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Wear and Friction

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Relevance of wear and friction

- Wear is major cause of material wastage and mechanical performance - durability
- Friction is major cause of energy dissipation
- About 1/3 of global energy consumption is needed to work against friction
- Lubrication to control wear and friction
- Art of surfaces and films

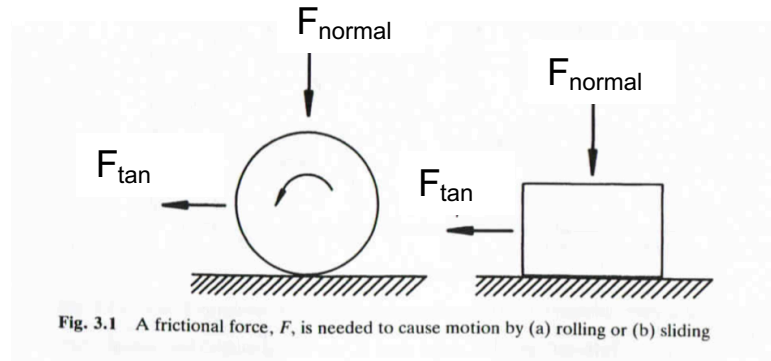
Friction

Co-efficient of Friction

- $F_{\text{tangential}}/F_{\text{normal}} = \mu$

- μ_{static}

- $\mu_{\text{kinetic}} < \mu_{\text{static}}$



- $\mu = \mu_{\text{adhesion}} + \mu_{\text{deformation}}$

Traditional laws of friction

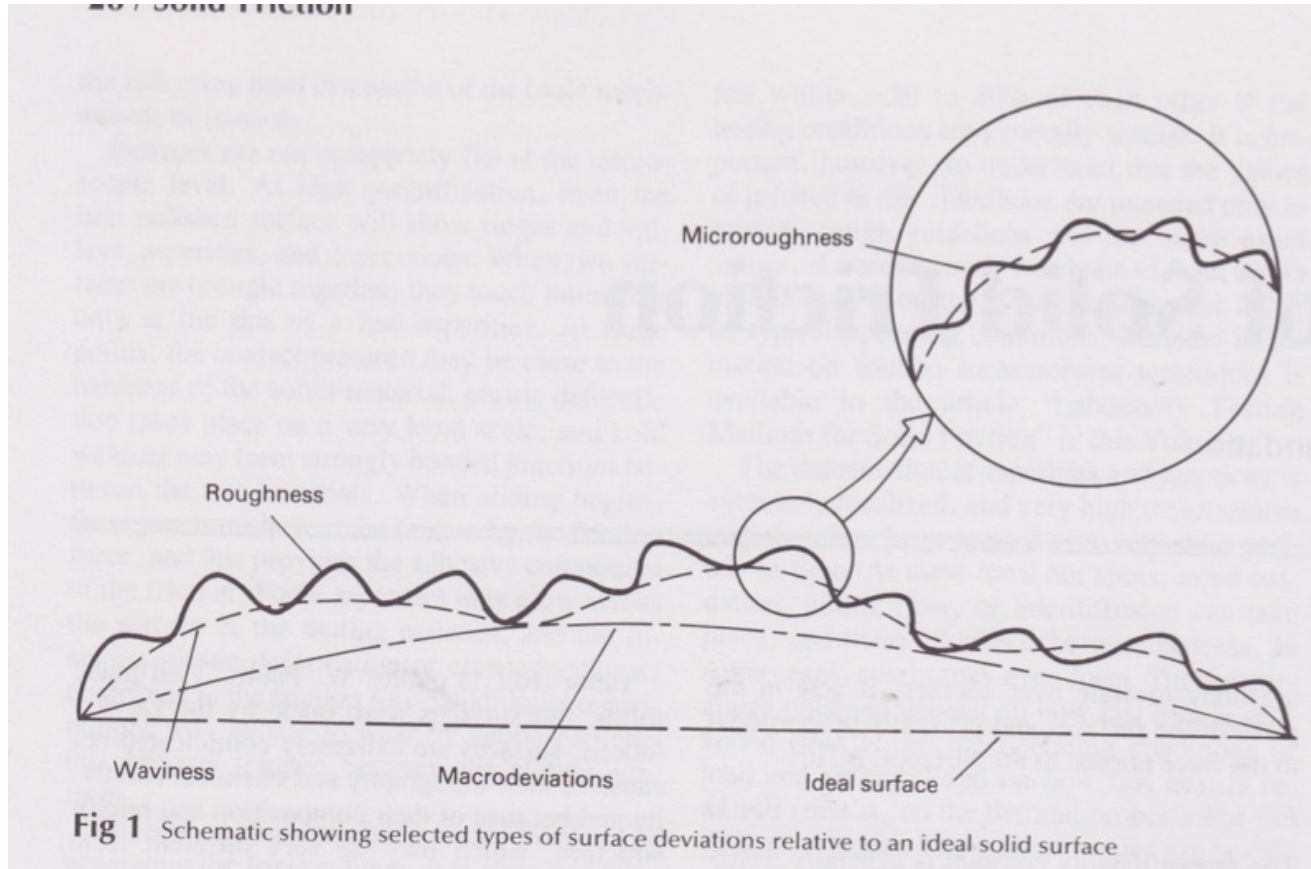
The elementary property of sliding (kinetic) friction were discovered by experiment in the 15th to 18th centuries and were expressed as three empirical laws:

- **Amontons' First Law**: The force of friction is directly proportional to the applied load.
- **Amontons' Second Law**: The force of friction is independent of the apparent area of contact.
- **Coulomb's Law of Friction**: Kinetic friction is independent of the sliding velocity.

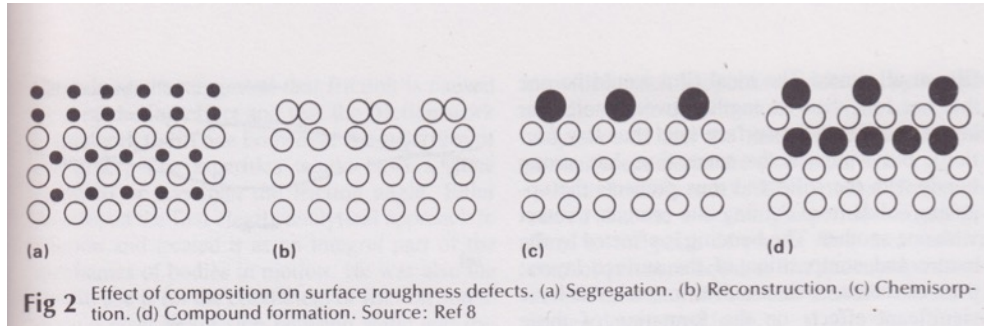
Approximate coefficients of friction

Materials		Static Friction, μ_s		Kinetic/Sliding Friction, μ_k	
		Dry and clean	Lubricated	Dry and clean	Lubricated
Aluminium	Steel	0.61 ^[26]		0.47 ^[26]	
Aluminium	Aluminium	1.05-1.35 ^[26]	0.3 ^[26]	1.4 ^[26] -1.5 ^[27]	
Gold	Gold			2.5 ^[27]	
Platinum	Platinum	1.2 ^[26]	0.25 ^[26]	3.0 ^[27]	
Silver	Silver	1.4 ^[26]	0.55 ^[26]	1.5 ^[27]	
Alumina ceramic	Silicon nitride ceramic				0.004 (wet) ^[28]
BAM (Ceramic alloy AlMgB ₁₄)	Titanium boride (TiB ₂)	0.04–0.05 ^[29]	0.02 ^{[30][31]}		
Brass	Steel	0.35-0.51 ^[26]	0.19 ^[26]	0.44 ^[26]	
Cast iron	Copper	1.05 ^[26]		0.29 ^[26]	
Cast iron	Zinc	0.85 ^[26]		0.21 ^[26]	
Concrete	Rubber	1.0	0.30 (wet)	0.6-0.85 ^[26]	0.45-0.75 (wet) ^[26]
Concrete	Wood	0.62 ^{[26][32]}			
Copper	Glass	0.68 ^[33]		0.53 ^[33]	
Copper	Steel	0.53 ^[33]		0.36 ^{[26][33]}	0.18 ^[33]
Glass	Glass	0.9-1.0 ^{[26][33]}	0.005–0.01 ^[33]	0.4 ^{[26][33]}	0.09–0.116 ^[33]
Human synovial fluid	Human cartilage		0.01 ^[34]		0.003 ^[34]
Ice	Ice	0.02-0.09 ^[35]			
Polyethene	Steel	0.2 ^{[26][35]}	0.2 ^{[26][35]}		
PTFE (Teflon)	PTFE (Teflon)	0.04 ^{[26][35]}	0.04 ^{[26][35]}		0.04 ^[26]
Steel	Ice	0.03 ^[35]			
Steel	PTFE (Teflon)	0.04 ^[26] -0.2 ^[35]	0.04 ^[26]		0.04 ^[26]
Steel	Steel	0.74 ^[26] -0.80 ^[35]	0.005–0.23 ^{[33][35]}	0.42-0.62 ^{[26][33]}	0.029–0.19 ^[33]
Wood	Metal	0.2–0.6 ^{[26][32]}	0.2 (wet) ^{[26][32]}	0.49 ^[33]	0.075 ^[33]
Wood	Wood	0.25–0.62 ^{[26][32][33]}	0.2 (wet) ^{[26][32]}	0.32–0.48 ^[33]	0.067–0.167 ^[33]

Real surface topography



Atomic surface “roughness”



Metal-Metal adhesion vs. solubility

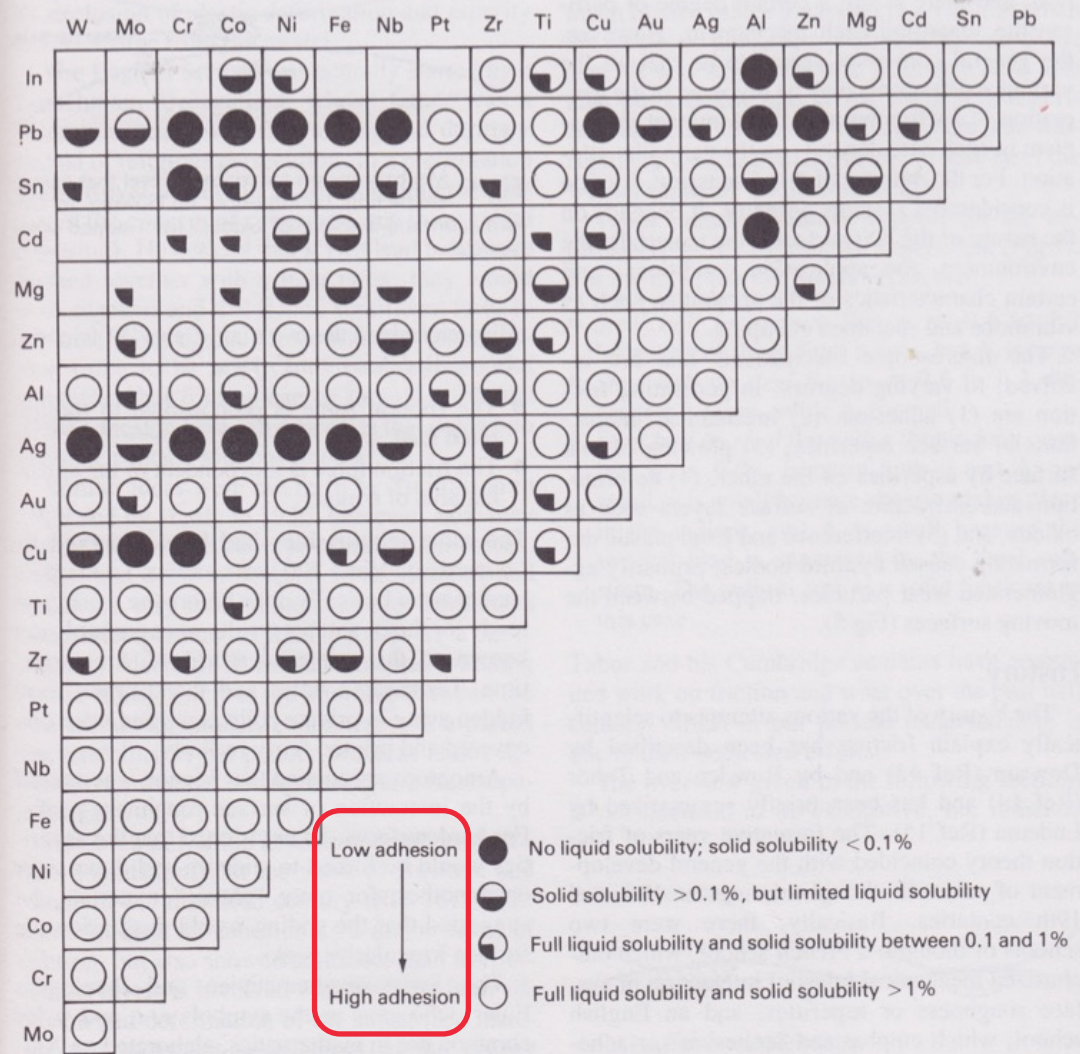


Fig 3 Compatibility chart developed by Rabinowicz for selected metal combinations derived from binary equilibrium diagrams. Chart indicates the degree of expected adhesion (and thus friction) between the various metal combinations. Source: Ref 10

Surface and subsurface microstructures in metals

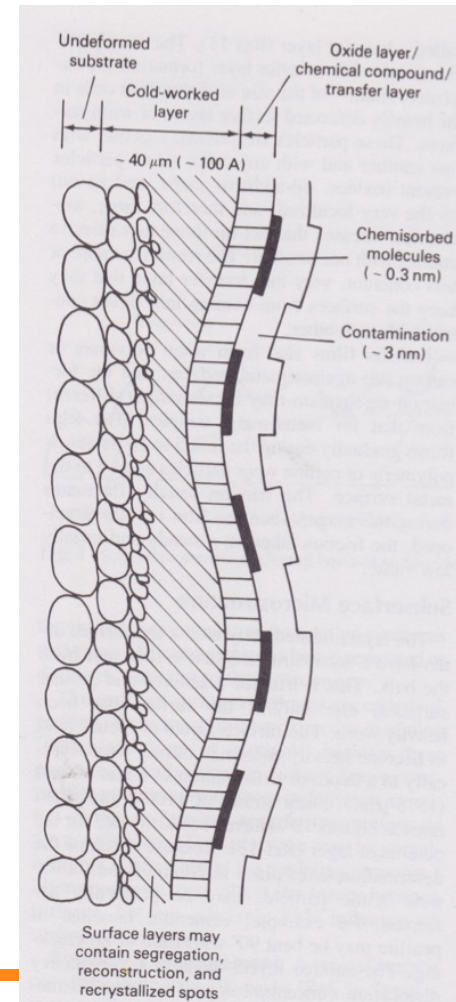
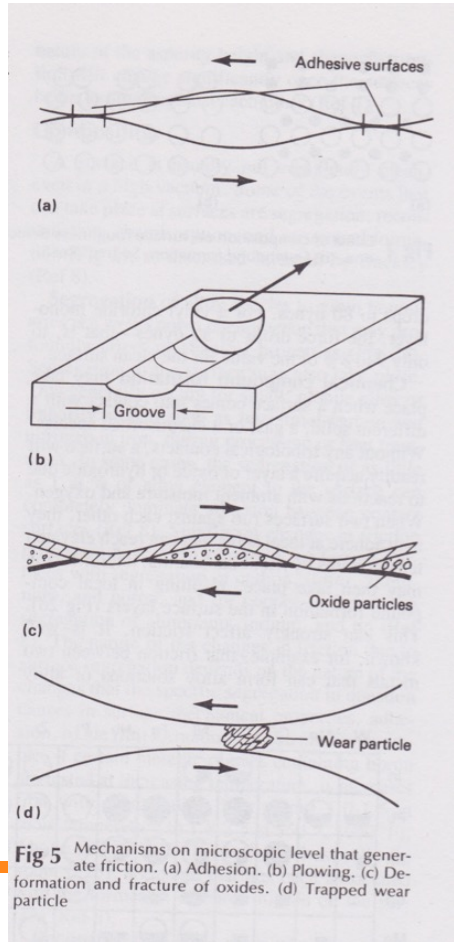


Fig 4 Schematic showing typical surface and subsurface microstructures present in metals subject to friction and wear. Microstructures are not drawn to scale.

Mechanisms which generate friction



Adhesion

Plowing

Deformation fracture of oxides

Trapped wear particles

Fig 5 Mechanisms on microscopic level that generate friction. (a) Adhesion. (b) Plowing. (c) Deformation and fracture of oxides. (d) Trapped wear particle

Co-efficient of friction of metals vs. d-bond character

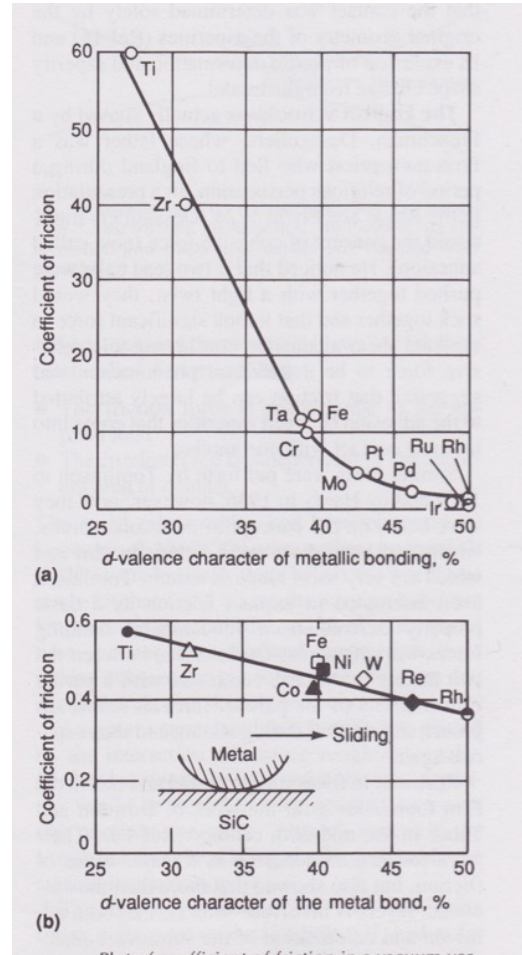


Fig 9 Plot of coefficient of friction in a vacuum versus *d*-bond character of selected metals. (a) Metals in contact with themselves at very low load and sliding velocity. (b) Metals sliding in contact with single-crystal SiC. Source: Ref 19

Wear

Surface damage: Changes to microstructure

Plastic deformation

Cracks

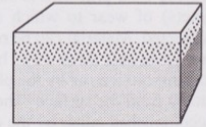
Loss of material

Gain of material

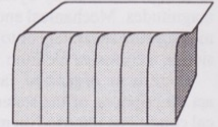
Corrosion

Surface damage without exchange of material

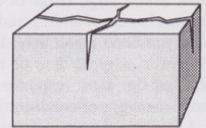
Structural changes: Damage by structural changes, such as aging, tempering, phase transformations, recrystallization, and so on.



Plastic deformation: Damage characterized by residual deformation of the surface layer, either locally or extensively. The latter is often revealed as a change in shape.

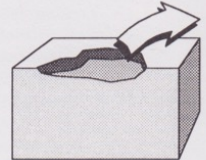


Surface cracking: Damage caused by excessive local contact strains or cyclic variations of thermally or mechanically induced strains. The latter case can cause dense patterns of parallel cracks whereas thermal cycling lattice generates a network of cracks.



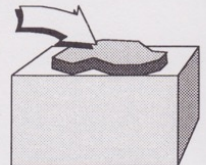
Surface damage involving loss of material: wear

Material loss from the surface leaves behind wear scars of various shapes and sizes. Fundamental elements in the process of material removal can be shear fracture, extrusion, chip formation, tearing, brittle fracture, fatigue fracture, chemical dissolution, and diffusion.



Surface damage involving gain of material

Pickup of loose particles, transfer of material from the countersurface, and so on.



Corrosion: Material degradation by chemical reactions with ambient elements or elements from the countersurface

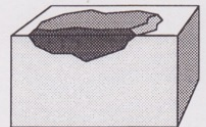
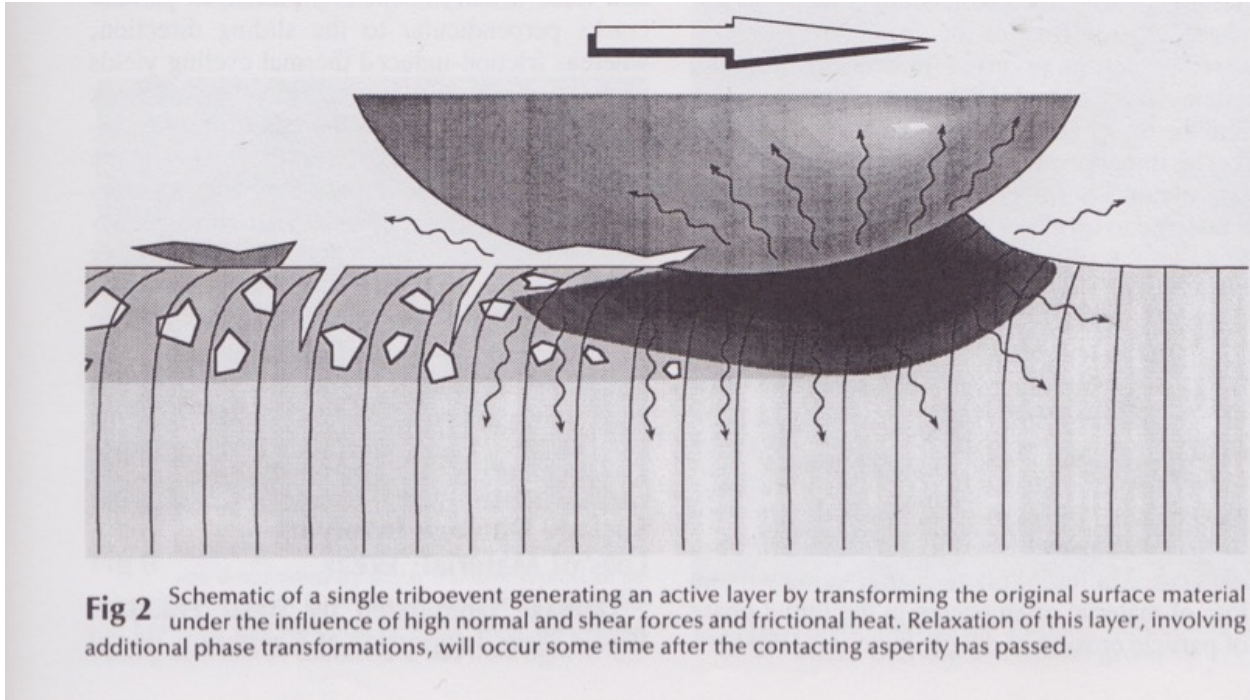


Fig 1 Classification of surface damage

Tribo events in sliding contact



Wear hard against soft

- chip formation
- plastic deformation
- pickup of ceramic particles

180/ Wear

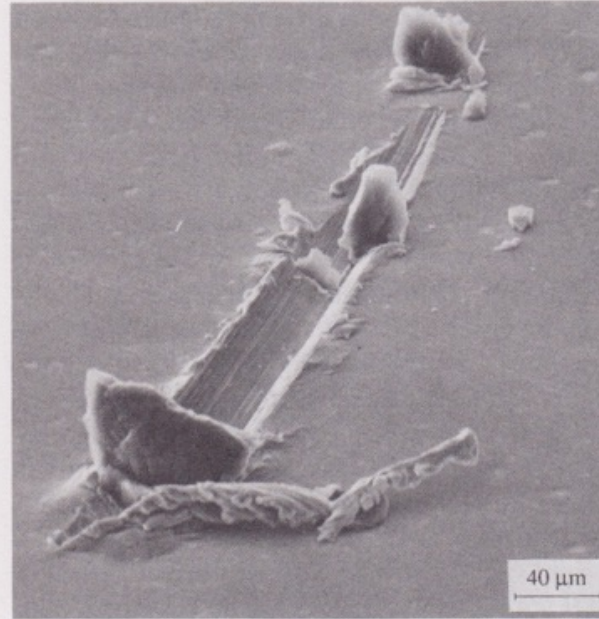


Fig 11 Scanning electron micrograph showing surface damage by chip formation, plastic deformation, and pickup of fragments of a ceramic parti-

Wear metal against gravel

- chip formation
- plastic deformation
- pickup of silica



Fig 12 Scanning electron micrograph of the surface and cross section of a road grader blade worn against gravel. The surface has been damaged by chip formation, plastic deformation, and pickup of silica, revealed as dark, rough patches at A.

Soft against hard - tearing

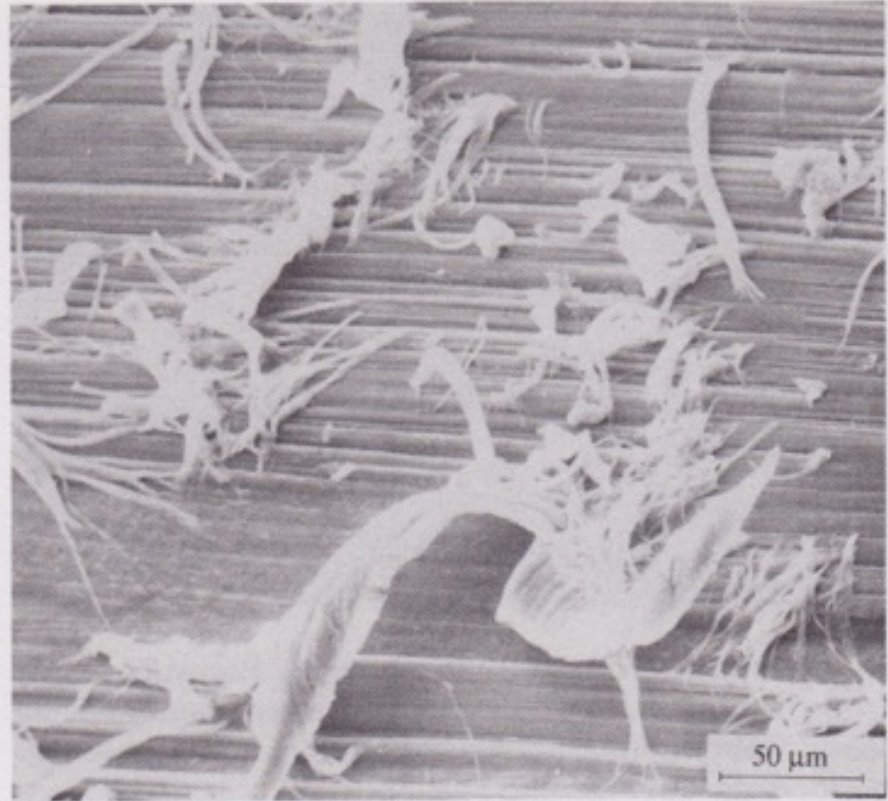
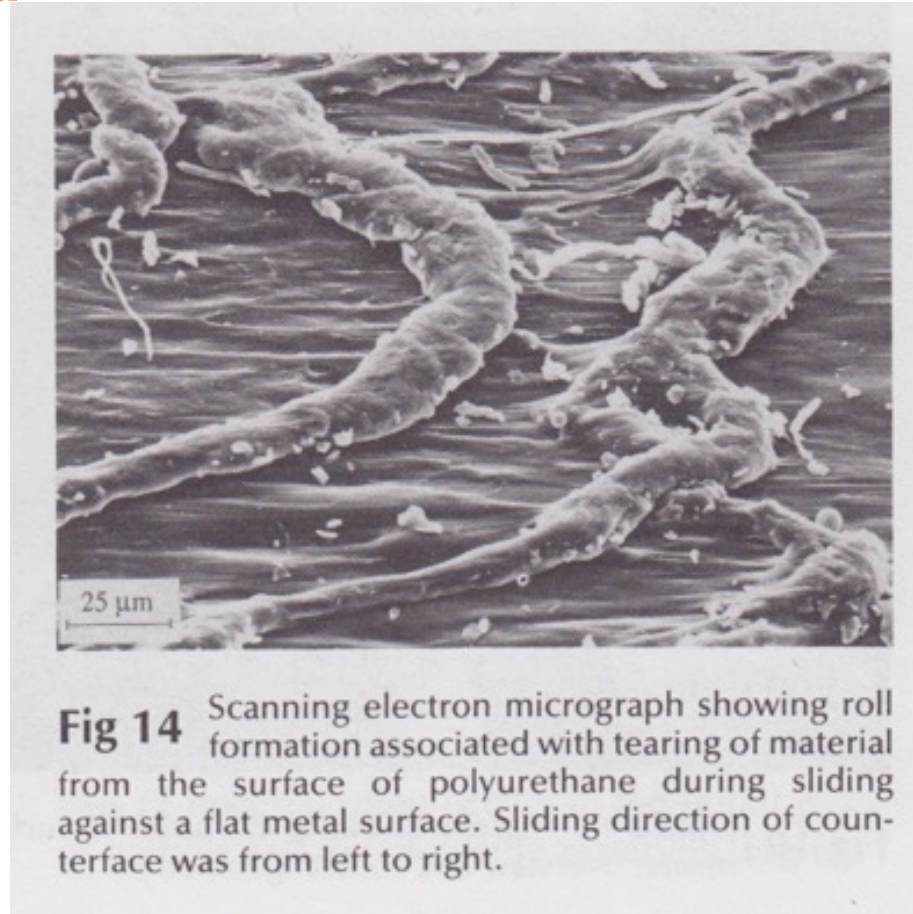


Fig 13 Scanning electron micrograph showing damage caused by tearing in the cylinder surface of a small polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) piston pump used to portion human body liquids into an analytical instrument

Soft against hard - rolling



Brittle fracture

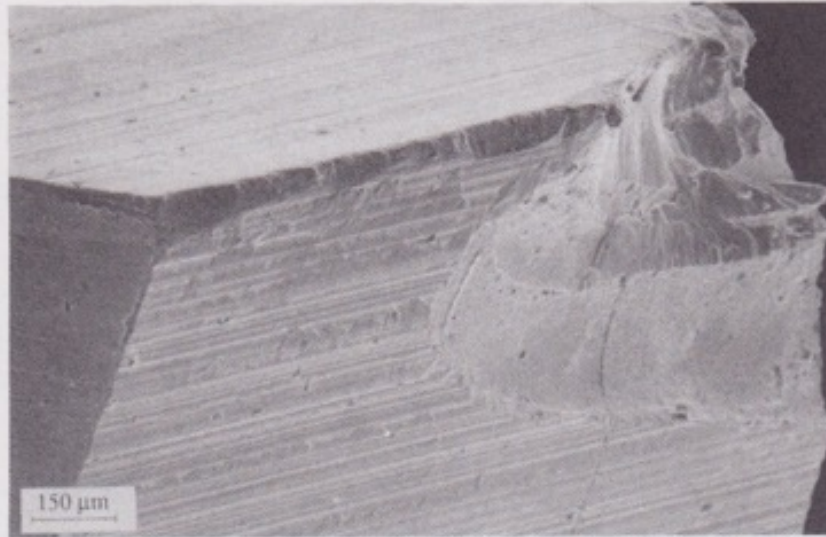


Fig 15 Scanning electron micrograph showing brittle fracture of a cemented carbide tool tip used to cut aluminum

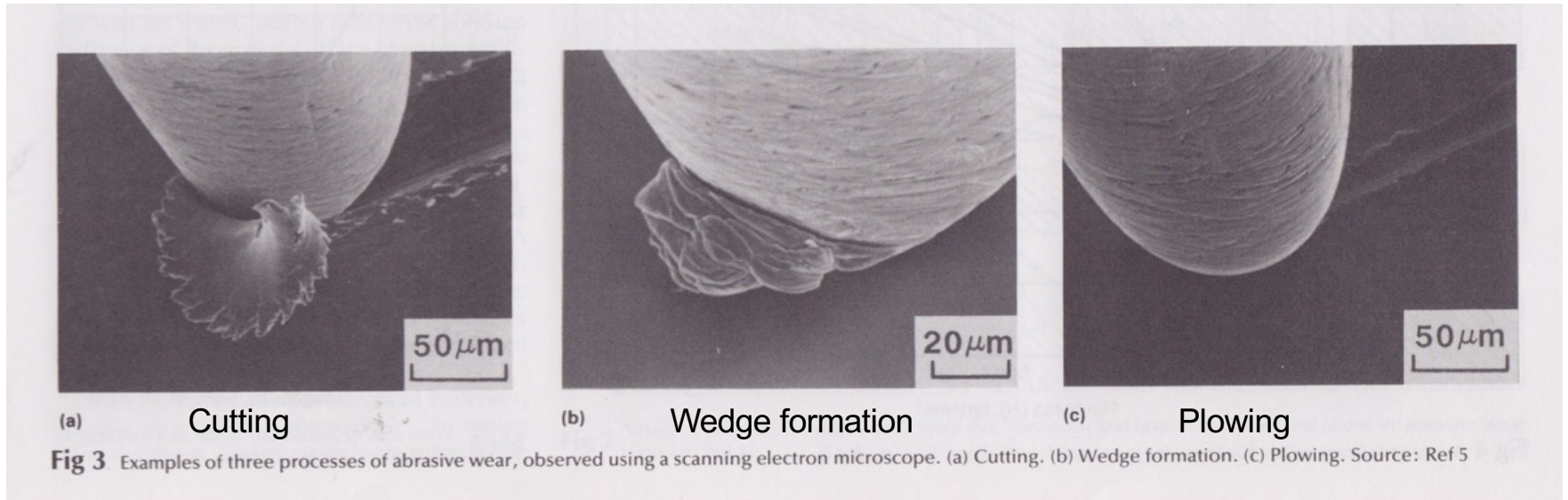
Brittle fracture of Al_2O_3

due to SiC particle erosion



Fig 16 Scanning electron micrograph showing brittle fracture by particle erosion of an Al_2O_3 surface (250 μm SiC particles, 70 m/s velocity, 90° angle of impingement). Courtesy of Mikael Olsson

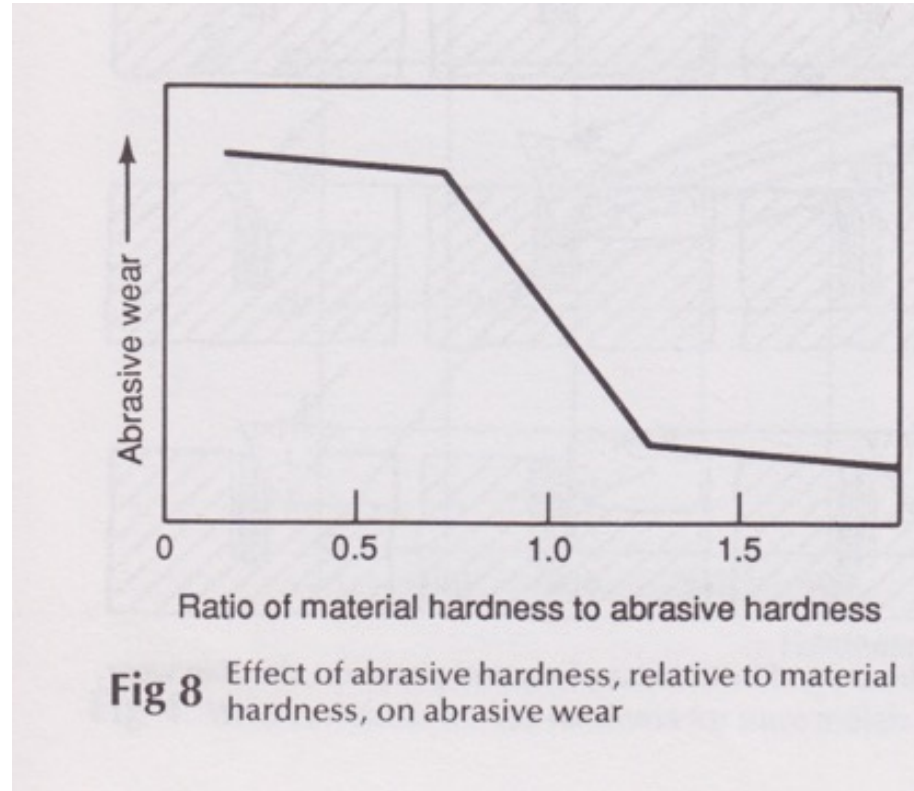
Types of abrasive wear



Abrasive wear vs. hardness

Hardnesses

$$H_{\text{surface}}/H_{\text{abrasive}}$$



Hardness of materials

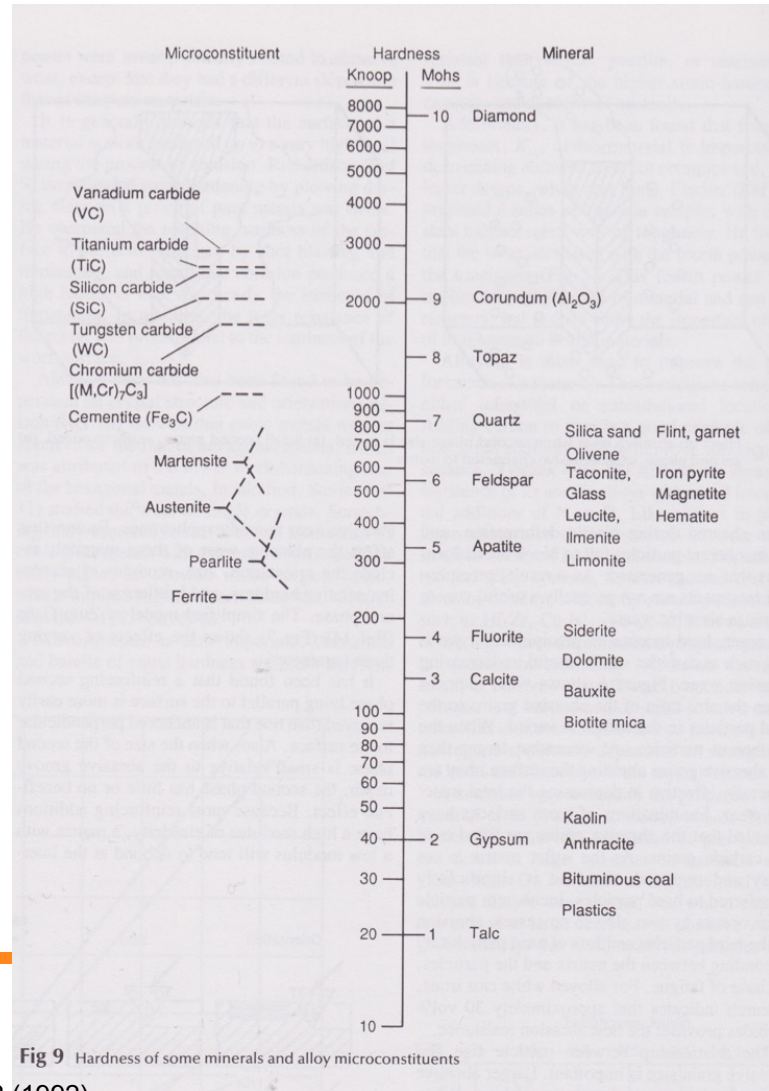
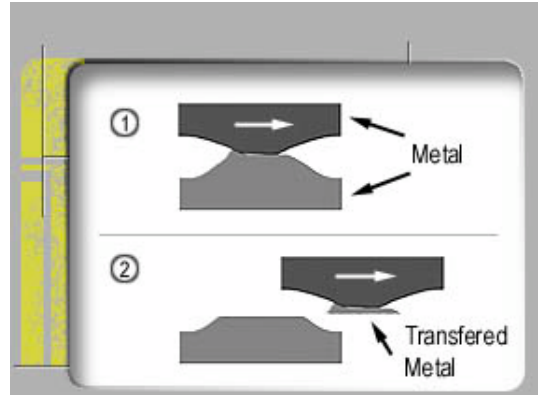
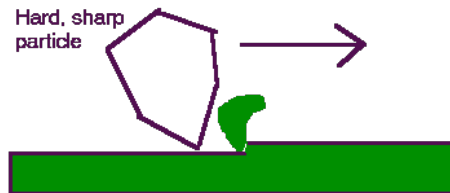


Fig 9 Hardness of some minerals and alloy microconstituents

Basic types of Wear

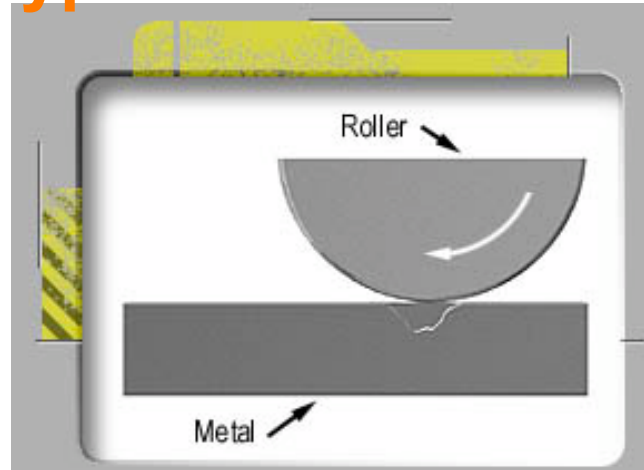


Adhesive

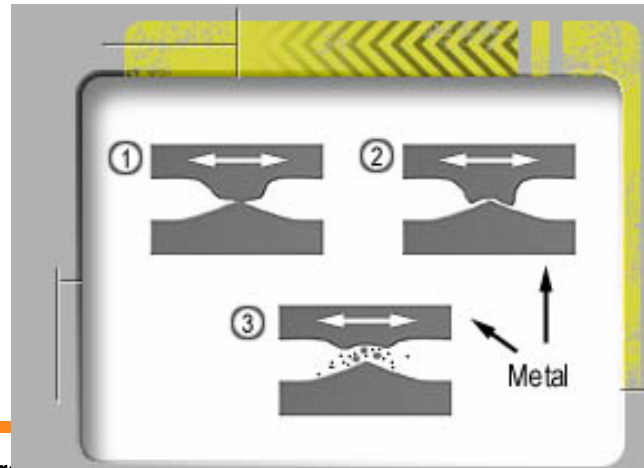


Abrasive

Basic types of Wear

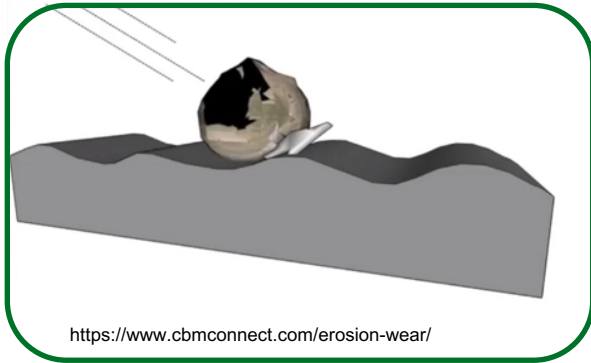


Fatigue
cyclic loading



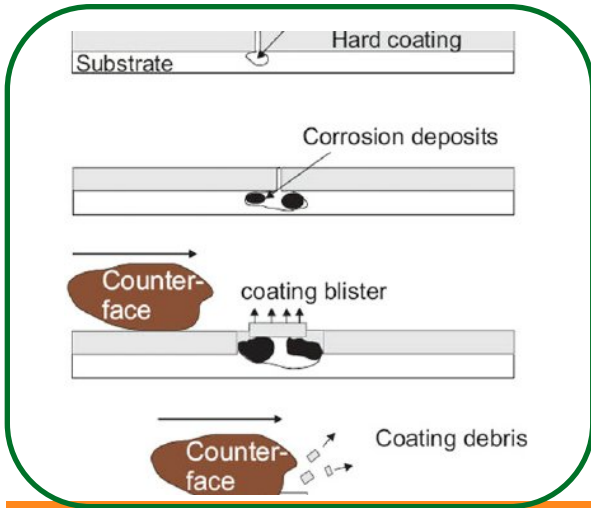
Fretting
cyclic loading
minute relative movement

Basic types of Wear



Erosion

particle impact, cyclic loading
deformation, cracking



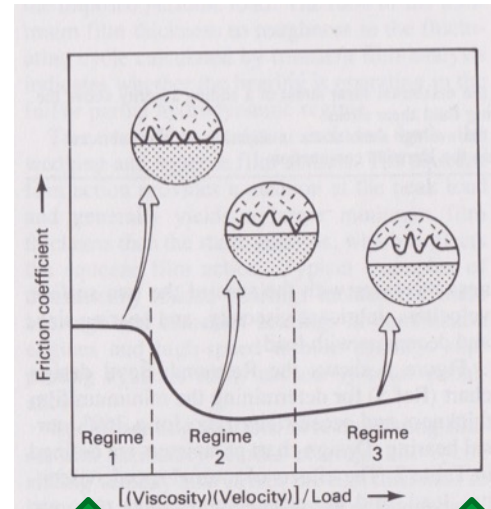
Chemical wear

corrosion + wear

Lubricated contact

Lubricated contact

modes of lubrication



Boundary lubrication

Thin-film lubrication or Mixed lubrication

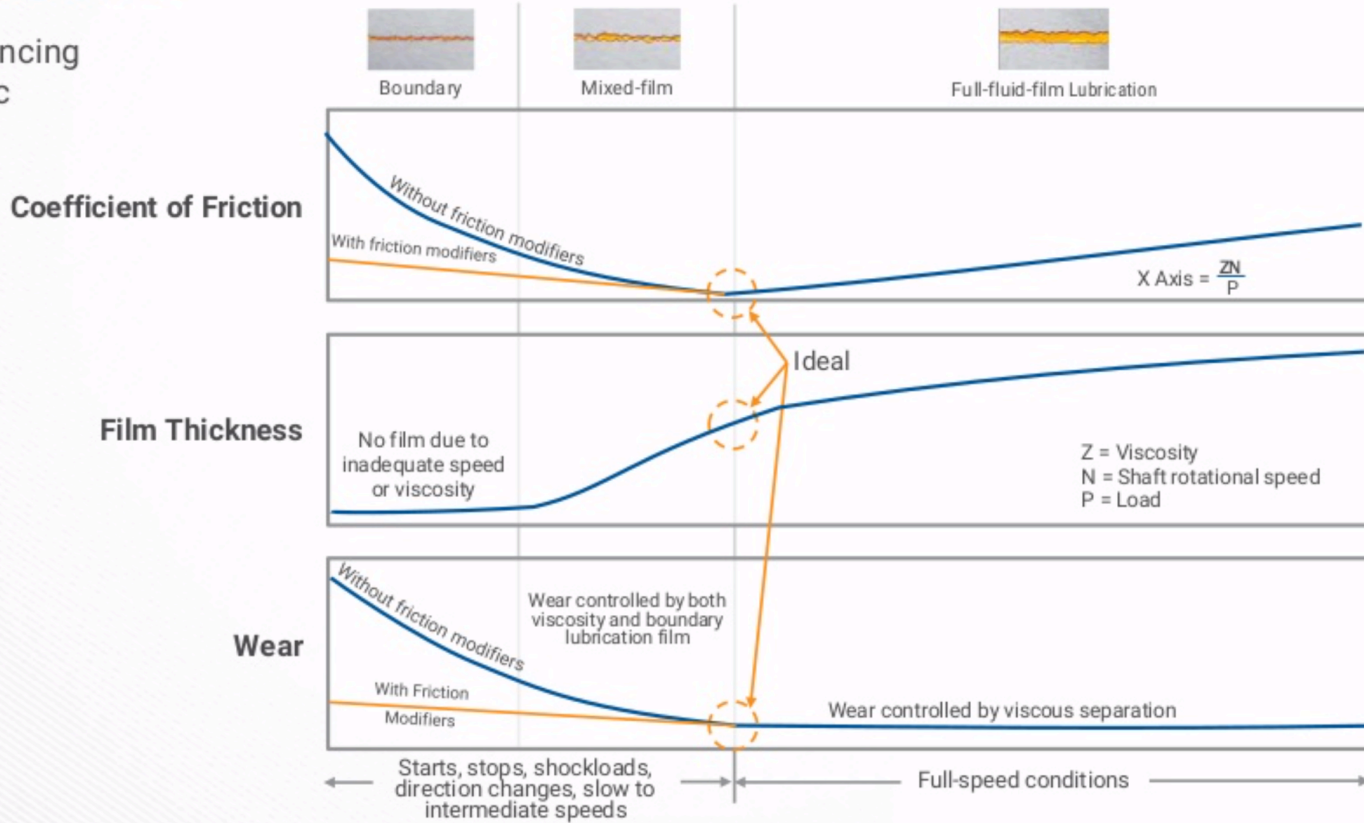
Thick-film or full film lubrication

Modes of lubrication: boundary- mixed- full film

Tribology

Stribeck Curve

Factors Influencing Hydrodynamic Lubrication



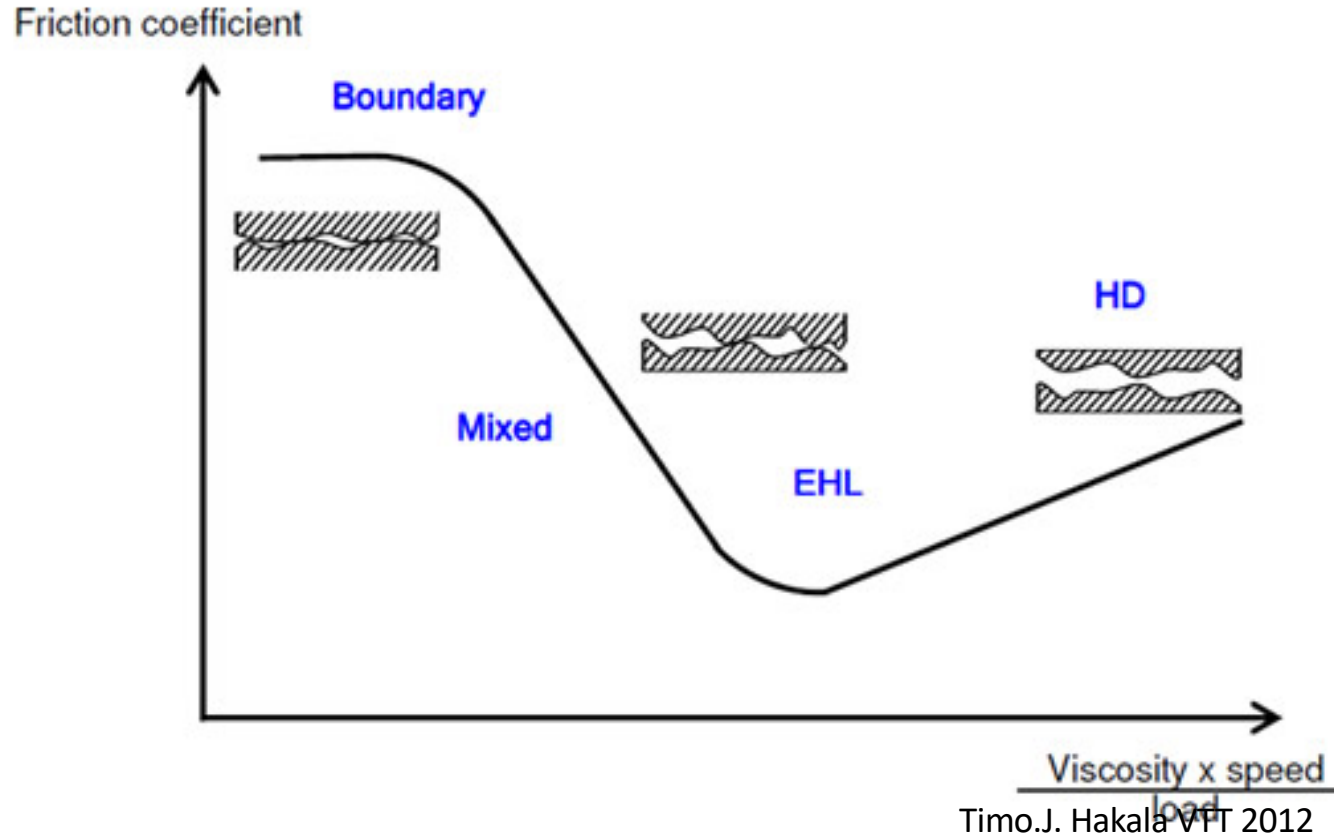
Boundary lubrication

Decrease of viscosity

- Problems begin when fluid lubrication breaks down
 - May be caused by:
 - Breakage of the molecules
 - Heat produced by dissipation decrease viscosity
- Partially problem with the viscosity change can be solved by viscosity modifiers
 - Decrease the reduction of viscosity due to temperature rise

Lubrication regimes

Stribeck's curve



Boundary lubrication

- Low speeds, low viscosity or high contact pressure/load situations
- Increase in surface roughness increase asperity contacts
- Lubrication mechanisms depend on
 - Molecule
 - Temperature
 - Load
 - Surface material

Adsorption lubrication

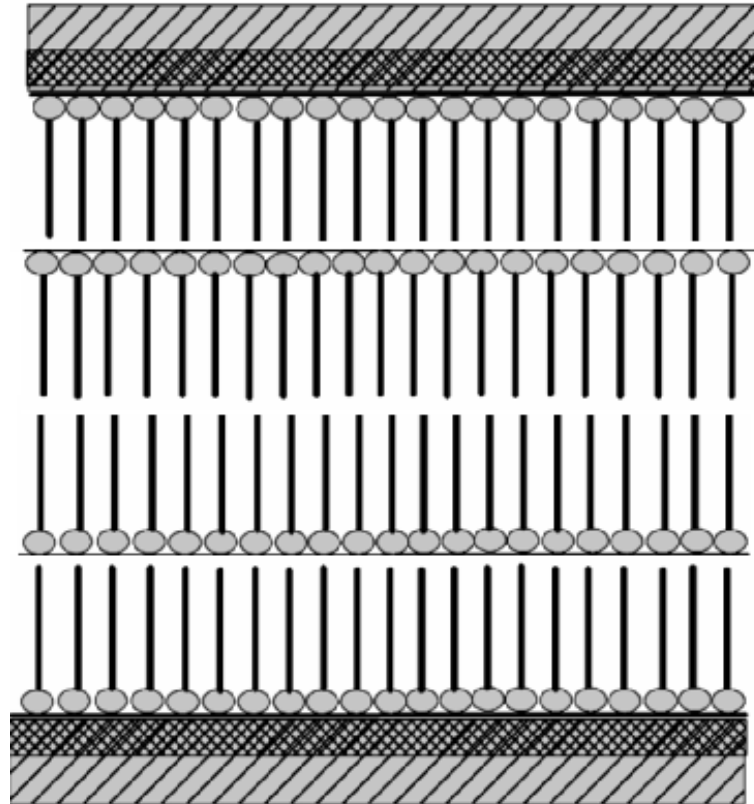
Adsorption lubrication

- Lubricity by surface adhered polar molecules (Friction modifiers)
 - Alcohols
 - Amines
 - Fatty acids
 - Paraffins
 - Esters
- Lubricating molecules adsorbed onto the surface and prevent contact between surfaces
 - Physisorption
 - Chemisorption

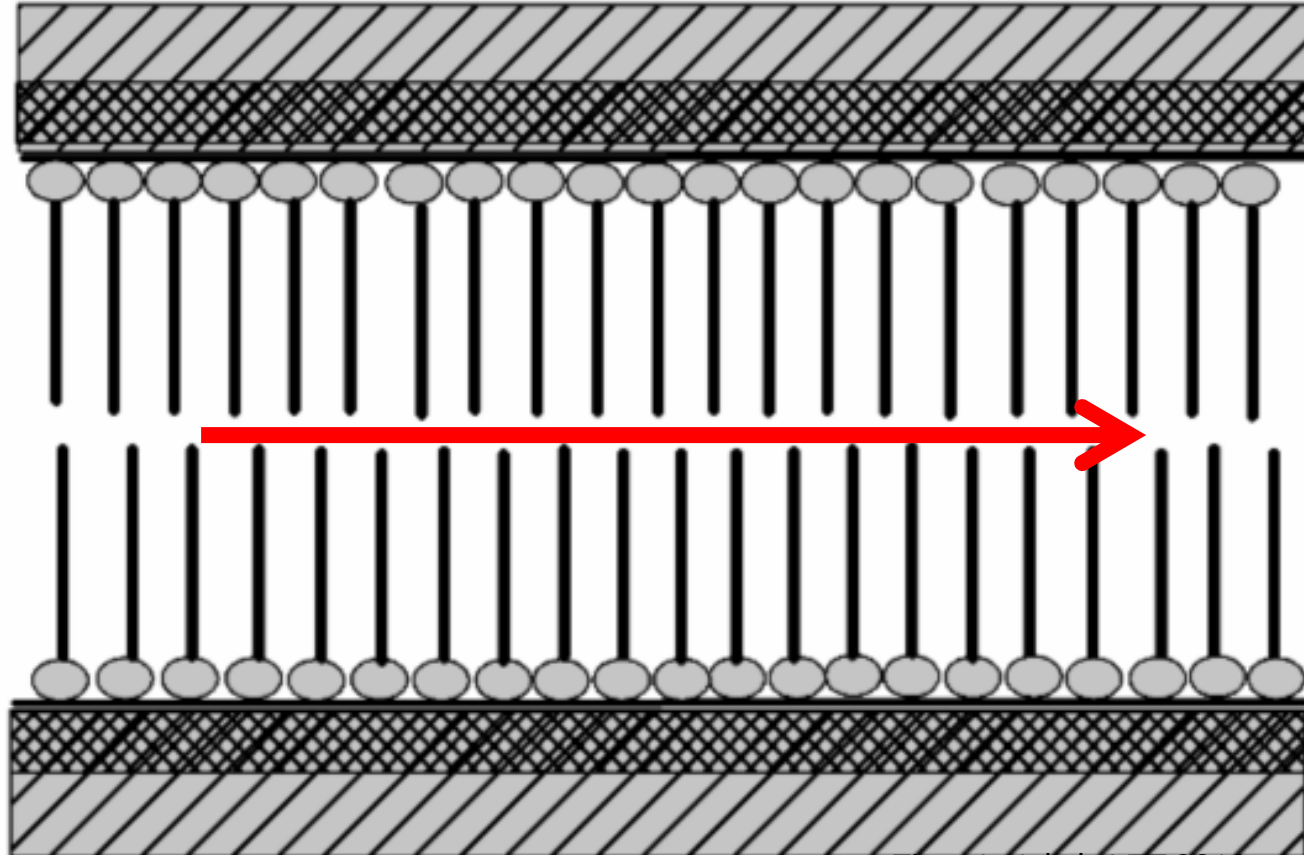
Adsorption lubrication

- Lubrication mechanisms can be divided into two categories
 - **Multilayer lubrication**
 - Low load (contact pressure few MPa's)
 - Low temperature
 - **Monolayer lubrication**
 - High load (contact pressure up to few GPa's)
 - Low temperature

Multilayered films

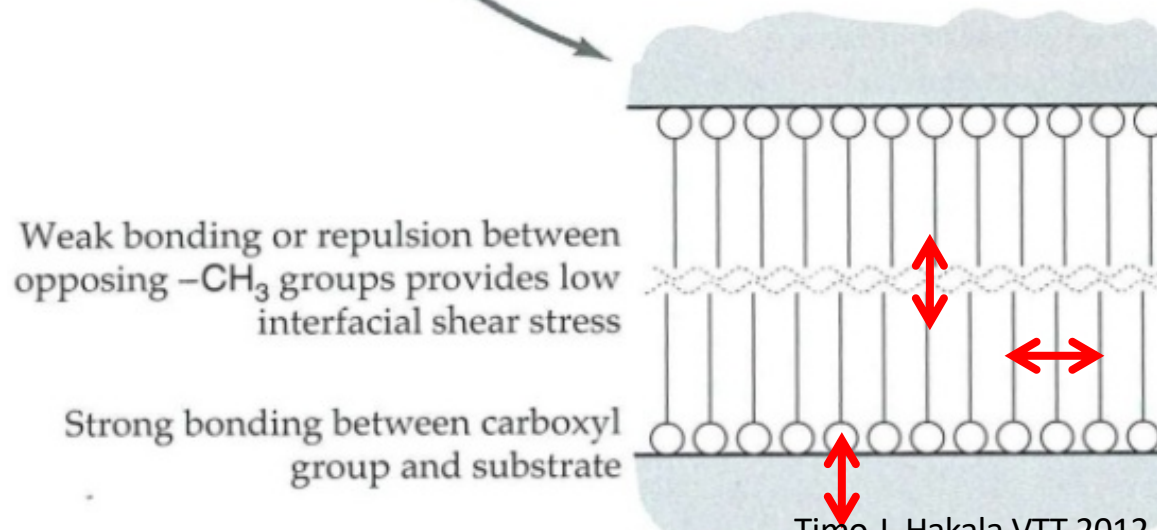
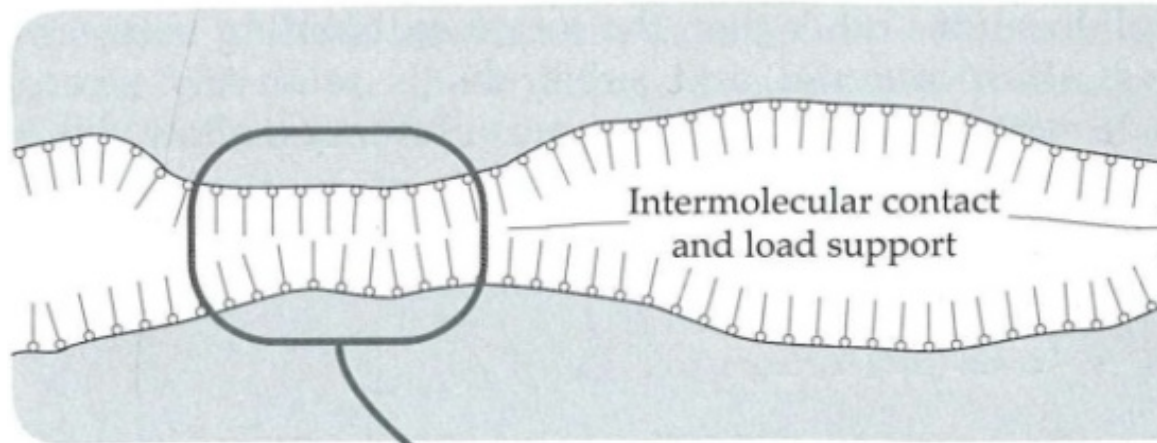


Monolayer film



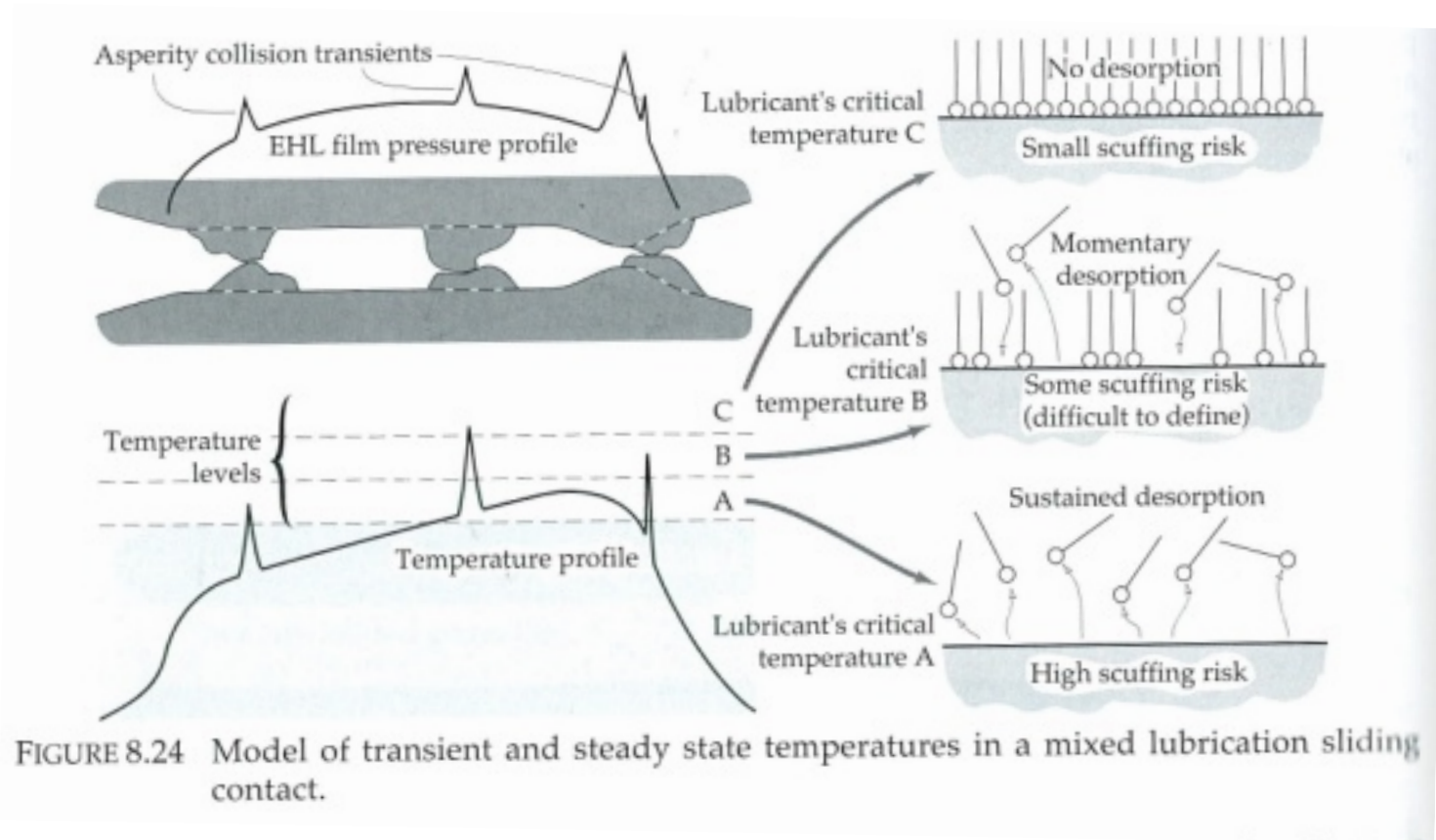
Important film properties

- Adhesion and surface coverage
 - Prevents direct asperity contacts and heat formation
- Repulsion
 - Between molecule layers
 - Reduce friction between sliding surfaces
- Cohesion
 - Within the molecule layer
 - Prevents film breakage

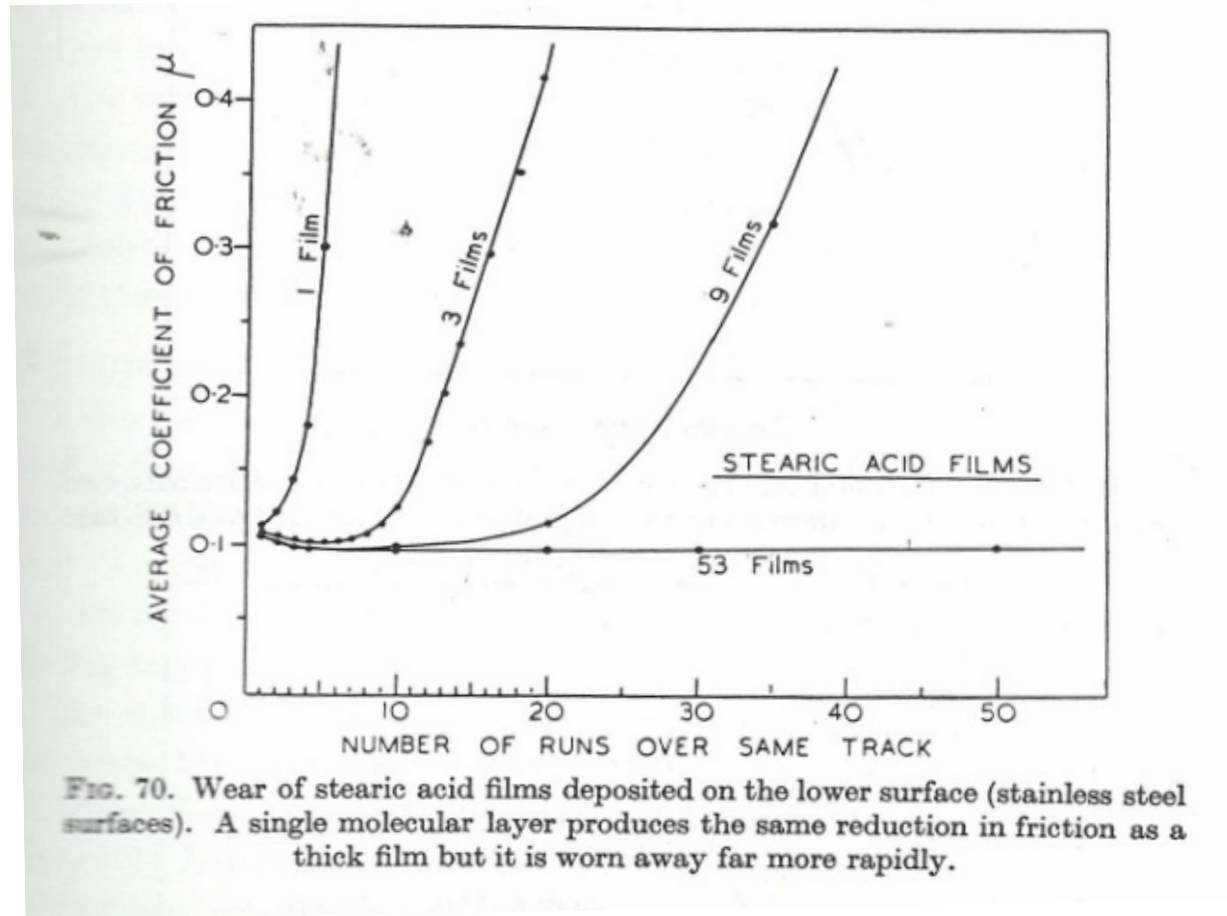


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Adsorped film in contact



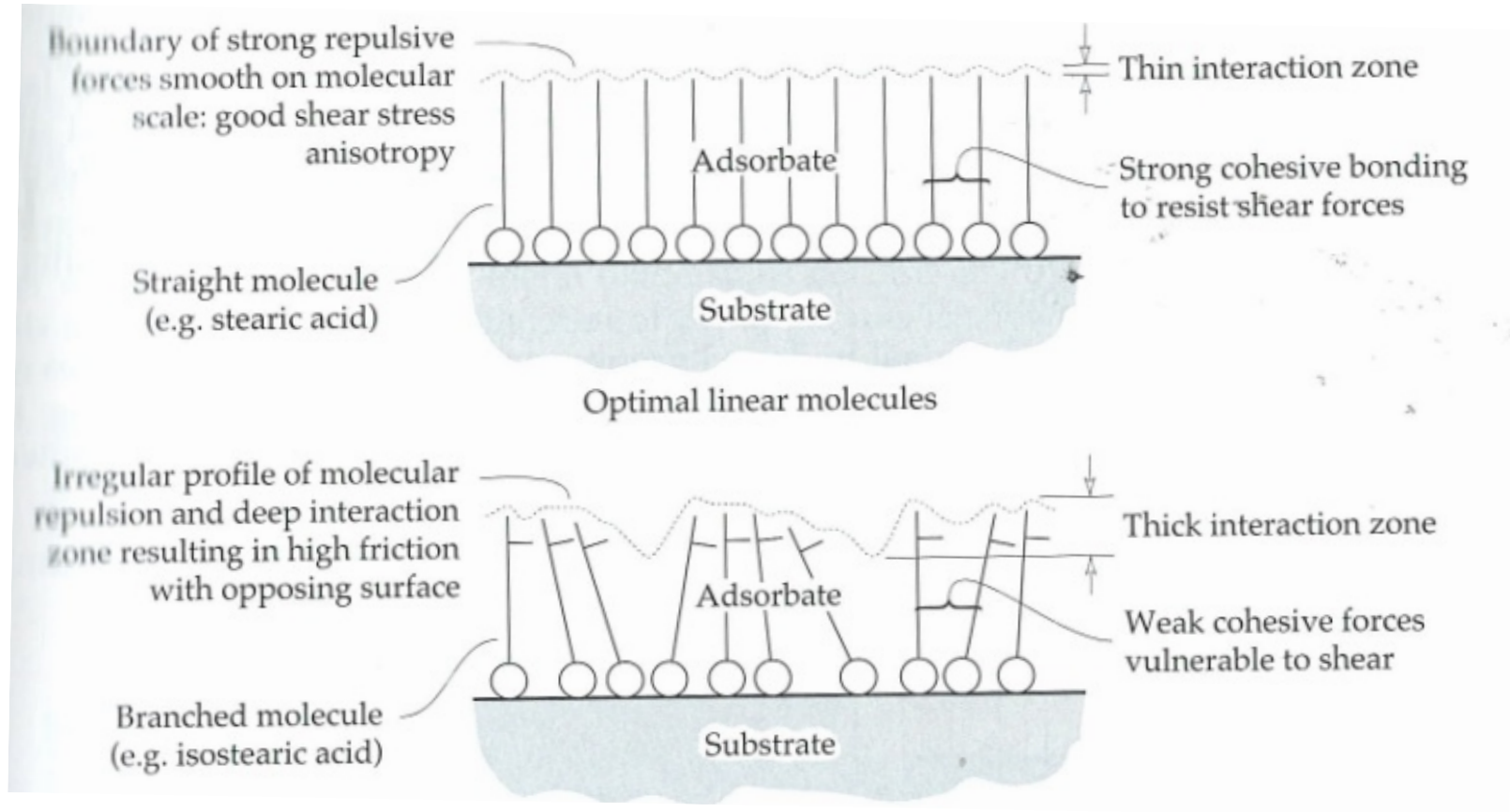
Effect of amount of molecular films



Effect of molecule structure

- Chain length
 - Polarity
 - Cohesion forces
- Linear structured molecules lubricates better than brached molecules
 - Branching reduces cohesive forces
 - Area / molecule higher, less surface coverage
- Silanes can form polymerized structures
 - Covalent bonds between molecules
 - Increased cohesion

Effect of branched molecules



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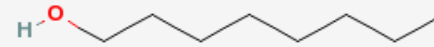
Examples of molecules

Linear acid molecules



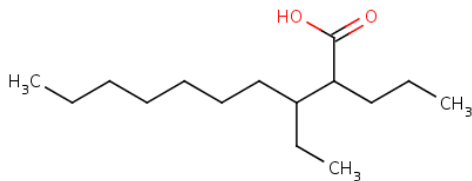
Stearic acid

Alcohol molecules



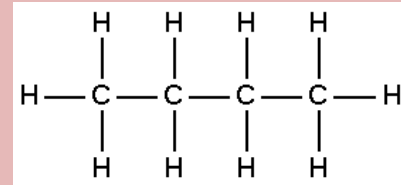
Octanol

Branched acid molecules



3-ethyl-2-propyl-decanoic acid

Hydrocarbon molecules



Butane

Limitations for adsorption lubrication

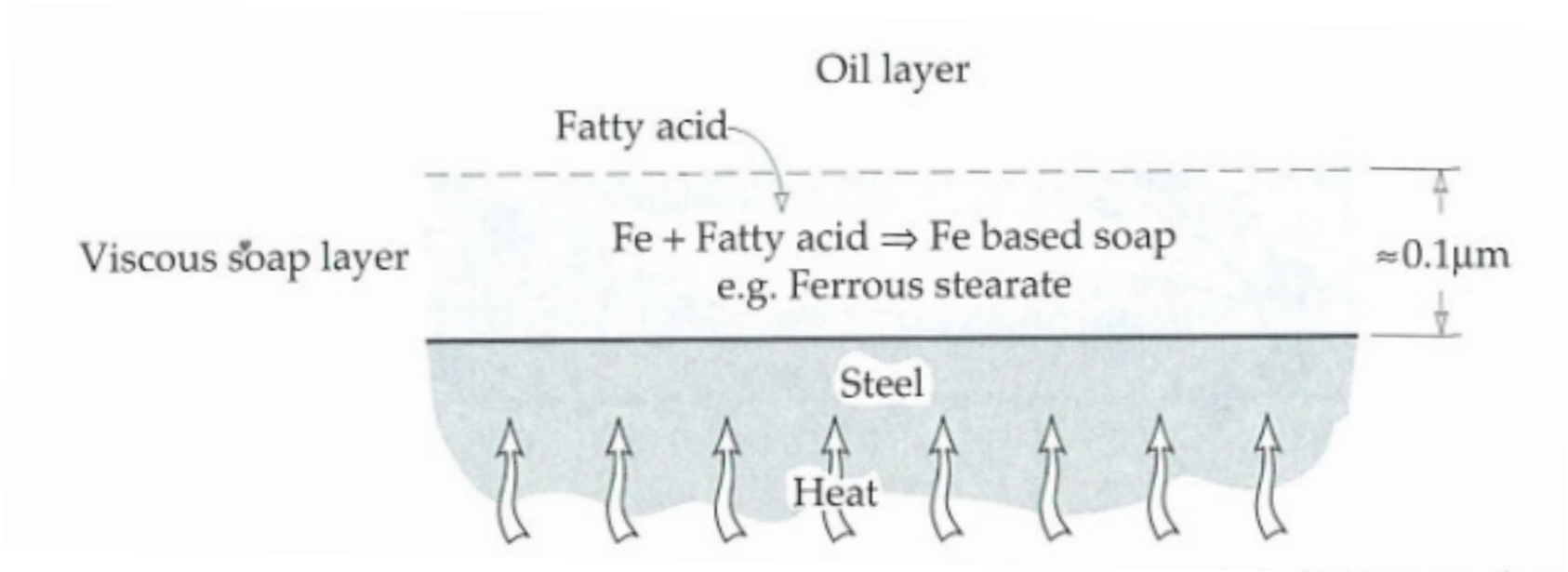
- High temperature
 - Adsorption isotherm, molecules desorbed (usually 80 to 150 °C)
 - Molecules break down
 - Lubricant film melts
- Nascent surfaces
 - Catalyses and gasification of the adsorbed molecules

High temperature – medium load lubrication mechanisms

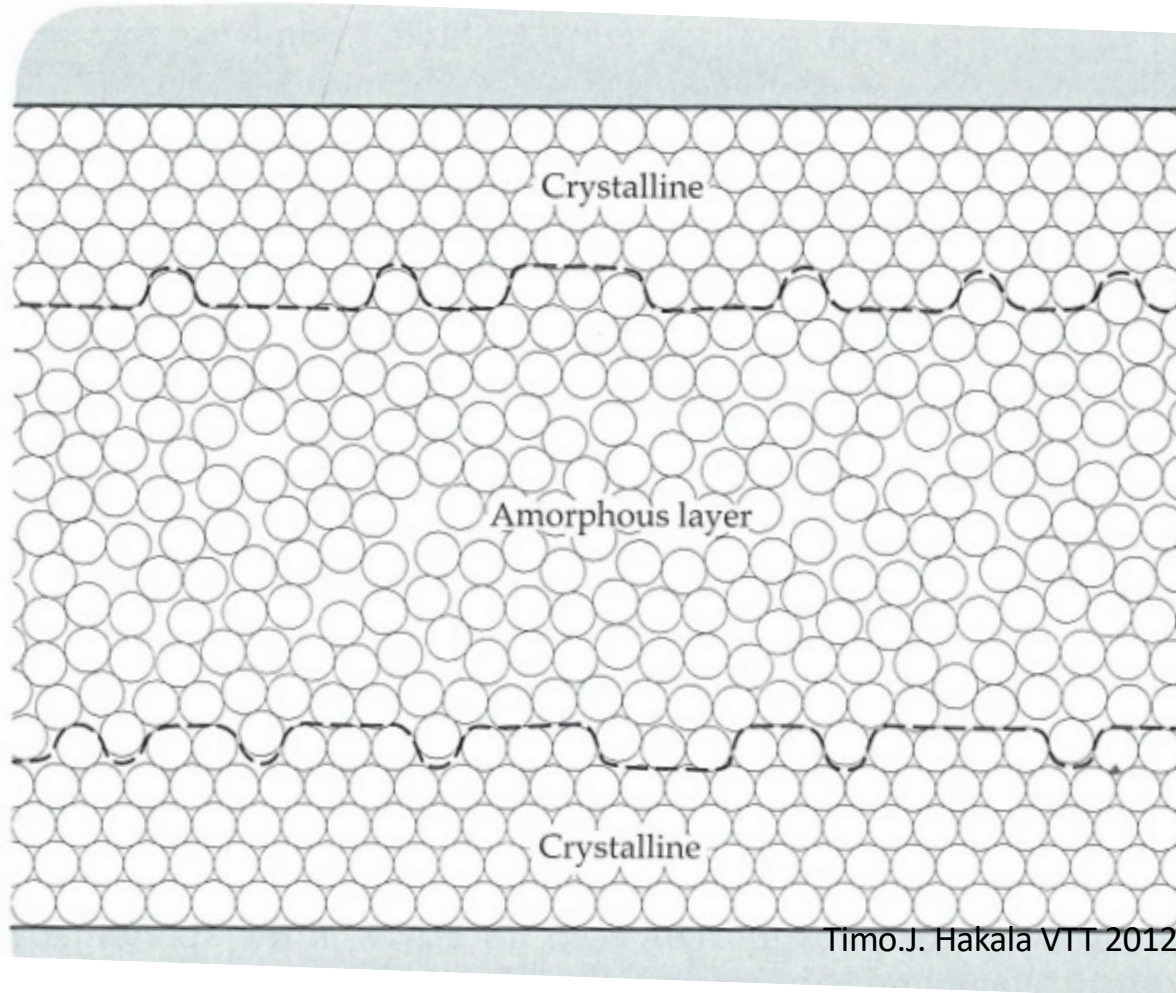
Thick film of soapy or amorphous material

- Chemical reaction between additive molecule and metallic surface
 - Layer thickness normally 100 – 1000 nm
- Soap layers
 - Reaction between metal hydroxide and fatty acid
 - Do not form on the surface of noble metals because required chemical reaction
- Amorphous layers
 - Very fine particles or molecule structures
 - E.g. phosphate together with iron and zinc can form amorphous solid layer on the surface

Soap layer formation



Amorphous layers



High temperature – high load lubrication mechanisms

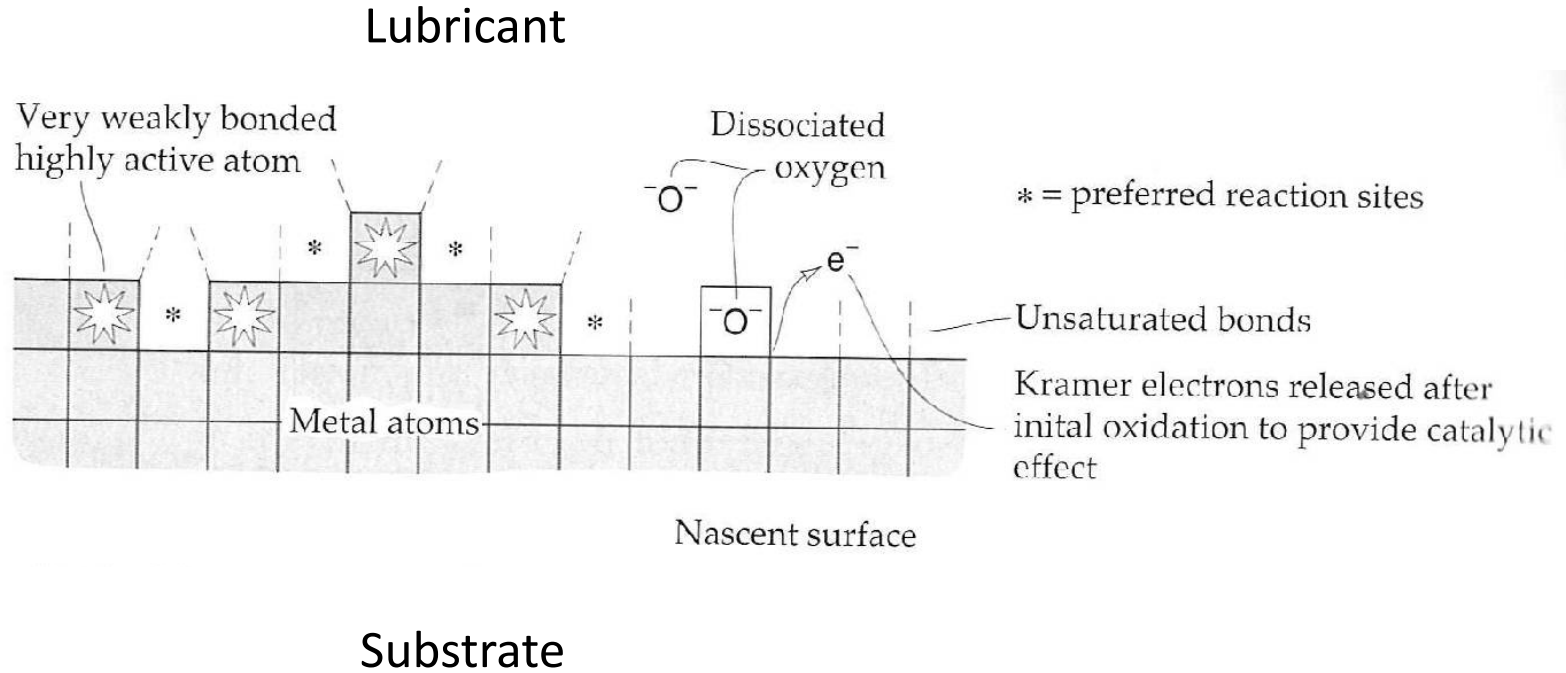
Extreme pressure lubrication

- High temperature lubrication
 - Adsorbed molecules desorbed
 - Lubrication by sacrificial films e.g. FeS
- Sacrificial film formed by reaction between nascent surface and sulphur, phosphorus and chlorine containing additives
 - Reduction of adhesion between contacting surfaces
 - Easily shearing layer
 - No scuffing
 - Growth dependent on oxygen, time...
- Controlled corrosion process

EP film formation mechanism by EP-additives

1. Release of electron from nascent surface (Kramer electron)
2. Electron ionize additive molecules
3. Ionic radicals (ionized molecules) adsorb onto positive points on the surface

EP film formation mechanism by EP-additives



Mechanism of film formation by milder EP additives

1. Additive chemisorption onto the surface
 - Similar to adsorption lubrication
2. Decomposition of the additive molecule by temperature, sliding speed or load
3. Reaction between active element and surface

Mechanism of film formation by milder EP additives

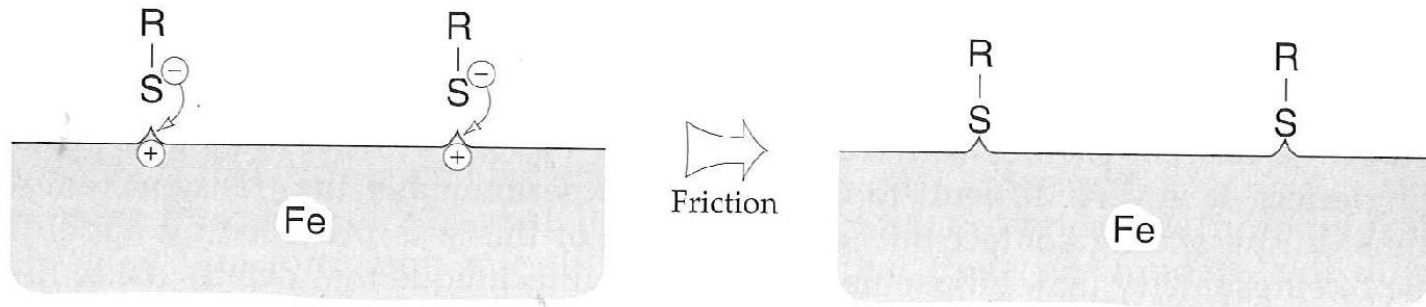


FIGURE 8.45 Ionic model of reaction between an additive and a worn surface [87].

EP – film structure

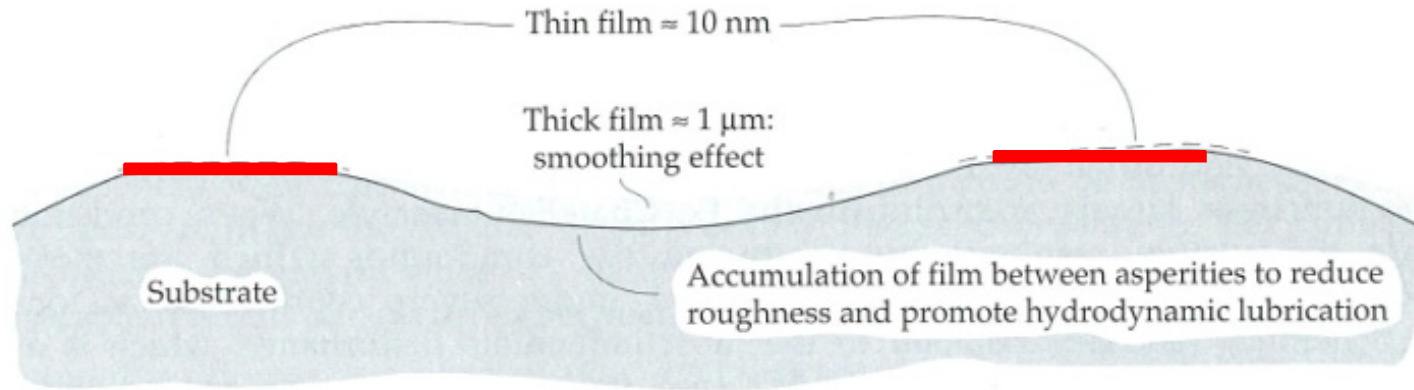


FIGURE 8.48 Probable structure of the EP film.

Anti-wear and EP - additives

- Anti-wear additives used in mild conditions and high temperatures

- Adhered to surface by chemisorption
 - Additives such as ZnDDP



- Reactivity of the EP - additives depend on molecule structure as well
 - For example all sulphur containing molecules do not react with iron surface to form FeS

Nanoparticle additives

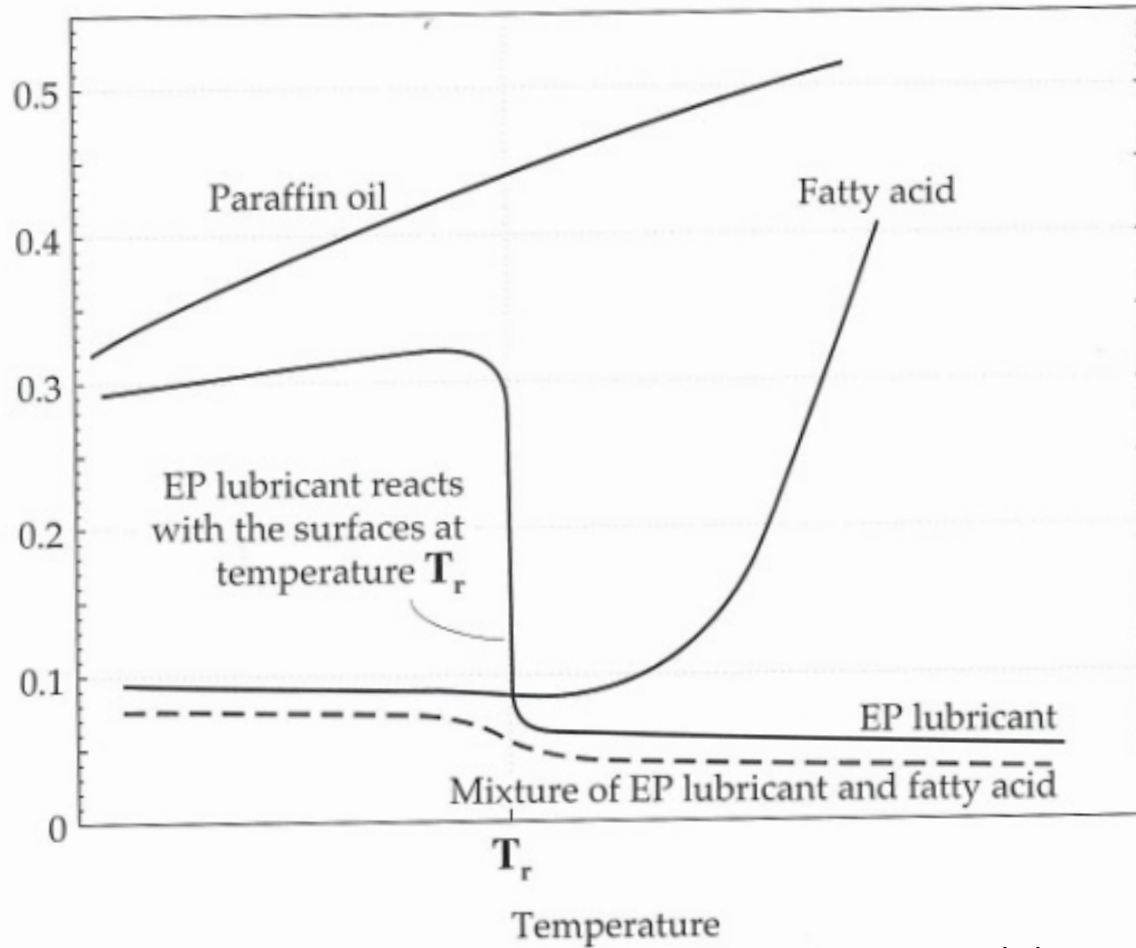
- Nanoparticles (~1 – 100 nm) can be added into oil, water or emulsions to improve lubrication properties
- Usually reduced friction and wear is related to mechanically/chemically formed thin film layer onto the surface
- For example Nickel oxythiomolybdate (NiMoO_2S_2) improved lubrication properties of synthetic oil when temperature was above 300 °C
- Novel solutions for extreme lubrication without corrosiveness

Summary

- Lubrication mechanisms are different in different load and temperature regimes
- Different types of additives used in different lubrication regimes
 - Adsorption additives
 - Anti-wear additives
 - Extreme pressure (EP) additives

Summary

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**HIGH
TEMPERATURE**

- EP additives**
- Sulphus
 - Phosphorus
 - Chlorine

**LOW
LOAD**

- Soap formation
Depris layers
Amorphous layers**

**HIGH
LOAD**

Adsorped molecules

- Monolayer
- Reactions between molecules and surface

Adsorped molecules

- Monolayer
- Multilayer
- Physisorption
- Chemisorption

LOW

TEMPERATURE

Conclusions

- Boundary lubrication has different regimes
- Different types of additives function in different conditions
- In real applications several boundary lubrication regimes can be obtained
- In oil lubrication more than one type of boundary additives are needed

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