

## Lecture 17

### Precipitation Hardening:

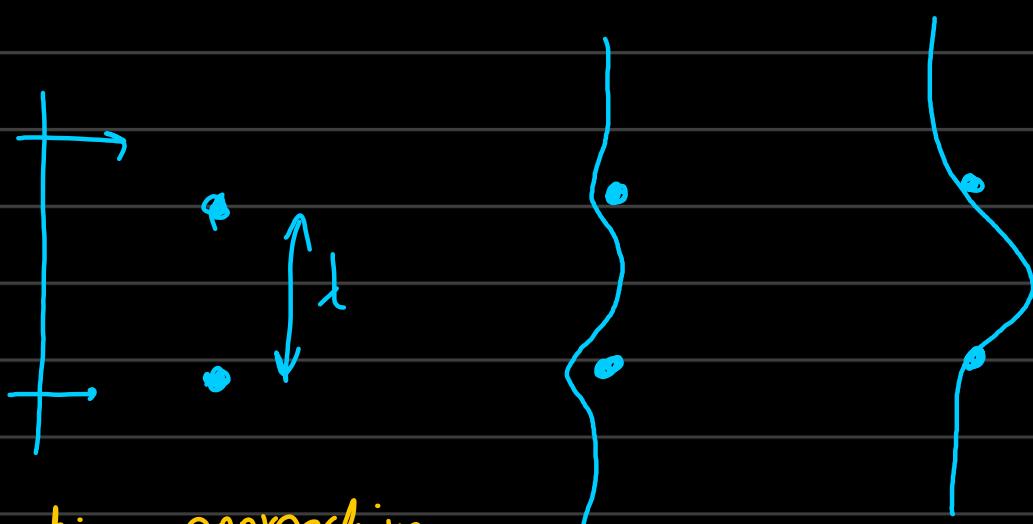
- ↳ precipitate is shearing by dislocations.
  - ↳ in soft precipitates
  - ↳ coherent misfit b/w ppt & matrix.

$$\lambda = \frac{4(1-f)r}{3f}$$

### Dispersion hardening

If lattice misfit is incoherent

- ↳ averaged hard precipitates
- ↳ dislocations cannot pass through.



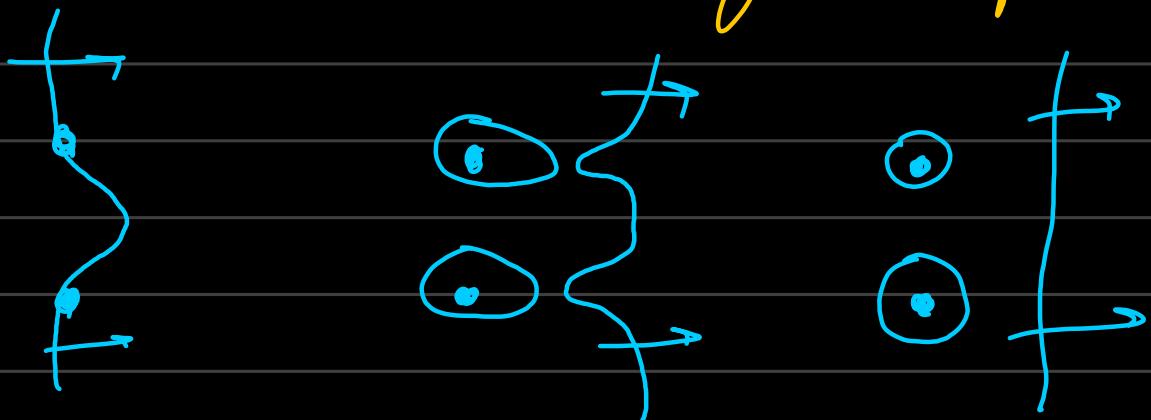
dislocation approaching  
2 particles ( $r > R$ )      dislocation starts to bend.      It reaches critical curvature.

$$R = \frac{Gb}{2\tau_0} ; \lambda = 2R$$

$$\therefore R_0 = \boxed{\frac{Gb}{\lambda}}$$

\*  $\lambda S$  is determined by shear stress required to bow a dislocation.

↳ The dislocations segment meet and annihilate each other, leaving a loop behind.



\* dispersion of non-coherent particles cause matrix to strain hardening rapidly.

\* additional stress imparted  $\Delta\sigma = \frac{0.13Gb}{\lambda} \ln\left(\frac{r}{b}\right)$   
on matrix.

Orowan - Ashby equation.

(dispersoids)

→ Eg: Oxide Dispersed Steel (ODS)  
( $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3 + \text{TiO}_2$  in steel matrix)

\* Material merit charts: Ashby Charts.

# Phase Transformation Hardening:

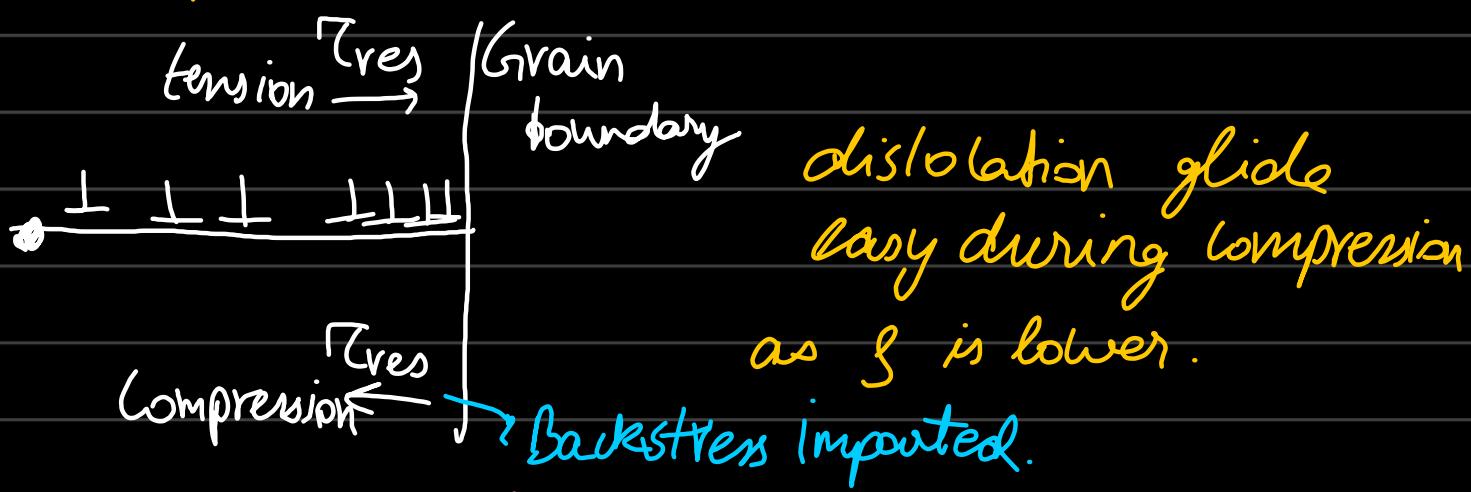
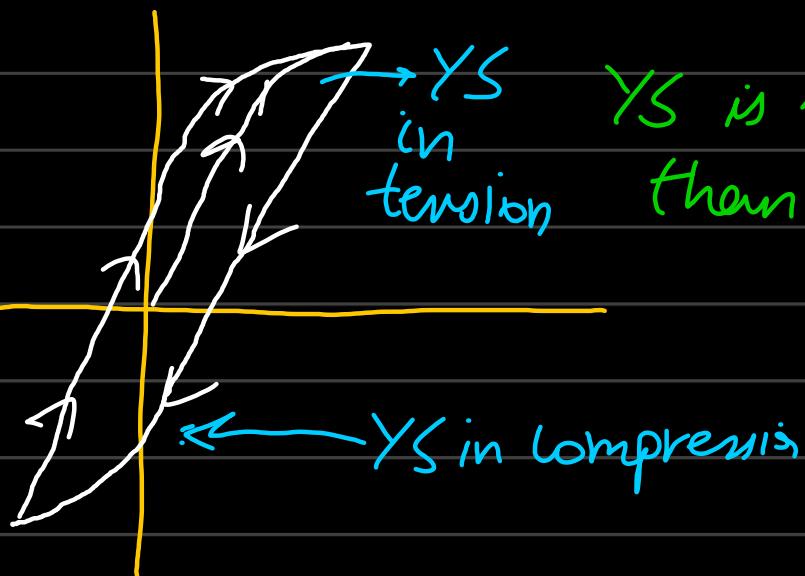
↳ e.g.: Austenite  $\rightarrow$  Martensite. ( $\gamma \rightarrow \alpha'$ )

{ dispersive/milinary transformation }  $\downarrow$   
much harder than equilibrium ferrite.

$\gamma \rightarrow \gamma$  (ferrite)

{ diffusive transformation }

## Bauschinger Effect:



# Failure Mechanisms

## ↳ Fracture

{what causes fracture failure in materials}

{what happens if a component in service has a defect/crack}

→ brittle fracture causes catastrophic failure

↳ refers to breaking of material into 2 or more pieces.

↳ crack nucleation & crack propagation.

br brittle fracture: faceted fracture surface

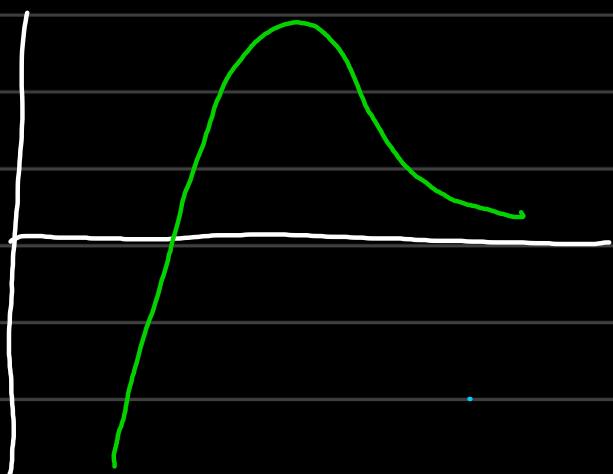
Ductile fracture: cup & cone fracture surface.

→ absence of gross plastic deformation before fracture.

→ Transangular fracture: cuts across the grains irrespective of orientation.

→ Intergranular fracture: cuts between the grain boundaries (through grain boundary)  
{grain > grain boundary} → interphase boundaries

# Mechanics of Fracture:



Strength required to break bonds.

Theoretical cohesive strength:

$$\sigma_c = \sqrt{\frac{EY}{r_0}}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sigma_c \approx E \\ 10 \end{array} \right.$$

equilibrium  
dist-blw  
atomic  
centers.

- \* Theoretical Strength of glass  $\sim 10GPa$   
Actual strength of glass  $\approx 50MPa$ .

↳ As size increases, strength decreases.

- \* Griffith failure theory:

↳ fracture strength and crack length are related.

↳ glasses weak & brittle due to stress concentrations