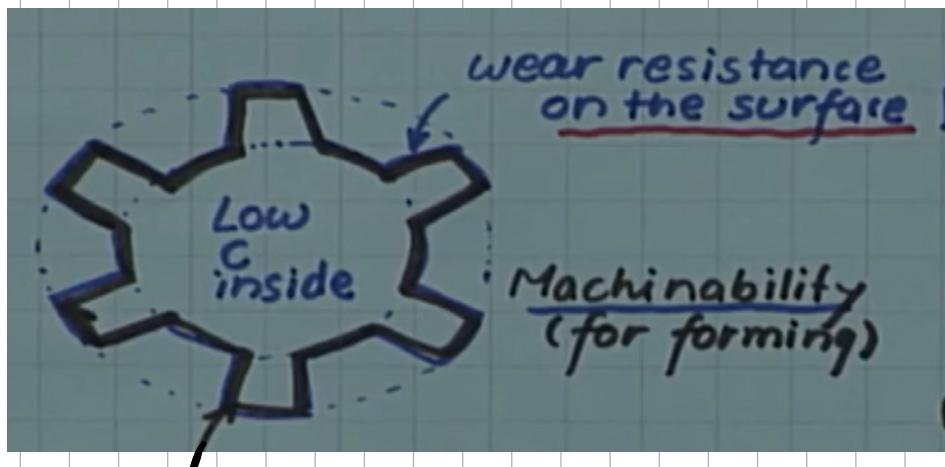


For gears,

we have lower carbon amount interior. This gives us machinability. Then through carburization, Carbon on surface can be increased \rightarrow increase resistance wear.



Surface hardens due to increased amount of Carbon content.

How does C from atmosphere enter steel? Diffusion.

Mechanism for diffusion:

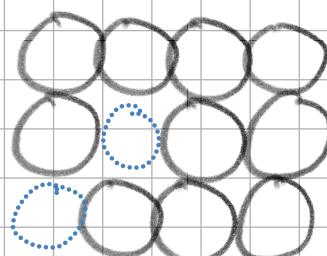
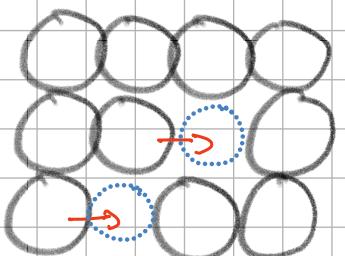
For gases & liquids: Brownian motion

For Solids: Vacancy & interstitial diffusion

Diffusion in Solids:

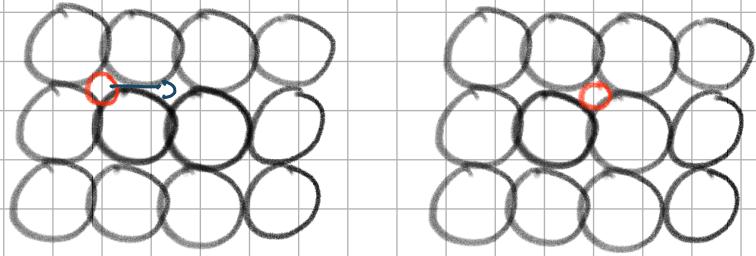
- Interstitial sites
- Vacancy

- Heat = KJ
- Concentration gradient



Vacancy/Substitutional diffusion

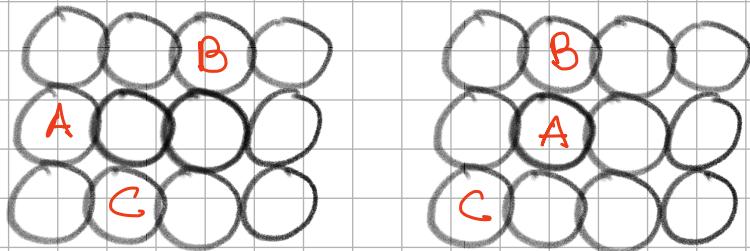
For different atoms, \uparrow rate \propto no. of vacancies \uparrow
Activation energy to exchange \downarrow



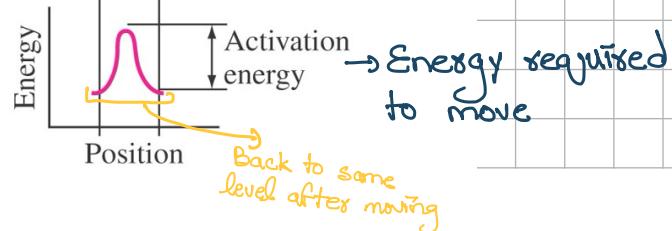
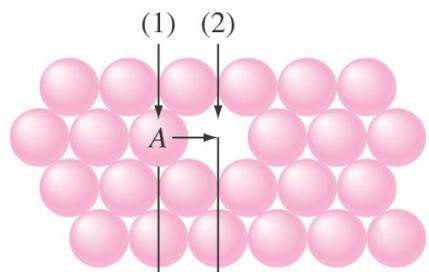
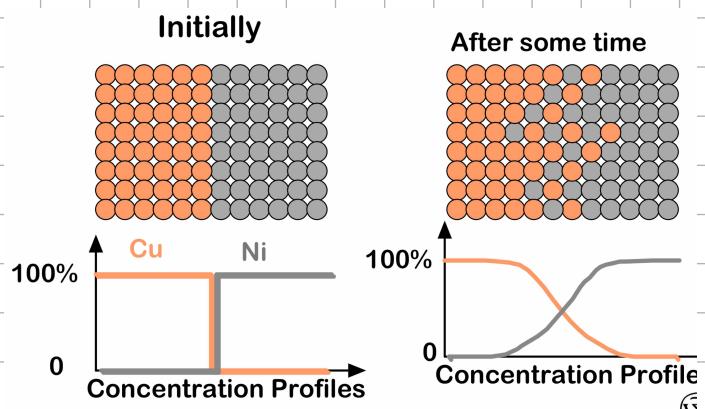
Interstitial diffusion

- Faster than vacancy because atoms move in already vacant sites

Diffusion rate \propto Alloy formation

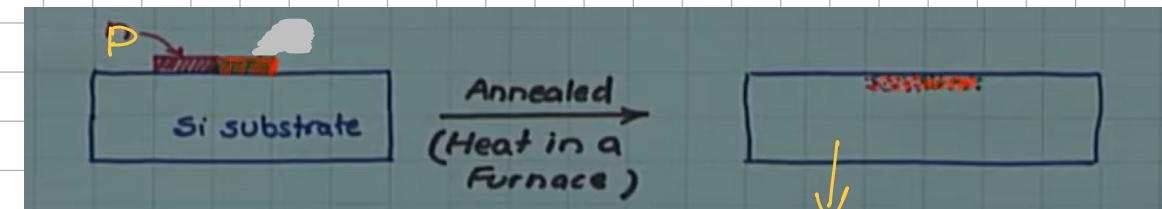


Self diffusion

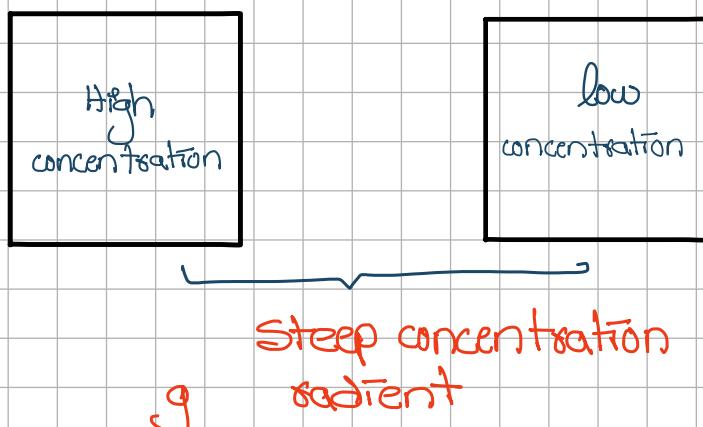


Process Using diffusing

Doping Si with P for n-type semi-conductors



Concentration gradient:



Steeper the concentration gradient, higher the diffusion rate

Fick's first law: (Diffusion independent of time)
Steady state

$$J = \frac{\text{moles / mass diffusing}}{\text{surface area} \times \text{time}}$$

$$= \frac{M}{Axt}$$

Unit: $\text{kg m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1} / \text{mol cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$

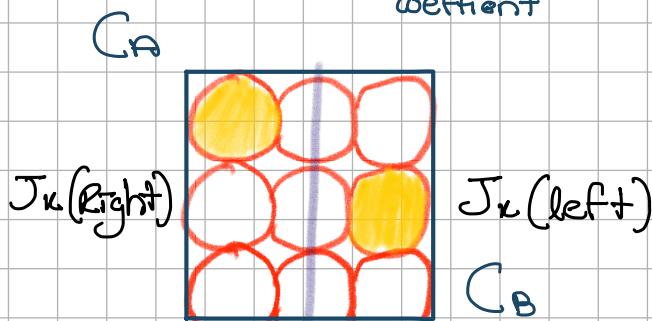
$$\text{Concentration gradient} = \frac{\Delta C}{L}$$

unit: kg m^{-4}

→ Direction of diffusion. -ev means high to low

$$J = -D \frac{dc}{dt}$$

Diffusion coefficient



Net diffusion = 0, i.e. concentration independent of time

$$J \propto \frac{dc}{dx}$$

Diffusivity D:

Highly temp dependent

$$J = -D \frac{dc}{dx}$$

$$D = D_0 e^{\frac{-Q}{RT}}$$

↑
pre exponential
factor

↓
has const

↑
Activation
energy

Absolute
term

$$\frac{dc}{dx} \approx \frac{\Delta c}{\Delta x} = \frac{C_B - C_A}{x_B - x_A}$$

Diffusion constant D depends on:

- Temperature
- Diffusion mechanism. Substitutional

vs
Interstitial

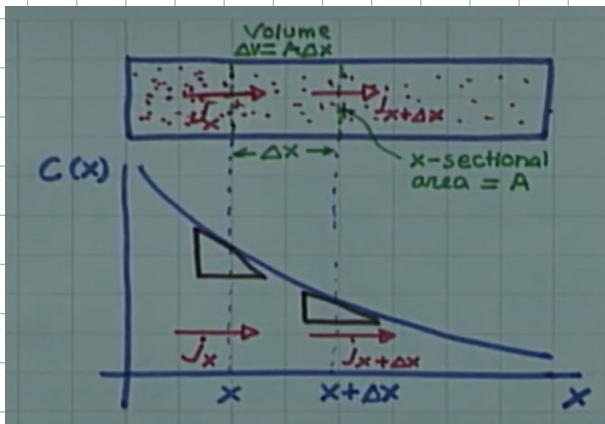
- Type of crystal structure of host
Easier in BCC than FCC

- Types of crystal imperfections:

- Faster along grain boundaries
- Faster along dislocation line
- Excess vacancies will enhance diffusion

Fick's Second law (Concentration changes with time)

Non-steady state



mass entering ΔV at x in time interval Δt :

$$m_x = j_x A \Delta t$$

mass entering ΔV at $x + \Delta x$ in time interval Δt :

$$m_{x+\Delta x} = j_{x+\Delta x} A \Delta t$$

Mass accumulating in ΔV in time Δt :

$$\Delta m = m_x - m_{x+\Delta x}$$

$$= j_x A \Delta t - j_{x+\Delta x} A \Delta t$$

$$= (j_x - j_{x+\Delta x}) A \Delta t$$

$$= -(j_{x+\Delta x} - j_x) A \Delta t$$

$$= - \Delta j \Delta \Delta t$$

Concentration change in ΔV in time interval Δt :

$$\Delta C = \frac{\Delta m}{\Delta V}$$

$$= \frac{-j A \Delta t}{A \Delta x}$$

$$= - \frac{\Delta j}{\Delta x} \Delta t$$

$$\frac{\Delta C}{\Delta t} = - \frac{\Delta j}{\Delta x}$$

$$\lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta C}{\Delta t} = - \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta j}{\Delta x}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} = - \frac{\partial j}{\partial x}}$$

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(-D \frac{\partial C}{\partial x} \right)$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial x^2}}$$

$t=0, C=C_0$, at $0 \leq x \leq \infty$

$t>0, C=C_s$, at $x=0$

$C=C_0$, at $x=\infty$

Error function:

$$\frac{C(x,t) - C_0}{C_s - C_0} = 1 - \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{x}{2\sqrt{Dt}}\right)$$

$$= 1 - \operatorname{erf}(z)$$

$$\operatorname{erf}(z) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^z e^{-y^2} dy$$

$$\operatorname{erf}(z) = 1 - \frac{C(x,t) - C_0}{C_s - C_0}$$

check in table range

R_1	V_1
\approx	value
R_2	V_2

$$\frac{z - R_1}{R_2 - R_1} = \frac{\text{value} - V_1}{V_2 - V_1}$$

$$z = ?$$

put in $z = \frac{x}{2\pi D t}$

to find D , t or x