

"Discrete Dislocation Plasticity"
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Recent progress on discrete dislocation dynamics simulations

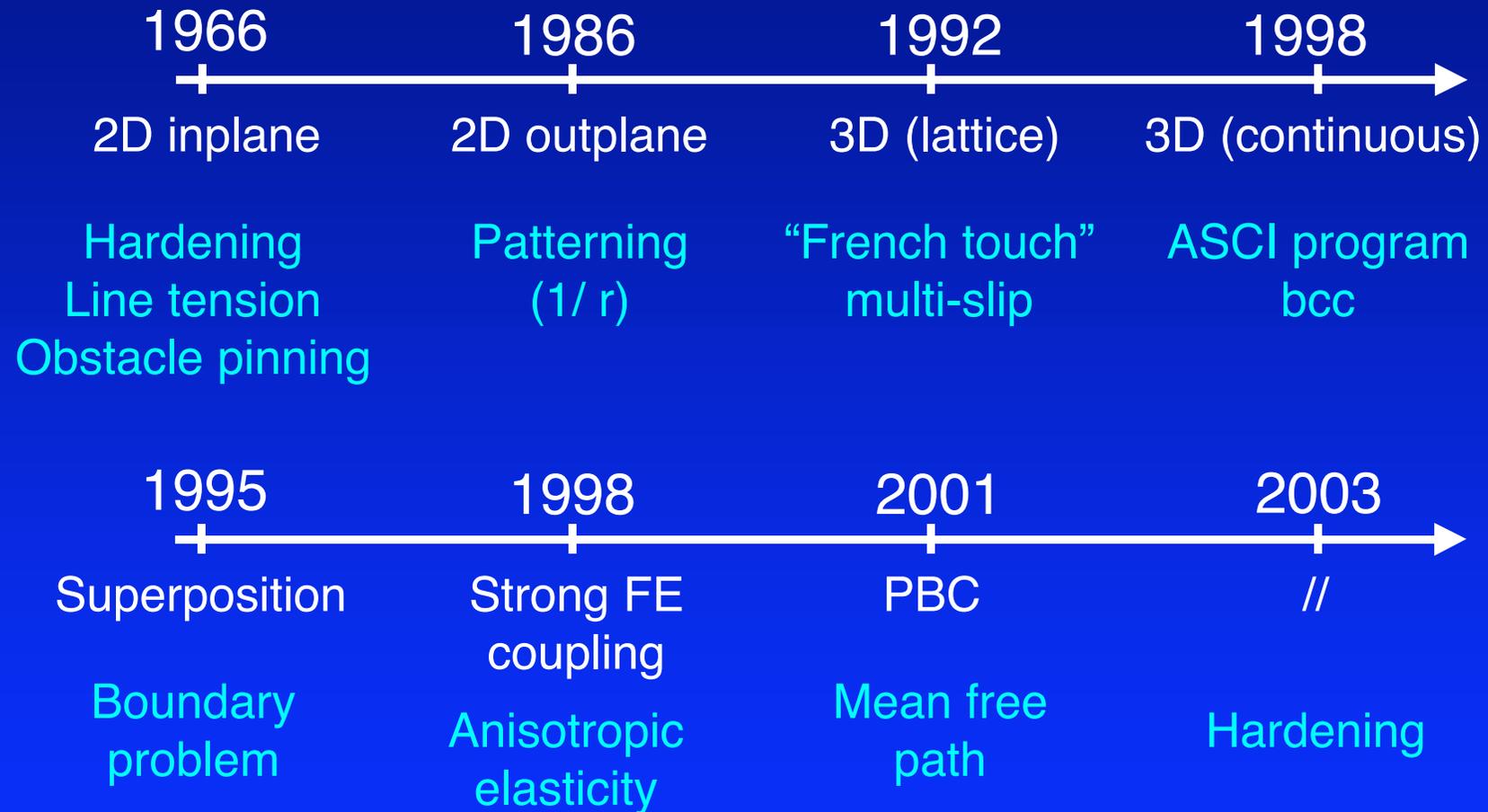
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Outline

- A short review of DDD evolutions
- 3D-DDD
 - Piecewise line models
 - Materials specificity
 - Slip system symmetry
 - Contact reactions (junctions)
 - Velocity laws
 - Standing problems
 - Boundary Problems
 - PBC
 - Superposition or Eigenstrain methods ?
 - Computational issues
 - Fast multipole methods (Greengard)
 - Parallelization
- 2D v.s. 3D and 2.5-DDD
- Concluding remarks

Discrete Dislocation Dynamics main dates



Discrete Dislocation Dynamics (DDD)

Discretization

time & space & lines

Elastic properties

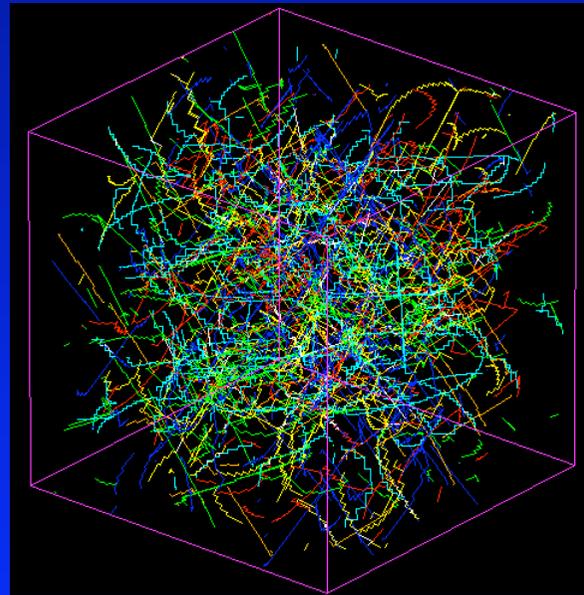
P-K force
Line tension
Loading

contact reactions
junctions

Constitutive rules

Mobility
Cross-slip

Nucleation



10-20 μm

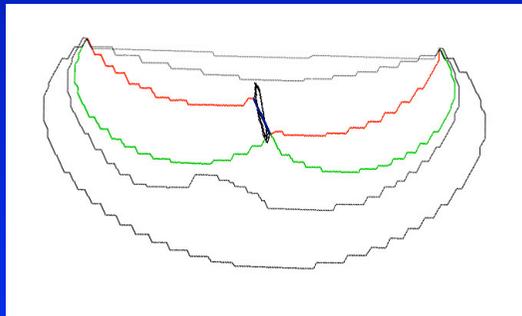
Boundary problem

PBC, free surface, GB, interface, etc..

Space and line discretization



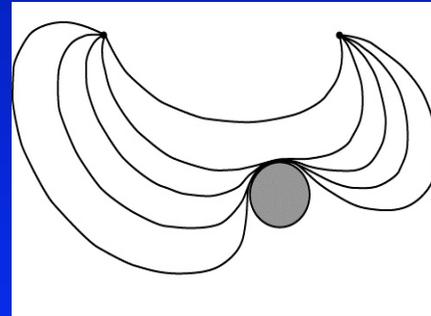
Lattice-based models



(Forest zipping-unzipping)

Code simplicity
slip properties

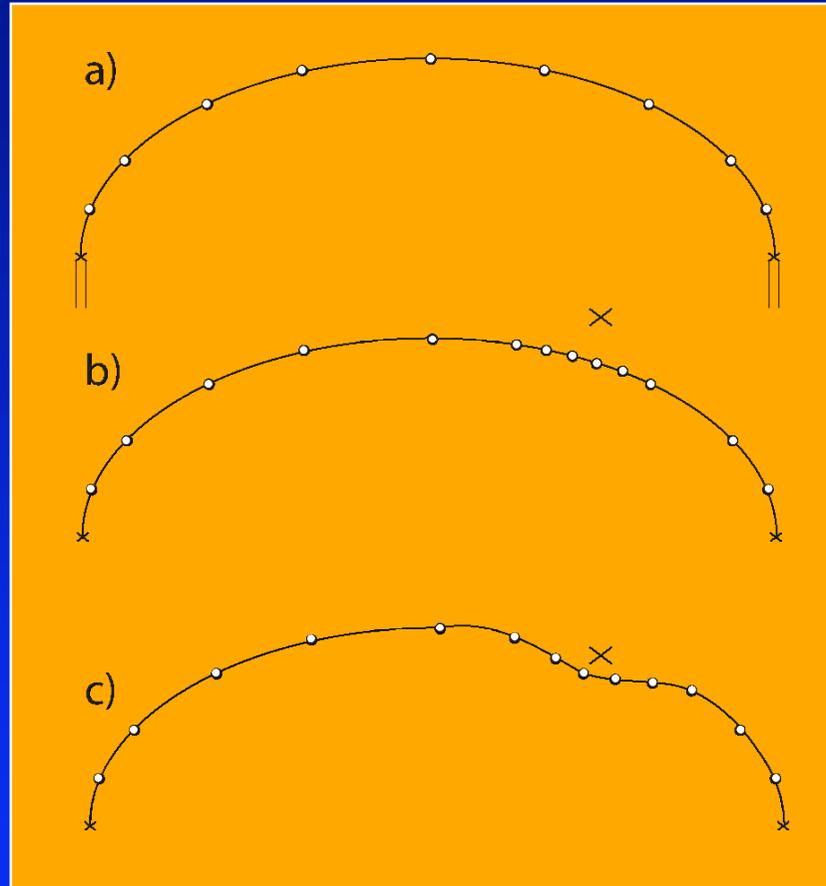
Quasi-continuous models



(Orowan mechanism)

Dislocation self stress field
CPU (time step ?)

Curvature v.s. elastic field gradients



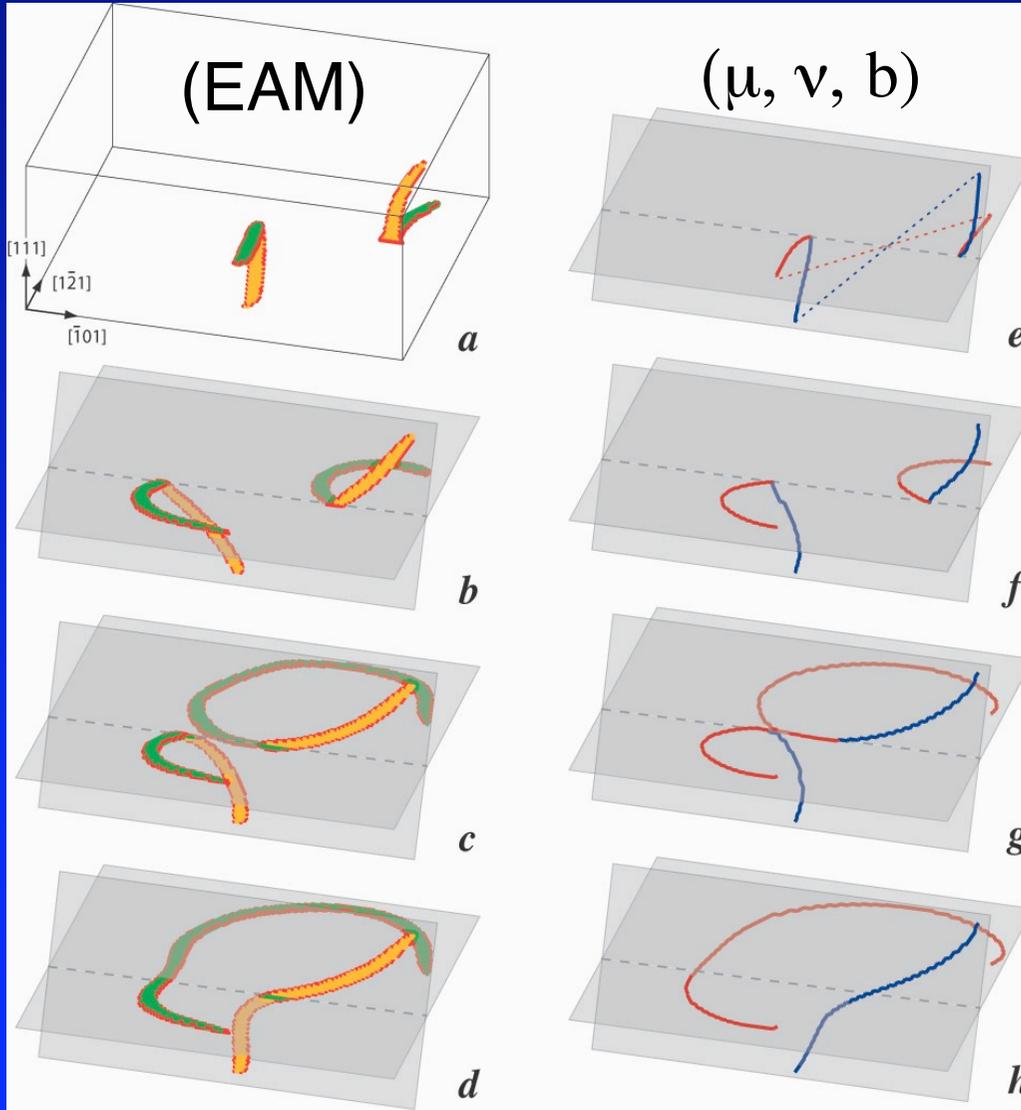
The killer is the number of integration points (IP) of the P-K force, not the number of segments needed to describe the curvature of an isolated dislocation !

How good is the elastic theory?

$$\tau_c / \mu = 0$$

$$\tau_c / \mu = 1.85 \cdot 10^{-2}$$

Collinear
annihilation



$$l_o = 27 \text{ nm}$$

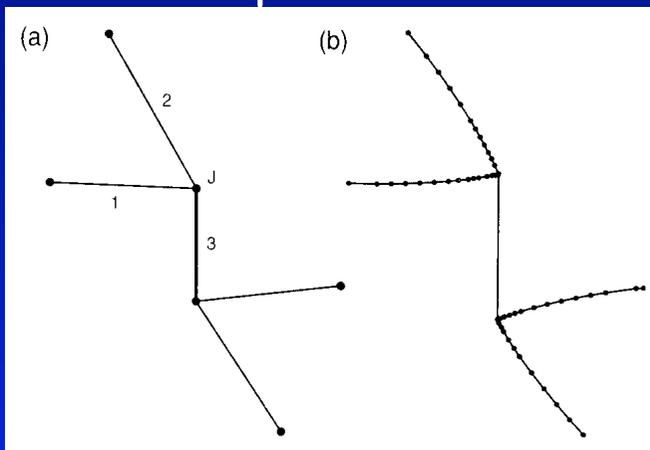
$$\tau_c / \mu = 1.67 \cdot 10^{-2}$$

$$\tau_c = K \frac{\mu b}{l_o} \text{Log}(l_o / b)$$

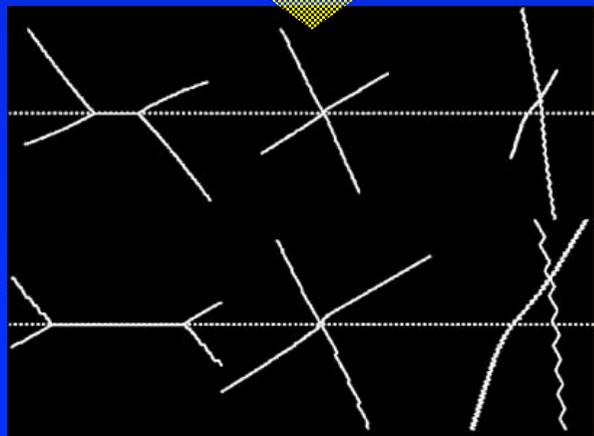
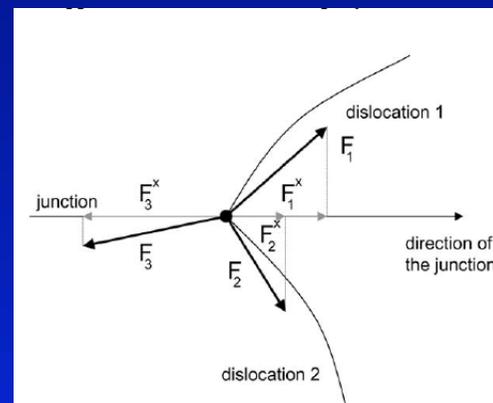
Aluminium

Contact reactions modeling

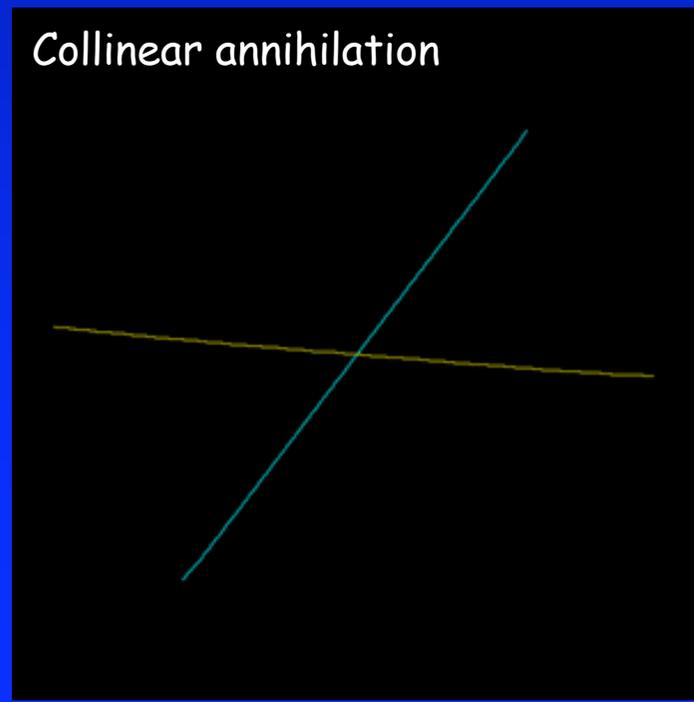
IP optimization



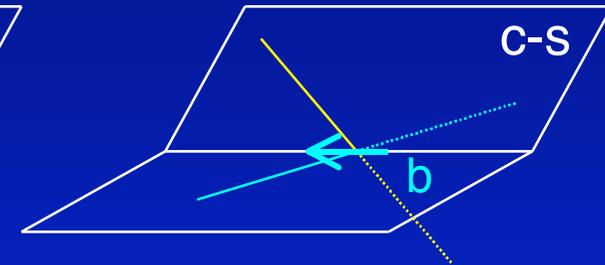
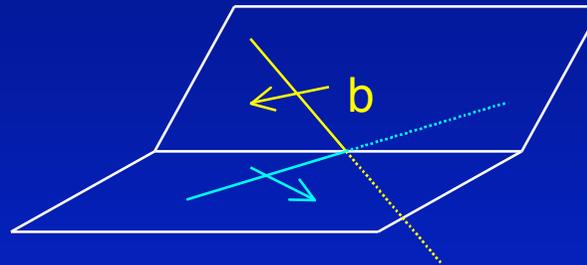
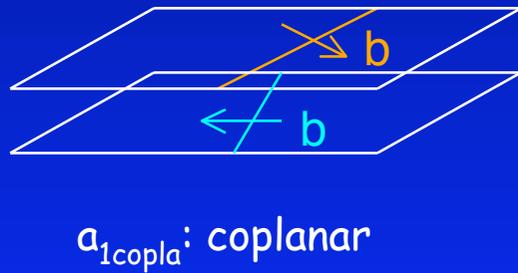
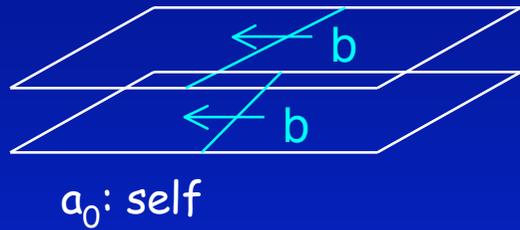
Line tension at triple nodes



Collinear annihilation



a_{ij} - Interaction coefficients - FCCs (model simulations)



Measurement:

$$a^{su} = \left(\sigma^s / \sqrt{\sum_u \rho^u} \right)^2$$



Hirth ($a_{1ortho} = 0.051$)



Glissile ($a_2 = 0.075$)



Lomer ($a_3 = 0.084$)



$a_{coli} = 1.265$

Velocity laws

Viscous drag

$$v = \frac{\tau_{eff} b}{B(T)}$$

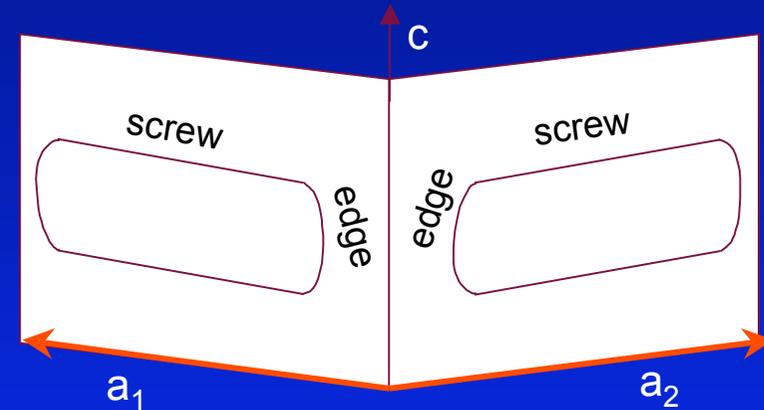
Lattice friction

Internal stress fluctuations!

$$v = v_o \frac{l}{l_o} \exp \left\{ - \frac{\Delta G_0}{kT} \left[1 - \left(\frac{\tau_{eff}}{\tau_0} \right)^p \right]^q \right\}$$

Segments length influence
(double kink free path)

$$V_{screw} \ll V_{non-screw}$$



Eg: Zirconium (prismatic)

$$v_o = 10^{14} s^{-1}$$

$$\Delta G_0 = 1.06 \text{ eV} : \text{Total energy}$$

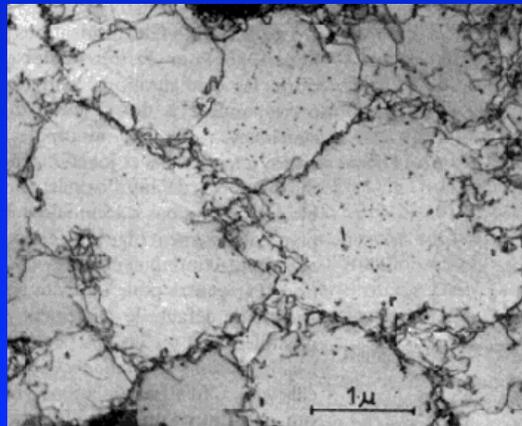
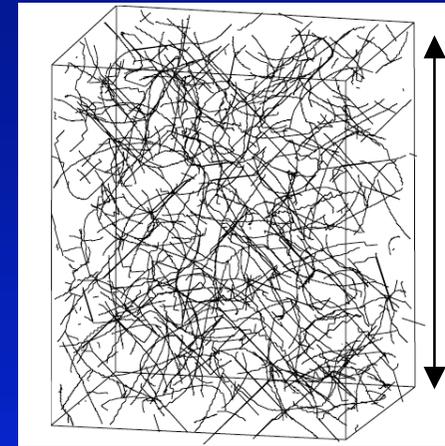
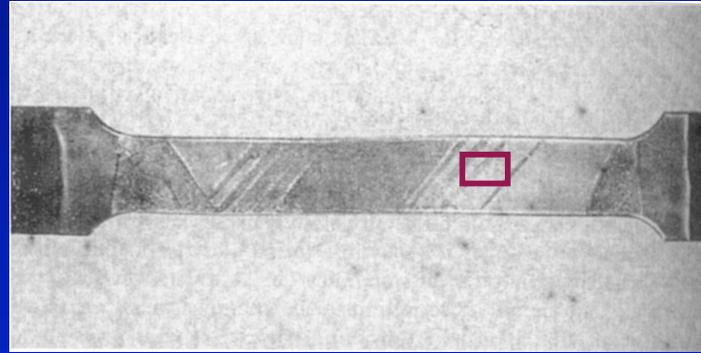
$$\tau_0 = 260 \text{ MPa} : \text{CRSS at 0 K}$$

$$p = 0.757, q = 1.075$$

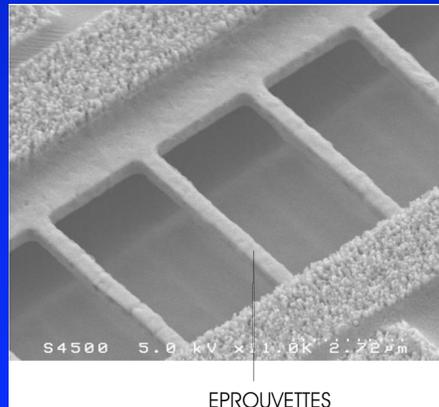
Technical standing problems in dislocation properties modeling

- Cross-slip in non-fccs
- Climb
- Nucleation criteria
- Transmission criteria
- Jogs and kinks in materials with lattice friction
- Over-damped motion approximation

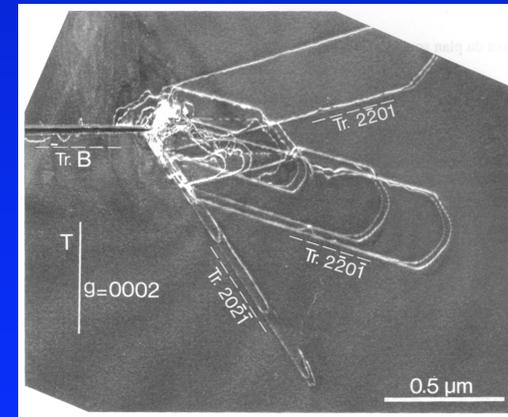
Boundary value problem



Bulk (DDD)

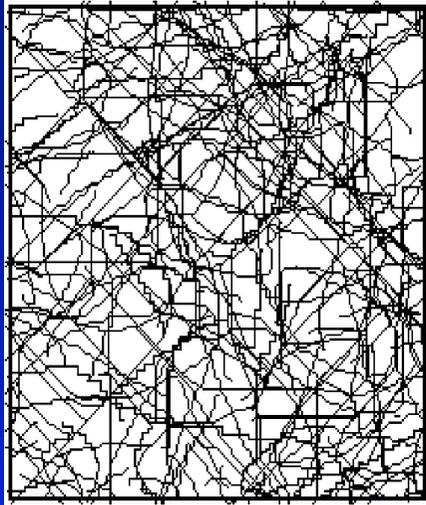


Size effects (DDD+FE)



Loading (DDD+FE)

Periodic boundary conditions



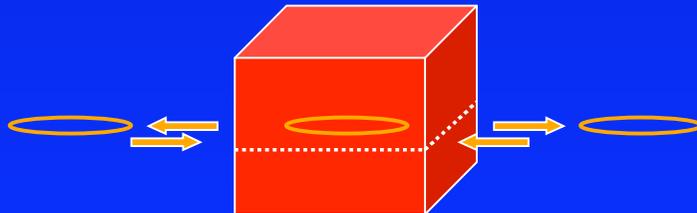
PBC

Benefits:

- continuity of the lines
- balance of fluxes
- internal stresses

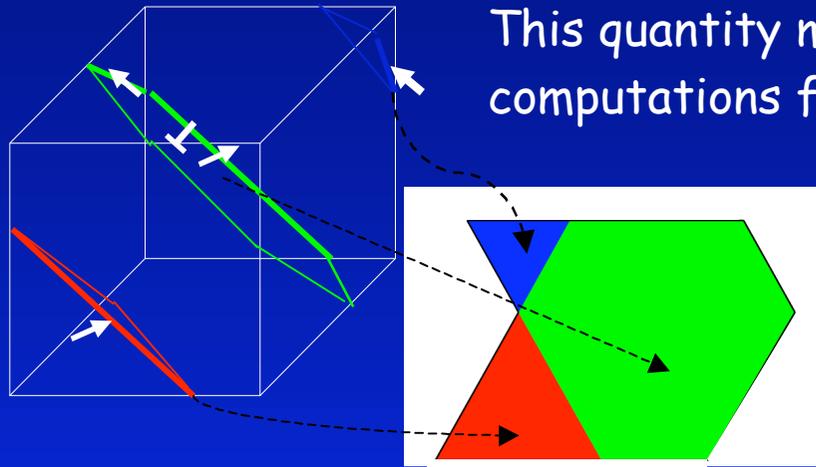


Strong self-interactions !



- affects the density of mobile dislocations and the total dislocation storage rate.
- affects the arrangement of the microstructure and the strain hardening properties.

Dislocation mean free path



This quantity must be calculated before computations for each active slip system

(Madec, Devincere, Kubin:
IUTAM 2003 proceedings, Kluwer Eds.)

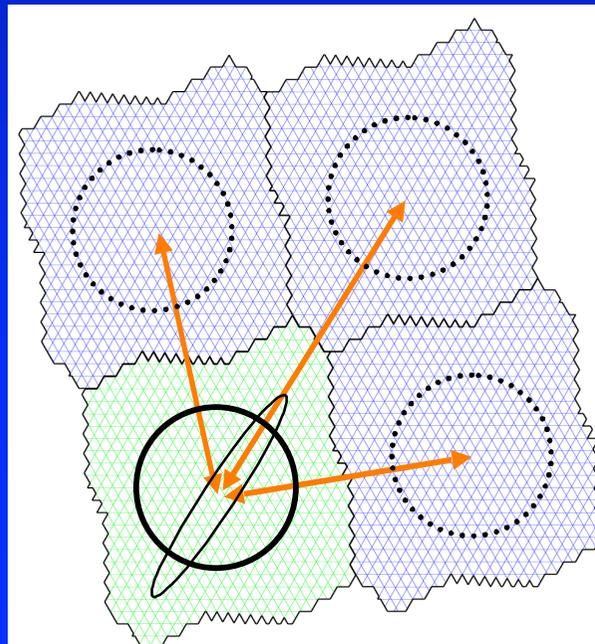
(Monnet, Devincere, Kubin: Acta Mater. 2004)

Orthorhombic box: L_x, L_y, L_z
Slip plane (h, k, l)

find 3 integers (u, v, w)
such that

$$huL_x + kvL_y + lwL_z = 0$$

(first-degree Diophantine
equation)



self-annihilation distance

Isotropic Loop:

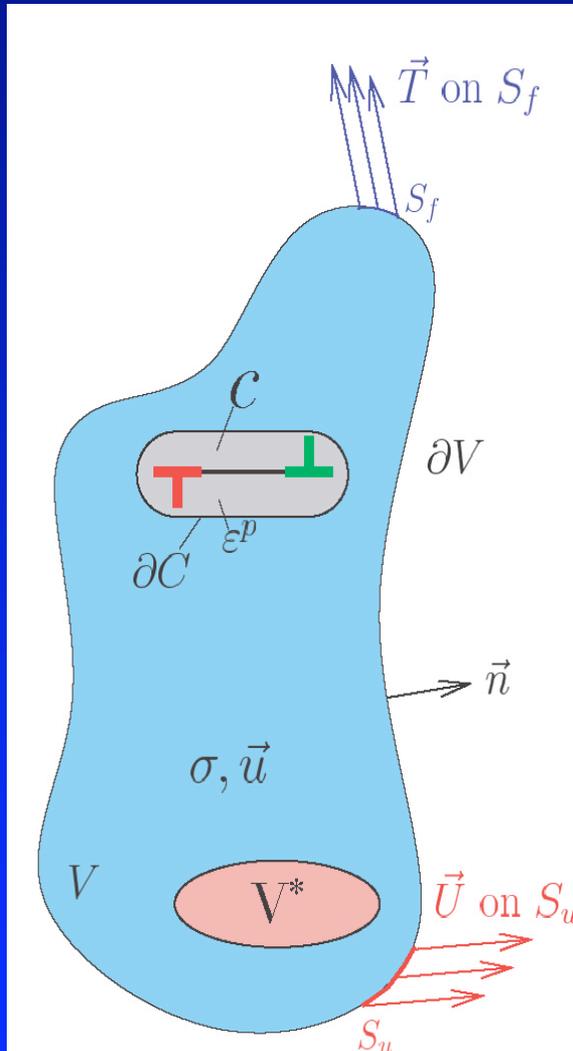
$$2\lambda = \sqrt{(uL_x)^2 + (vL_y)^2 + (wL_z)^2}$$

Anisotropic Loop:

$$\lambda = \frac{uL_x}{d_x} = \frac{vL_y}{d_y} = \frac{wL_z}{d_z}$$

with (dx,dy,dz) the fast
gliding direction

Mechanical equilibrium of finite media



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla \cdot \underline{\underline{\sigma}} = 0 \\ \underline{\underline{\sigma}} \cdot \vec{n} = \vec{T} \text{ at } S_f \\ \vec{u} = \vec{U} \text{ at } S_u \\ \nabla \vec{u} = \underline{\underline{\varepsilon}} \\ \underline{\underline{\sigma}} = \underline{\underline{L}}^M : (\underline{\underline{\varepsilon}} - \underline{\underline{\varepsilon}}^p) \text{ in } V^M \\ \underline{\underline{\sigma}} = \underline{\underline{L}}^* : \underline{\underline{\varepsilon}} \text{ in } V^* \end{array} \right.$$

Different coupling strategies

Elastic problem

FE are good to solve boundary value problems

Field singularity at dislocation cores!



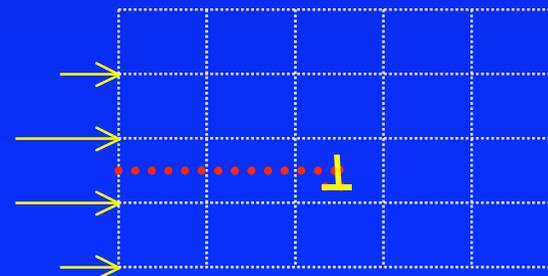
Build a FE mesh and specific procedures to capture most of the elastic fields complexity.

Eigenstrain

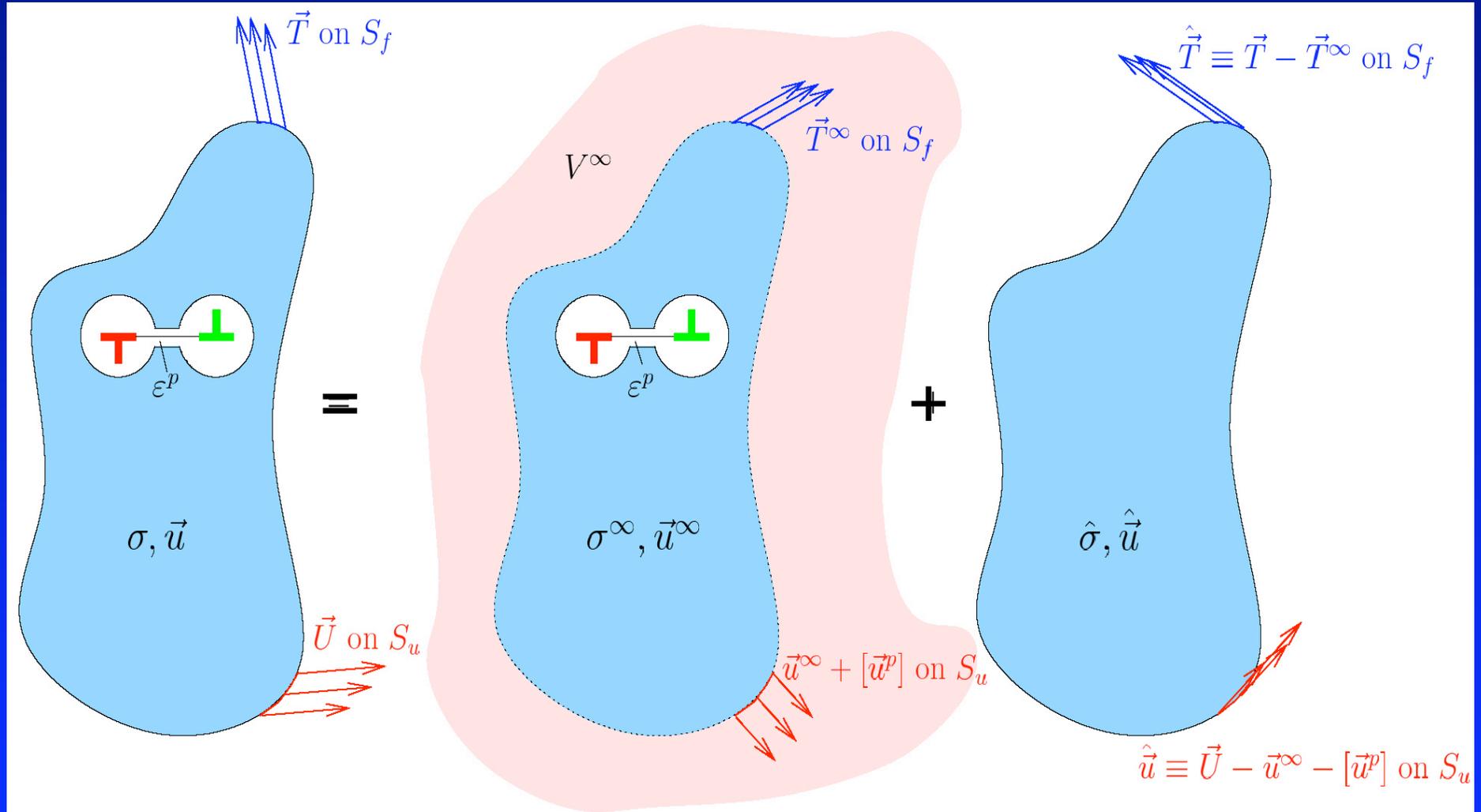


Eliminate the bulk complexity to simplify the elastic problem treated with the FE mesh.

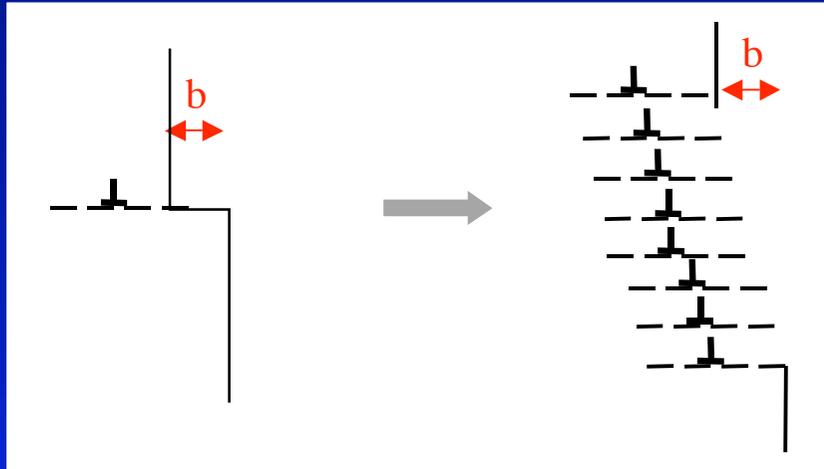
Superposition



Superposition method



Eigenstrain (homogenisation) method

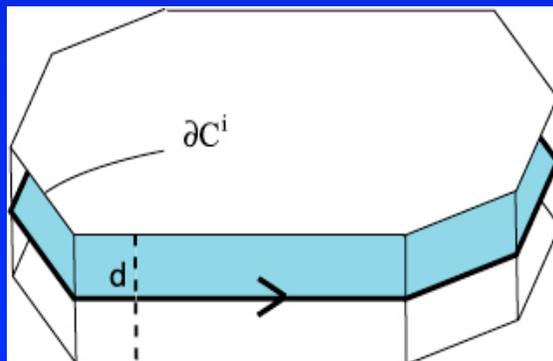


Plastic strain induced by the motion of each segment "i" at the Gauss points ",e" of the FE mesh and at time "t"

$$\Delta\gamma_{n,e}^i = \frac{(b^i/h) V_{\text{int},e}^i}{V_{G,e}}$$

$$\Delta\varepsilon_{,e}^p = \sum_i \Delta\gamma_{n,e}^i (l^i \otimes n^i)^{\text{sym}}$$

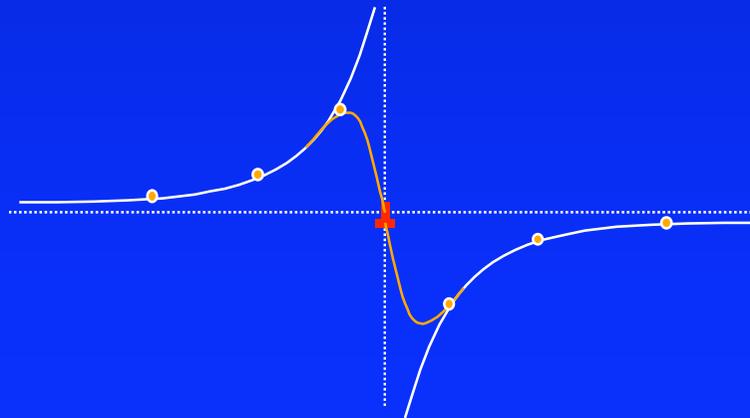
$$\varepsilon_{,e}^p = \sum_t \Delta\varepsilon_{,e}^p$$



Homogenisation slab of thickness $h=1.5 (V_{G,e})^{1/3}$ is OK with elements of 20 nodes and 27 Gauss points.

Strength and weakness of DDD-FE coupling

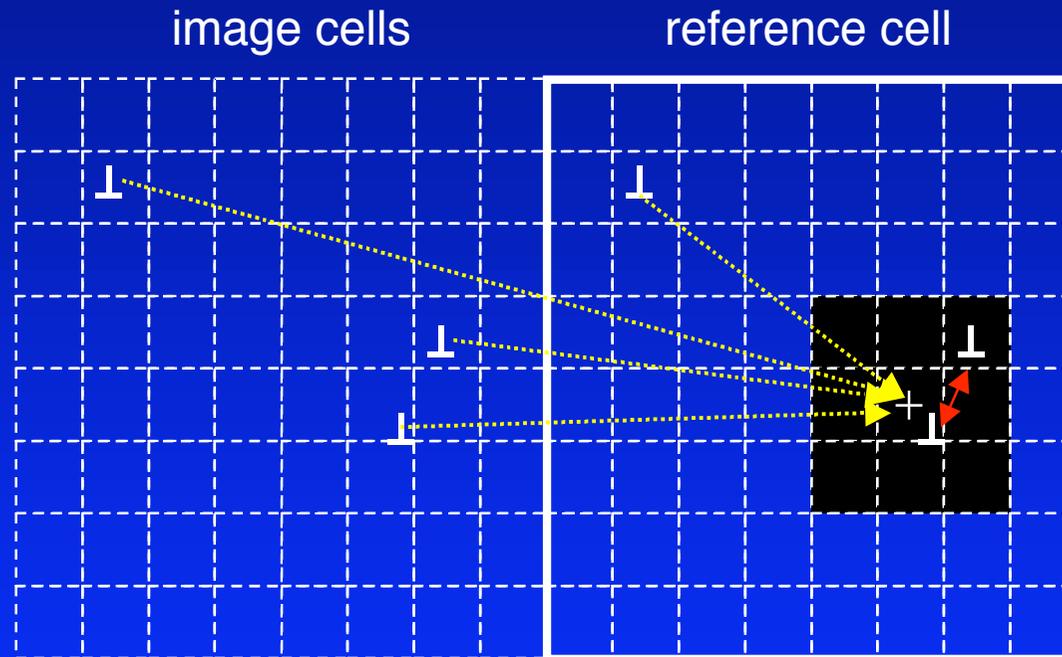
- Computer efficiency!
 - FE computations are faster than DDDs
- Isotropic or anisotropic elasticity !
 - Analytical forms for the displacement field
- Large deformation and surface roughness !
 - homogenisation or re-meshing
- Elastic inclusions !
- Interpolation and shape functions!



Fast multipole method

$O(N^2)$ to $O(N \log N)$ or $O(N)$

Mean field approximation: $>O(N \log N)$



Finite series calculation: $O(N \log N)$ or $O(N)$

! The number of moments needed to approximate the dislocation self-stress field is very large !

Parallel DDD codes

The LLNL battlefield :-)

Size of dislocation patterns approx $1\mu\text{m}$

Simulation box $L=10\mu\text{m}$

Dislocation density $\rho=10^{12}\text{m}^{-2}$

Length of dislocation line $\Gamma=\rho L^3=10^{-3}\text{m}$

Discretization length $d=10\text{ nm}$

Number of segments $N=\Gamma/d=10^5$

One processor can only handle efficiently 10^3 - 10^4 segments

2D versus 3D



•2D simulations are quite rough but they can be helpful to overcome partially the numerical limitations of the 3D computations.

•On the other hand, 3D codes can be used to evaluate, in a realistic way, the dislocation mechanisms which cannot be reproduced by a 2D system (multiplication, cross-slip, pinning mechanisms strength...)

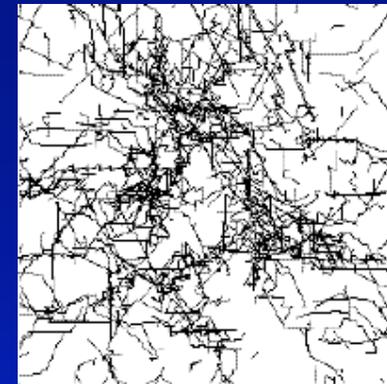
Dislocation patterning in double slip

2.5 DDD simulation

Multiplication

$$\frac{\Delta \rho^s}{\Delta t} = M \dot{\gamma}^s + \text{Sources}$$

$$M = 2.10^{15}$$



(3D-DDD)

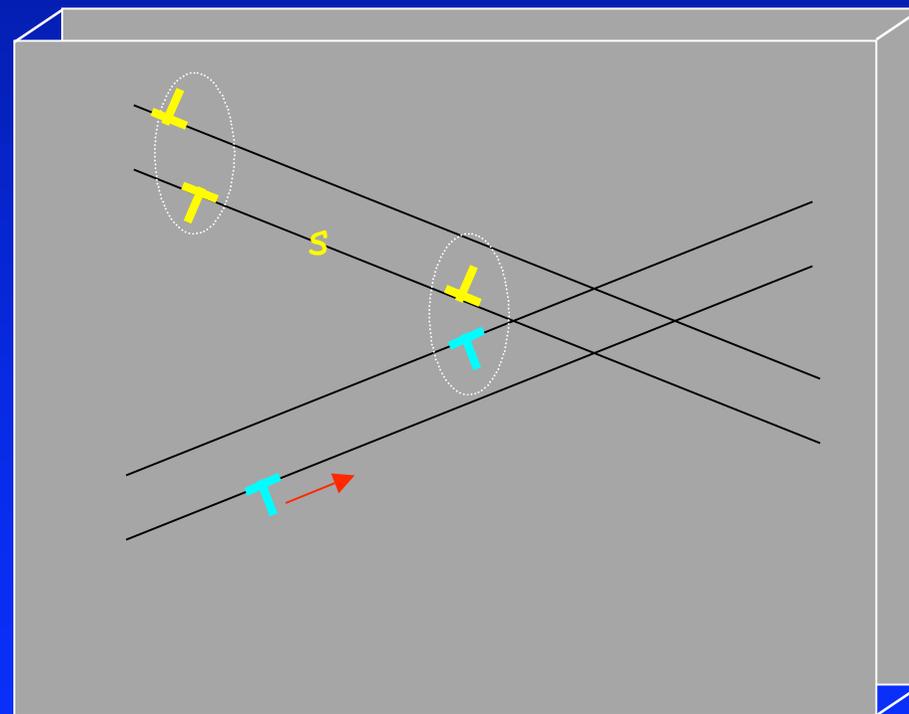
Reactions

Dipoles

Junctions

$$\tau_j = \beta T$$
$$= \beta \frac{\mu b}{\rho_{local}^{-1/2}} \ln\left(\frac{\rho_{local}^{-1/2}}{b}\right)$$

$$\beta = 0.046$$



$$\text{Velocity} \left(\tau^{\text{int}}, \tau^{\text{app}}, T \right)$$

Interaction

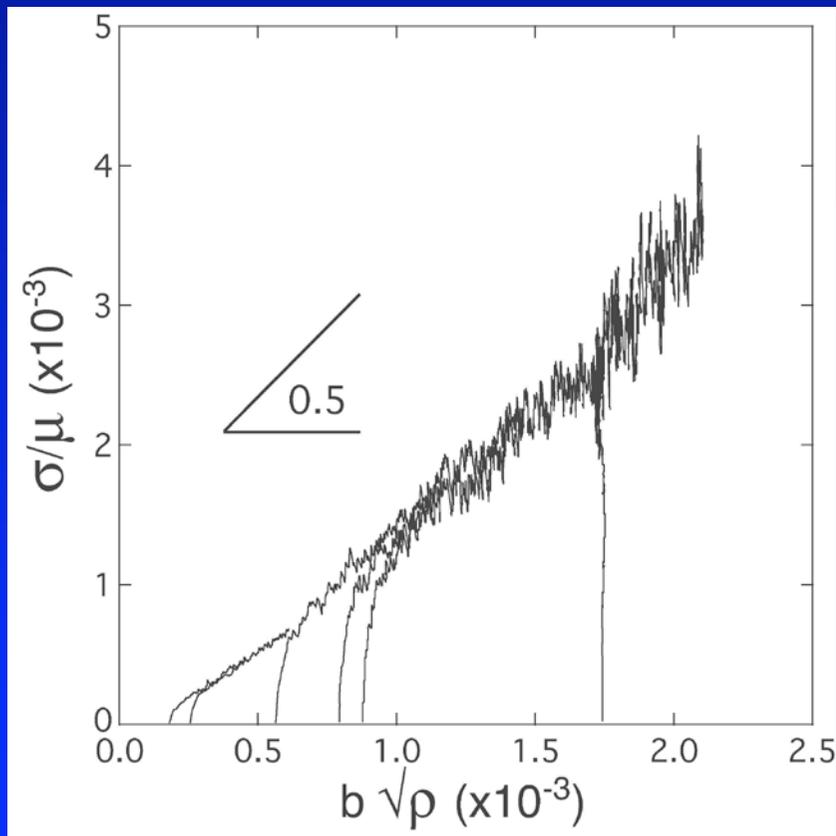
Annihilation

homogenization
(cross-slip)

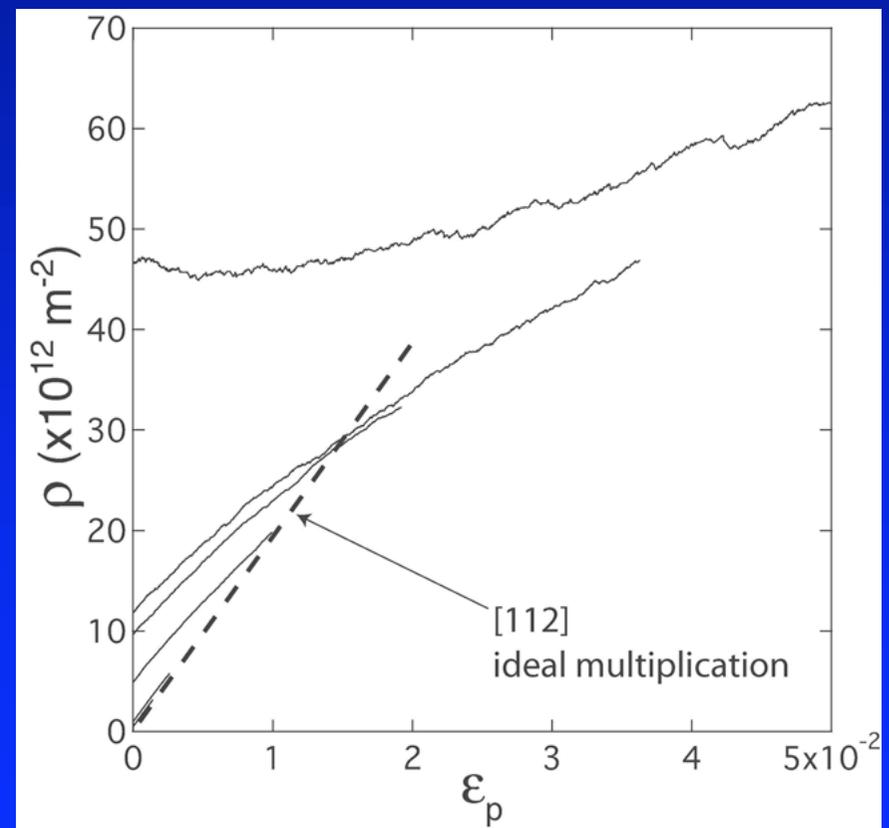
Forest model and Strain hardening

$$h = \frac{d\sigma}{d\varepsilon} = \frac{d\sigma}{d\rho} \frac{d\rho}{d\varepsilon}$$

flow stress - junction strengthening

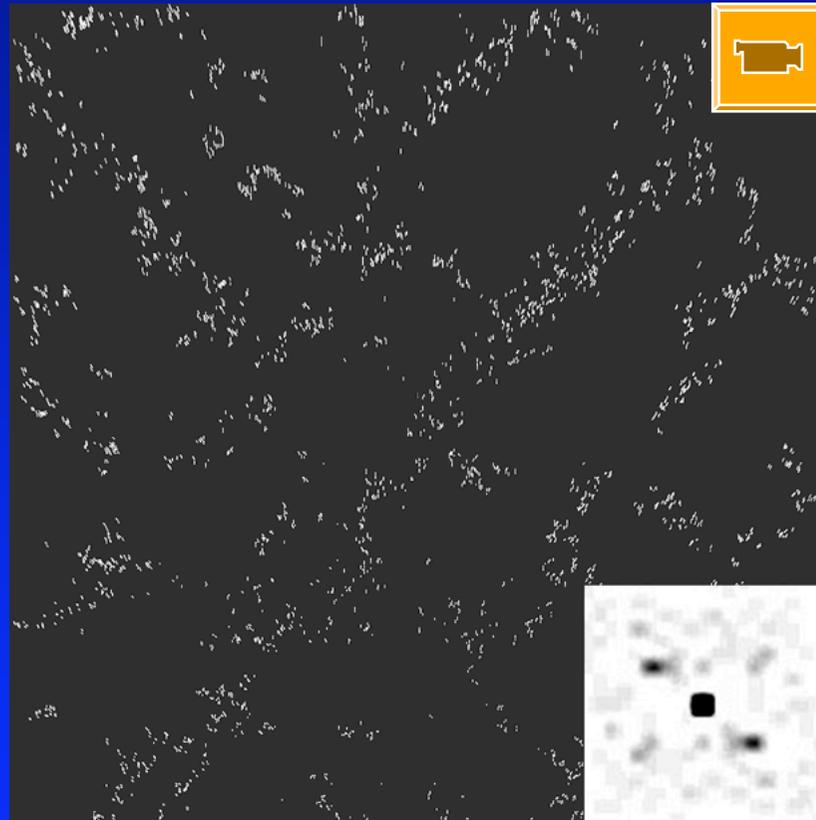


multiplication rate - recovery



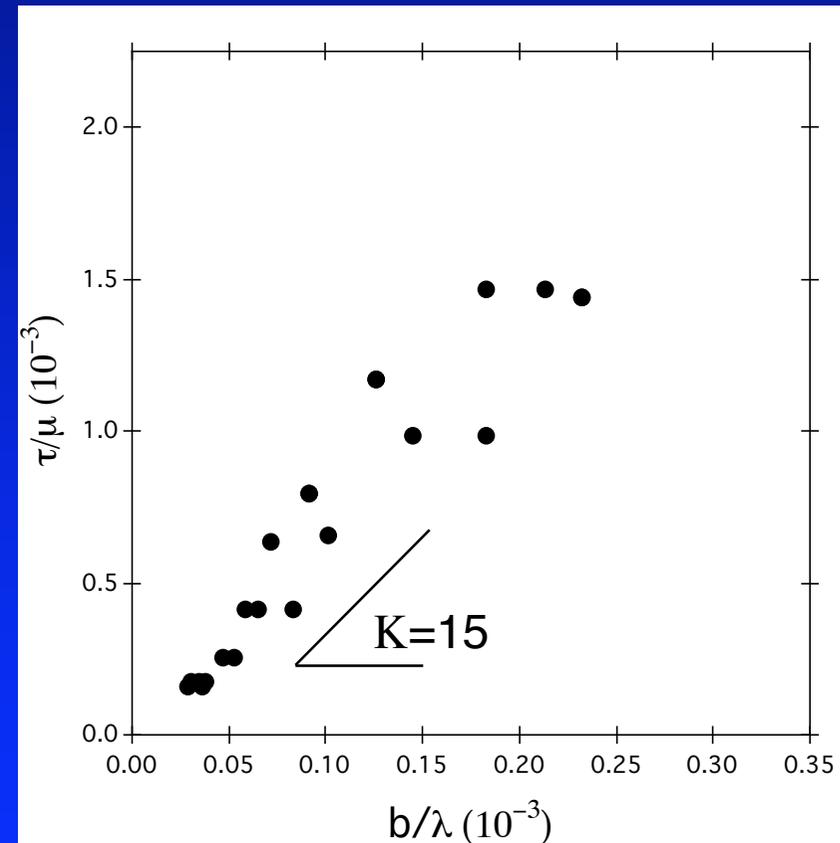
Dislocations patterning

Self-organization



Similitude principle

$$\frac{\sigma}{\mu} = K \frac{b}{\lambda}$$



Fluctuations of the long range interaction are not essential

Concluding remarks

- The elastic theory of dislocations is powerful
- Material specificities are coming up from the core properties
- PBC are useful, but dangerous
- Solving boundary value problems in 3D is a tough job, still in progress.
- Thanks to multipole algorithm and // codes, larger plastic strains should be available in the near future.
- Need for a rigorous validation and intercomparison of the various approaches currently utilized.