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# **Single Crystal Gradient Plasticity – Part III**

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# Outline

Motivation

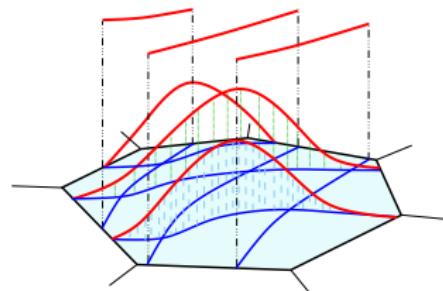
Dislocation continuum theories – overview

The concept of lifted curves

Modelling of pile-ups

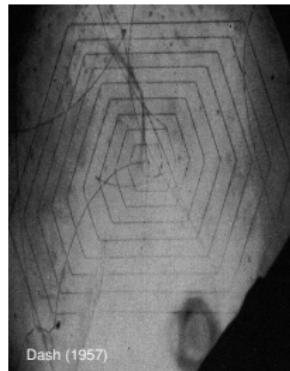
Numerical results

Conclusion and Outlook

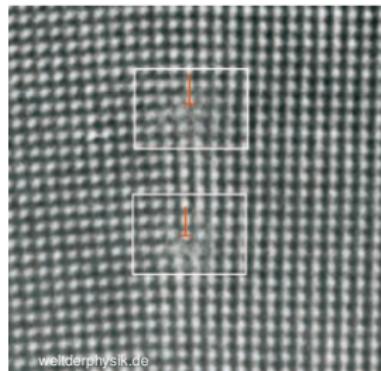
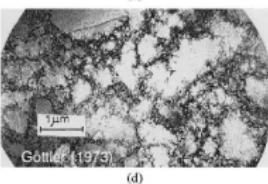
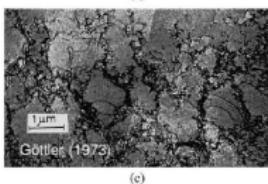


- Fundamental dislocation theory
  - e.g. Taylor (1934); Orowan (1935); Schmid and Boas (1935); Hall (1951); Petch (1953)
- Kinematics and crystallographic aspects of GNDs
  - Nye (1953); Bilby, Bullough and Smith (1955); Kröner (1958); Mura (1963); Arsenlis and Parks (1999)
- Thermodynamic gradient theories
  - e.g. Fleck et al. (1994); Steinmann (1996); Menzel and Steinmann (2001); Liebe and Steinmann (2001); Reese and Svendsen (2003); Berdichevski (2006); Ekh et al. (2007); Gurtin, Anand and Lele (2007); Fleck and Willis (2009); Bargmann et al. (2010); Miehe (2011)
- Slip resistance dependent on GNDs and SSDs
  - e.g. Becker and Miehe (2004); Evers, Brekelmans and Geers (2004); Cheong, Busso and Arsenlis (2005)
- Micromorphic approach
  - e.g. Forest (2009); Cordero et al. (2010); Aslan et al. (2011)
- Continuum Dislocation Dynamics
  - e.g. Hochrainer (2006); Hochrainer, Zaiser and Gumbsch (2007); Hochrainer, Zaiser and Gumbsch (2010); Sandfeld, Hochrainer and Zaiser (2010); Sandfeld (2010)

# Dislocation Microstructure



Dash (1957)



Spiral source

Cell structures at different deformation stages

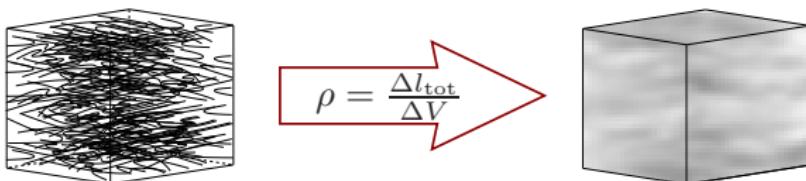
Single dislocations

## Important features of the microstructure

- Total line length/density
- Dislocation sources
- Dislocation motion/transport
- Lattice distortion

# Classical Continuum Dislocation Measures

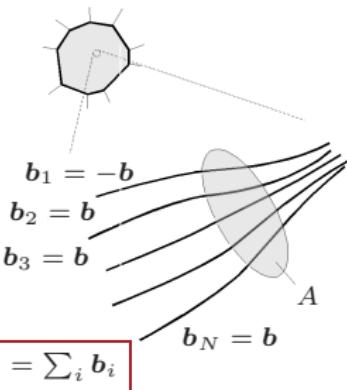
Total line length per unit volume



Typical (local) evolution law:

$$\partial_t \rho = f(\dot{\gamma}, \rho)$$

Transport neglected!

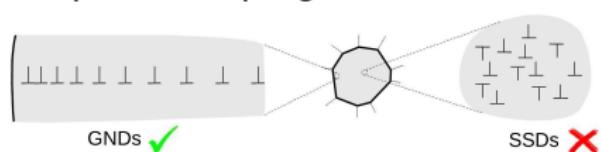


Nye's dislocation density tensor

$$\alpha = \text{curl} (\mathbf{H}^p)$$

SSDs neglected!

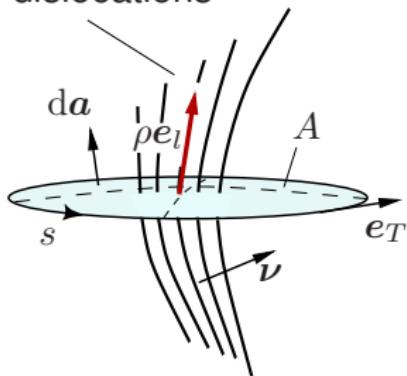
$\mathbf{H}^p$ : plastic displ. gradient



# Smooth Dislocation Bundles

Mura (1963)

Parallel dislocations



Dislocation density vector

$$\kappa := \rho e_l$$

Effective 'Number' of penetration points

$$N_{\text{eff}} = \int_A \kappa \cdot da,$$

Dislocation flux into  $A$

$$\dot{N}_{\text{eff}} = - \int_{\partial A} (\kappa \times \nu) \cdot e_T ds,$$

$$\Rightarrow \partial_t \kappa = -\text{curl}(\kappa \times \nu)$$

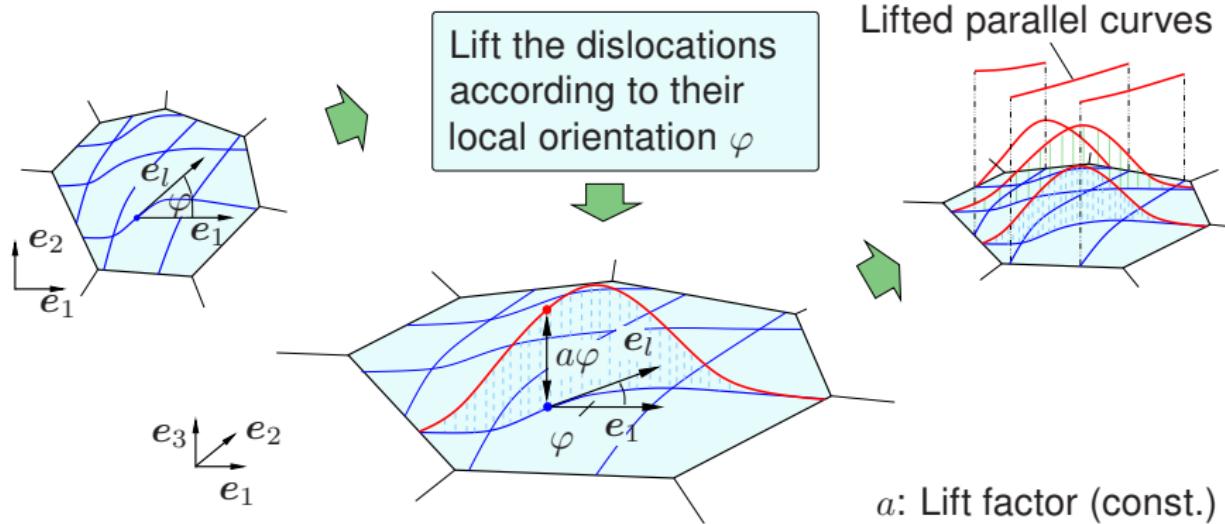
Closed evolution equation

Holds if nearby dislocations are parallel!

How to treat **non-parallel** dislocations?

# Concept of lifted dislocations

Hochrainer (2006); Hochrainer, Zaiser and Gumbsch (2007)



If curvature depends on position and orientation  $k = k(x_1, x_2, \varphi, t)$ :

Adjacent lifted dislocations are **parallel!**

# Concept of lifted dislocations

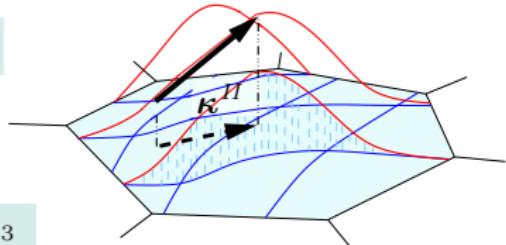
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Density vector of lifted dislocations

$$\kappa^{II} = \rho^{II} e_l^{II}$$

$\rho^{II}$  : Density of lifted dislocations

$e_l^{II}$  : line direction



Velocity of the lifted dislocations

$$V = \nu + a\vartheta e_3$$

$\nu$ : real dislocation velocity

$\vartheta$ : angular velocity

Evolution equation (by analogy)

$$\partial_t \kappa^{II} = -\text{curl} (\kappa^{II} \times V)$$

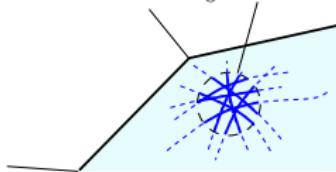
Planar projection of  $\kappa^{II}$

Derivation of orientation dependent density  $\rho^\varphi(x_1, x_2, \varphi, t) = a\kappa^{II} \cdot e_l$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \rho^\varphi d\varphi$$

Total dislocation density

$$\rho(x_1, x_2, t) = \int_0^{2\pi} \rho^\varphi d\varphi$$



# Averaged Theory

Hochrainer, Zaiser and Gumbsch (2010)

## Continuum Dislocation Dynamics (CDD)

Evolution equation of lifted dislocation density vector

$$\partial_t \kappa^{II} = -\operatorname{curl}(\kappa^{II} \times \mathbf{V})$$

$$\kappa^{II} = \frac{\rho^\varphi}{a} \mathbf{e}_l + \rho^\varphi k \mathbf{e}_3$$

Equivalent: Evolution equations of density  $\rho^\varphi$  and curvature  $k$

$$\partial_t \rho^\varphi = -\operatorname{div}(\rho^\varphi \mathbf{v}) - \partial_\varphi(\rho^\varphi \vartheta) + \rho^\varphi k \nu$$

$$\partial_t(\rho^\varphi k) = -\operatorname{div}(\rho^\varphi k \mathbf{v} - \rho^\varphi \vartheta \mathbf{e}_l)$$

## Averaged/Simplified Theory (sCDD)

Averaged field variables

$$\rho(x_1, x_2, t) = \int_0^{2\pi} \rho^\varphi d\varphi$$

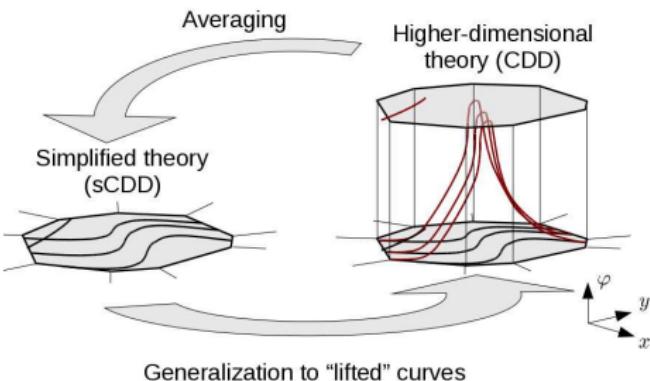
$$\overline{\rho k}(x_1, x_2, t) = \int_0^{2\pi} \rho^\varphi k d\varphi$$

$$\kappa^\perp = \int_0^{2\pi} \rho^\varphi \mathbf{e}_\nu d\varphi$$

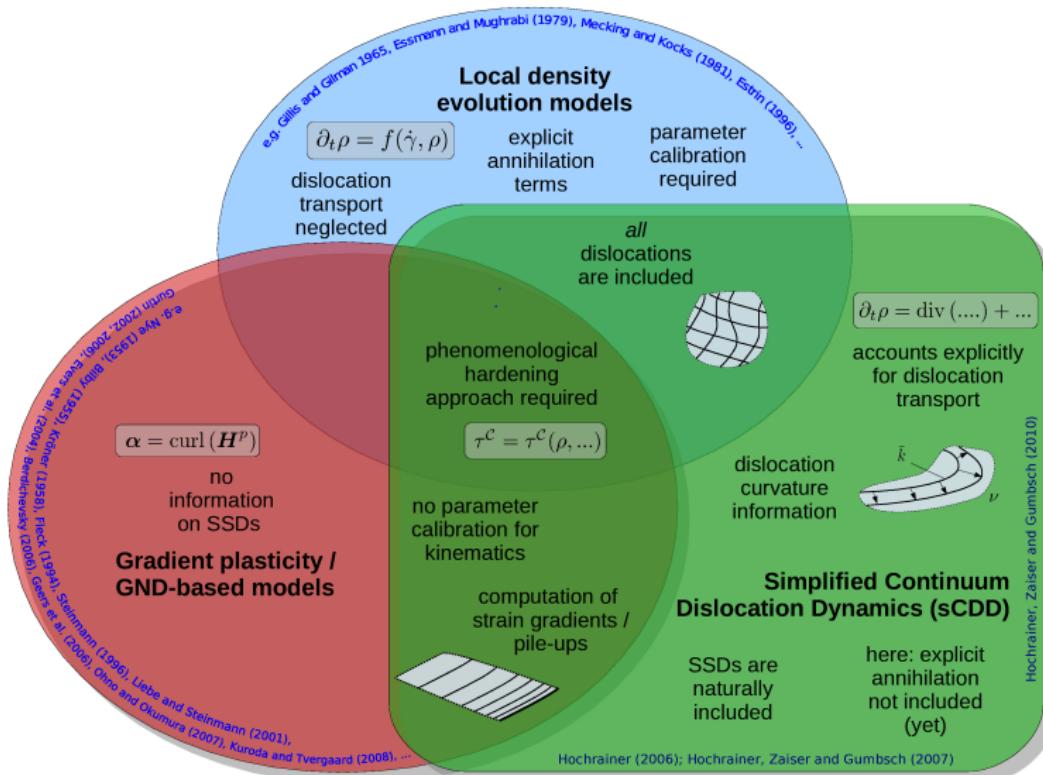
Averaged evolution equations

$$\partial_t \rho = -\operatorname{div}(\kappa^\perp \nu) + \overline{\rho k} \nu$$

$$\partial_t \overline{\rho k} = -\operatorname{div}\left(\overline{\rho k}/\rho \nu \kappa^\perp + \rho/2 \nabla_p \nu\right)$$



# Comparison of Dislocation Theories



# Coupling to Crystal Plasticity

## Single slip framework

Additive decomposition

$$\text{grad}(\boldsymbol{u}) = \boldsymbol{H} = \boldsymbol{H}^e + \boldsymbol{H}^p$$

Plastic distortion

$$\boldsymbol{H}^p = \gamma \boldsymbol{d} \otimes \boldsymbol{n} = \gamma \boldsymbol{M}$$

Elastic strain

$$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^e = \text{sym}(\boldsymbol{H}^e)$$

Stress

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \mathbb{C}[\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^e]$$

Resolved shear stress

$$\tau = \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{M}$$

## Coupling equations

Orowan equation

$$\dot{\gamma} = \rho b \nu$$

Overstress modell

$$\nu = \nu_0 \operatorname{sgn}(\tau) \left\langle \frac{|\tau + \operatorname{div}(\boldsymbol{\xi})| - \tau^c}{\tau^d} \right\rangle^p$$

Taylor hardening

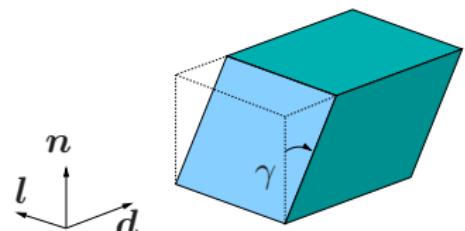
$$\tau^c = \tau_0^c + a G b \sqrt{\rho}$$

## PDEs

$$\operatorname{div}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) = \mathbf{0}$$

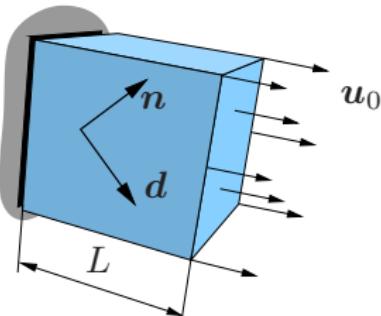
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# Dislocation Starvation Simulation 1

## Initial conditions

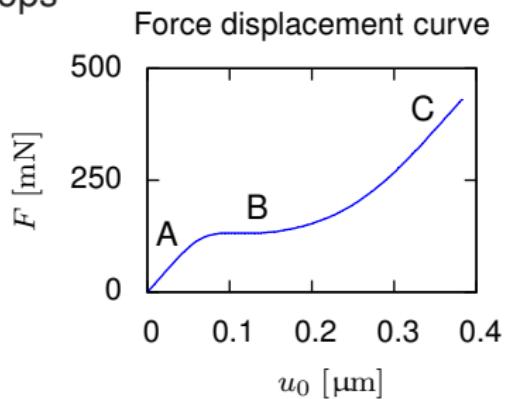
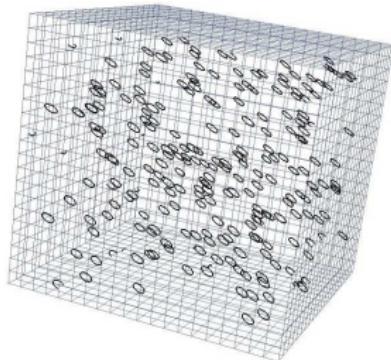


$$\begin{aligned}\rho(\mathbf{x}, t=0) &= \rho_0 = \text{const.} \\ k(\mathbf{x}, t=0) &= k_0 \gg 1/L \\ \Rightarrow \overline{\rho k}(\mathbf{x}, t=0) &= \rho_0 k_0\end{aligned}$$

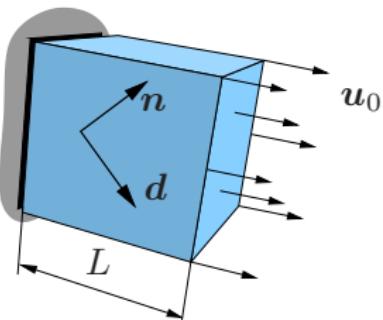
High viscosity required for stabilization

Videos 1, 2, 3

⇒ Homogeneous distribution of small loops



# Dislocation Starvation Simulation 2



## Initial conditions

$\rho(\mathbf{x}, t = 0)$ : concentrated at center

$$k(\mathbf{x}, t = 0) = k_0 \gg 1/L$$

Videos 4, 5

⇒ Inhomogeneous distribution of small loops

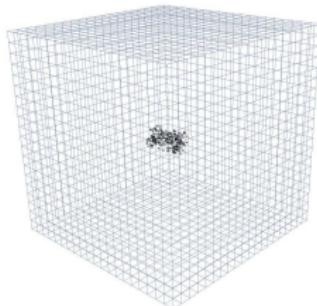
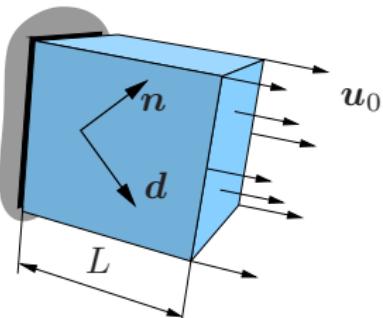


Figure: Initial configuration



Figure: After loading

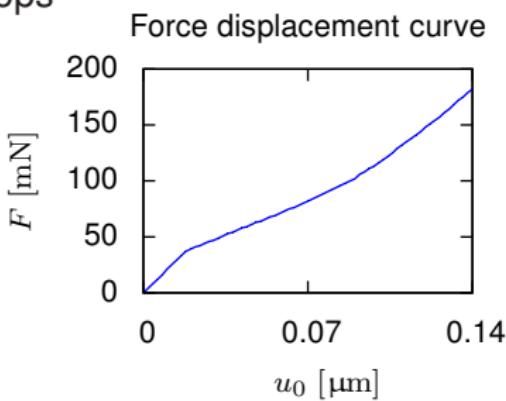
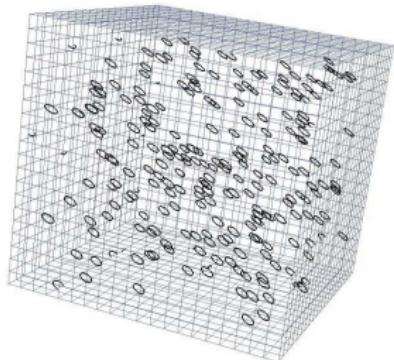
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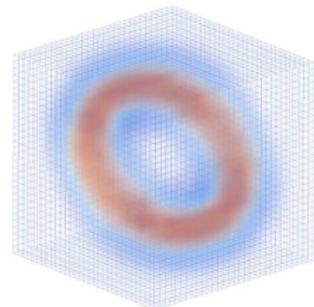
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# Conclusion

- There is a need for a continuum theory of dislocations to bridge the scales
- Concept of lifted curves → physically based continuum theory
- Takes into account
  - SSDs & GNDs
  - transport
  - curvature
- Fits into crystal plasticity framework
- Facilitates the simulation of effects like dislocation starvation



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