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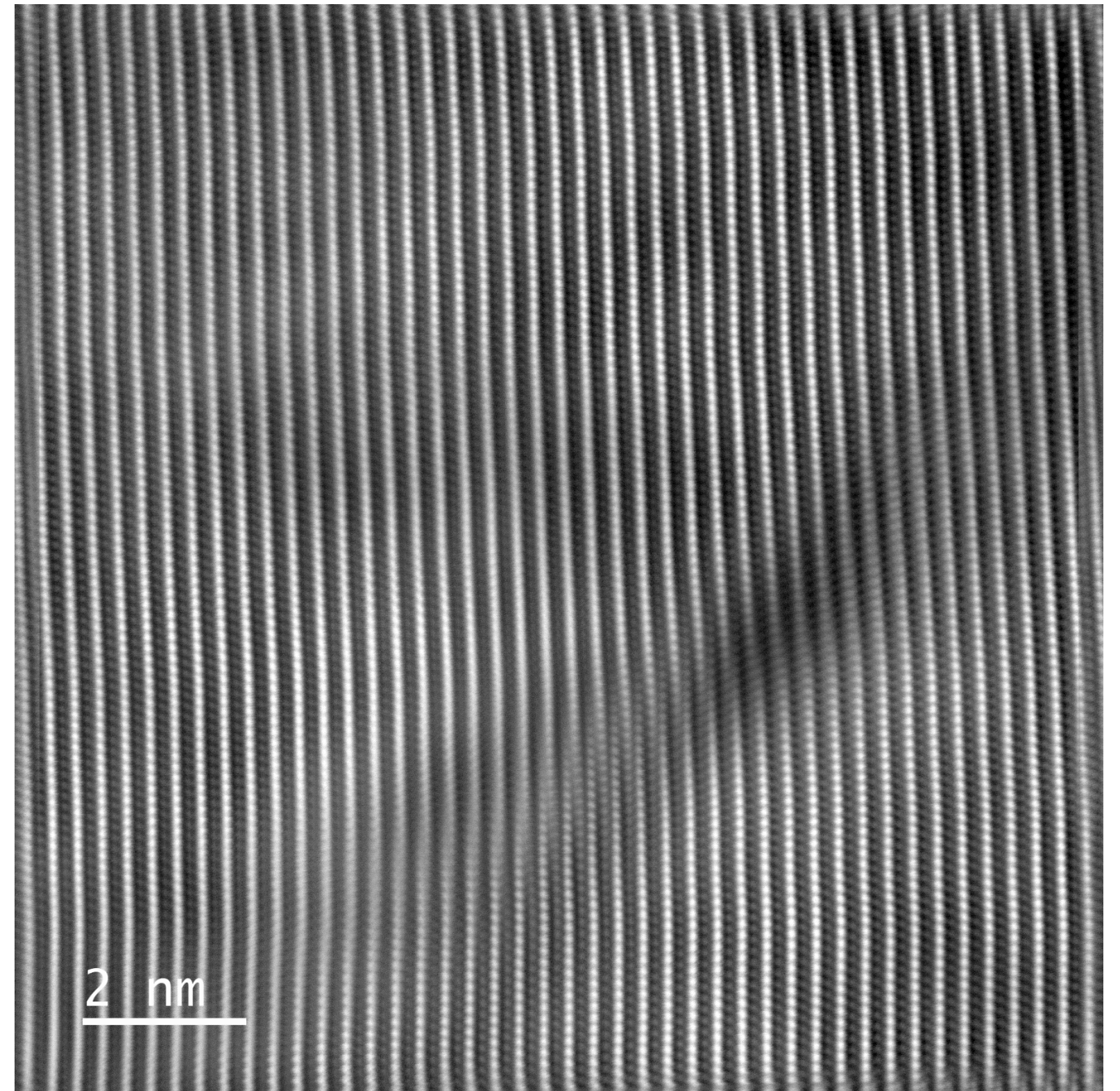
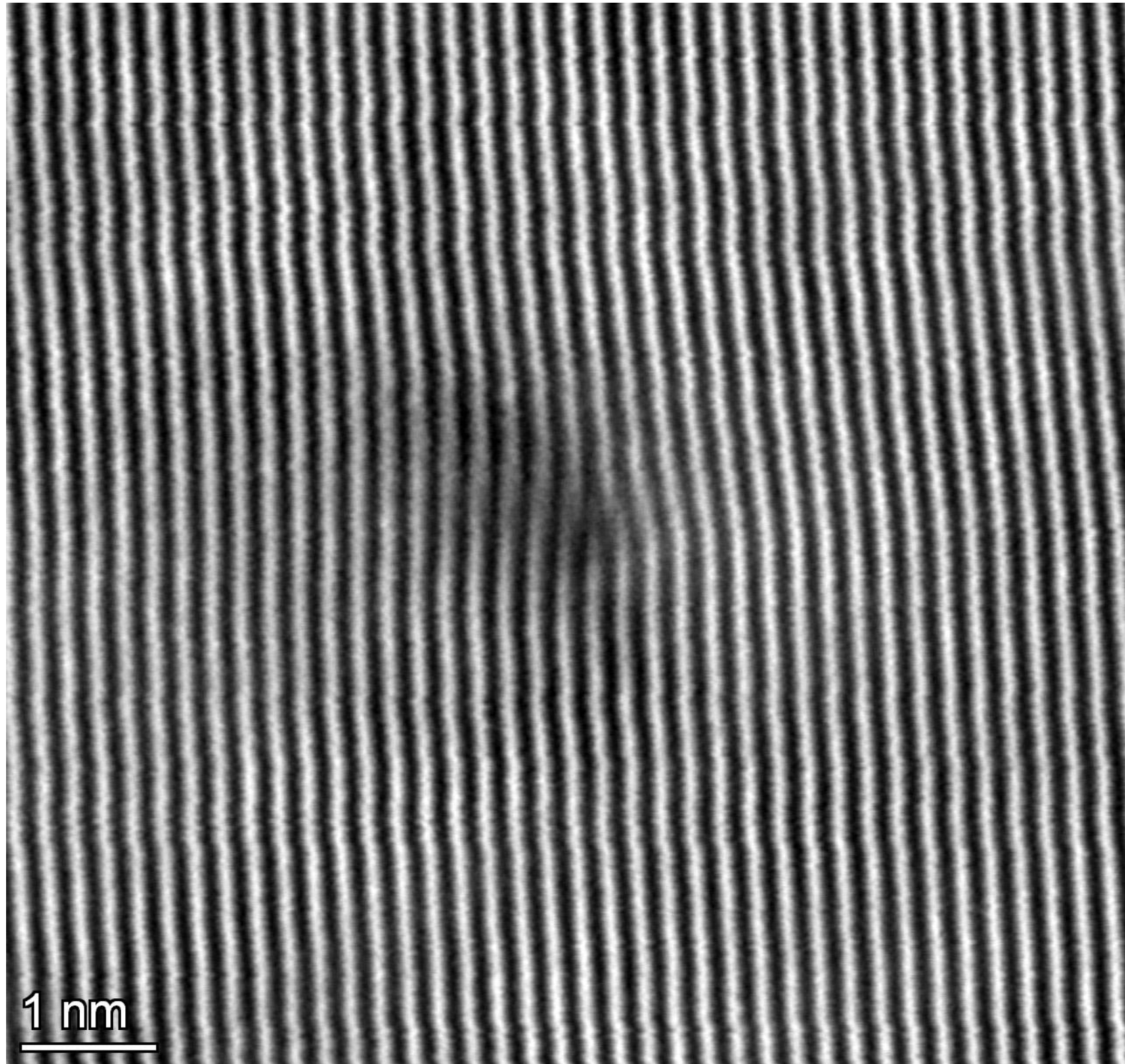
Physics of Materials

Chapter 6: Plastic Deformation: Introduction to the Dislocation model

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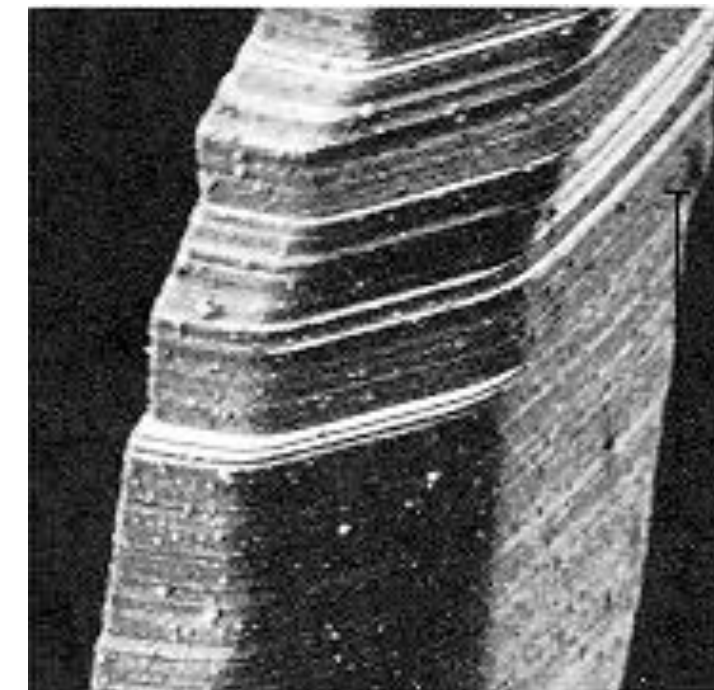
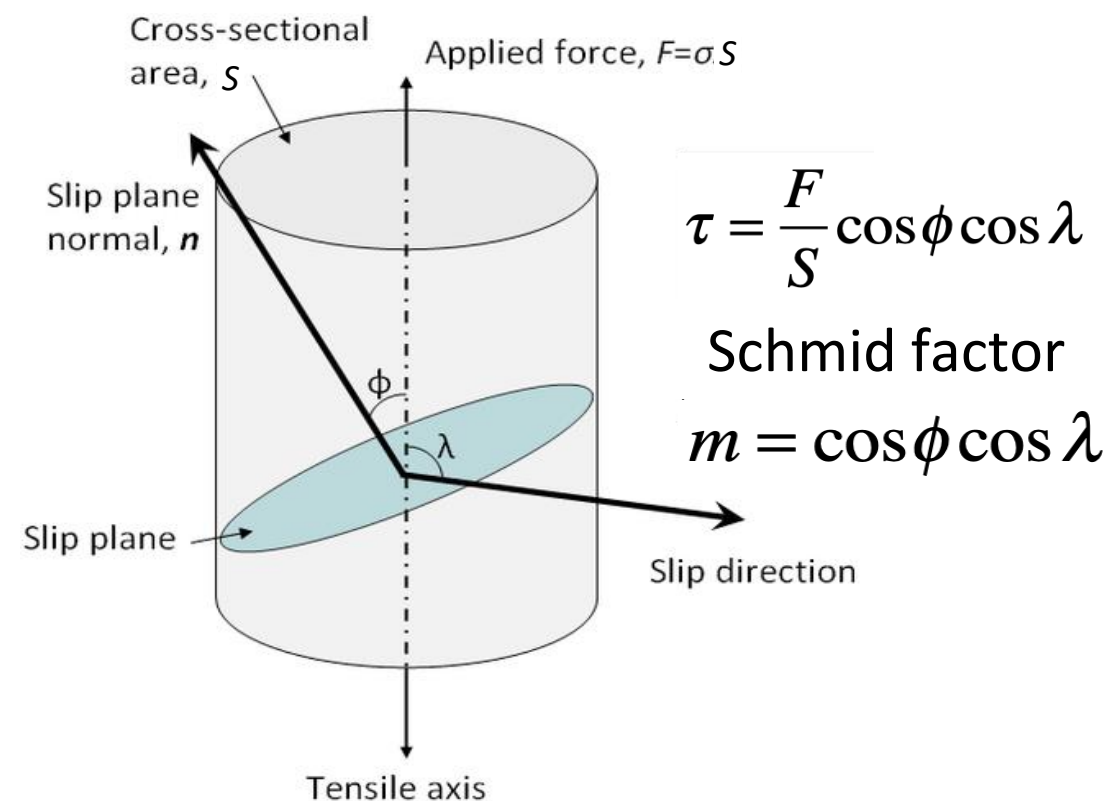
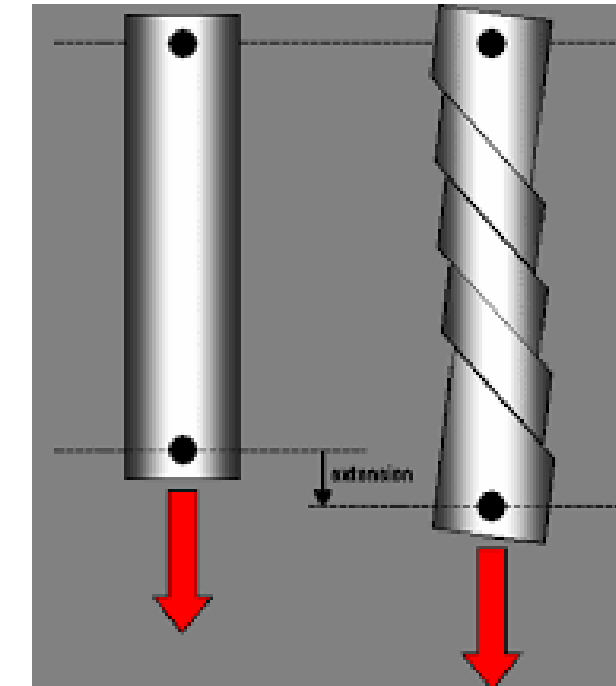
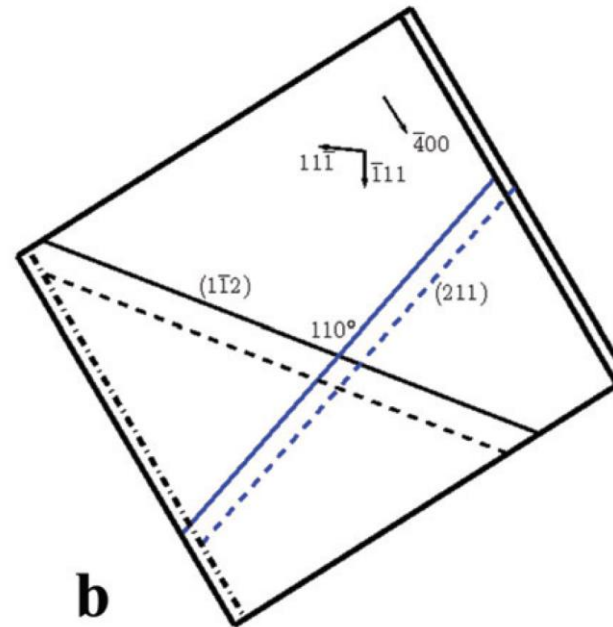
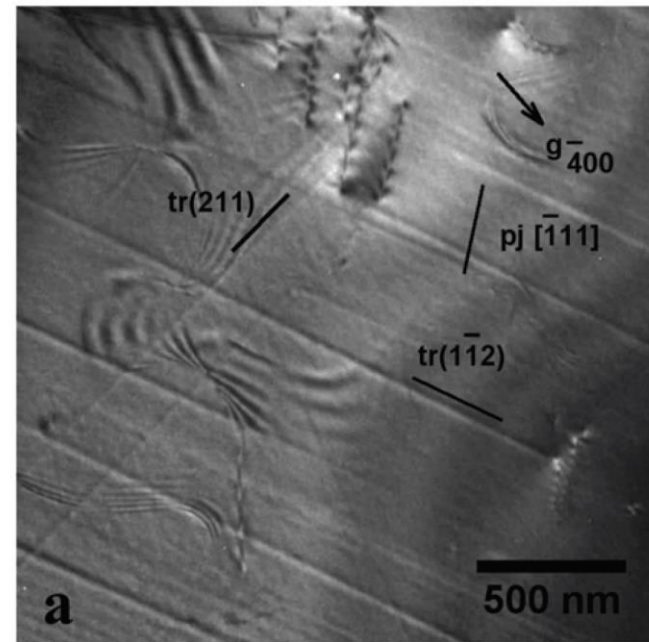
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Dislocations

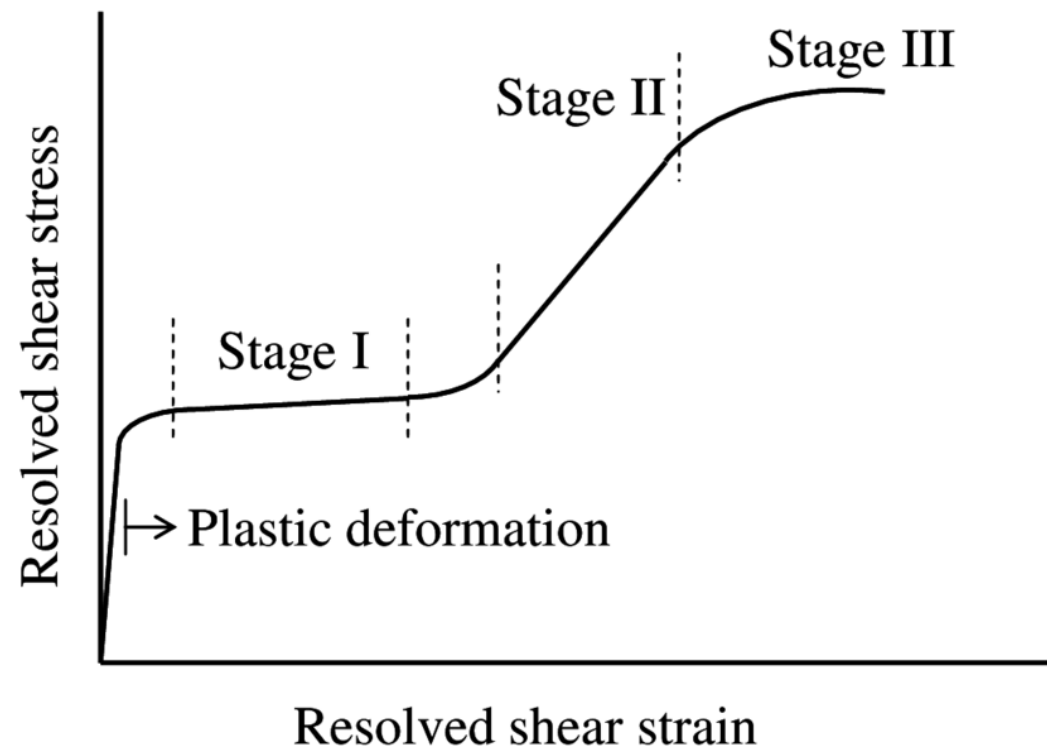
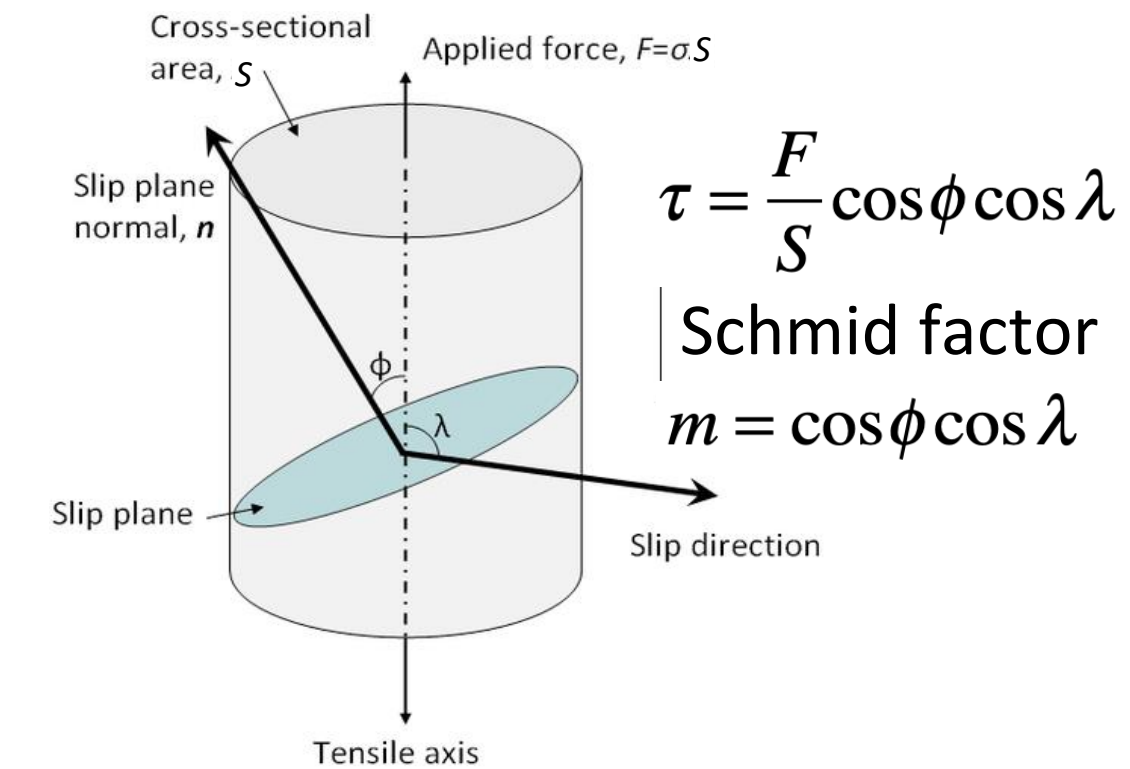


Dislocations were first observed in Single Crystals

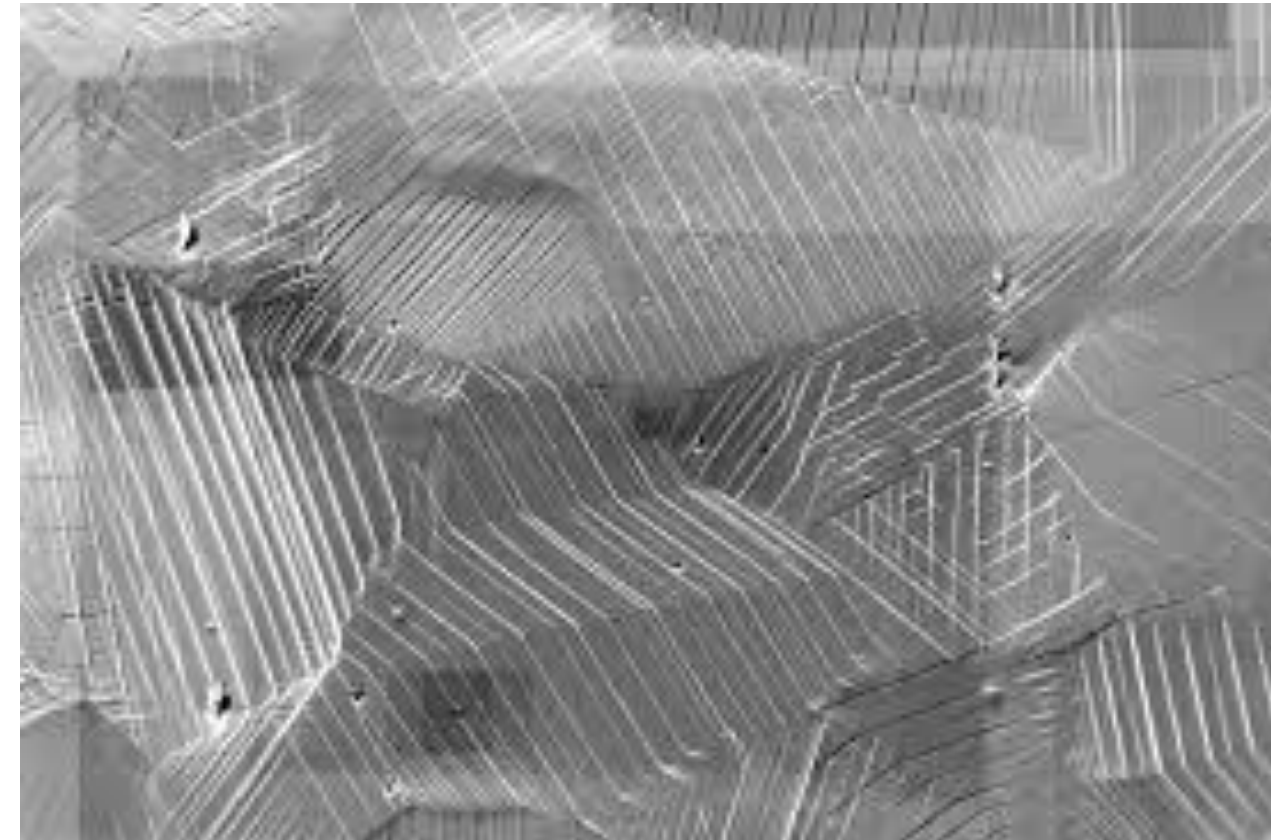
Slip lines in a single-crystal



On the track of dislocations



Slip lines in a polycrystal



- Stage 1: easy glide, dislocation motion
- Stage 2: Hardening from dislocations (with the highest Schmid factor) pile-ups
- Stage 3: hardening from activation of other slip systems and dislocations cutting through each other

Mechanical annealing

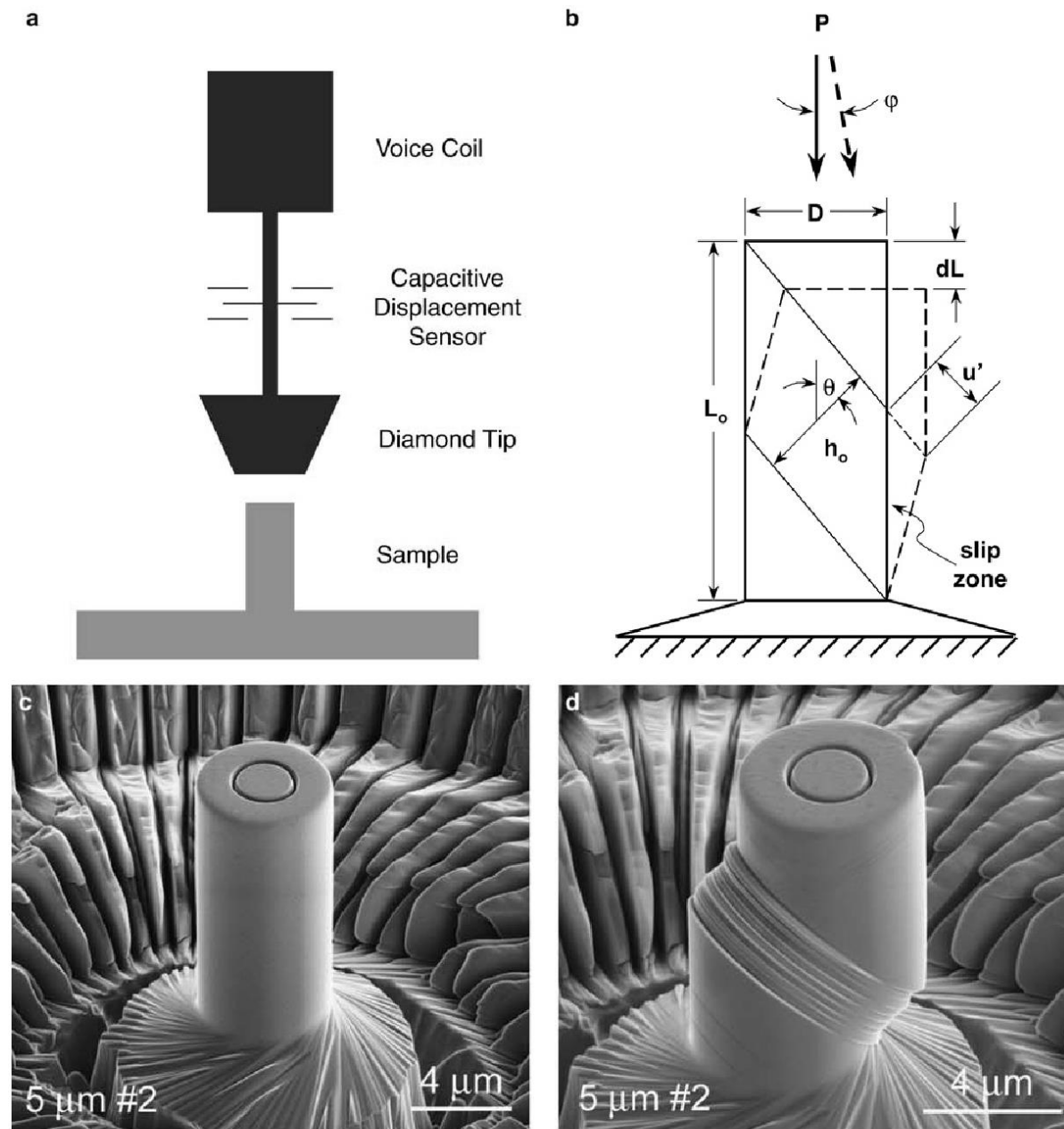
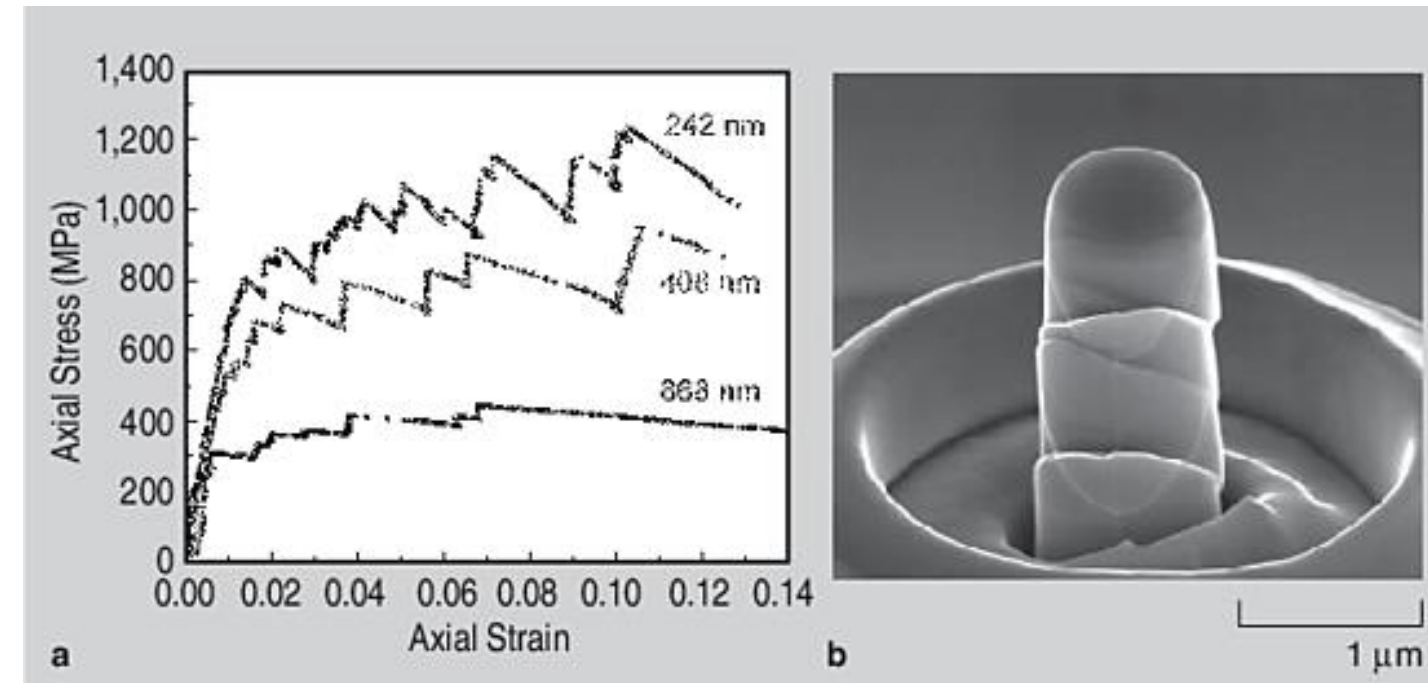
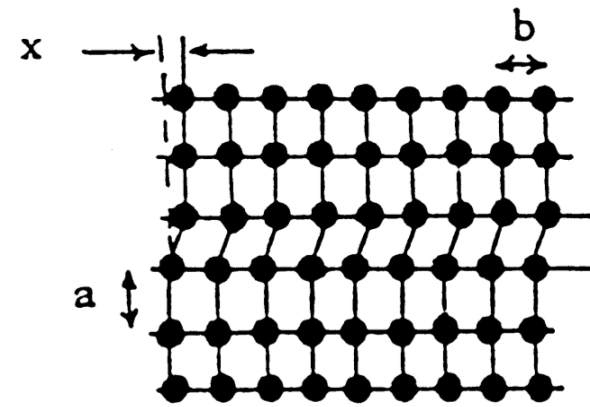


Figure 1

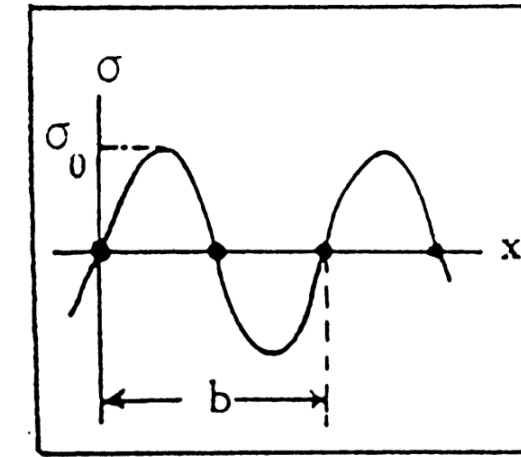


Serrated plasticity relates to the nucleation of dislocation proceeded by the gliding (at lower energy) on the slip plane (activated slip system) associated with the highest Schmid factor for this crystal system and orientation.

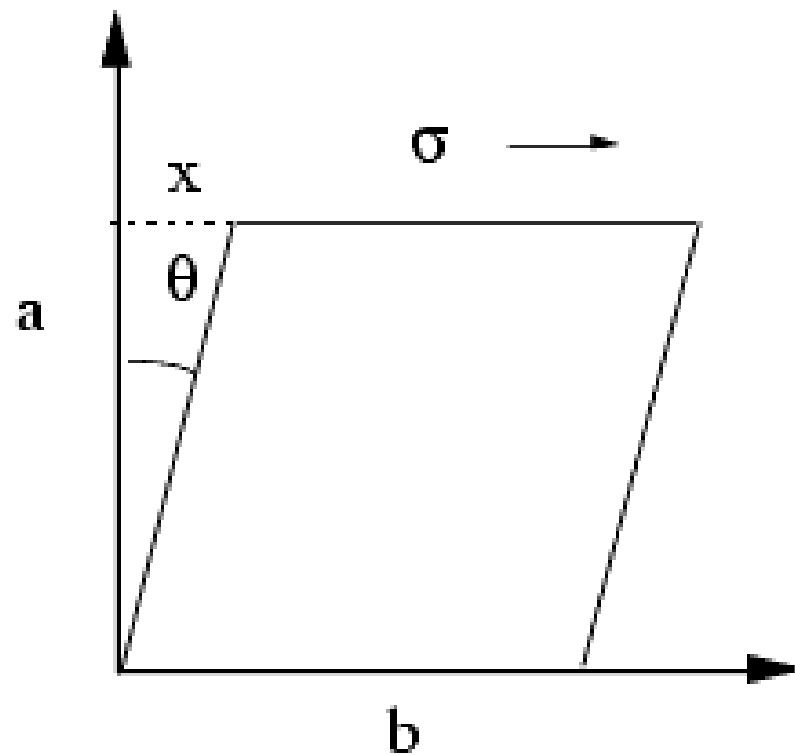
Shear-stress on a crystalline plane



a)



b)



$$\sigma = \sigma_0 \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{b}\right) \approx \sigma_0 \frac{2\pi x}{b}$$

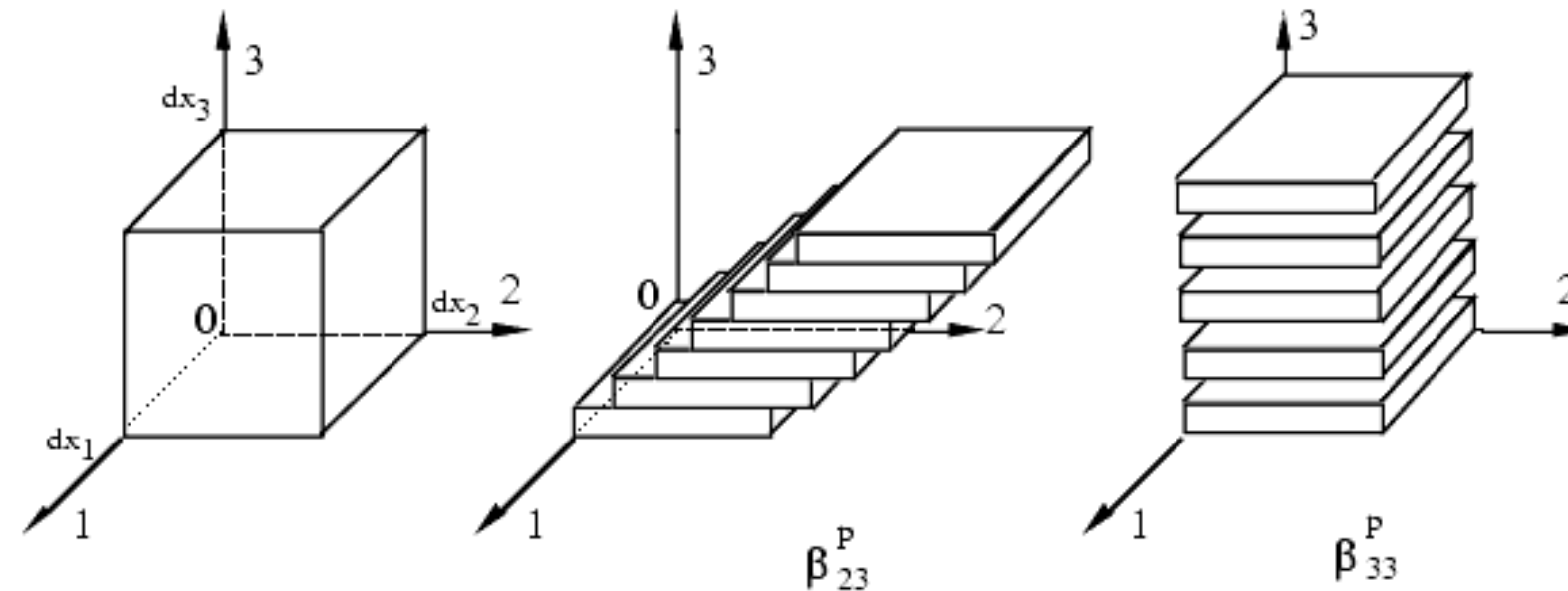
$$\sigma = \mu\theta = \mu \frac{x}{a} \approx \sigma_0 \frac{2\pi x}{b} \quad \sigma_0 = \frac{\mu b}{2\pi a}$$

$$\sigma = \frac{\mu b}{2\pi a} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{b}\right) \text{ Maximum at } x = b/4, a > b$$

For copper

$$\sigma_{cr} \sim \frac{\mu}{10} = 4.5 \text{ GPa but } \sigma_y \sim 30 \text{ MPa}$$

Plastic distortion



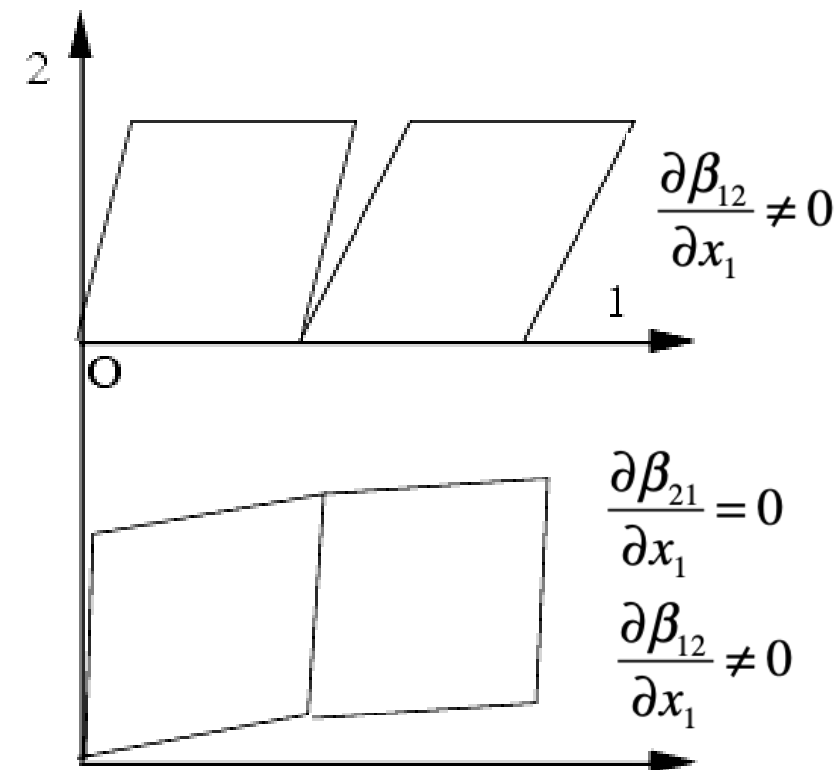
$$du_i^p = \int_0^{dx_j} \left(\frac{\partial u_i^p}{\partial x_j} \right) dx_j = \left(\frac{\partial u_i^p}{\partial x_j} \right) dx_j \quad du_i^p = \beta_{i1}^p dx_1 + \beta_{i2}^p dx_2 + \beta_{i3}^p dx_3 \quad d\vec{u}^p = \bar{\bar{\beta}}^p d\vec{x}$$

$$d\vec{u} = d\vec{u}^p + d\vec{u}^e$$

Incompatible distortion: cracks

Compatible distortion= no cracks

$$\frac{\partial \beta_{21}}{\partial x_1} = \frac{\partial \beta_{31}}{\partial x_1} = 0$$



Plastic distortion

$d\vec{u}$ is an exact total differential thus:

$$d\vec{u} = \frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial x_j} dx_j = \vec{\beta}_j dx_j$$

Cauchy identity $\frac{\partial \vec{\beta}_j}{\partial x_k} = \frac{\partial \vec{\beta}_k}{\partial x_j}$ if $j \neq k$

Physical meaning, the creation of defects during plastic deformation creates residual internal stresses

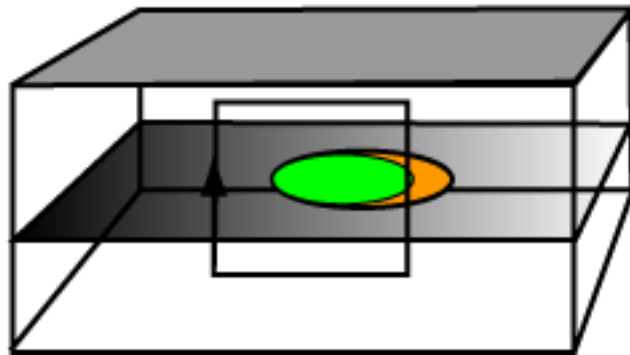
$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \vec{\beta}_3}{\partial x_2} - \frac{\partial \vec{\beta}_2}{\partial x_3} \\ \frac{\partial \vec{\beta}_1}{\partial x_3} - \frac{\partial \vec{\beta}_3}{\partial x_1} \\ \frac{\partial \vec{\beta}_2}{\partial x_1} - \frac{\partial \vec{\beta}_1}{\partial x_2} \end{bmatrix} = 0 = \overrightarrow{rot} \vec{\beta} \quad \text{No cracks!}$$

$$\overrightarrow{rot} \vec{\beta}^e = -\overrightarrow{rot} \vec{\beta}^p = \vec{\alpha}$$

Compatibility

$$\overline{\overline{\alpha}} = \overrightarrow{rot} \overline{\overline{\beta^e}} = -\overrightarrow{rot} \overline{\overline{\beta^p}}$$

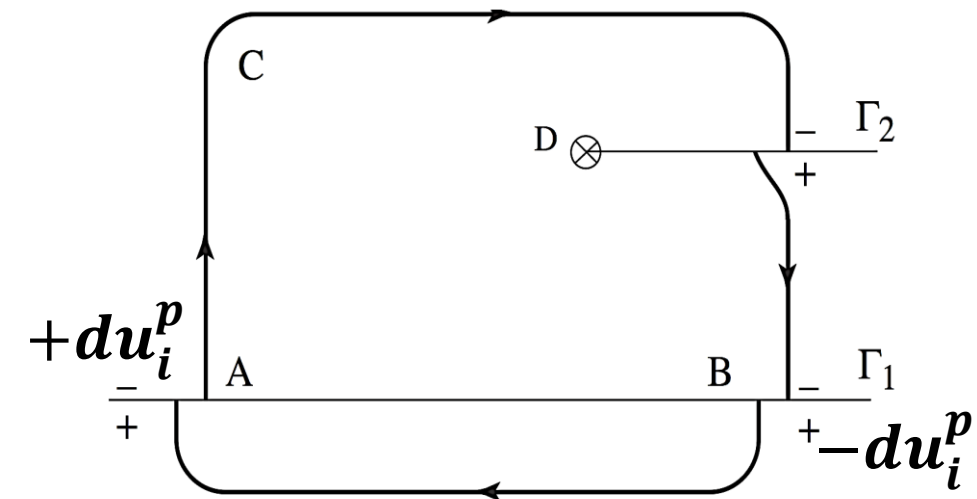
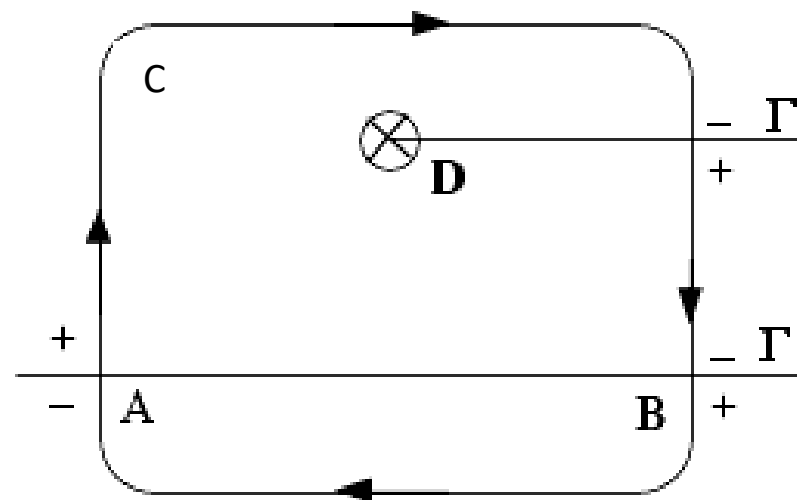
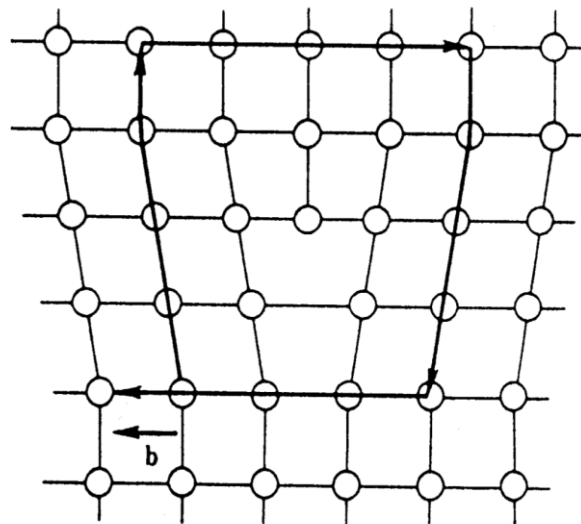
$$\iint \overline{\overline{\alpha}} d\vec{S} = \iint \overrightarrow{rot} \overline{\overline{\beta^e}} d\vec{S} = \oint \overline{\overline{\beta^e}} d\vec{x} = \oint \overline{\overline{\beta_j^e}} dx_j = \oint d\vec{u^e}$$



Burgers vector

$$\vec{b} = \oint d\vec{u^e} = -\oint d\vec{u^p} = \iint \overline{\overline{\alpha}} d\vec{S}$$

$$\alpha_{ij} = \frac{\Delta b_i}{\Delta S_j}$$



Analogy with electromagnetism

$$\vec{b} = \oint_C \vec{\beta}^e d\vec{x} \qquad i = \oint_C \vec{H} d\vec{l}$$

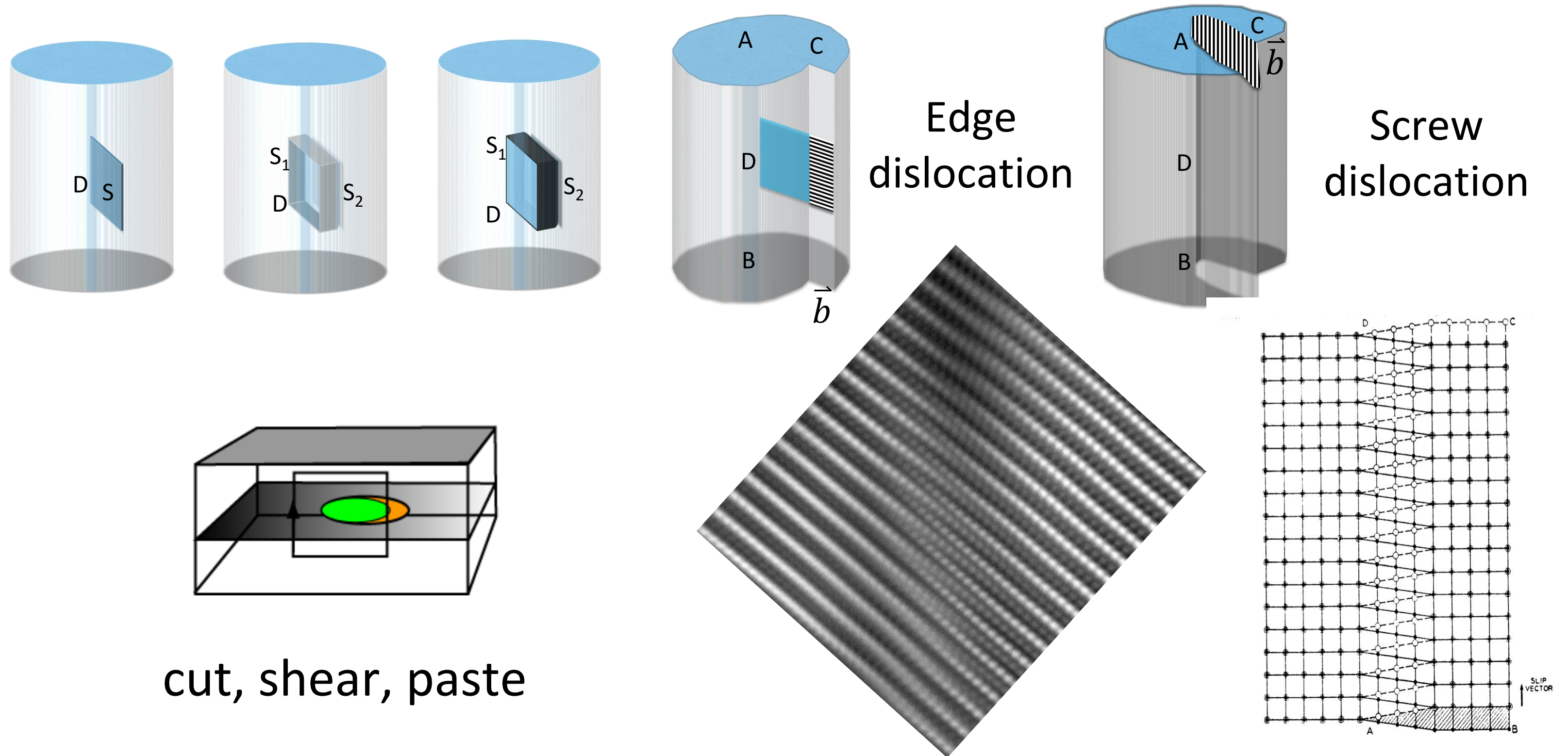
$$\vec{b} \leftrightarrow i \qquad \vec{\beta}^e \leftrightarrow \vec{H}$$

$$\vec{\alpha} = \text{rot } \beta^e \qquad \vec{j} = \text{rot } \vec{H}$$

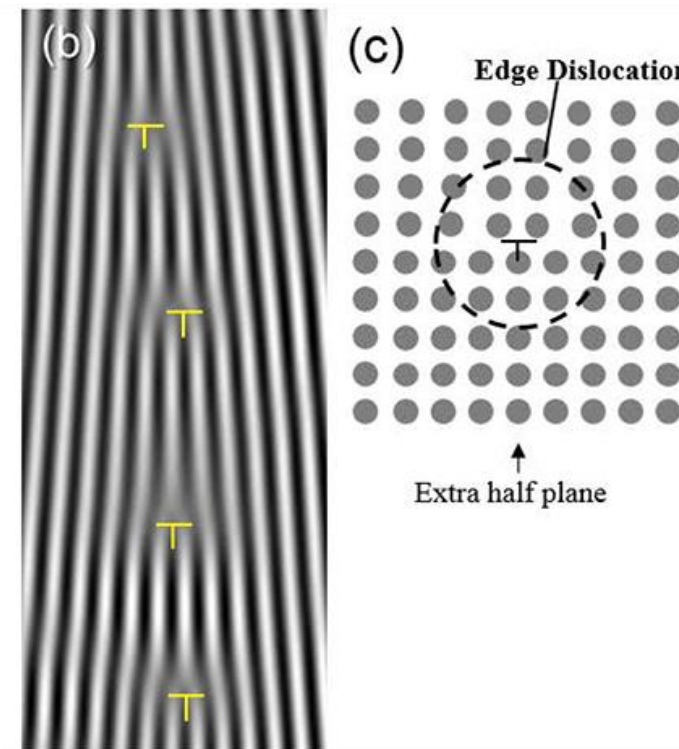
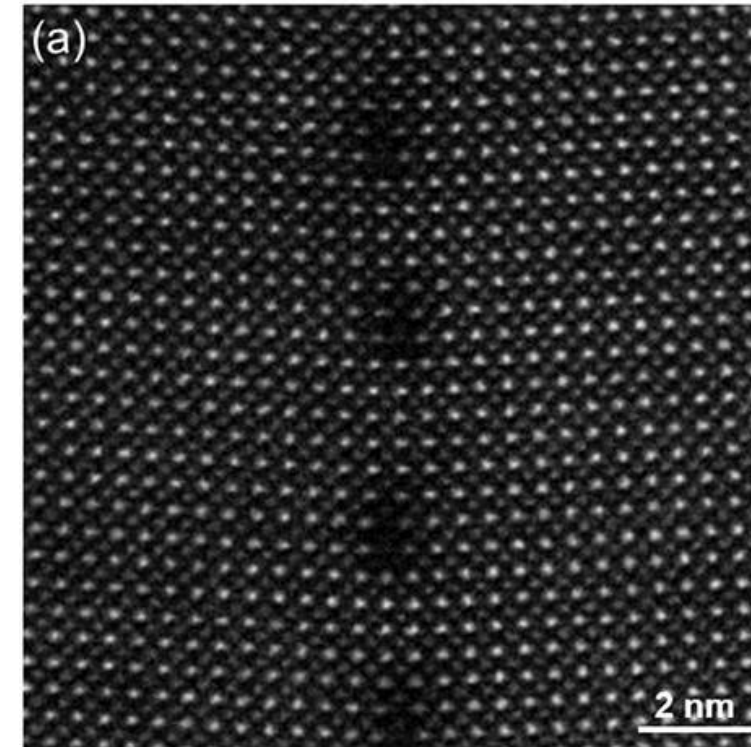
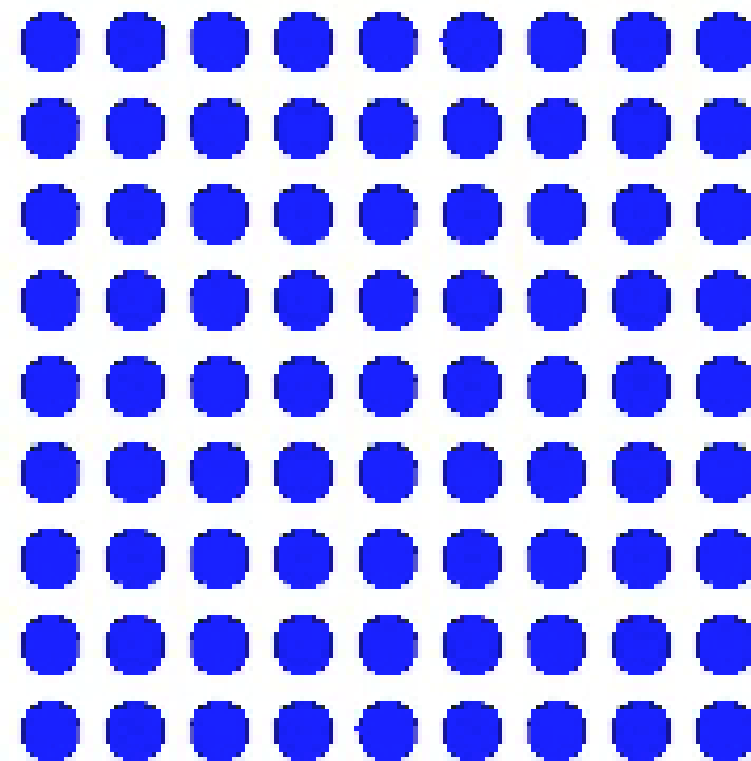
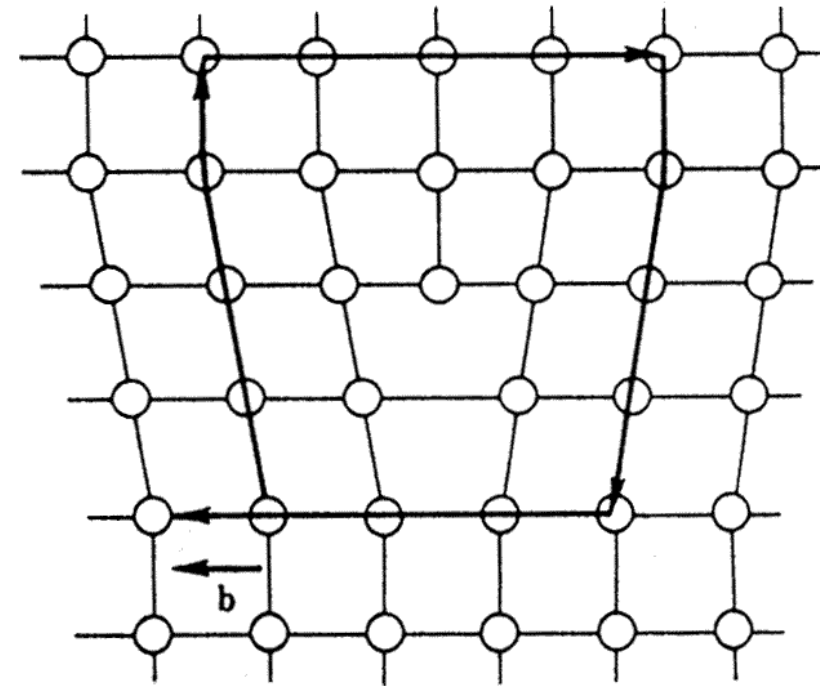
$$\text{div } \vec{\alpha} = 0 \qquad \text{div } \vec{j} = 0$$

Dislocations induce internal stress fields like
current flowing in wire induces magnetic fields

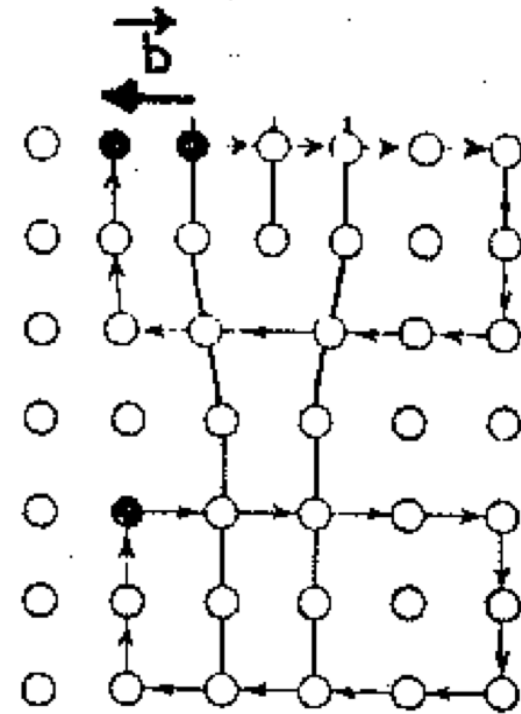
Continuum: Volterra dislocations (1860-1940)



Transposition to the crystalline lattice: Burgers vectors

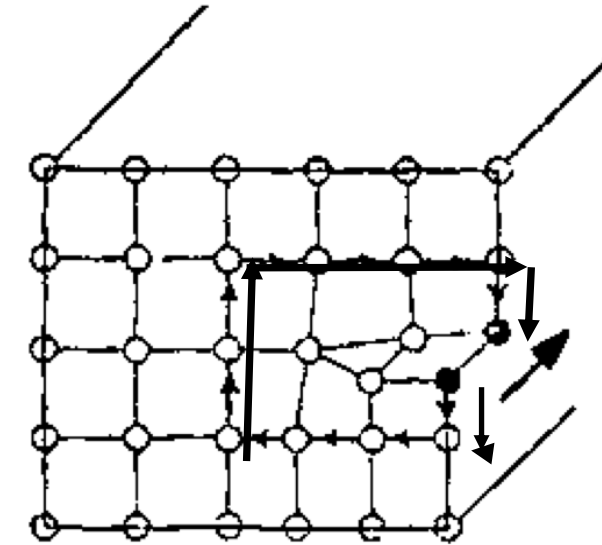


Slip plane



$\vec{b}$ and $\vec{\xi}$ are perpendicular

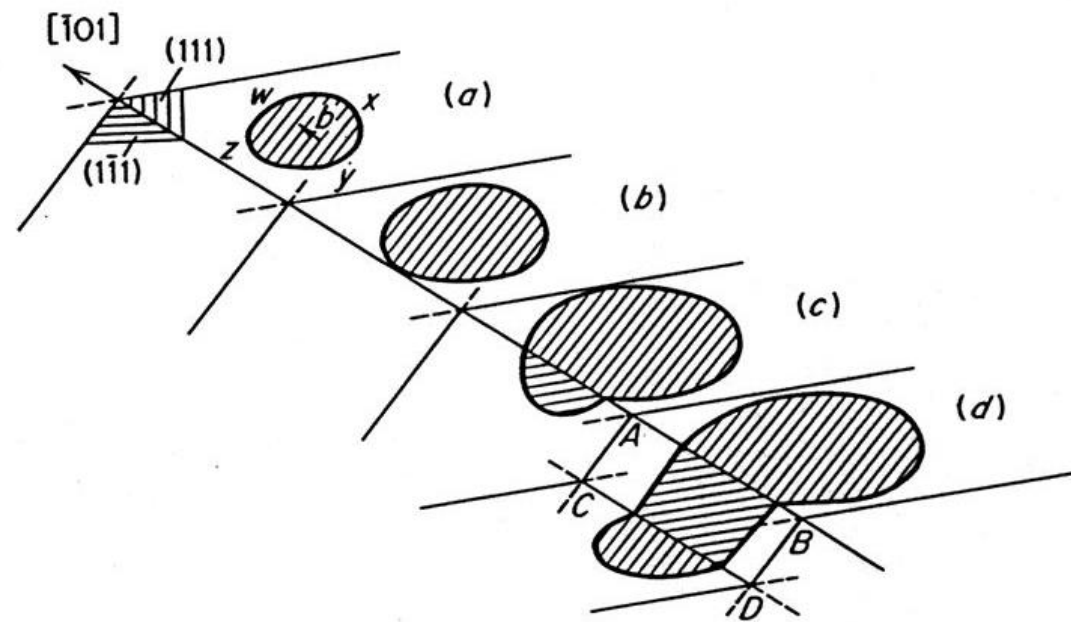
Edge



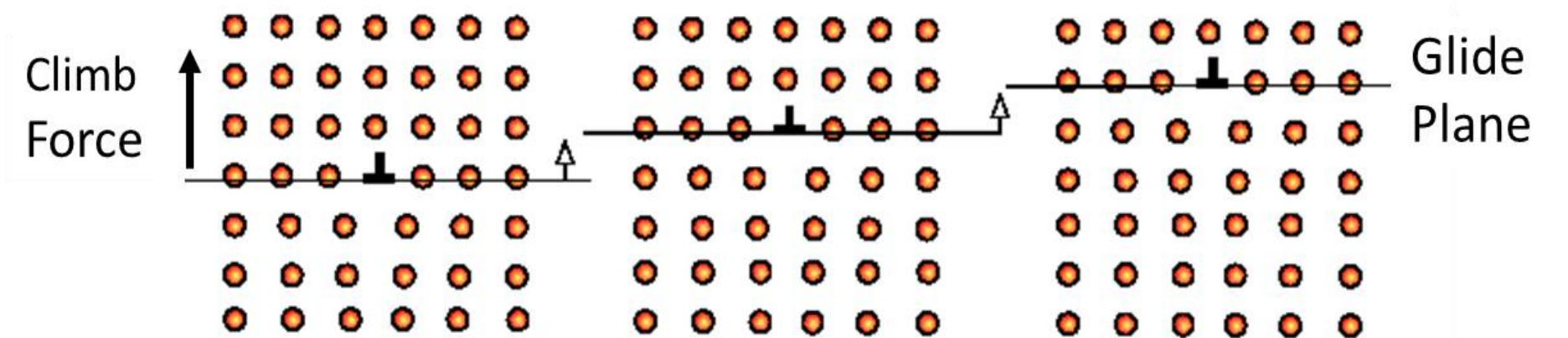
$\vec{b}$ and $\vec{\xi}$ are parallel

Screw

Cross slip



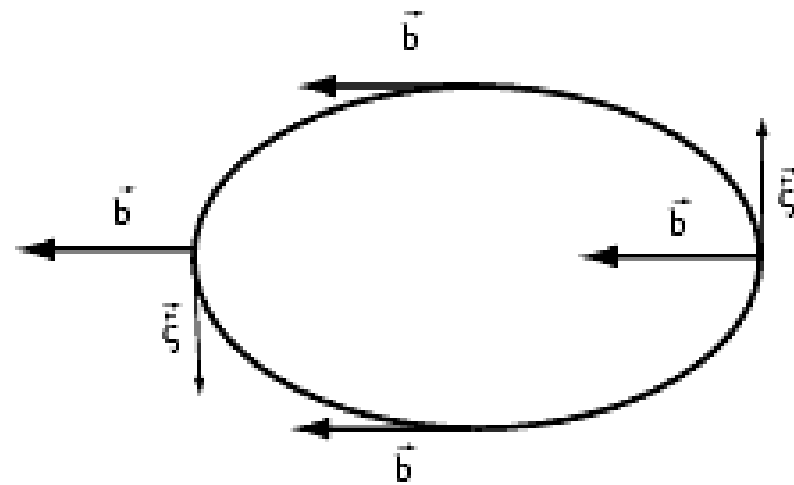
Climb



Properties of the Burgers vector

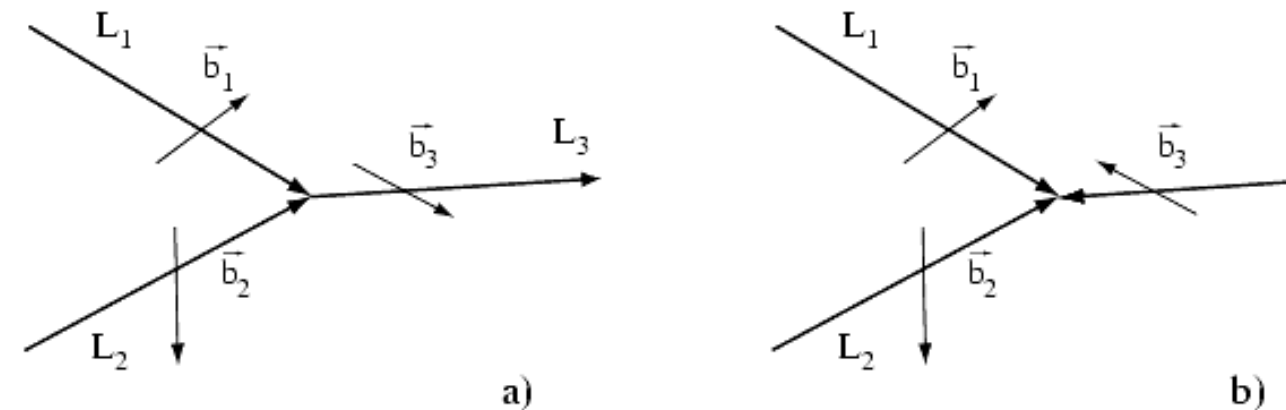
Equivalent of the Kirchhoff laws

Conservation (mesh rule)



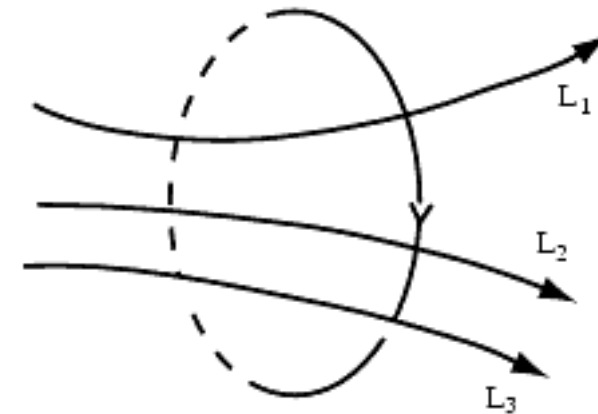
$\vec{b}$ is constant

Sum at a node



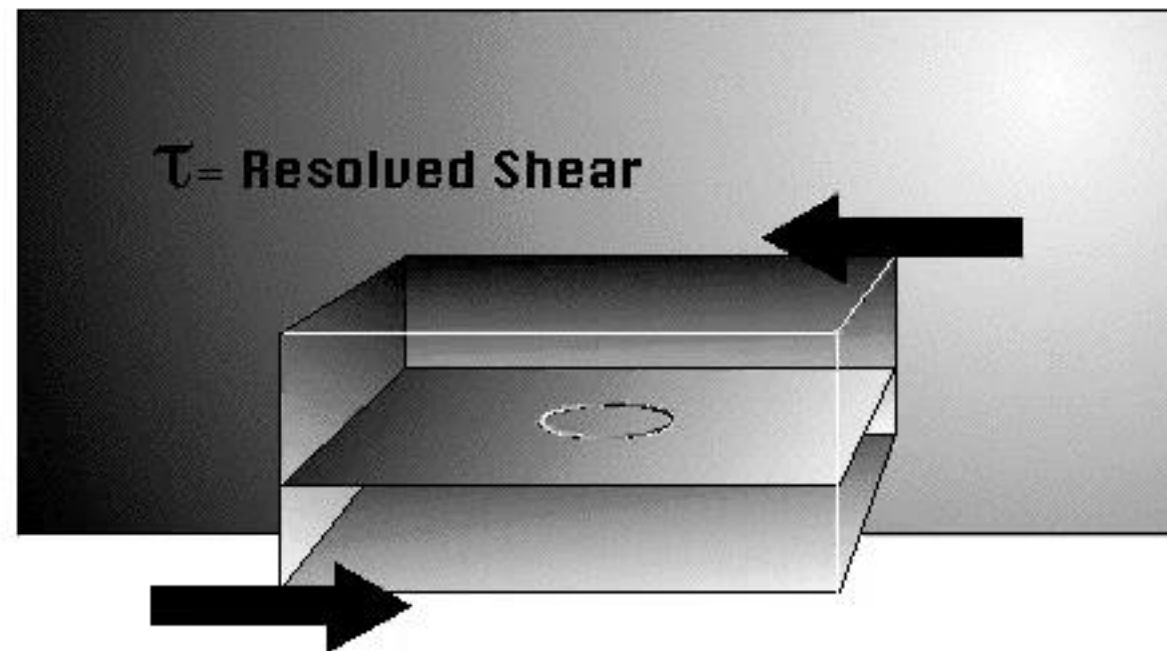
$$\vec{b}_3 = \vec{b}_1 + \vec{b}_2$$

additivity

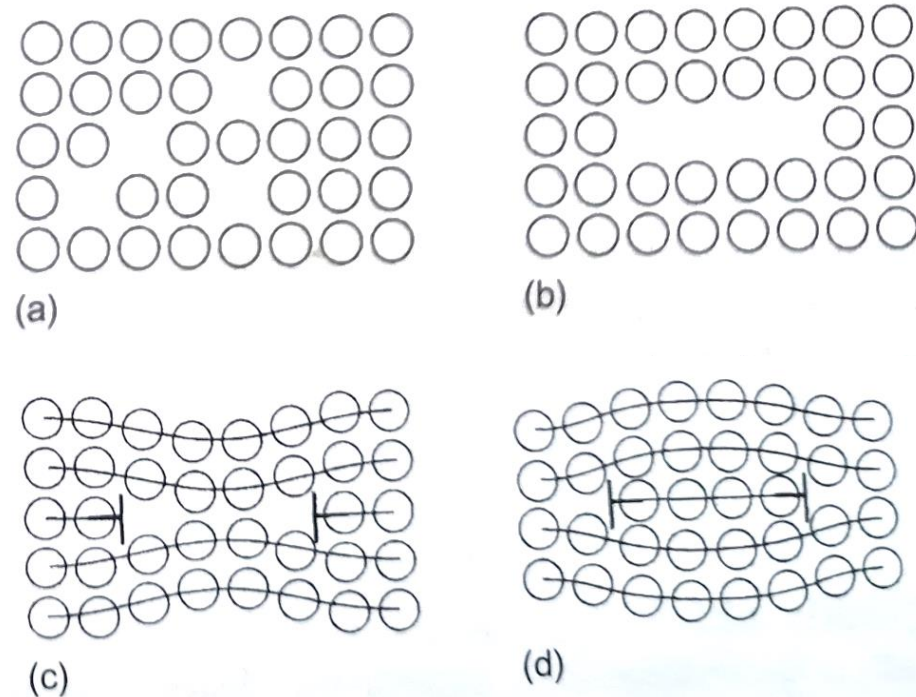


$$\vec{b} = \vec{b}_1 + \vec{b}_2 + \vec{b}_3$$

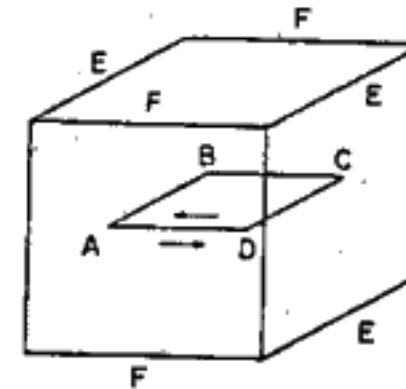
Dislocation loops



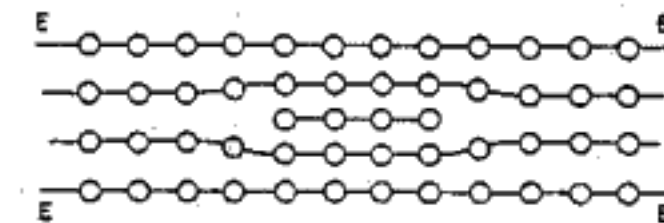
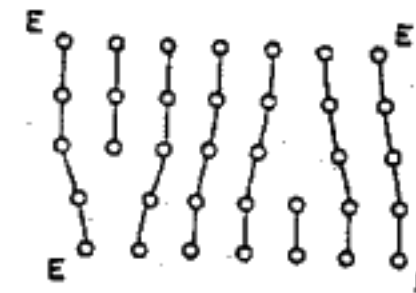
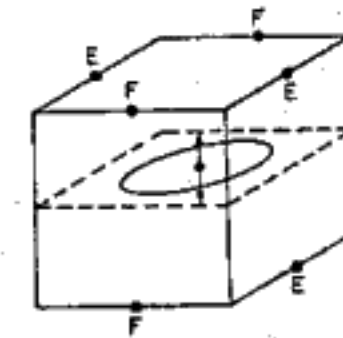
Formation of dislocation loops
in irradiation



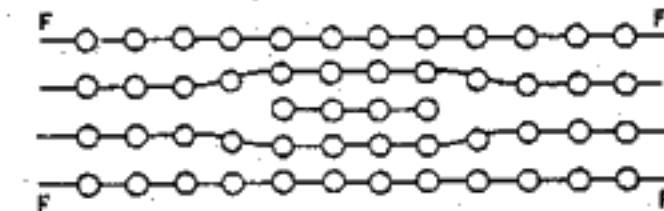
Slipping



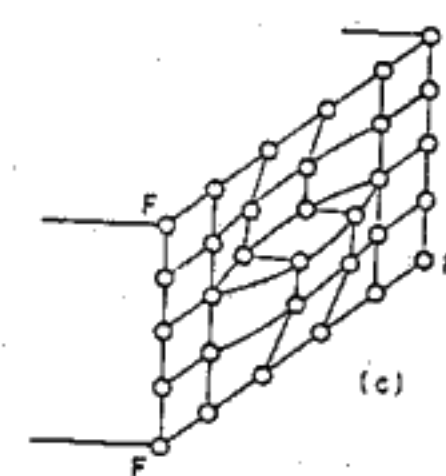
Prismatic



(b)



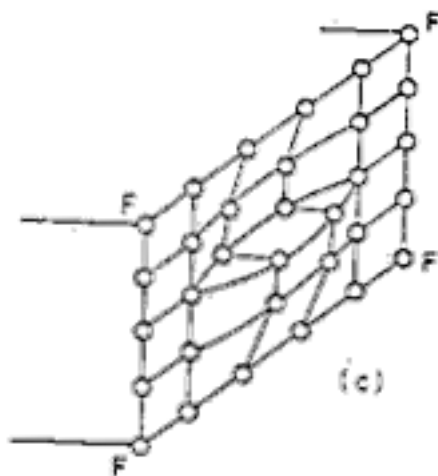
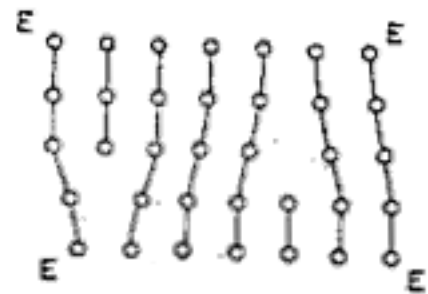
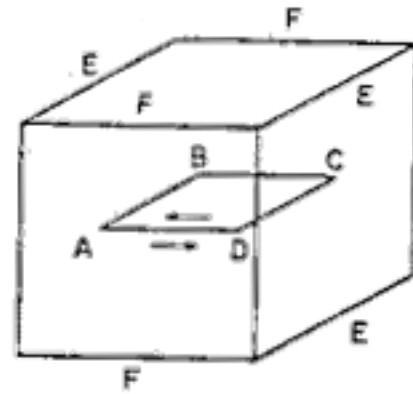
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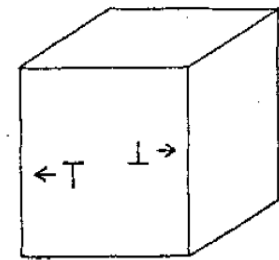
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Dislocation loops

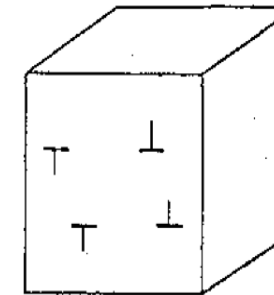
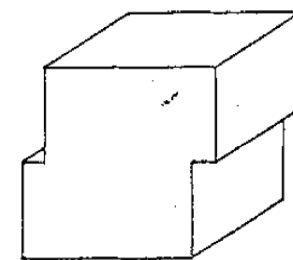
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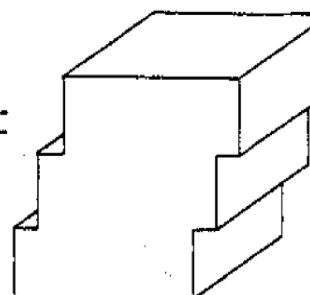
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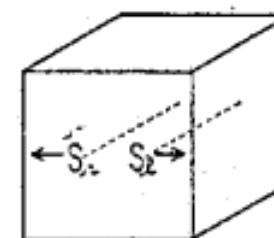
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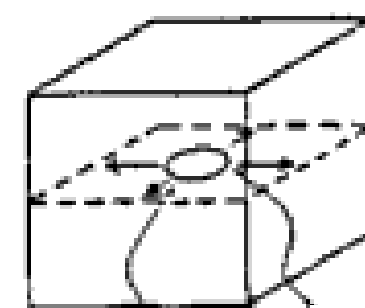
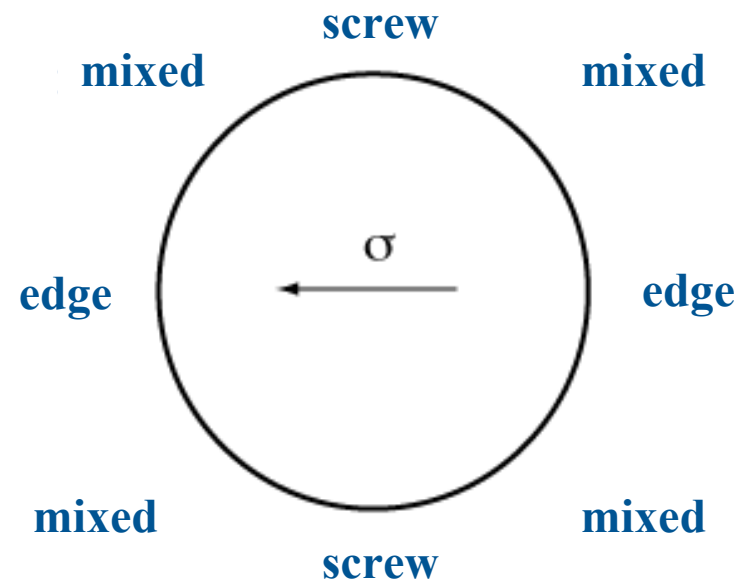
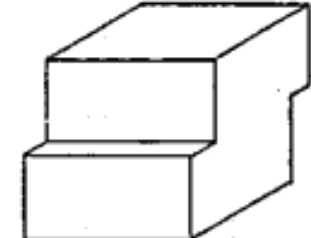
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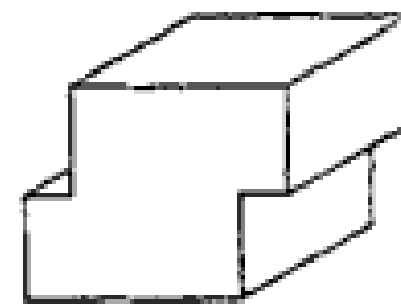
Screw components



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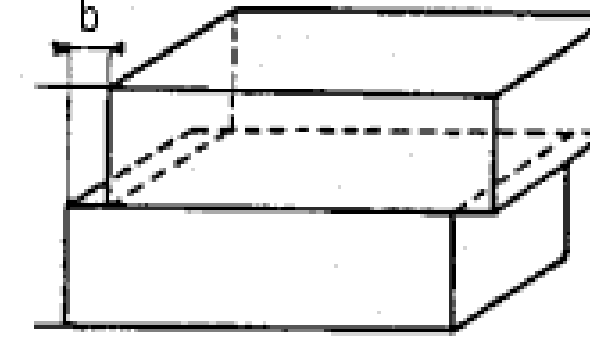
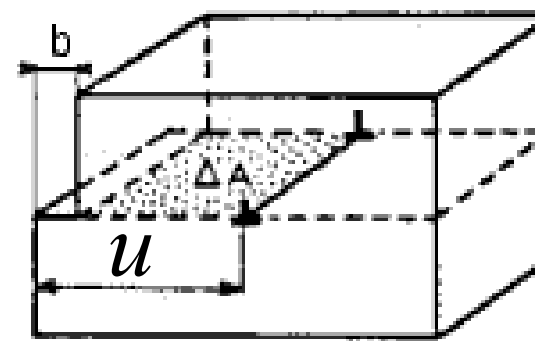
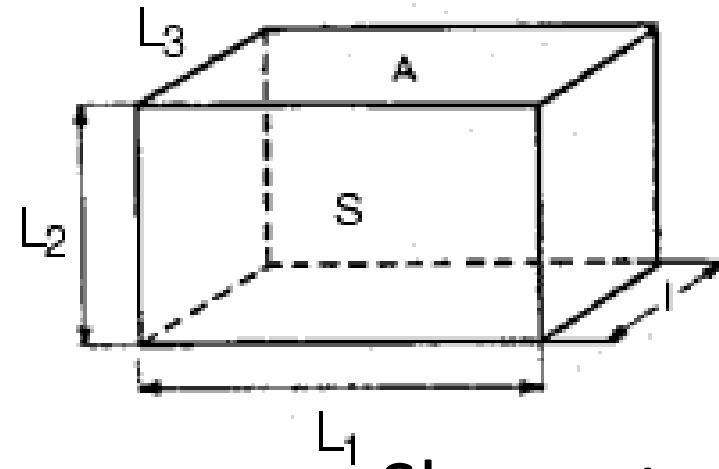


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Edge
Screw

Orowan equation

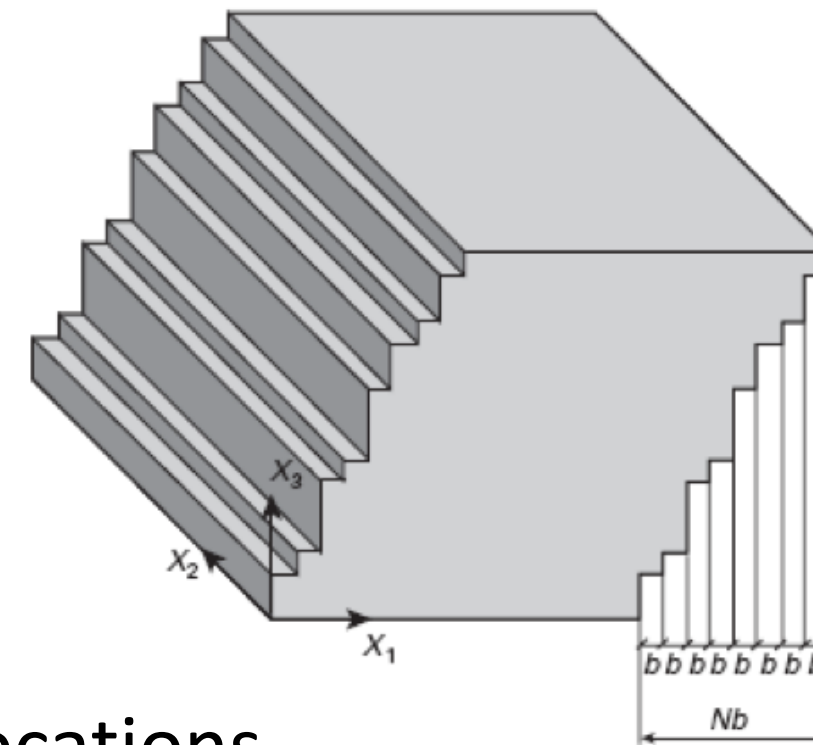


Shear-strain: $\epsilon = \frac{b}{L_2}$

Partial displacement

$$\epsilon = \frac{b}{L_2} \frac{u}{L_1} = \frac{b}{S} u$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{b}{L_2} \frac{u}{L_1} \frac{L_3}{L_3} = \frac{b}{V} \Delta A$$



Many dislocations: density of dislocations

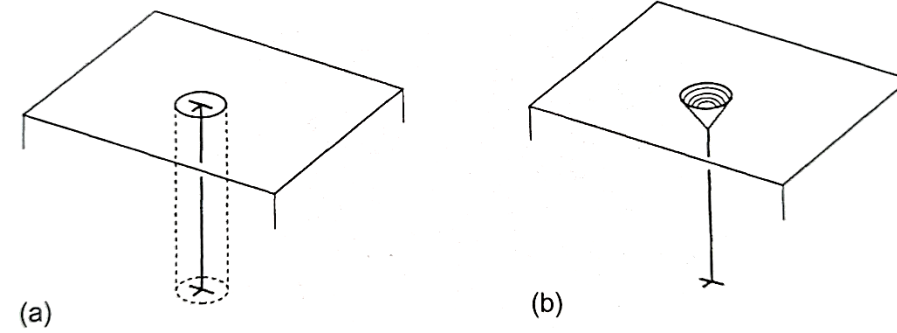
$$\epsilon = \frac{N}{V} b \cdot \Delta A \quad \epsilon = \frac{N}{S} b \cdot u \quad \Lambda = \frac{N}{S} = \frac{N \cdot L_3}{V}$$

$$\dot{\epsilon} = \Lambda b \dot{u} = \Lambda b v$$

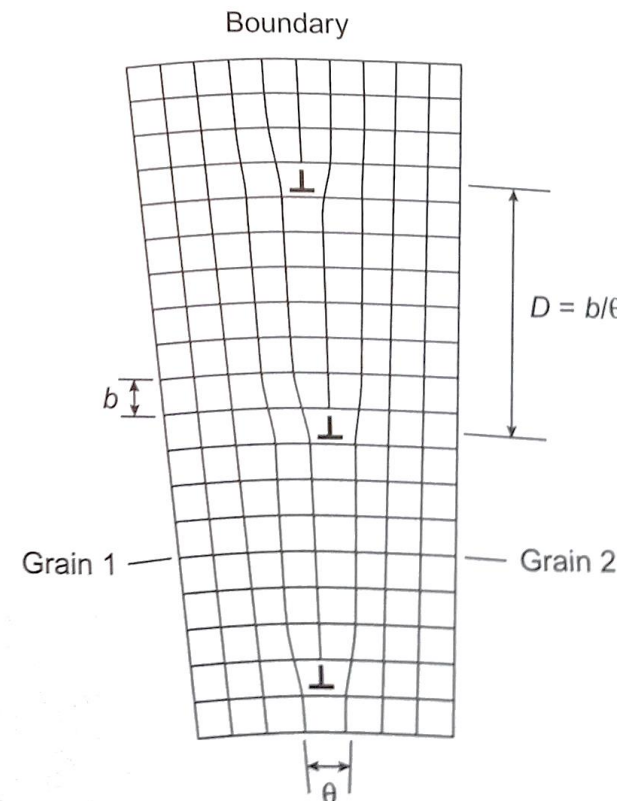
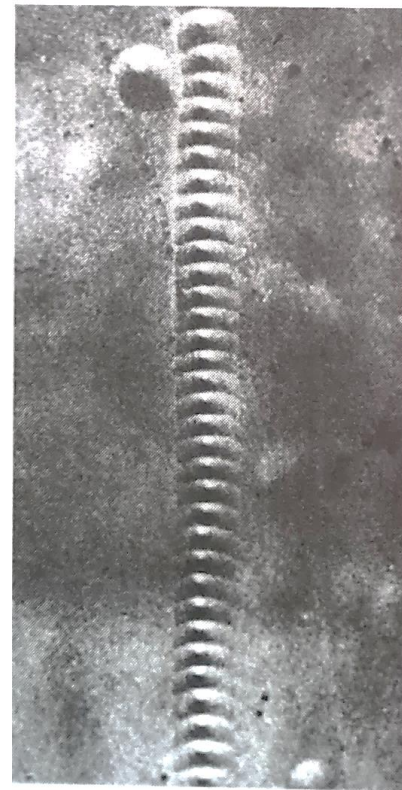
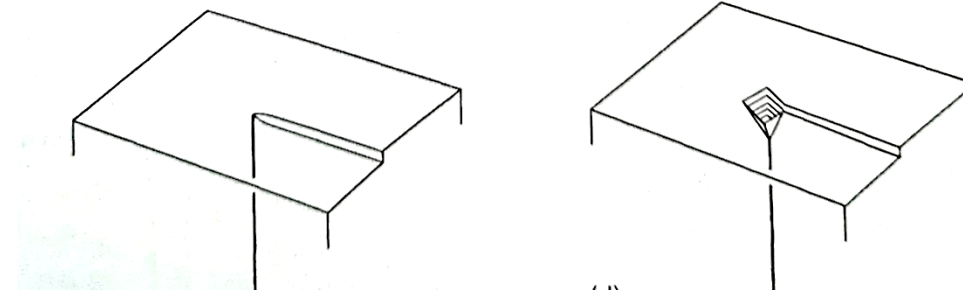
Orowan's equation

Etch pits

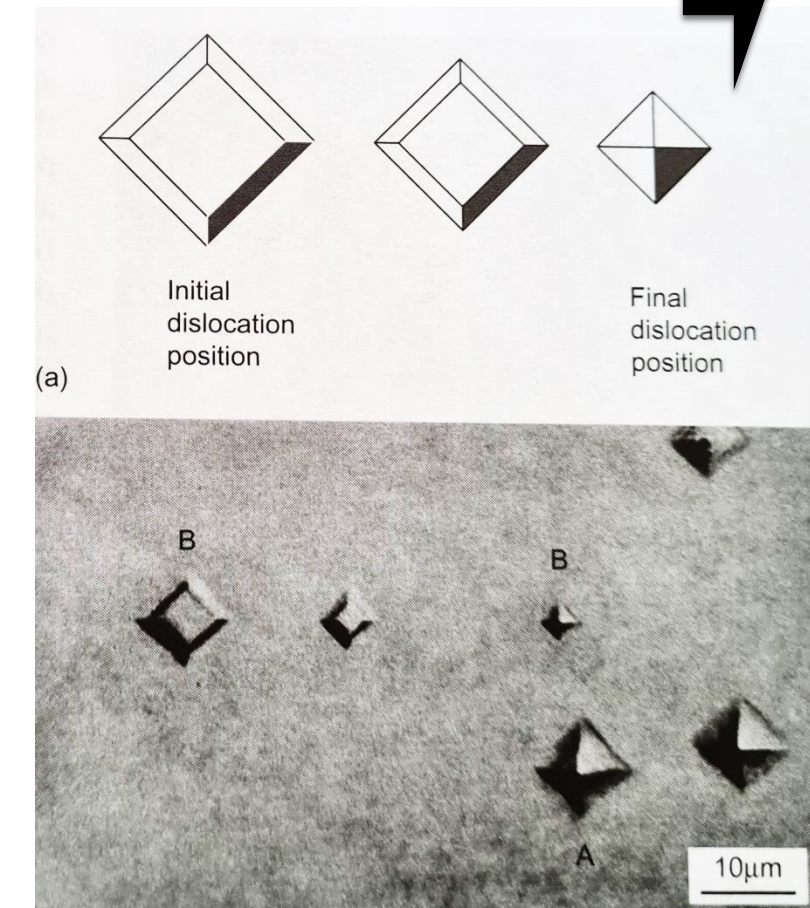
Edge



Screw

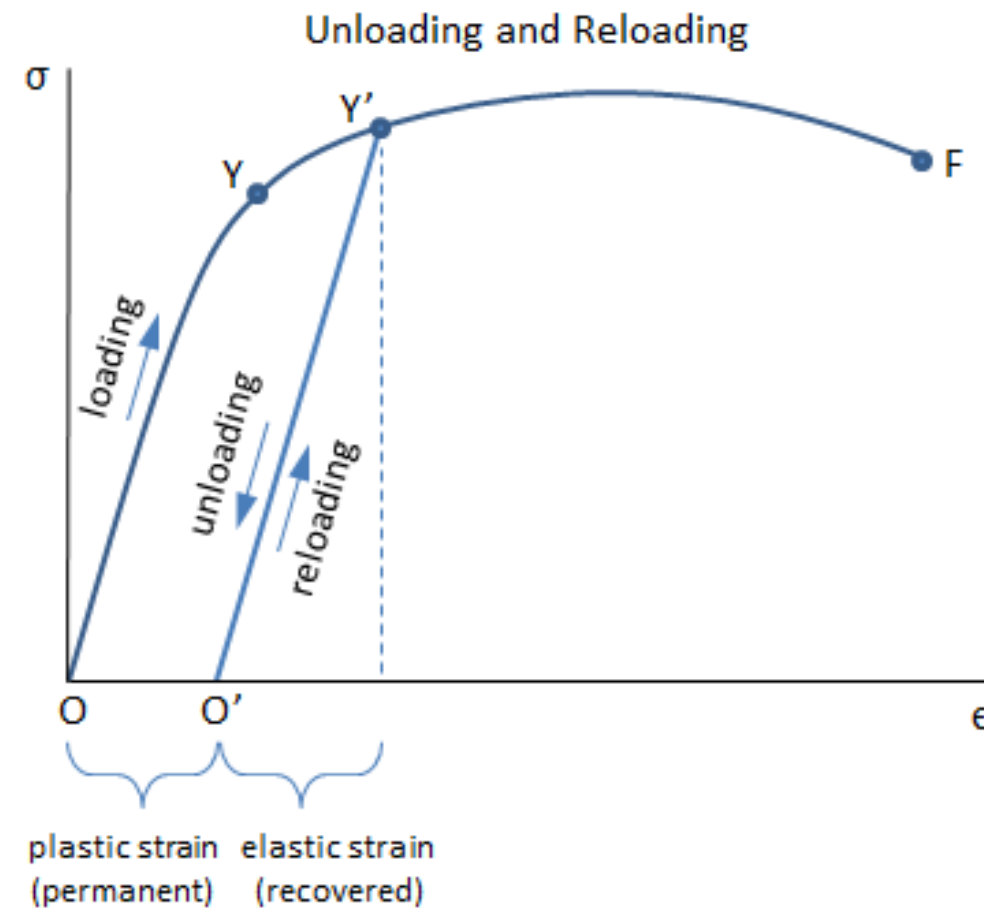


Dislocation motion



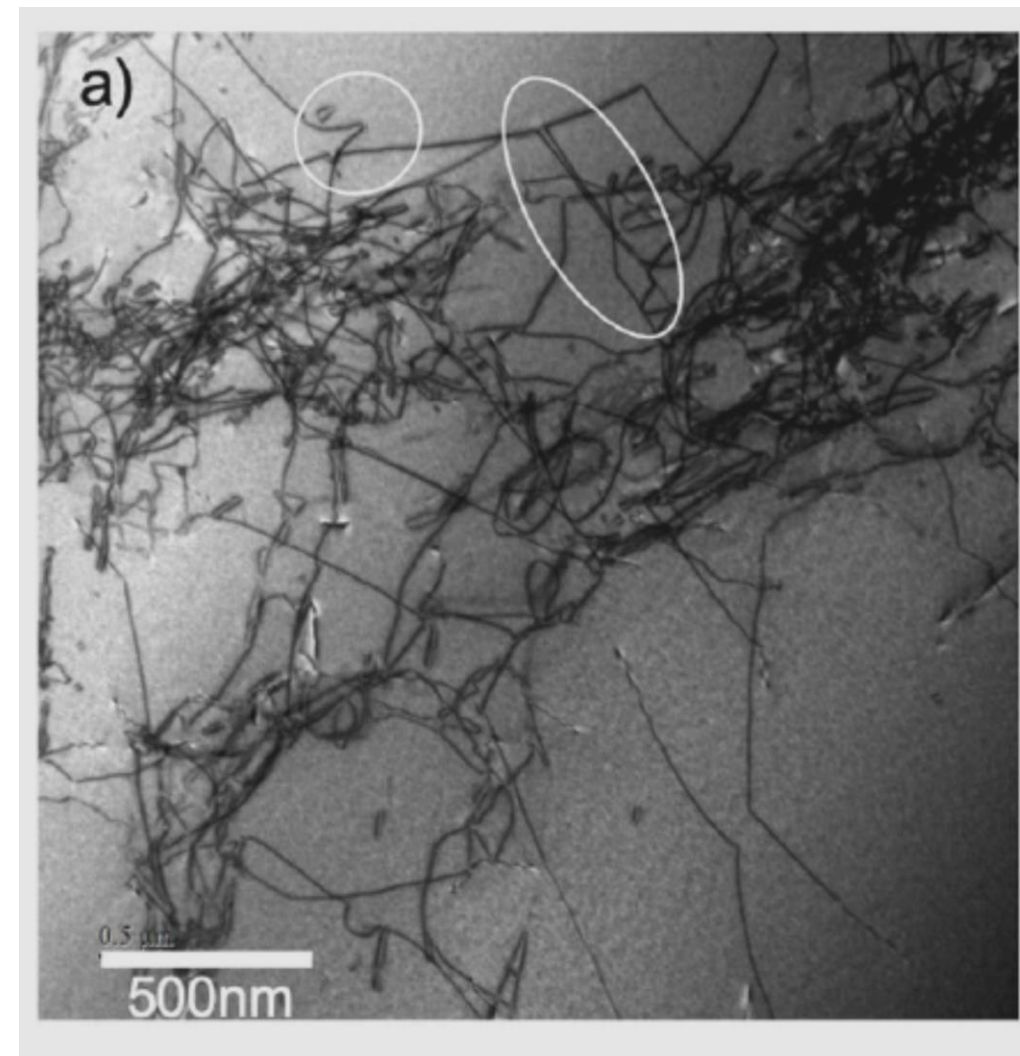
Etch pits along the grain boundaries having a dislocation network

Strain hardening: multiplying dislocations

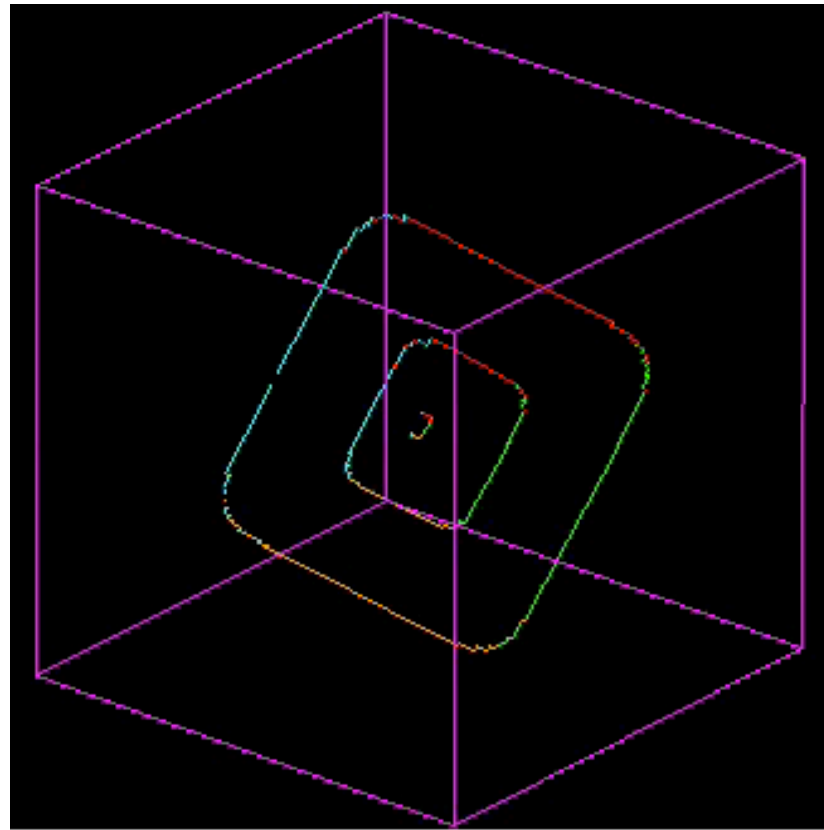


Tensile curve:
increase of the elastic limit

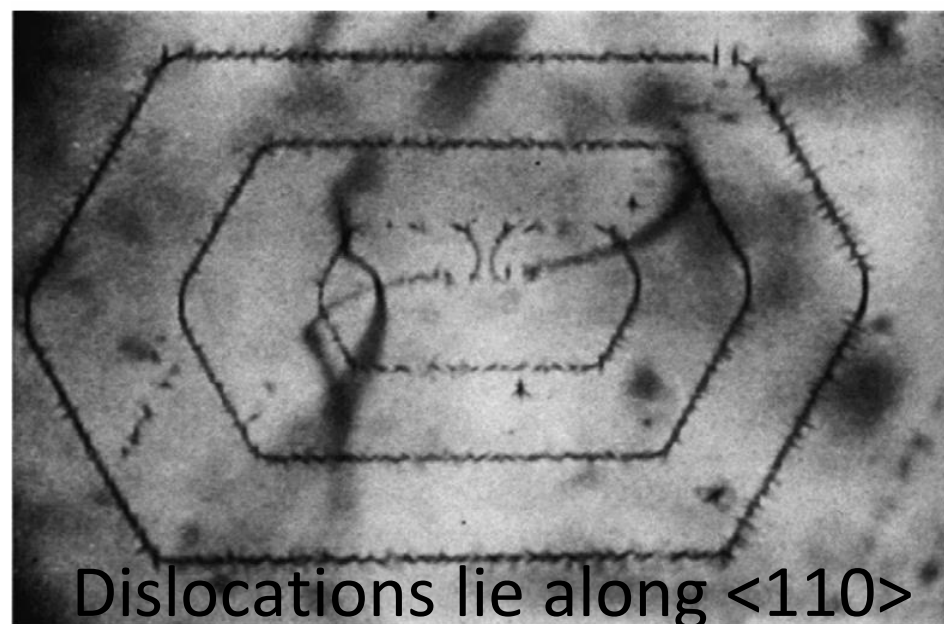
Dislocations in 10%
deformed iron



Multiplying dislocations: Frank-Read

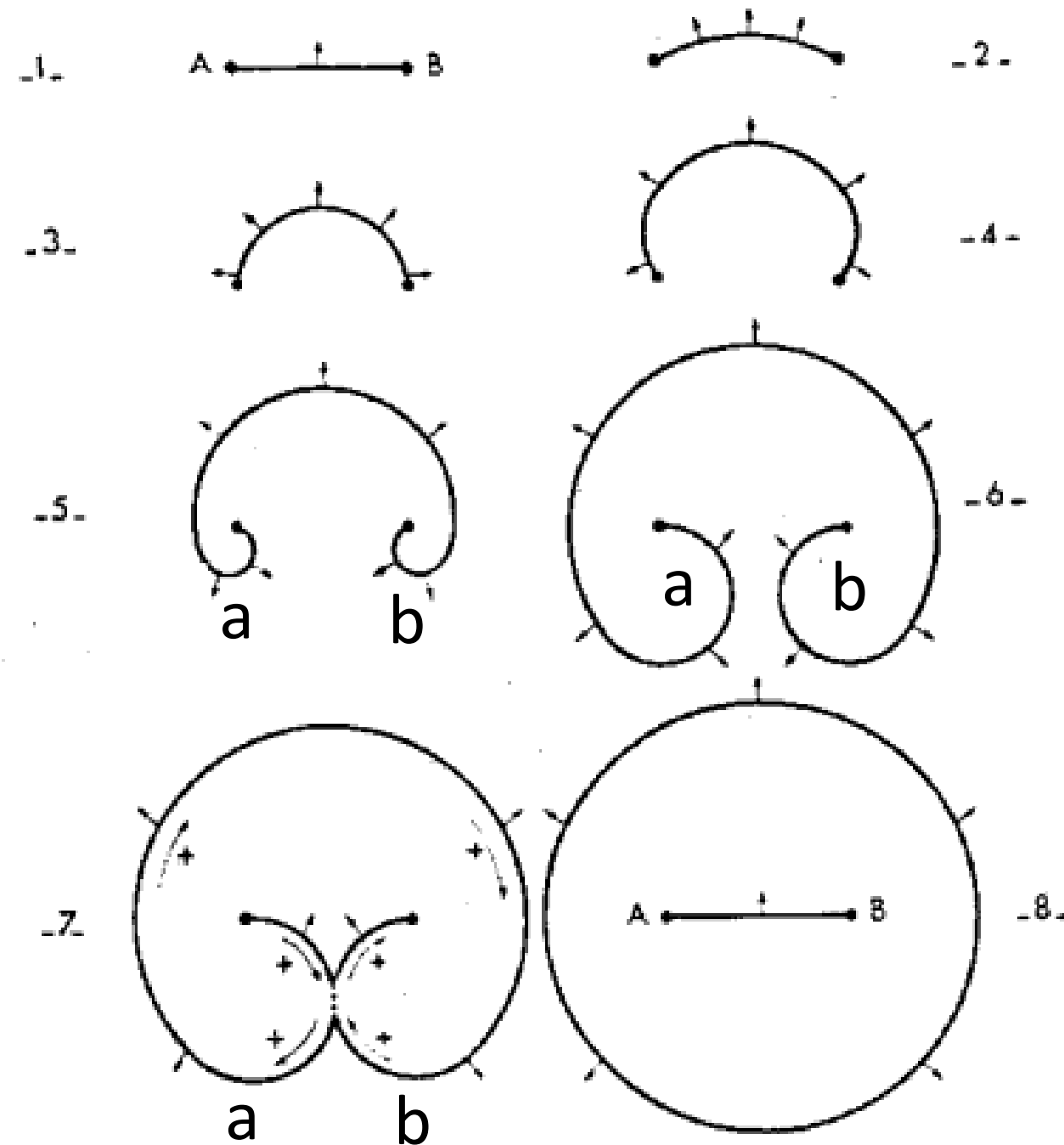


F-R source in Si



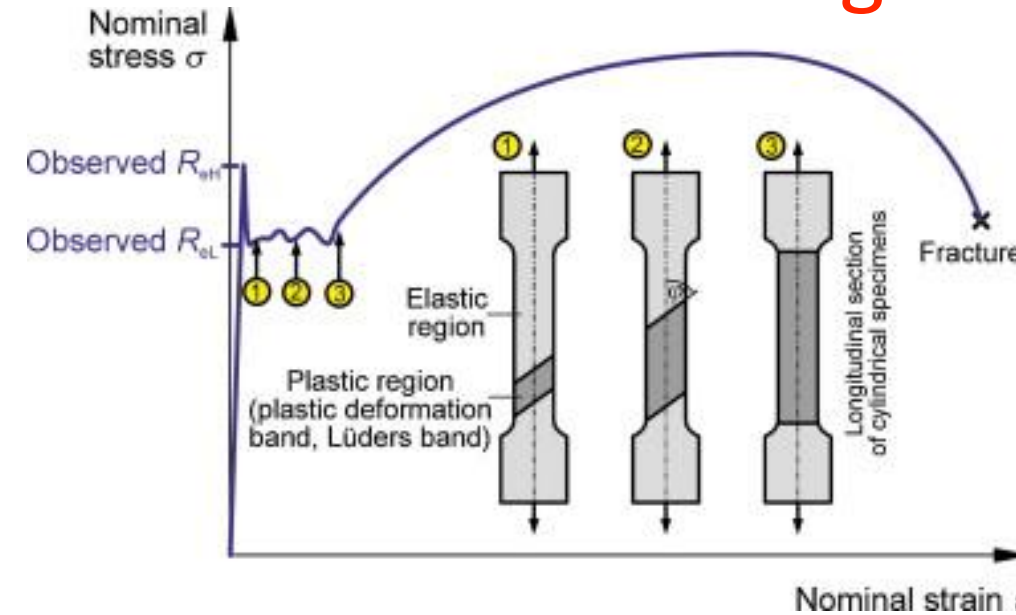
Dislocations lie along <110>

$$\tau_{max} = \mu b / L$$



Other hardening modes

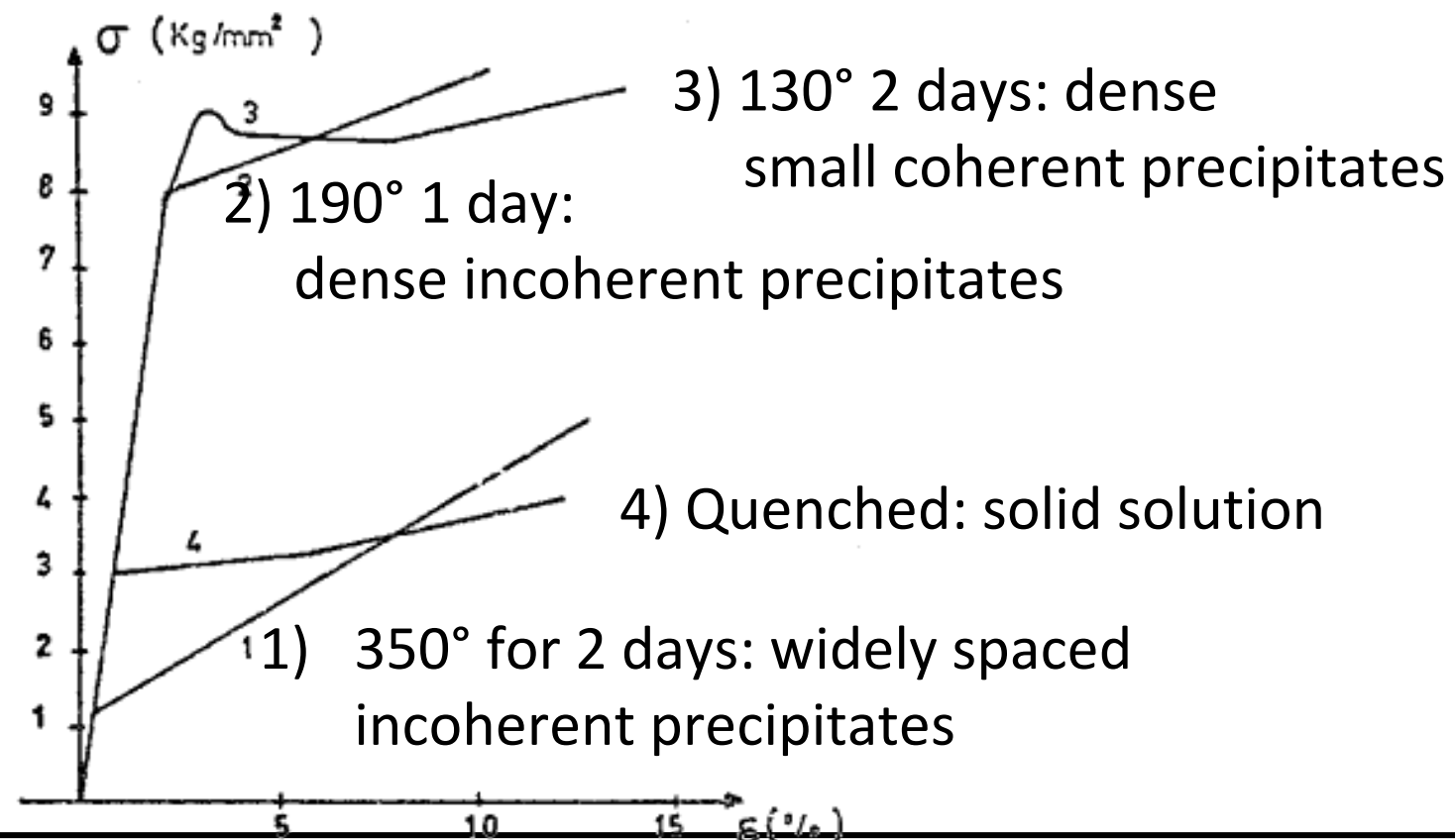
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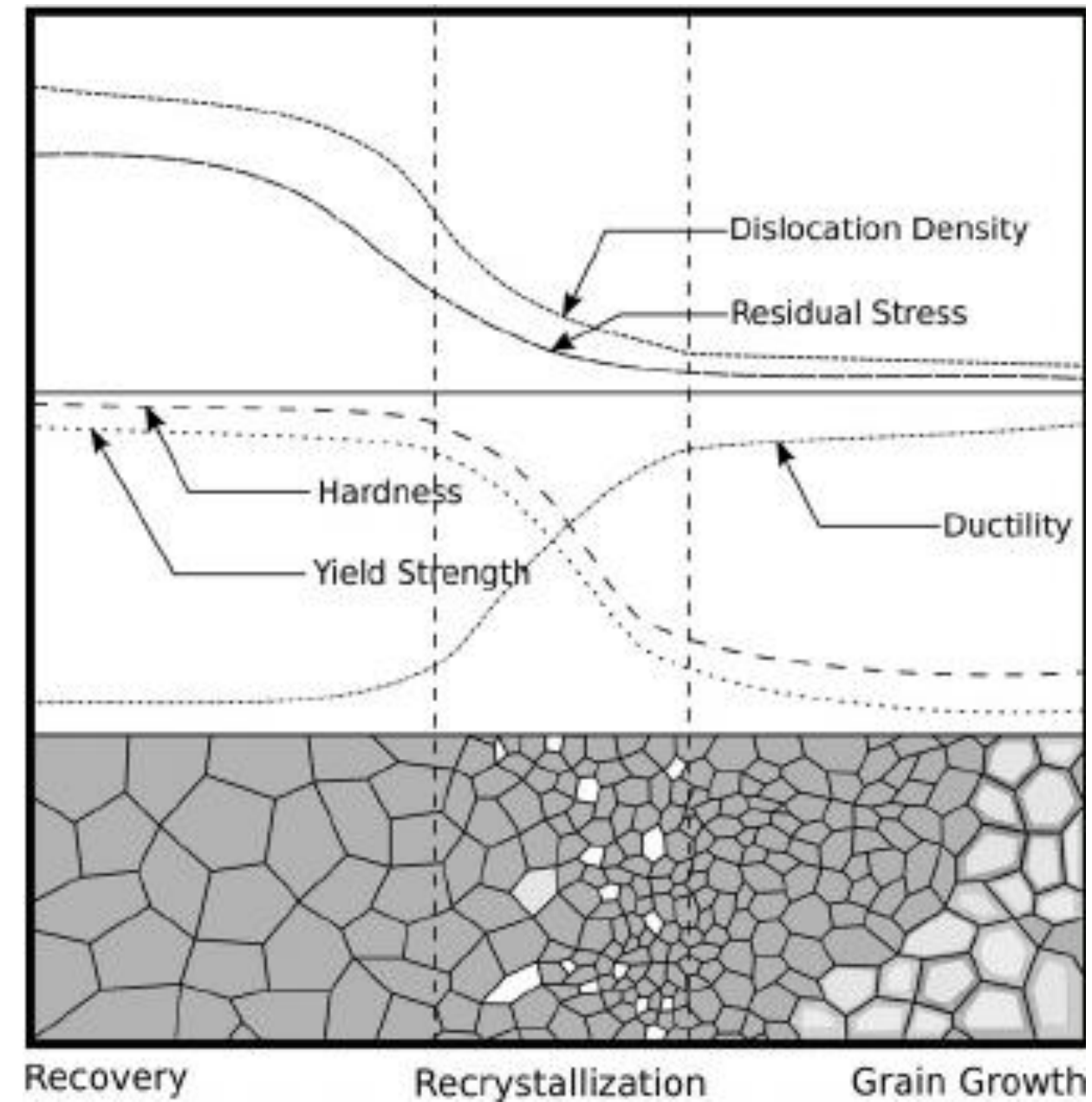
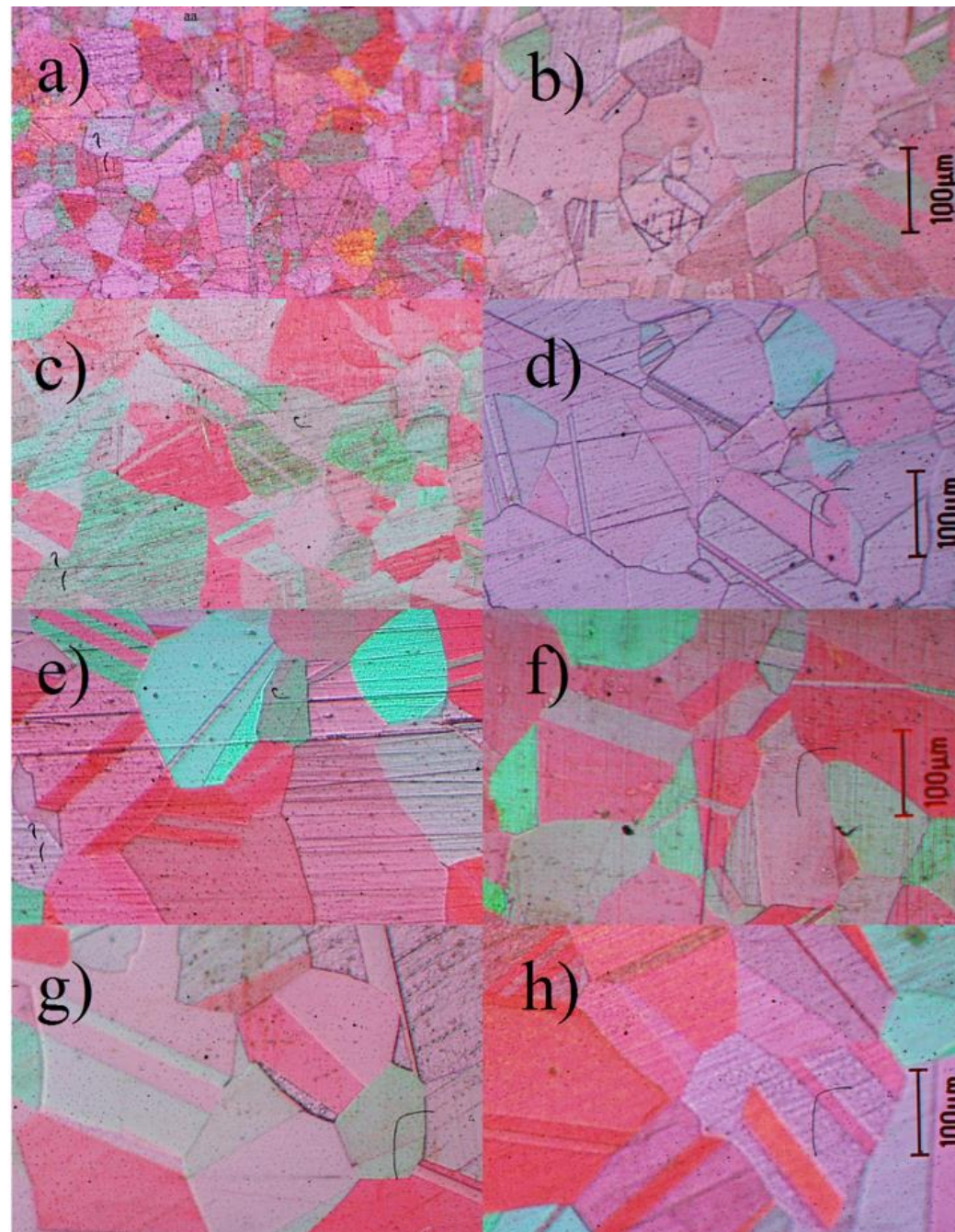
Mild Steel to carbon

Structural hardening: precipitates

Al-2%Cu

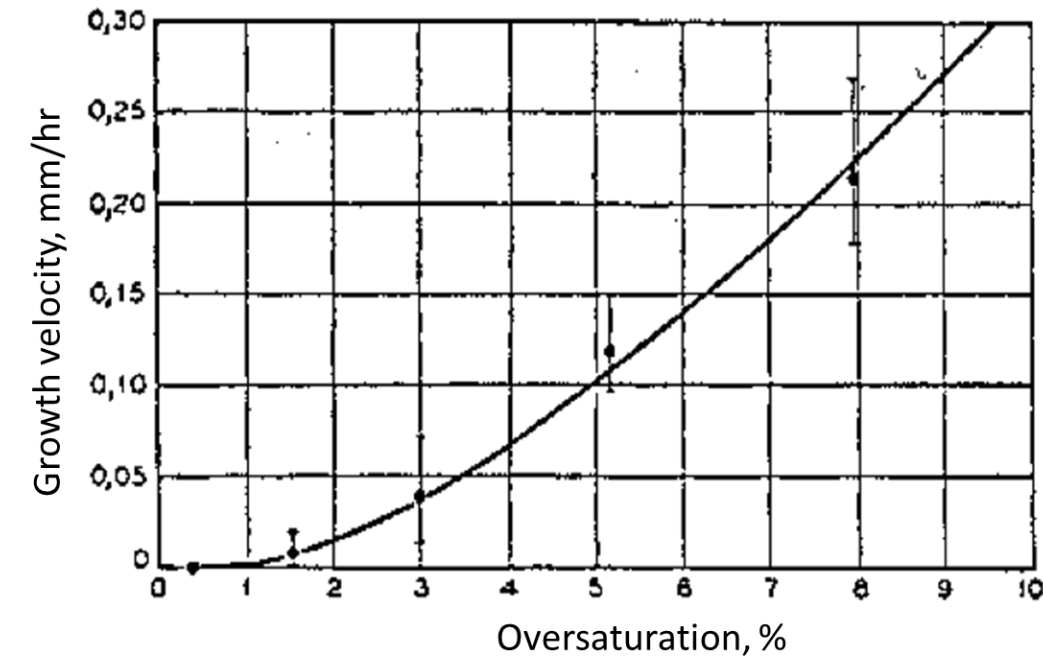
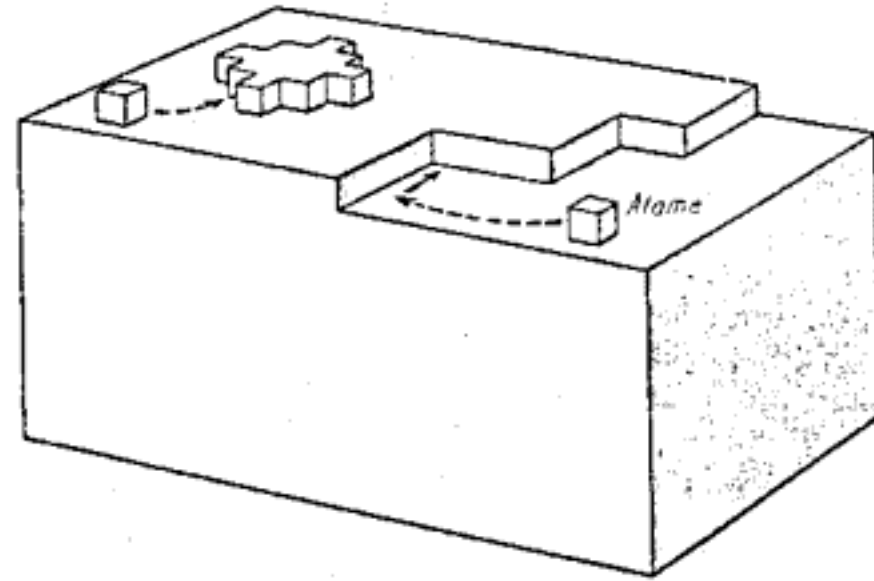


Recrystallization

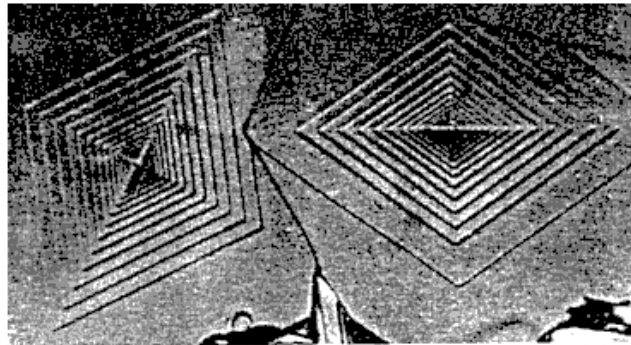


Increase of the grain size in gold

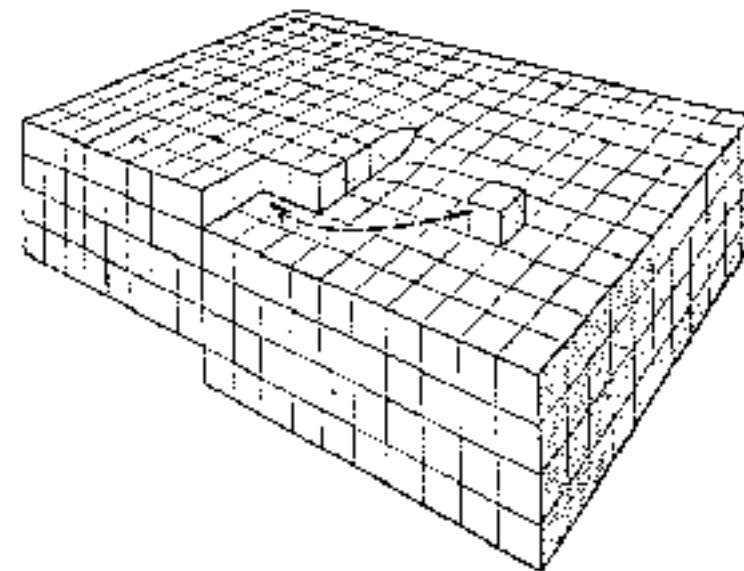
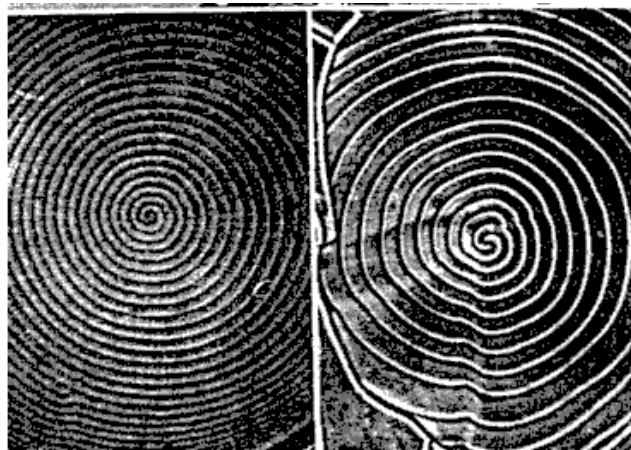
Growth of crystals



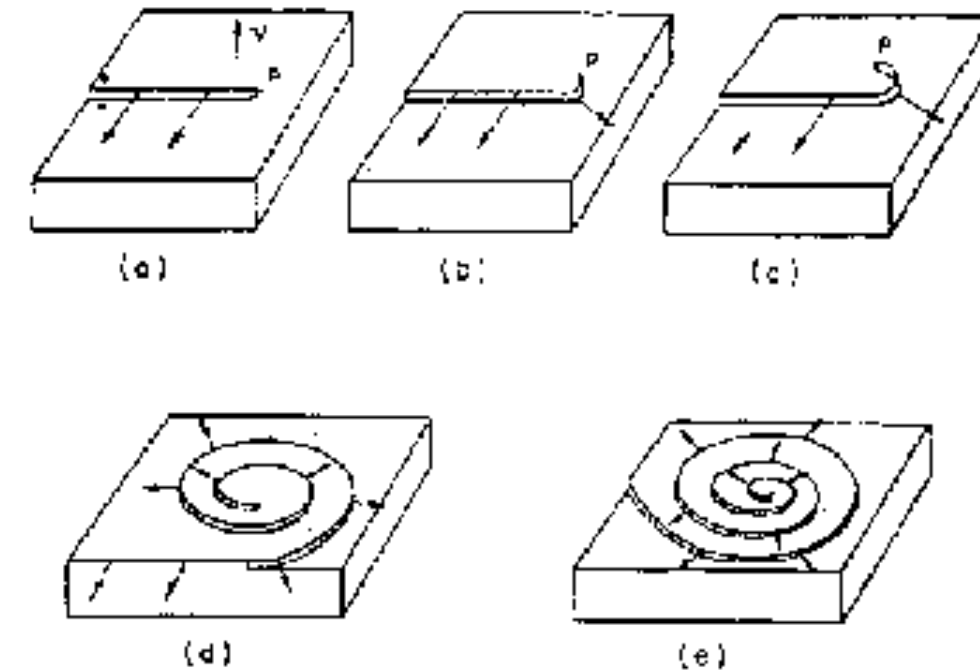
Polyethylene crystal



SiC



Growth of crystals depending on supersaturation



$$\rho = 2\rho_c\theta$$

$$\omega = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\rho_\infty}{2\rho_c} \right) = \frac{v_\infty}{2\rho_c}$$