Dissolutive Wetting: What Controls Spreading? James A. Warren, NIST Daniel Wheeler, NIST William Boettinger, NIST

> Modeling the early stages of reactive wetting, Daniel Wheeler, James A. Warren and William J. Boettinger, PRE (accepted, finally!) 2010

# Outline

- Motivation
- Methods, Limitations of prior efforts
- Hydrodynamics, Low Ohnesorge Number flow
- Numerics
- Thick interfaces and intitial conditions
- New metrics of spreading

## Good old Wetting

#### Surface energies, need: γ<sub>LI</sub> γ<sub>SI</sub> γ<sub>LS</sub>



# Background: Walls in PF



### Solder Joints



#### "Surface Mount - Gull Wing"



#### "Surface Mount - Leadless"

#### "Through Hole"

# Reactive Wetting



 $\gamma_{SP}(t)$ 

product

Dissolutive and compound-forming wetting

# VLS Growth (NWU Collab)



Nanowirephotonics.com

### Science 5/4/07 Kodambaka et al.

## Observations

- Most of the spreading happened in <1 ms</li>
- Prior efforts looked at diffusion controlled growth with hydrodynamics *slaved* to the TJ motion
- What is the proper description of the system state after 5 sec?



#### **Experimental Variations**



#### Slow – lower temperature



Saiz and Tomsia

Fast – higher temperature



### **Ridging Effects**



Surface must be flat for fast spreading

Our model may help to understand this phenomenon in the future, but requires a really large simulation

Ridge retards spreading

Chatain and Carter, Nature Materials 2004



#### Viscous Dissipation



S 0.65 0.60 0.55 0.50 0.45 0.40 (a) 0.35 0.30 0.25 0.20 0.15 0.10 0.05 М

(b)

Small viscous drops using phase field method, Villanueva et al.

$$t_c = \frac{R\mu}{\gamma} = 1 \times 10^{-6} \mathrm{s}^{\mathsf{C}}$$

Cannot be correct timescale for mm sized drops

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What about inertial effects?

### 2 Approaches

$$\phi_s + \phi_l + \phi_v = 1$$
  
 $\phi_s, \phi_l, u_i, P$   
 $R = 1 \times 10^{-8} \mathrm{m}$   
 $\delta = 1 \times 10^{-9} \mathrm{m}$   
viscous, three phase fields

- No special algorithms
- Fundamental
- Based on thermo (not ad-hoc)
- nano? -- micro -- macro?

incompressible, pure phase field Villanueva

Inertial, 1 phase field 
$$\phi_s, u_i, 
ho$$
  
 $R = 1 imes 10^{-6} ext{m}$   
 $\delta = 1 imes 10^{-7} ext{m}$ 

compressible, van der Waals + phase field

Wheeler



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#### Phase Field Method



**Derive from fundamental thermodynamics** 

Step 1: write down the free energy  $f\left(\phi,T\right) = L \frac{T_M - T}{T_M} \left(1 - p\left(\phi\right)\right) + Wg\left(\phi\right)$ 

Dendrites



Step 2: write down the functional  $F = \int_{V} \left[ f(\phi, T) + \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} |\nabla \phi|^2 \right] dV$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} \text{Step 3: minimize}\,F\\ \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial t} = -M_{\phi}\frac{\delta F}{\delta\phi} \end{array}$ 



### Write down the laws of nature

• Mass is conserved

 $\frac{D\rho}{Dt} = -\rho\nabla\cdot\mathbf{v} \qquad \frac{D\rho_i}{Dt} = -\rho_i\nabla\cdot\mathbf{v} - \nabla\cdot\mathbf{J_i}$ 

• Momentum is conserved

 $\rho \frac{D\mathbf{v}}{Dt} = \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}$ 

AND FLUXES

### Assume a non- $S = \int dV s^{NC}$ classical entropy $s^{NC} = s(u,\phi,\rho_i) - \frac{1}{2} \left[ \epsilon_{\phi} \Gamma^2(\nabla\phi) + \epsilon_i |\nabla\rho_i|^2 \right], \quad \xi = \frac{\partial\Gamma}{\partial\nabla\phi}$ SOLID - FLUID PHASE FIELD WHERE THE FLUID CAN UNDERGO A LIQUID-VAPOR TRANSITION (VAN DER WAALS) $s_{\text{prod}} = \mathbf{J}_e \cdot \nabla \frac{1}{T} - \mathbf{J}_i \cdot \nabla \left(\frac{\bar{\mu}_i}{T}\right)^{\text{NC}} + \frac{\tau}{T} : \nabla \mathbf{v} + \frac{D\phi}{Dt} \frac{\delta S}{\delta \phi}$

Turn the Crank: Dynamics  

$$s_{\text{prod}} = \mathbf{J}_{e} \cdot \nabla \frac{1}{T} - \mathbf{J}_{i} \cdot \nabla \left(\frac{\bar{\mu}_{i}}{T}\right)^{\text{NC}} + \frac{\tau}{T} : \nabla \mathbf{v} + \frac{D\phi}{Dt} \frac{\delta S}{\delta \phi}$$

$$\frac{D\phi_{k}}{Dt} = M_{\phi_{k}} \frac{\delta S}{\delta \phi_{k}} \qquad \frac{\delta S}{\delta \phi} = \frac{\partial s}{\partial \phi} + \epsilon_{\phi} \nabla \cdot (\Gamma \xi)$$

$$\left(\frac{\bar{\mu}_{i}}{T}\right)^{\text{NC}} = \frac{\mu_{i} - \mu_{n}}{T} - \epsilon_{i} \nabla^{2} \rho_{i} + \epsilon_{n} \nabla^{2} \rho_{n}$$

$$\mathbf{J}_{i\neq n} = -M_{i} \nabla \left[\frac{\mu_{i} - \mu_{n}}{T} - \epsilon_{i} \nabla^{2} \rho_{i} + \epsilon_{n} \nabla^{2} \rho_{n}\right]$$

$$\mathbf{J}_{e} = K \nabla \frac{1}{T}$$

Still need  $s(\phi, \rho)$ 

 $\tau:\nabla\mathbf{v}$ Last Term  $\tau = \sigma + \left| P - T\epsilon_i \left( \rho_i \nabla^2 \rho_i + \frac{1}{2} |\nabla \rho_i|^2 \right) - T \frac{\epsilon_\phi}{2} |\nabla \phi|^2 \right| I$  $+ T\epsilon_i \nabla \rho_i \otimes \nabla \rho_i + T\epsilon_\phi \nabla \phi \otimes \nabla \phi,$ 

 $\tau = \mu \left( \nabla \mathbf{v} + (\nabla \mathbf{v})^T \right) + \left( K - \frac{2}{3} \mu \right) I \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}$ 

#### Non-Classical Newtonian Fluid

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#### **Reactive Wetting – More Complicated**





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### Interpolation between solid and fluid phases

 $f(\phi, \rho_1, \rho_2) = (1 - p(\phi)) f^F(\rho_1, \rho_2) + p(\phi) f^S(\rho_1, \rho_2) + Wg(\phi)$ 



#### Derivation

### Interpolation between solid and fluid phases $f(\phi, \rho_1, \rho_2) = (1 - p(\phi)) f^F(\rho_1, \rho_2) + p(\phi) f^S(\rho_1, \rho_2) + Wg(\phi)$







#### **Time Scales**

Time scale	Symbol	Expression	Value (s)
instantaneous convection	$t_a^*$	$R_0/U^*$	
convection	$t_a$	$R_0/U$	$1.97 \times 10^{-8}$
viscous	$t_v$	$ ho_l^{ m equ} R_0^2/\eta_l$	$3.68 \times 10^{-6}$
inertial	$t_i$	$\sqrt{ ho_l^{ m equ} R_0^3 / \gamma_{lv}}$	$1.97{ imes}10^{-8}$
phase field	$t_{\phi}$	$\delta^2/\epsilon_{\phi}M_{\phi}$	$1.0 \times 10^{-9}$
perceptible diffusion	$t_{ m diff}$	$\delta^2/4K^2D_f$	$7.69 \times 10^{-4}$
bulk diffusion	$t_{ m d}$	$R_{0}^{2}/D_{f}$	$1.04 \times 10^{-3}$
solid deformation	$t_s$	$\delta \eta_s / \gamma_{lv}$	$1.05 \times 10^{-2}$
capillary	$t_c$	$\eta_f R_0 / \gamma_{lv}$	$1.05 \times 10^{-10}$
interface equilibration			?.??



## So Now we have Equations

- Just solve them!
- What does that mean?
- The Usual Scheme:
  - Variables on LHS
  - Finite Difference
  - Iterate

 $\frac{D\rho_i}{Dt} = -\rho_i \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} - \nabla \cdot \mathbf{J_i}$  $\rho \frac{D\mathbf{v}}{Dt} = \nabla \cdot \sigma$ 

 $\frac{D\phi_k}{Dt} = M_{\phi_k} \frac{\delta S}{\delta \phi_k}$ 

 All of these choices have consequences (poor convergence, instability, etc.)

# Solve Them!

#### THIS IS FAR EASIER SAID THAN DONE!!

- The equations formulated/chosen might be a "bad" choice
- Finite differencing---Stability Finite Difference turns equations PDEs into Ax=b
    $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} \rightarrow \frac{\phi^{n+1} \phi^n}{\Delta t} = RHS(\phi^?, c^?, ...)$
- Choice of backwards/forwards is about stability
- Usual Scheme will yield a number of matrix equations
- What order do I solve them in?

 $\begin{aligned} \frac{D\rho_i}{Dt} &= -\rho_i \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} - \nabla \cdot \mathbf{J_i} \\ \frac{D\phi_k}{Dt} &= M_{\phi_k} \frac{\delta S}{\delta \phi_k} \quad \rho \frac{D\mathbf{v}}{Dt} = \nabla \cdot \sigma \end{aligned}$ 

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### Numerical Approach

Segregated picard iterations



FiPy

The segregated solver did not work for low viscosities and binary materials (worked for pure materials)

The Trilinos Project





### Numerical Approach

Fully coupled picard iterations



FiPy

- FiPy is the frontend
- Using Trilinos solvers and preconditioners as the backend
- FiPy is modified for both coupled and parallel solutions
- Limited by CFL condition (not speed of sound)
- Worked with Aaron Lott (UMD) on optimizing Trilinos precondtioners







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#### Parasitic Currents

$$\frac{\partial (\rho u_i)}{\partial t} + \partial_j (\rho u_i u_j) = \partial_j (\eta [\partial_i u_j + \partial_i u_j]) - \begin{bmatrix} \partial_i P + \epsilon T \rho_k \partial_i \partial_j^2 \rho_k \\ P = \rho_i \mu_i^c - f \\ \mu_k = \mu_k^c - \epsilon T \partial_j^2 \rho_k \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{\partial (\rho u_i)}{\partial t} + \partial_j (\rho u_i u_j) = \partial_j (\eta [\partial_i u_j + \partial_i u_j]) - \begin{bmatrix} \rho_k \partial_i \mu_k \\ P = \rho_i \mu_i^c - f \\ \mu_k = \mu_k^c - \epsilon T \partial_j^2 \rho_k \end{bmatrix}$$
energy conserving

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Jamet et al., JCP, 2002

### FiPy







#### • Open source

- Python
- Finite volume





#### 113 mailing list members





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### Too Viscous Liquid (Less physical)



## Nearly Inviscid Liquid (physical)



## Nearly Inviscid Liquid (physical)



#### Note Oscillations!

#### Oscillations



#### Spreading Rate



#### **Contact Angle**





#### Au-Ni, Cu-Mo experiments





#### **Concentration Effects**



$$S^{\text{equ}}(t) = \gamma_{sv}^{\text{equ}} - (\gamma_{sl}^{\text{equ}} + \gamma_{lv}^{\text{equ}} \cos \theta(t))$$
$$\tilde{\gamma}(t) = \int_{l(t)} \left[ \epsilon_k T |\nabla \rho_k(t)|^2 + \epsilon_\phi T |\nabla \phi(t)|^2 \right] dl$$

 $\gamma^{\text{equ}} = \tilde{\gamma} \left( t \to \infty \right) \qquad \tilde{S} \left( t \right) = \tilde{\gamma}_{sv} \left( t \right) - \left( \tilde{\gamma}_{sl} \left( t \right) + \tilde{\gamma}_{lv} \left( t \right) \cos \theta \left( t \right) \right)$ 





$$\tilde{S}(t) = \tilde{\gamma}_{sv}(t) - (\tilde{\gamma}_{sl}(t) + \tilde{\gamma}_{lv}(t)\cos\theta(t))$$
$$S^{\text{equ}}(t) = \gamma_{sv}^{\text{equ}} - (\gamma_{sl}^{\text{equ}} + \gamma_{lv}^{\text{equ}}\cos\theta(t))$$









#### Cu-Si experiments





Fig. 2 Cross section of a Cu/Si sample cooled to room temperature from 1100 °C at  $t > t_f$  (SEM). The dashed line indicates the initial position of the substrate surface

#### Protsenko et al., JMS, 2008

#### Oscillations!!!



#### Cu-Si experiments



#### **Dissipation Mechanism**





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### Conclusions

- The dissipation mechanism is caused by "triple-line friction" when spreading is inertial.
- The dissipation mechanism is related to interface equilibration after inertial spreading.
- Larger drops, thinner interface, more physical
- Reactive wetting examples available soon with FiPy

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