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Ideal CMOS structure for high performance
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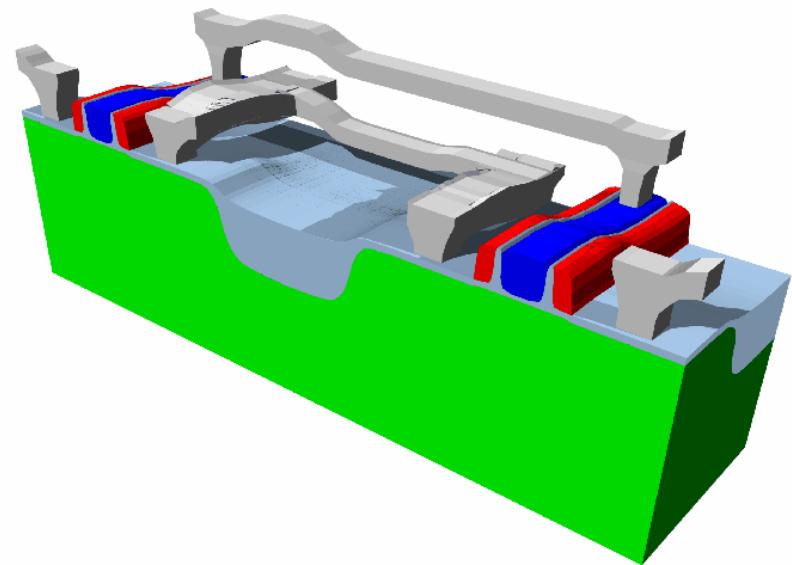


Figure 7.24: Typical CMOS inverter structure with two transistors.

Repetition:

- Nanostrukturierung: Warum? Wo? Wie? -- Beispiele
- Bottom-Up vs. Top Down
- Bottom-Up Nanostrukturieren:
→ Spielen mit Physikalischen / Chemischen WW
- Oberflächen und Vakuum Warum? Wieviel?

Nanostructures and Nanostructuring

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- Bildungs- und Wachstumsmechanismen
- Oberflächendiffusion
- Wachstumsmoden (ballistisch, dendritisch)
- amorph, poly, einkristallin
- Epitaxie

Nanostrukturen: Important concepts

Dimensionality

'dot' vs 'wire' vs sheet

Ratio Bulk I vs Bulk II

'matrix & filler', ceramic

Controlling by size effects

'optic', 'electronic' etc.

Controlling by anisotropy

'polymer – polarizer'

Controlling contact area

'lotus effect'

Controlling by proximity @ Interface

'field effect transistor'

Sub-wavelength optics (diffraction)

'~ photons, $\epsilon \sim 1$

...

Important: Nanostructuring: Mostly 2D or pseudo 3D

3D: wishful thinking but enormous potential

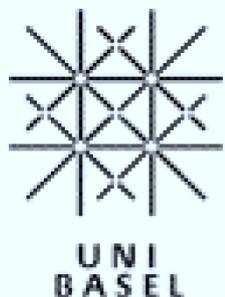
('brain' vs 'processor')

Crucial: Control 'Surface / Interface active components'

→ need very clean materials ($\sim d^3$) / surfaces (d^2)

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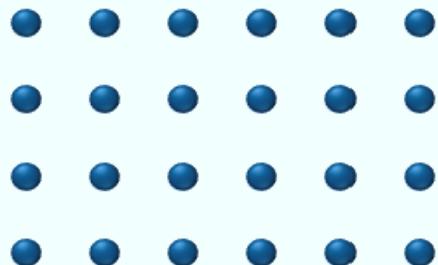
Surface Diffusion



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Random-Walk Motion

- Thermal motion of an adatom on an ideal crystal surface:



- Thermal excitation → the adatom can hop from one adsorption site to the next

- Mean square displacement at time t :

$$\langle \Delta r^2 \rangle = v a^2 t$$

a = jump distance; v = hopping frequency

(Note that vt = number of hops!)

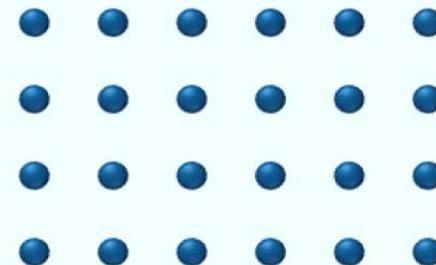
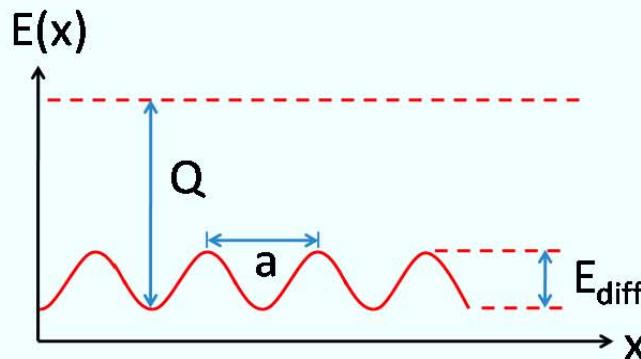
- Diffusion coefficient:

$$D = \frac{\langle \Delta r^2 \rangle}{zt} = \frac{va^2}{z}$$

z = number of first neighbors =
 [2 in 1D diffusion
 4 on a square lattice
 6 on a hexagonal lattice]

Random-Walk Motion

- Hopping → surmounting a potential barrier



- **Arrhenius law:**

$$v = v_0 \exp\left(-\frac{E_{diff}}{k_B T}\right)$$

v_0 = oscillation frequency of the atom in the well;
 E_{diff} = barrier height

Typically $E_{diff} \sim 5\text{-}20\%$ of Q (heat of desorption)

- For chemisorbed species: $E_{diff} \gg k_B T$
- If $E_{diff} < k_B T$: 2D gas (only a few physisorbed species)

Fick's Laws

- **Fick's First Law** (for 1D diffusion):

$$J = -D \frac{\partial c}{\partial x}$$

diffusion flux concentration gradient

(flux → region of lower concentration)

- **Fick's Second Law** (for 1D diffusion):

$$\frac{\partial c}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 c}{\partial x^2}$$

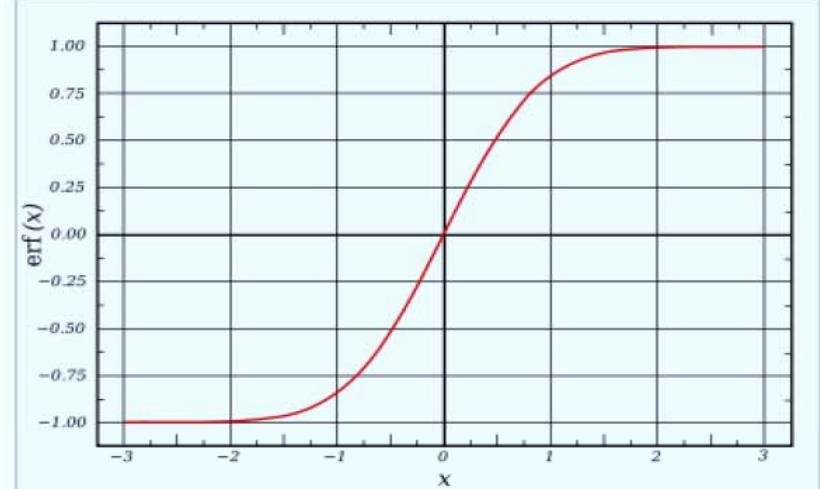
← from equation of continuity

- Analytical solutions can be found for specific initial and boundary conditions!

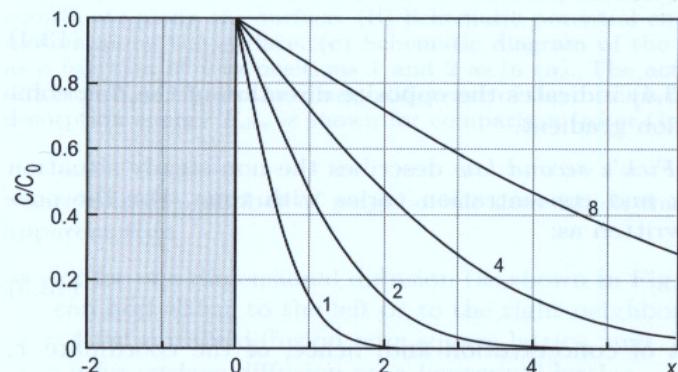
Analytical Solutions of Fick's Laws

- We introduce the **error function**

$$\text{erf}(x) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^x \exp(-t^2) dt$$



- Source of constant concentration:



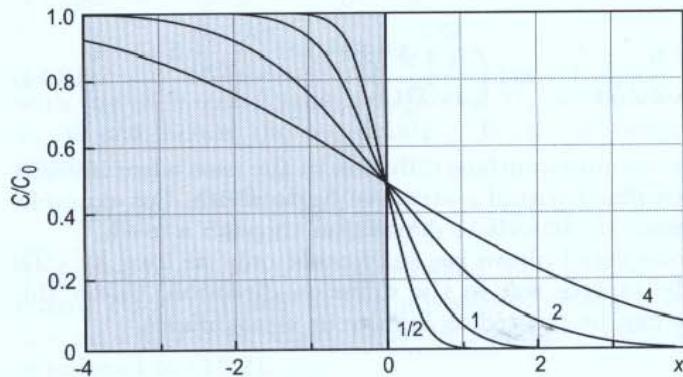
$$c(x, t) = c_0 \left[1 - \text{erf} \left(\frac{x}{2\sqrt{Dt}} \right) \right]$$

$2\sqrt{Dt}$: **diffusion length**

- Example: Submonolayer film with 3D islands supplying mobile adatoms

Analytical Solutions of Fick's Laws

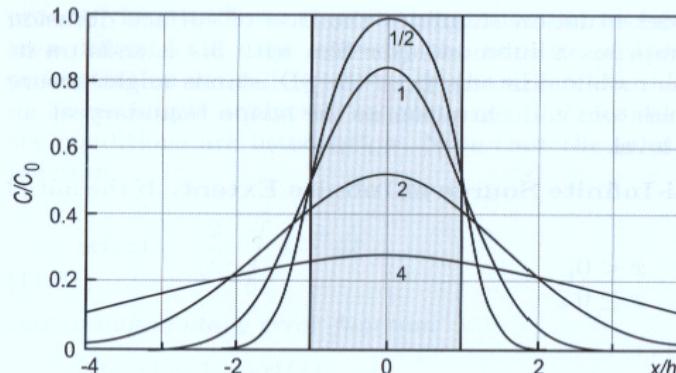
- Source of infinite extent:



$$c(x, t) = \frac{c_0}{2} \left[1 - \operatorname{erf} \left(\frac{x}{2\sqrt{Dt}} \right) \right]$$

- Example: Submonolayer film

- Source of limited extent:



$$c(x, t) = \frac{c_0}{2} \left[\operatorname{erf} \left(\frac{h-x}{2\sqrt{Dt}} \right) + \operatorname{erf} \left(\frac{h+x}{2\sqrt{Dt}} \right) \right]$$

- Example: Submonolayer film confined in a stripe of finite width

Diffusion Mechanisms

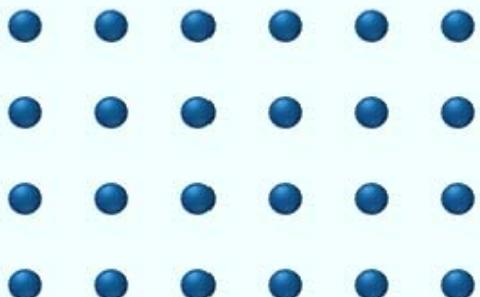
- Depending on the coverage Θ :
 - Tracer diffusion (low Θ)
 - Chemical diffusion (intermediate to high Θ)



Tracer Diffusion

- **Tracer Diffusion:**

- Low coverage (<0.01 ML)
- Individual adparticles



- Fick's first law is valid:

$$D = \frac{\langle \Delta r^2 \rangle}{z t}$$

- For an ensemble of many particles:

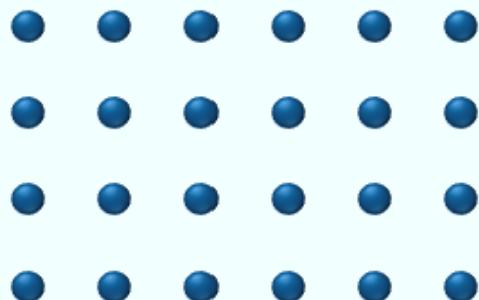
$$D = \frac{1}{z N t} \sum_i \langle \Delta r_i^2 \rangle$$

(no relation to radioactive tracers!)

Chemical Diffusion

- **Chemical Diffusion:**
 - Higher coverage
 - Attraction or repulsion between adatoms

- Fick's first law can be generalized:



$$J = -D_c(\Theta) \frac{\partial \Theta}{\partial x}$$

chem. diff. coefficient

coverage

- Strong dependence on adsorbate coverage is expected, especially when ordered phases are formed (Naumovets-Vedula, 1986)

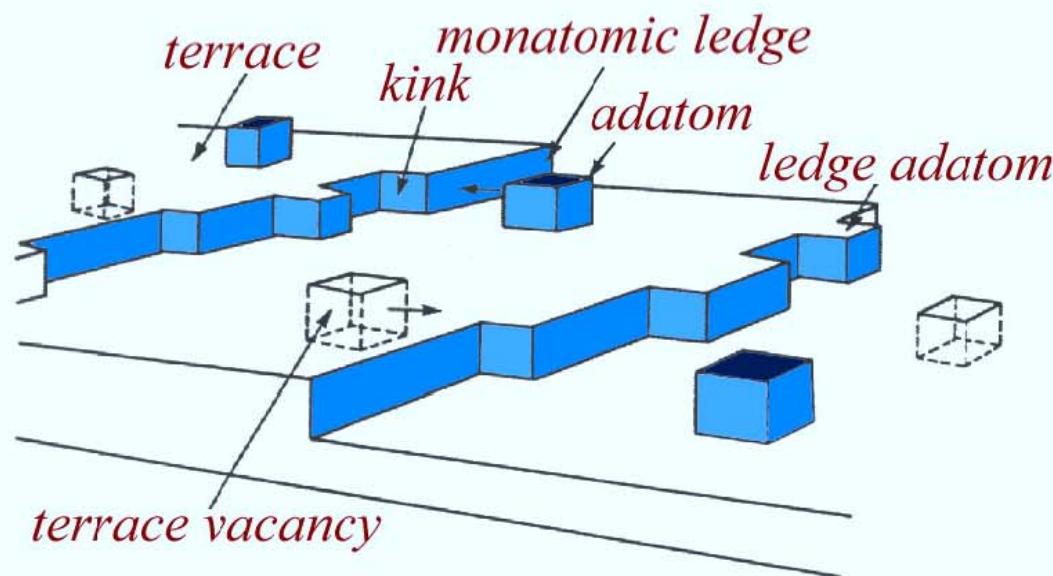
Diffusion Mechanisms

- Depending on the landscape:
 - Intrinsic diffusion (no sources and traps)
 - Mass transfer diffusion (generation and/or trapping)



Intrinsic Diffusion

- Adparticle motion is monitored within a single terrace → Spatial limit ~ 100 nm
- In practice: no strong distinction from tracer diffusion



Mass Transfer Diffusion

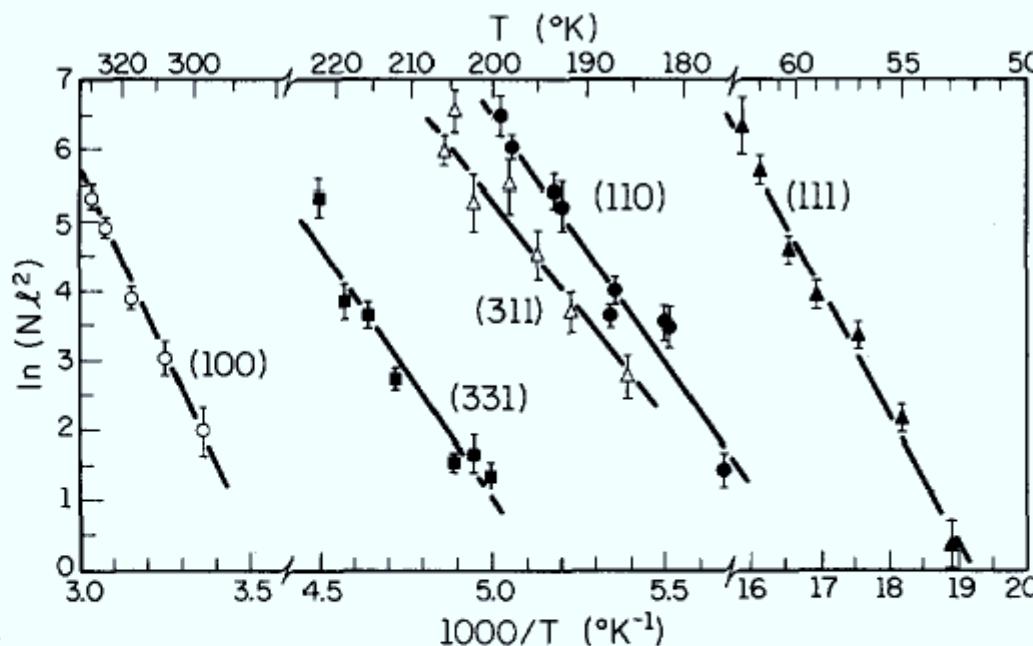
- Real surfaces contain defects (steps, kinks, adatoms or vacancy clusters, etc.)
- If average separation between defects < diffusion length → number of mobile particles (and diffusion) become strongly temperature dependent
- If adatoms and substrate are the same chemical species:

$$D = \frac{v_0 a^2}{z} \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta G + E_{diff}}{k_B T}\right) \quad \Delta G = \text{energy of adatom formation}$$

(→ two types of energy barriers!)

Anisotropy of Surface Diffusion

- **Orientational Anisotropy:** the diffusion coefficient depends on the orientation of the surface
- Example: Rh surfaces at different T (Ayrault & Ehrlich, JCP 1974)

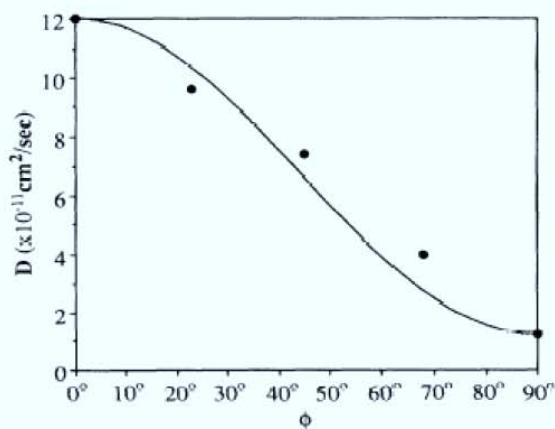


N : number of jumps in 3 min
 ℓ : jump distance

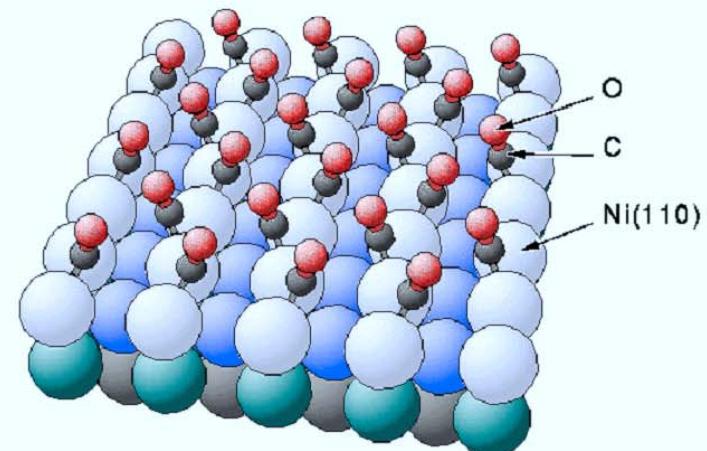
- At given T the differences in the diff. coeff. can be several orders of magnitude!

Anisotropy of Surface Diffusion

- **Directional Anisotropy:** the diffusion coefficient depends on the direction at the surface
- Rectangular lattice → directional anisotropy (Xiao et al., PRL 1991)

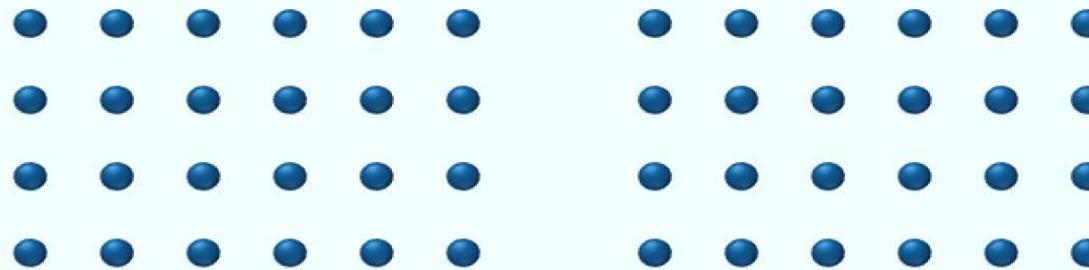


$$D(\phi) = D_x \cos^2 \phi + D_y \sin^2 \phi$$

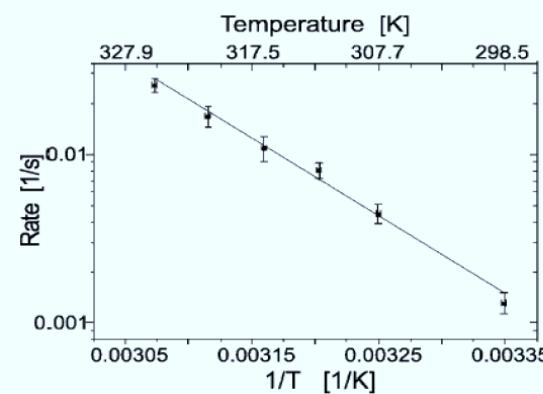
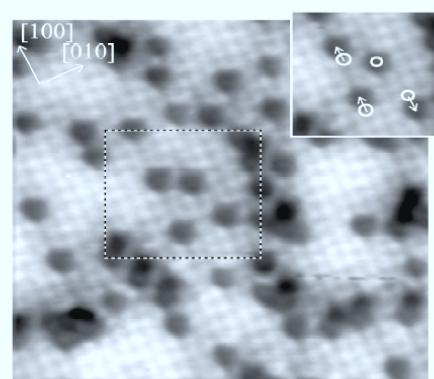


Atomistic Mechanisms

1) Hopping mechanism:



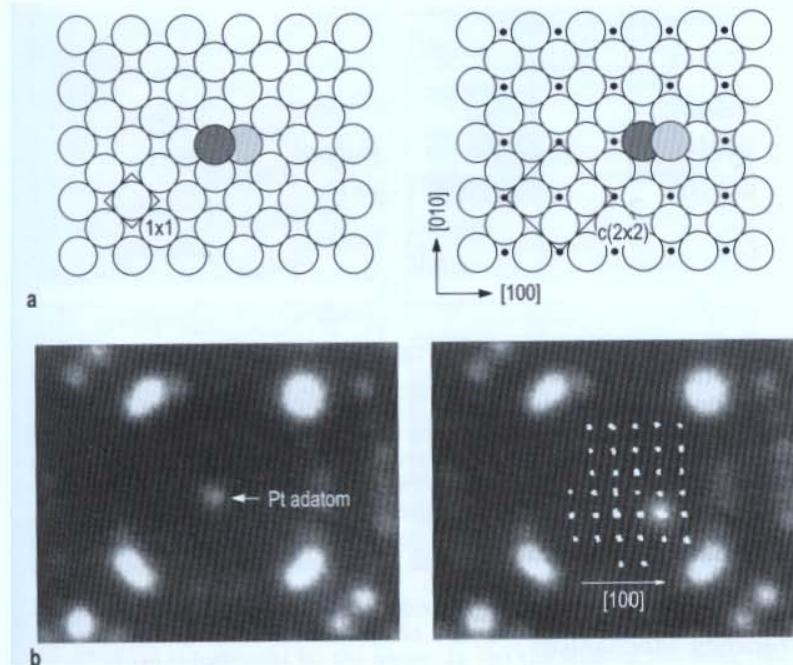
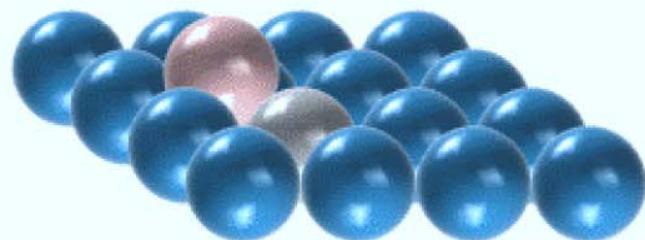
- Example: N adatoms on Fe(100) (Pedersen et al., PRL 2000)



→ Arrhenius law with $\nu \sim 10^{12} \text{ s}^{-1}$, $E_{diff} = 0.92 \text{ eV}$

Atomistic Mechanisms

2) Atomic exchange mechanism:

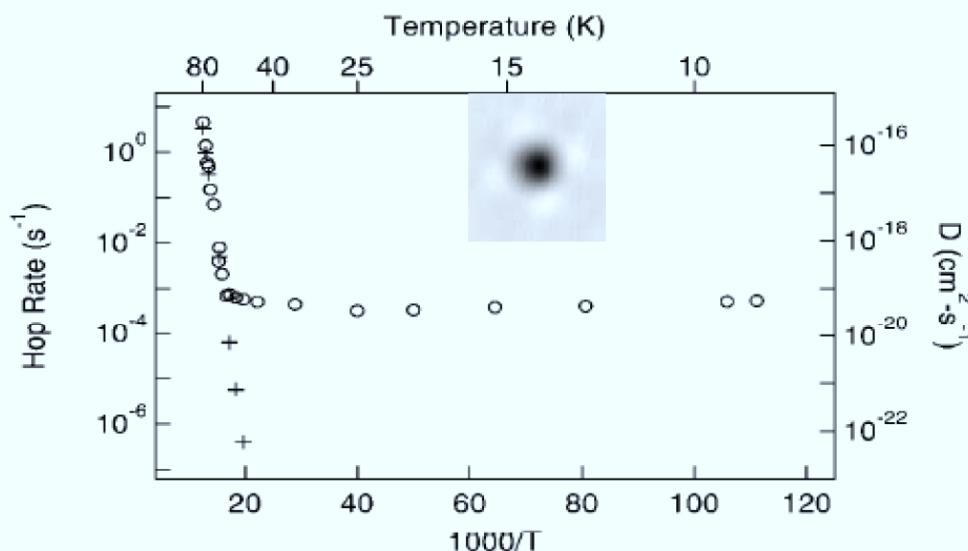


- Example: Pt adatom on Pt(100)
(Kellogg, SSR 1994)
- Observed also on heterosystems [Pt on Ni(110), Ir on Pt(100), Re on Ir(100)]

Atomistic Mechanisms

3) Tunneling mechanism:

- Diffusing particle with small mass
- Low potential barrier against diffusion
- Example: Hydrogen on Cu(100) (Lauhon & Ho, PRL 2000)



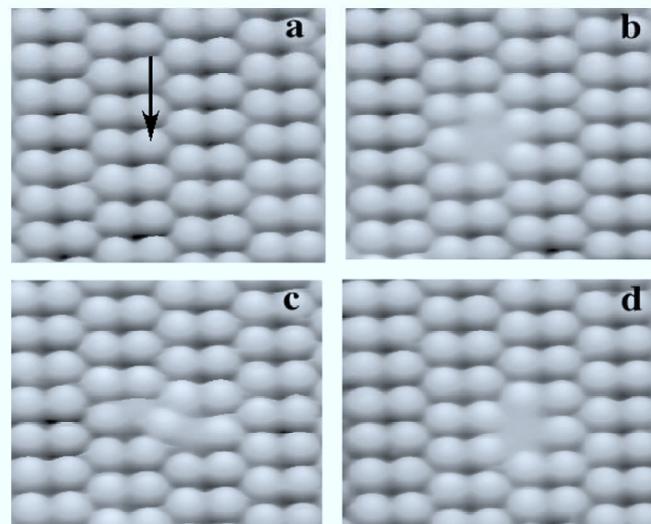
- Above 60 K: Arrhenius law with $v \sim 10^{13} s^{-1}$, $E_{diff} = 0.20$ eV
- Below 60 K: quantum tunnelling, T independent

Atomistic Mechanisms

4) Vacancy mechanism:



- Example: Ge(111)c(2x8) (Mayne et al., SS 2001)

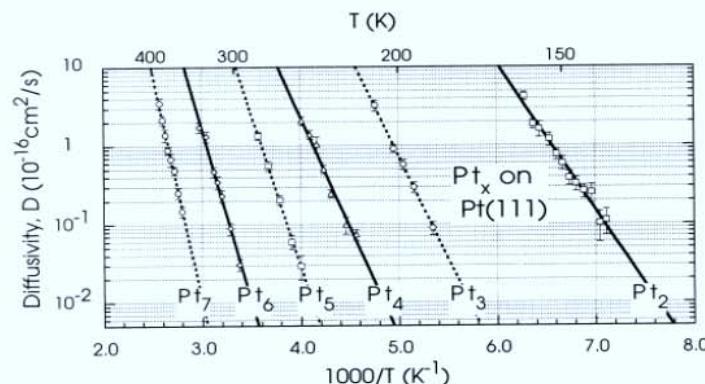


- Vacancy created with the STM tip
- T-activated hopping of neighboring atoms

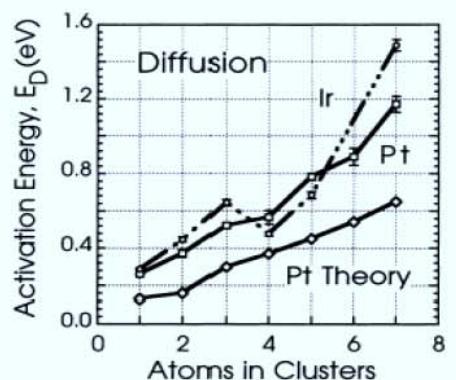
- Heterodiffusion by vacancy-exchange also reported

Cluster Diffusion

- The larger the cluster, the lower its mobility:

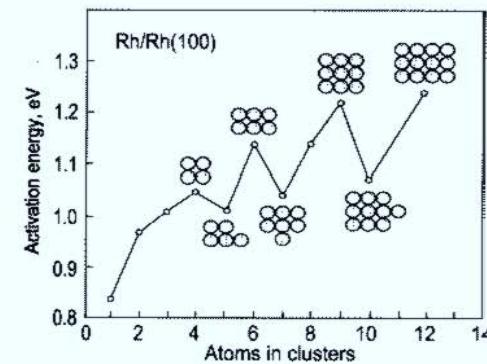


- Activation energy increases with cluster size:



(Kyuno &
Ehrlich, SS
1999)

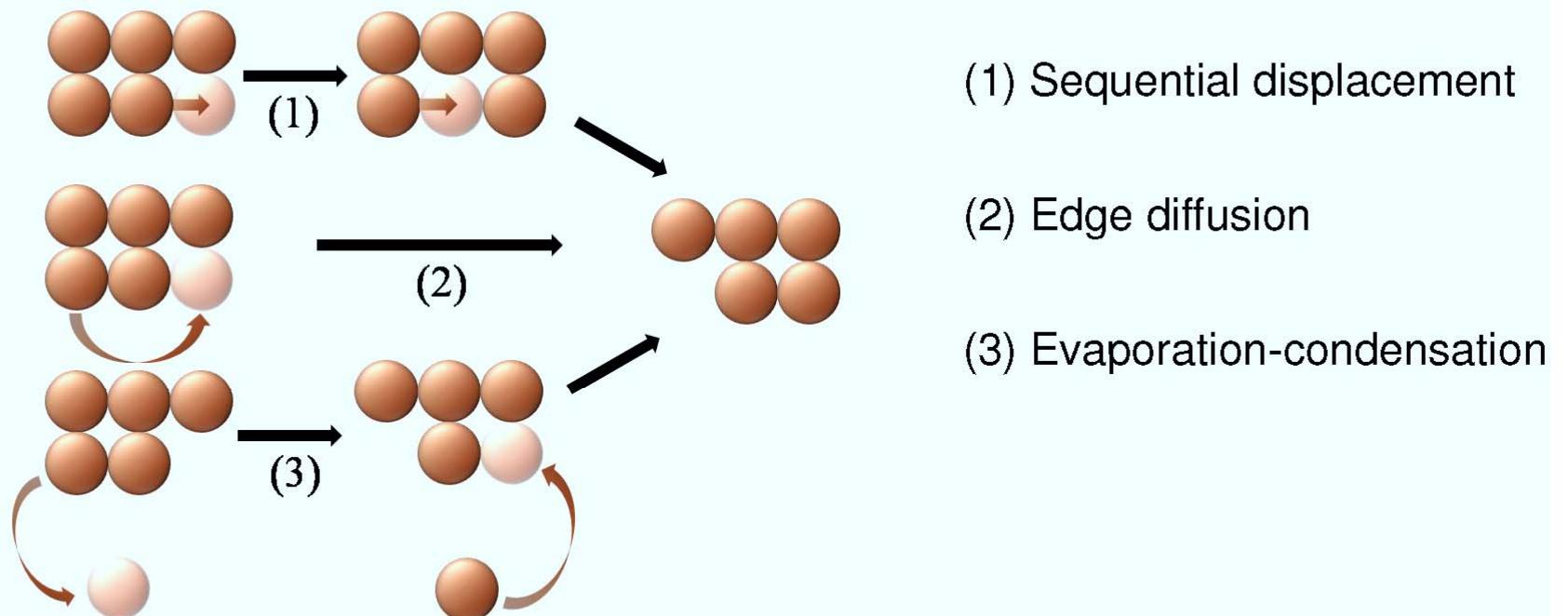
- Compact shapes are less mobile...



(Kellogg,
PSS 1996)

Cluster Diffusion

Individual mechanisms:



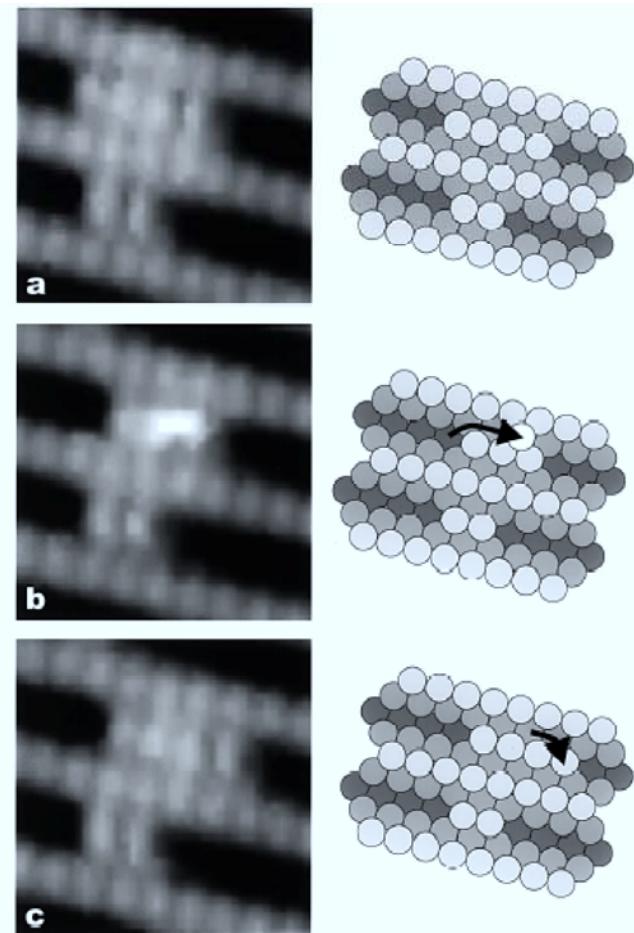
Cluster Diffusion

Individual mechanisms:

(4) “Leapfrog” mechanism:



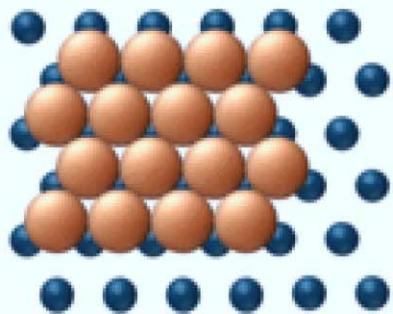
- Example: Pt(110)2x1
(Linderoth et al., PRL 1999)



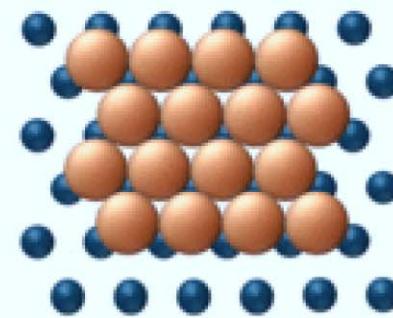
Cluster Diffusion

Concerted mechanisms:

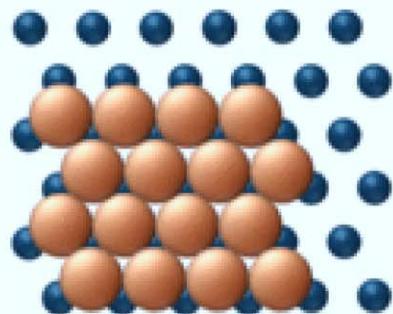
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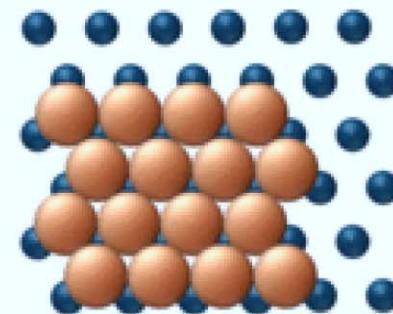
(2) Shear:



(3) Reptation:

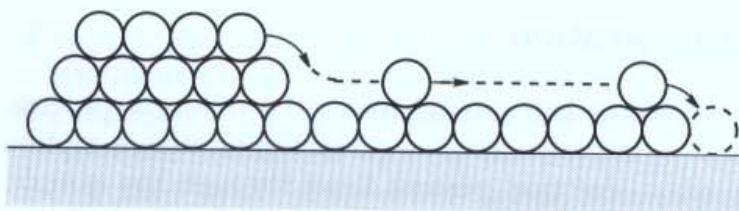


(4) Dislocation:



Phase Formation

- Coverage $\Theta \sim 0.1\text{-}1 \text{ ML}$ → formation of surface phases
- First layer atoms are usually immobile → “unrolling carpet” mechanism



Surface Electromigration

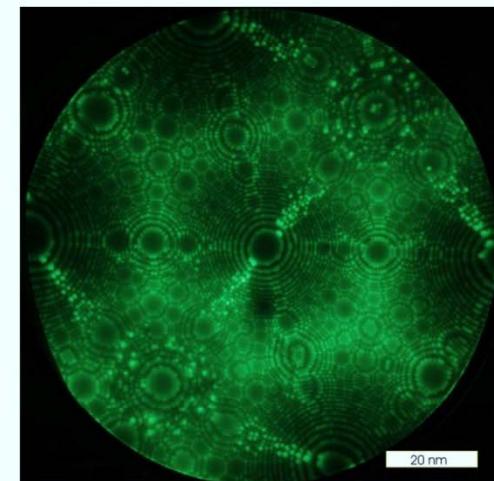
- Electric current through the sample → Directional atomic motion on the surface
- Self-electromigration → Changes in the step structure
- Hetero-electromigration → Mass transfer towards cathode or anode

Experimental Techniques

1) Direct observation:

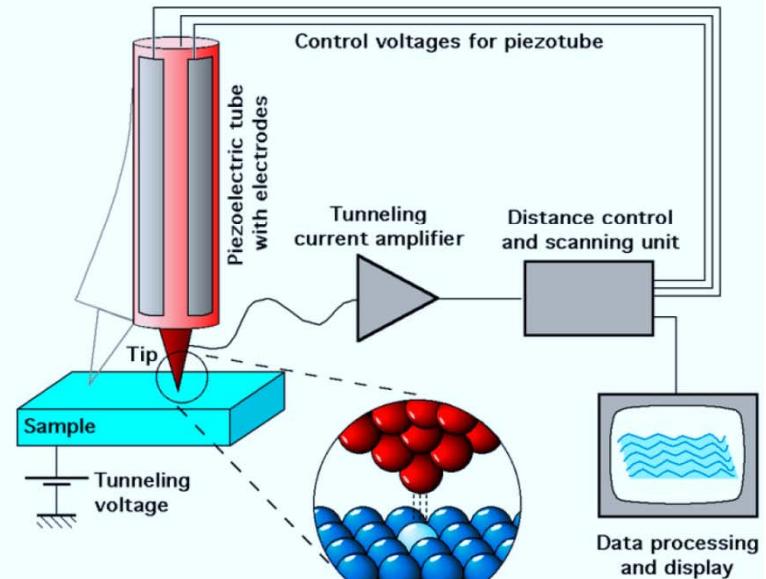
- Field ion microscopy (FIM)
→ “image-anneal-image” technique

- Limited to refractory or noble metal surfaces



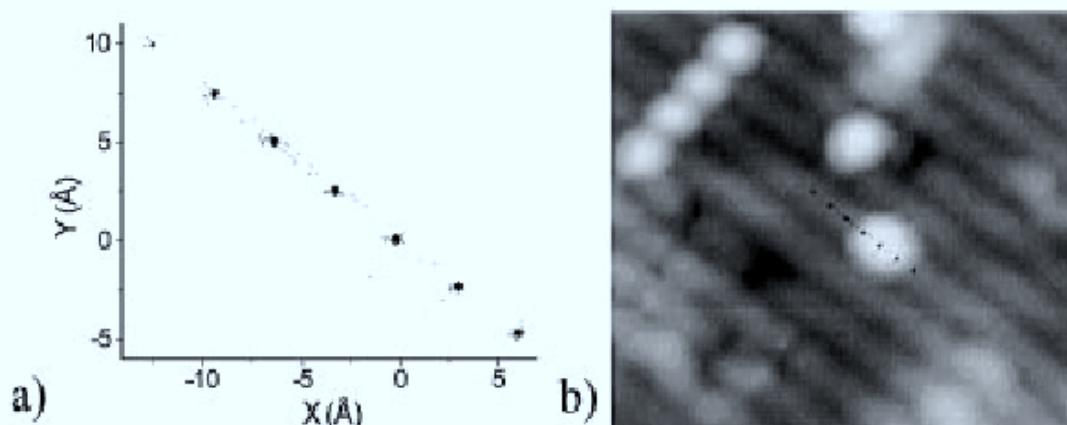
- Scanning tunneling microscopy (STM)
→ “image-while-hot” technique

- STM “movies” can be recorded
(at 0.01-1 frames per second)



Experimental Techniques

- Scanning tunneling microscopy (STM) → “atom-tracking” technique
 - STM tip locked onto an adparticle by 2D lateral feedback
 - Example: Si on Si(100) (Swartzentruber, PRL 1996)

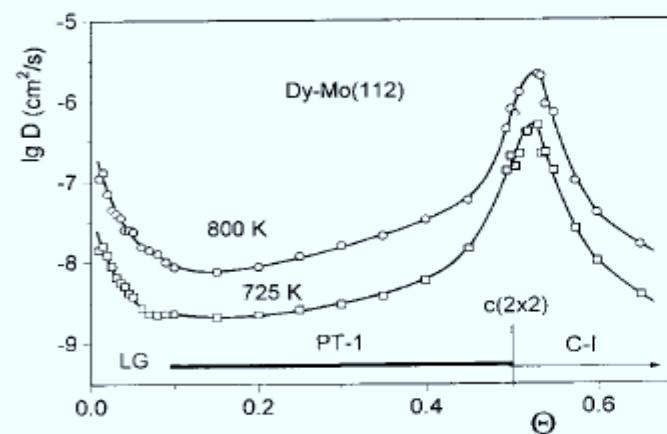
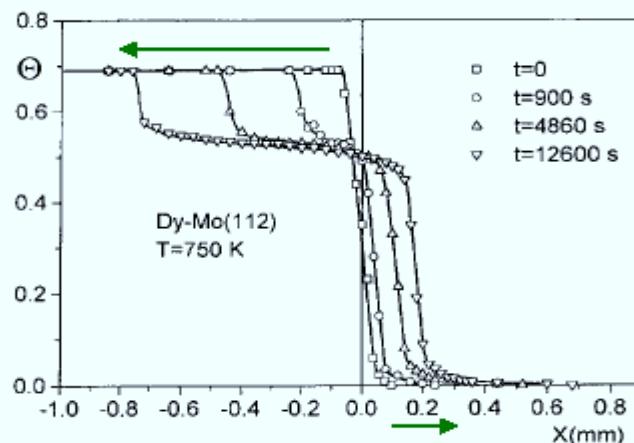


- Electric fields from the STM tip influence surface diffusion!

Experimental Techniques

2) Profile evolution method:

- Smearing of a sharp initial concentration profile is monitored
 - Initial profile deposited using a mask
 - AES, SIMS, SEM or local work-function...
 - $D(\Theta)$ can be evaluated
- Example: Dy on Mo(112) (Loburets et al., SS 1998)

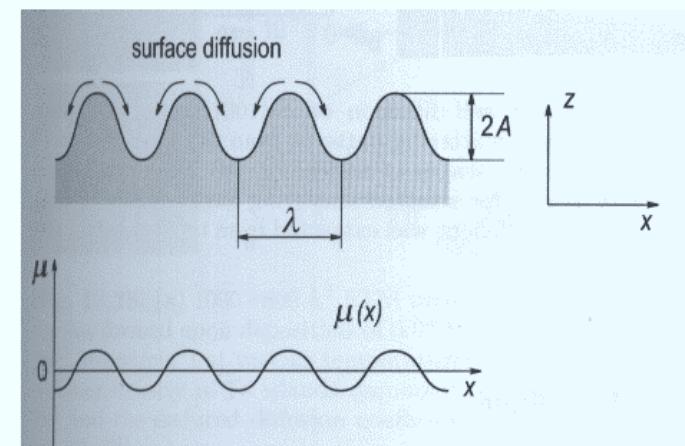


Experimental Techniques

3) “Capillarity” techniques:

- A surface is perturbed from its lowest energy configuration...
... and allowed to relax via diffusion
- Relaxation rate → Coefficient of diffusion
- For a sinusoidal profile (Mullins, JAP 1999):

$$A(t) = A_0 \exp \left[-\frac{\gamma D n_0 V^2}{k_B T} \left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \right)^4 t \right]$$

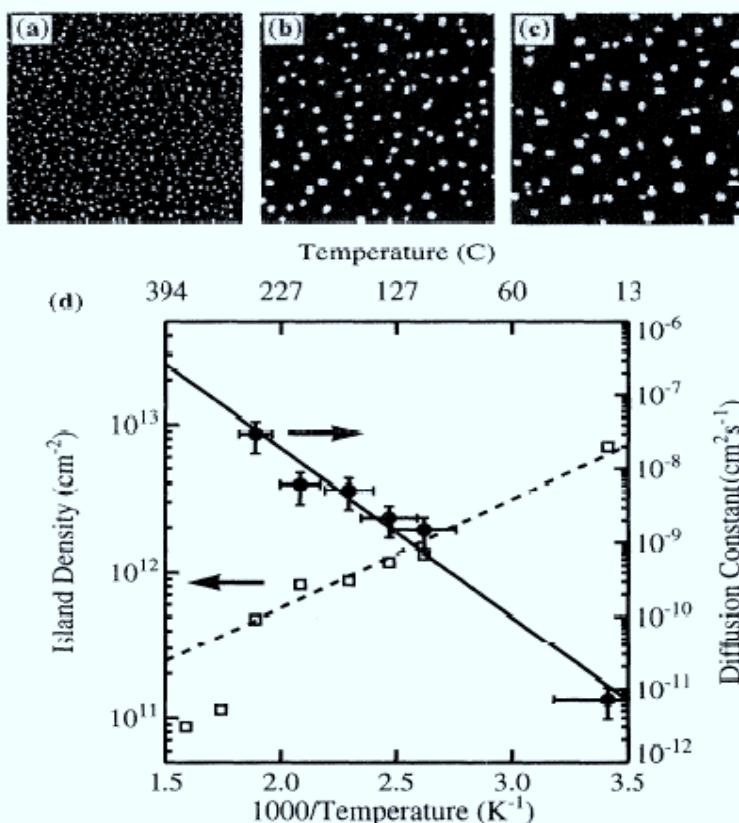


γ = surface tension; V = atomic volume; n_0 = surface density

Experimental Techniques

4) Island growth techniques:

- Number density of islands after submonolayer deposition is monitored
- Example: Fe on Fe(100) (Stroscio et al., PRL 1993)



$$N \propto \left(\frac{R\Theta}{v} \right)^{1/3}$$

deposition rate

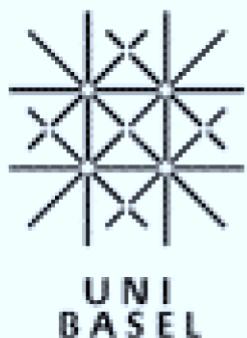
hopping rate

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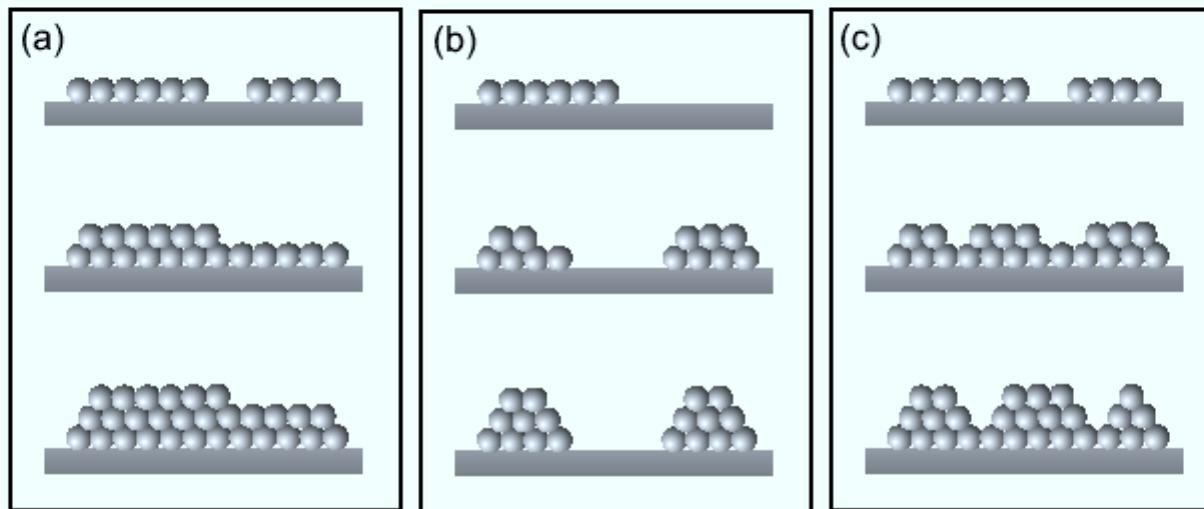
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Growth of Thin Films



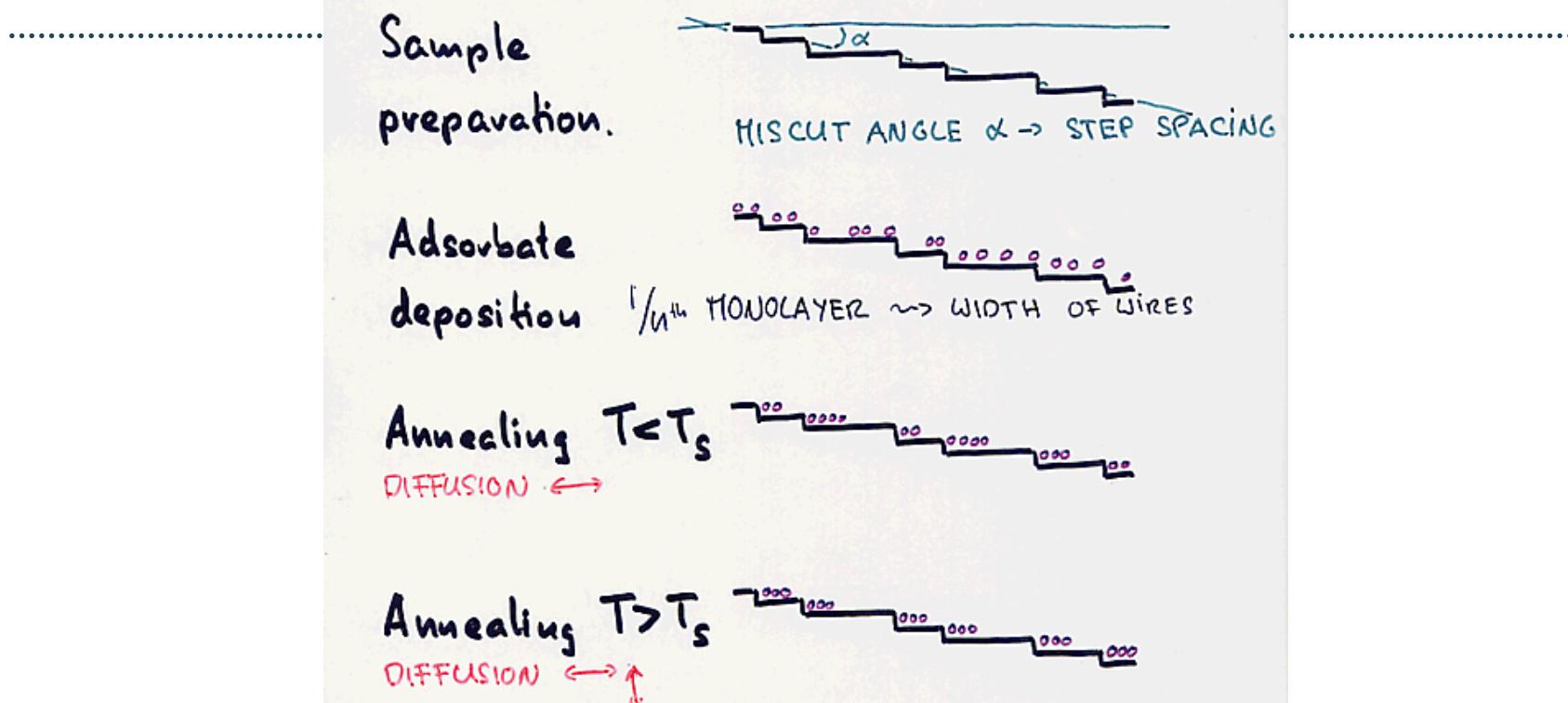
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Growth Modes



- (a) **Layer-by-layer or Frank-van der Merve mode** → 2D islands
- (b) **Island or Vollmer-Weber mode** → 3D islands
- (c) **Layer plus island or Stranski-Krastanov mode** → 2D layer + 3D islands

"NANOWIRES" assly in parallel by
Step Decoration & Controlling Growth.



CONTROLLING GROWTH KINETICS:

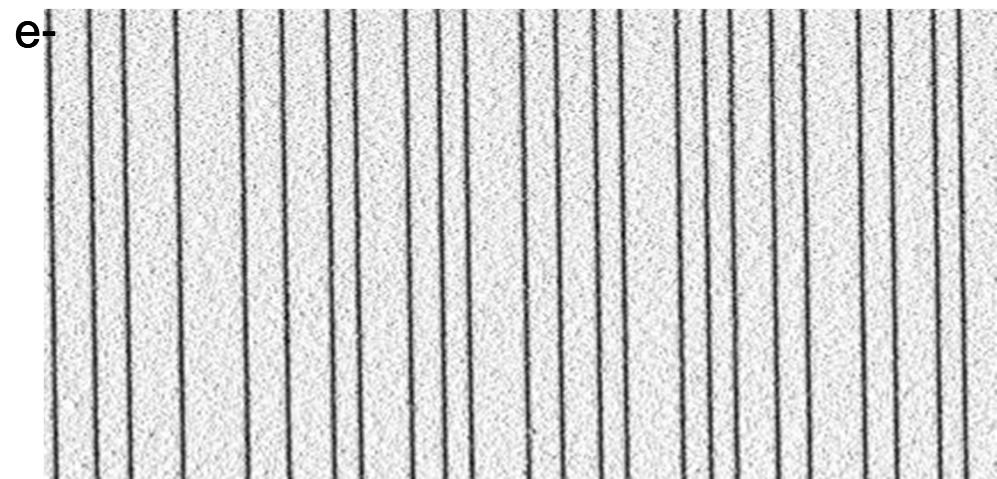
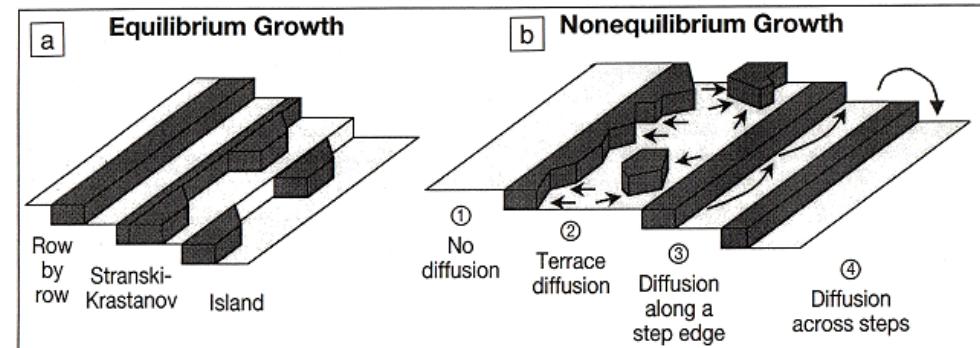
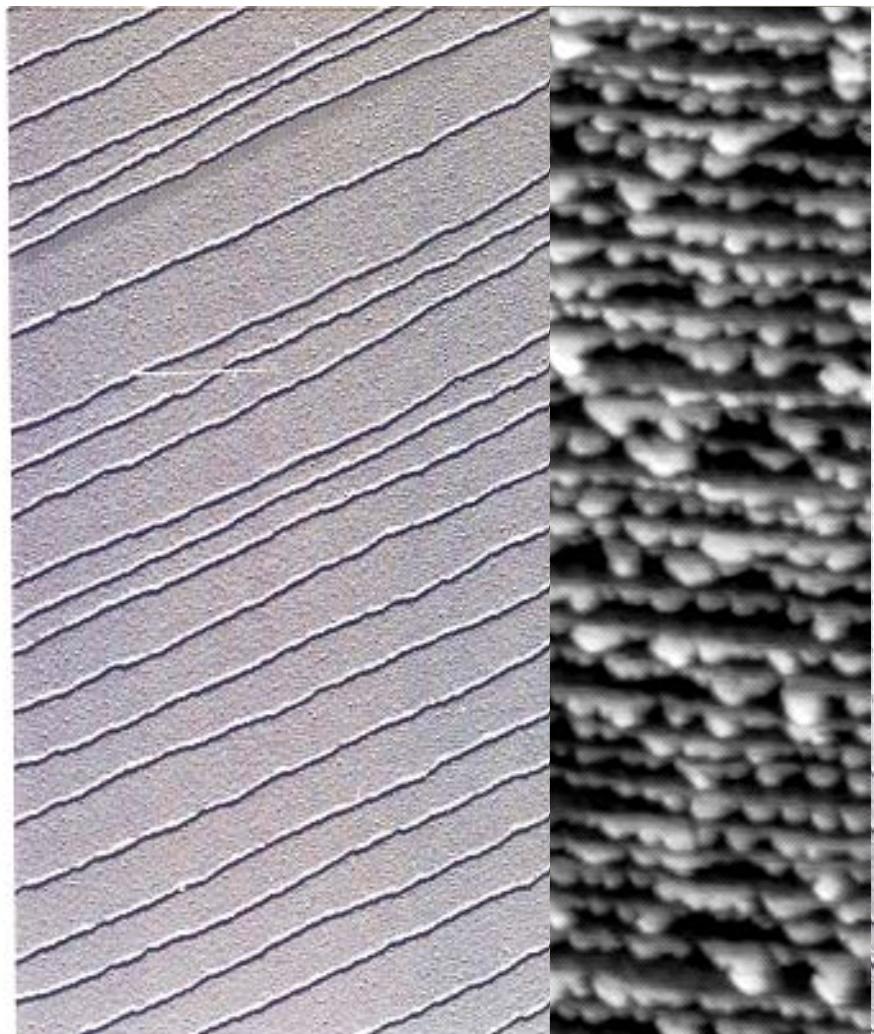
Diffusion Anisotropy

\leadsto Preferential Growth in certain Directions

\leadsto Special Shapes of Grown Islands



'Physical' Self Assembly of e.g. Nanowires

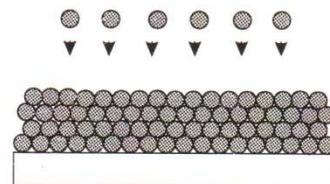


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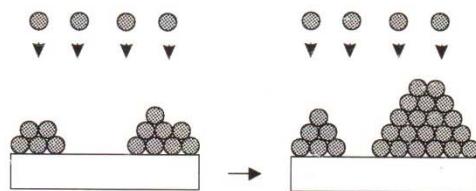
'Physical' Self Assembly of e.g. Nanowires jumping from 3D to 2D

Basic Growth Modes of Epitaxial Thin Films

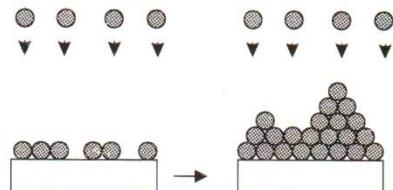
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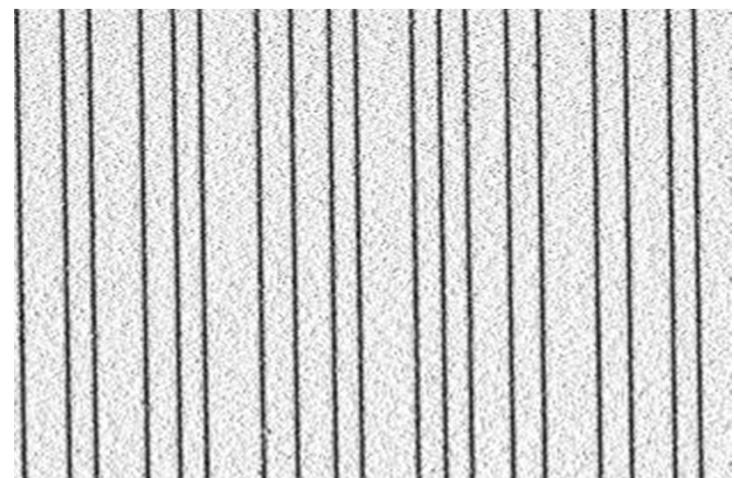
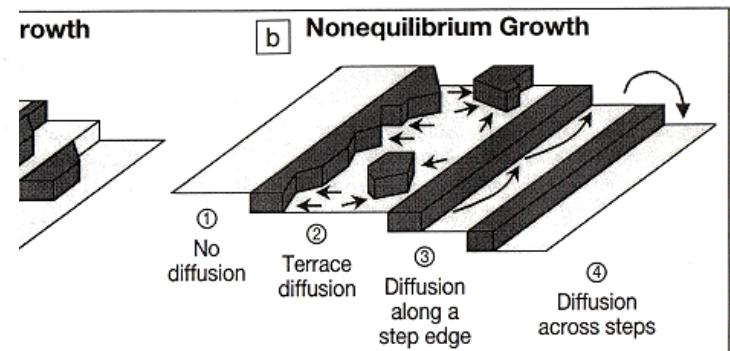
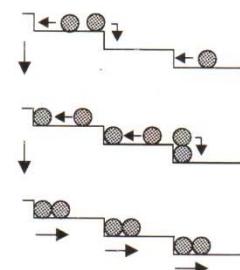
b) island growth



c) layer plus island growth



d) step flow growth ($l_T \ll l_D$)



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