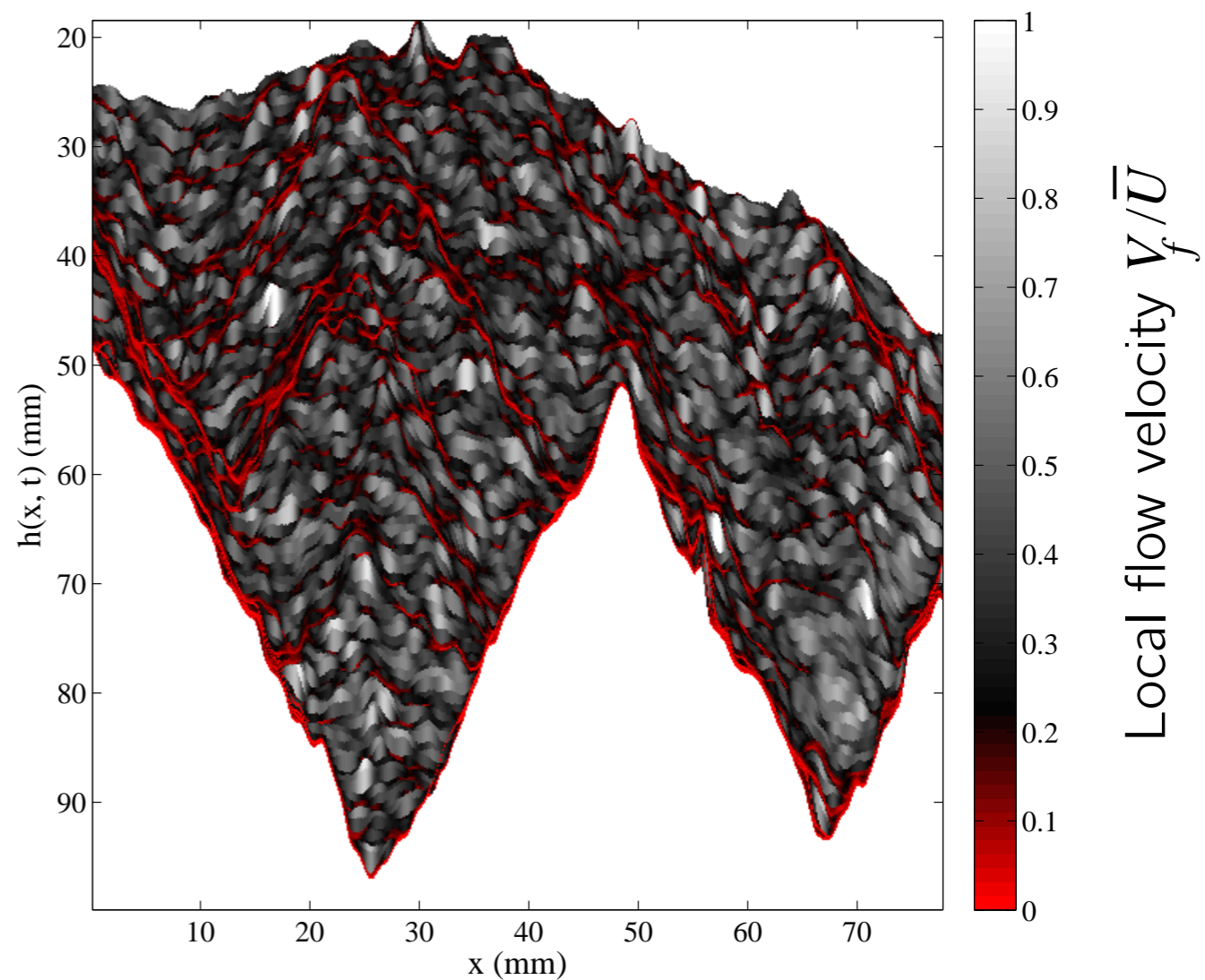
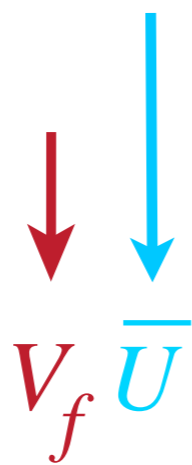
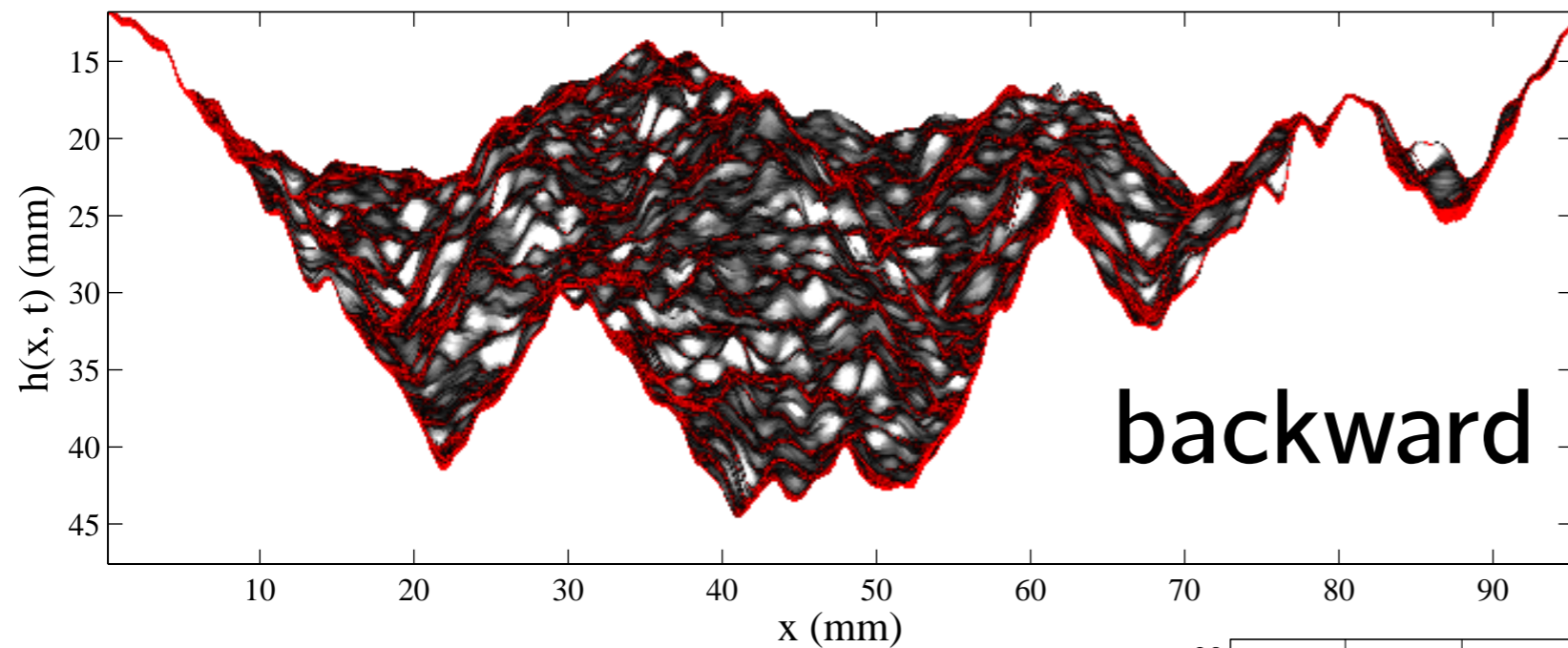
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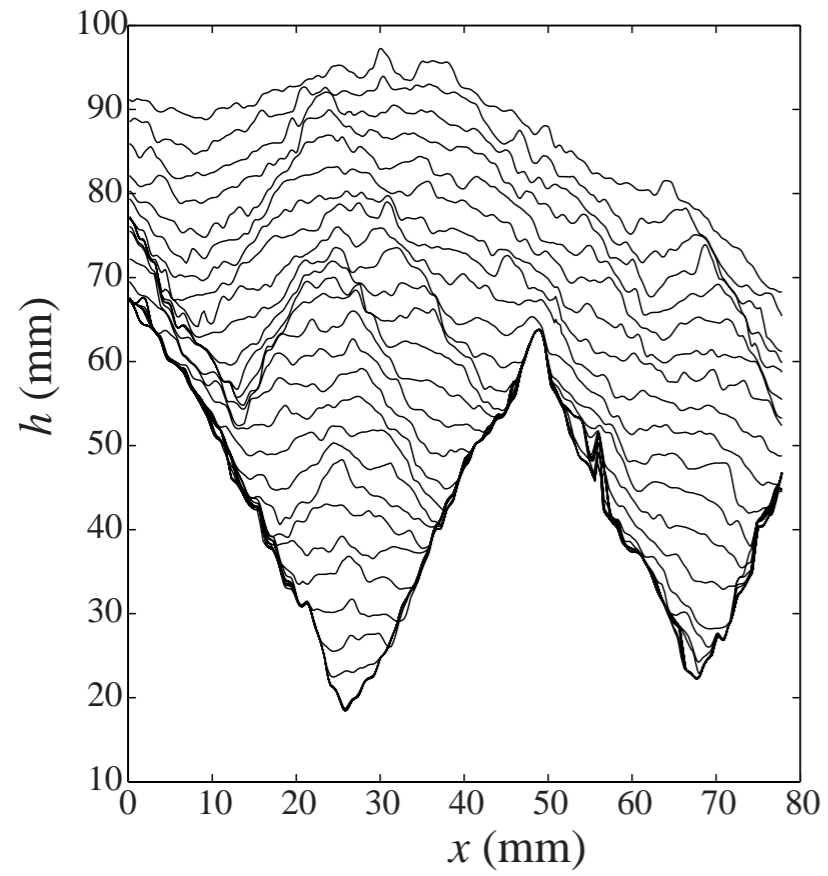
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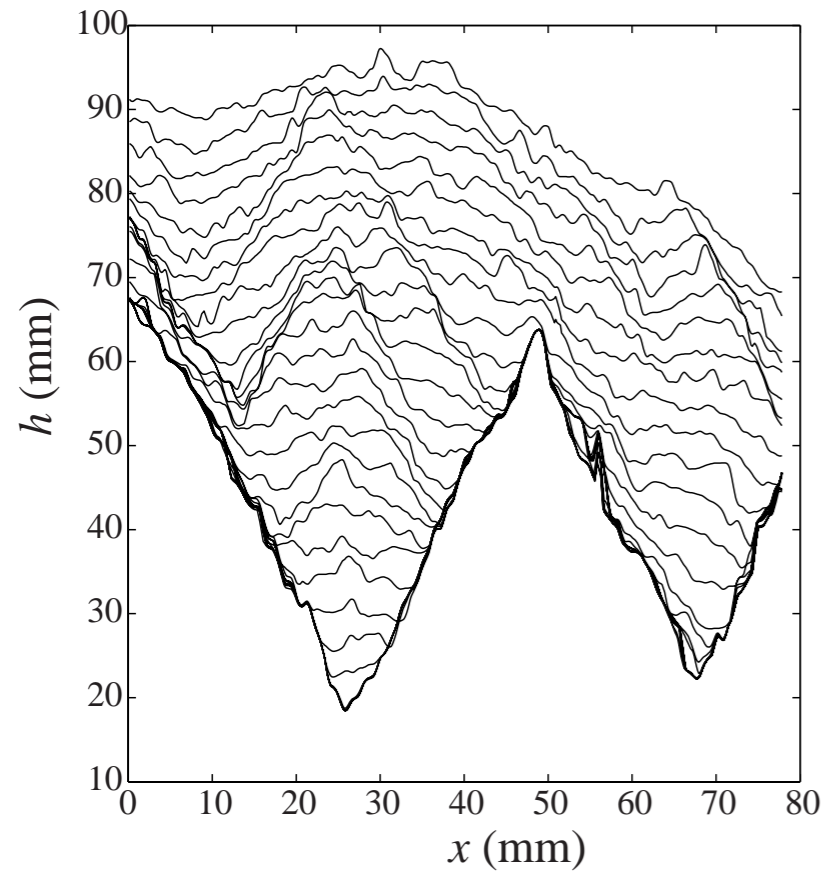
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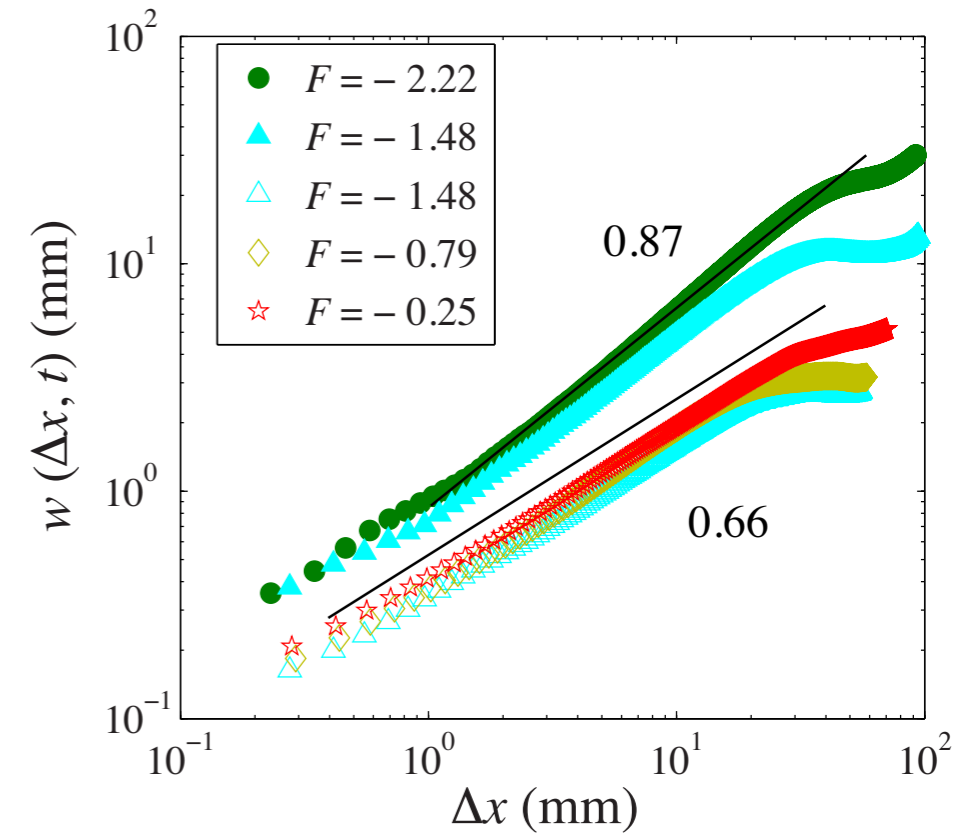
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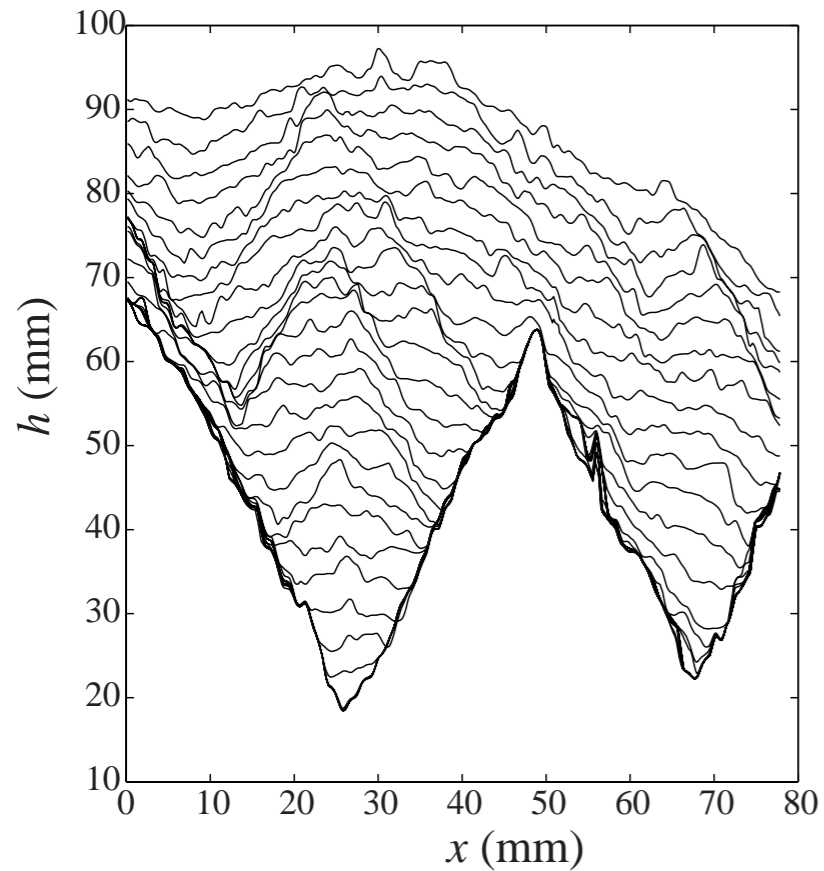
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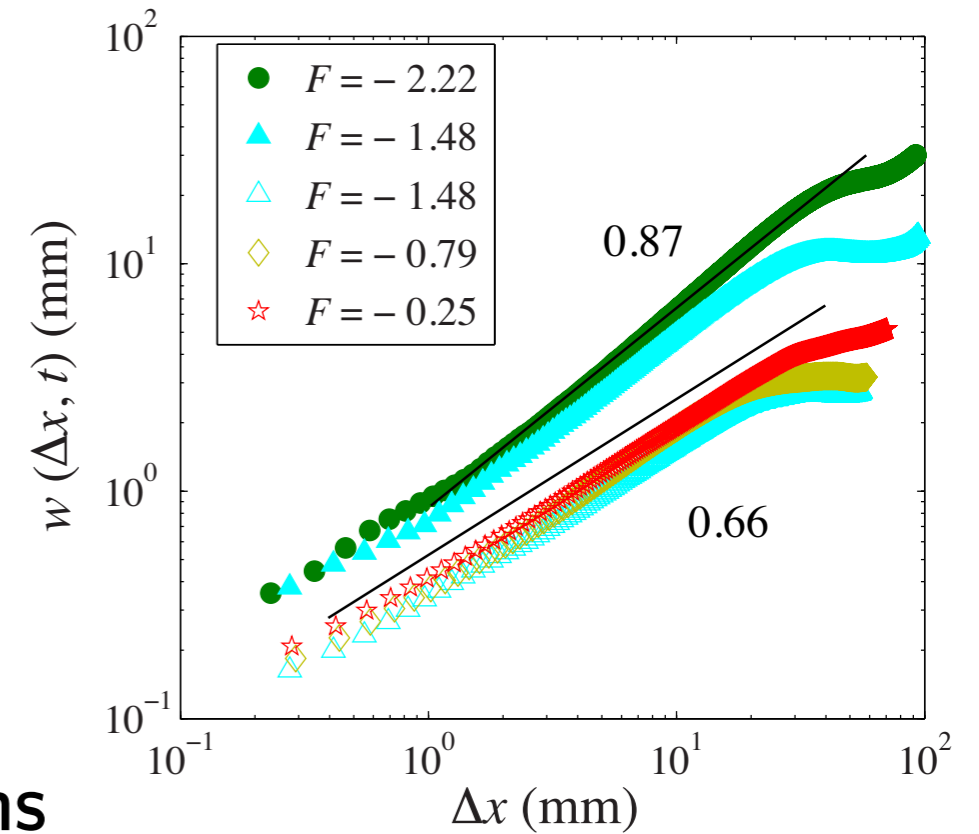
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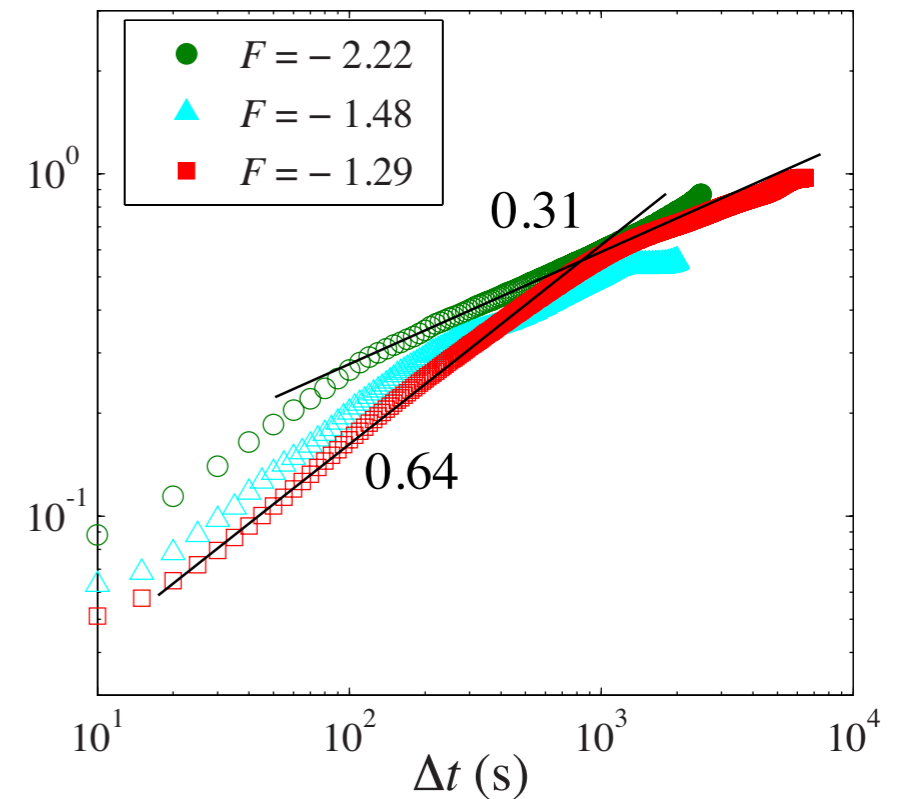
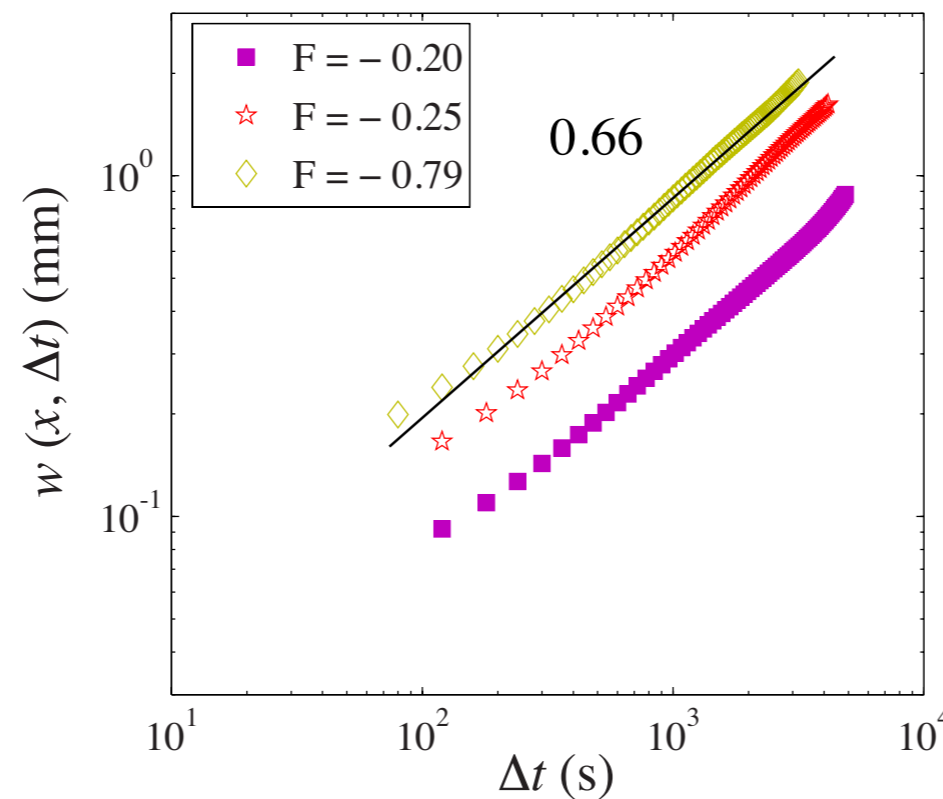
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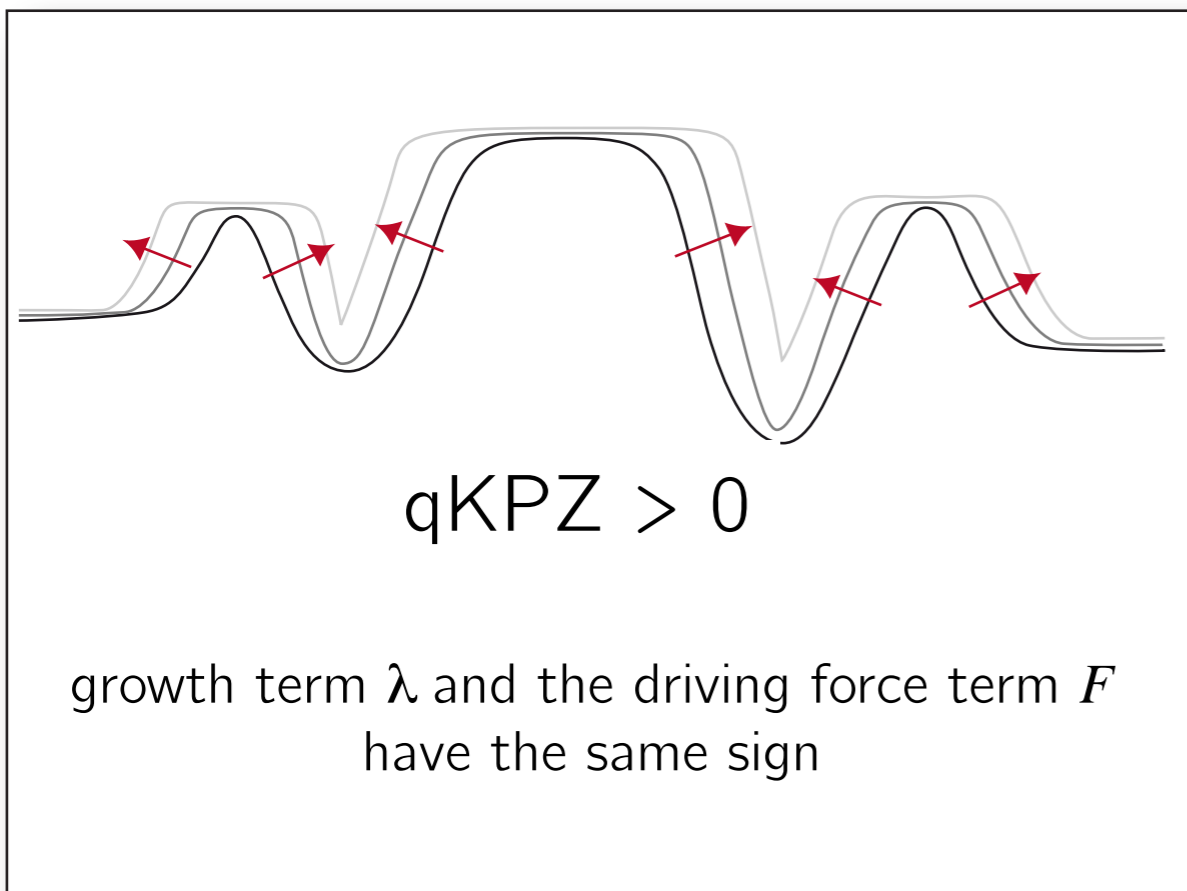
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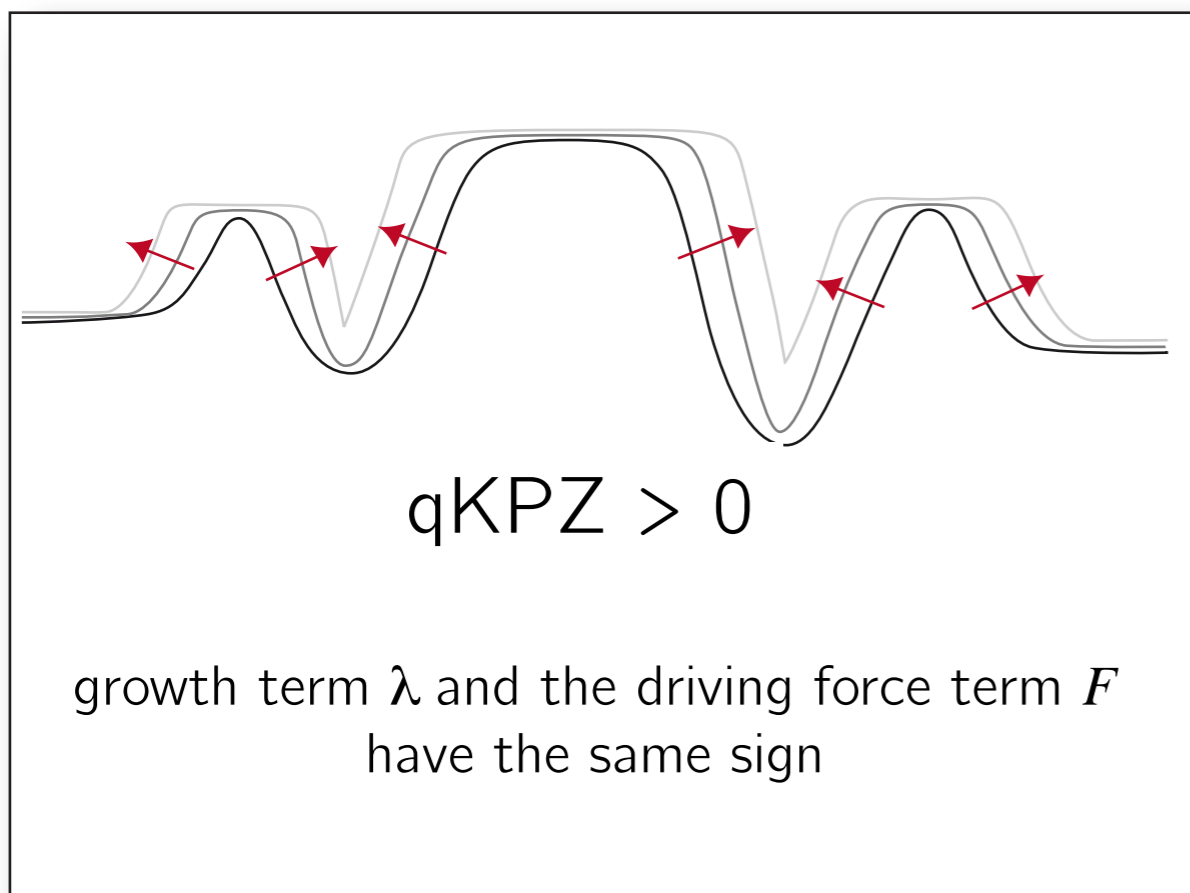
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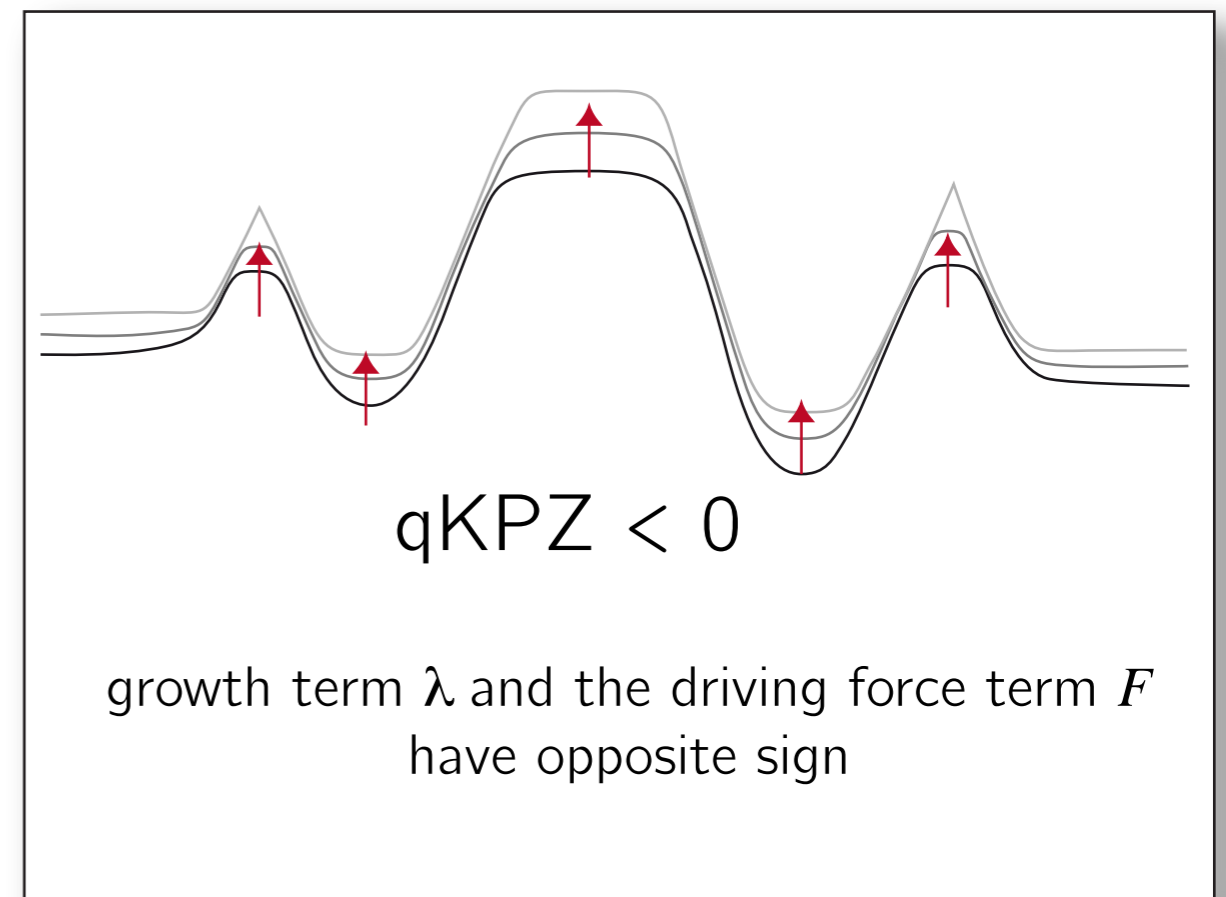
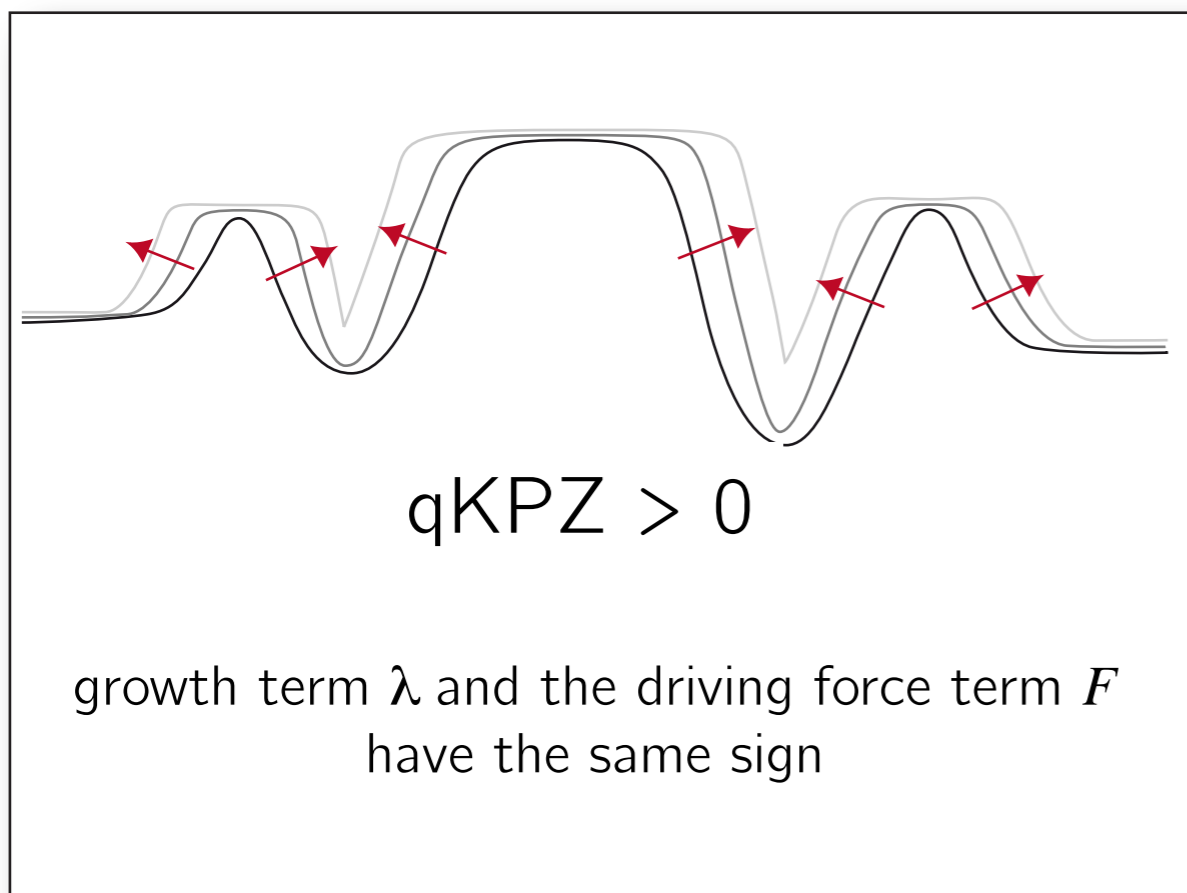
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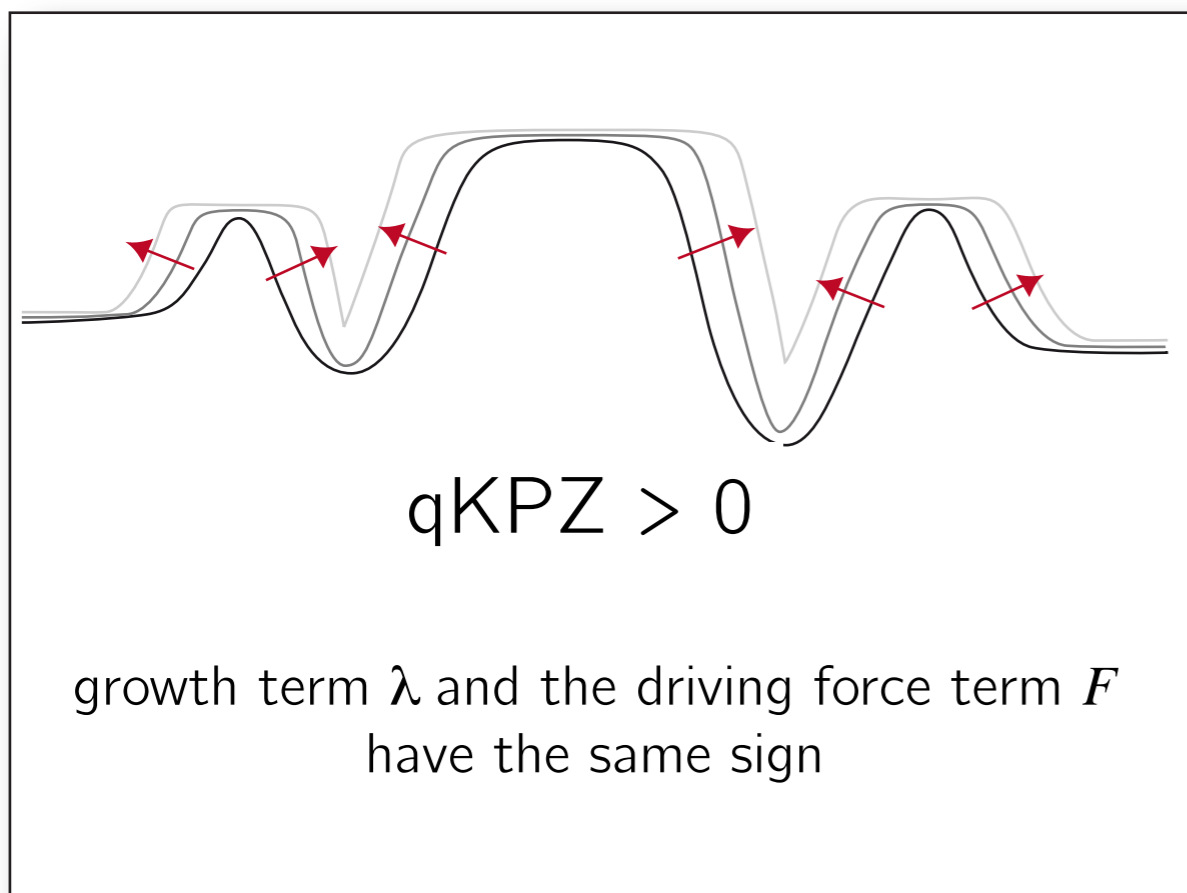
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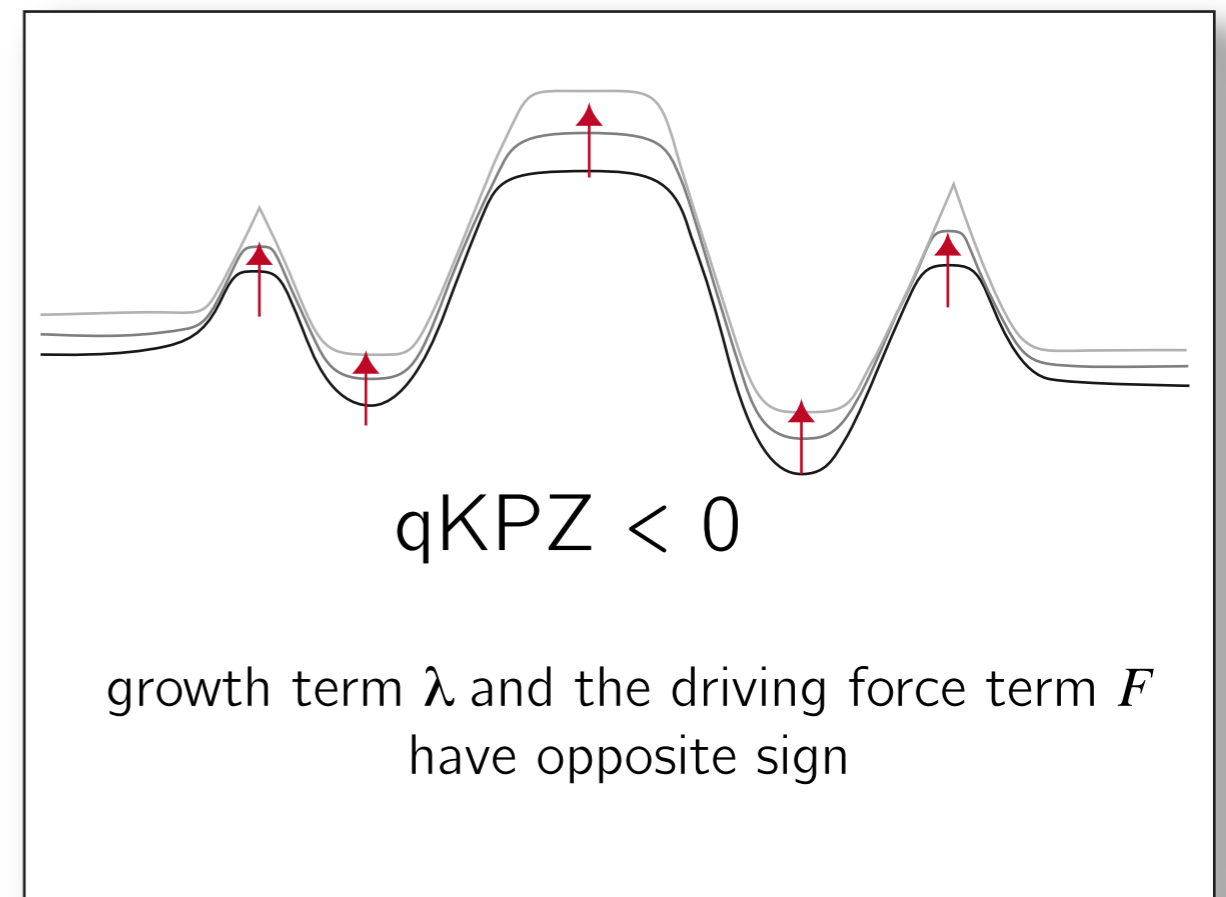
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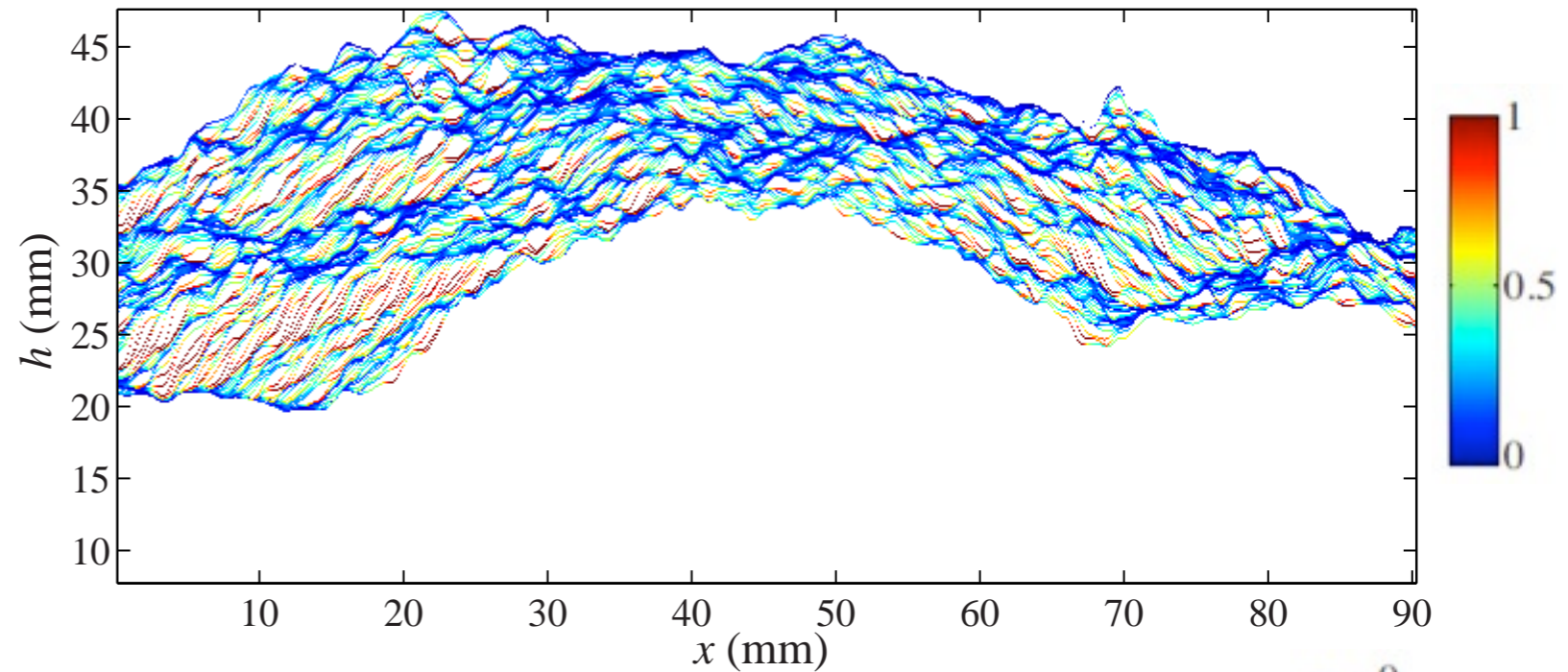


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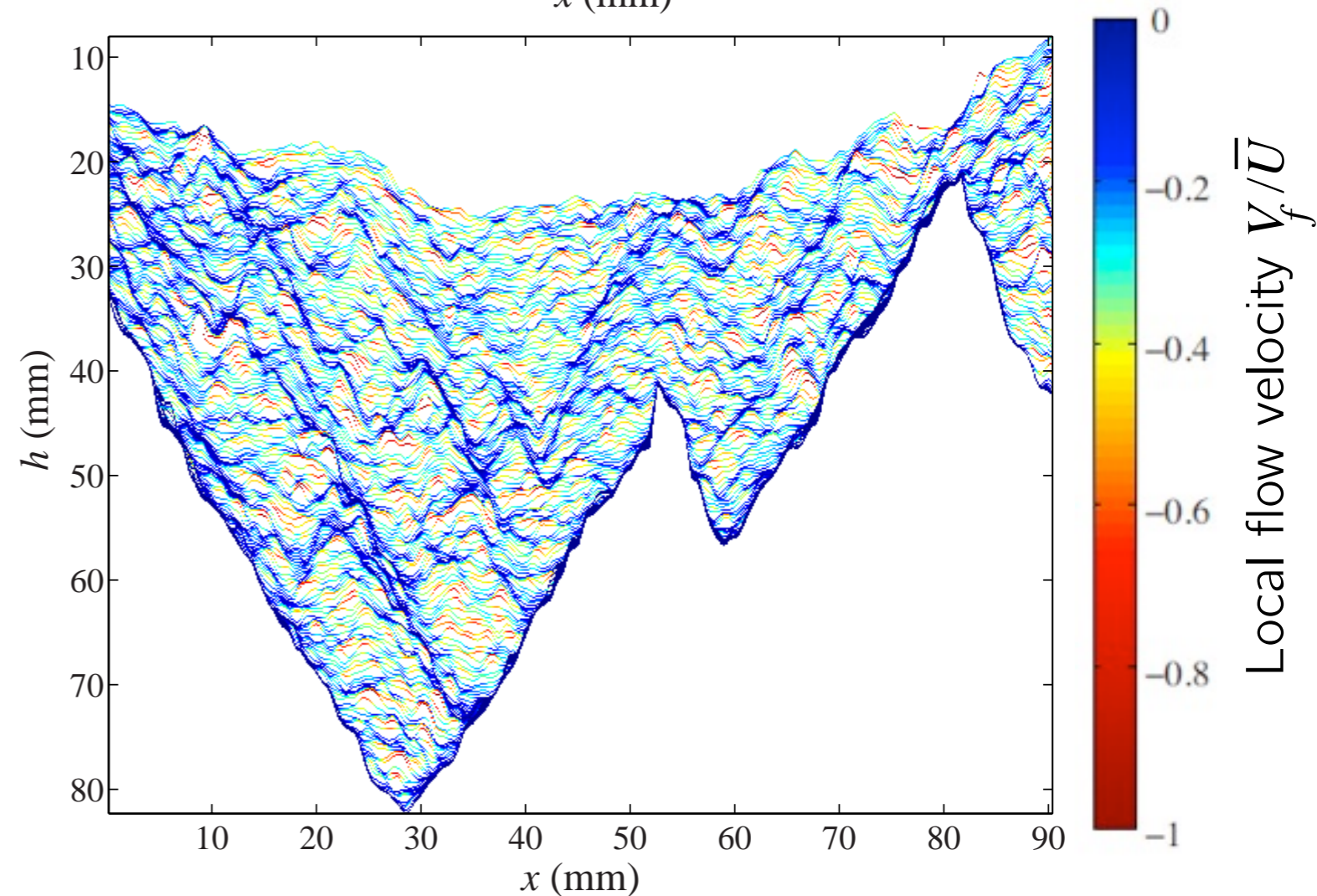
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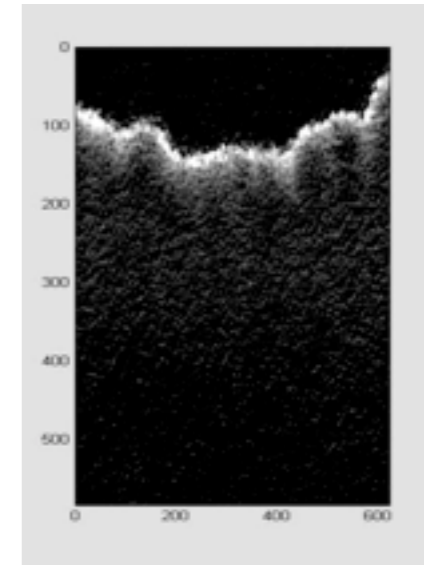
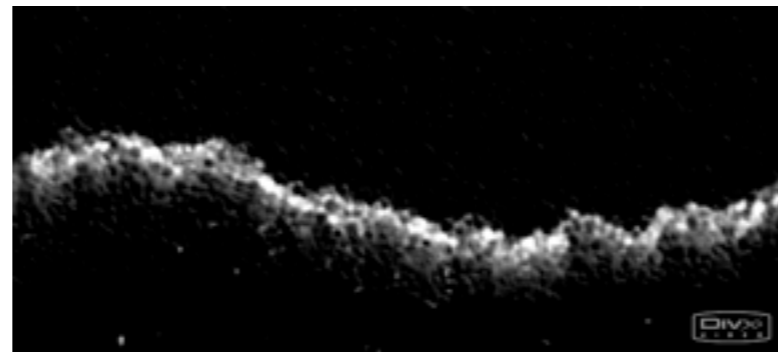
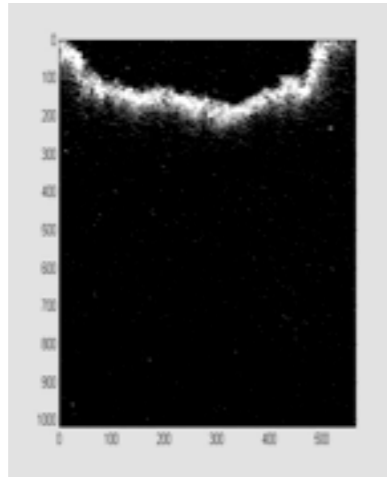
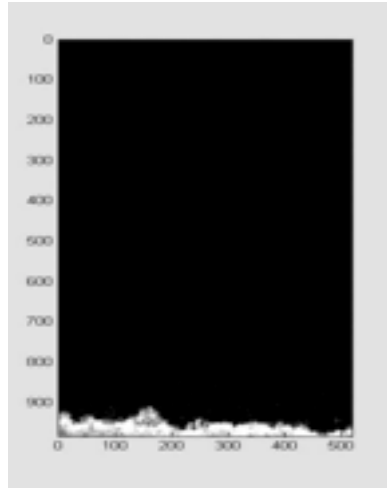
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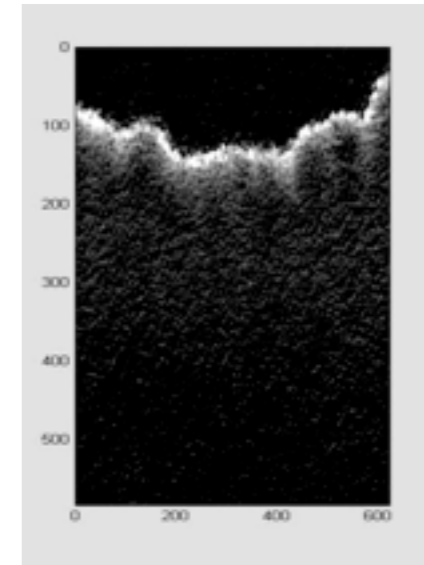
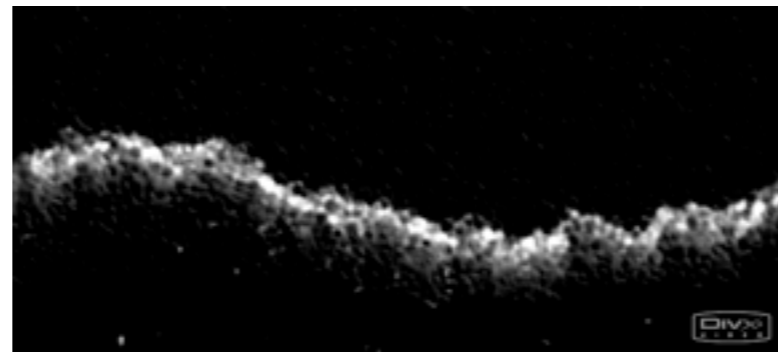
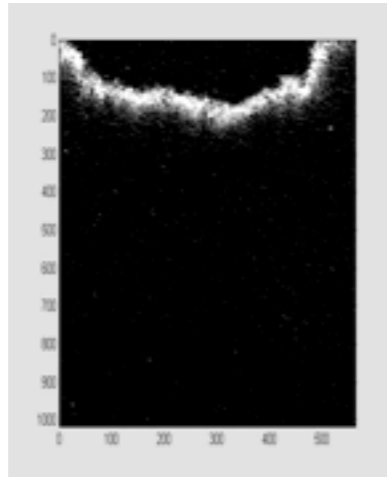
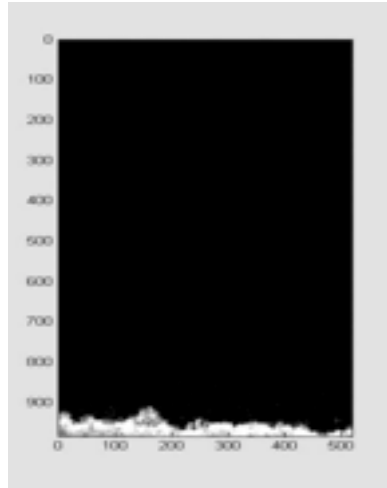
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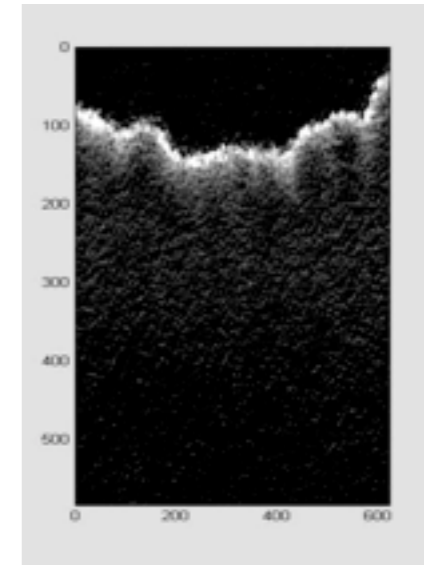
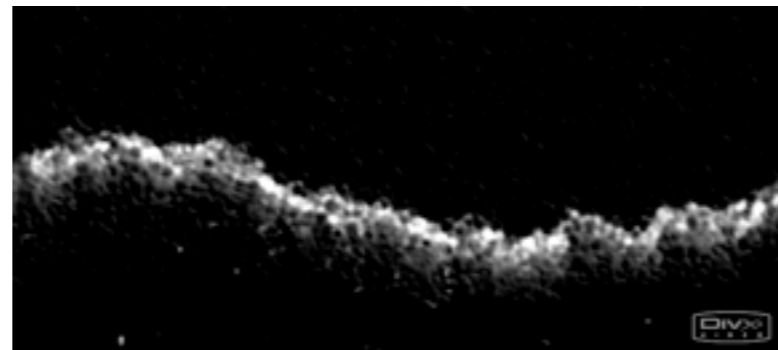
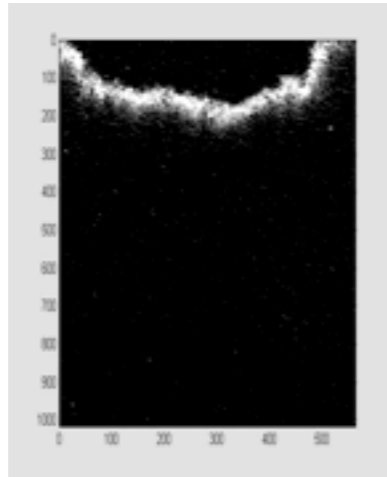
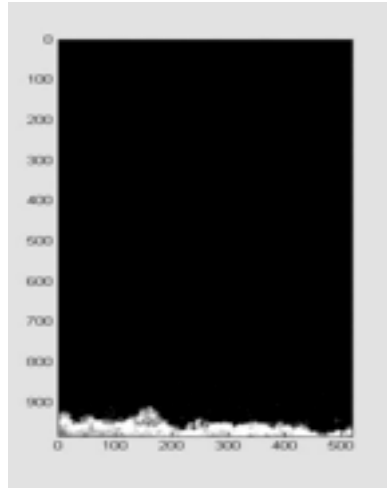
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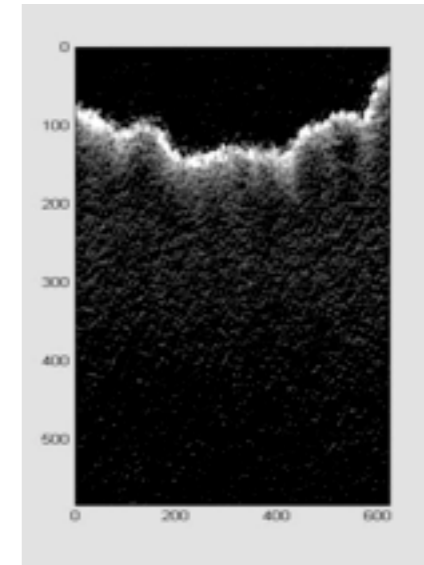
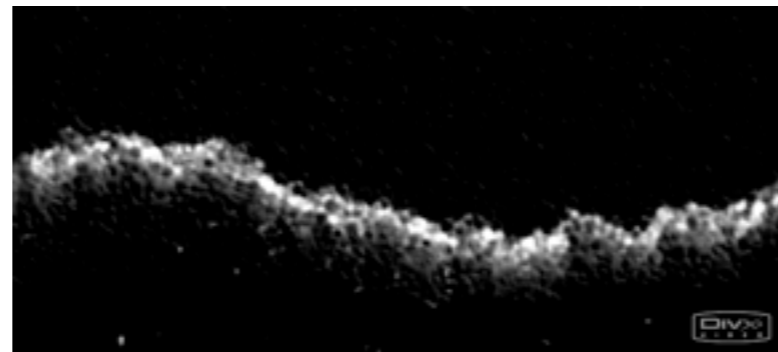
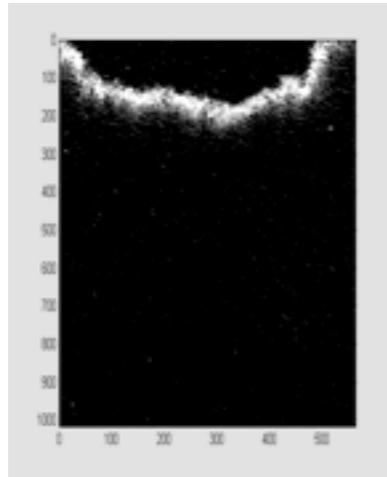
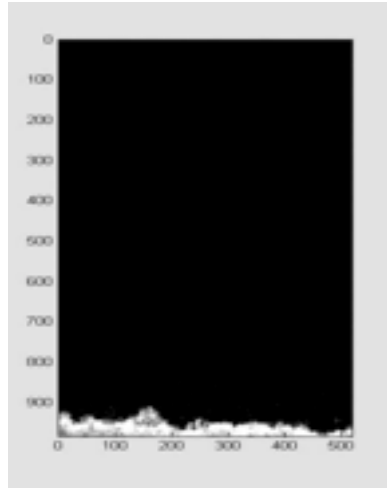
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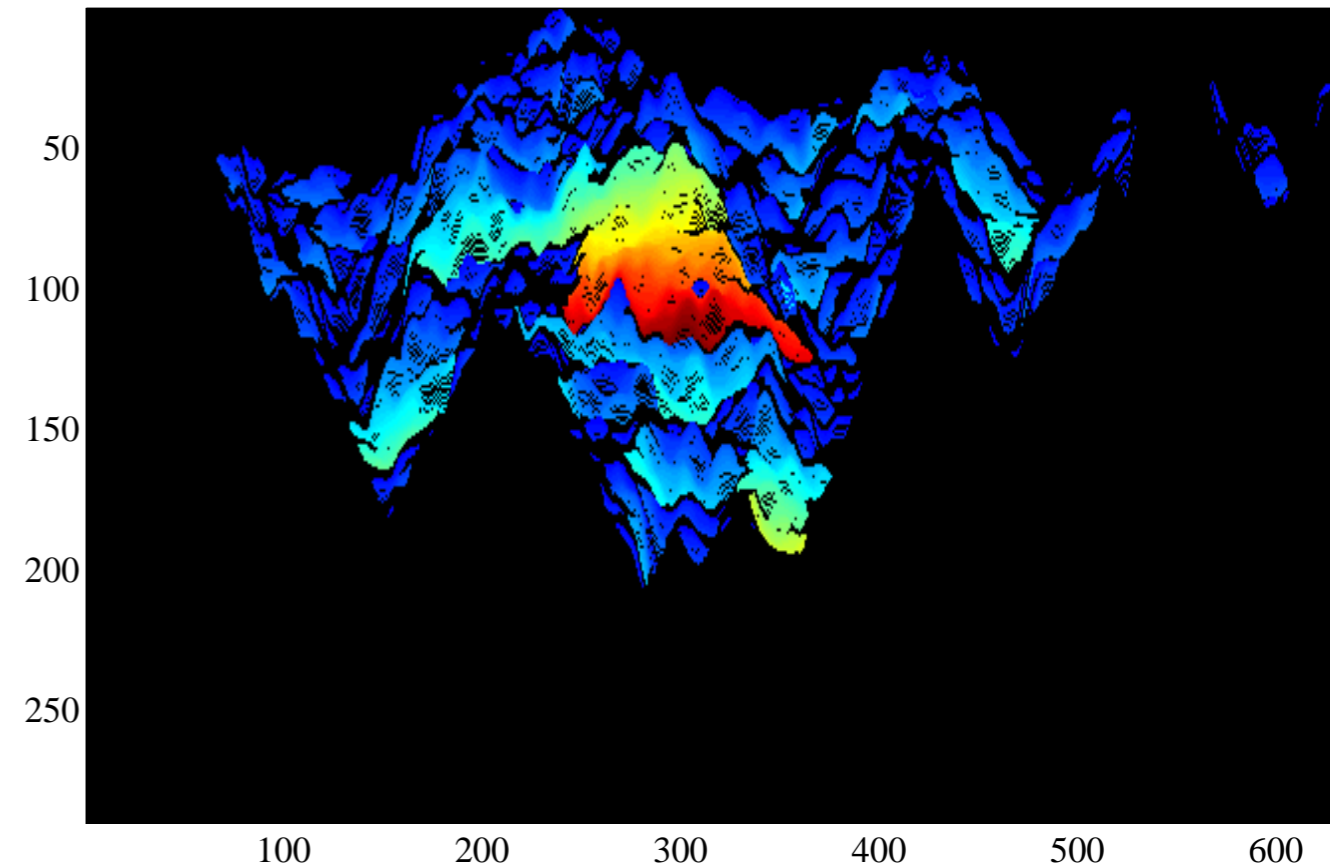
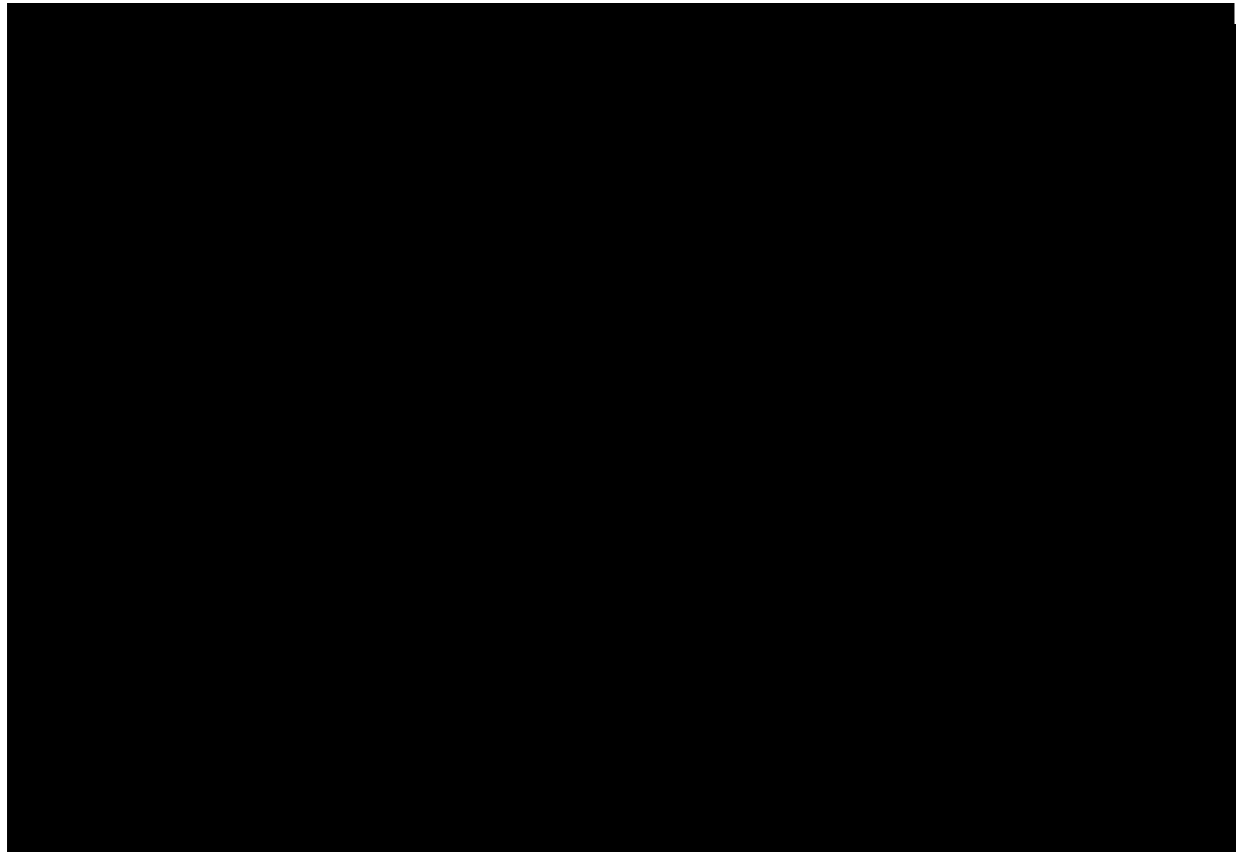
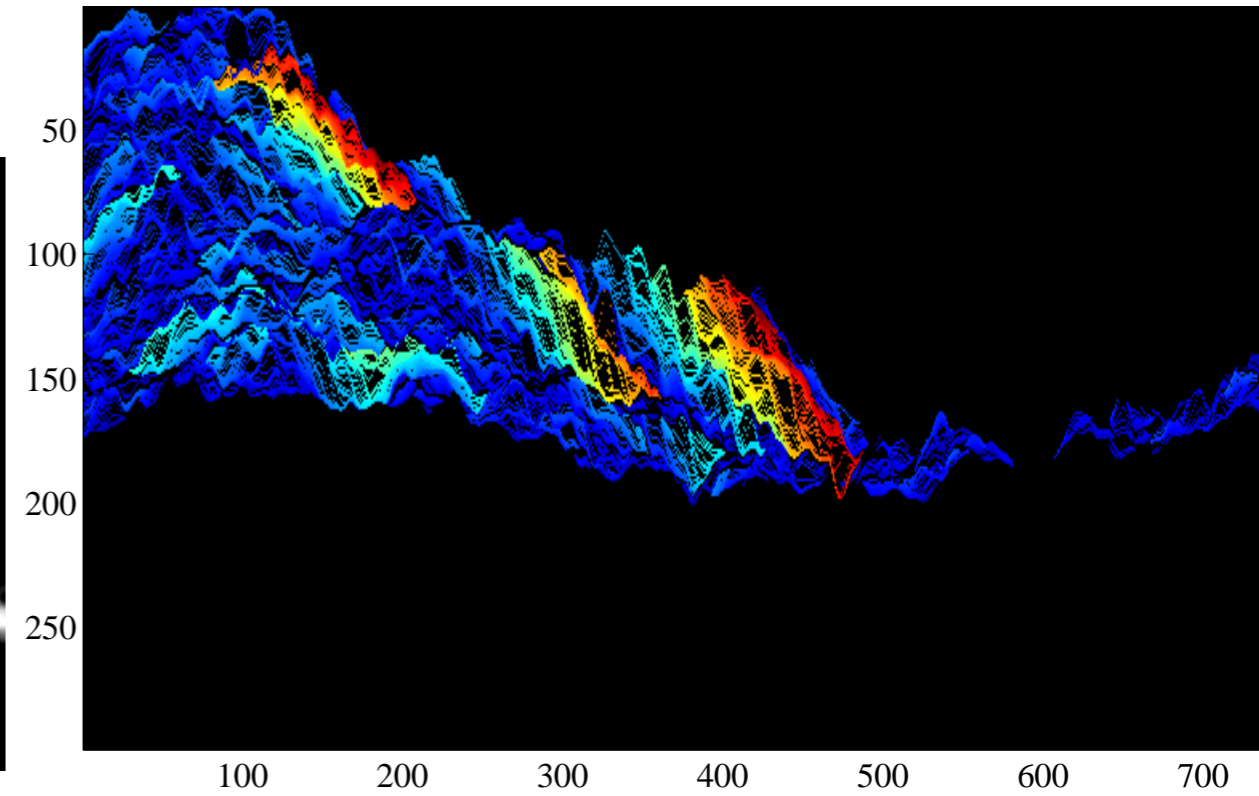
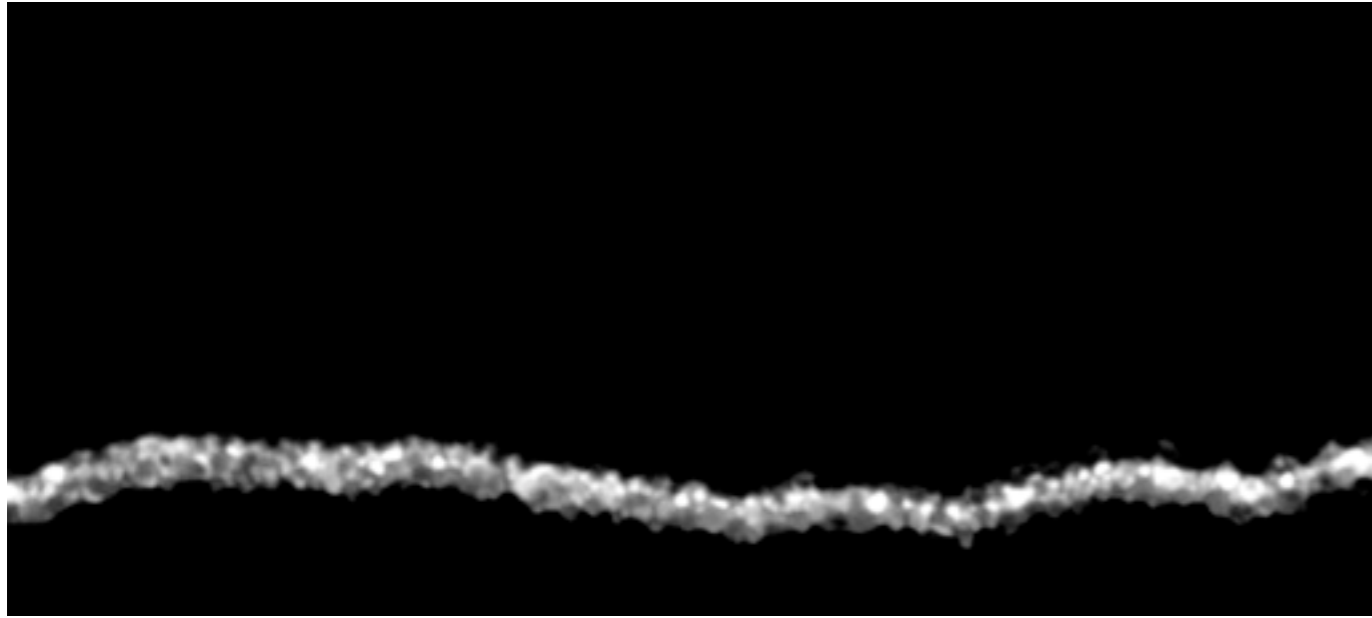
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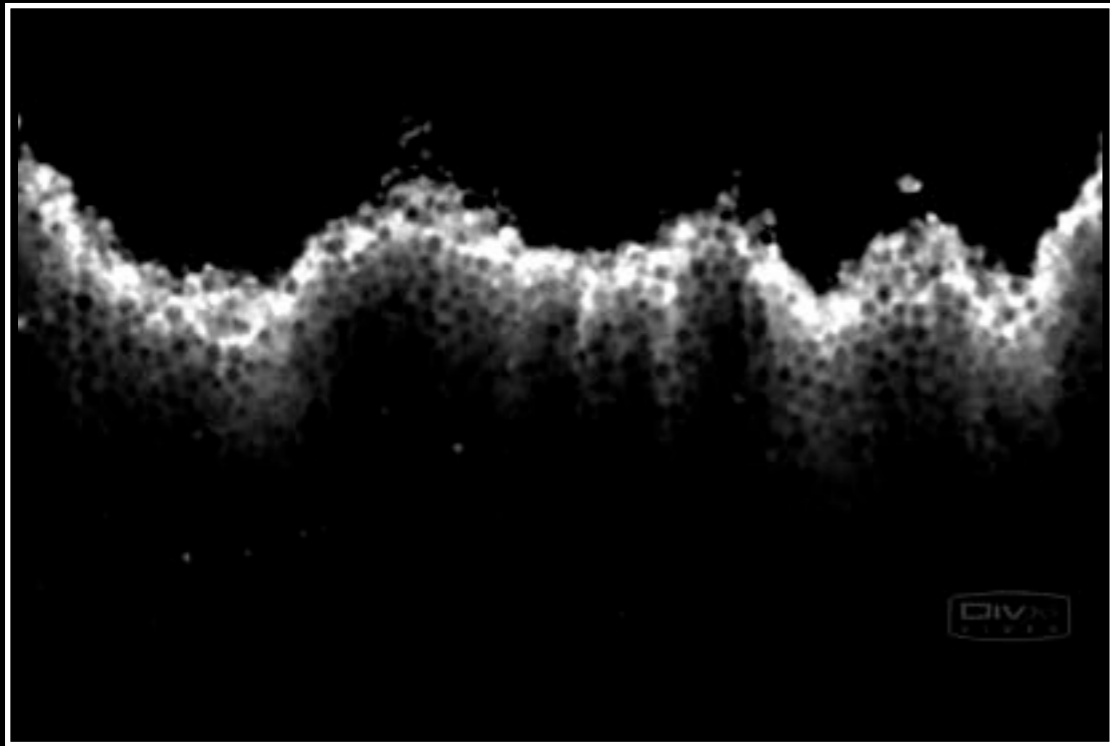
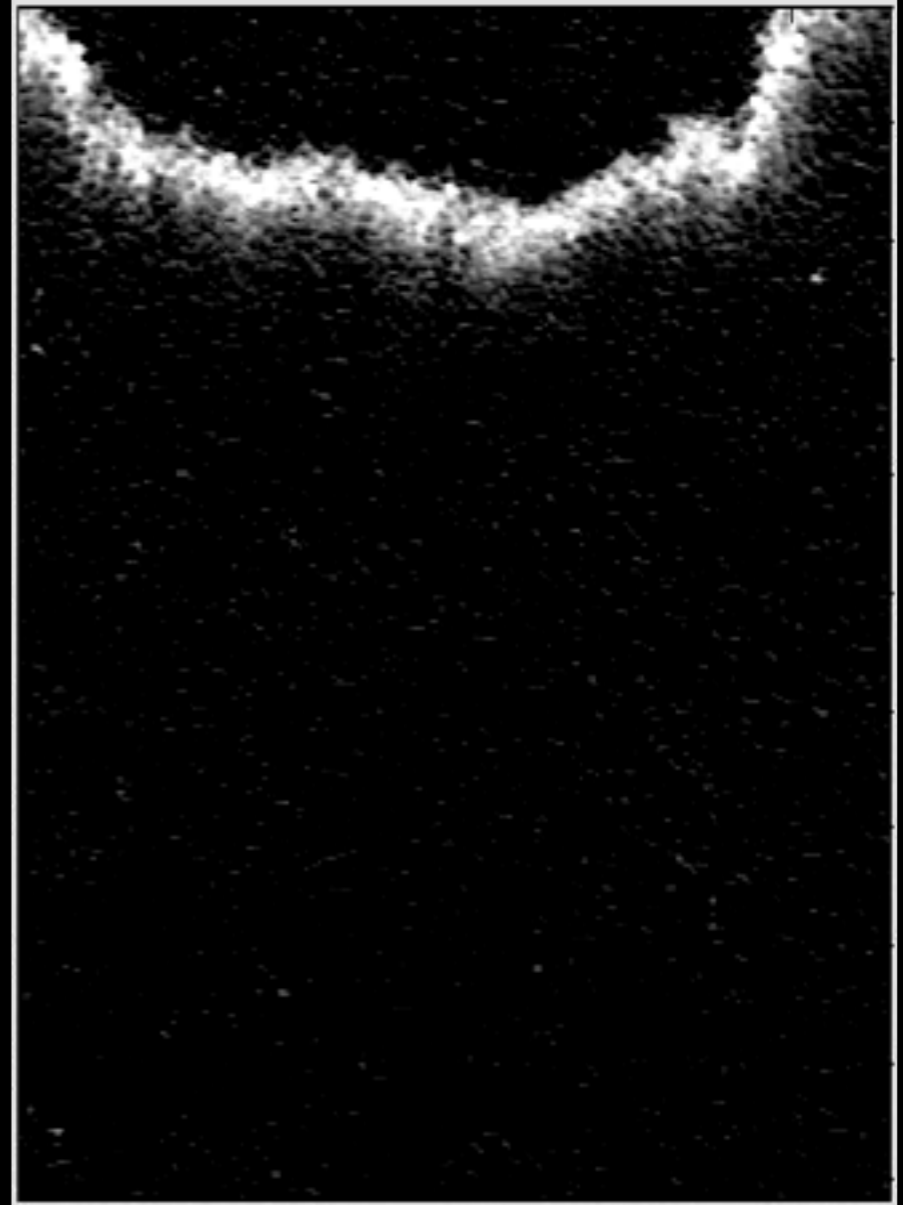
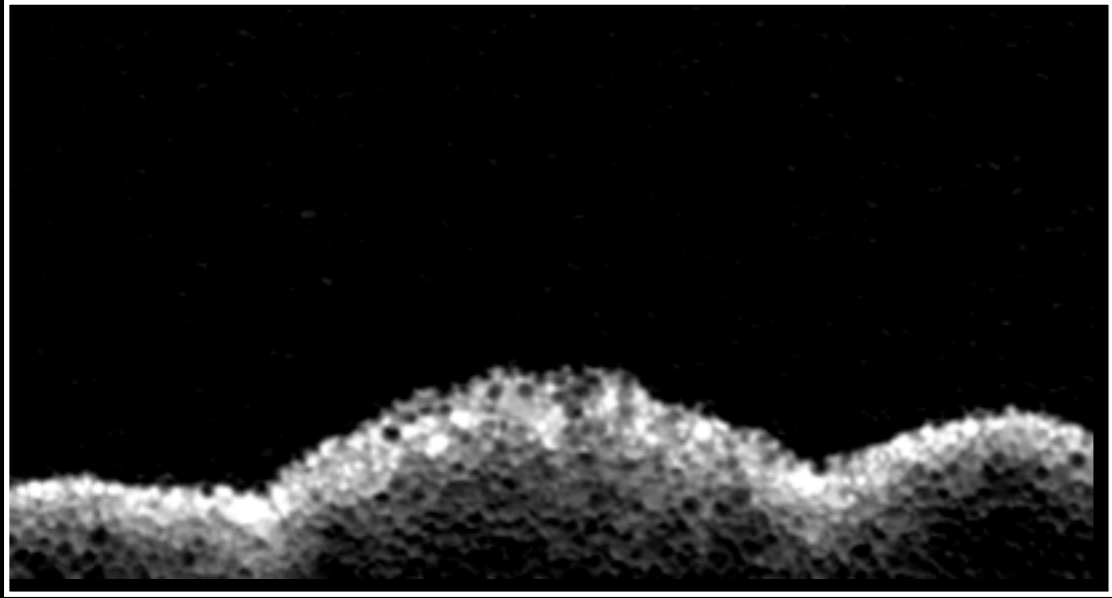
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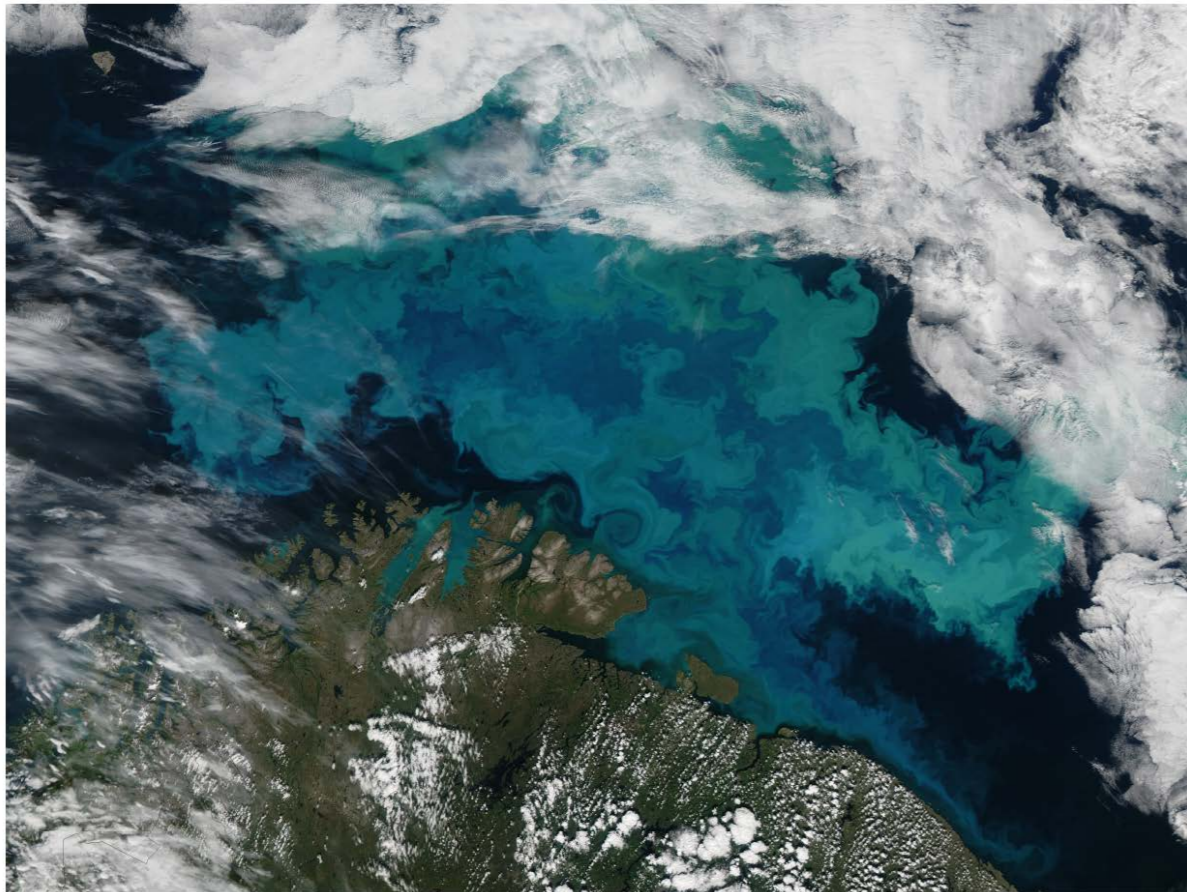




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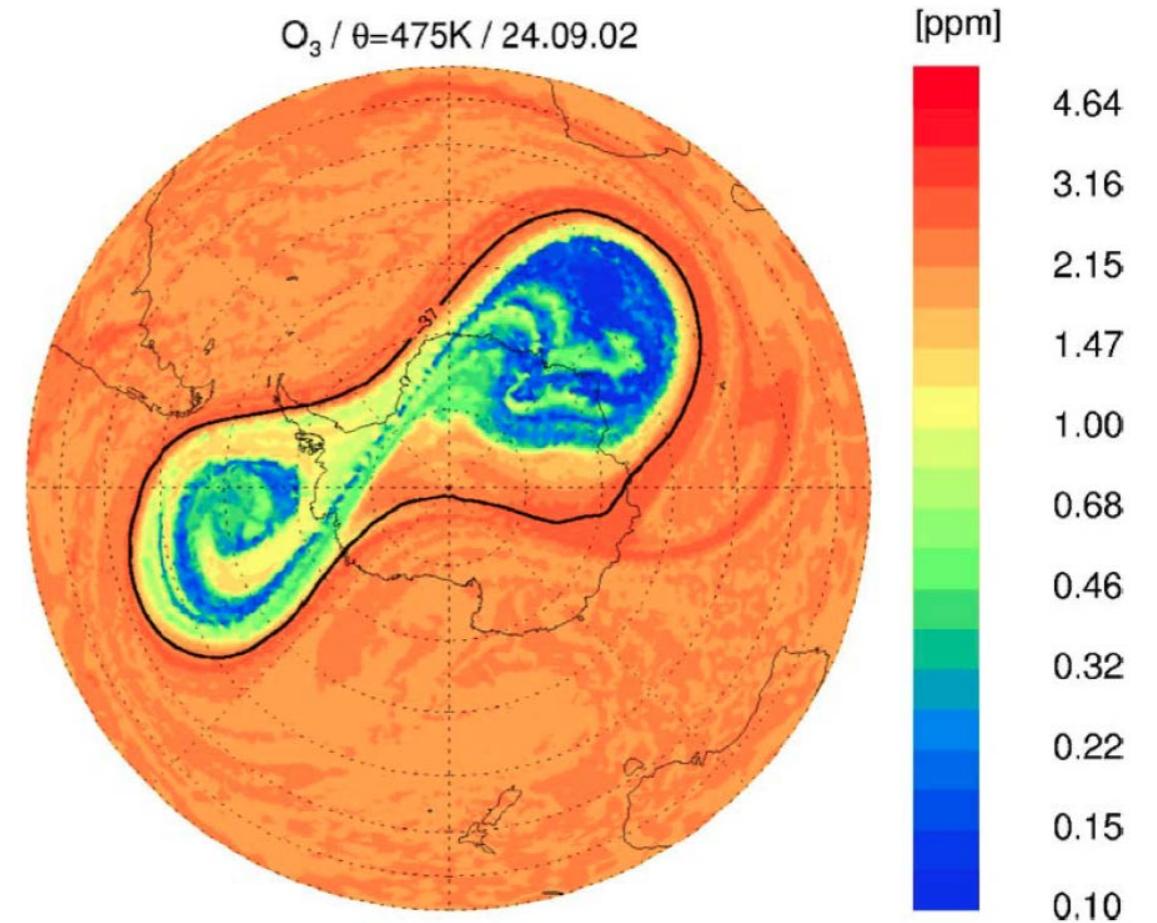
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Phytoplankton blume in the Barents sea

Biological population \longrightarrow nonlinear dynamics

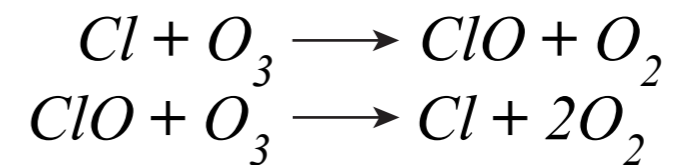
Flows in the oceans \longrightarrow mixing



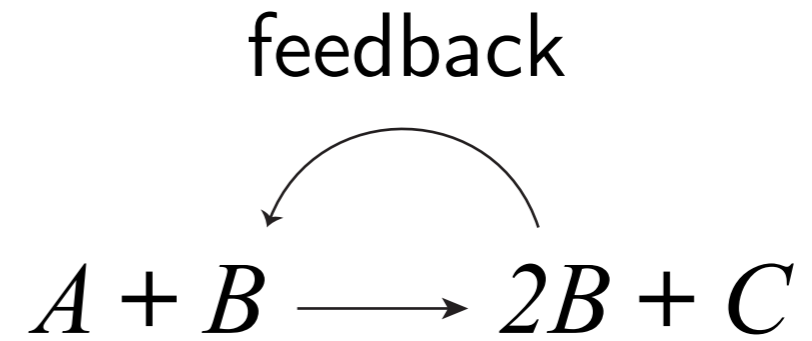
Ozone concentration in the polar vortex

[Gross et al., 2006]

ozone reduction by chlorine compounds



- autocatalytic process



- 2nd order chemical kinetics

$$\frac{d[B]}{dt} = -k[A][B]$$

$$\begin{cases} a = [A]/[A]_0 \\ b = [B]/[A]_0 \end{cases}, \quad a + b = 1 \quad \text{et} \quad k' = [A]_0 k$$

- nonlinearity

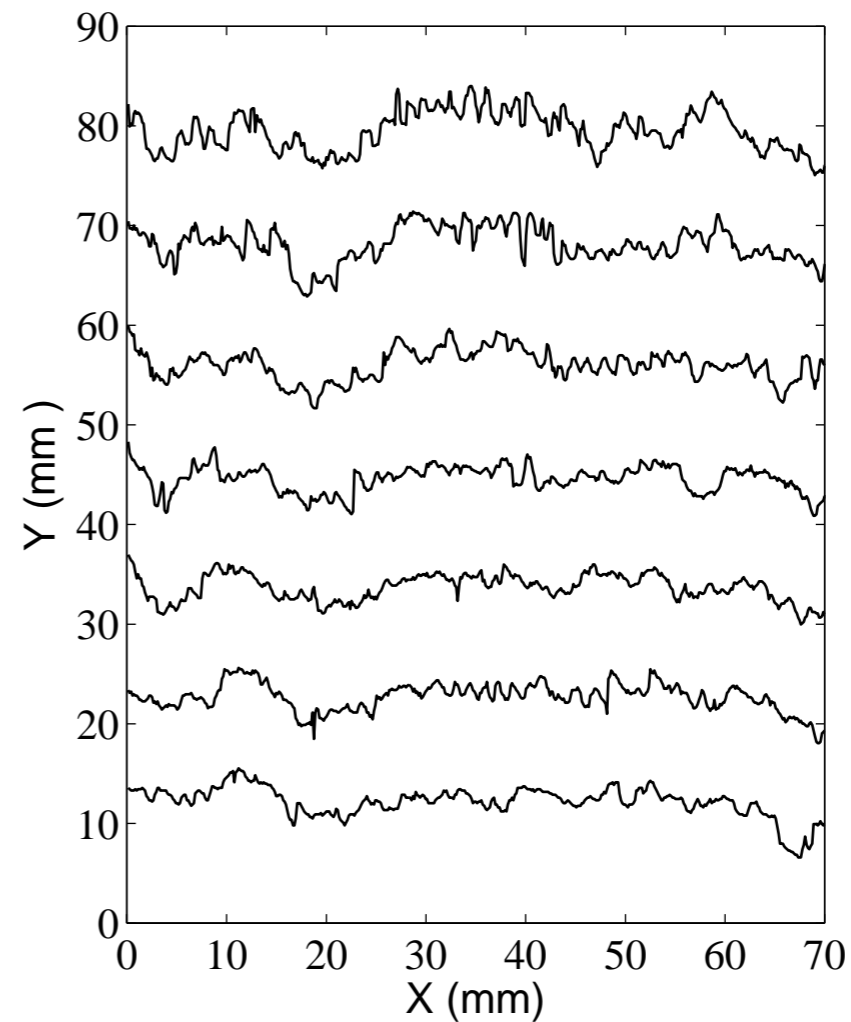
$$\longrightarrow \frac{db}{dt} = k'ab = k'b(1-b)$$

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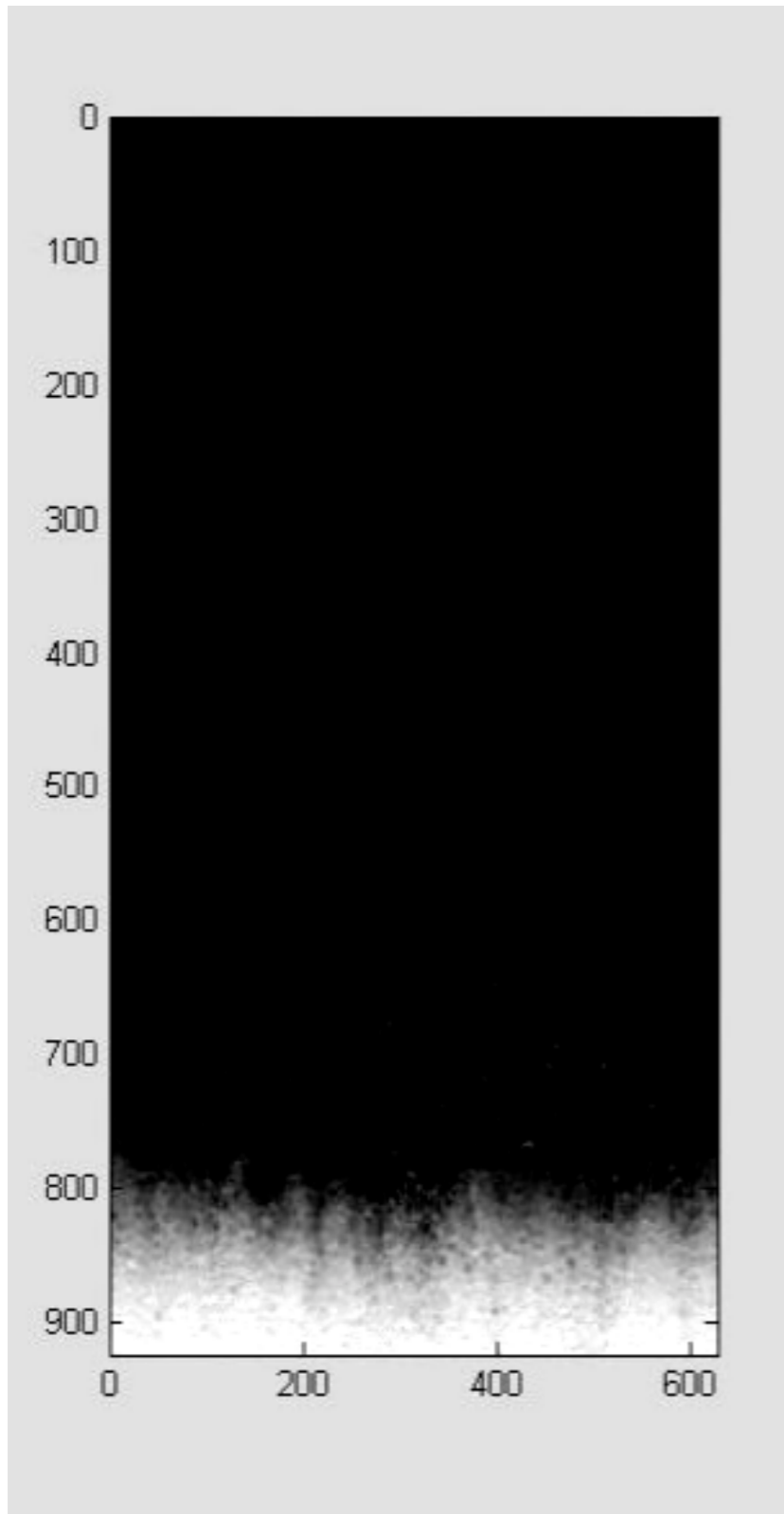
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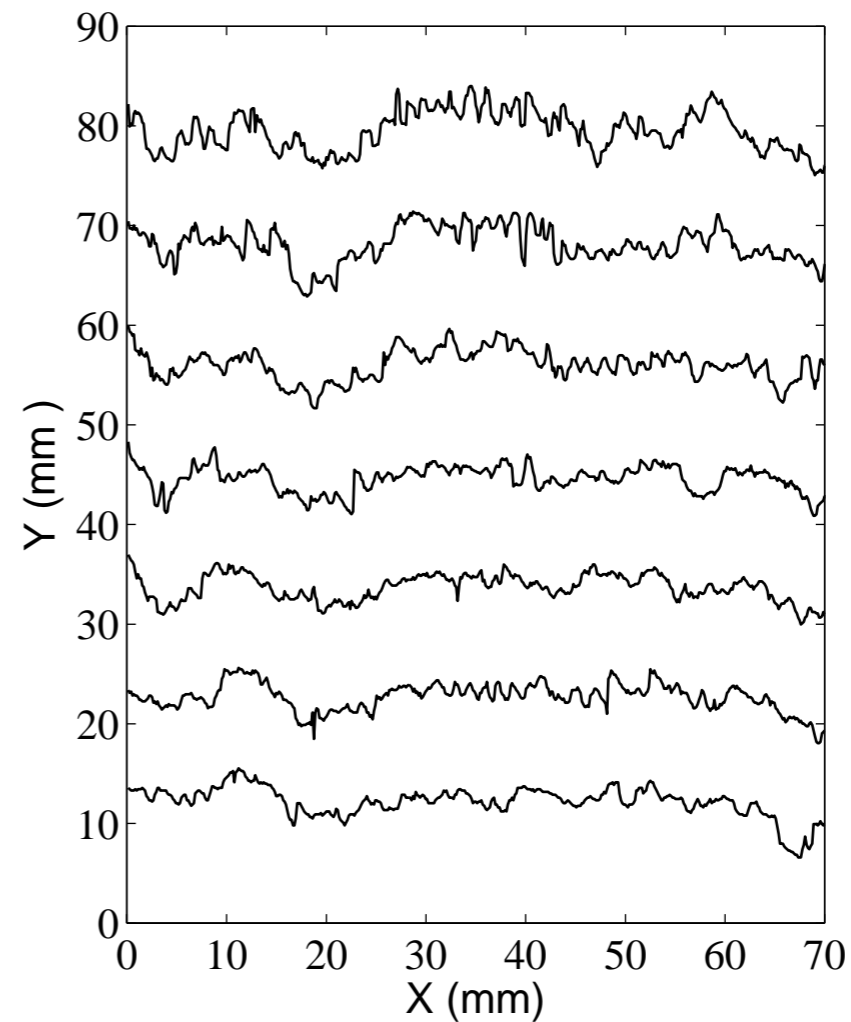
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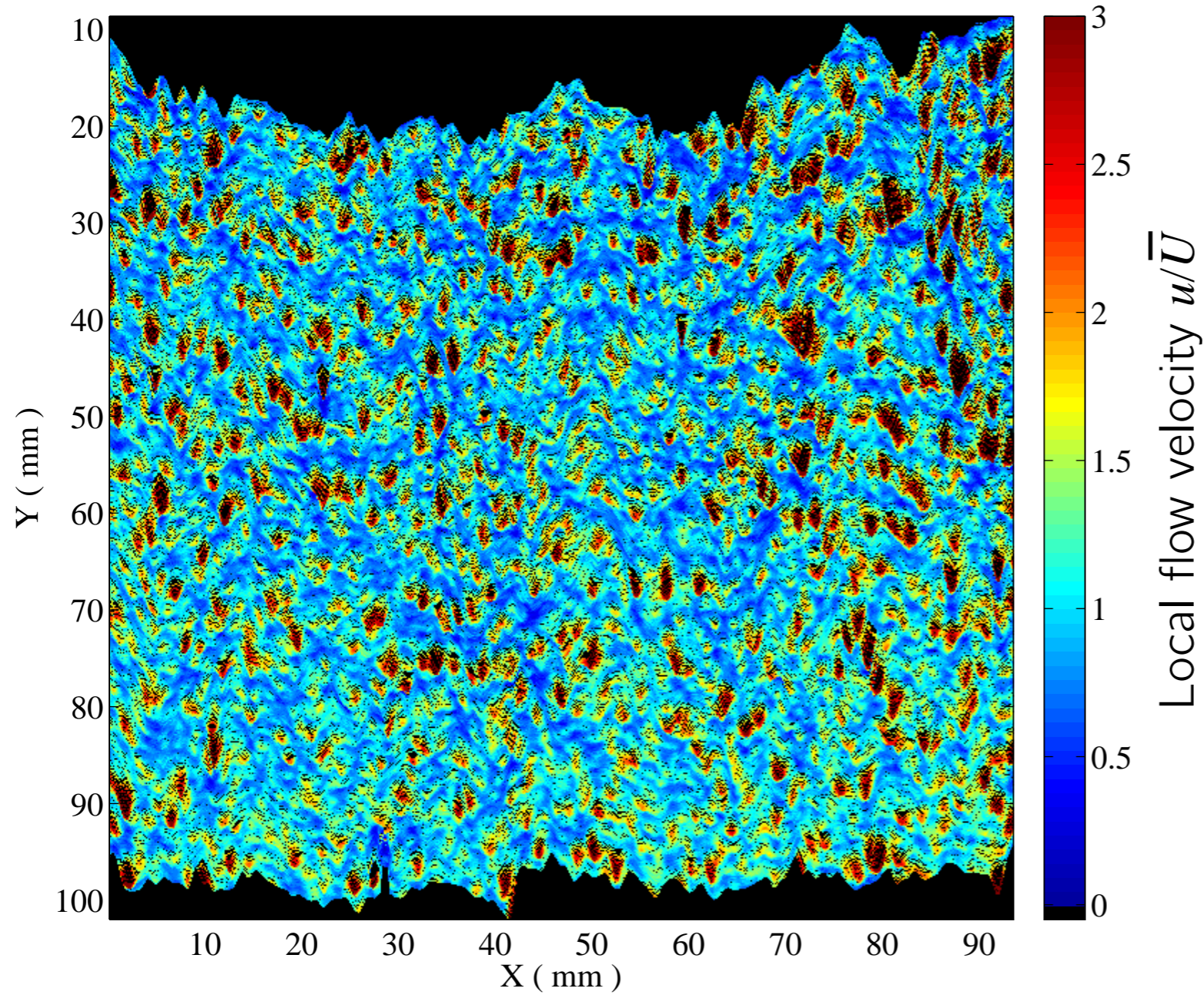
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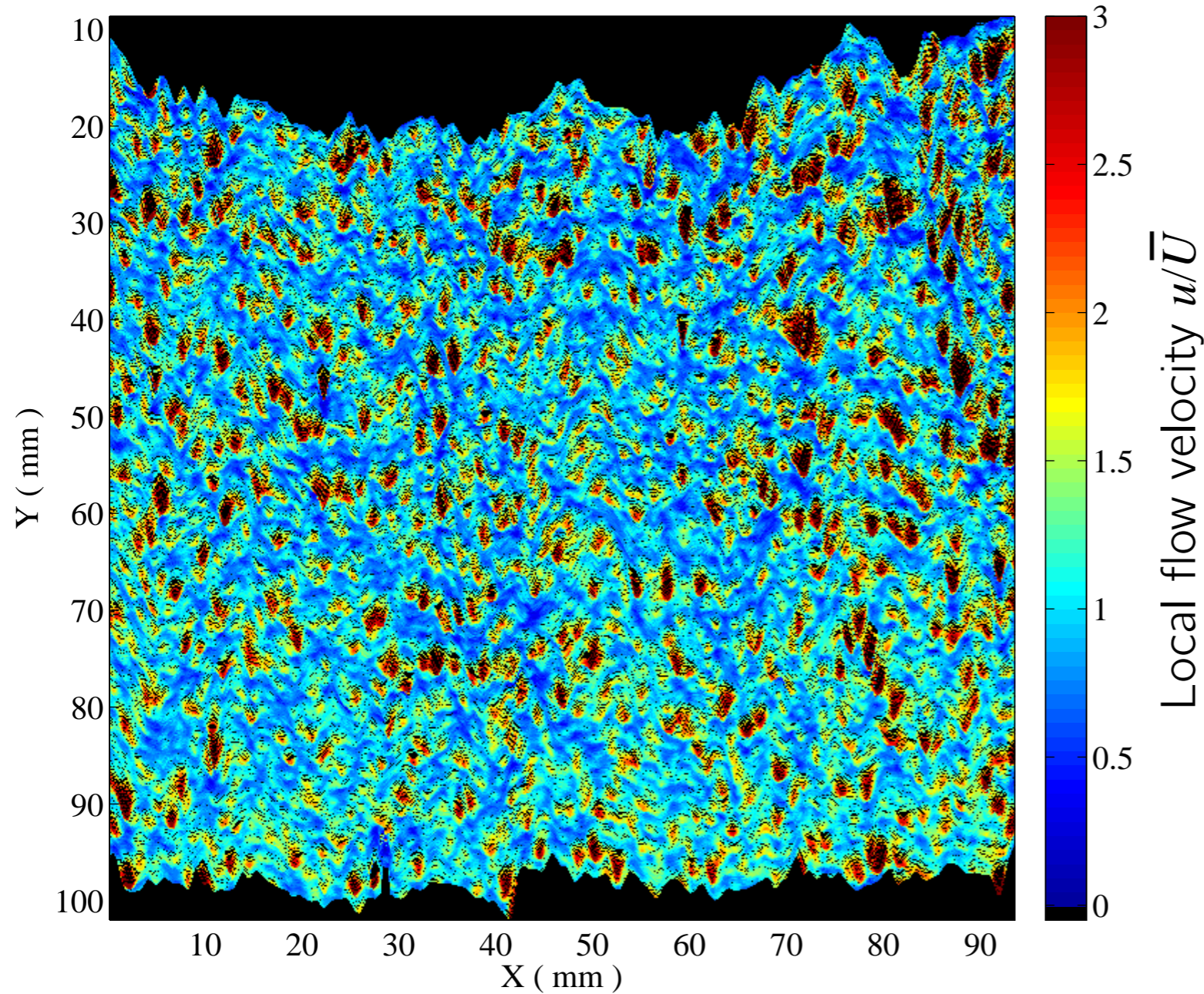
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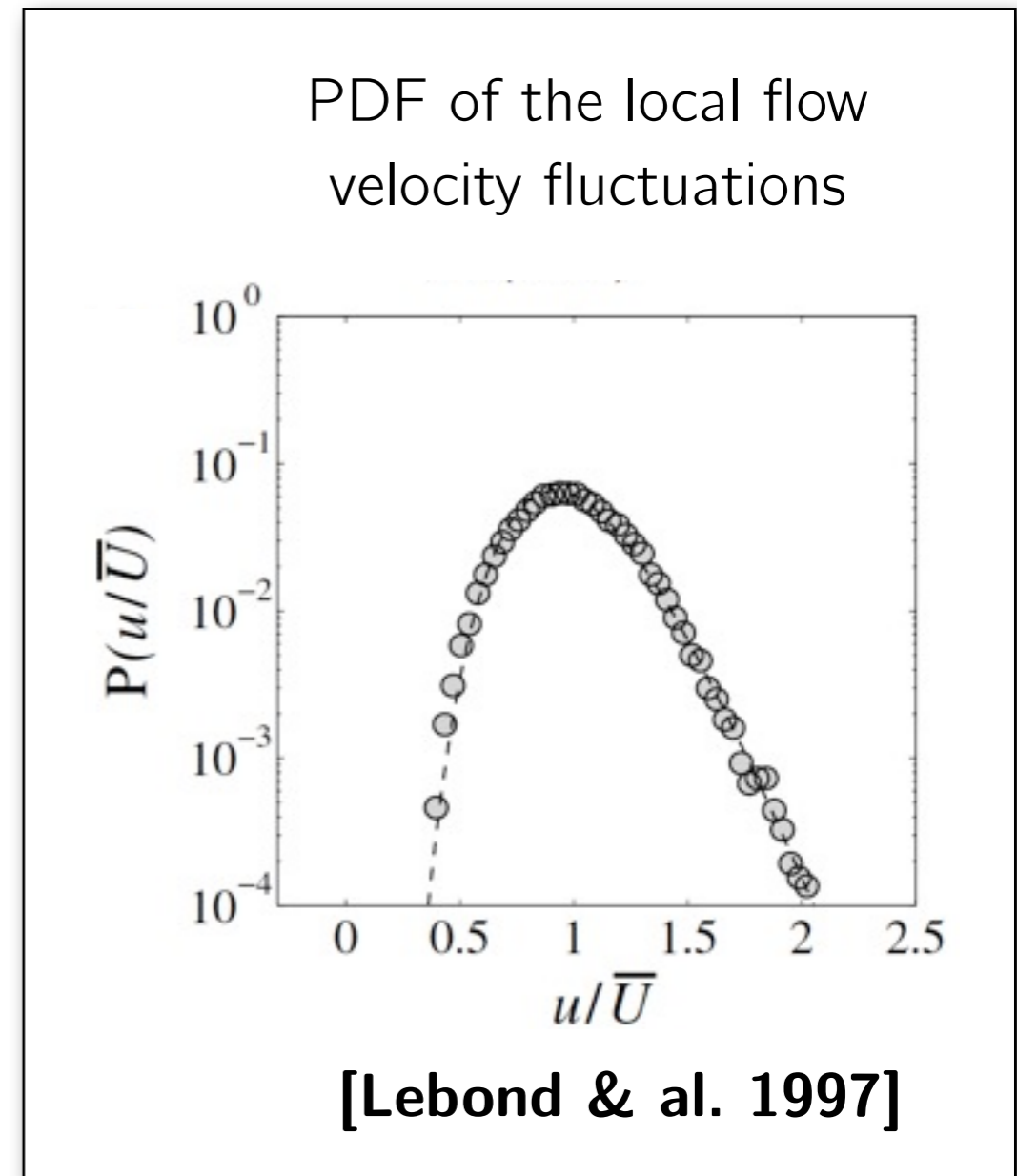
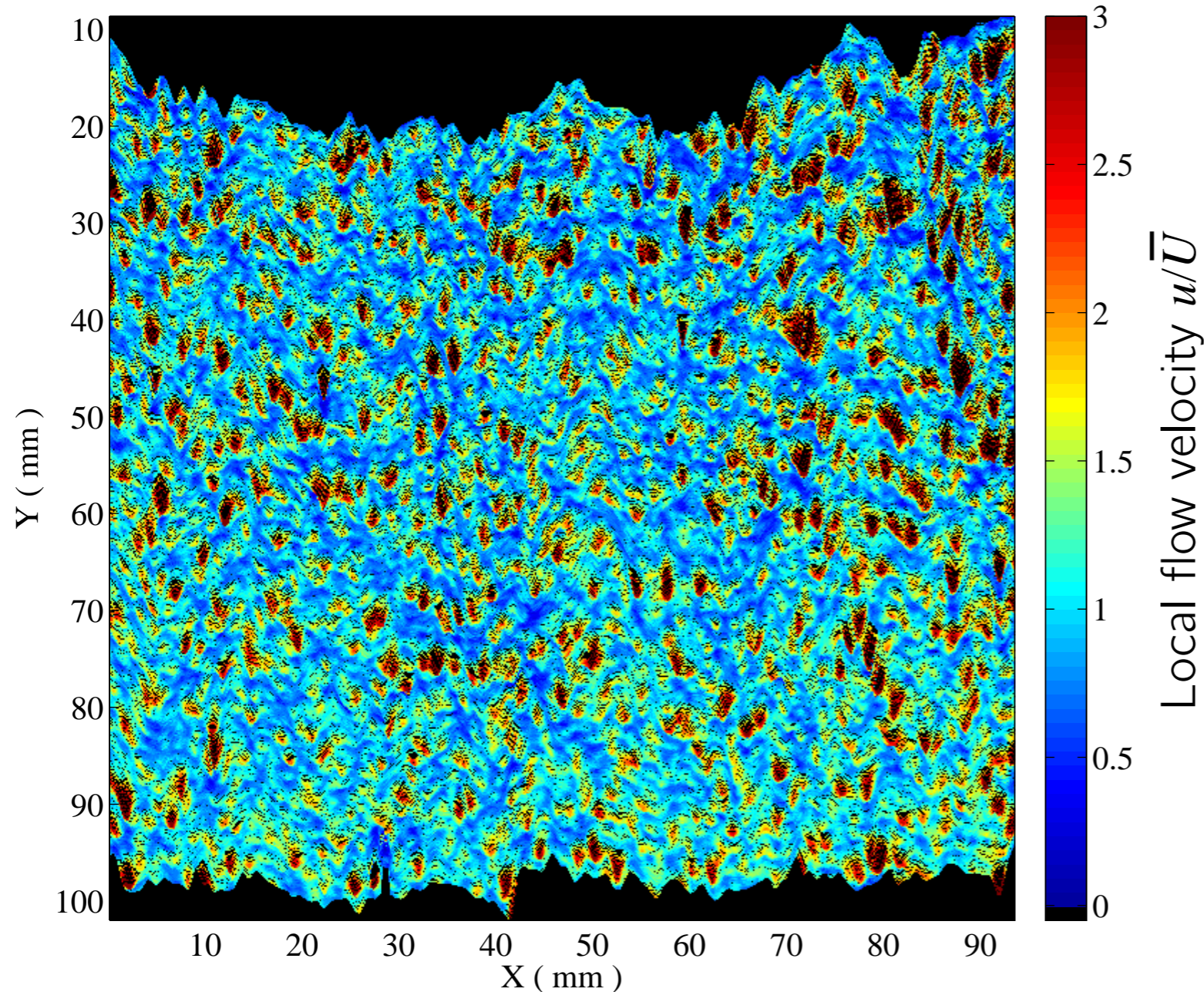
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