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Friction and Fractals: Tribology using Molecular Simulation

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Part 1: Friction

molybdenum disulphide
 $\mu = 0.02 - 0.06$ (inert @ 1N)
 $\mu = 0.15 - 0.25$ (humid air @ 1N)

A

B

3.2 Å
6.7 Å
3.5 Å

A
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Sulfur Molybdenum

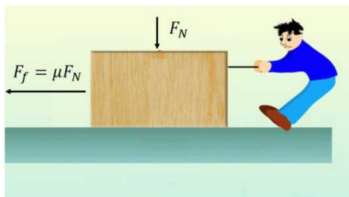
(A) Depiction of the layered structure of MoS₂ lamellae stacked upon one another. (B) Hexagonal stack lattice structure of MoS₂ with atomic spacing and sequencing.

3-10 nm

sliding surface

Deposited film is made of many small randomly oriented crystallites

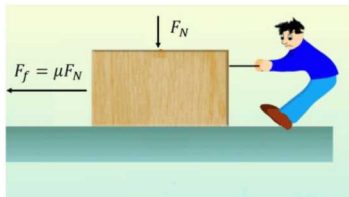
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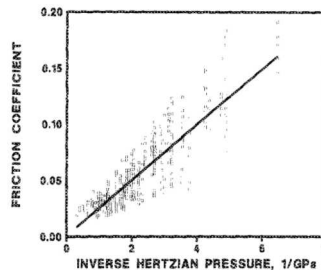


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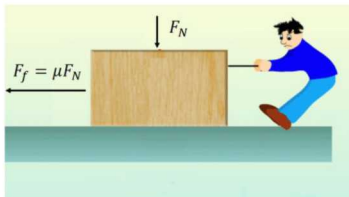
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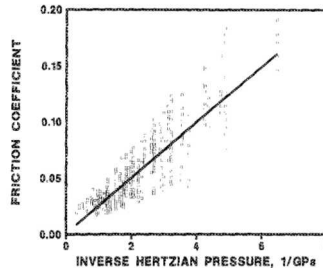
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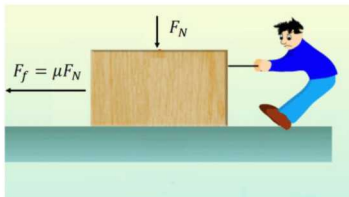
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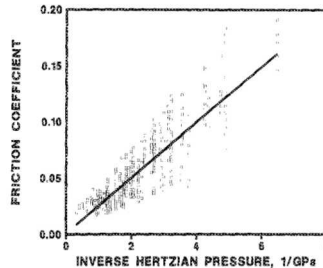
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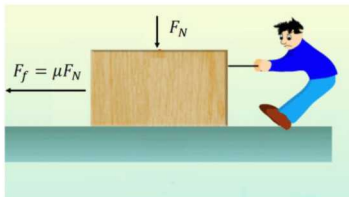


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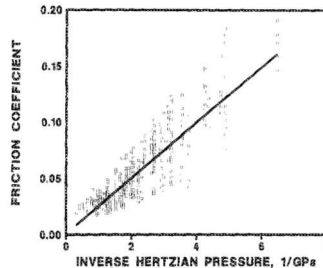
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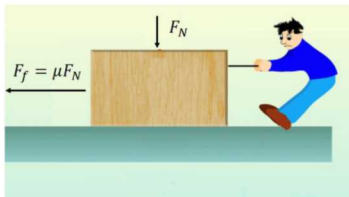
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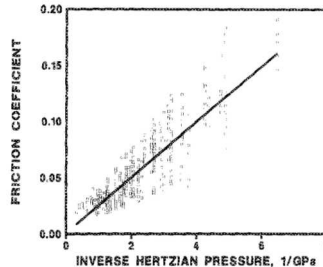
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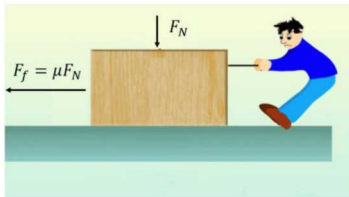
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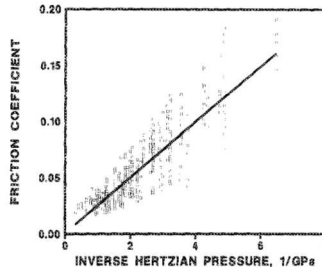
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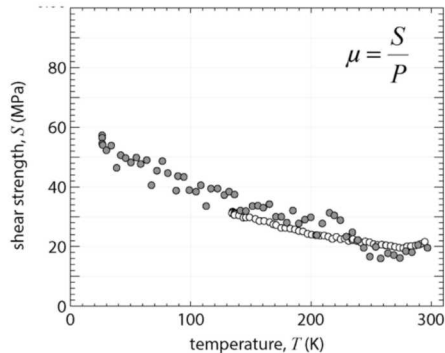
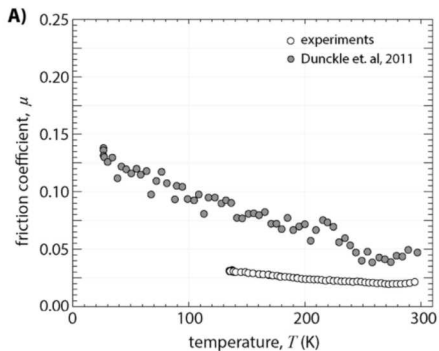
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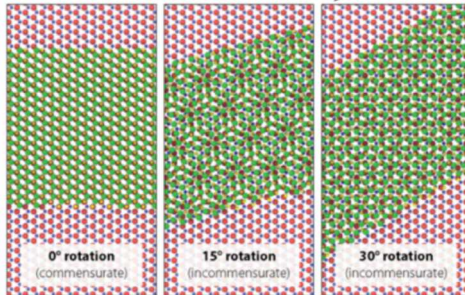
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$$S_o = 25 \text{ MPa}$$



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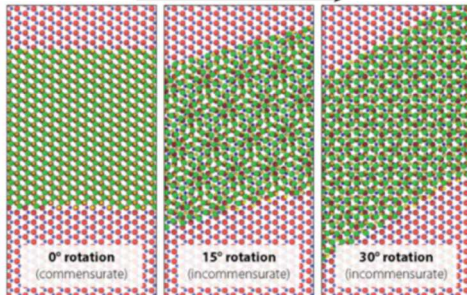
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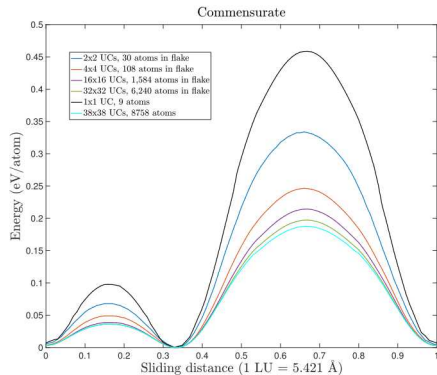
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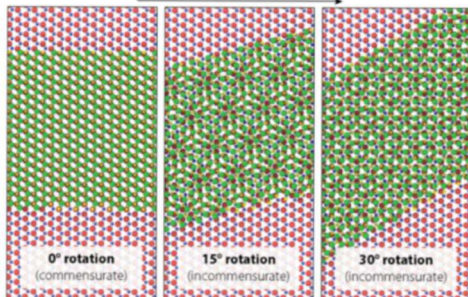


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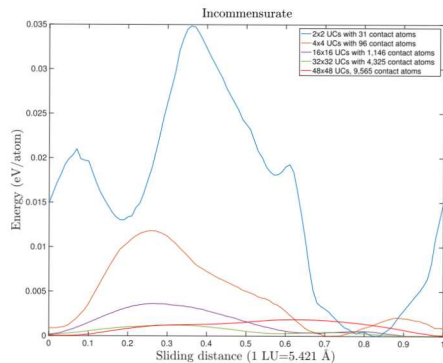
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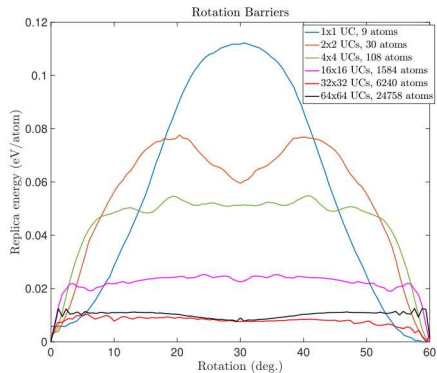
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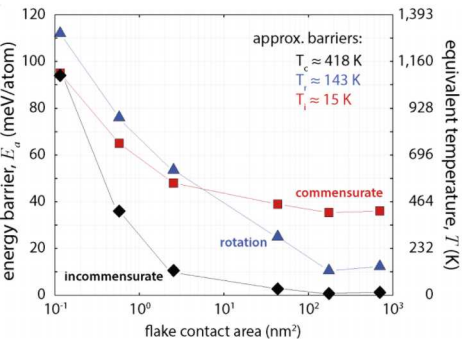
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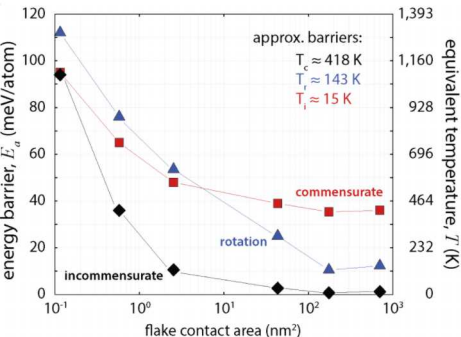
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A Toy Model in terms of energy barriers (mechanisms to sliding)



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The probability and failure to overcome a barrier n

$$p_n = A \exp \left(\frac{-\Delta E_n}{k_B T} \right)$$

$$f_n = 1 - p_n$$

The probability to slide and fail to slide (friction):

$$p_{\text{slide}} = p_r p_i + f_r p_c$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_{\text{slide}} &= 1 - p_{\text{slide}} \\ &= 1 - (p_r p_i + f_r p_c) \end{aligned}$$

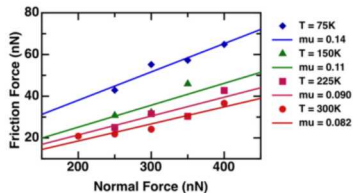
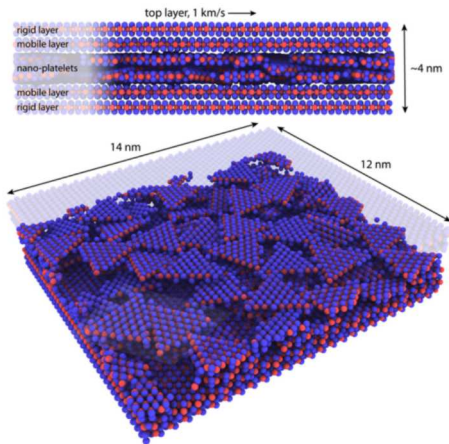
The model and scaled data from $S(T) = S_L f_{slide}(T)$

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What is S_L ?

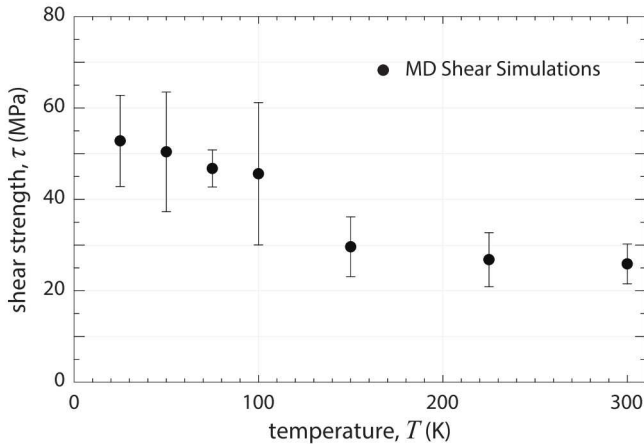
MD ReaxFF Simulations



- Six normal forces used at each temperature
- $\mu = \frac{dF_f}{dF_N}$
- Data set of $S(T)$ from MD simulations

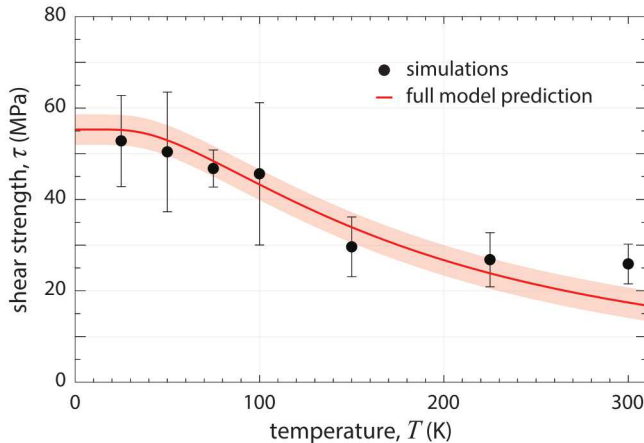
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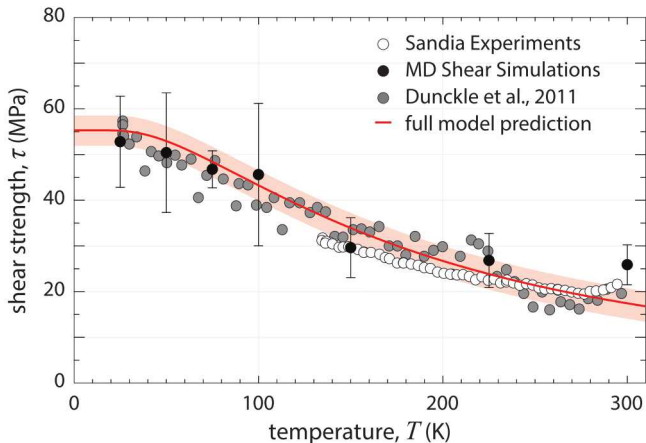
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$$S_L = 55.3 \text{ MPa}$$



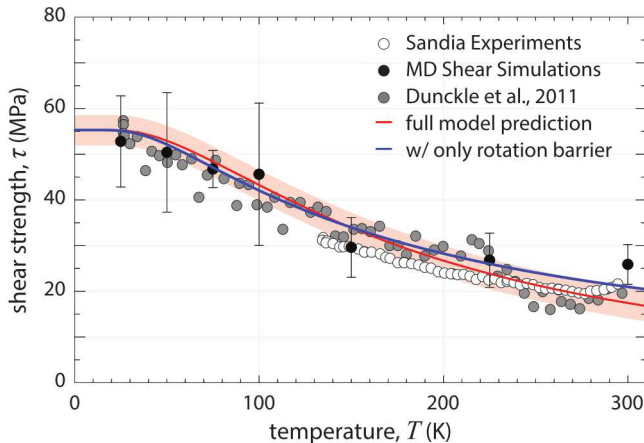
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Atomistic Origins of Temperature-Dependent Shear Strength in 2D Materials

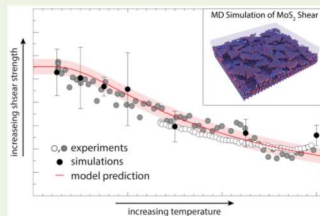
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ABSTRACT: We present a model that predicts the macroscale temperature-dependent interfacial shear strength of 2D materials like MoS₂ based on atomistic mechanisms and energetic barriers to sliding. Atomistic simulations were used to systematically determine the lamellar size-dependent rotation and translation energy barriers, that were used to accurately predict a broad range of experimental data. This framework provides insight about the origins of characteristic shear strengths of 2D materials.

KEYWORDS: 2D materials, MoS₂, molybdenum disulfide, nudged elastic band, superlubricity, molecular dynamics, activation energy, temperature



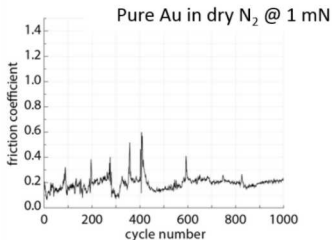
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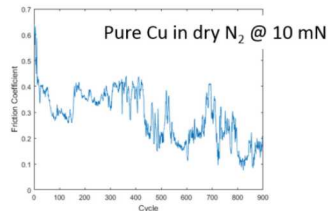
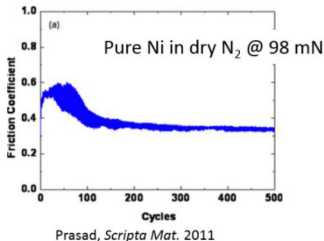
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Evidence of low friction in soft, bare, pure metals

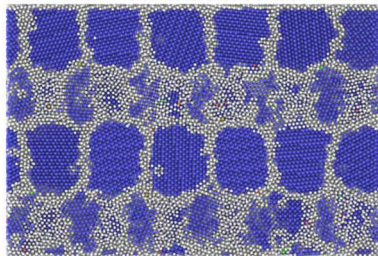
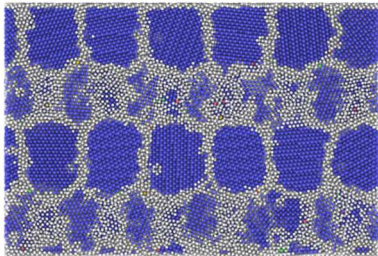
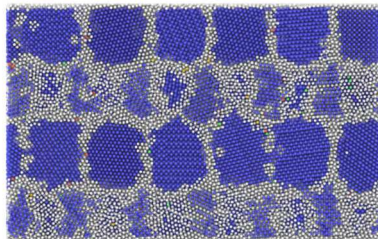
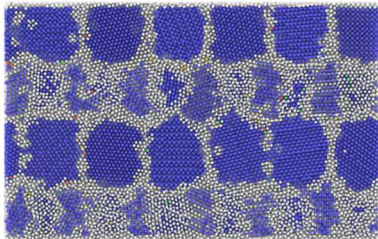


“when surfaces are cleaned in a good vacuum, the sliding friction... becomes vanishingly small.” Bowden & Hughes, *Nature* 1938.

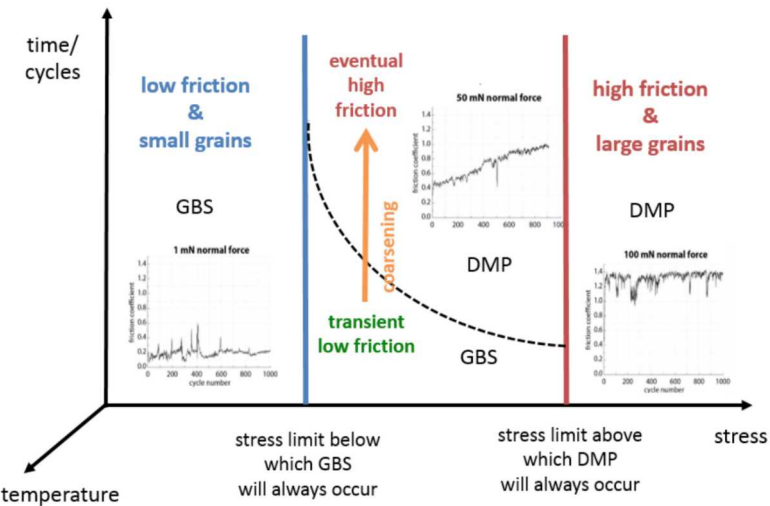
“It was found quite unexpectedly that with some metals, very low friction less than 0.10 was observed.” Tamai, *J. Appl. Phys.* 1961



Sliding friction of BCC Tantalum slabs

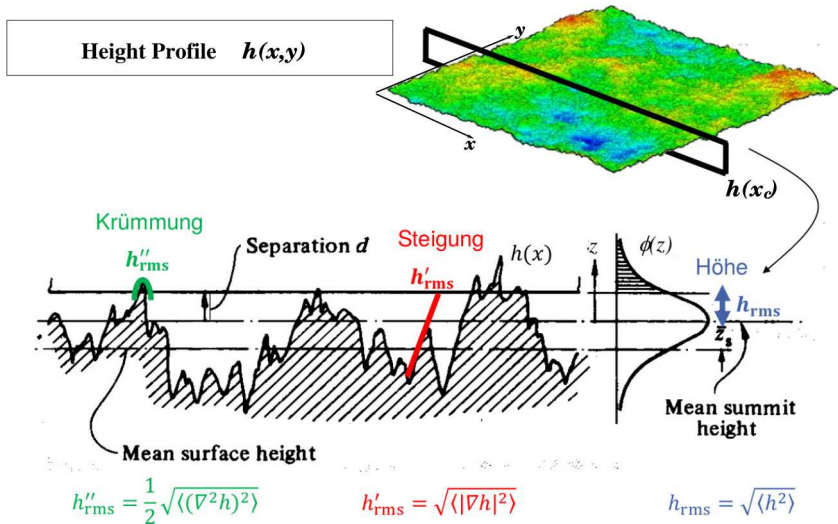


Generalized friction map for (FCC) metals J. Mater. Sci. 52:2780 (2017)



Part 2: Fractals

Surface topography and roughness



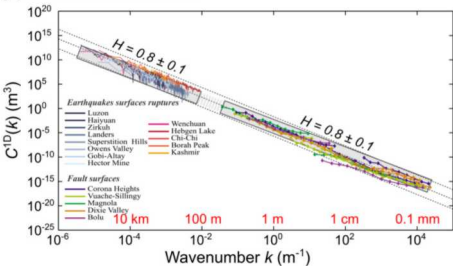
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Self-affine system

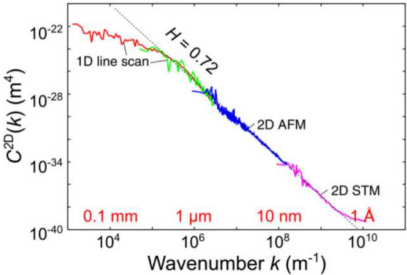
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(d) GEOLOGICAL FAULTS



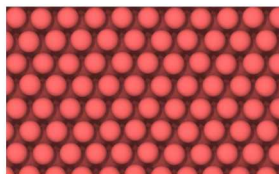
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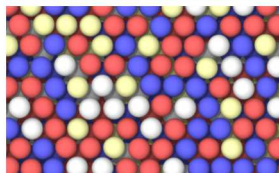
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A common origin in plastic deformation? Quantify?

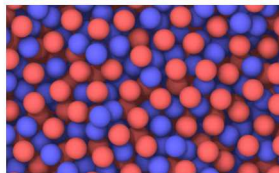
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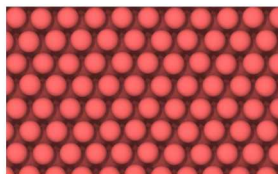
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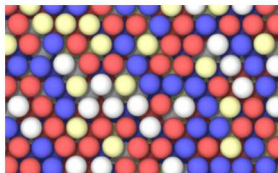
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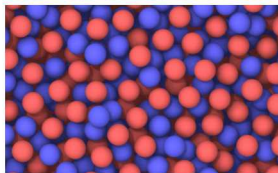
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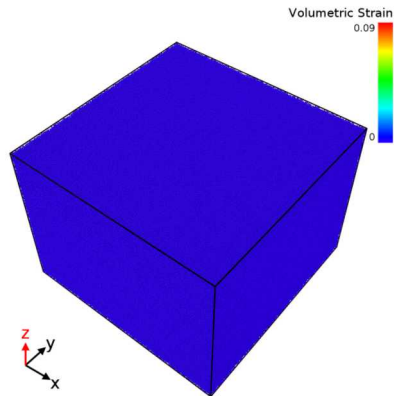
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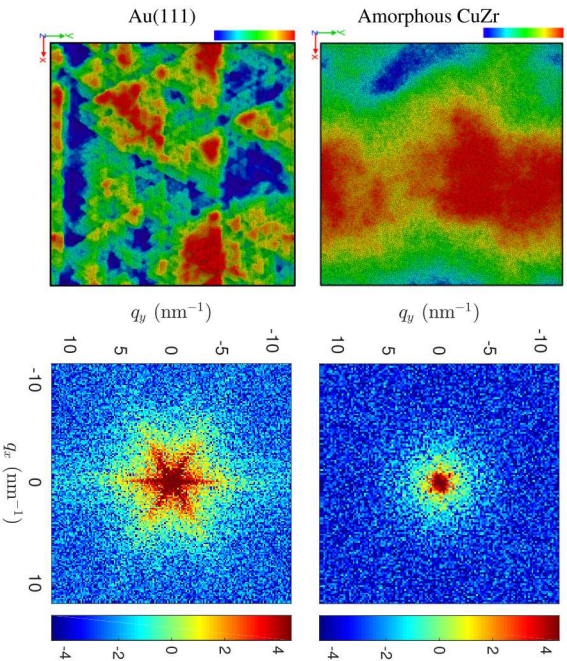


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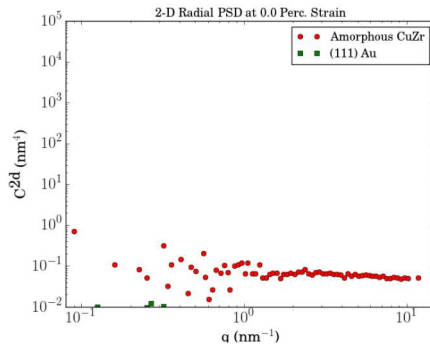
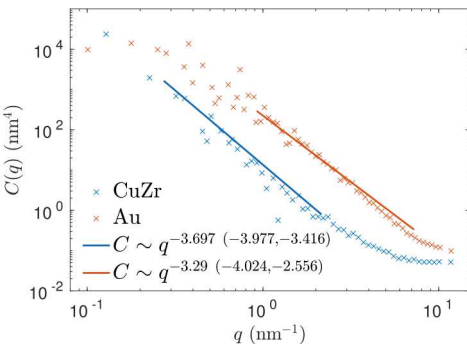


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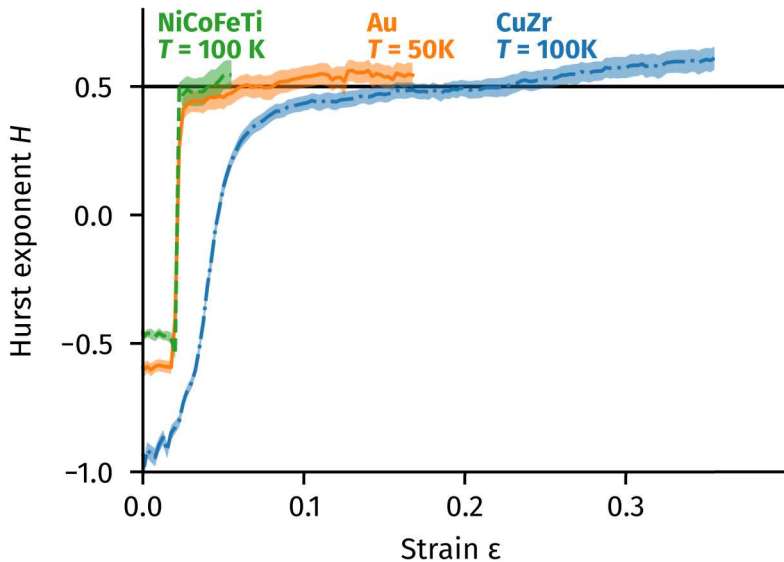




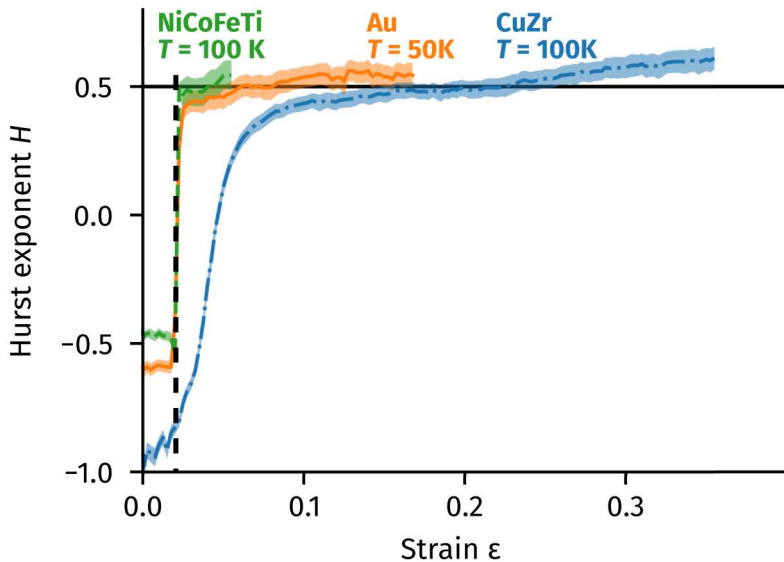
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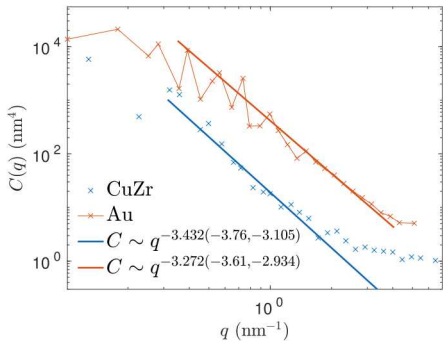
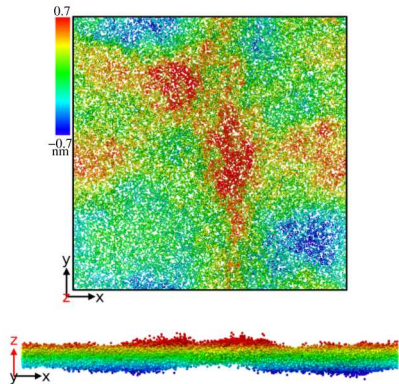
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PSD of plane of atoms within the bulk



Bulk zz -displacement correlation

3D displacement correlations

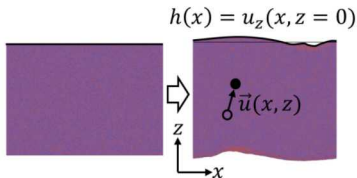
$$G_{zz}(\vec{r}) = \langle u_z(0)u_z(\vec{r}) \rangle$$

Fourier transform:

$$G_{zz}(\vec{q}) \sim q^{-3-2H}$$

2D in-plane correlations

$$C(q) \sim qG_{zz}(q)$$

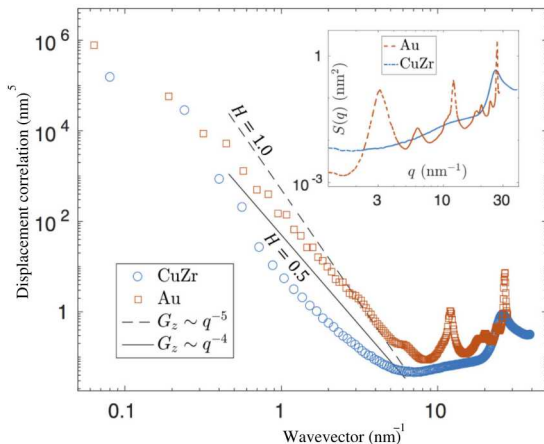
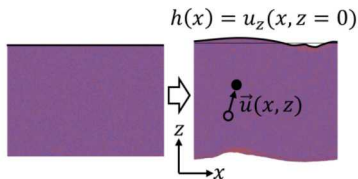


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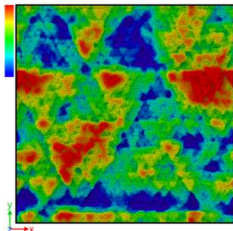
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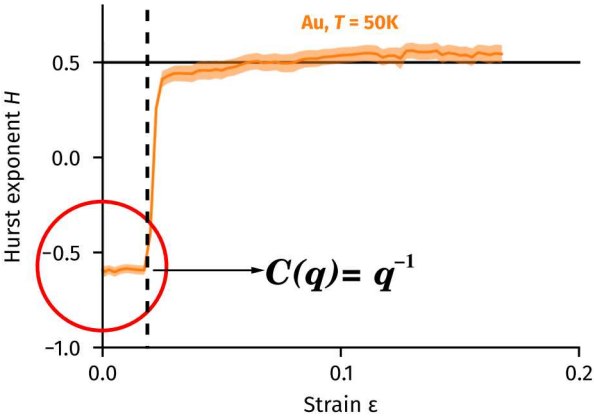
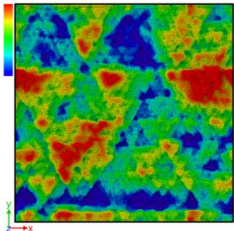
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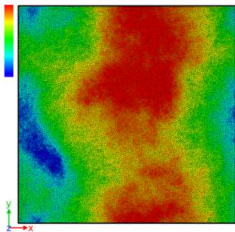
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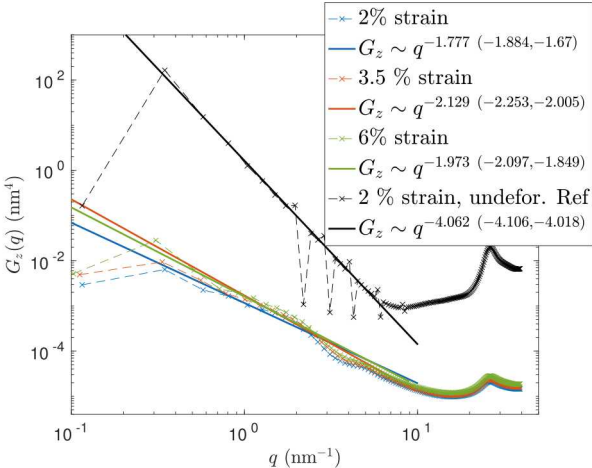
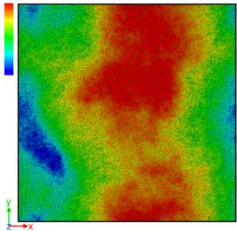


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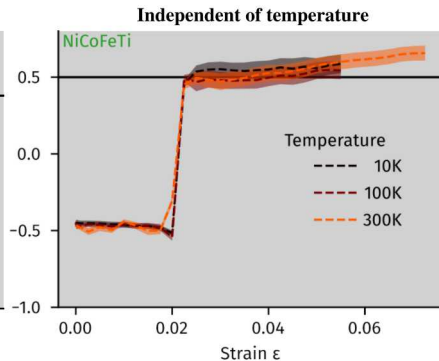
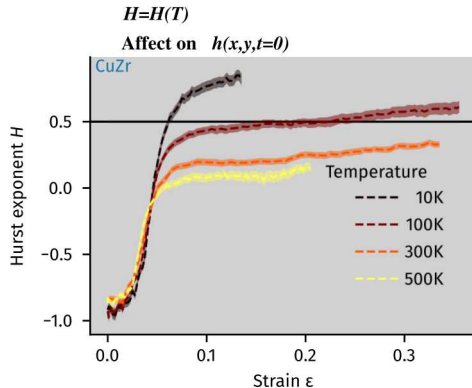
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