



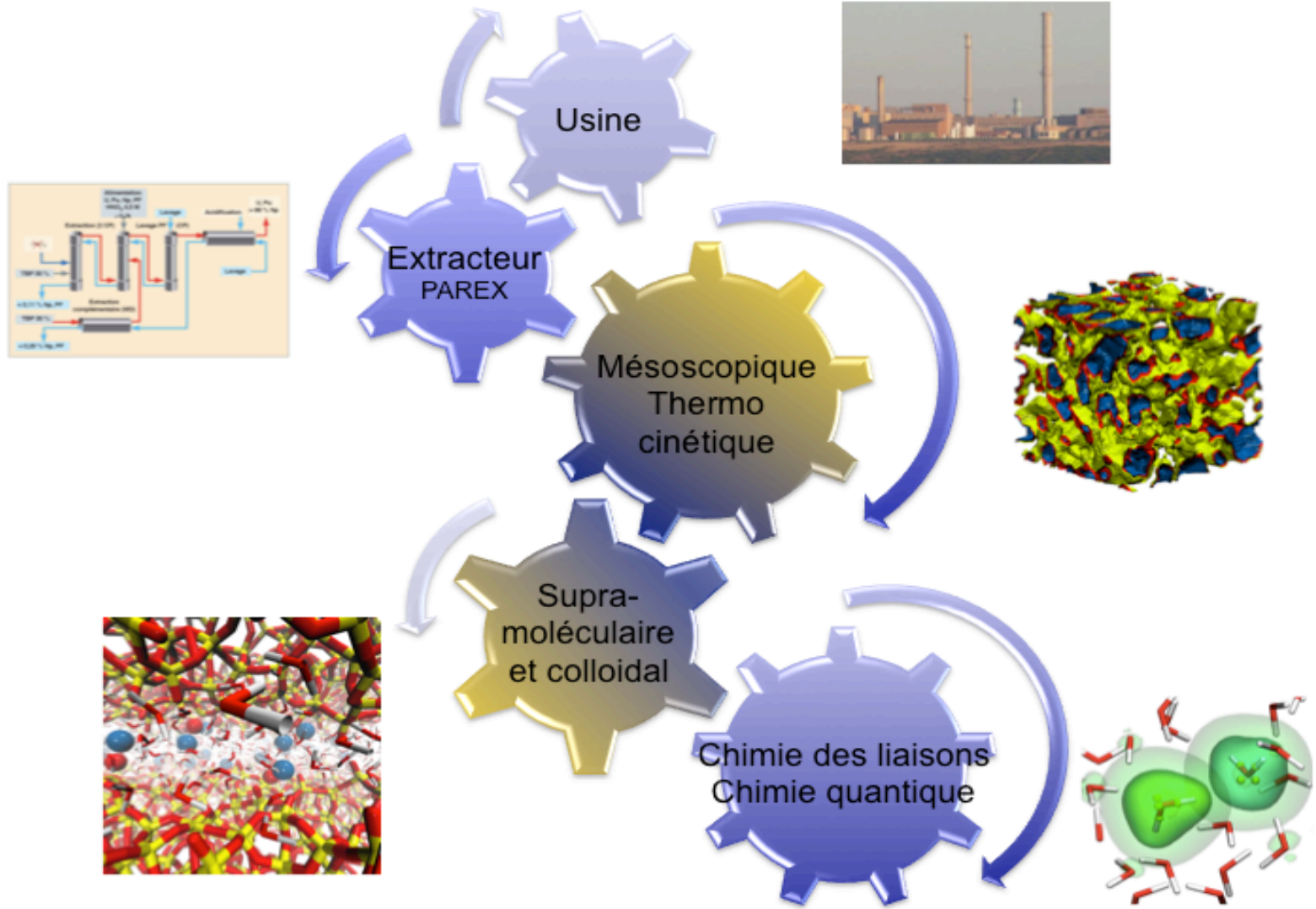
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*lecture n°10:  
The chemical potential step as molecular driving  
force - Thomas Zemb*





# An intrinsic multi-scale approach :

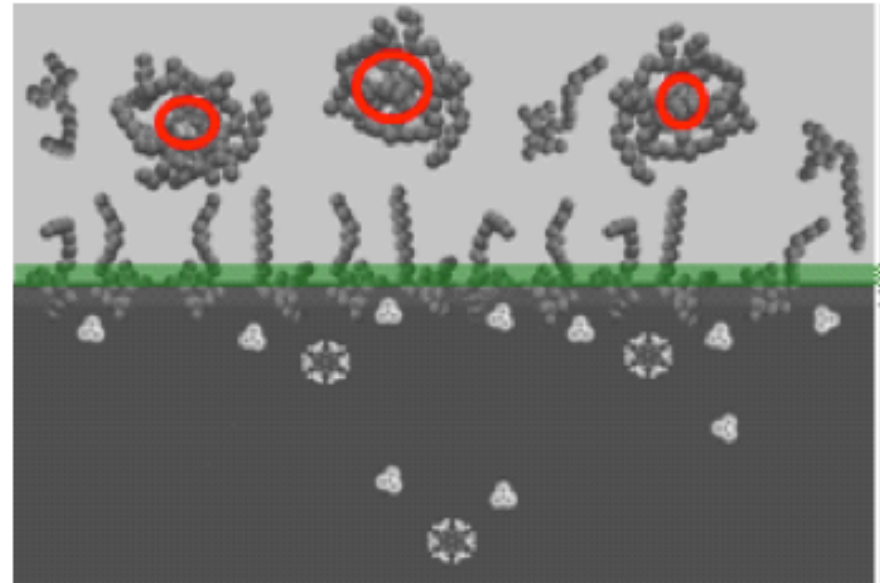
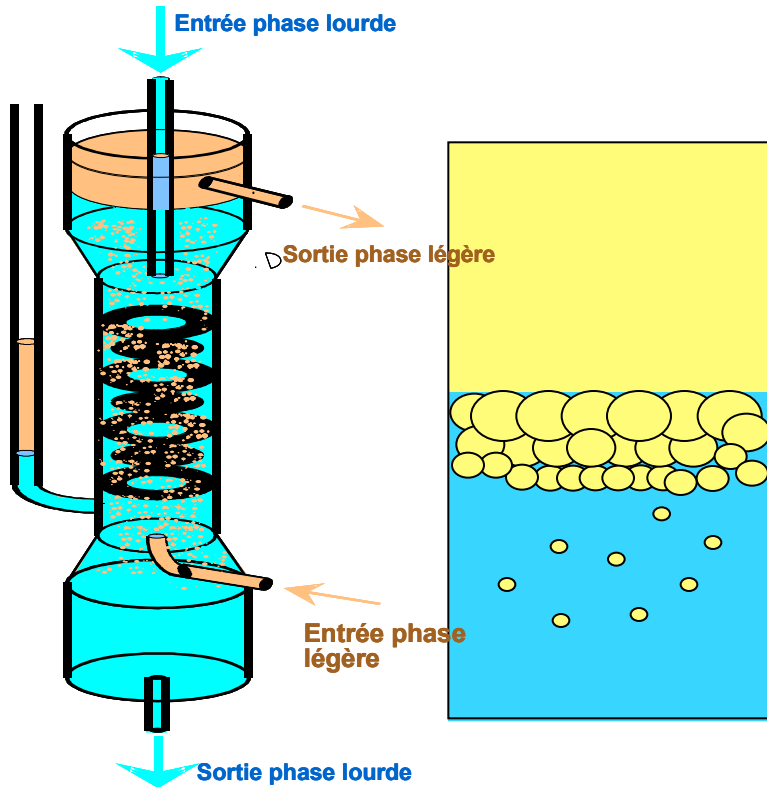




- **Going down to meso-scale („nano“)**
- Locating w-rich and O-rich in the phase diagramm
- Mapping the three-phase accident
- The chemical potential level representation
- The driving force for phase transfer and selectivity
- Decomposing the chemical potential step in:
  - Complexation (frist neighbour)
  - „Bulk“ terms
  - Curvature, dispersion, entropic terms



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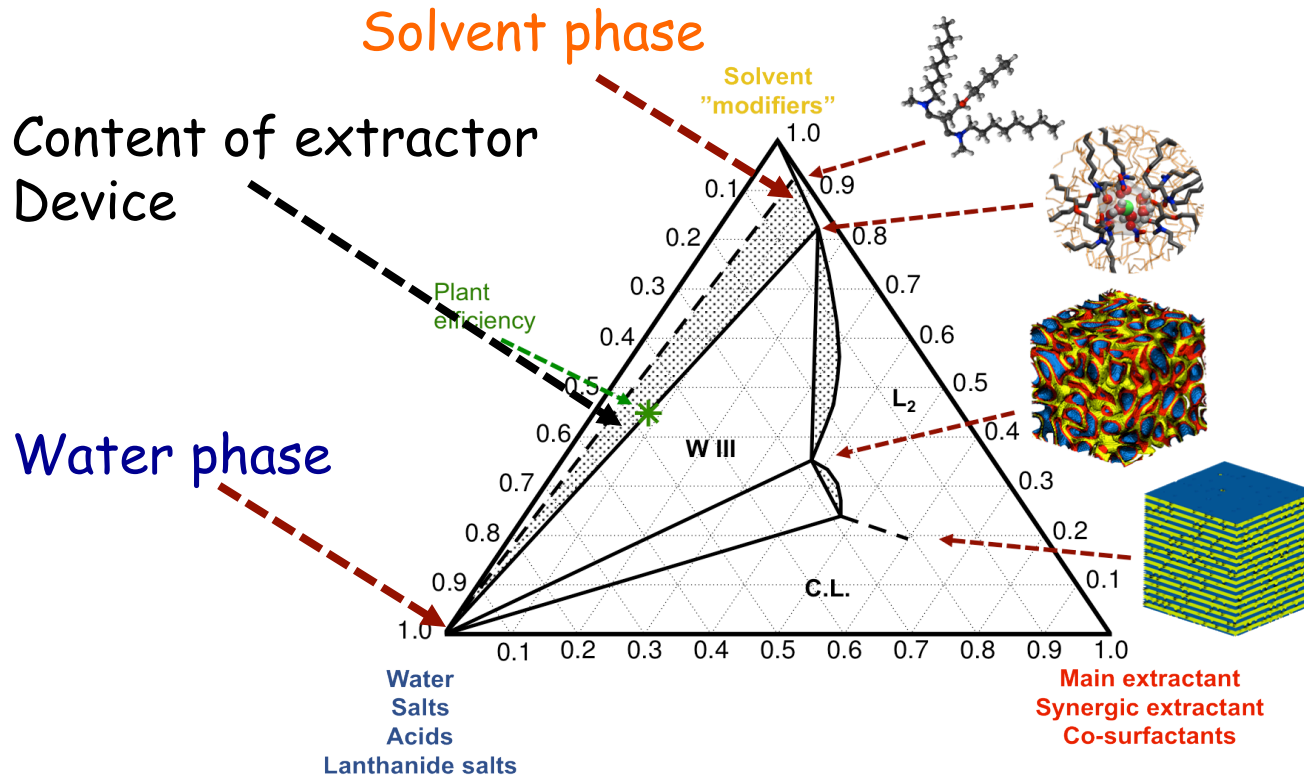


« Green » interface :  $\Sigma$  of macroscopic contact

« Red » interface in : extraction as an adsorption isotherm



# Fluid in pulsed columns are at a given pint of phase duagram



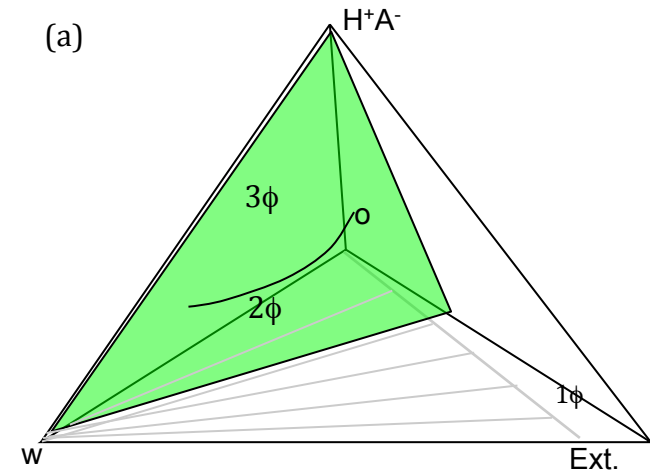
- *Y. Chevalier et Th. Z. Reports in Progress in Physics (1991)*



Distribution coeff.

$$Y_f = D \cdot X_f$$

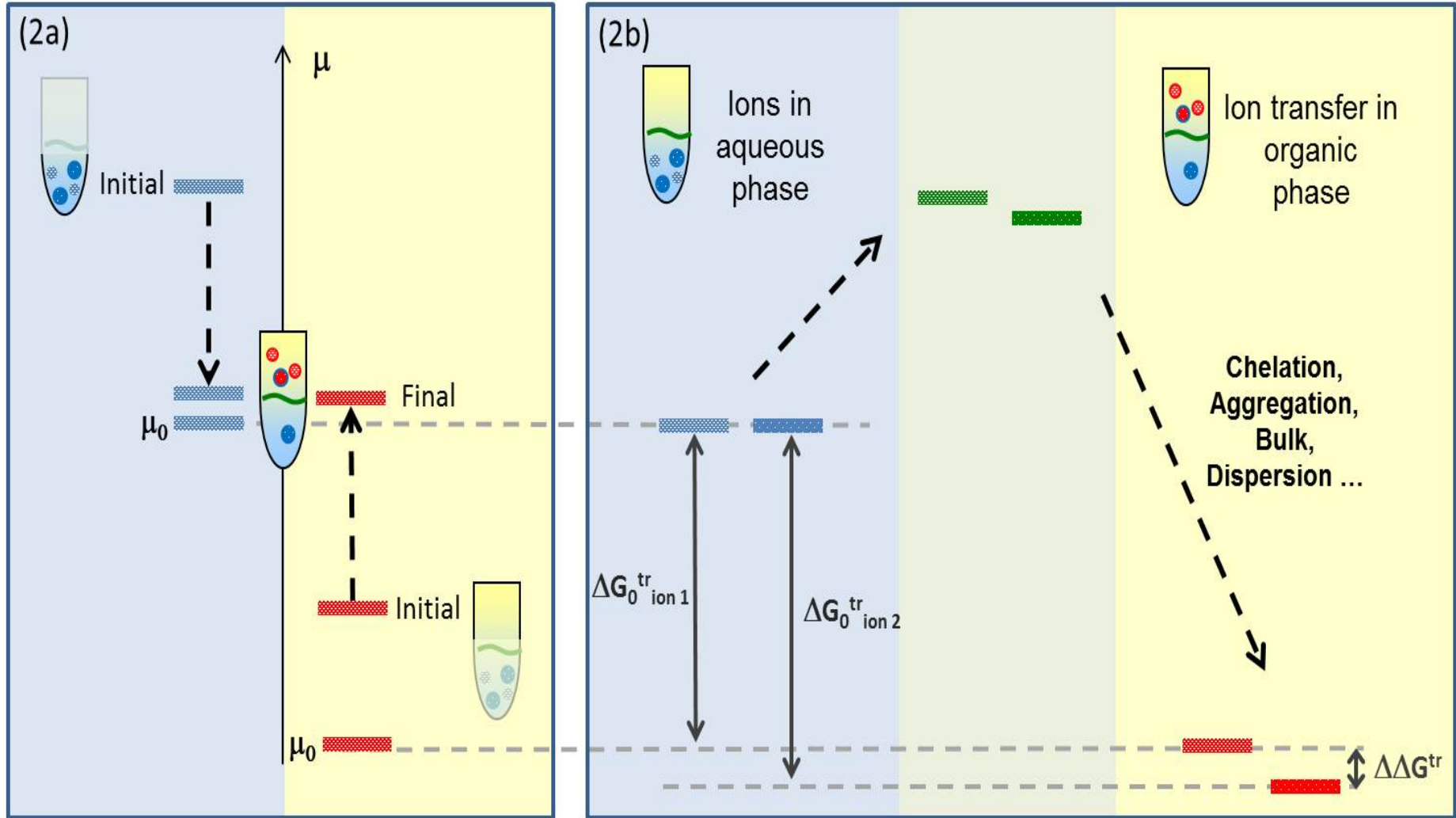
$$D_{app} = \frac{\left(x_{C^+A^-}\right)_{O-rich}}{\left(x_{C^+A^-}\right)_{W-rich}}$$



Bauer C, Bauduin P et al. Liquid/liquid metal extraction: Phase diagram topology resulting from molecular interactions between extractant, ion, oil and water. Eur Phys J Spec Top 2012;213:225–41.



# (2 and 3): the „ienaic“ : steps in chem. potentials



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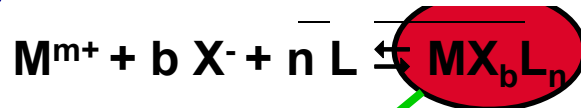


# The driving forces competing for extraction :

$$\delta\mu_0 = \left( \mu_0^{o-rich} - \mu_0^{w-rich} \right) = \delta\mu_{compl(O-W)} + TdS_{conf} + \delta\mu_{Bulk} + \delta\mu_{D-I-FB}$$

$$n.\delta\mu_0 = dG_0 = kT.\ln K_{app}$$

Link with parametric and activity " corrections" used for mass Conservation in design:

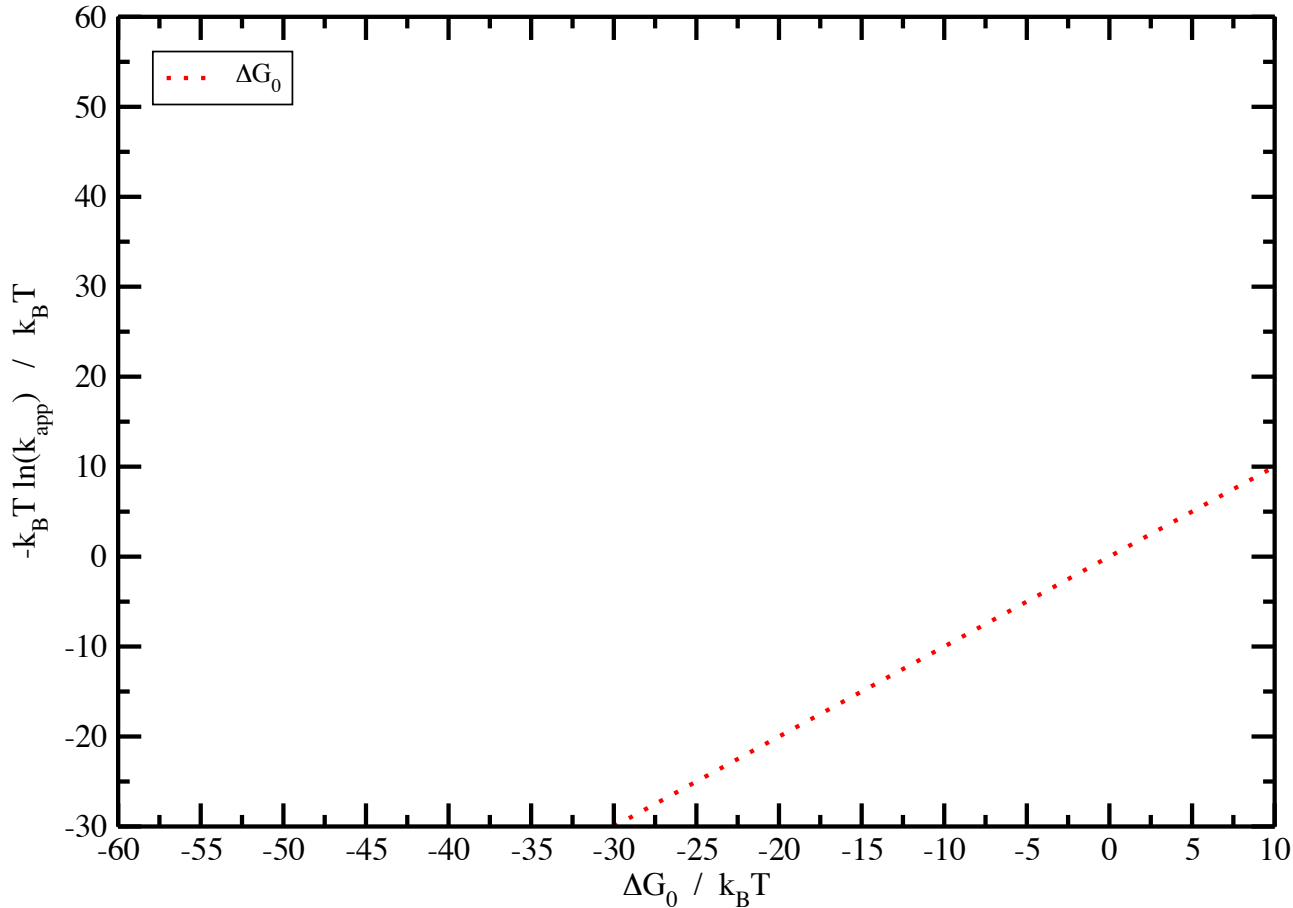


$$c_M^{org} = [MX_bL_n] \cdot K_{ext}^{\circ} [M^{m+}] [X^-]^b [L]^n \cdot \frac{\gamma_L^n}{\gamma_{MX_bL_n}} \cdot \gamma_{M^{m+}} \cdot \gamma_{X^-}^b$$





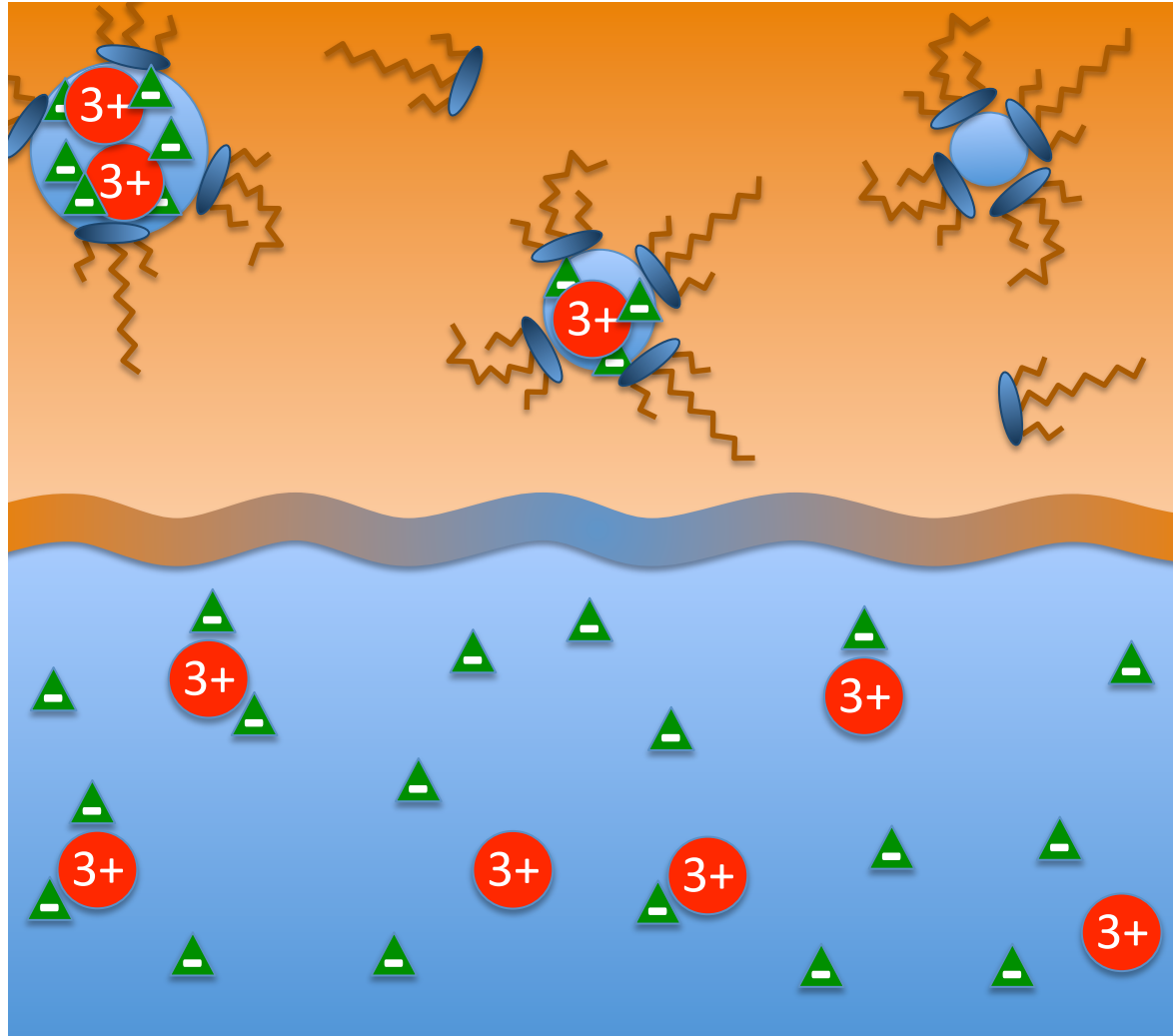
Representation :  $Y$ :  $\Delta G$  extraction and  $X$ :  $\Delta G$  complexation



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but also « small » colloids*

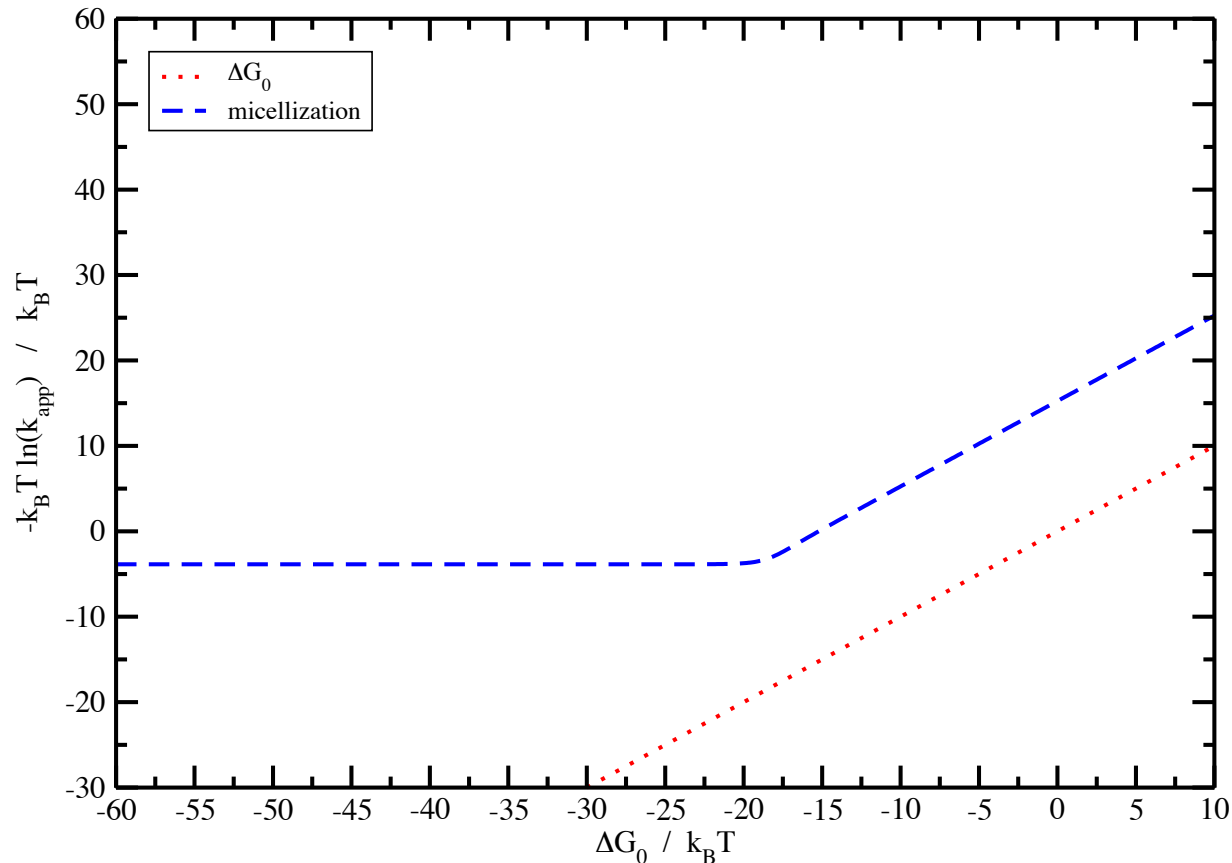


# Extractants in oil aggregate :





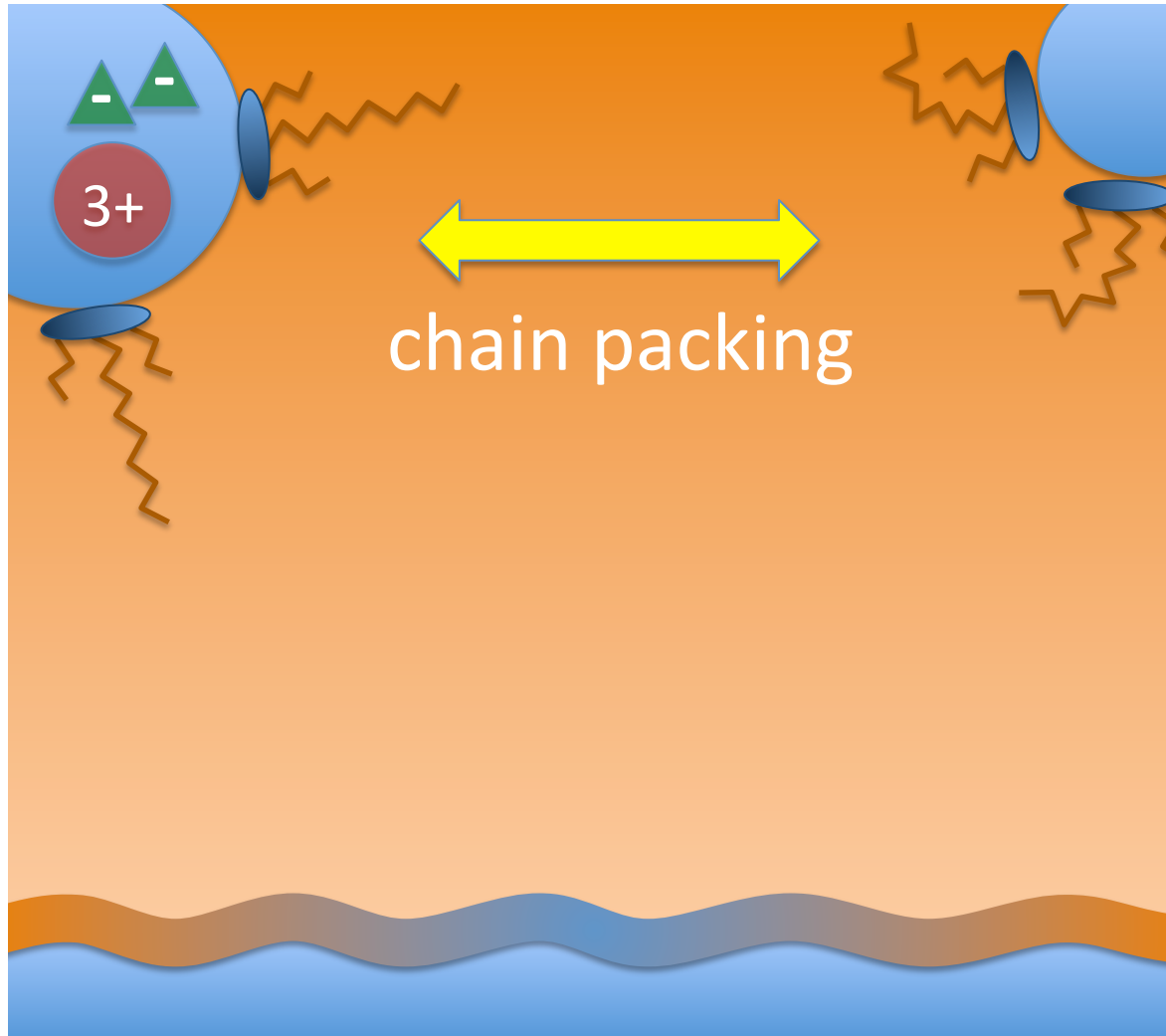
# The bulk term: cost in entropy of mixing forming aggregates



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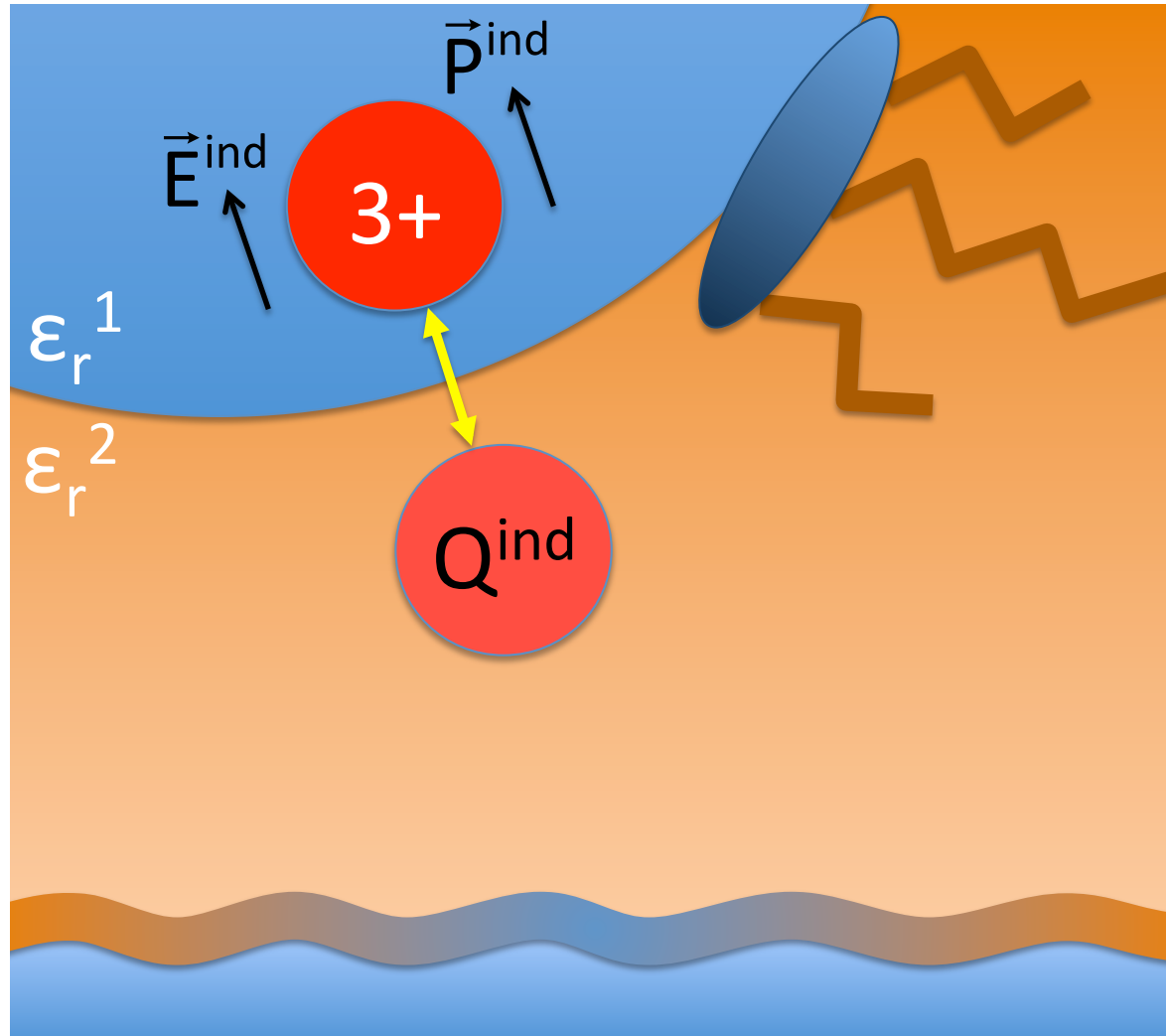


# Extractant film stretches and bends ::



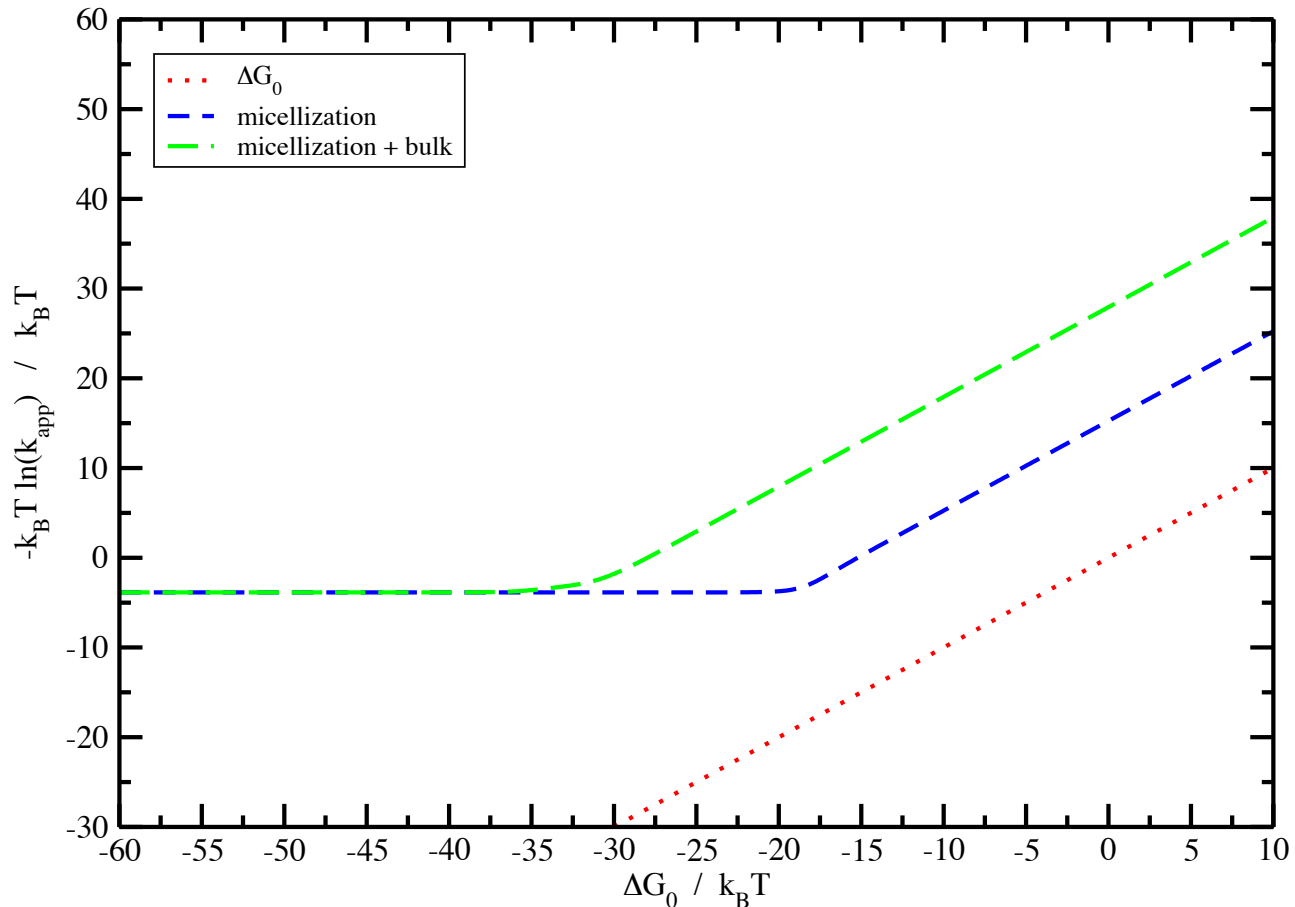


# Image charges at o/w interface and polarisation





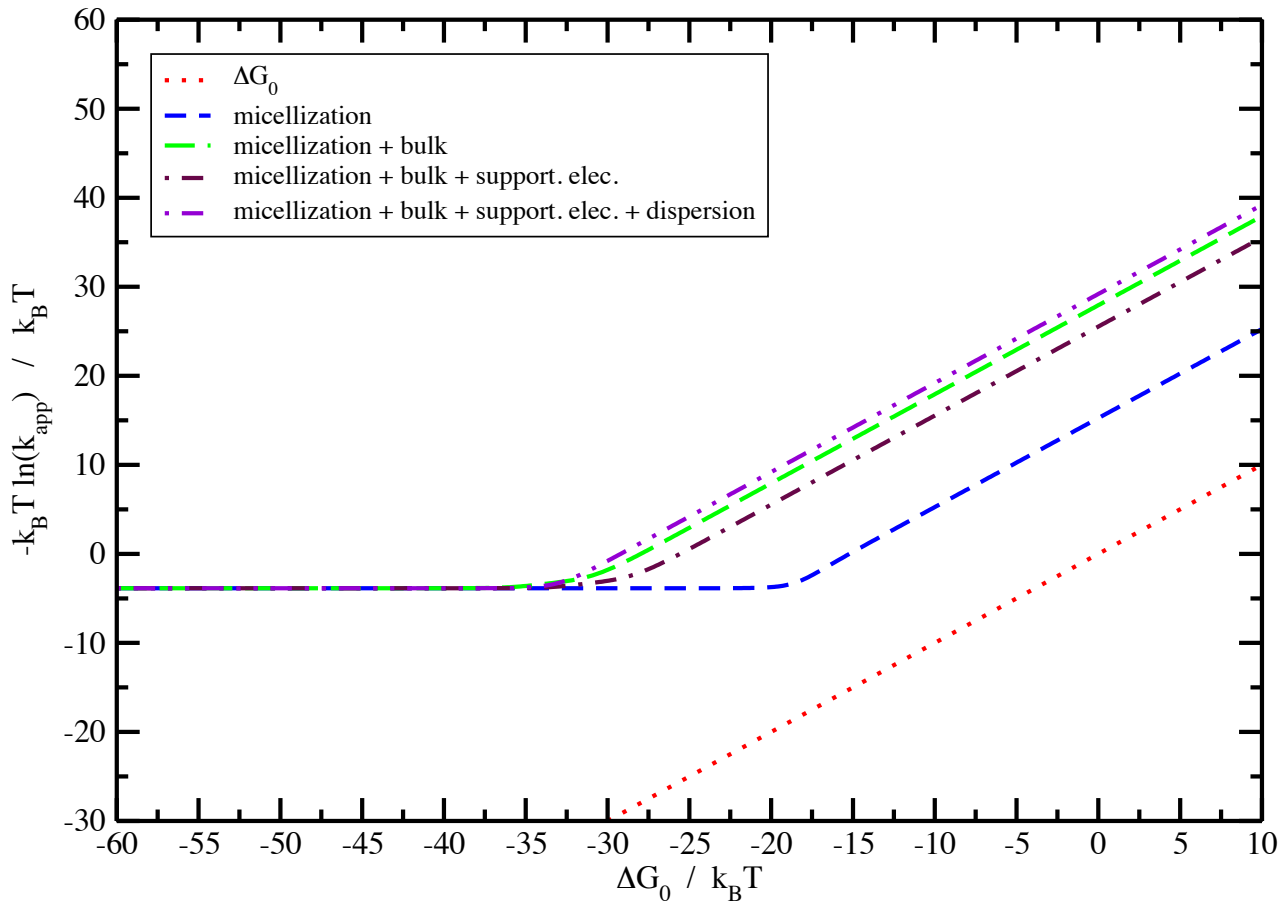
# Ion pairs do not « like » oil !



See W. Kunz in « Specific ion effects », 2010

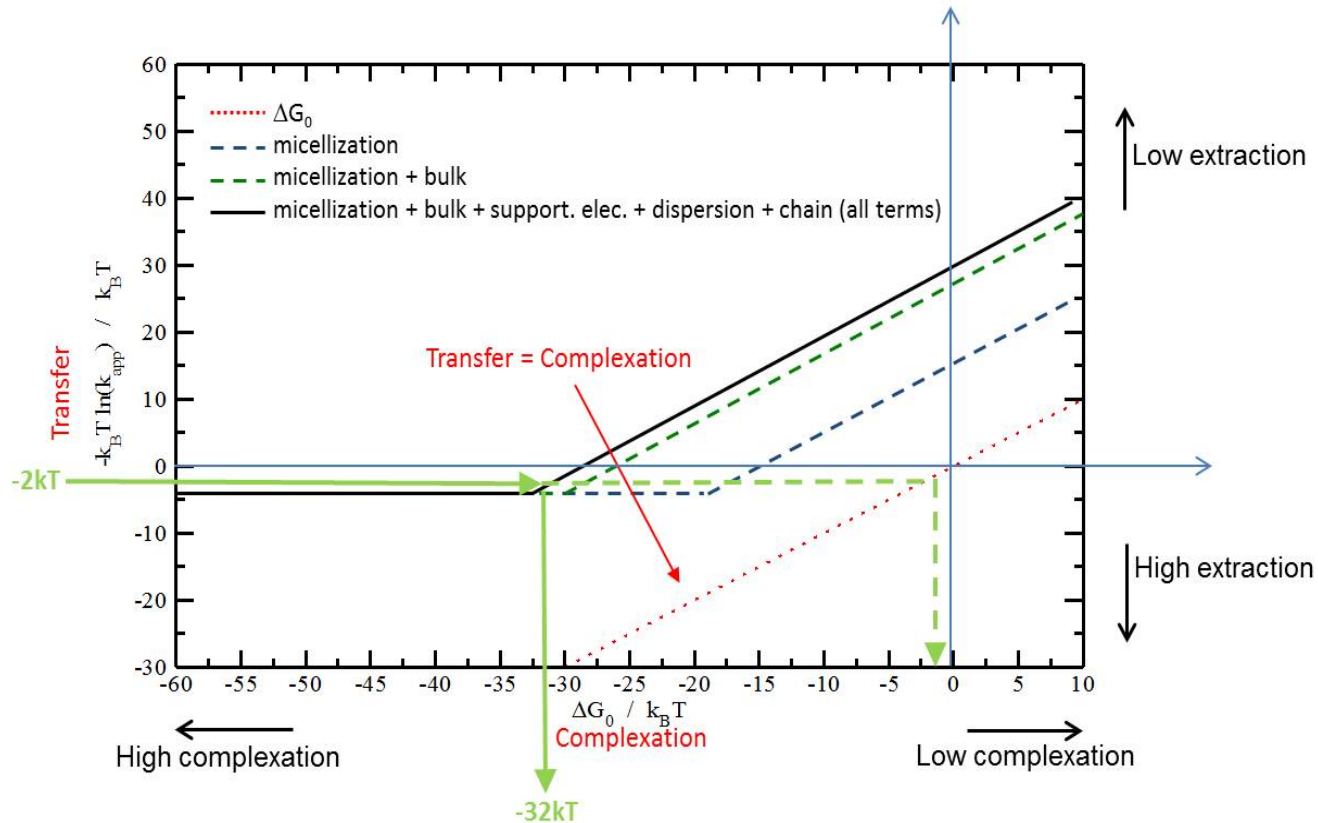


# Dispersion/polarisation influence also :





# full supra-molecular/complexation plus LRI picture :



*..Explains how complexation  $30 kT$  ( $70 kJ/mole$ ) express in  $2 kT$ , ie  $5 kJ/Mole$  extraction free energy « motor » in common industrial processes...*