Growth Processes in Evaporating Drops





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Growth process depends on particle shape



Coffee-ring effect





Poisson Process

KPZ Process

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Colloidal Matthew Effect

Which growth processes?

Why particle shape?



Colloidal particles: a convenient experimental tool





Colloidal Fluid



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Robert D. Deegan, Olgica Bakajin, T.F. Dupont, G.Huber, Sidney R. Nagel, Thomas A. Witten, *Nature* (1997). Georgia Institute of Technology

Drop Edges Pinned During Evaporation

Edges Unpinned – Diameter Decreases



Edges Pinned – Contact Angle Decreases



Convective Fluid Flow from Middle of Drop to Edges



Figure from R. D. Deegan et al., Nature 389, 827 (1997).



Basic Experiment



Drying Drops Containing Polystyrene Spheres



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Why Does Particle Shape Matter?



Han, Y., Alsayed, A.M., Nobili, M., Zhang, J., Lubensky, T.C., & Yodh, A.G., Brownian motion of an ellipsoid. *Science* (2006).

"Spheres" and "Ellipsoids" at low volume fraction will have fairly similar bulk behaviors. GeorgiaInstitute of Technology





















Shape Anisotropy Deforms Interface





Interfacial Forces Depend on Particle Shape



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Highly anisotropic ellipsoids prefer tipto-tip or side-to-side



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Outward flows drive coffee ring-effect







Coffee Rings for Spheres but not Ellipsoids!





Ellipsoids form loosely-packed, open network



Reminiscent of growth process simulation



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How do deposits grow during evaporation?







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What types of growth processes occur? How does growth process depend on particle shape?

















Deposit Characterization mm -----

25 μm **—**

h



Deposit Characterization month h

Width,
$$w = \left\langle \sqrt{\left\langle \left(h - \left\langle h \right\rangle\right)^2 \right\rangle} \right\rangle \sim t^{\beta}$$

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Deposit width increases over time



Use h instead of t



Data collapse into distinct trends based on particle shape



Three distinct regimes



Spheres $\epsilon = 1.0, 1.05$ Poisson Process



Random deposition – Poisson process







Drop Edge



Drop Edge



Drop Edge



Drop Edge



Drop Edge



Drop Edge



Drop Edge

Slightly anisotropic particles ε =1.1, 1.2 KPZ Process



Slightly stretched particle deposition similar to ballistic deposition



Interparticle interaction is >> 1 k_BT for nearest neighbors only



Stamou, Duschl, and Johannsmann PRE (2000); Family, Physica A (1990)

Roughness exponent α agrees with KPZ



Skewness and Kurtosis approach KPZ values



Very anisotropic ellipsoids ε > 1.2 Colloidal Matthew Effect



Particle-rich regions get richer

What type of growth process is this?

- Anomalous roughening?
 - Nicoli, Cuerno, and Castro PRL (2013)
- KPZ?
 - Oliveira, Aarao Reis arXiv:1401.0696 (2014)
- KPZQ?

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– Dias, Araujo, Telo da Gama, arXiv:1407.2374 (2014)

Drop Edge

10 um

Must explain abrupt transition



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Minimal simulation?



Simulation of patchy colloids



Dias, Araujo, Telo da Gama, arXiv:1407.2374

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Abrupt transition occurs



Summary

 Changing particle shape selects 3 distinct growth processes



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Physics: Coffee Stains Test Universal Equation

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An equation that describes a wide array of phenomena can be directly tested by wa the equivalent of a drying coffee drip. [Focus on Phys. Rev. Lett. **110**, 035501 (2013)]

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