

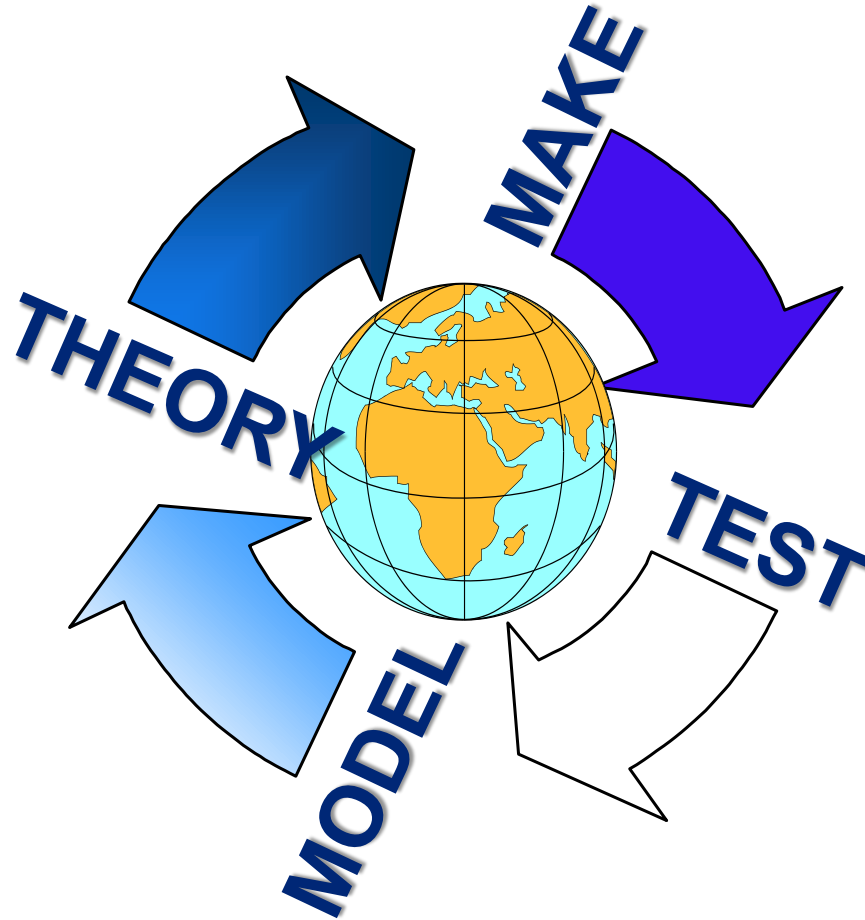
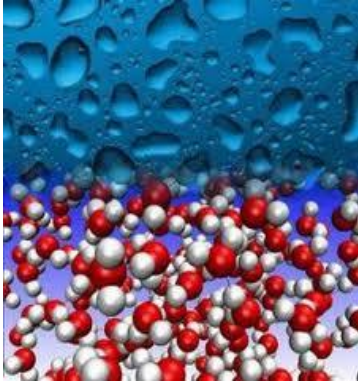
COMPUTER AIDED FORMULATION (CAF): INDUSTRIAL NEEDS FOR CCP SAS

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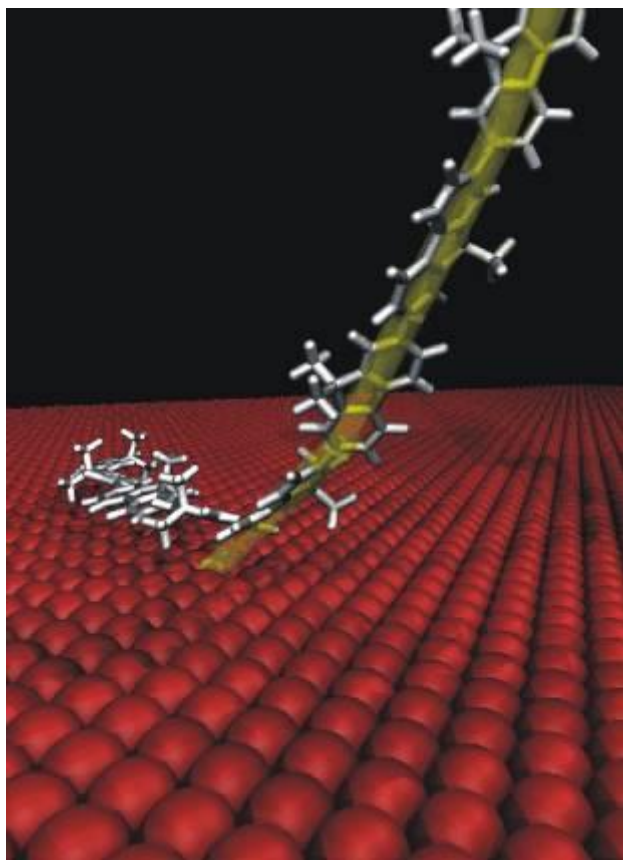


Modelling at the Mesoscale

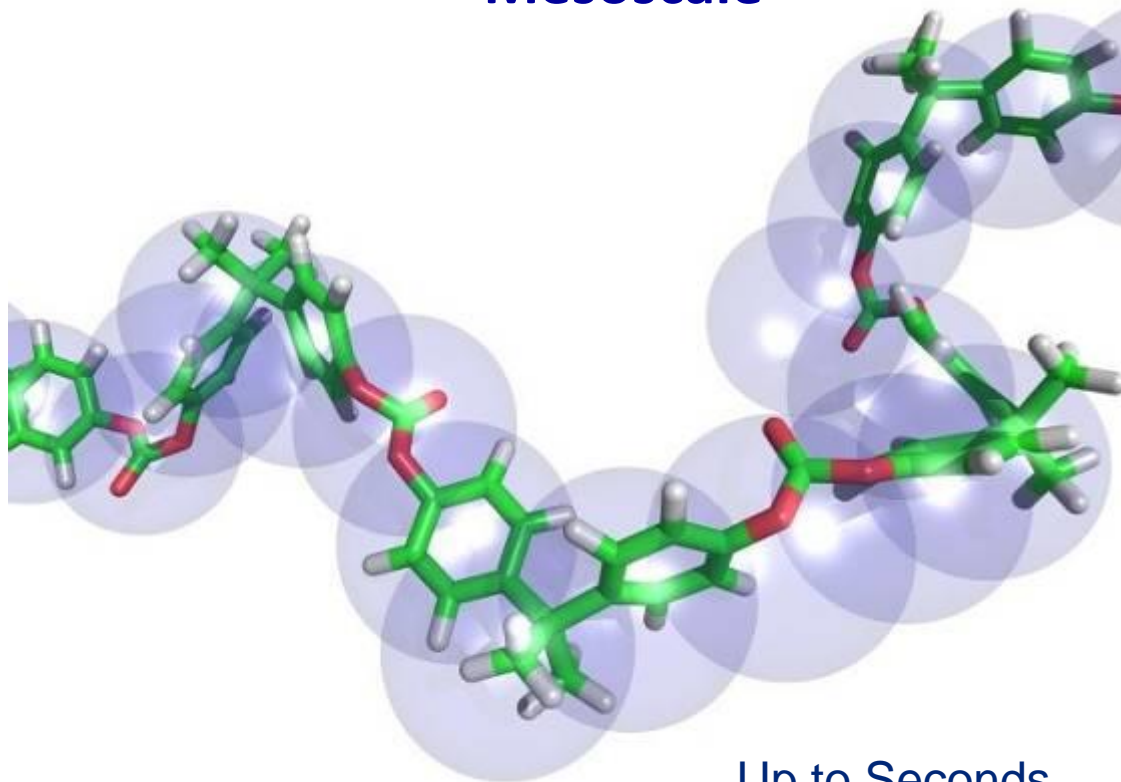
Atomistic



Mesoscale



One millionth of a second (10^{-6} s)

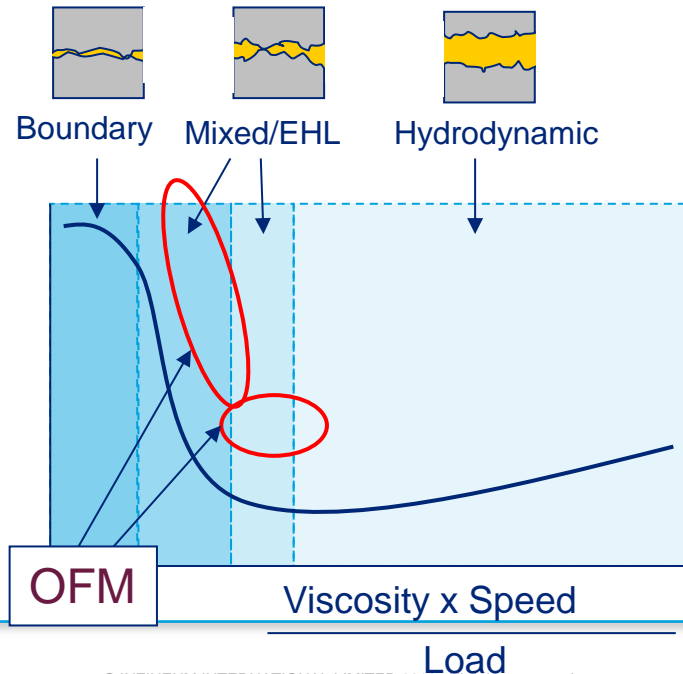
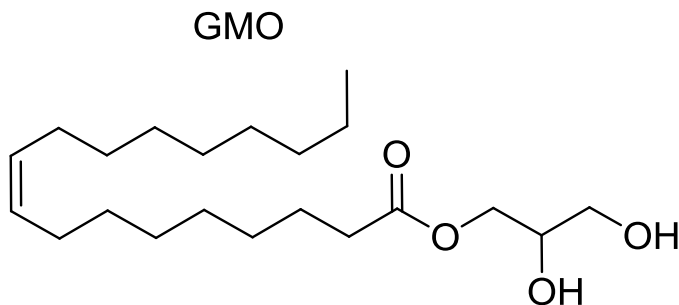


Up to Seconds

Industrial Systems: Lubricant Additives



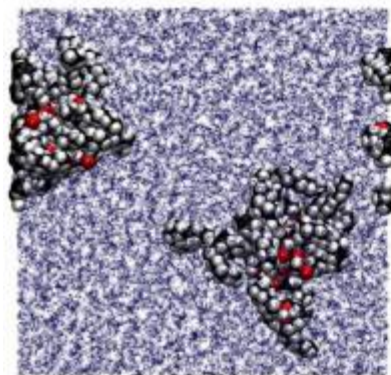
- Vehicle lubricants comprise non-aqueous formulations of surfactants, polymers & particles
- Environment is the main driver, with fuel economy a key attribute
- The largest effect on fuel economy from the lubricant is based on viscosity but organic friction modifiers (OFM) have an effect



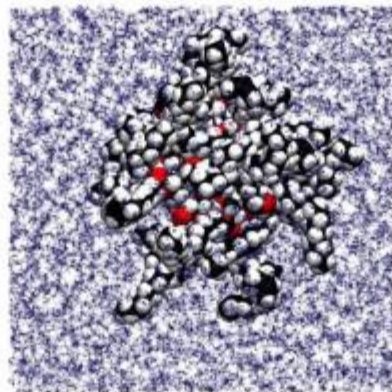
MD simulation of Glycerol monooleate self-assembly in non-aqueous media

Increasing concentration (5-20%)

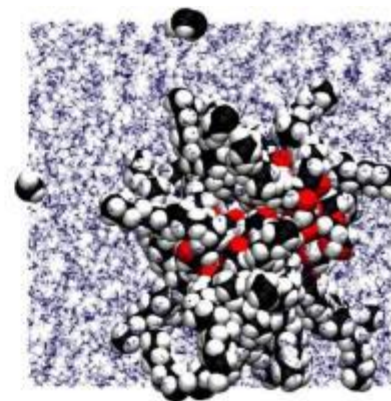
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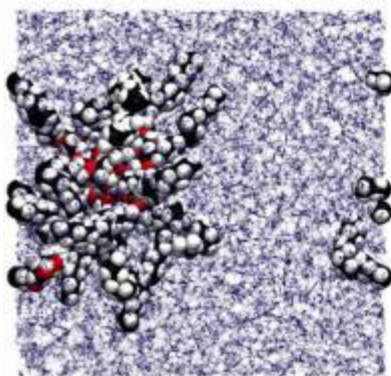
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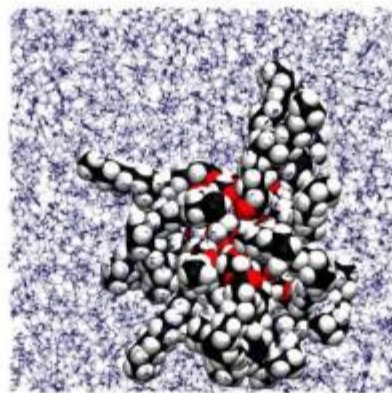
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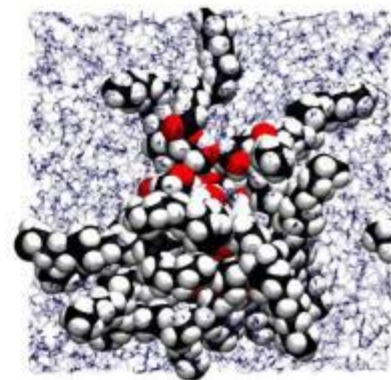
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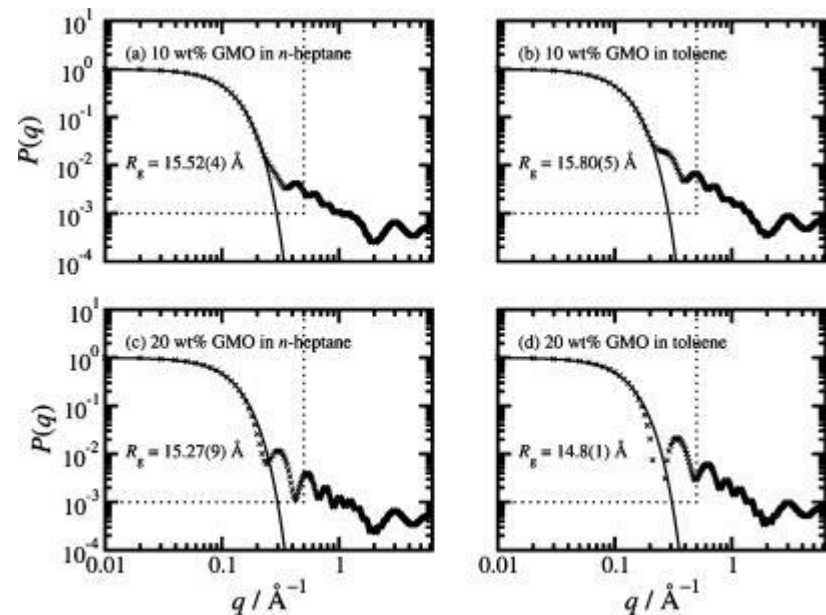
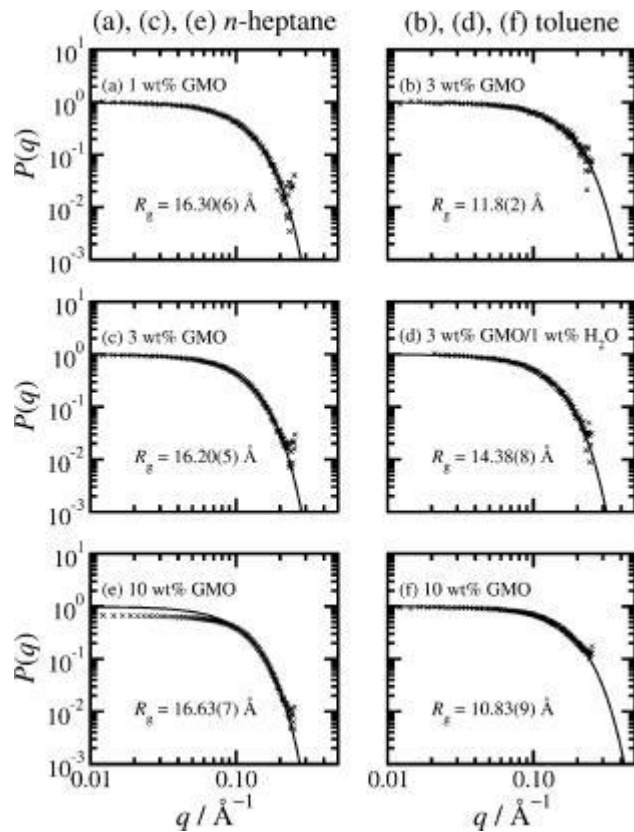
(f)

toluene

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- Experimental form factor from SANS measurements:

- Simulated form factor:



Future: Tools to simulate and rationalise scattering data (in real-time!) would be valuable

fits using Gaussian form factor

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Computer Aided Formulation (CAF)



- Computer Aided Formulation (CAF) is a UK-Government funded (Innovate UK) collaborative research programme worth ~ £1.2 Million. Ended 31/5/17

- Partners:

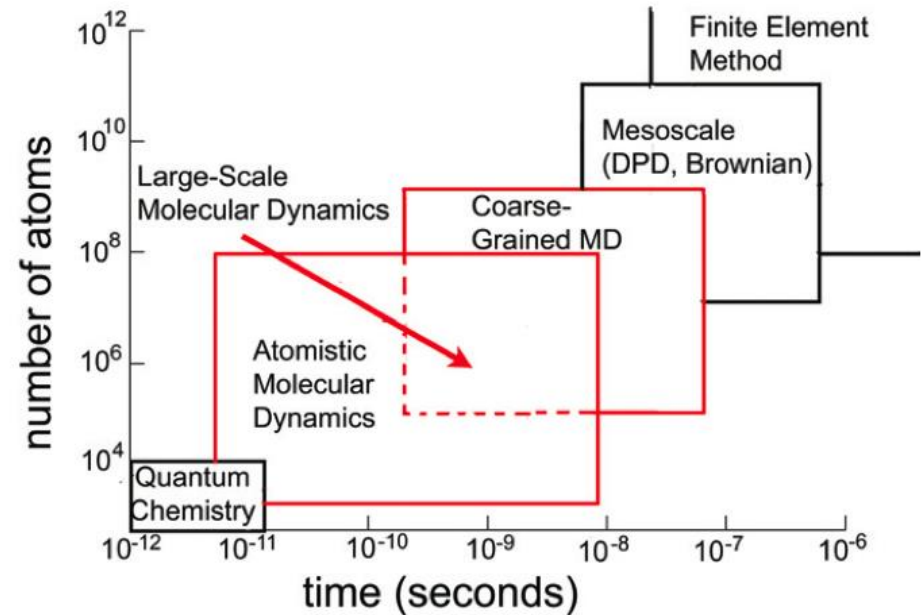
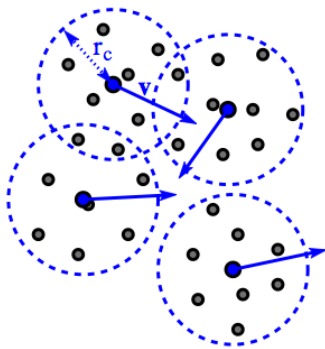


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- *Aims:* Development of a new, fully automated method for optimizing the fit of dissipative particle dynamics interaction parameters to appropriate experimental data to predict phase diagrams, solubility parameters, CMC etc.
- This results in predictive modeling and simulation, to improve product formulation, accelerating the development of new products.

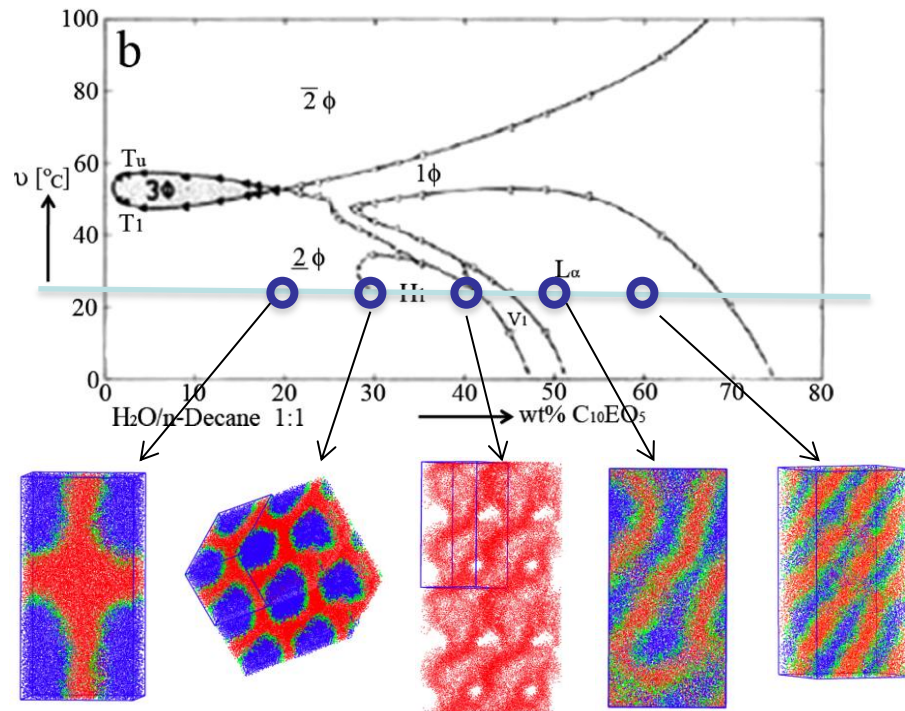
Coarse Grain Modelling

- Mesoscopic simulation method
- Developed by Hoogerbrugge and Koelman (1992)
- Coarse-grained method



- Access to longer length and time scales compared to fully atomistic methods.
- Simulation platform based on open source (STFC) DL_MESO software

- Winsor's Fish for C_nEO_m



Composition Wt % $C_{10}E_5$	Expected Phase	SDPD Parameters
20	2Φ	2Φ
30	H_1	H_1
40	H_1/V_1	V_1
50	L_α	L_α (poorly ordered)
60	L_α	L_α (well ordered)

- CAF/ DPD Model has correctly predicted composition of phases

- There has been discussion regarding simulation/ prediction of SANS data using DPD/ coarse graining, but no development work has been done during CAF
 - Fitting such data takes considerable time and is generally performed post-experiment
- What if there was an algorithm that would take the output of soft-matter computer simulation to predict both the SANS and the SAXS spectra
 - An algorithm to solve the inverse problem too: from SANS and SAXS spectra that would predict the corresponding soft-matter configuration without user bias in the fit eventually extending to complex mixtures (formulations)
- Development of such tools would be of real value to industry- towards the Nirvana of data being fitted as it is generated to make smarter decisions in real-time during the experiment
 - Also allows non-expert users to perform structural characterisation

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