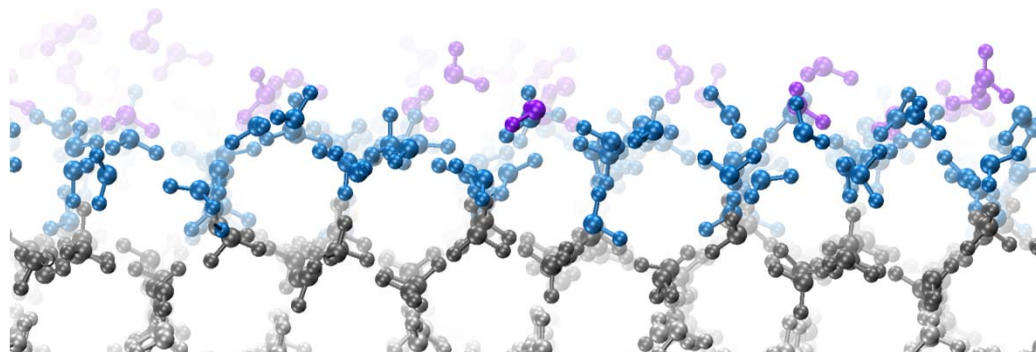


Molecular Dynamics Study of Basal, Prismatic, and Pyramidal Surfaces of Ice



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QLL

(surface premelting of pure ice)

- Surface premelting predicted by all water models in computer simulations (liquid-like layer develops spontaneously at the free surface of ice well below the melting point)
- QLL thickness independent of water model when compared at the same undercooling relative to the melting point of the model

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The thickness of a liquid layer on the free surface of ice as obtained from computer simulation

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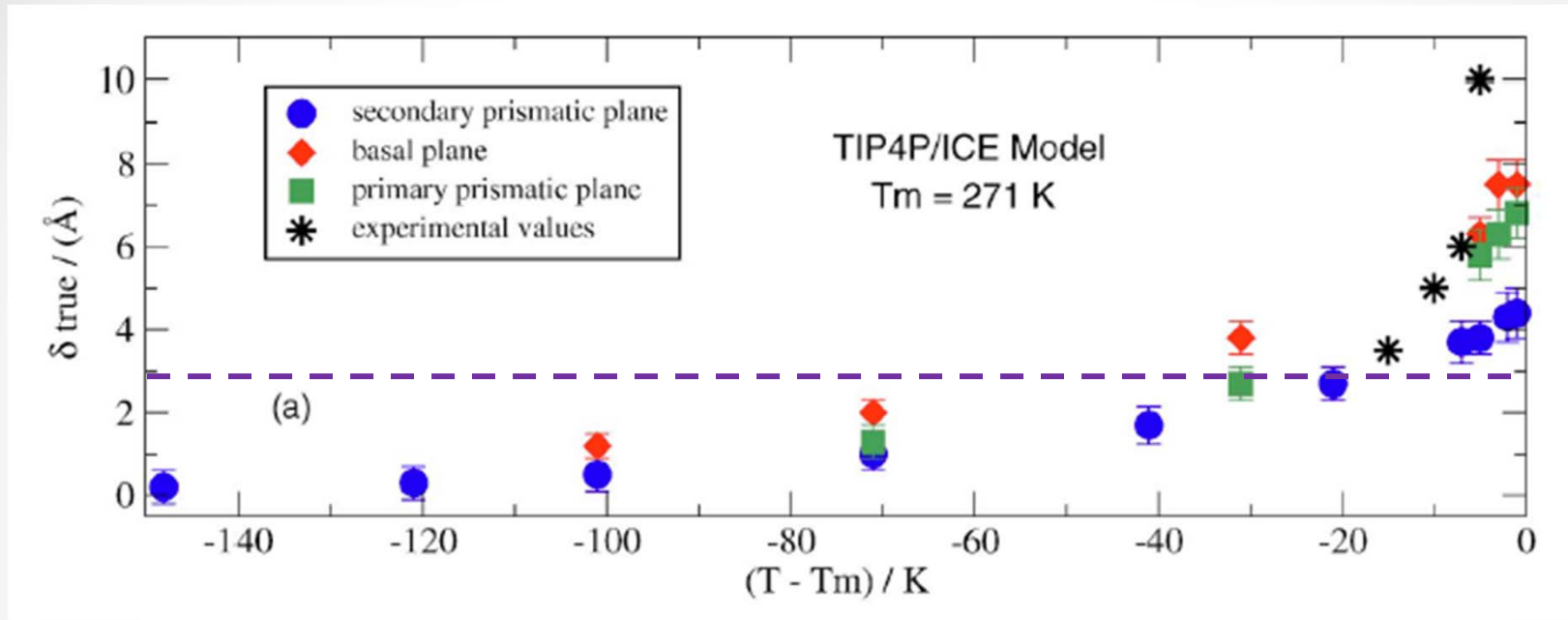
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What ice can teach us about water interactions: a critical comparison of the performance of different water models

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Thickness of QLL as a function of T



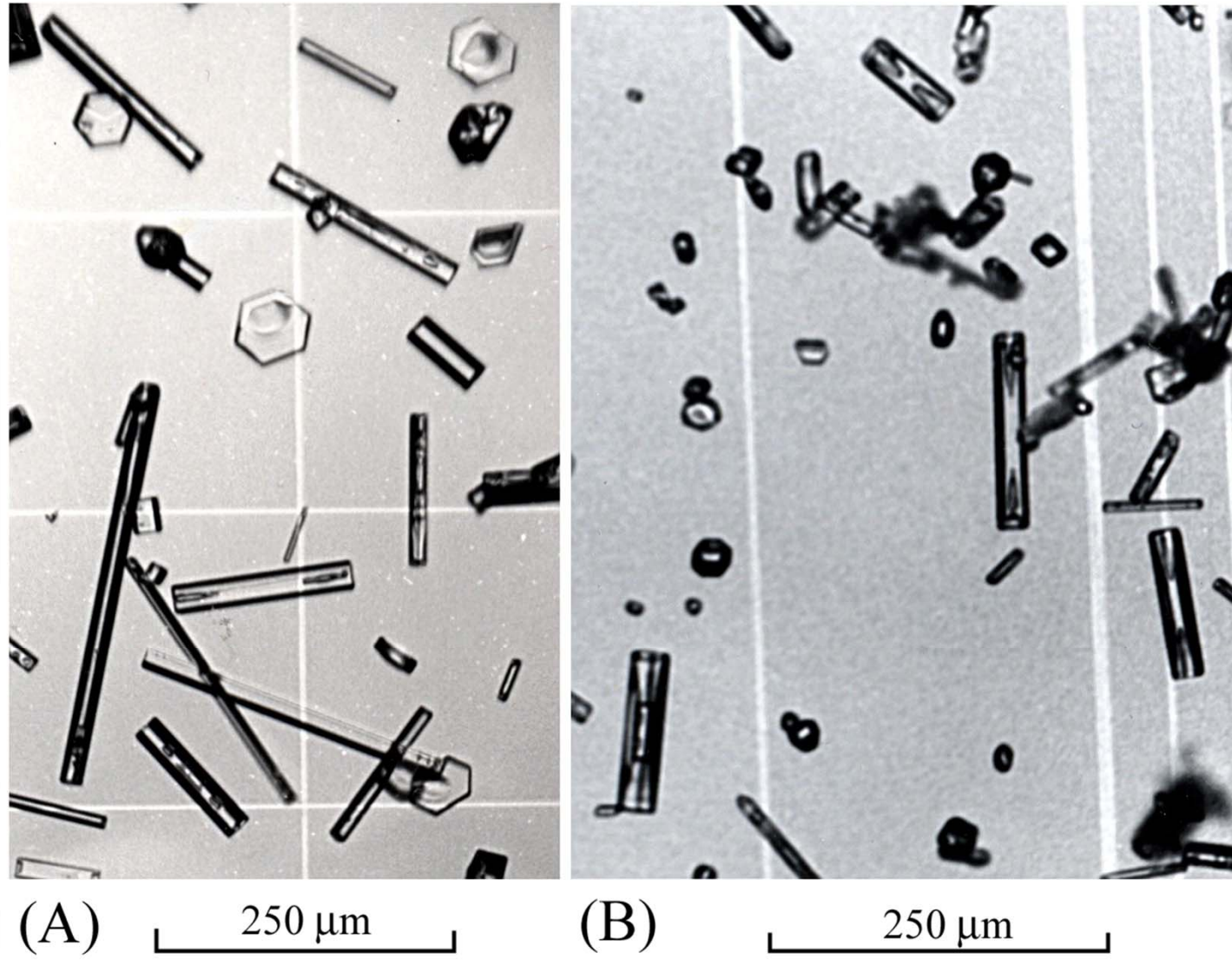
Conde, Vega, Patrykiewicz (J. Chem. Phys. 2008)

* Experimental values by Bluhm et al. (J. Phys.: Condens. Matter 14, L227, 2002)

“liquid-like = molecules feel the underlying solid”

- QLL appearance starts at different temperatures depending on the ice facet exposed to vapor phase.
- At given T, the thickness of QLL differs for different ice facets.

Cirrus ice crystals

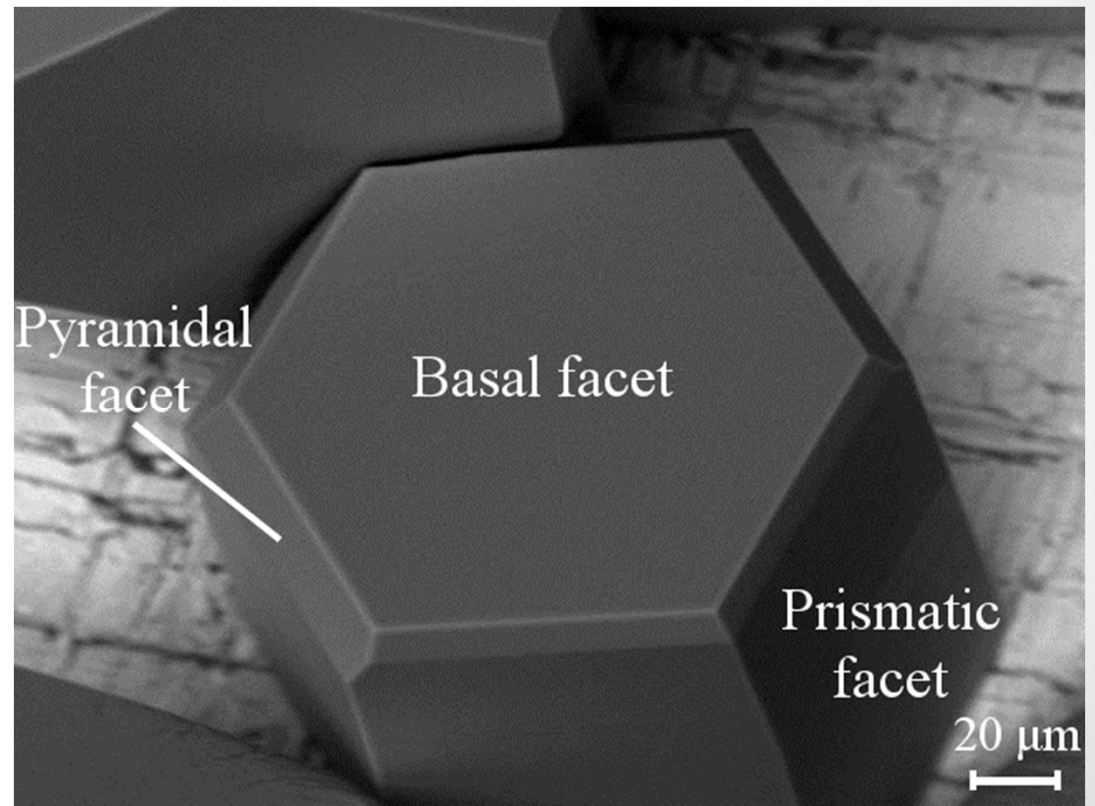


(Walden *et al.* 2003)

Ice crystals grown by vapor deposition

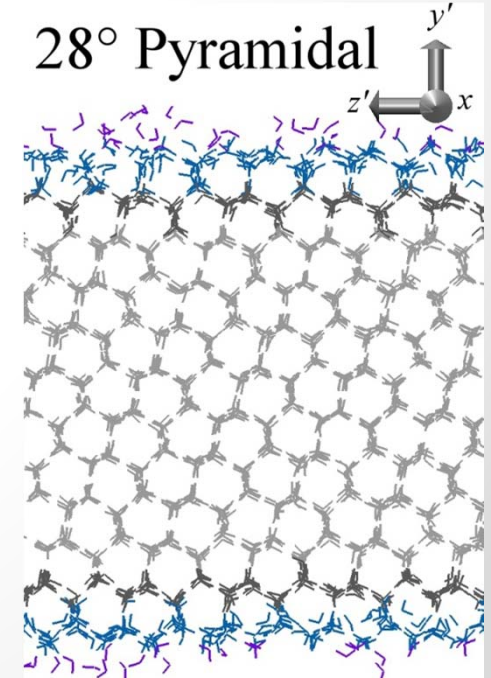
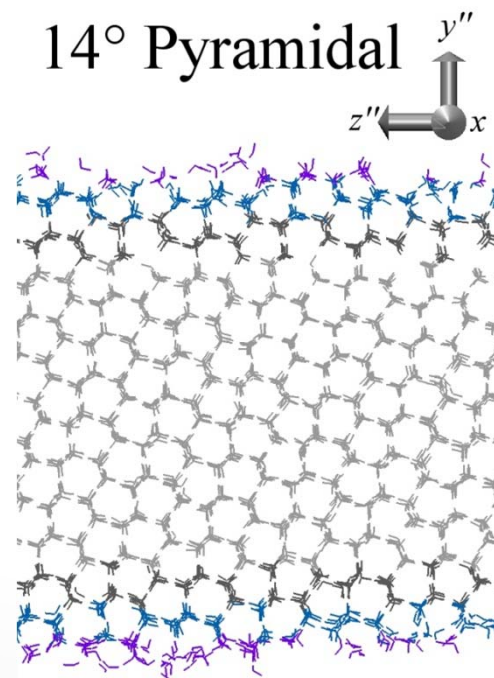
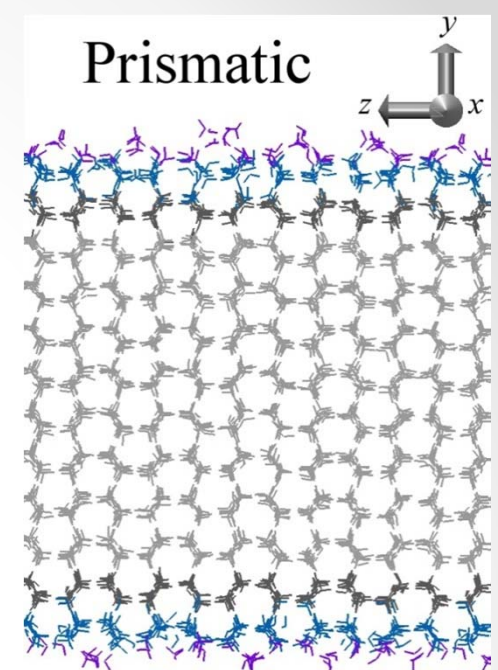
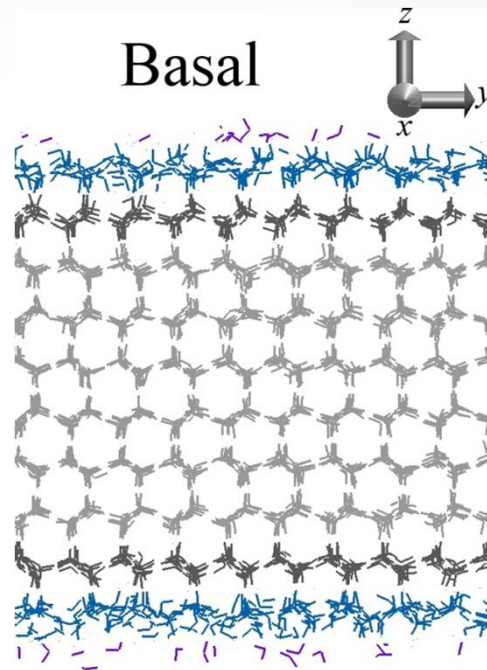
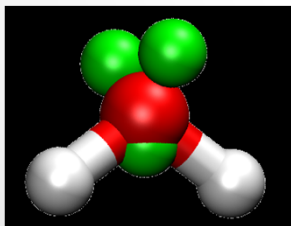
- basal (0001)
- prismatic (10 $\bar{1}$ 0)
- 28° pyramidal (10 $\bar{1}$ 1)
- 14° pyramidal (20 $\bar{2}$ 1)

VP-SEM image

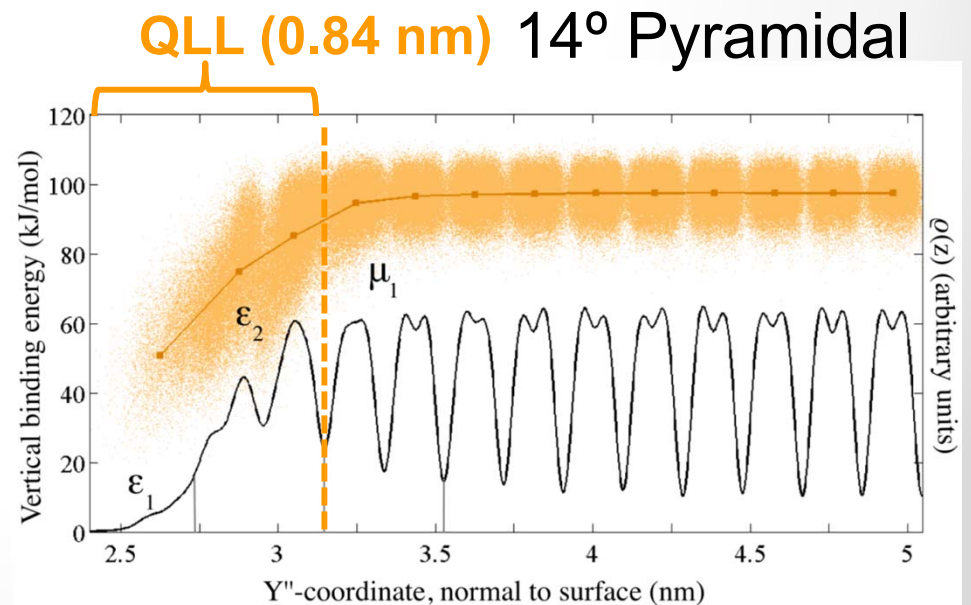
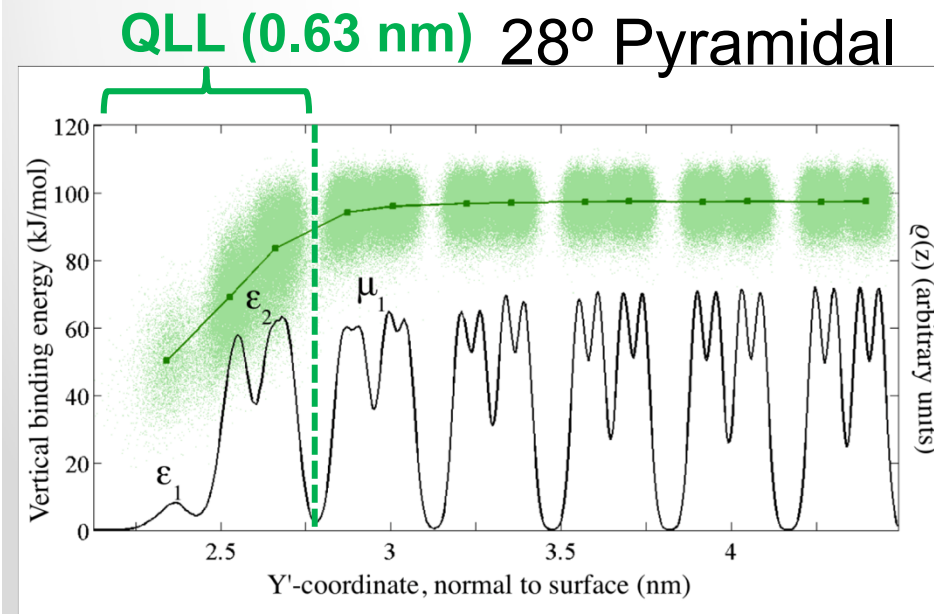
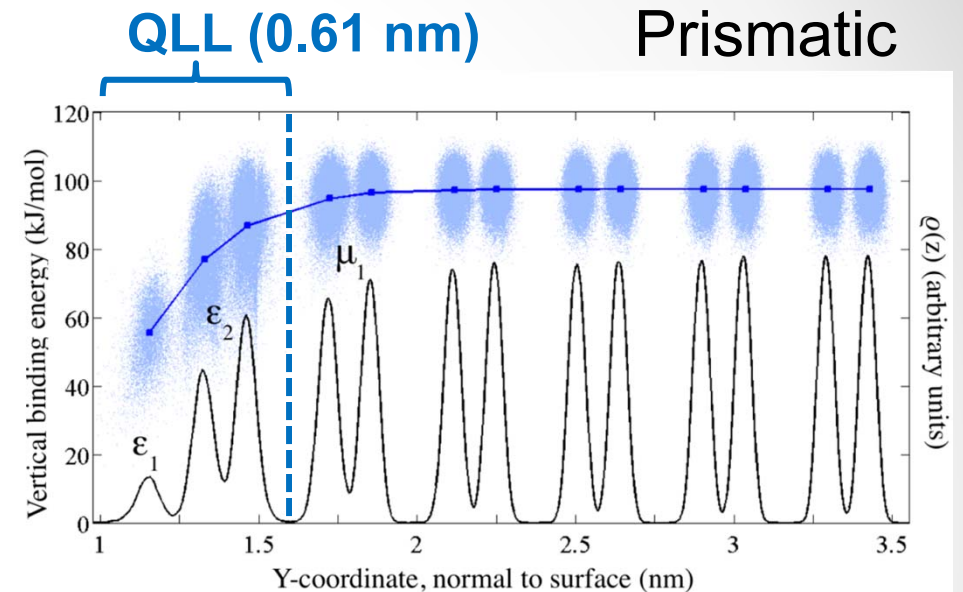
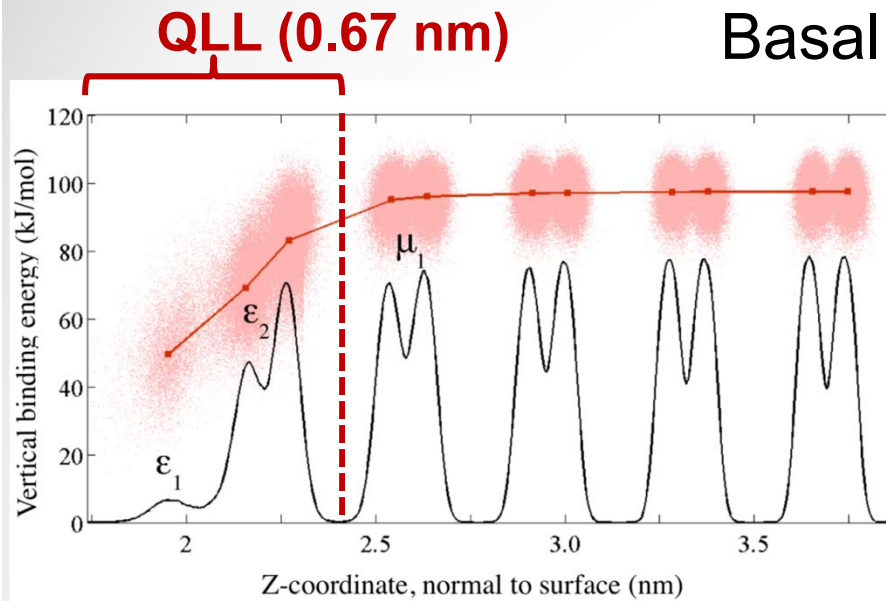


MD simulations

- Ice I_h slab
- 2880/3456 H_2O molecules
- Ice block dimensions:
 $x, y, z \sim 4 - 6$ nm
- 6-site water model
Nada, van der Eerden,
J. Chem. Phys. 2003, 118, 7410
- $T_m = 289$ K
Abascal et al.,
J. Chem. Phys. 2006, 125, 166101
- **$T = 250$ K (~ -40 K)**

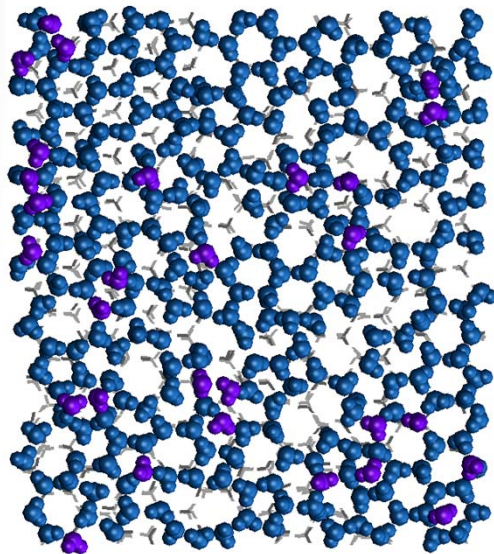


Density profiles and vertical binding energies

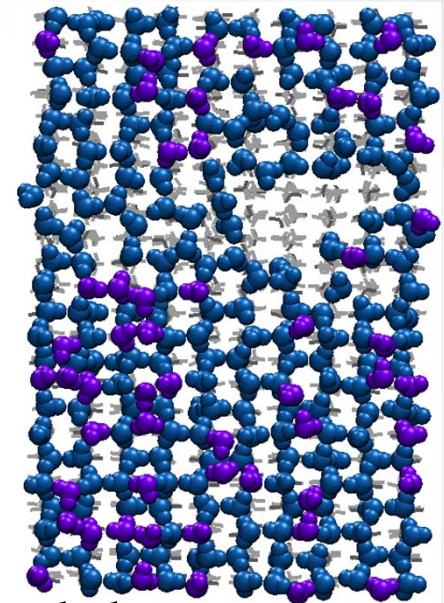


Top view

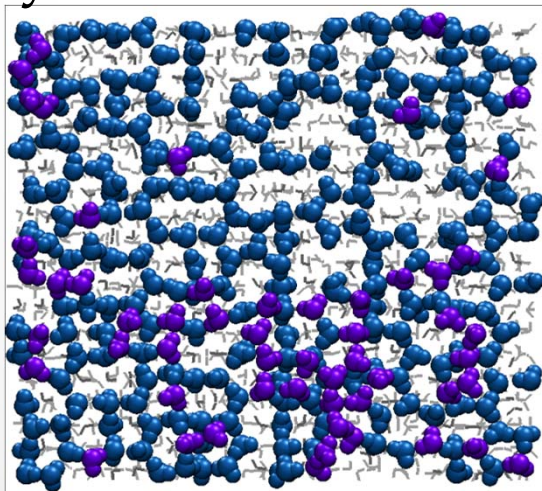
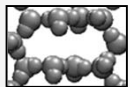
(a) basal



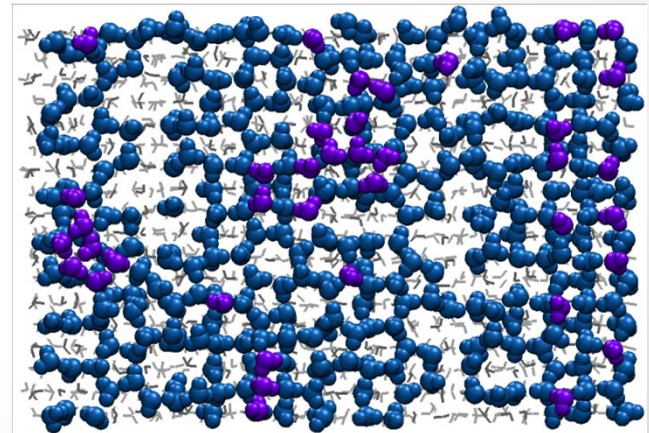
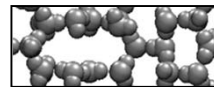
(b) prismatic



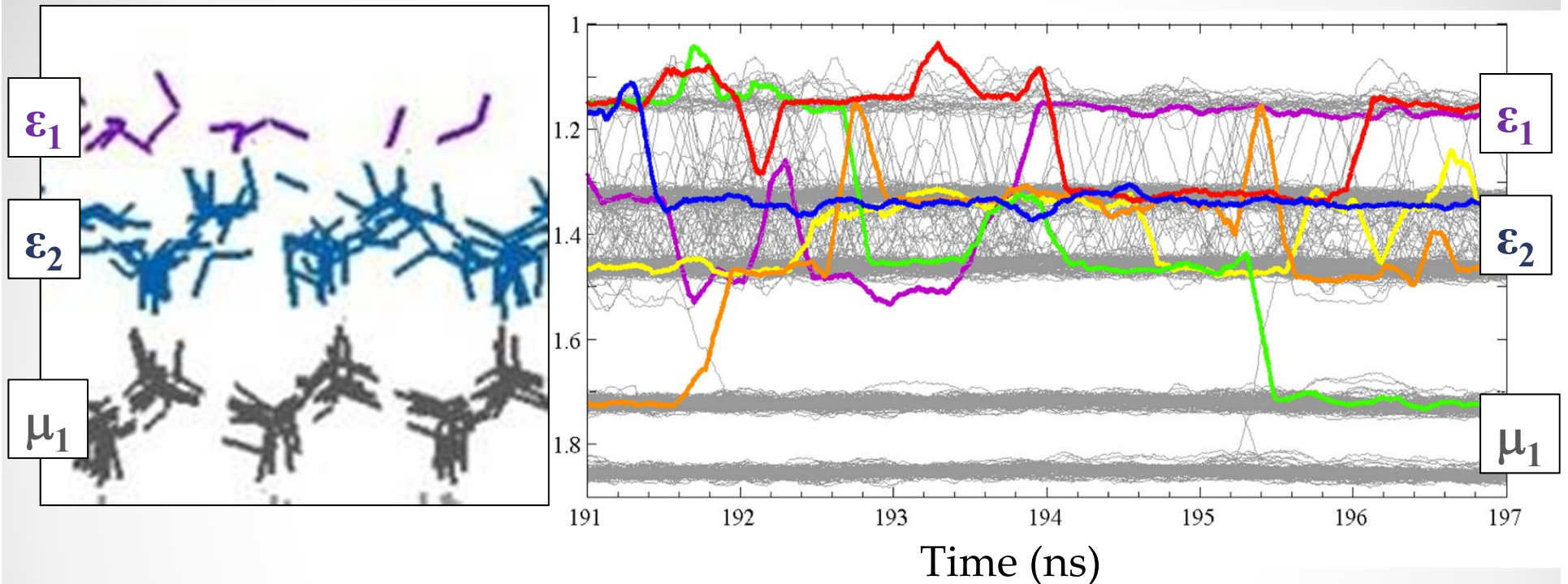
(c) 28° pyramidal



(d) 14° pyramidal

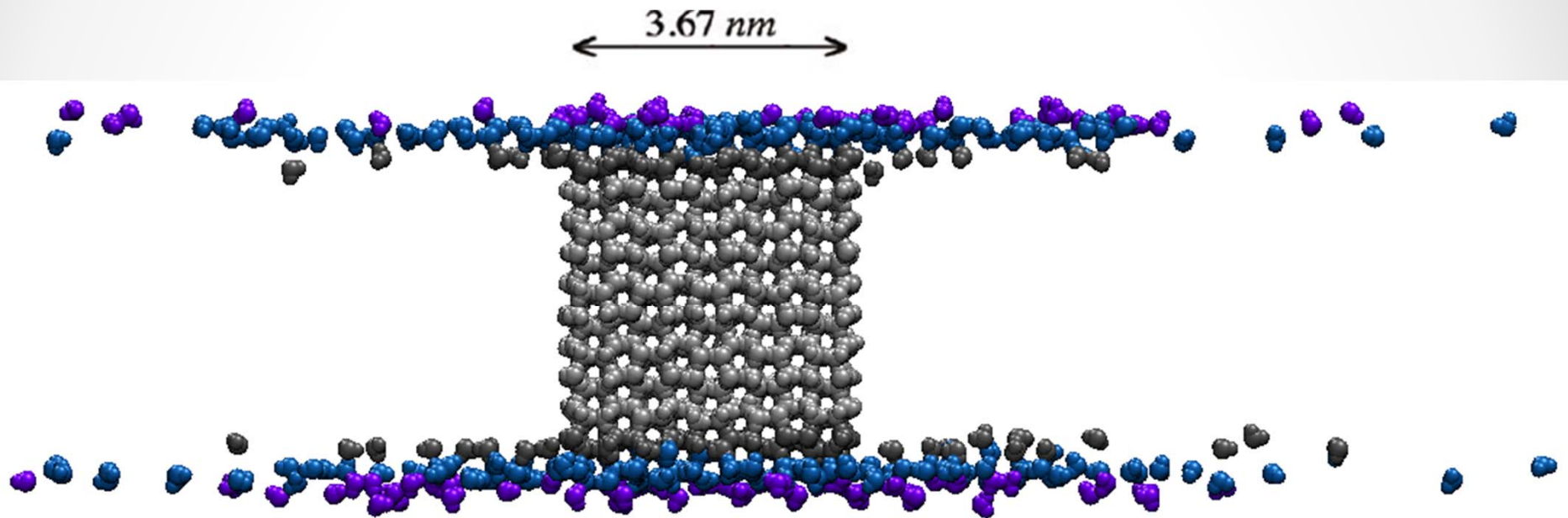


Inter-layer transitions



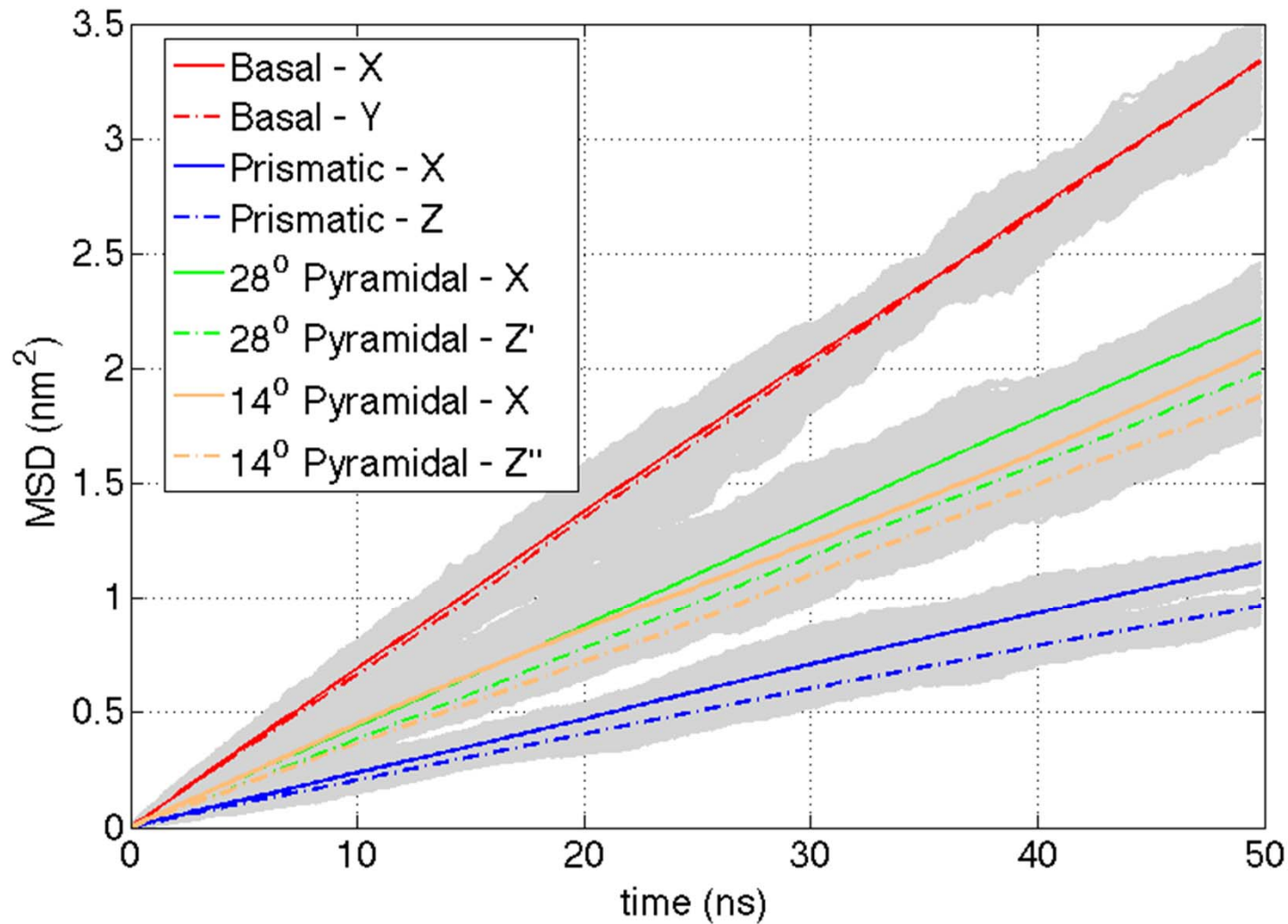
- $\varepsilon_1 \leftrightarrow \varepsilon_2$ mixing time (ε_2 “survival” time) ~ 10 ns
- Binary exchanges QLL ($\varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2$) $\leftrightarrow \mu_1$...char. time $\sim 10^2$ ns
- Important for surface diffusivity
Bolton and Pettersson, J. Phys. Chem. B 2000, 104, 1590
- Time scales facet-specific

Surface diffusion



Prismatic surface after 100 ns, viewed along the secondary prismatic axis.
Molecules crossing periodic boundaries are depicted in neighboring domains.

Mean squared displacement



1-D diffusivity on ice surfaces

Facet exposed	Direction of diffusion	Q	1-D diffusivity, D^* ($\text{cm}^2/\text{s} \times 10^{-6}$)	Diffusion length, x_s (nm)
Basal	x	1/5	1.67	14.3
	y	1/5	1.68	14.3
Prismatic	x	1/6	0.70	9.9
	z	1/6	0.58	9.0
28° Pyramidal	x	1/6	1.34	15.1
	z'	1/6	1.20	14.3
14° Pyramidal	x	1/6	1.21	12.5
	z''	1/6	1.13	12.0

experiment - liquid water: $D = 1.6 \times 10^{-6} \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$ (-35°C)

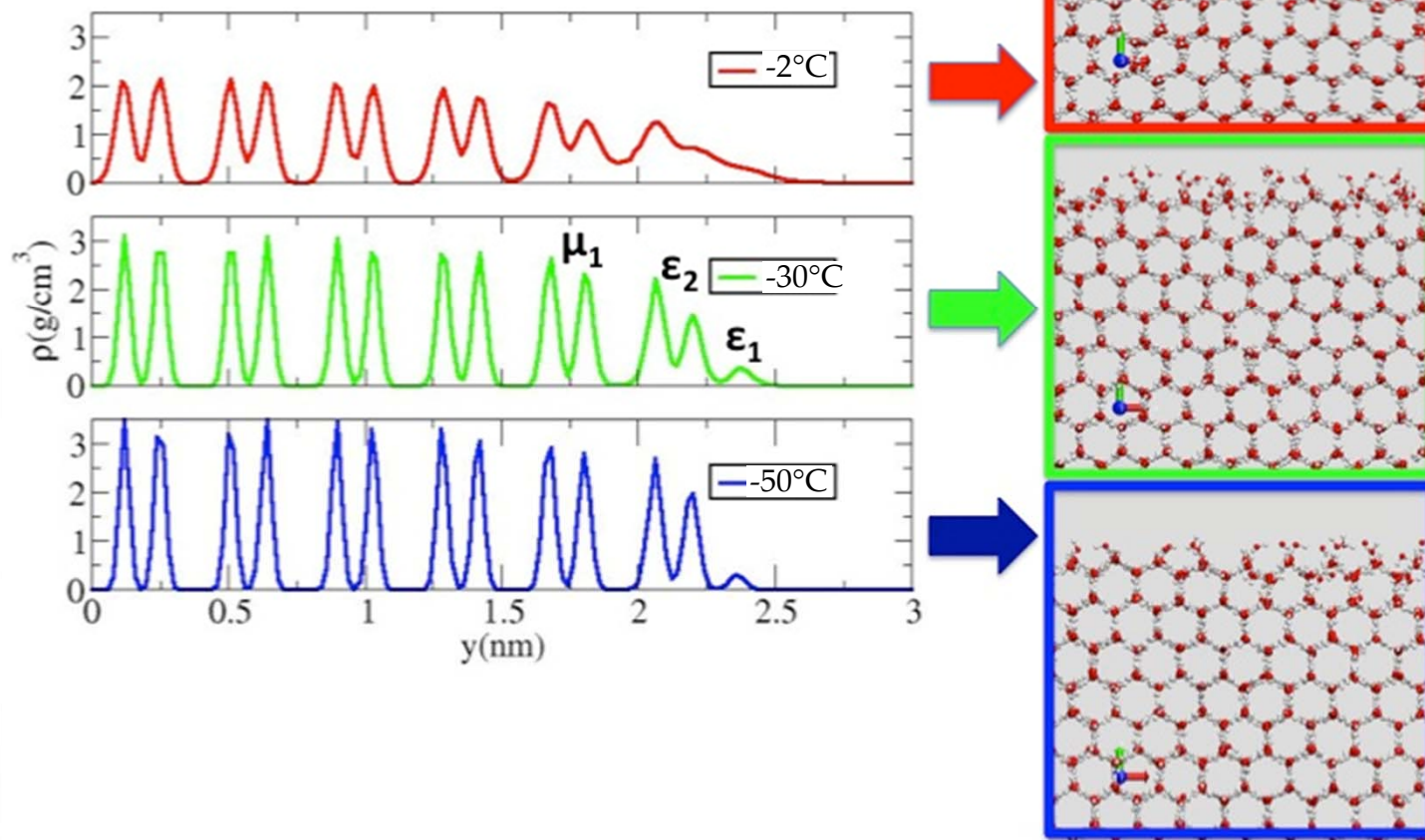
$D = 12.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$ (0°C)

$D = 18.9 \times 10^{-6} \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$ (20°C)

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Work in progress: Temperature dependence of diffusivity

Arrhenius analysis to determine the activation energy



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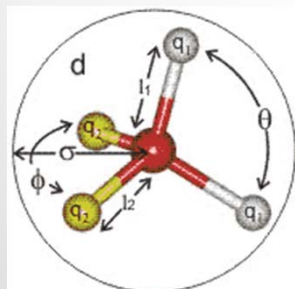
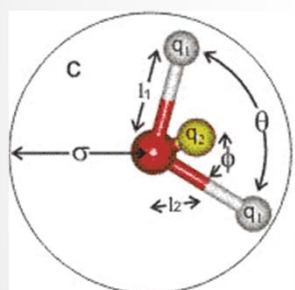
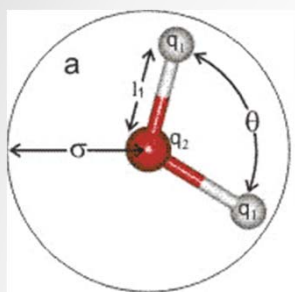
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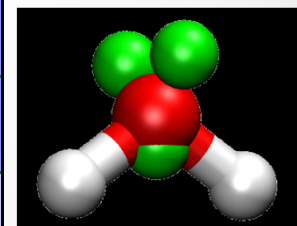
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Water model	Melting temperature (K)
TIP3P	145
SPC	190.5
SPC/E	215
TIP4P	230
TIP4P/Ew	243
TIP4P/Ice	271
TIP5P	272
NE6	275 (289)
Expt.	273.15



Vega et al., *Mol. Phys.* 2006, 104, 3583

García Fernández et al., *J. Chem. Phys.* 2006, 124, 144506