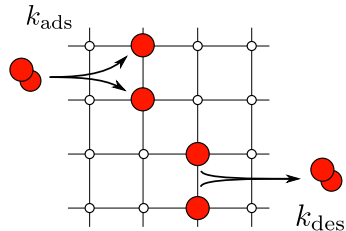


## Example

Dissociative adsorption and associative desorption of  $O_2$  on a square lattice.

## Objectives

- Understand all basic elements of a kmos project: lattice, sites, species, parameters and processes.
- Generate and understand the model file.
- Learn to export the model

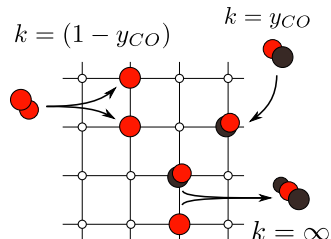


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## The ZGB<sup>1</sup> Model

- ▶ Simple square lattice.
- ▶ Only parameter: CO fraction  $y_{CO}$
- ▶ No desorption  
To avoid deadlocks (states with no possible process) include desorption processes with very low rate
- ▶ When O and CO approach (nearest neighbors), they react immediately (model this with a very large rate constant).



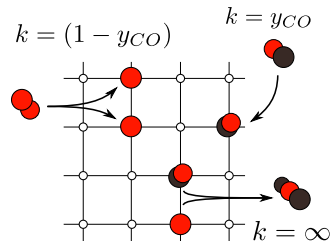
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- ▶ Extend the O<sub>2</sub> ads/des model to include the missing processes
- ▶ Change the parameters to include  $y_{\text{CO}}$ ,  $k_{\infty}$  and  $k_{\text{slow}}$ .
- ▶ Test the model by plotting TOF and coverages for 10-15 values of  $y_{\text{CO}} \in [0.3, 6.5]$ .
- ▶ Observe how this is affected by system size.



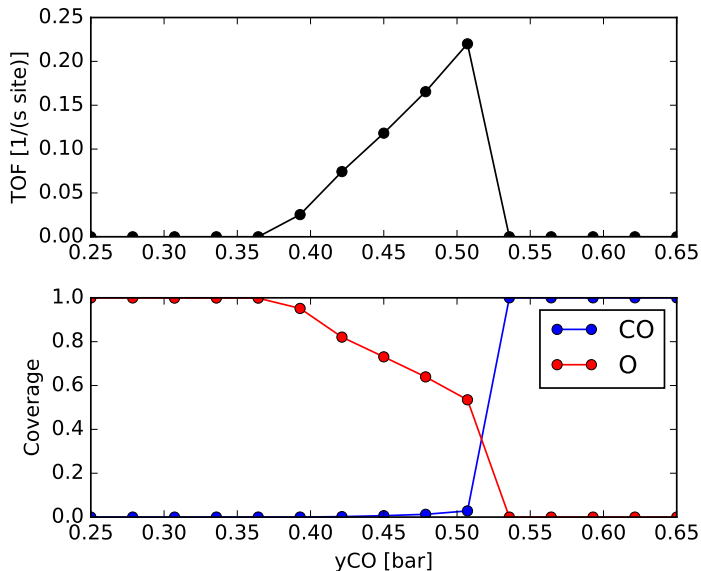
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We need to tell kmos which processes we want to calculate the turnover frequency (TOF) for. For this we use the optional parameter `tof_count` when adding a process

## Example:

```
pt.add_process(name = 'CO_oxi_right'.format(i),
               conditions = some_conds, actions = someActs,
               rate_constant = 'kfast',
               tof_count = {'CO_oxidation' : 1})
```

- ▶ `tof_count` accepts a python dictionary
  - ▶ *keys* are the name of the TOF (e.g. `'CO_oxidation'`)
  - ▶ *values* indicate how this processes contributes to the corresponding TOF
- ▶ Each process can contribute to more than one TOF.
- ▶ Processes can contribute negatively to a TOF (e.g. reverse processes).
- ▶ TOFs are *defined* by the processes' `tof_count` dictionaries



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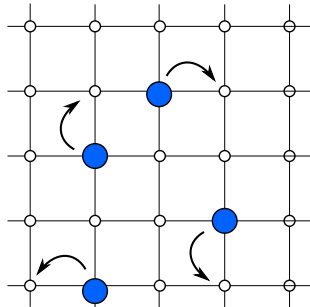
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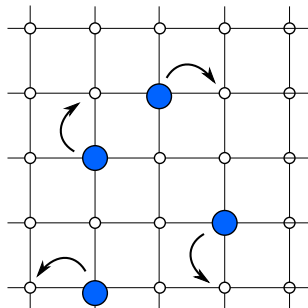
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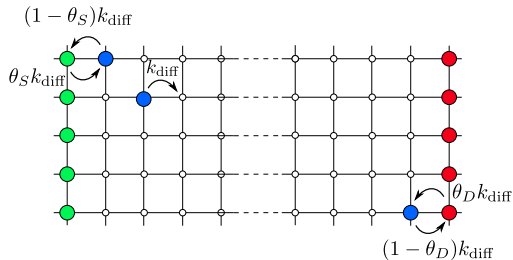
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## Reservoirs

Boundaries of the system as a couple of reservoirs (*source* and *drain*) at fixed nominal concentrations ( $\theta_S$  and  $\theta_D$ ).



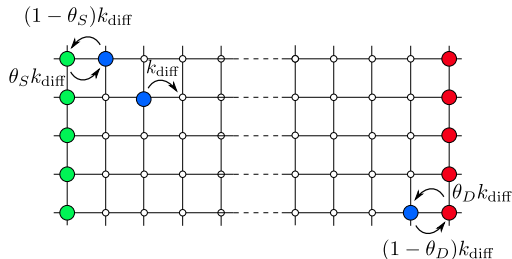
## The `kmc_settings.py` file

We want our model to always be initialized with these boundary conditions. `kmc_settings.py` controls a model's start-up options.

## Objective

Implement these boundary conditions on the diffusion model.

- ▶ Add the auxiliary species and the entry and exit processes.
- ▶ Write a function to add the reservoirs on the (lateral) edges of the system.
- ▶ Include such function in `kmc_settings.py`, to be loaded at start-up automatically.
- ▶ Test using `kmos` view.



## Calculating ion current

- ▶ kmos' TOFs are not so useful for this diffusion model.
- ▶ We can use the kmos API instead
  - ▶ `model.base.get_procstat` takes the number of a process and return the number of times this process has been executed.
  - ▶ The process number are stored in the attributes `model.proclist.<process_name>`

## For example

To get the number of times the process called '`source_entry`' executed, we use

```
nr_of_entries = model.base.get_procstat(model.proclist.source_entry)
```

in a client script or interactively.

**Try on your own!:** Open the interactive kmos shell, run some steps (e.g. `model.do_steps(1e5)`) and then check how many entry processes occurred.

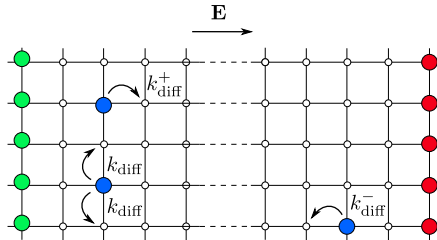
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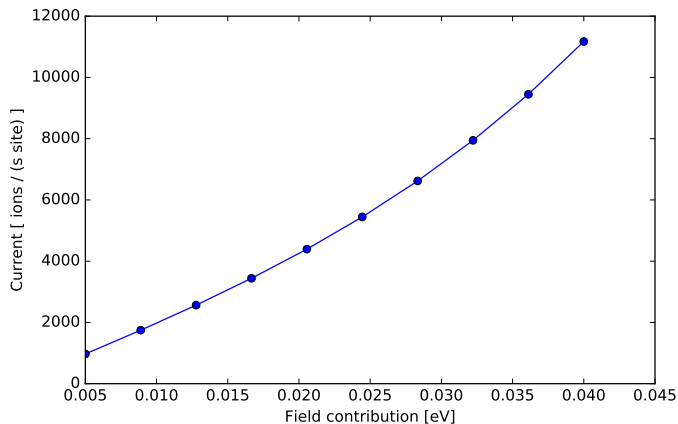
Extend the model to account for an external electric field. Analyze the effects of field and carrier density on current.

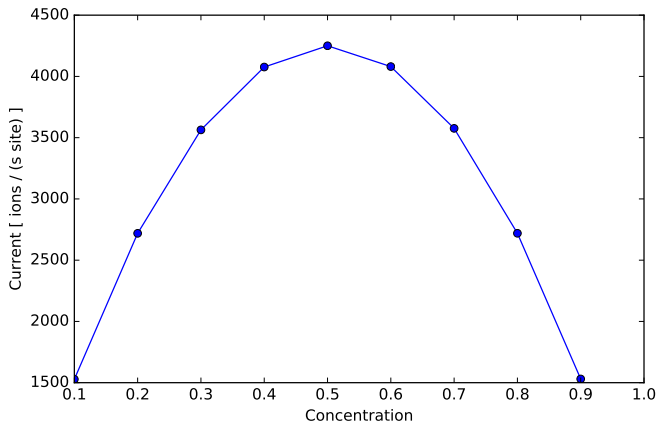
- ▶ Add a parameter  $\epsilon_{\text{field}}$  that represents the field strength.
- ▶ Modify the right and left diffusion processes accordingly.
- ▶ Write a client script to calculate the (steady-state) current.
- ▶ Make plots of
  - ▶ Current as a function of  $\epsilon_{\text{field}}$  for fixed  $\theta_S = \theta_D = 0.5$
  - ▶ Current as a function of  $\theta$ , for fixed  $\epsilon_{\text{field}} = 0.02$  and  $\theta_S = \theta_D = \theta$ .

$$k_{\text{diff}}^{\pm} = \frac{k_B T}{h} e^{\frac{E_0 \mp \epsilon_{\text{field}}}{k_B T}}$$

$$= k_{\text{diff}} e^{\pm \epsilon_{\text{field}} / k_B T}$$







## Example

Presence of nearest neighbors (NN) increases the rate of diffusion according to:

$$k_{\text{diff}}(n_{\text{NN}}) = \exp\left(-\frac{E_0 - n_{\text{NN}}\epsilon_{\text{int}}}{k_B T}\right) = k_{\text{diff}}(0) \exp\left(\frac{n_{\text{NN}}\epsilon_{\text{int}}}{k_B T}\right)$$

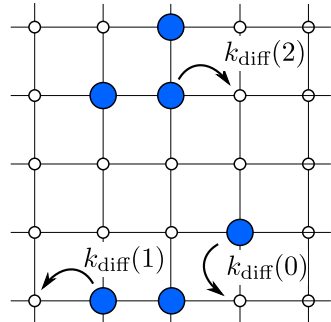
where  $n_{\text{NN}}$  is the number of neighbors.

## Lateral interactions

- Different rate constant  $\rightarrow$  different process
- Impractical to define each process manually

## Solution

The `itertools.product` python module.  
In particular: `itertools.product`.

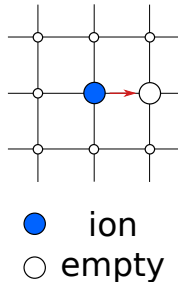




## Example

Diffusion to the right

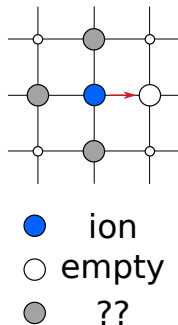
- Conditions:  
`ion@center; empty@right`
- Actions:  
`empty@center; ion@right`



## Example

Diffusion to the right

- Conditions:  
ion@center; empty@right  
??@up; ??@left; ??@down
- Actions:  
empty@center; ion@right

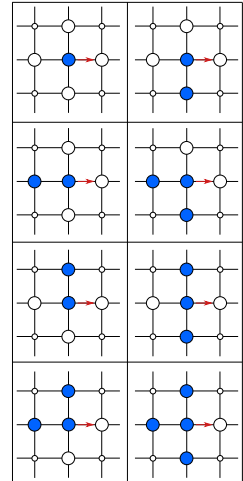


## All combinations

```
from itertools import product
for conf in product(['empty', 'ion'], repeat=3):
    print conf
```

## Output

```
('empty', 'empty', 'empty')
('empty', 'empty', 'ion')
('empty', 'ion', 'empty')
('empty', 'ion', 'ion')
('ion', 'empty', 'empty')
('ion', 'empty', 'ion')
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```



## In kmos

```
import itertools
counter = 0 # process counter
# Combinations of ['empty', 'ion'] taken in sets of three
for conf in itertools.product(['empty', 'ion'], repeat=3):
    # default conditions and actions
    conds = [Condition(species='ion', coord=center),
              Condition(species='empty', coord=right)]
    acts = [Action(species='ion', coord=right),
             Action(species='empty', coord=center)]
    # add case-specific conditions
    for i, coord in enumerate([left, down, right]):
        conds.append(Condition(species=conf[i], coord = coord))
    # define the rate constant and add the process
    nint = conf.count('ion') # count number of NN ions
    rc = '1/(beta*h)*exp(-beta*(E0-{}*eps_int)*eV)'.format(nint)
    pt.add_process(name='diffusion_up-{:03d}'.format(counter),
                   conditions=conds, actions=acts, rate_constant=rc)
    counter += 1 # update the process counter
```

## Solid-on-solid growth model

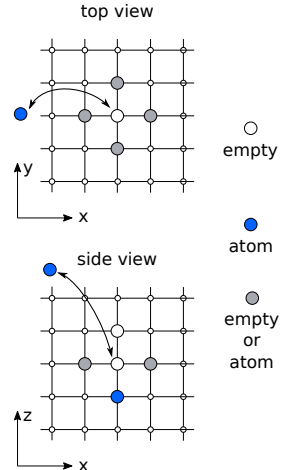
- ▶ Simple growth model
- ▶ Adsorption rate  $k_{\text{ads}} = 3 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$
- ▶ Desorption rate

$$k_{\text{des}} = \frac{k_B T}{h} \exp \left( -\frac{\Delta E_0 + n_{NN} \epsilon_{\text{int}}}{k_B T} \right)$$

- ▶ Depends on T
- ▶ Affected by attractive interactions
- ▶  $\Delta E_0 = 1.0 \text{ eV}$     $\epsilon_{\text{int}} = 0.5 \text{ eV}$

## Objectives

- ▶ Implement the SOS model in kmos
- ▶ Test how growth structure depends on T

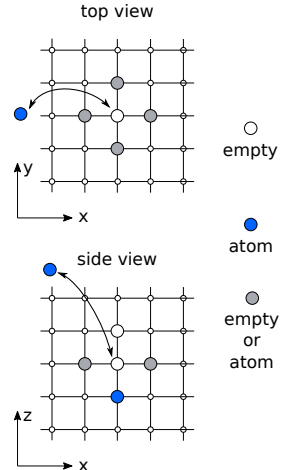


## Caveats

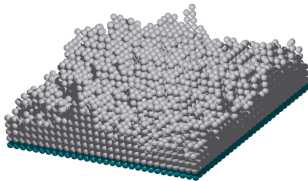
- ▶ `kmoss edit` only works for 2D models.
- ▶ Growing crystal must not reach the top of the simulation box.

## Hints

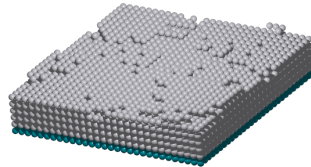
- ▶ The systems state needs to be specially prepared to allow initial processes.
- ▶ An auxiliary '**substrate**' species might be necessary to start growth process.
- ▶ The state of the system can be saved by `model.dump_config('some_name')`
- ▶ The generated file can be read using `model.load_config('some_name')`



$T = 350\text{K}$



$T = 450\text{K}$



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## KMOS is under active development

- ▶ Enhanced simulation of *stiff* problems
- ▶ Efficient lateral interactions
- ▶ Trajectories and auto-correlation functions
- ▶ ...

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