

MESOSCALE DESCRIPTION OF DEFECTED MATERIALS

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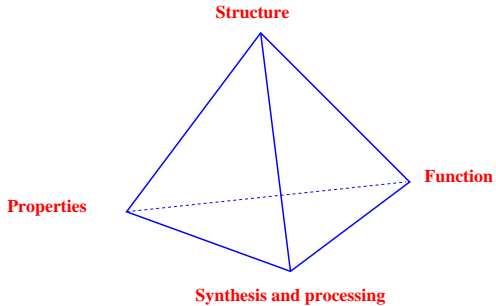
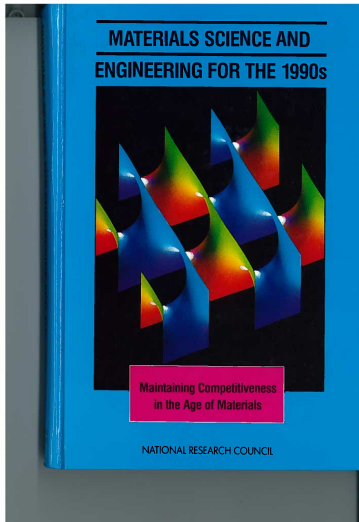
Linear bubble model of abnormal grain growth

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MATERIALS



[Materials Science and Engineering for the 1990s.
National Research Council, 1989]

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2. Multiple Scales

Science based on a collection of “Laws”:

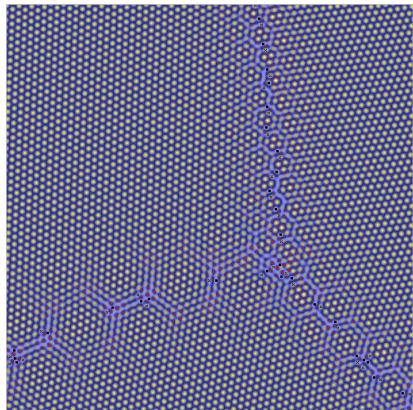
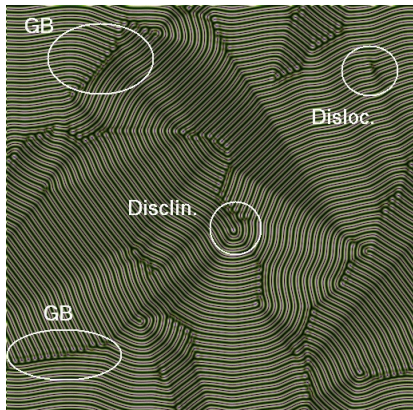
Microscopic Laws

Mesoscopic Lawlessness
(cf. R. Laughlin)

Macroscopic Laws

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MICROSTRUCTURE EVOLUTION



- Large gradients (locally) - not close to equilibrium, but very slow on a molecular scale.
- Large numbers of interacting defects: microstructure.
- Possible persistent dynamics.

ORDER PARAMETER DESCRIPTION

Non equilibrium configurations

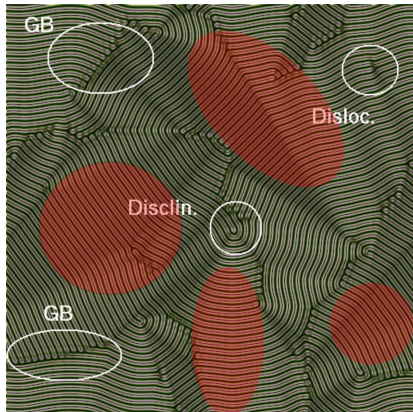
- Multiple, locally ordered domains coexist
- Domains are degenerate by symmetry
- Complex boundary regions between domains: defects

Need:

- a measure of local order,
- that is slowly varying in space,
- that accommodates boundary regions and defects.

→ an indicator function or phase field.

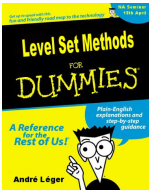
Physically: an order parameter.



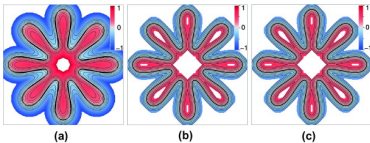
BOUNDARY TRACKING

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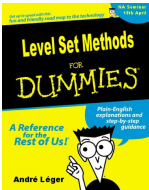


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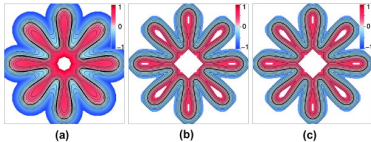
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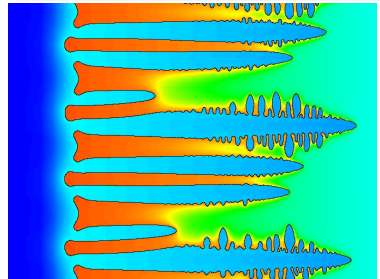


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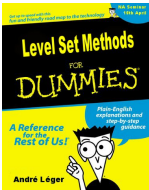
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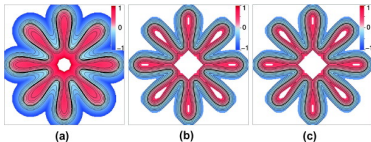
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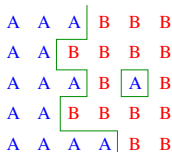
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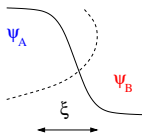
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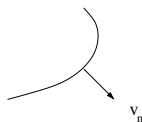
MESOSCALE DESCRIPTION



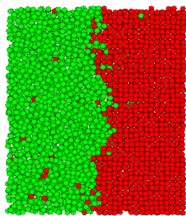
Microscopic



Mesoscopic



Macroscopic



[Peter Voorhees et al.]



[Ken Elder et al.]

- Microscopic (e.g., MD). Accurate to small time/length scales.
- Mesoscopic. Coarse grain down to (or above) thermal correlation length.
- Macroscopic. Linear thermodynamics, moving boundary problem.

COARSE GRAINING - TOP TO BOTTOM

Macroscopic - local equilibrium

- Local equilibrium, including order parameter ψ (symmetry breaking).
- Thermodynamics forces linear in gradients.
- Boundary conditions at dividing surfaces.

Moving boundary problem
(e.g., grain growth)

Mesoscopic: density functionals with local gradients

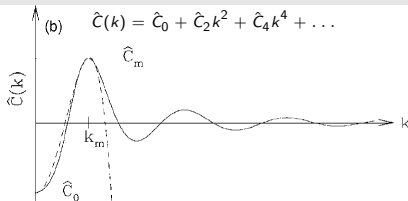
$$\beta F = \int d\mathbf{x} f[\psi, \nabla\psi]$$

Local equilibrium does not hold.

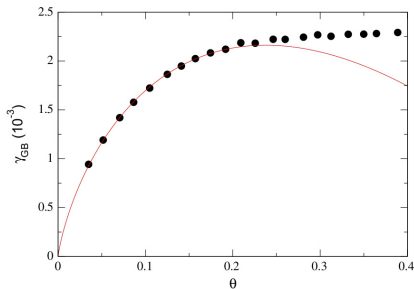
$$df = \dots + \xi_i d(\partial_i \psi)$$

Mesoscopic: density functionals, correlation functions

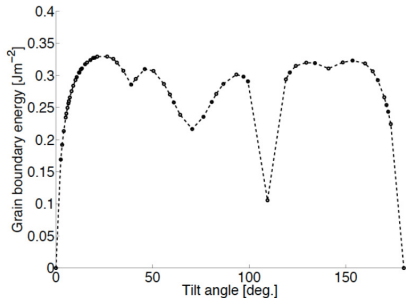
$$\beta F = \int d\mathbf{x} f[\psi] + \int d\mathbf{x} \int d\mathbf{x}' \psi(\mathbf{x}) C(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') \psi(\mathbf{x}')$$



DEFECT STRUCTURE AND ENERGETICS

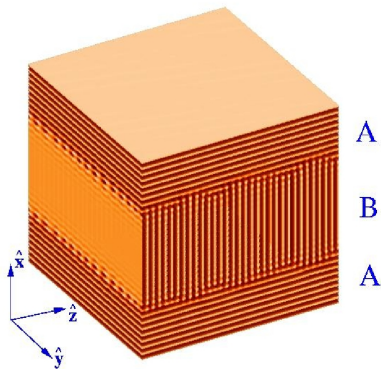


Comparison to Read-Shockley relation [K.-A. Wu and P. Voorhees. *Acta mater.* 60, 407 (2012)]



BCC Fe. [A. Jaatinen, V. Achim, K. Elder, and T. Ala-Nissila. *Phys. Rev. E* 80, 031602 (2009)]. Agrees well with MD simulations.

DEFECT KINETICS (MESO/MACRO)



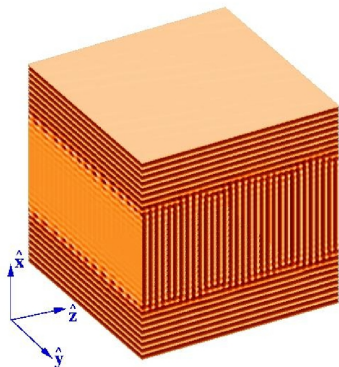
$$\psi = Ae^{ik_0x} + Be^{ik_0z} + \text{c.c.}$$

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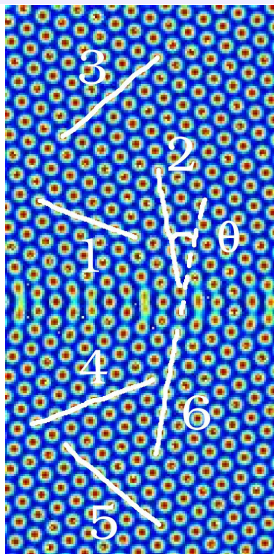
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$$A \quad v_{gb}(t) = \left(\frac{\xi_0^2}{4k_0^2} q^4 \right) \frac{(\epsilon/4)[k_0 \delta x_{gb}(t)]^2}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx [(\partial_x A_0)^2 + (\partial_x B_0)^2]}$$

$$v_{gb}(t) = \text{Mobility} \times \begin{matrix} \text{Time} & \text{dependent} \\ \text{driving} & \text{force} \end{matrix}$$

DEFECT KINETICS (MESO)



$$v_{gb}(t) = M\Delta f - \frac{p_{act}}{D} \sin [2k_0 x_{gb}(t) \sin(\theta/2)]$$

with (Peierls stress)

$$p_{act} \sim A_0^4 e^{-2ak_0 \sin(\theta/2)\xi}.$$

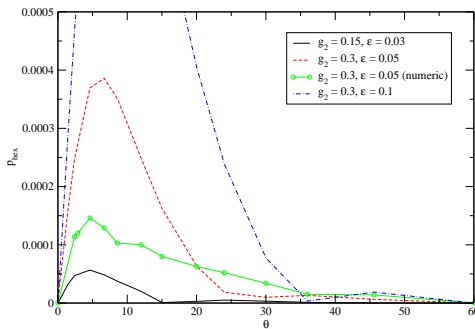
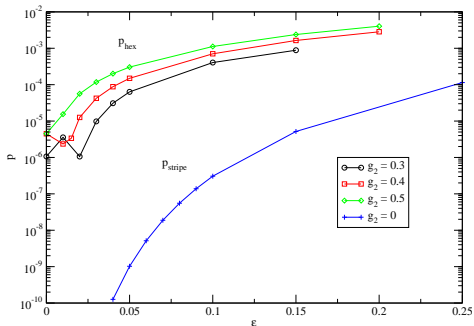
Supercritical (second order)

$$\xi \sim 1/\sqrt{\epsilon} \quad p_2 \sim e^{-1/\sqrt{\epsilon}} \rightarrow 0.$$

Subcritical (first order)

$$\xi \rightarrow \xi_0 = \frac{15\lambda_0}{8\sqrt{6}\pi g_2} \text{ finite.}$$

AMPLITUDE OF PINNING FORCE



Ferroelectric domain switching

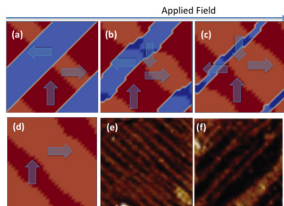
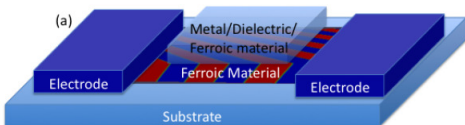
K. Ashraf and S. Salahuddin,

arXiv:1202.6116v1

Order parameters $\{\mathbf{P}, \epsilon_{ij}\}$, local polarization and strain field.

$$F = F[\mathbf{P}, \nabla\mathbf{P}, \epsilon_{ij}] - \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{P}$$

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Ferroelectric domain switching Wavelength selection in solidification

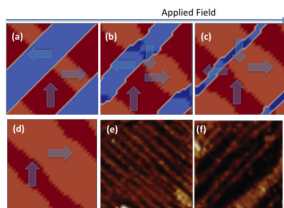
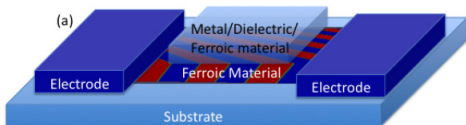
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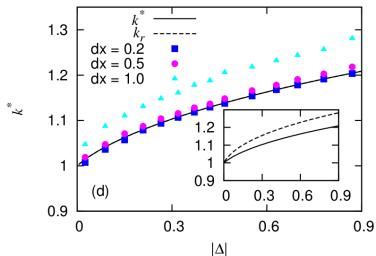
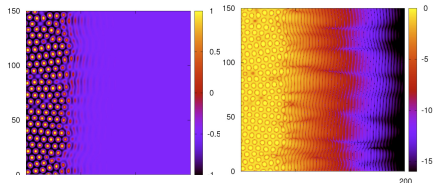
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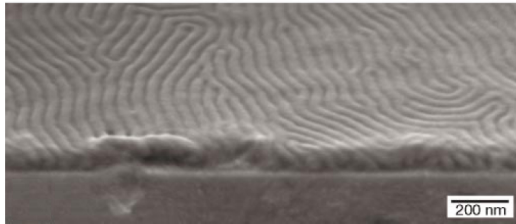
Order parameter $\rho(\mathbf{x}, t)$, density.

$$\frac{\partial\rho}{\partial t} = D\nabla^2\rho - \rho_0 D\nabla^2 \int d\mathbf{x}' C_2(|\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{x}'|)\rho(\mathbf{x}', t)$$

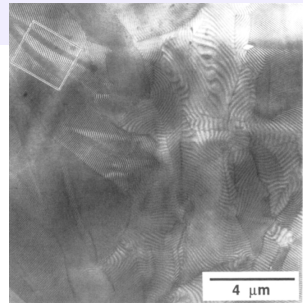


REVERSIBLE/HAMILTONIAN MODES

Block Copolymers

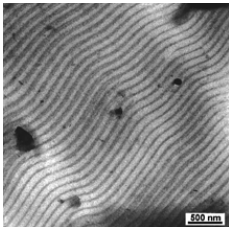


[Kim, ..., de Pablo, Nealy, 2003]



[Gido and Thomas, 1994]

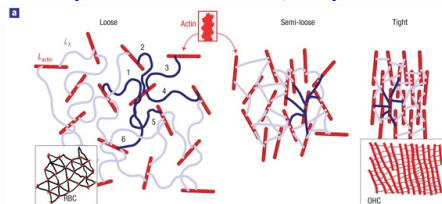
[Forster et al. 2001]



Amphiphilic systems

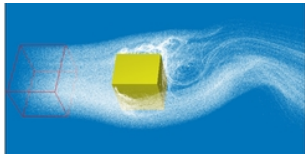
Liquid crystalline elastomers

[Dalhaimer, Discher, Lubensky, 2007]



MESOSCOPIC REVERSIBLE STRESSES

NORMAL FLUID



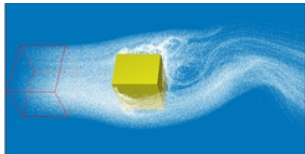
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CAHN-HILLIARD FLUID

[M. Gurtin, D. Polignone, JV, Math. Models and Meth. Appl. Sci. 6, 816 (1996)]

$$s = s(u, \rho, \psi, \partial_i \psi)$$

$$\sigma_{ij}^R = \rho v_i v_j + p \delta_{ij} - \frac{\partial s}{\partial(\partial_i \psi)} \partial_j \psi$$

needed so that advection of ψ does not cause entropy production.

GENERAL CASE

Reversible motion requires (Maxwell type relation)

$$\frac{\partial \dot{\psi}}{\partial v_i} = \frac{\partial \dot{g}_i}{\partial(\partial_j \xi_j)} \quad \xi_j = \frac{\partial s}{\partial(\partial_j \psi)}$$

If ψ has a reversible current

$\partial_t \psi + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \psi = \dots \frac{\partial \dot{\psi}}{\partial v_i} = -\partial_i \psi$ and non classical stresses result.

MESOSCOPIC DISSIPATIVE STRESSES

$$T\dot{S}_{prod} = \int d\vec{r} \left\{ - \left(J_i^\psi - v_i \psi \right) \partial_i \mu + \left(\sigma_{ij} - \sigma_{ij}^R \right) \partial_i v_j \right\}$$

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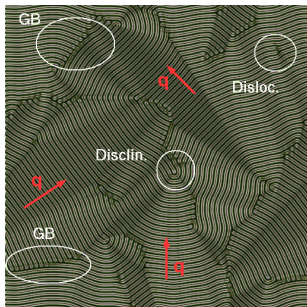
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Lamellar phase: uniaxial fluid

$$J_i^{\psi D} = - [\Lambda_L q_i q_j + \Lambda_T (\delta_{ij} - q_i q_j)] \partial_j \mu$$

$$\sigma_{ij}^D = \alpha_1 q_i q_j q_k q_l D_{kl} + \alpha_4 D_{ij} + \alpha_{56} (q_i D_{kj} + q_j D_{ki}) q_k$$

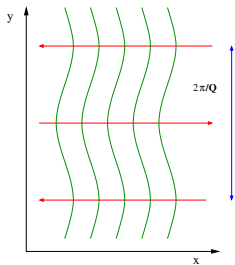
$$D_{ij} = \partial_i v_j + \partial_j v_i$$

Cahn-Hilliard (isotropic) fluid

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$$\sigma_{ij}^D = \alpha_4 D_{ij}$$

REVERSIBLE MODES AND LINEAR RESPONSE



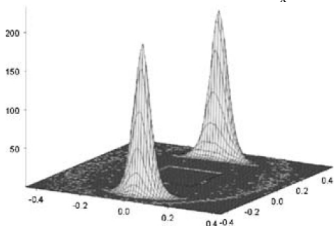
Characteristic decay times determined by decay of transverse perturbations.

Transverse scattering intensity,

$$S(Q) = \frac{k_B T / \xi}{Q^4 + 2(Q/\lambda)^2}$$

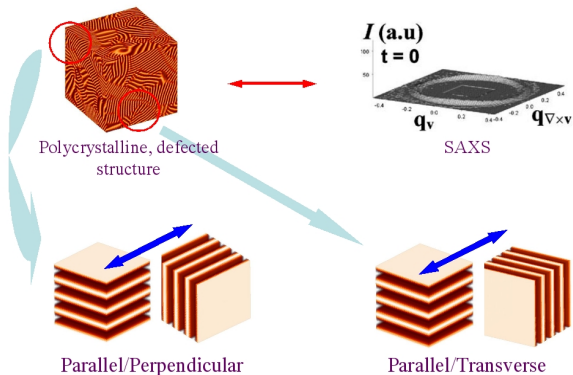
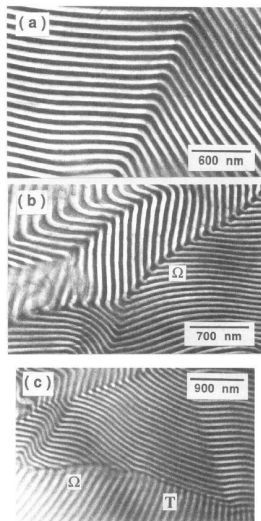
For a block copolymer in weak segregation,

$$\lambda \sim \frac{R_g N^{1/4}}{\sqrt{\epsilon}} \gg k_0^{-1}$$



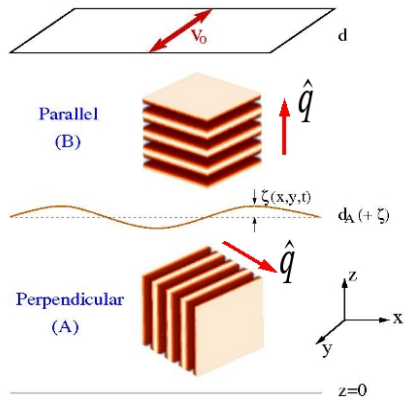
[L. Wu, T. Lodge, F. Bates, J. Rheol. 49, 1231 (2005)]

DOMAIN COARSENING AND ORIENTATION SELECTION



[S. Gido, E.L. Thomas, *Macromolecules* 27, 6137 (1994).]

RHEOLOGY AND ORIENTATION SELECTION



- In this low frequency formulation, both orientations are degenerate.

- Uniaxial form of dissipative stress leads to viscosity contrast. Hydrodynamic instability under shear.

- Extended to uniaxial viscoelasticity. Hydrodynamic instability under shear when viscoelastic contrast is appreciable.

SUMMARY

1. Microscopic Laws

Mesoscopic Lawlessness
(cf. R. Laughlin)

Macroscopic Laws

2. Finite wavenumber and finite frequency response functions and transport coefficients are correlation functions.
3. Short scale energetics and kinetics entirely phenomenological. Nonlinearities also phenomenological.

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1. Naturally accommodates microstructure and evolution.
 2. Quite efficient computationally.