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A dislocation line cannot end abruptly inside a crystal

It can end on

- ➤ Grain boundaries
- > Free surfaces
- >On other dislocation at a point called a node
- ➤On itself forming a loop



Type of dislocation motion

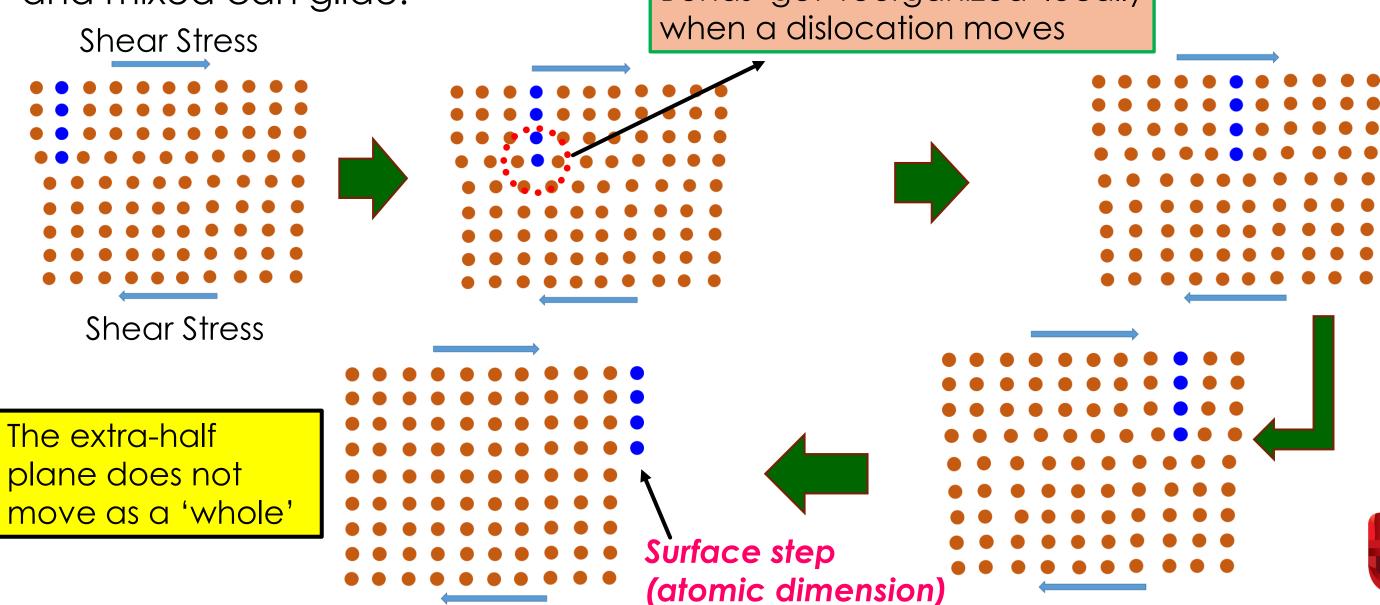
- □Glide (for edge dislocation and mixed dislocation)
- □Cross-slip (for screw dislocation only)
- □Climb (Edge dislocation only)



Glide Motion

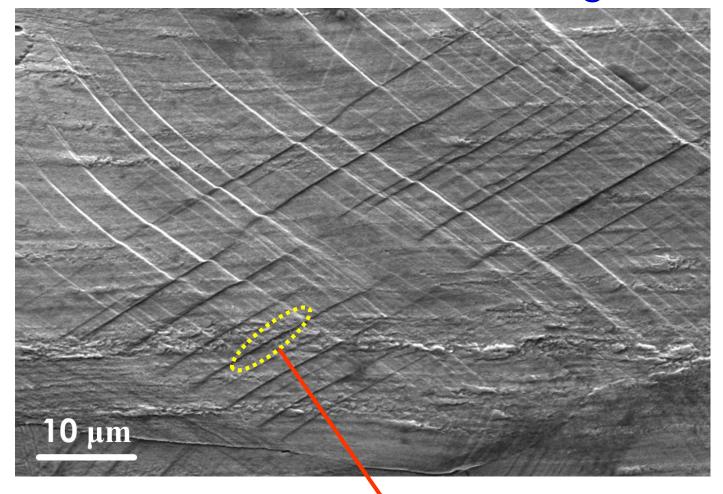
Glide is a motion of a dislocation in its own slip plane. The motion of a dislocation on a plane that contains the direction vector t and the Burgers vector b is called the glide motion. All kinds of dislocations, edge, screw and mixed can glide.

Bonds get reorganized locally

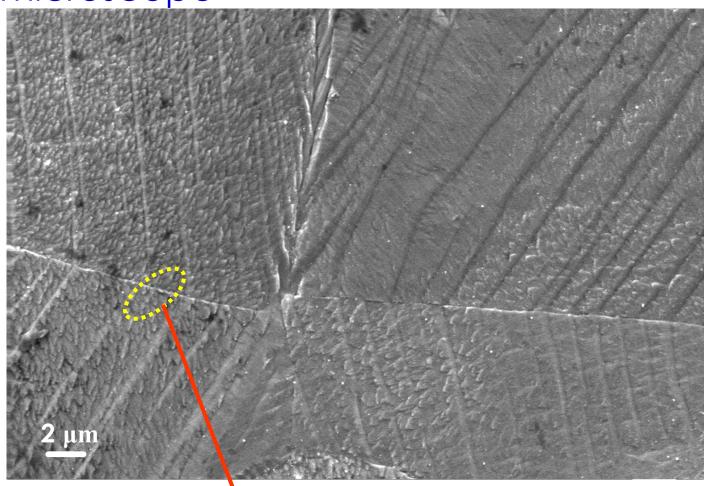


GLIDE/ SLIP: CONSERVATIVE MOVEMENT: Does not results in addition or subtraction atoms from the dislocation line.

Observation of GLIDE/ SLIP using electron microscope



Surface steps (slip lines) visible in a Scanning Electron Micrograph

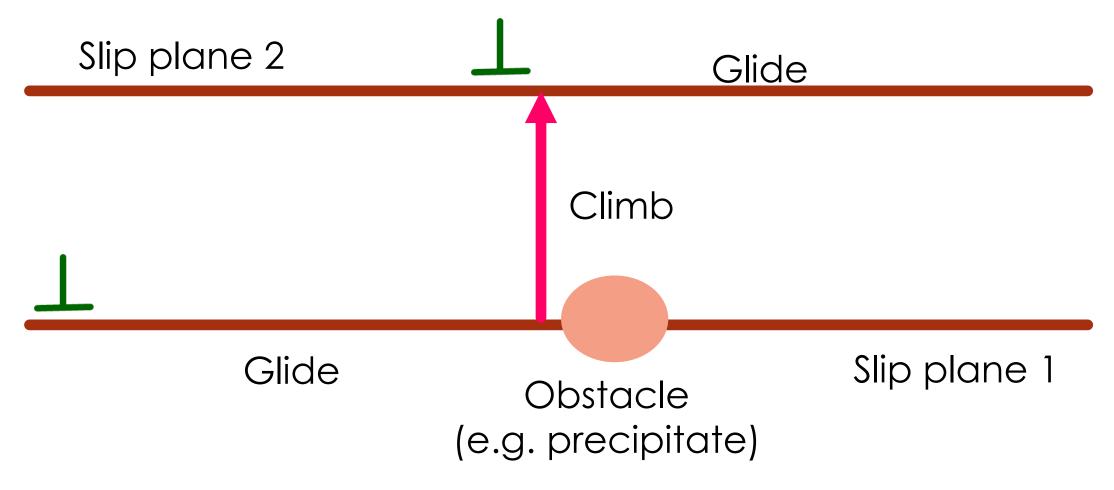


Slip lines (which are crystallographic markers) 'reflecting across' a twin boundary in Cu



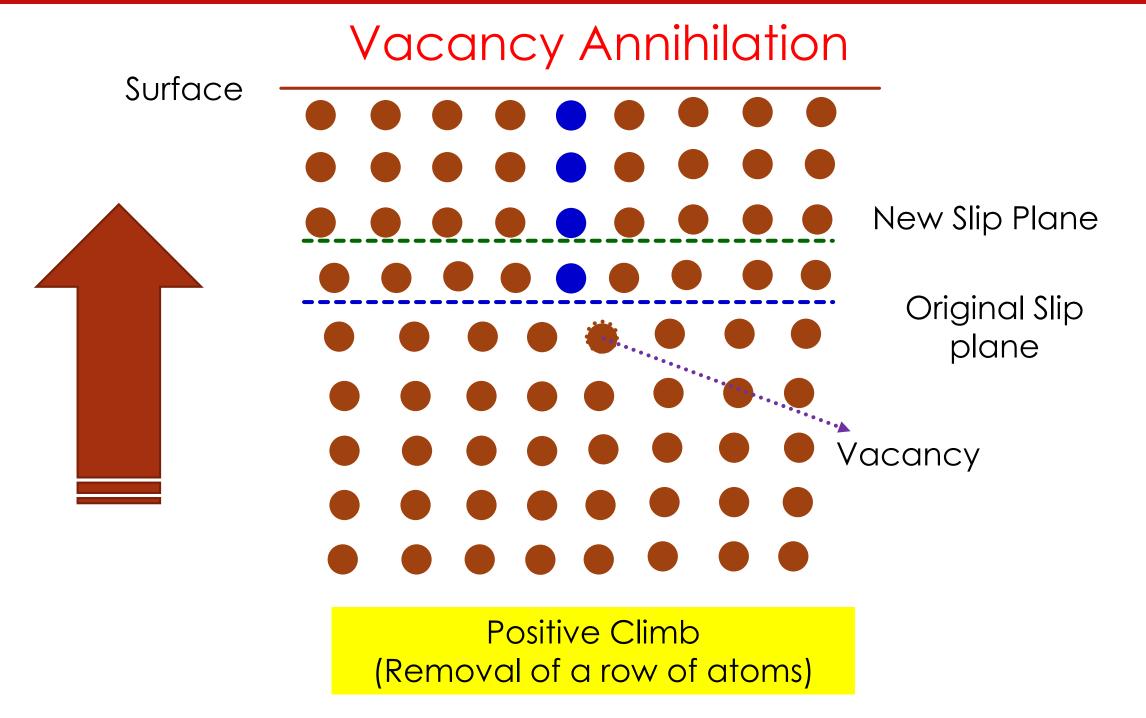
Climb Motion of Edge Dislocation

The motion of an edge dislocation from its slip plane to an adjacent parallel slip plane.





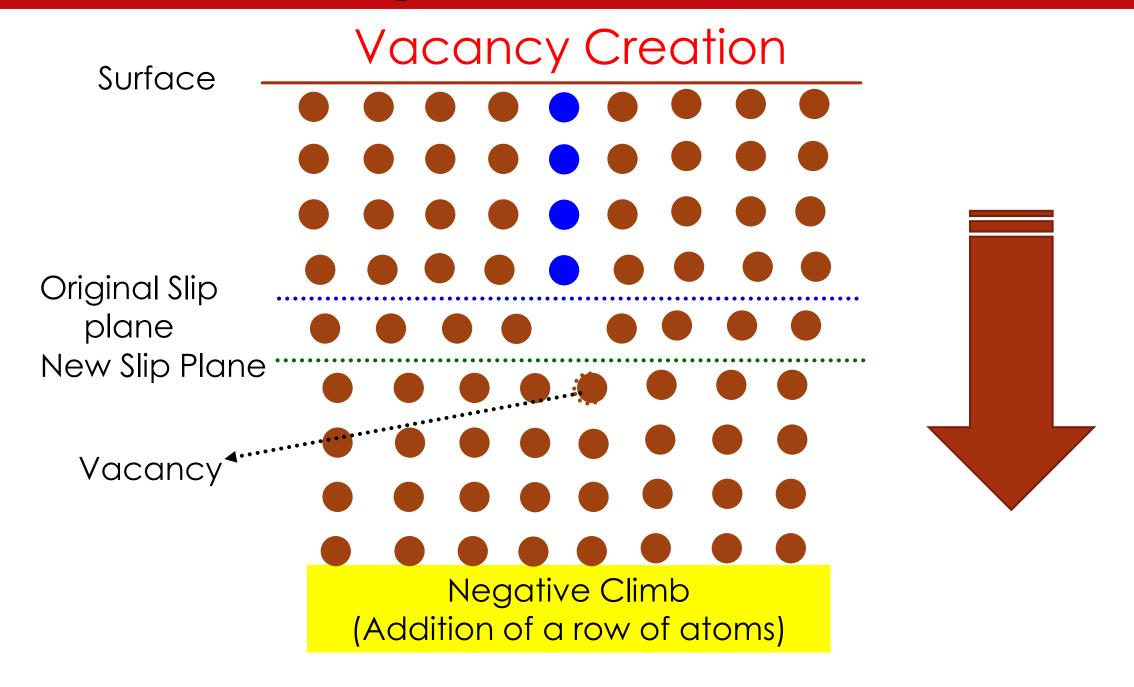
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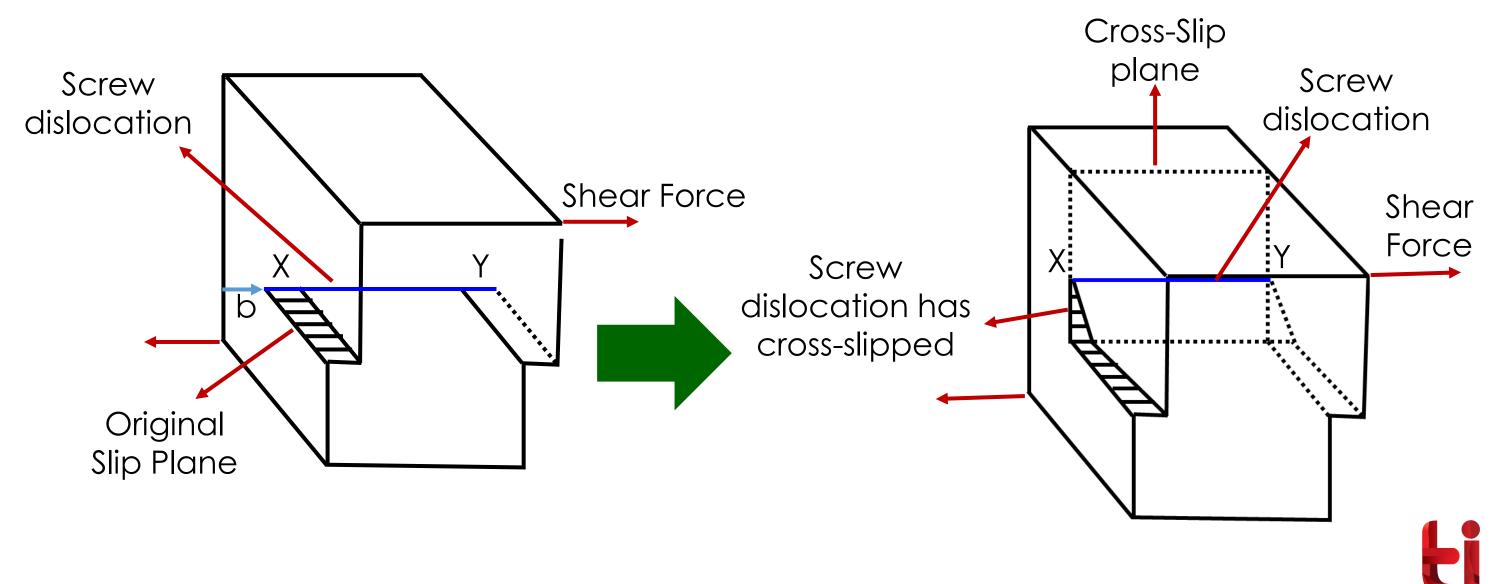


Negative climb leads to an increase in vacancy concentration in the crystal



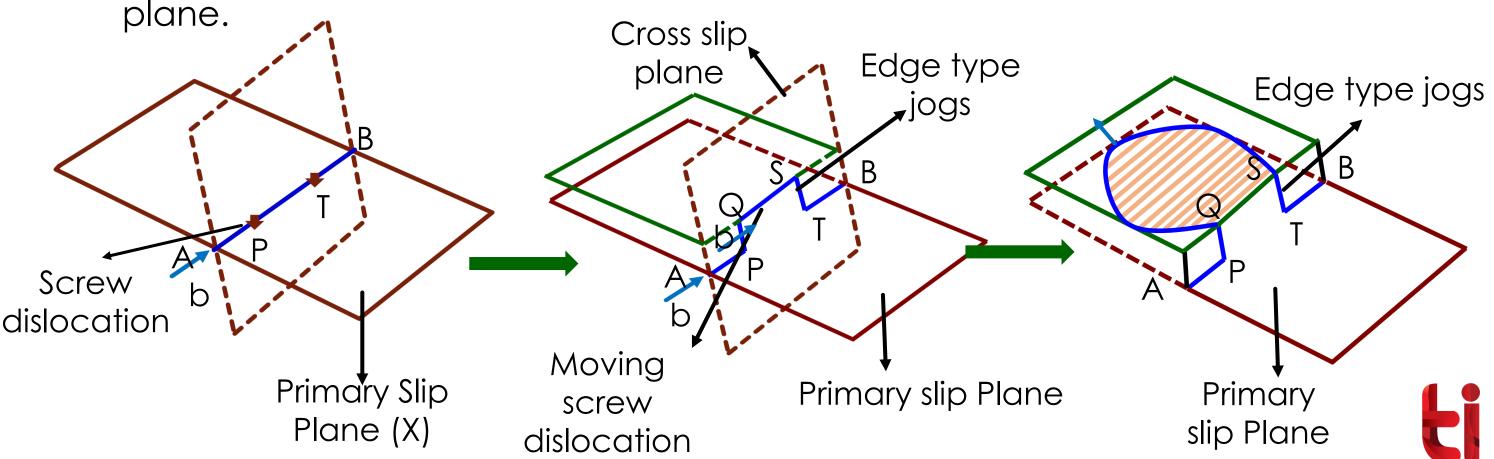
Cross Slip of Screw Dislocation

1. Motion of a screw dislocation during cross-slip: screw dislocation XY moving on the horizontal plane and shifted it's slip plane from horizontal to the inclined plane, called as cross-slip plane.

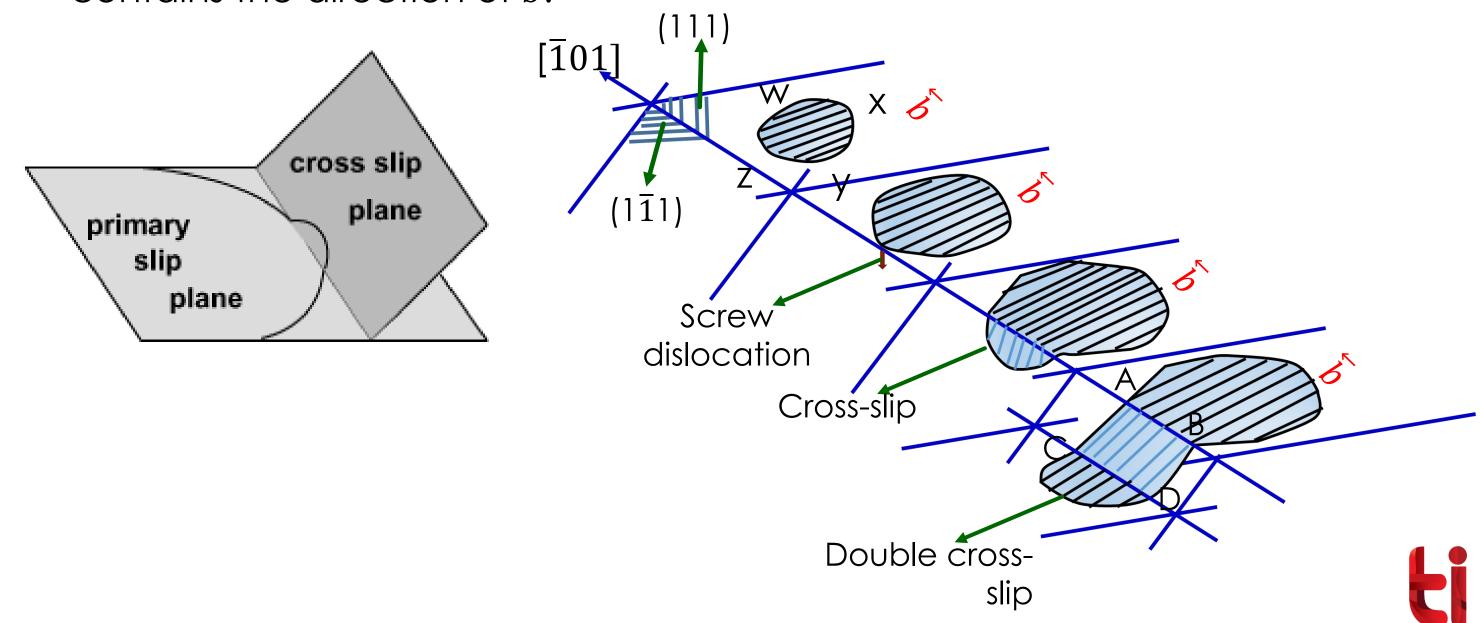


Cross Slip of Screw Dislocation

- 2. Double cross-slip dislocation
- A screw dislocation AB is gliding on a primary slip plane (X).
- AP and TB parts of screw dislocation do not cross-slip but QS part of dislocation cross-slip to another plane. When it moved on cross-slip plane two edge type jogs PQ and ST are created.
- The part of screw dislocation QS now double cross-slips as it has changed its motion to another plane primary plane which is parallel to the original slip



Cross-slip in a face cantered cubic crystal: The screw dislocation move in {111} type plane but can switch from {111} type plane to another if it contains the direction of \vec{b} .



- 1. Only the edge dislocation can have climb movement.
- 2. Only the screw dislocation can have cross slip movement.
- 3. Both edge dislocation and mixed dislocation can have glide movement.
- 4. In positive climb motion, there is annihilation of vacancies.
- 5. In negative climb motion, there is generation of vacancies.



1. A positive edge dislocation 1mm long climbs down by 2 µm in a Polonium crystal whose radius is 1.7 Å, Calculate the number of vacancies created or lost.

