

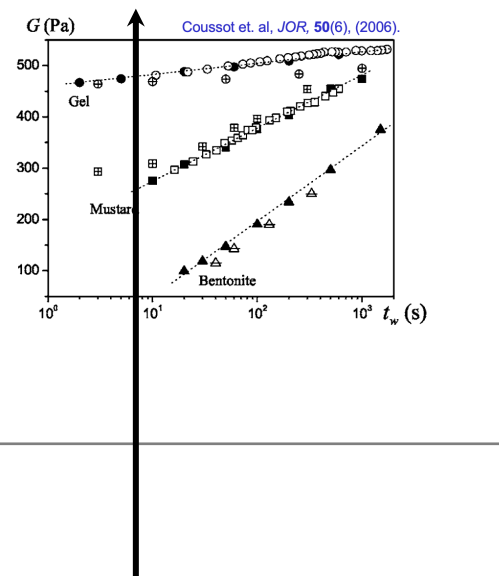
Make sense of background info for your audience...

...don't just list facts

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Presents one general claim/ statement before backing up with more nuanced statements/claims

Uses color to highlight the reasoning behind a key claim

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$N_{mu,g} \sim 0.25$

Bentonite has the steepest slope indicating highest mutation number

Information is introduced sequentially and builds on previous statements

Provides complete picture of existing literature without giving excess detail

Use equations to show your thinking...

...not just to show that you did math

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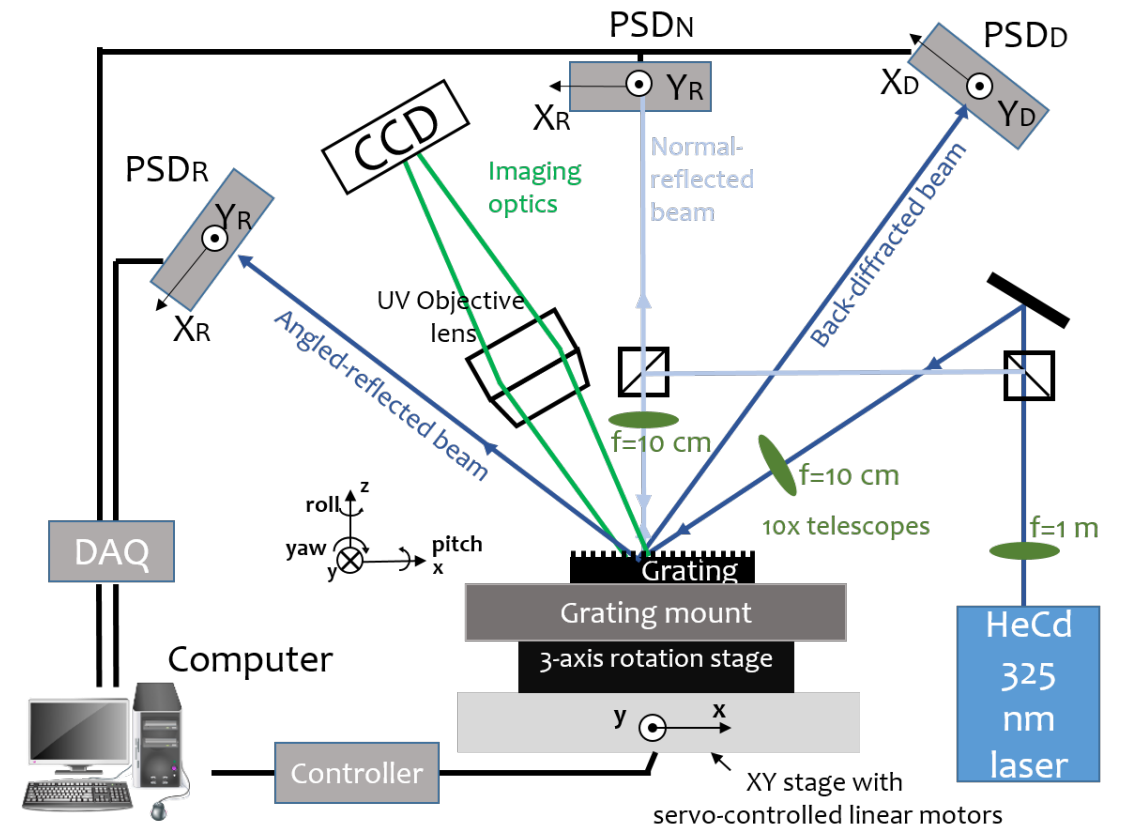
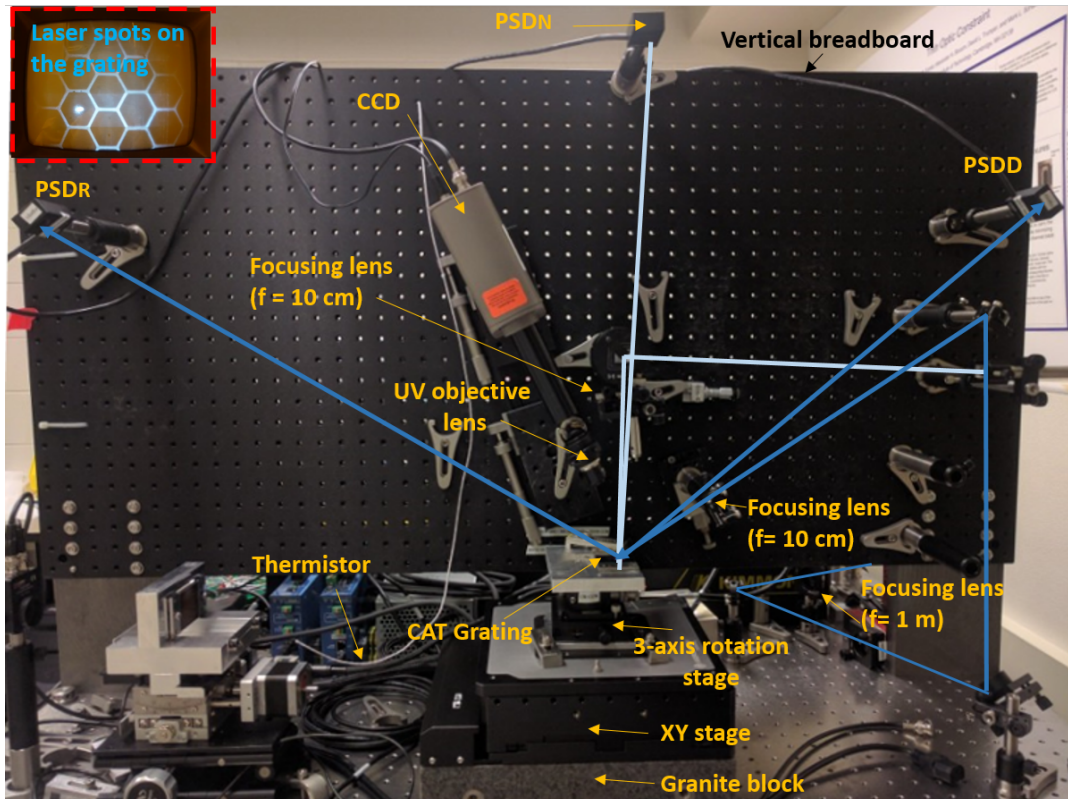
Goal: Develop a robust technique to study time-resolved rheological properties of *mutating* materials to obtain $G'(\omega, t_w)$ & $G''(\omega, t_w)$

Research thought process is articulated

Main message is visually distinct, even though the slide is (very) complex

Consider using schematics of experimental setups

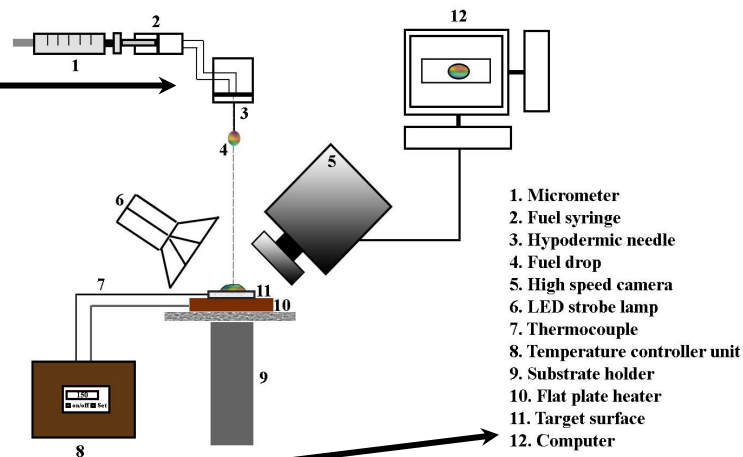
Which do you find easier to follow?



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Experimental setup and parameters

Keeps components and links at 90° when possible (helps reduce clutter)



Only include relevant components

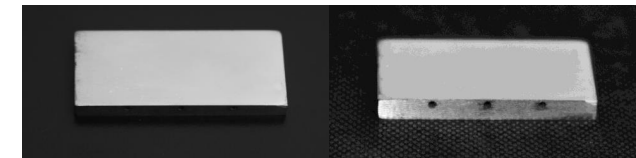
Fuel drop spreading process is studied using high speed visualization

Qualitative observations: through images
Quantitative study: through image processing

Fuels	Density (kg/m ³)	Viscosity (Pa s)	Surface Tension (N/m)	Boiling Point (°C)
Heptane	681.7	0.388×10 ⁻³	0.0197	98.4
Decane	728.0	0.853×10 ⁻³	0.0234	174
Jet A-1	786.7	1.180×10 ⁻³	0.0256	207.6*
Diesel	818.0	3.460×10 ⁻³	0.0267	271.1*

* Volumetric Average Boiling Point

Four fuels chosen with varying viscosity and boiling points



Solid surface for impact: Smooth stainless steel placed on plate heater

Varying parameters

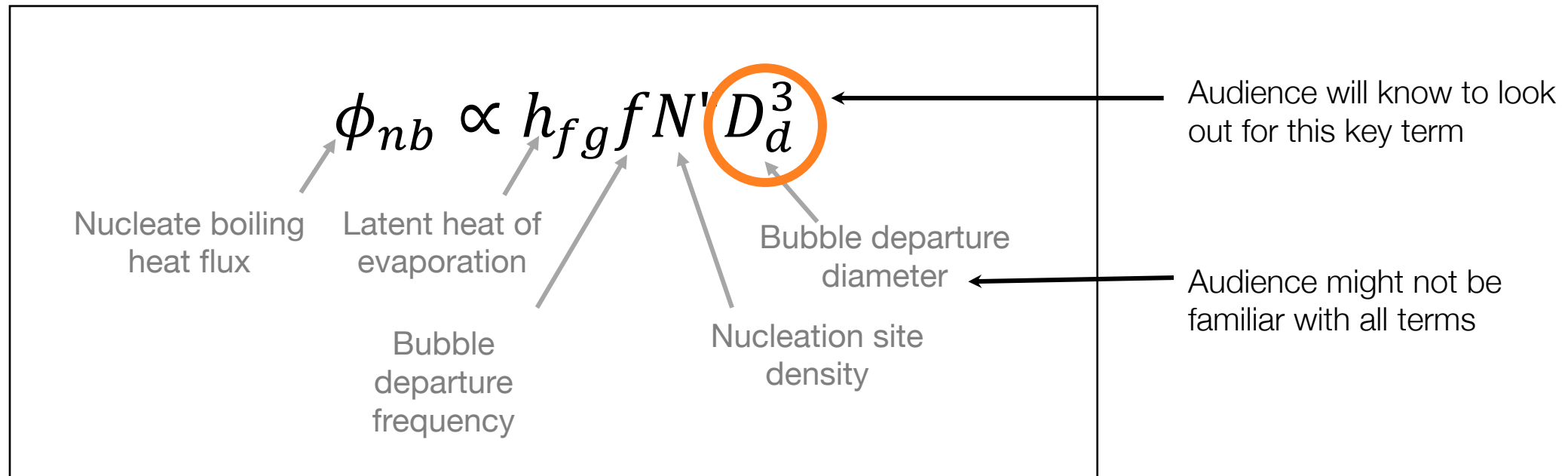
Impact Height H ~ 30-750mm

Surface Temperature T_s ~ 30 °C to 410 °C

Fuel type

Emphasize the physics and meaning in equations

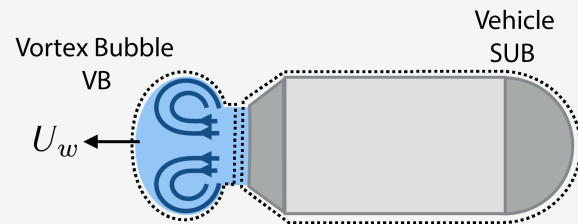
- Only use equations as they directly support your message
- Define all terms, and **highlight significant ones**
- Be familiar with the derivation, and underlying assumptions



Equations Example 1:

How do F_T and η for a vehicle relate to the generated vortex?

from Ruiz et al. 2010 JFM



- η Hydrodynamic Efficiency
- F_T Thrust generated by vehicle
- α_{xx}^{VB} Vortex Ring Added Mass Coefficient
- U_w Vortex Ring Velocity
- V_w Vortex Ring Volume
- U_∞ (Steady) Vehicle Velocity
- \dot{W} Power Transferred to Free Stream

Terms are clearly defined

Equations correspond to slide's message

$$F_T \approx \frac{\partial}{\partial t} ((1 + \alpha_{xx}^{VB}) U_w V_w)$$

$$\eta = \frac{\langle F_T U_\infty \rangle}{\langle \dot{W} \rangle} \approx \frac{2}{3} (1 + \alpha_{xx}^{VB}) \frac{U_\infty}{U_w}$$

Leverage these relationships to estimate thrust and efficiency visually by measuring vortex speed and geometry

Assumptions are stated

- *Assumes:
- steady vehicle velocity
 - $Re \gg 1$

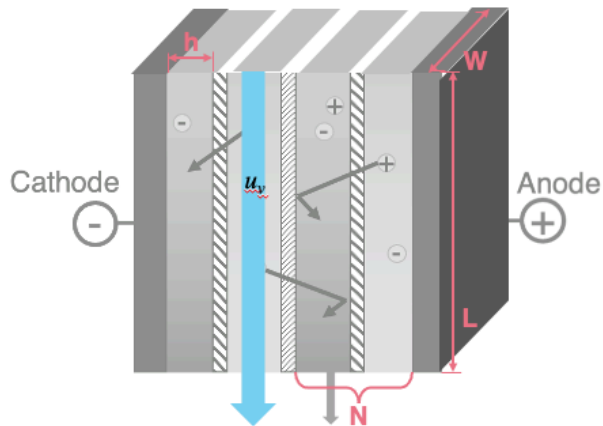
Key terms are highlighted and correspond to underlines

(1) L. A. Ruiz, R. W. Whittlesey, J. O. Dabiri, Vortex-enhanced propulsion. Journal of Fluid Mechanics 668, 5 (2010).



Equations Example 2:

Point of Use is 1/10th the flow rate,
giving 1/100th the pressure drop



Use color to
highlight
components

Velocity in each channel

$$u_v = \frac{Q}{NWh}$$

Pressure drop

$$\Delta P = \frac{\rho_{aq} f L u_v^2}{4h}$$

$$\Delta P \propto u_v^2/h$$

Pressures in the stack are
less extreme.




Significance of the
relationship is explicit

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Tom Pankratz, Desal was initially driven by DC current and private equity. GWI, (January):45-53

Use space or color to make connections

Clear separation of data and corresponding impact

	Observation	Implication
Positive Information 	Effective while in place Rated most effective in survey Higher Positive Affect	Immediate behavior change, but did not to alter habits Evoked positive emotion
Negative Information 	Effective while in place and several weeks after removal Higher Negative Affect	Potential learning effect that changed habits Evoked negative emotion
Feedback 	Did not change behaviors Main message napkins "come from trees" Emotions similar to control	Informative message not enough to change behavior Neutral emotions

RQ2. What emotions arise from users' interactions with products designed with information and feedback interventions?

"RQ2" was in red. The answers are here in red

Saadi, 2021



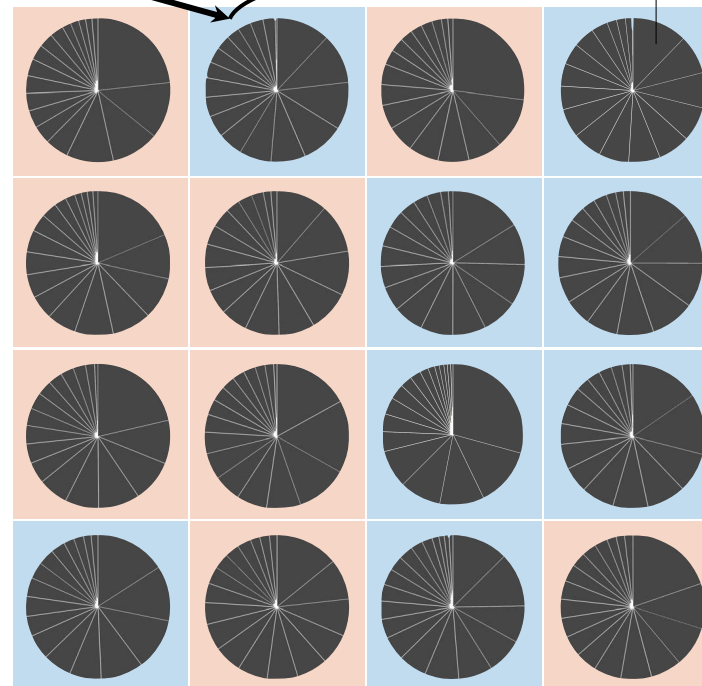
Discuss key results

Equality of communication might suggest a stronger team process

Color is used to link figures and text

Equality of communication by team

One slice represents one individual



σ of stronger teams	σ of weaker teams
4.8	6.1
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3.1	4.1
4.2	3.5
5.5	3.4
7.0	3
4.4	3.6
3.2	3.6

One-tailed t-test showed that stronger teams had higher communication equalities

p-value of 0.11

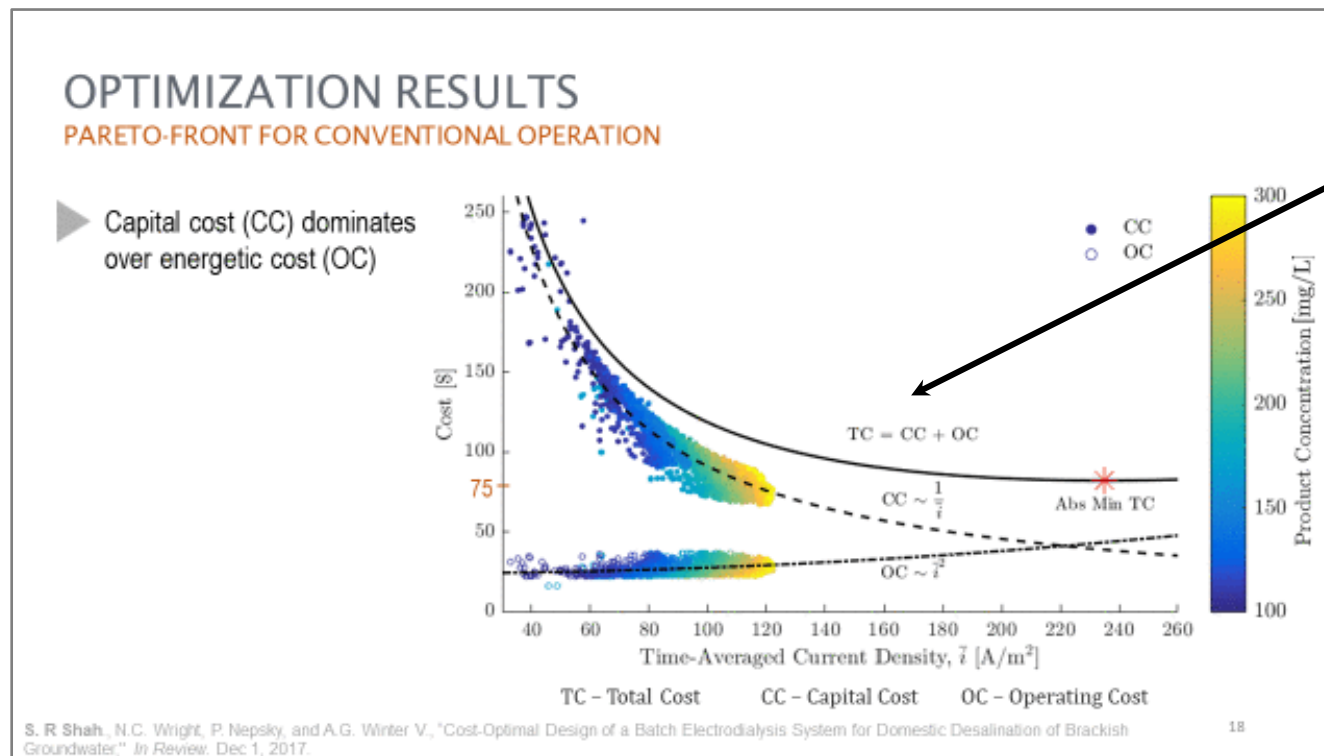
Use annotations to explain complex plots

Details of the method are present but concise

Discuss key results

- Avoid merely stating or listing out all the results
- **Interpret key results** and contextualize their significance

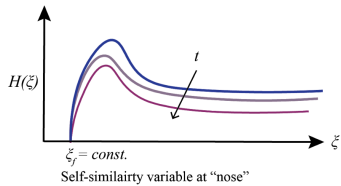
Convey ideally
one message
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Sometimes
annotations can be
more helpful than a
legend (unless it
gets too busy)

Use builds to introduce information in a logical flow

Simulations can predict when self-similarity begins



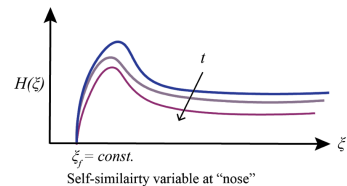
$$\xi_f = \frac{x_f(t)}{\tau^\delta} = const. \implies x_f(t) \propto \tau^\delta$$



Which would you rather see right off the bat?



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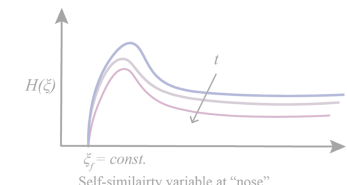
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Release gate location
Closure time (from simulations)

Adding bit of information at a time helps control the audience's focus



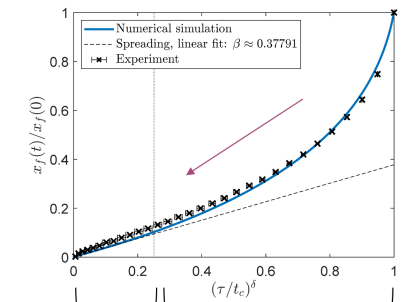
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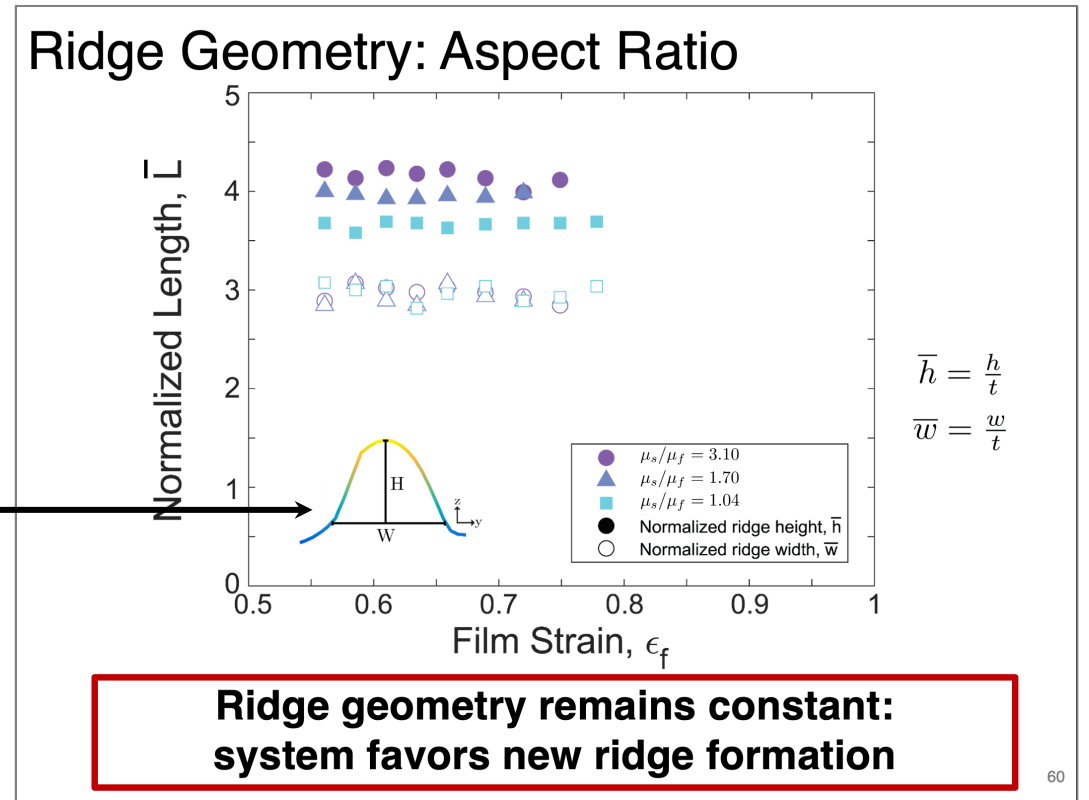
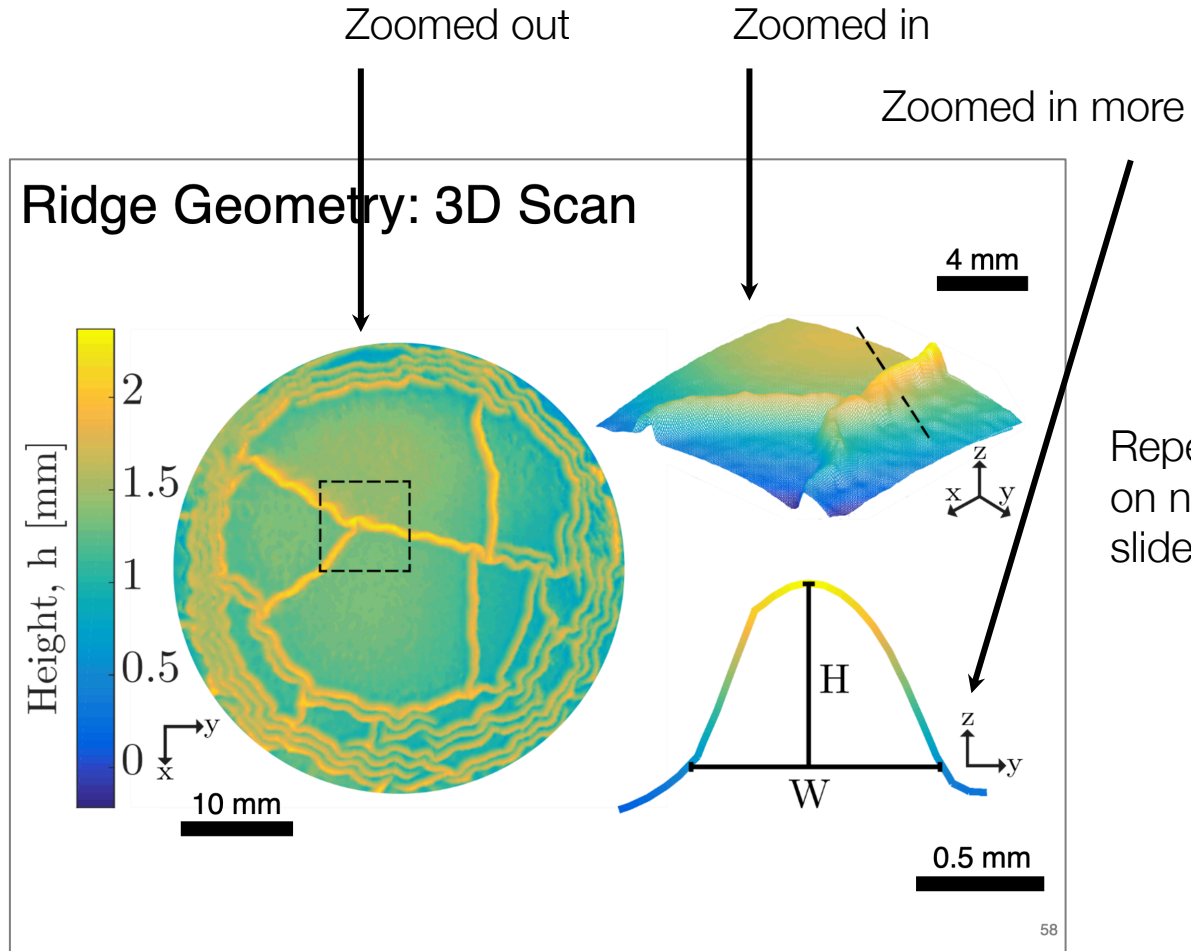
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Memory of initial condition influences fluid dynamics

By $t = t_{sim}$, IC is 'forgotten' and self-similarity begins. Here $t_{sim} \approx 27.99$ s

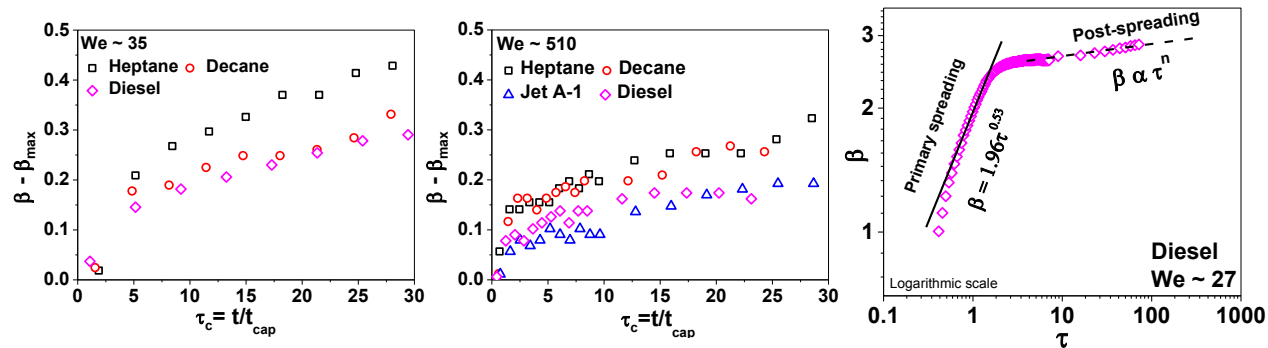
Use visuals to give context before a conclusion



Finally the conclusion!

Say your main points a few times, in a few ways

Temporal variation of the spreading diameter in the post spreading phase



- In order to determine the post spreading rate, curve fitting analysis was performed on the post spreading phase

$$\beta \sim \tau^n$$

A power law fit is found to be the best fit for the post spreading phase

Key result visually distinct from slide content

Simple and impactful restatement of key results at the conclusion

Conclusions

Objective 1- To study the effect of surface temperature and fuel properties on the fuel drop spreading process:

- Drop spreading morphologies were investigated for the four fuels impacting on a solid surface at varying temperatures
- Dependency of maximum diameter on surface temperature and fuel properties was explored
- Spreading of fuel drops beyond inertia driven regimes was investigated

Objective 2- To evolve a detailed understanding of the single fuel drop spreading process on a hot substrate that can be used for studying fuel spray impact processes in engines

- Simple empirical model for determining maximum diameter of spreading for fuel drop impacting on surface at given temperature was proposed
- The validity of highly viscous drop spreading models for post-spreading analysis was examined