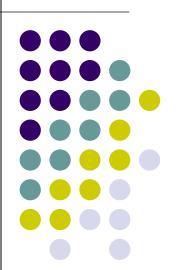
# **Diffusion Creep**

Poirier, Chapter 2 and 7, 1985. Gordon, 1985.







$$J = -D \cdot \nabla \mu egin{array}{cccc} 
abla c & Chemical Diffusion \\ 
abla T & Thermal diffusion \\ 
abla V & Electrical conduction \\ 
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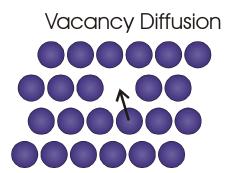
# **Types of Diffusion**

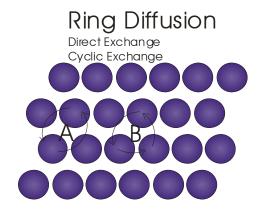
Mechanism	Path	Process
Isotope	Lattice	Interdiffusion
Self-diffusion	Pipe	Creep
Vacancy	Grain Boundary	Ambipolar
Interstitial	Surface	
Ring	Pore fluid	

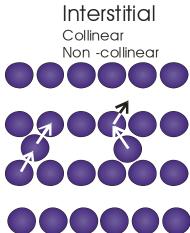
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## Vacancy-Assisted Diffusion

From Site by Glicksman and Lupulescu, RPI, 2003



The FCC lattice geometry requires

$$W = (\sqrt{3} - 1)D_a = 0.73D_a$$

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For more information, see http://www.rpi.edu/~glickm/diffusion/



# Kinetics Equation for Vacancy Diffusion

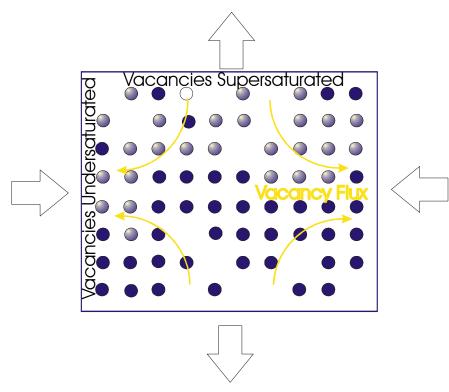


 Coefficient of Diffusivity for Self-diffusion not the same as Coefficient for Vacancy Diffusion

$$\begin{split} D_{sd} &= N_{v} \cdot D_{v \, migration} \\ &= N_{vo} \exp \left( \Delta G_{vf} \, / \, kT \right) \cdot D_{v \, o} \exp \left( \Delta G_{vm} \, / \, kT \right) \\ &= D_{sd \, o} \exp \left( \Delta G_{vf} + \Delta G_{vm} \right) / \, kT \end{split}$$









- Supersaturation of vacancies owing to stress
- Diffusion results
- Work done on mat'l by tractions
- Energy dissipated in heat, entropy, and surface area

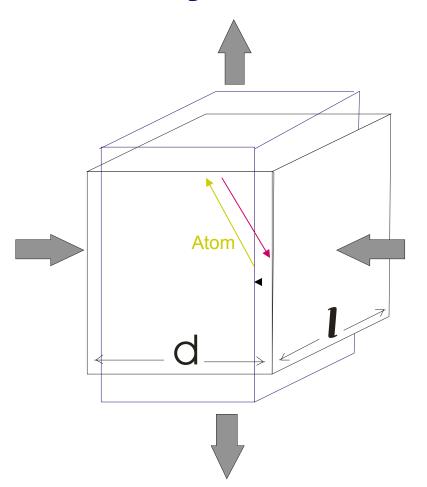


- Nabarro-Herring Creep Lattice
- Coble Creep
   Grain Boundary

- Monatomic
- Quasi static
- Vacancy
- Increasing length; Poisoining

# Critical Idea: Tension makes vacancy formation easier.





Tension=supersaturation

$$\Delta G_{f_{v}}(\sigma) = \Delta G_{f_{v}}(0) - \sigma\Omega$$

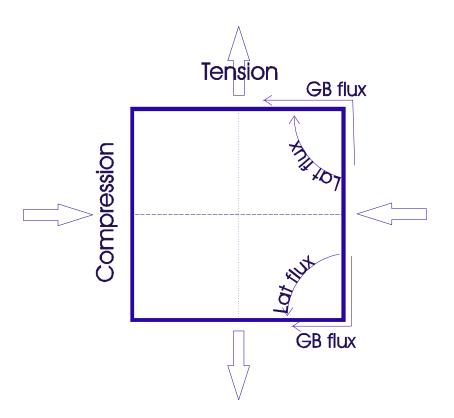
$$C_{vo} = C \cdot \exp{-\frac{\Delta G_{f_v}(0)}{kT}}$$

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$$C_v(\sigma) = C \exp{-\left[\frac{\Delta G_{f_v}(0) - \sigma\Omega}{kT}\right]}$$

#### **Gradient in Composition**





- Path Length:
  - Boundary: 2xd/4
  - Lattice: (π/2)x(d/4)
- Concentration Difference

$$C_{o} \exp \left(\frac{\Delta G_{fv} - \sigma\Omega}{kT}\right)$$

$$-C_{o} \exp \left(\frac{\Delta G_{fv} + \sigma\Omega}{kT}\right)$$

$$C_{o} \exp \left(\frac{\Delta G_{fv}}{kT}\right) \left(\exp\left(\frac{\sigma\Omega}{kT}\right) - \exp\left(\frac{-\sigma\Omega}{kT}\right)\right)$$

$$\Delta C = 2C_{o} \exp \left(\frac{\Delta G_{fv}}{kT}\right) \cdot \frac{\sigma\Omega}{kT}$$

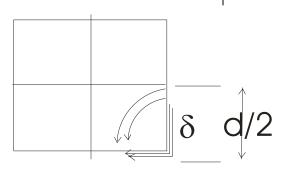
Quasi-static Approx.

#### Fick's 1st Law

$$J_{path} = -D_{path} \frac{\Delta C}{\Delta L_{path}} \qquad i.)$$

Total flux = $\Sigma$ Flux on each Path:

$$\Phi_{vac flux} = J_L \cdot \frac{d}{2} \cdot l + J_B \cdot \delta \cdot l$$



$$J_{total} \triangleq total \ ave.flux = \frac{\Phi_{vac flux}}{d/2 \cdot l} = J_L + \frac{2\delta}{d} J_B$$
 ii.)

Plugging  $\Delta C$  and  $\Delta L$  into i.) and inserting fluxes in ii.):

$$J_{total} = -D_L 2C_o \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta G_{fv}}{kT}\right) \cdot \frac{\sigma\Omega}{kT} \frac{1}{\pi d/8} + \frac{2\delta}{d} \left(-D_b\right) \frac{2C_o \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta G_{fv}}{kT}\right) \cdot \frac{\sigma\Omega}{kT}}{d/2}$$

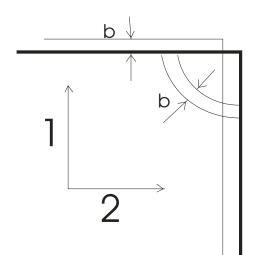




$$\begin{split} J_{Total} &= \frac{8}{\pi d} D_L C_{vo} \exp{-\frac{\Delta G_{vf}}{kt} \left\{ \frac{\sigma \Omega}{kT} \right\}} + \frac{2\delta}{d} \frac{2D_B C_{vo}}{d} \left( \exp{-\frac{\Delta G_{vf}}{kt}} \right) 2 \left\{ \frac{\sigma \Omega}{kT} \right\} \\ &= \frac{16}{\pi d} \left[ D_L C_{vo} \exp{-\frac{\Delta G_{vf}}{kt}} \right] \left\{ \frac{\sigma \Omega}{kT} \right\} \left\{ 1 + \frac{\pi \delta}{2d} \frac{D_B}{D_L} \right\} \end{split}$$

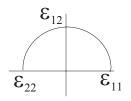
### **Converting flux to strain**





 Each vacancy that travels through the channel adds layer of depth b

$$\frac{\Delta l}{l \cdot t} = \frac{\# vacs}{s} \frac{b}{d} = 2 \cdot J_{total} \cdot b^2 \cdot \frac{b}{d} = \frac{2J_{total}\Omega}{d}$$



$$\dot{\varepsilon} = \frac{32}{\pi d^2} \frac{\sigma \Omega}{kT} D_L \left( 1 + \frac{\pi \delta}{2d} \frac{D_B}{D_V} \right)$$





Diffusion Creep Constitutive Law:

$$\dot{\varepsilon} = \frac{32}{\pi d^2} \frac{\sigma \Omega}{kT} D_L \left( 1 + \frac{\pi \delta}{2d} \frac{D_B}{D_V} \right)$$

- $\bullet \quad D_L = D_{VM}C_V$
- Strain rate linear in stress

• 
$$\dot{\varepsilon} \propto \frac{1}{d^{2,3}}$$

Other geometries change initial constant