# Getting liquids in and out porous materials: a theoretical point of view







Self-recovery superhydrophobic surfaces: Modular design Lisi, Amabili, SM, Giacomello, Casciola ACS nano 12 (1), 359-367





$$\Omega = \Delta P V_v + \gamma A_{lv} + \gamma_{sv} A_{sv} + \gamma_{sl} A_{sl}$$
  
$$\Omega = \Delta V_v + \gamma \left( A_{lv} + \cos(\theta) A_{sv} \right) \quad \cos(\theta) = \left( \gamma_{sv} - \gamma_{sl} \right) / \gamma_{lv}$$



Bulk coexistence conditions

$$\Omega = \Delta V_v + \gamma \left( A_{lv} + \cos(\theta) A_{sv} \right)$$





$$\Omega = \Delta P V_v + \gamma \left( A_{lv} + \cos(\theta) A_{sv} \right)$$
liquid
$$W \quad S$$

$$H$$

$$W \quad V_v$$



$$\Omega = \Delta P V_v + \gamma \left( A_{lv} + \cos(\theta) A_{sv} \right)$$







Activated wetting of nanostructured surfaces: reaction coordinates, finite size effects, and simulation pitfalls Amabili, SM, Giacomello, Casciola, The Journal of Physical Chemistry B 122, 200-212

**Collapse of superhydrophobicity on nanopillared surfaces** Amabili, Giacomello, Meloni, Casciola, Physical Review Fluids 2, 034202

Liquid intrusion in and extrusion from non-wettable nanopores for technological applications

Giacomello, Casciola, Grosu, SM, to appear in Europhys. J. B

Metastable wetting on superhydrophobic surfaces: Continuum and atomistic views of the Cassie-Baxter–Wenzel transition









Framework Tortora et al, Nano Letters 21, 2848-2853

Primary

$\kappa = \frac{-1}{V} \cdot \frac{\partial V}{\partial P}$	
Material	$\kappa_l$ , TPa <sup>-1</sup>
BiB <sub>3</sub> O <sub>6</sub> (0 - 5 GPa)	-6.7
$BiB_3O_6 (P \rightarrow 0)$	-12.5
MIL-53 MOF	-28
[Ag(en)]NO <sub>3</sub>	-28.4
Zn[Au(CN) <sub>2</sub> ] <sub>2</sub>	-42
MCF-34 MOF	-47.3
InH(BDC) <sub>2</sub>	-62.4
[Zn(L) <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> ] <sub>n</sub>	-72
Ag <sub>3</sub> [Co(CN) <sub>6</sub> ]	-76.9
ZIF-8 MOF (intrusion)	<mark>-1020</mark>
ZIF-8 MOF (extrusion 1)	<mark>-770</mark>
ZIF-8 MOF (extrusion 2)	<mark>-610</mark>















































Orientational distribution (filling 0, bulk, int)





Orientational distribution (filling 1300, bulk, int)





Orientational distribution (filling 1500, bulk, int)





Orientational distribution (filling 1200, bulk, ext)





Orientational distribution (filling 1000, bulk, ext)





Orientational distribution (filling 0, bulk, ext)



#### Conclusions

- Intruision of liquids in textured and porous materials is non trivial
- Crystalline porous materials increase the level of complexity
  - Flexibility
  - Ordering of liquid inside cavities (breakdown of the sharp interface model?)
  - Multiple levels of metastabilities: liquid state, configuration of the porous medium



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