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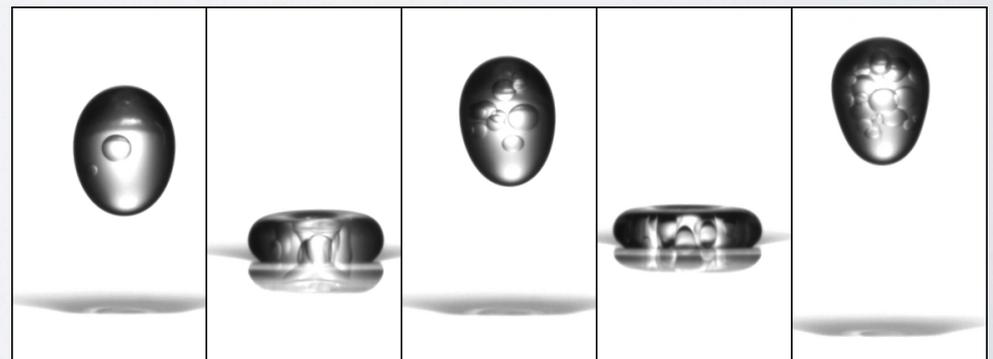
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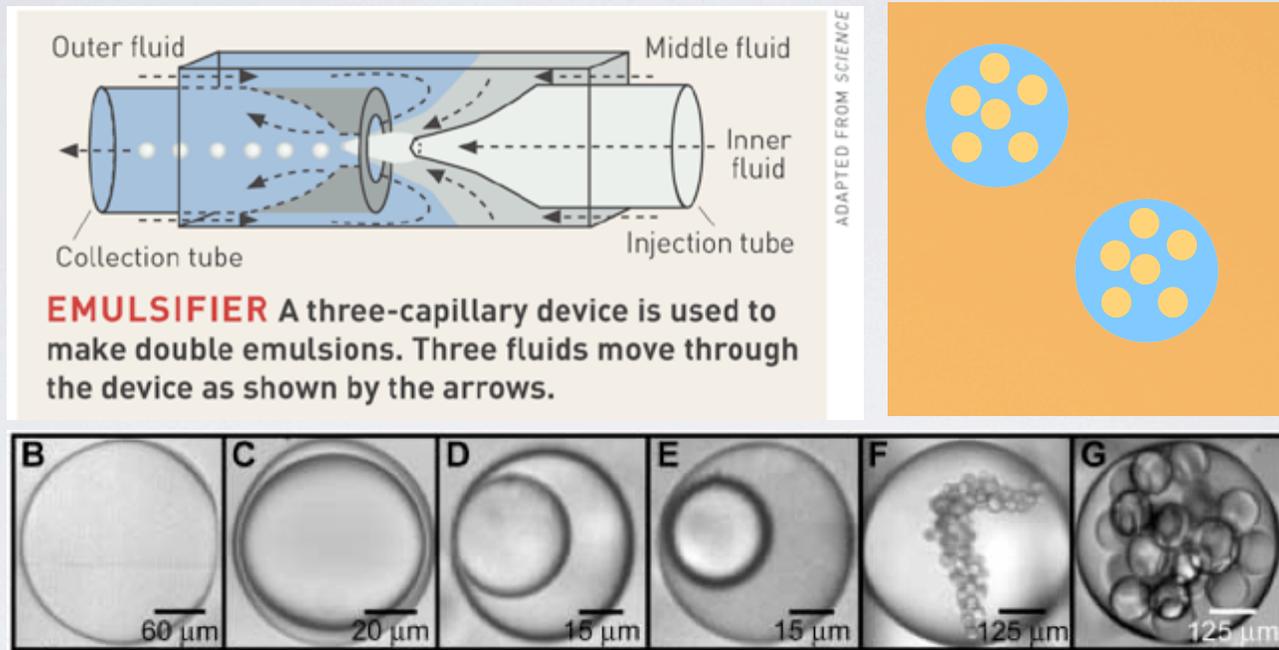
# THE MAYONNAISE DROPLET

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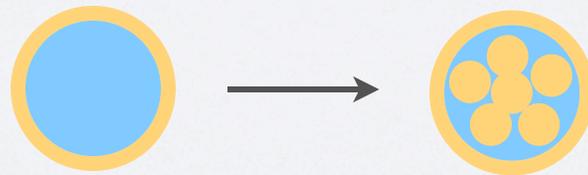
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# INTRODUCTION



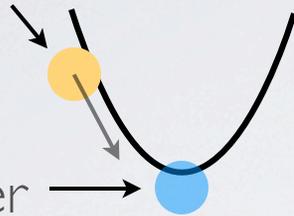
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# EXPERIMENTAL SETUP

Silicon oil (1.5 cSt)

Soapy water



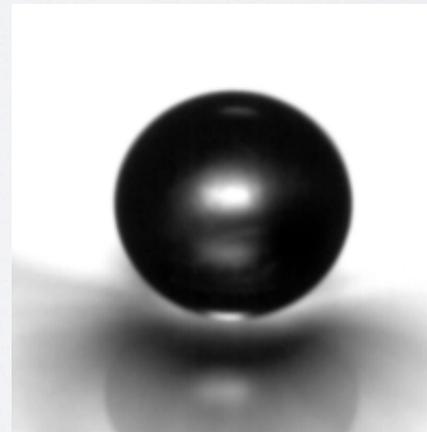
$$\omega = 2\pi f$$

$A$



Silicon oil (1000 cSt)

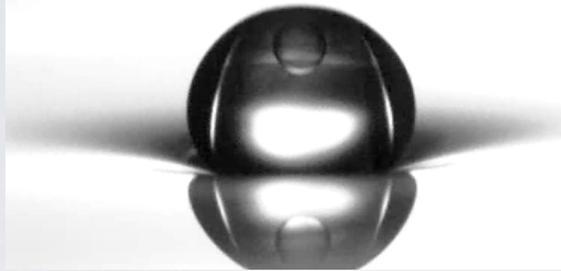
$$\Gamma = \frac{A\omega^2}{g}$$



# DOUBLE EMULSION

25 Hz

$$\Gamma > \Gamma_e$$



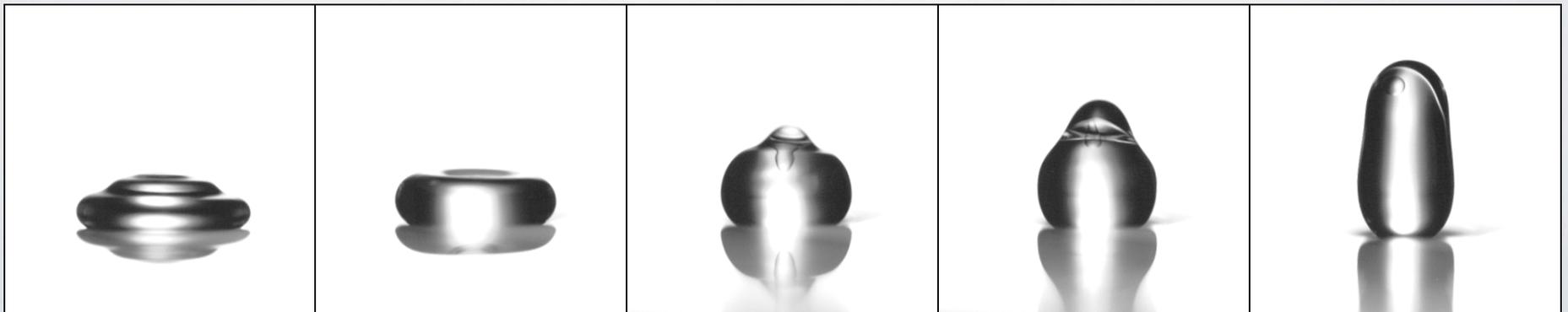
Beginning of the emulsion

25 Hz

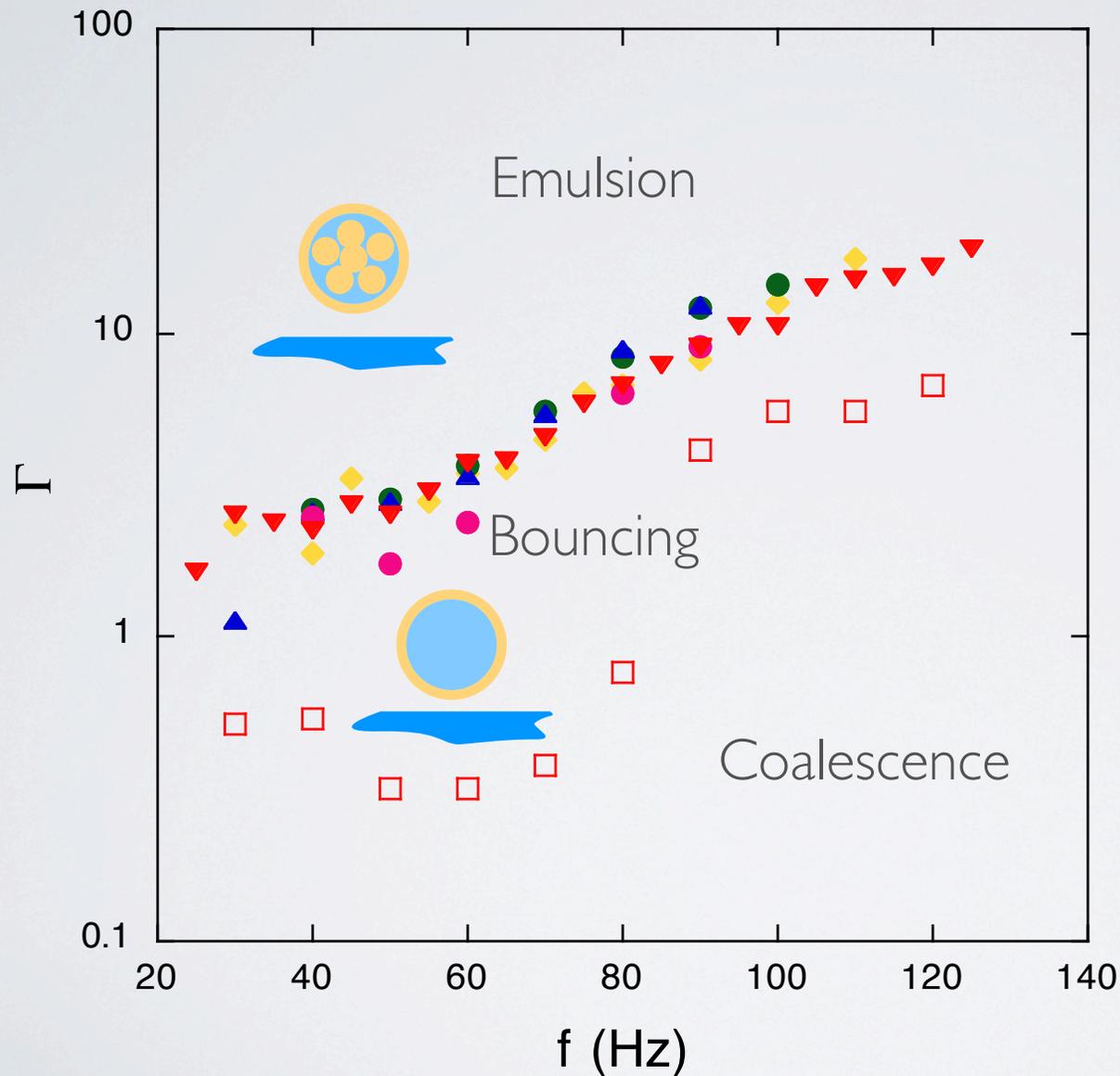
$$\Gamma > \Gamma_e$$



Later



# PHASE DIAGRAM

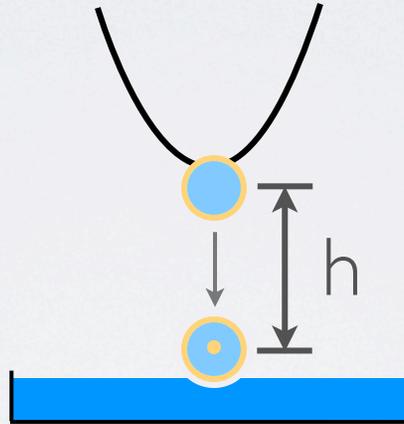


$1.6 \text{ mm} < D < 2 \text{ mm}$

$\neq$  volume ratio  
40% to 70% water  
volume ratio

# EMULSION THRESHOLD

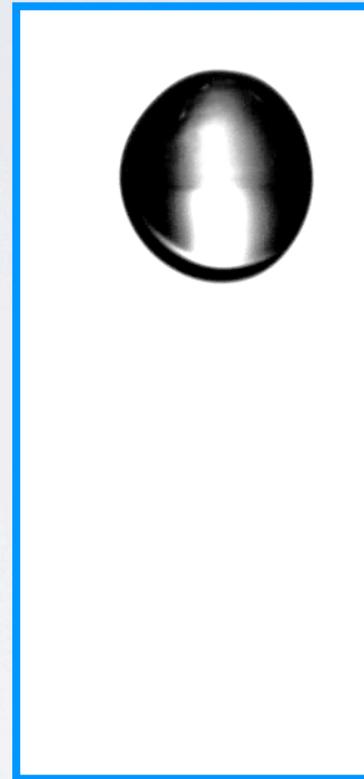
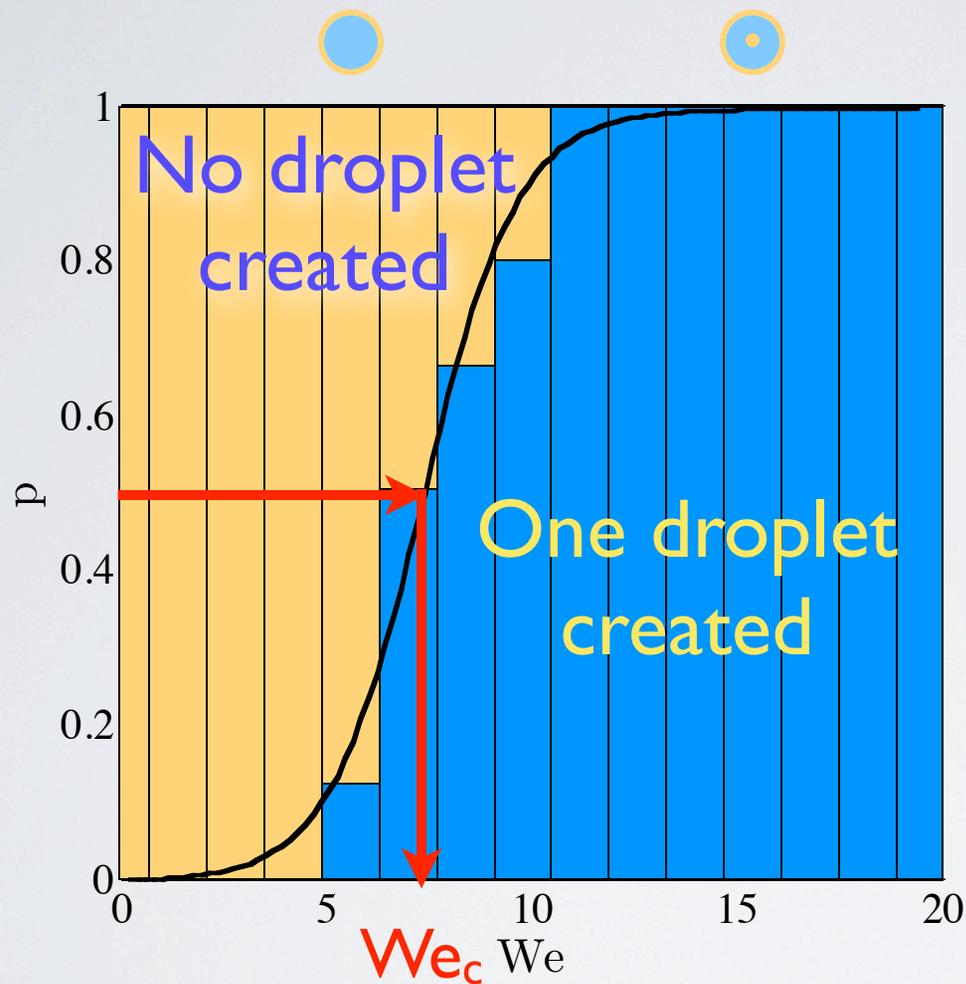
- Static bath : minimum impact speed for emulsion



$$We_c = \frac{\rho v_c^2 D}{\sigma}$$

- How to link the static case and the vibrated one ?

# STATIC BATH



$1.6 \text{ mm} < D < 2 \text{ mm}$   
 $\neq$  volume ratio

$$We_c = 7.45 \pm 1.4$$

$$We_c = \frac{\rho v_c^2 D}{\sigma}$$

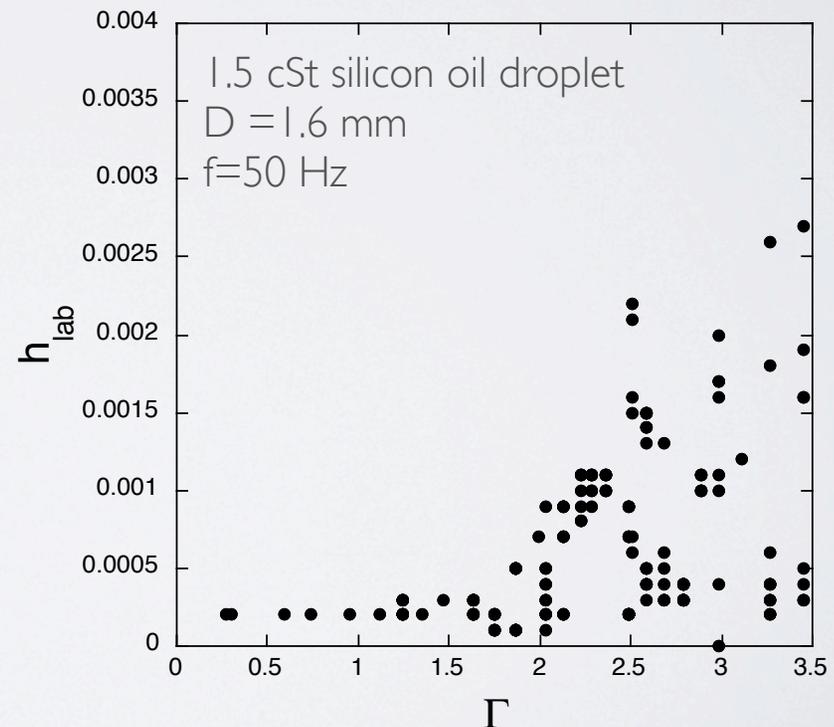
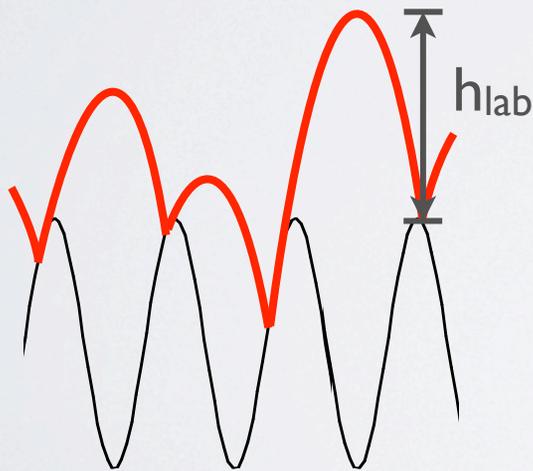
Vibrated : for which  $\Gamma$  do we have  $We > We_c$

# BIFURCATION DIAGRAM

$$We_c = \frac{\rho(v_{freefall} + v_{bath})^2 D}{\sigma}$$

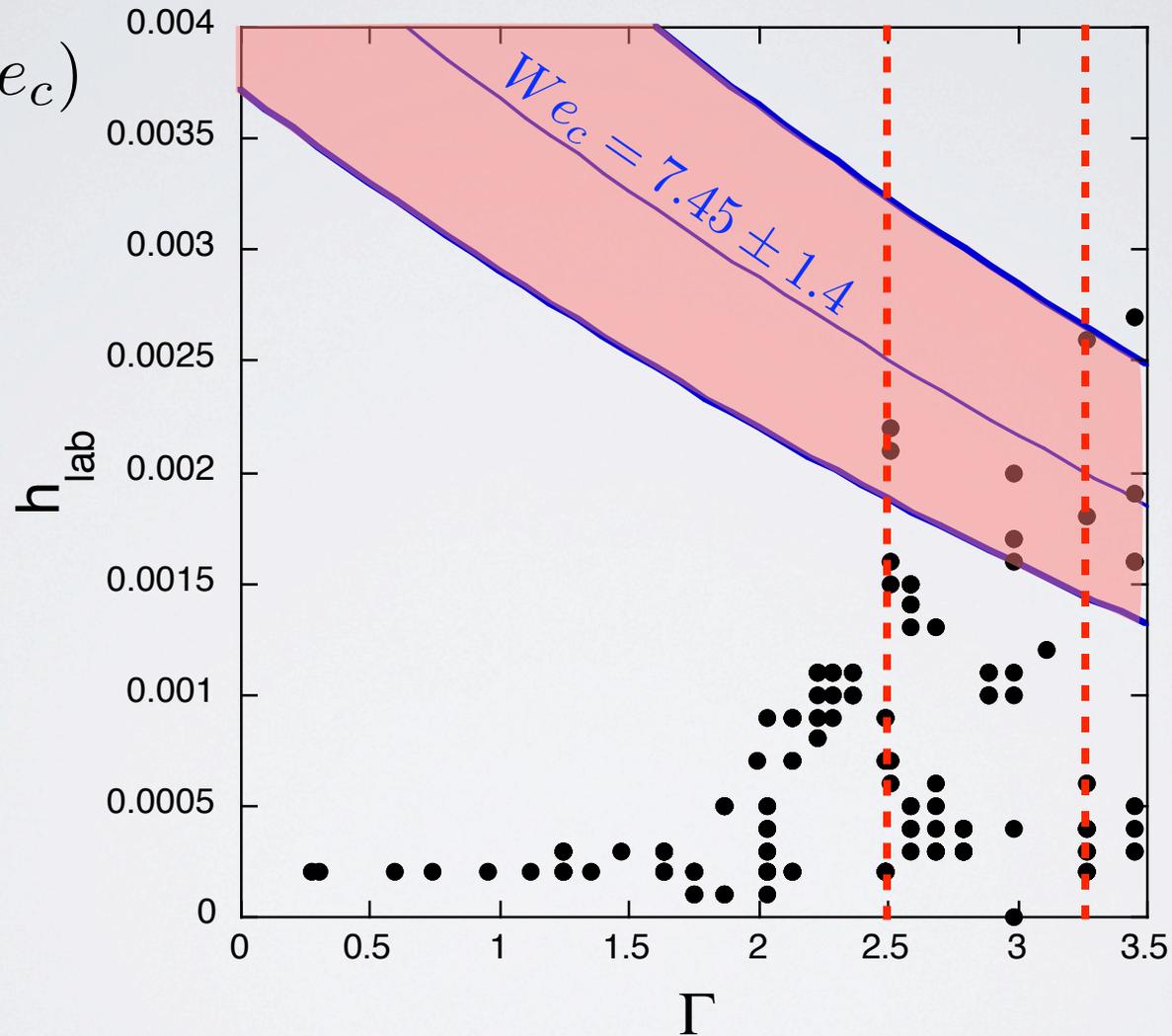
$$v_{freefall} = \sqrt{2gh_{lab}}$$

$$v_{bath} = A\omega^2$$



# STATIC ↔ VIBRATED

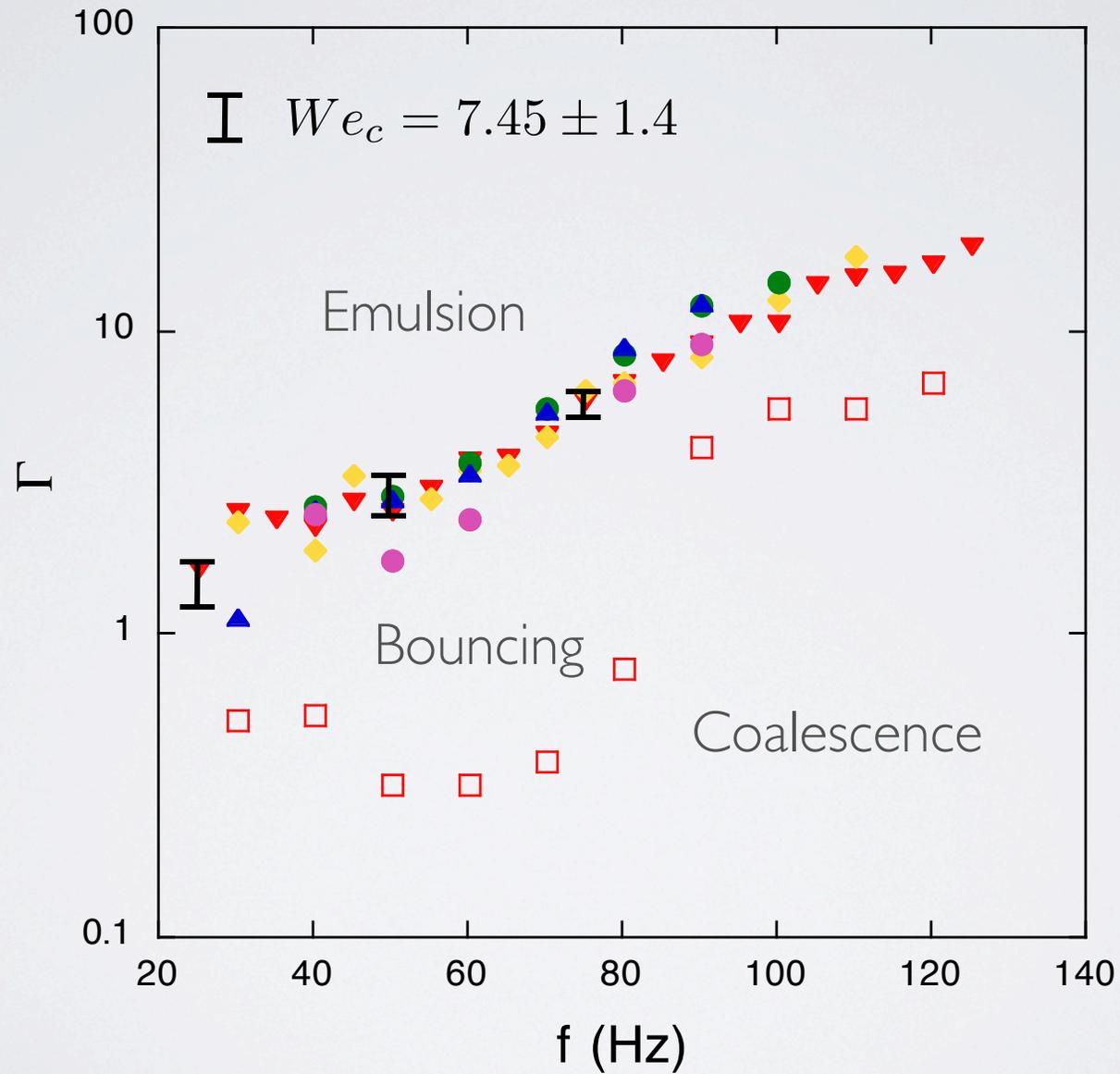
$$h_{lab} = f(We_c)$$



1.5 cSt silicon oil droplet  
D = 1.6 mm  
f = 50 Hz

$$2.5 < \Gamma_e < 3.25$$

# PHASE DIAGRAM

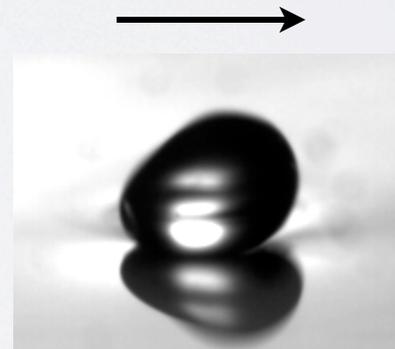


# CONCLUSIONS

Double emulsion in a compound drop (oil + soapy water)  
→ bouncing ( $We > We_c$ )

Perspectives :

- Stabilization of the emulsion
- Manipulation of the drop → Roller\*



*Roller*

(\* ) S. Dorbolo et al., New J. Phys., 10, 113021 (2008)

THANK YOU

