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# Dislocation mediated response of Cu surface before and after a breakdown event

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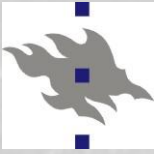
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# Outline



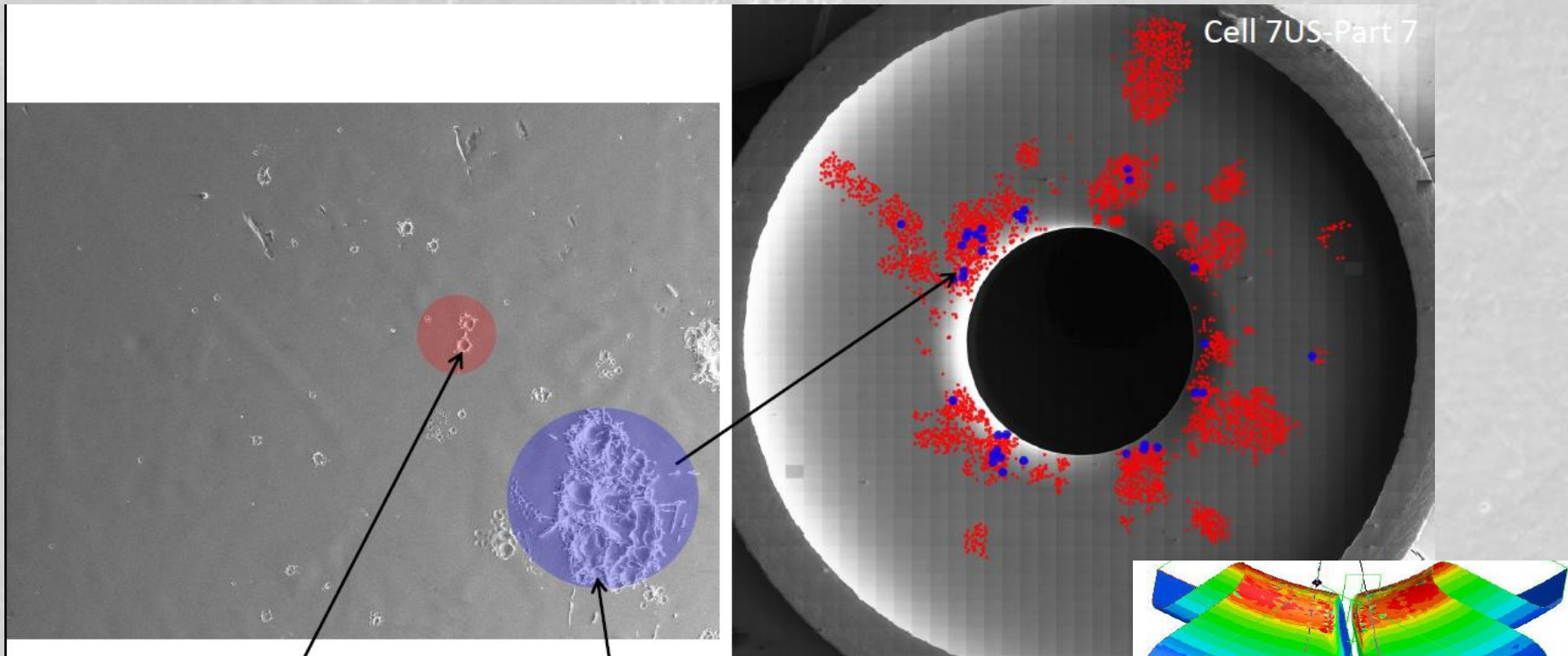
- ↪ Dislocations in metal surface after the breakdown
- ↪ Dislocations in metal surface before the breakdown



# Problem: no metal withstands nominal accelerating gradients ( $\sim 150$ MV/m)



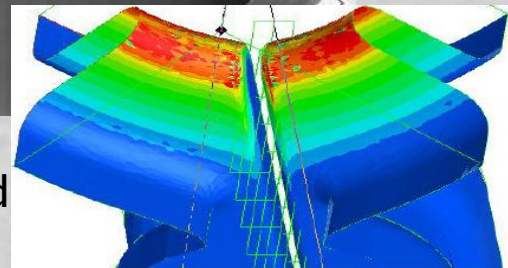
Interaction of high gradient electromagnetic fields result in frequent breakdown events

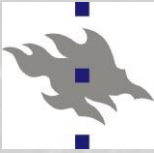


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Macroscopic electromagnetic field  
near irises

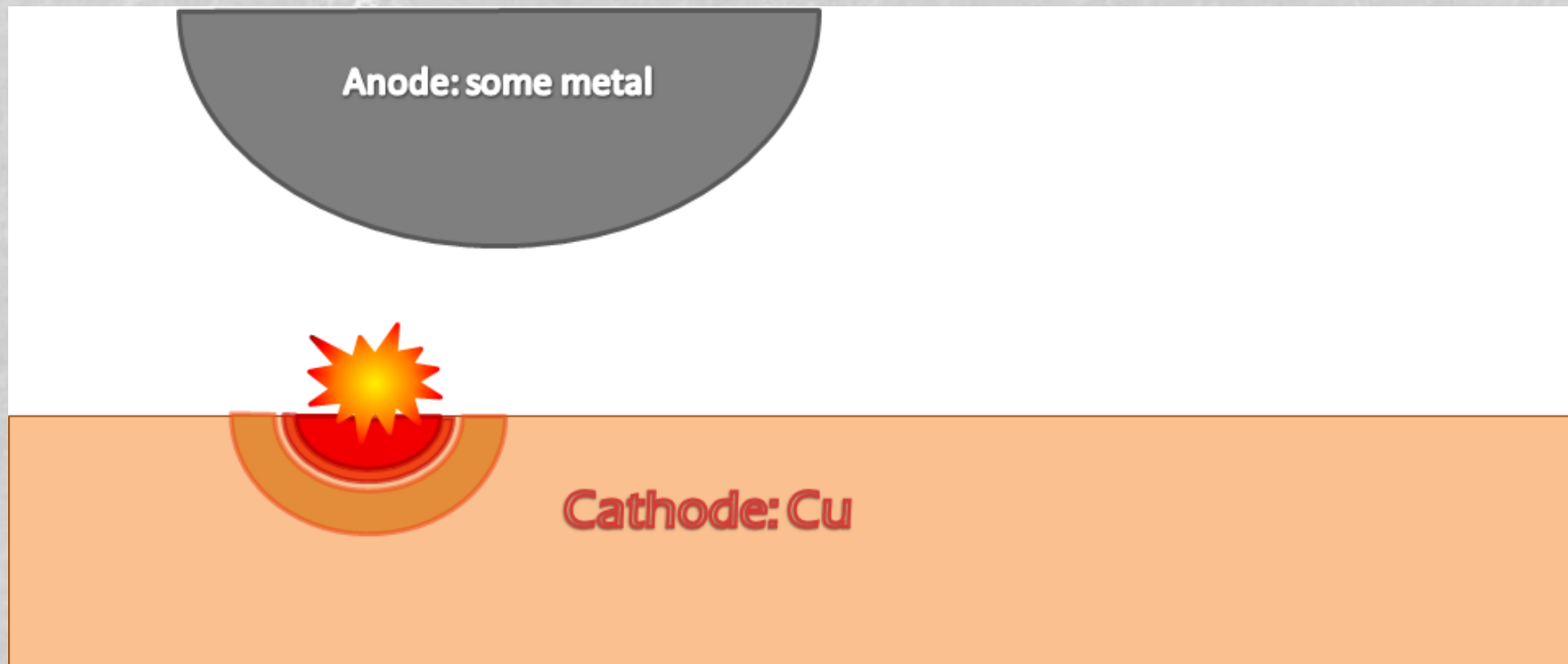


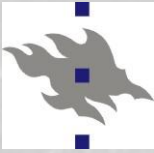


# Electric “shock” for metal surface

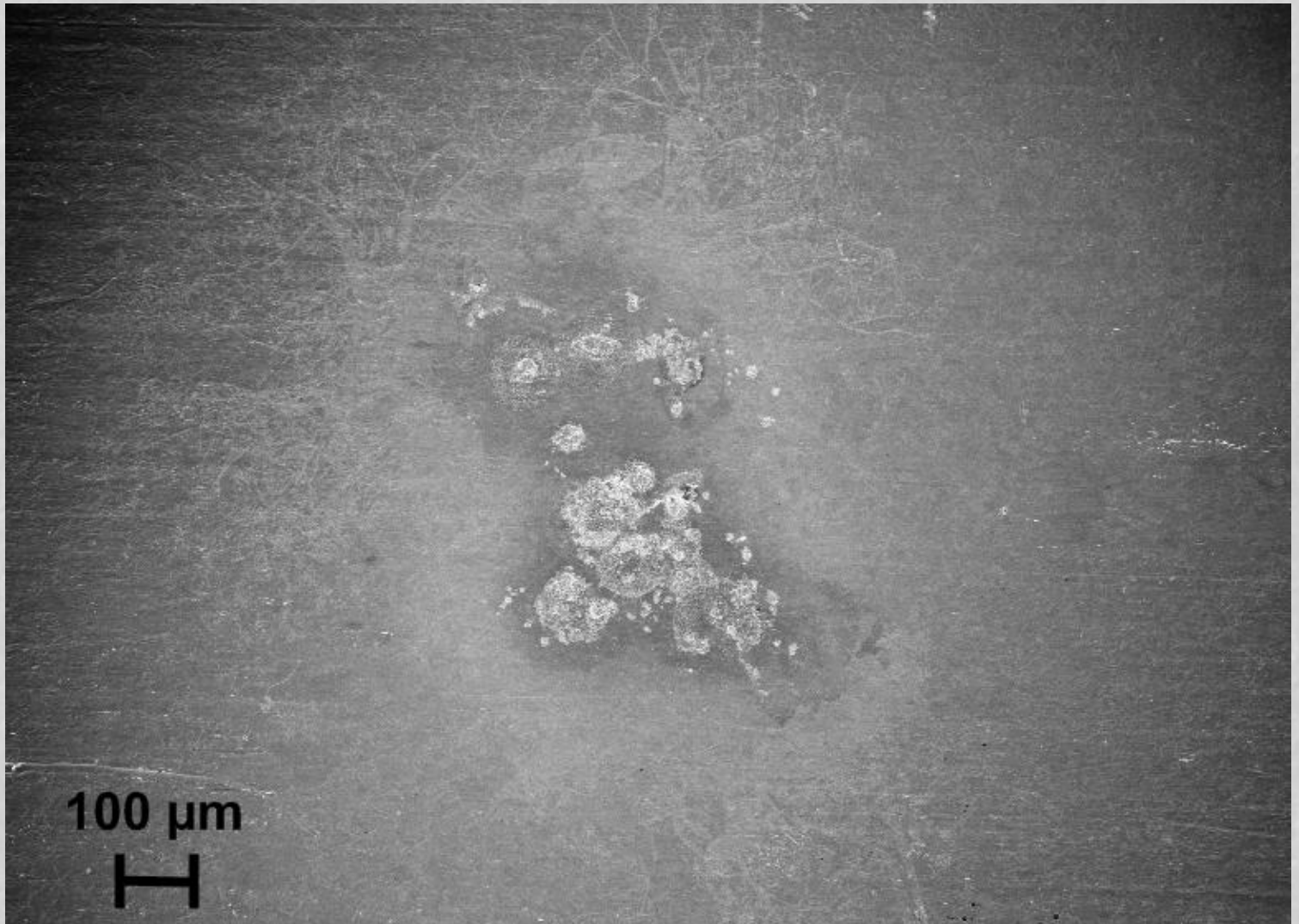


↪ Schematically a breakdown effect can be seen as follows

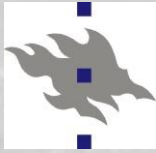




# Zooming in the surface damage



# High resolution SEM: new features called "flowers" or "spaghetti"

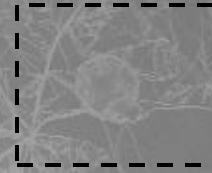


☞ The halos seen around the breakdown spots were well identified in HR-SEM as the dense network of white lines (in SEM images) of uncertain origin

# Fine "flowers" are a plastic response of surface on a sparking strike

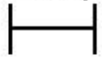


Dislocations!



☞ The "flowers" spread well beyond the actual breakdown spots

100  $\mu\text{m}$



EHT = 3.00 kV

WD = 5.9 mm

Mag = 50 X

7N-LG-Cu (45)

Spot #2

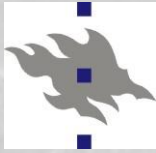
Signal A = InLens

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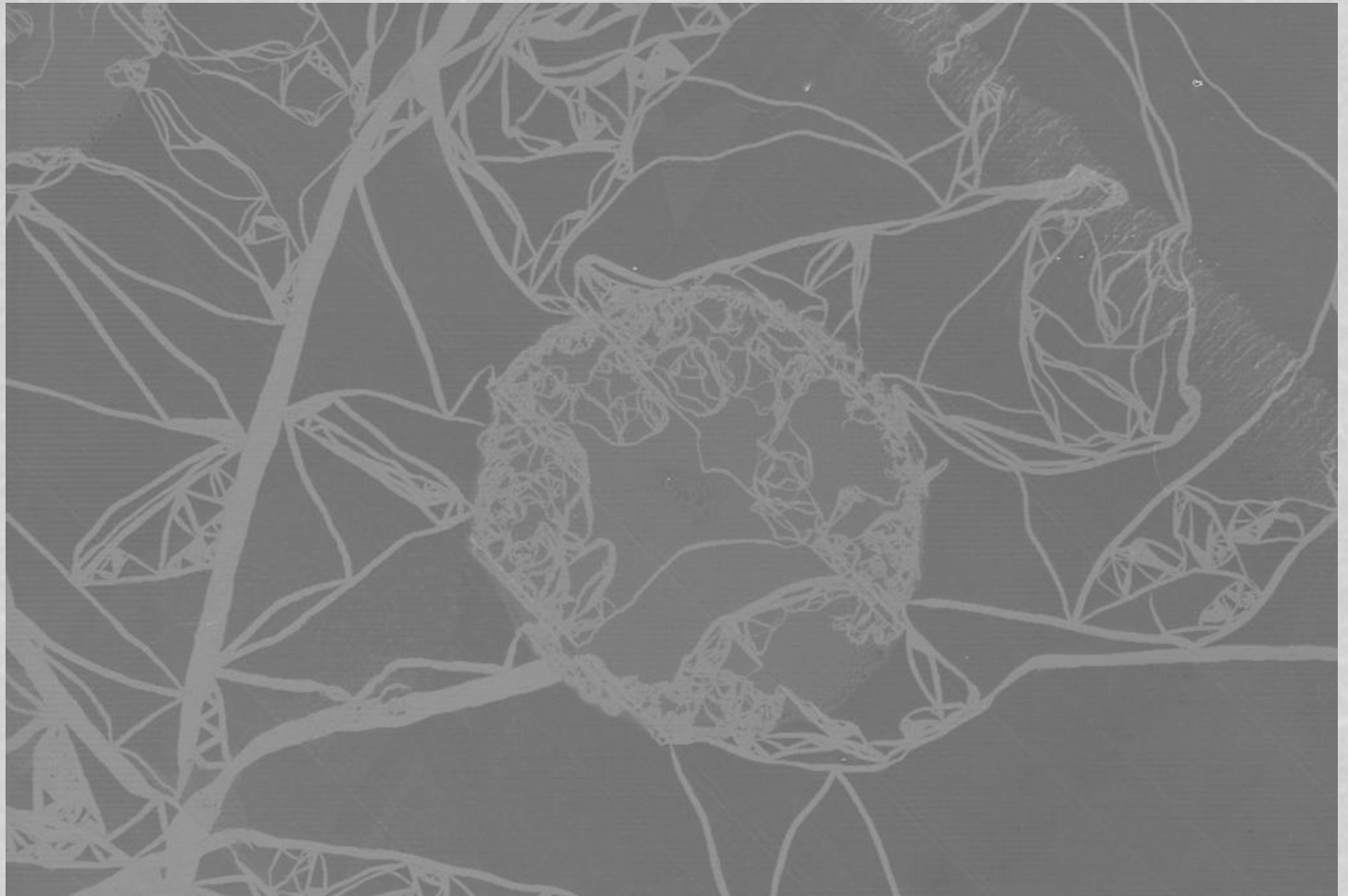
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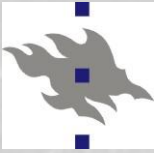




Zoom in one part where the lines  
look the clearest







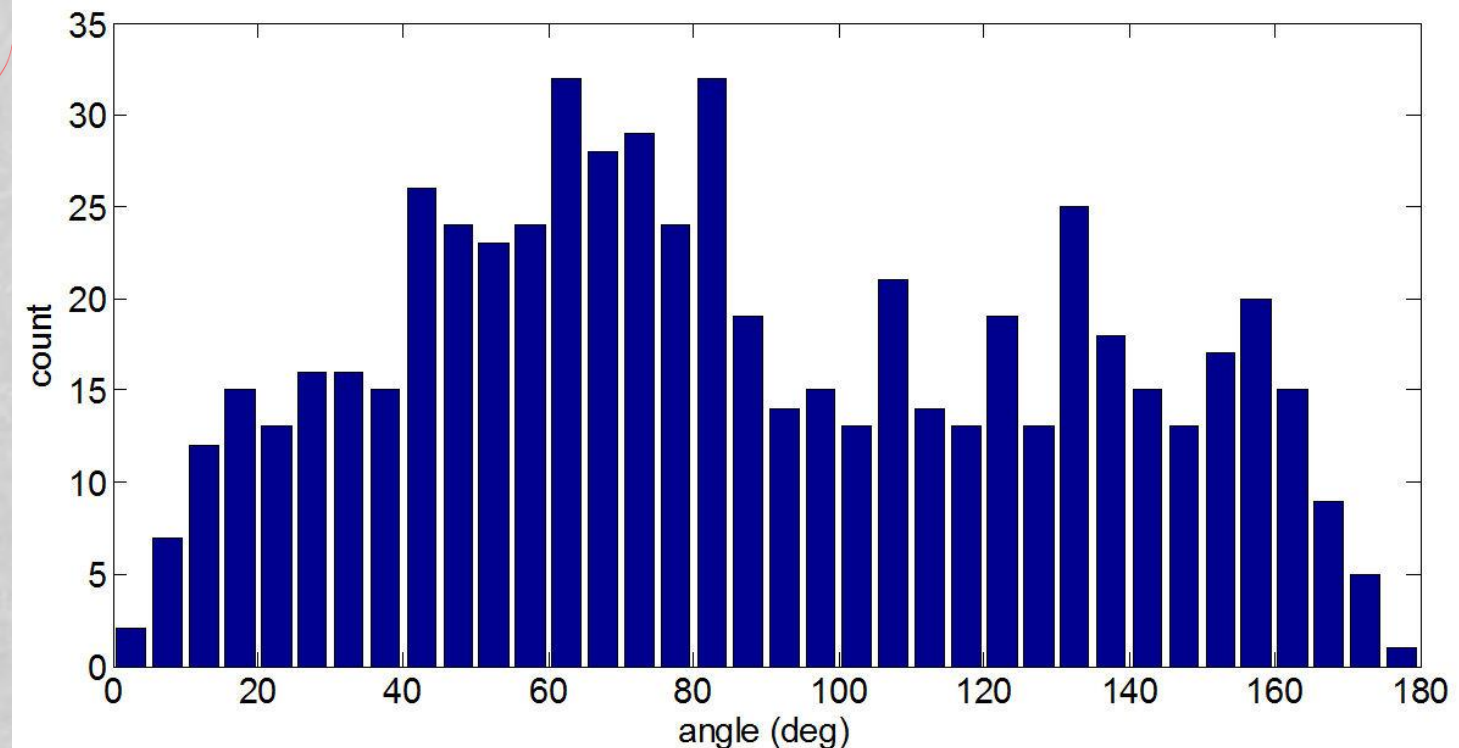
## Filtered view



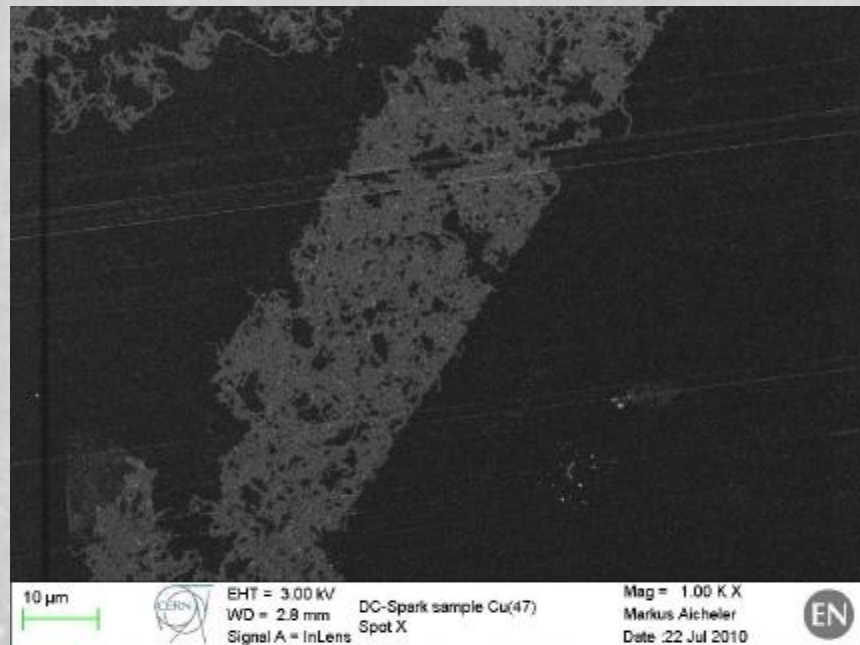
- Filter out the undistinguishable areas to reduce the unnecessary noise in the analysis



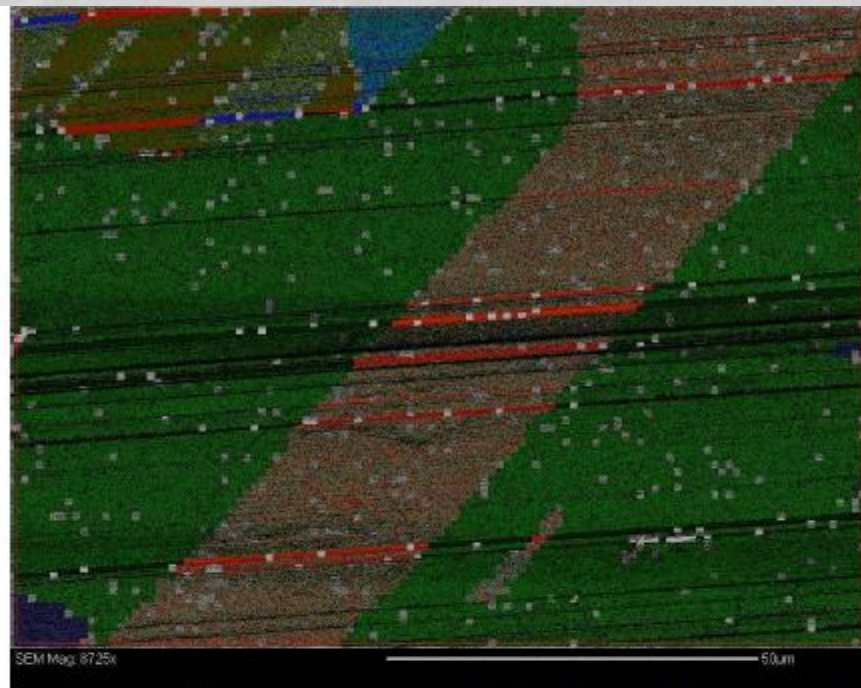
# Angle distribution gives a peak at 60°



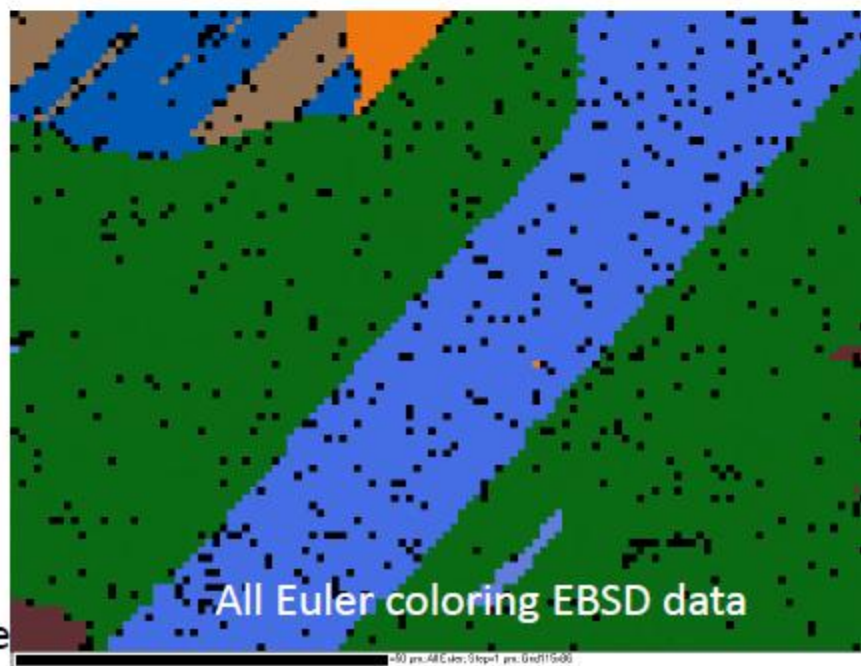
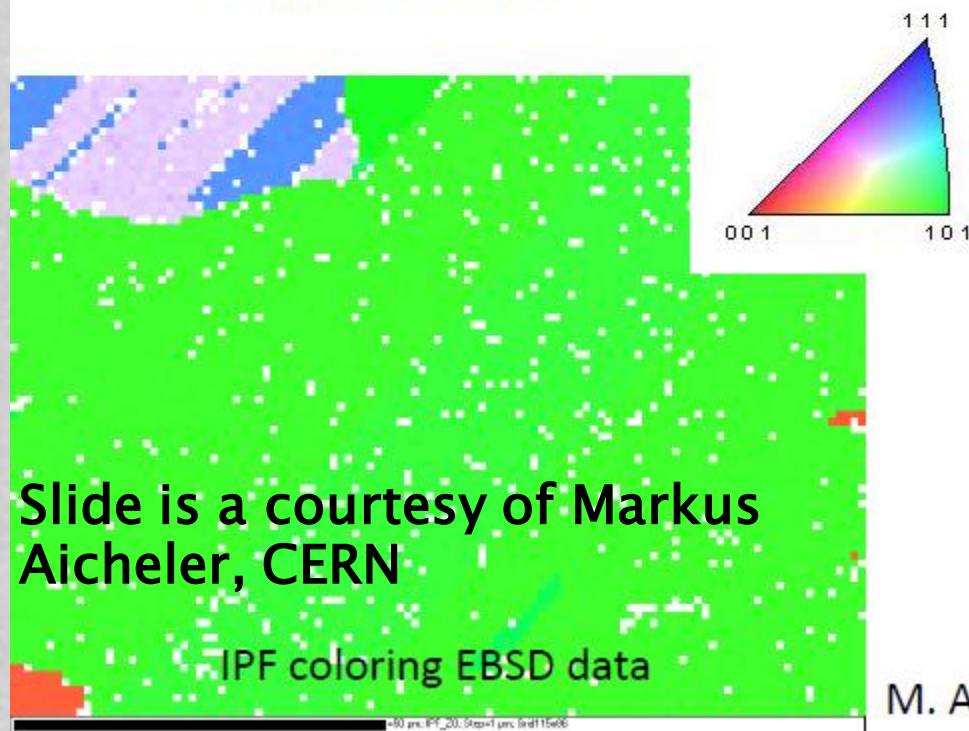
↪ Peak at 60 degree indicates a dislocation origin of the white "worms" features. The most straightforward thought is that the slip planes intersect each other on Cu {111}-surface at 60°.



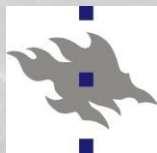
SEM InLens 0° Tilt



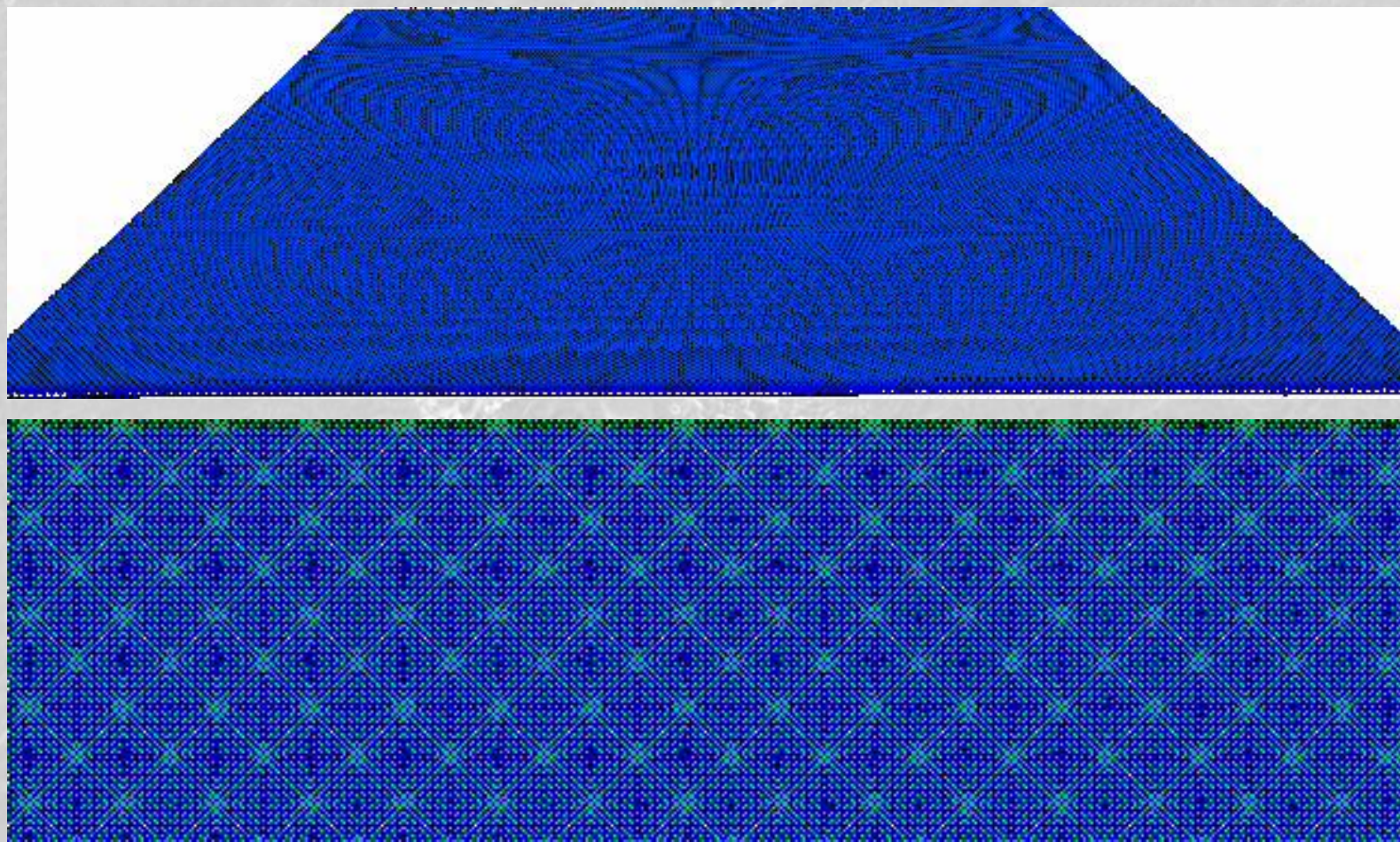
SEM back scatter 73° Tilt with EBSD overlay



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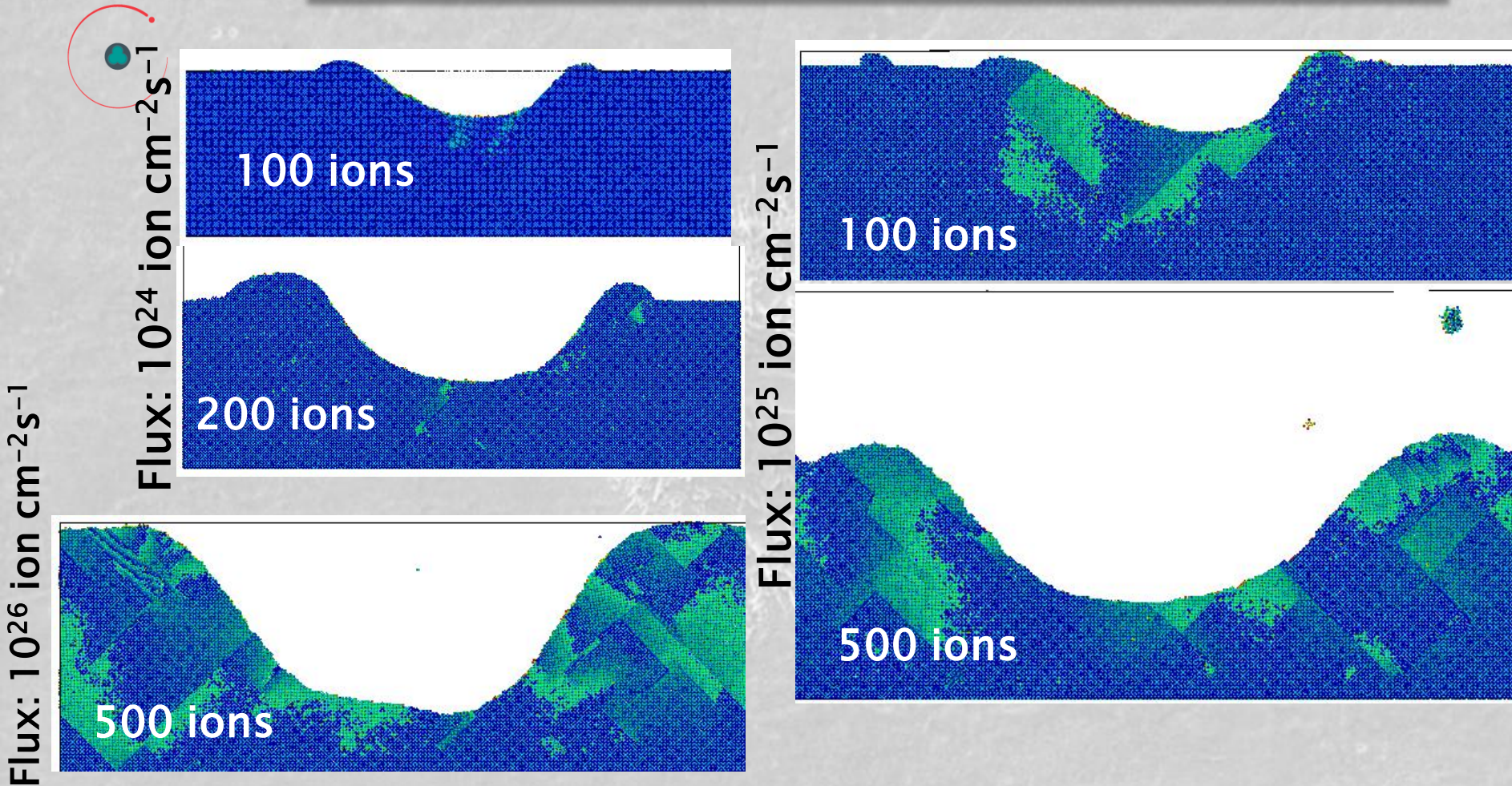
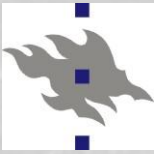


# Plasma impacts: Arc-MD simulations

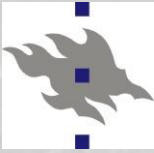


- ↪ The impact of 200 ions with the flux of  $10^{24}$  ions  $\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
- ↪ Energy of ions 6 keV at RT

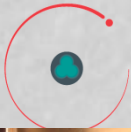
# Changing fluxes



☞ Plastic deformations under the craters formed by plasma ions with different fluxes

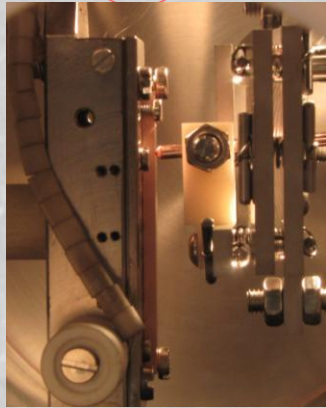


# Correlation with crystal structure

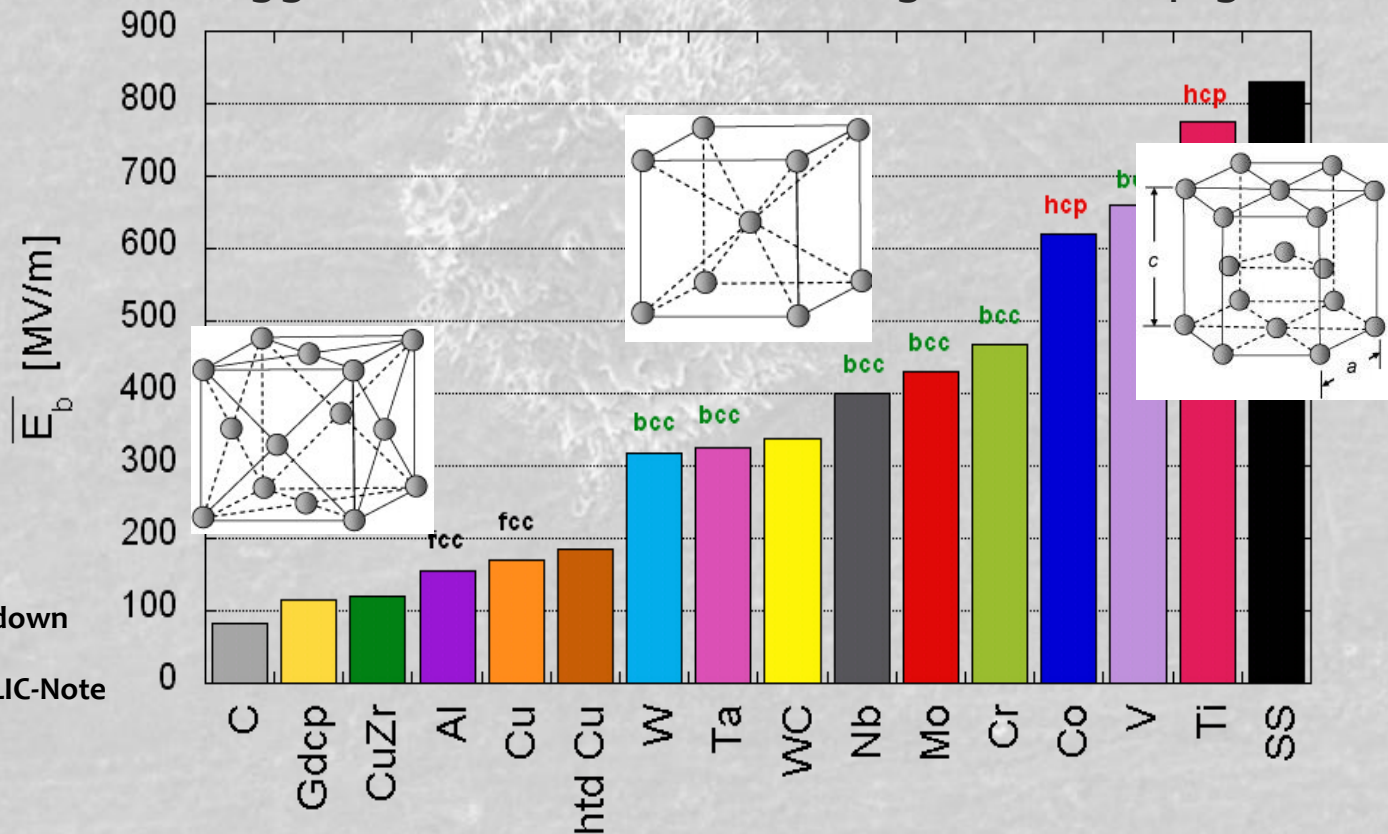


Experiments on the critical field for electric breakdown very well correlate with the crystal structure

Suggestive of a dislocation origin of the tip growth

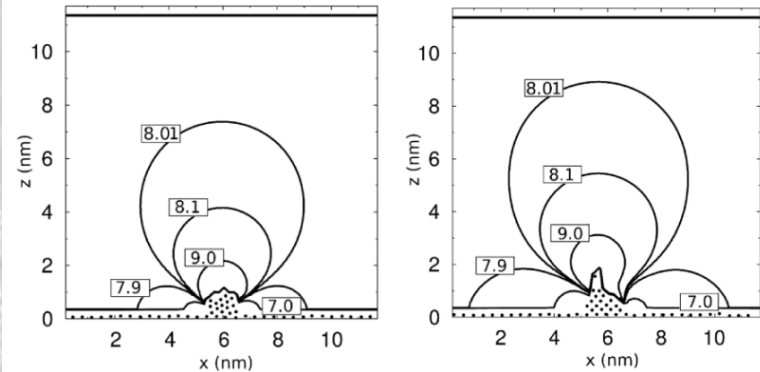
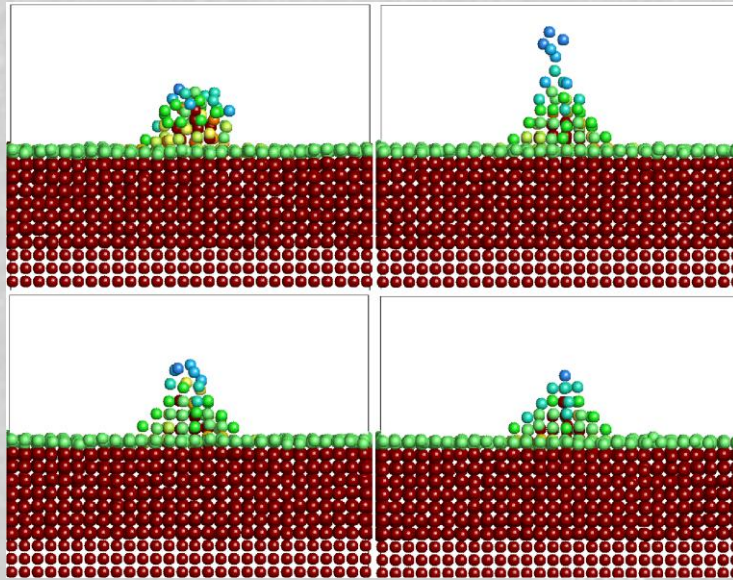
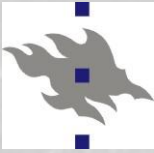


CERN DC station



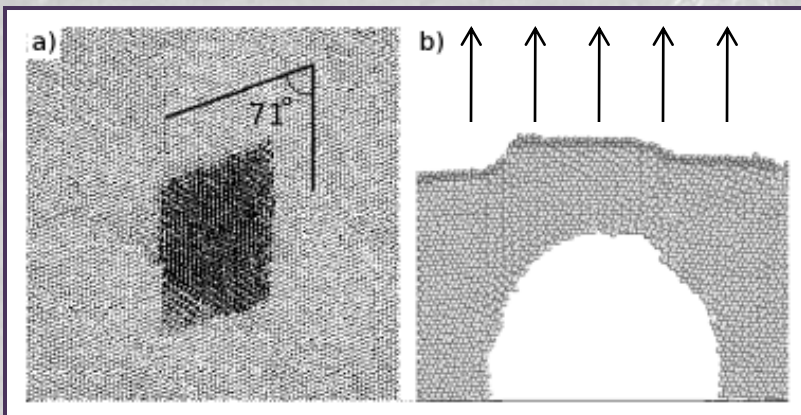
A. Descoedres, F. Djurabekova, and K. Nordlund, DC Breakdown experiments with cobalt electrodes, CLIC-Note 875, 1 (2010).

# Electrodynamics–molecular dynamic model+ study of a void under tensile stress

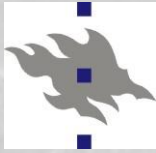


Details in F. Djurabekova, S. Parviainen, A. Pohjonen and K. Nordlund, PRE 83, 026704 (2011).

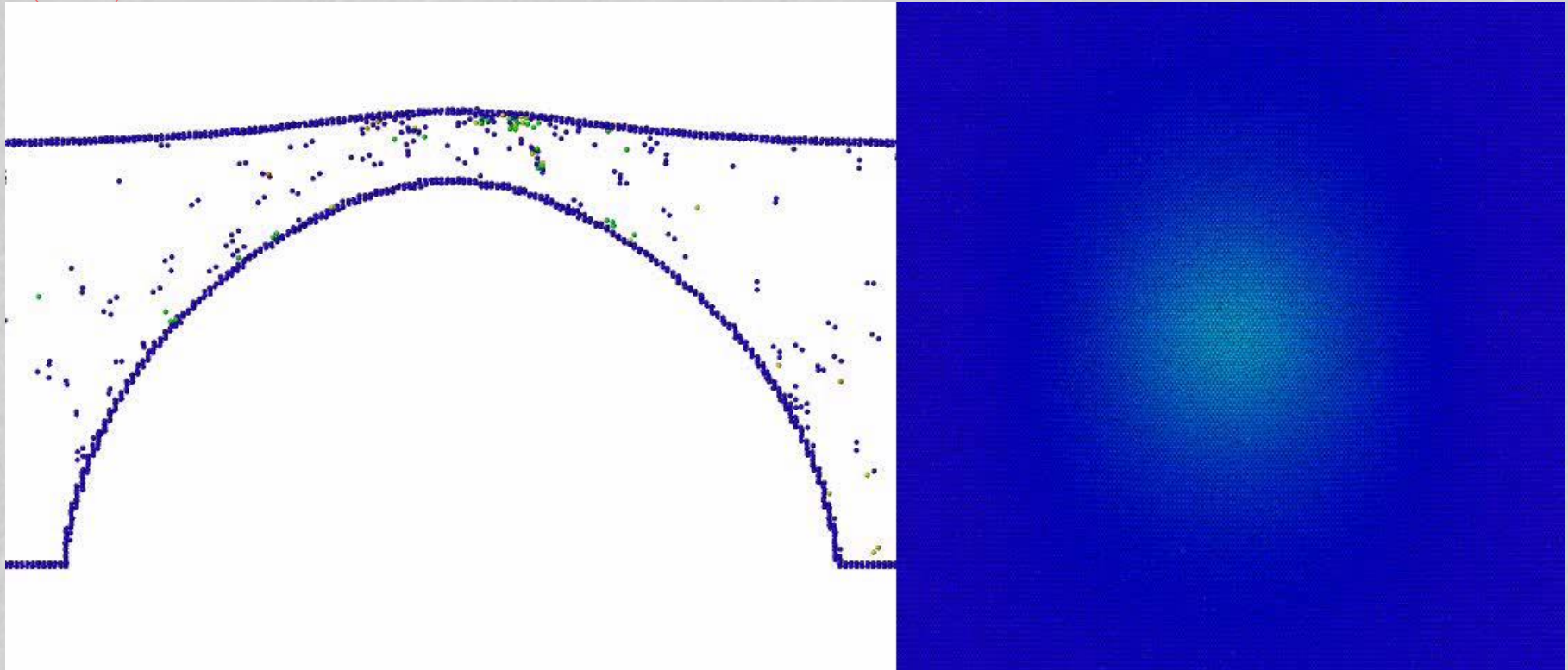
- ↪ ED–MD model follows the evolution of the charged surface.
- ↪ The dynamics of atom charges follows the shape of electric field distortion on tips on the surface
- ↪ We also studies the dislocation dynamics on a void burrowed near the surface in Cu held under unilater tensile stress<sup>15</sup>



A. Pohjonen, F. Djurabekova, et al., *Jour. Appl. Phys.* 110, 023509 (2011).

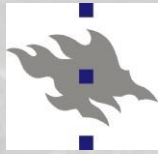


# Back to simulation with assumed voids under surface

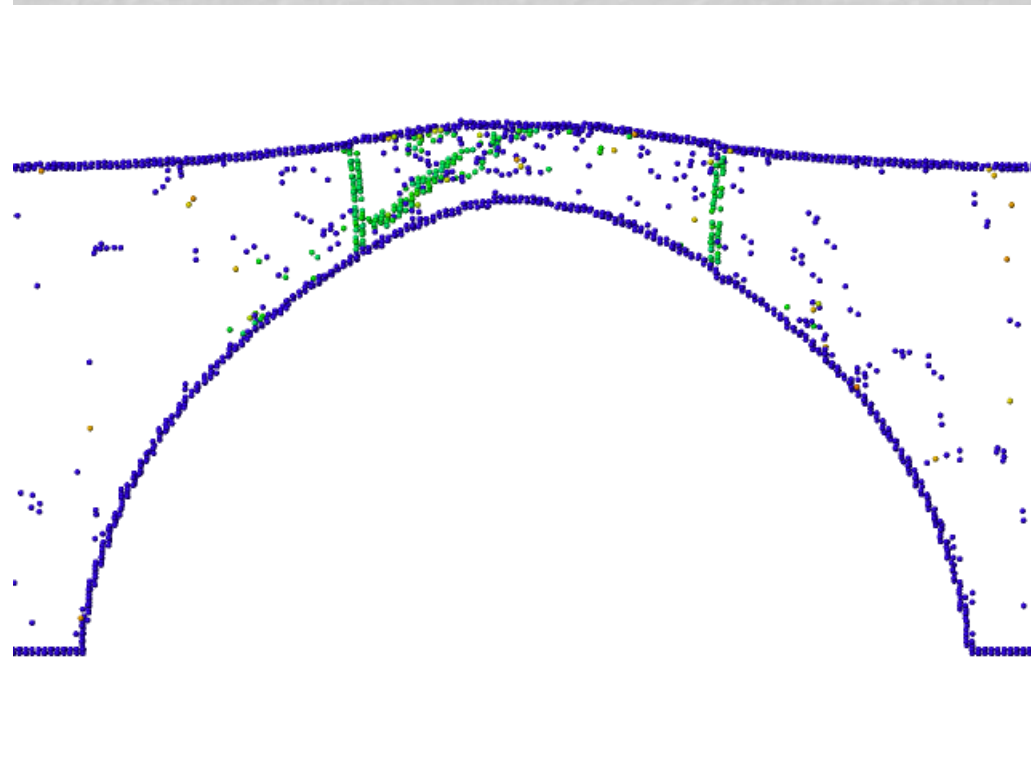
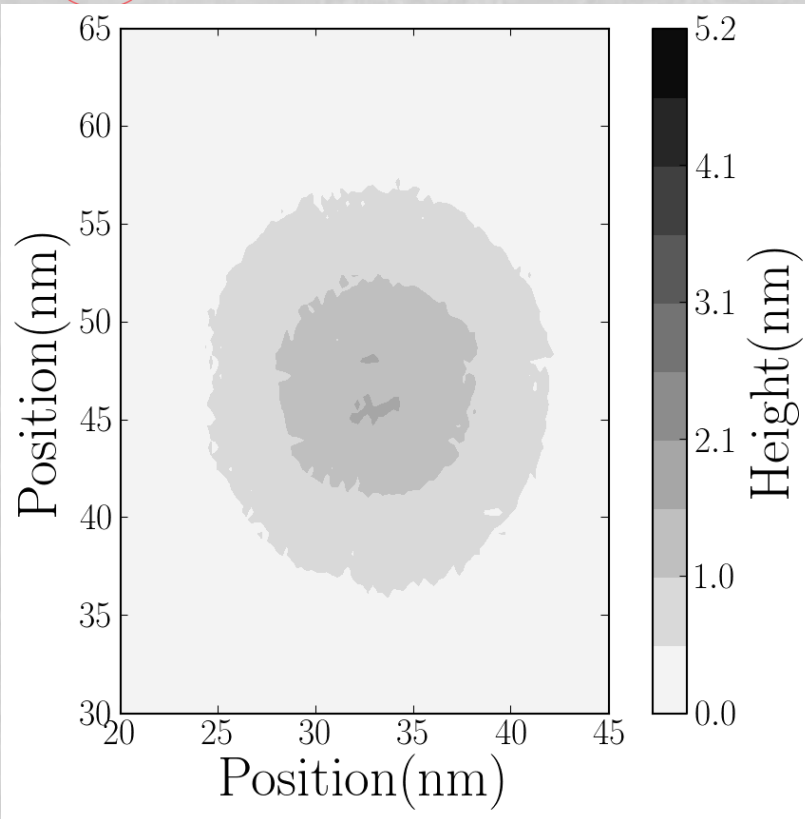


- ✎ We have now finished the analysis of the behavior of a void under tensile stress due to the electric field (Simulations now done with the hybrid  $3D-MD$  code, where the electric field effect is accounted explicitly)

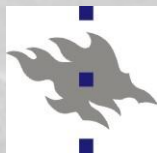




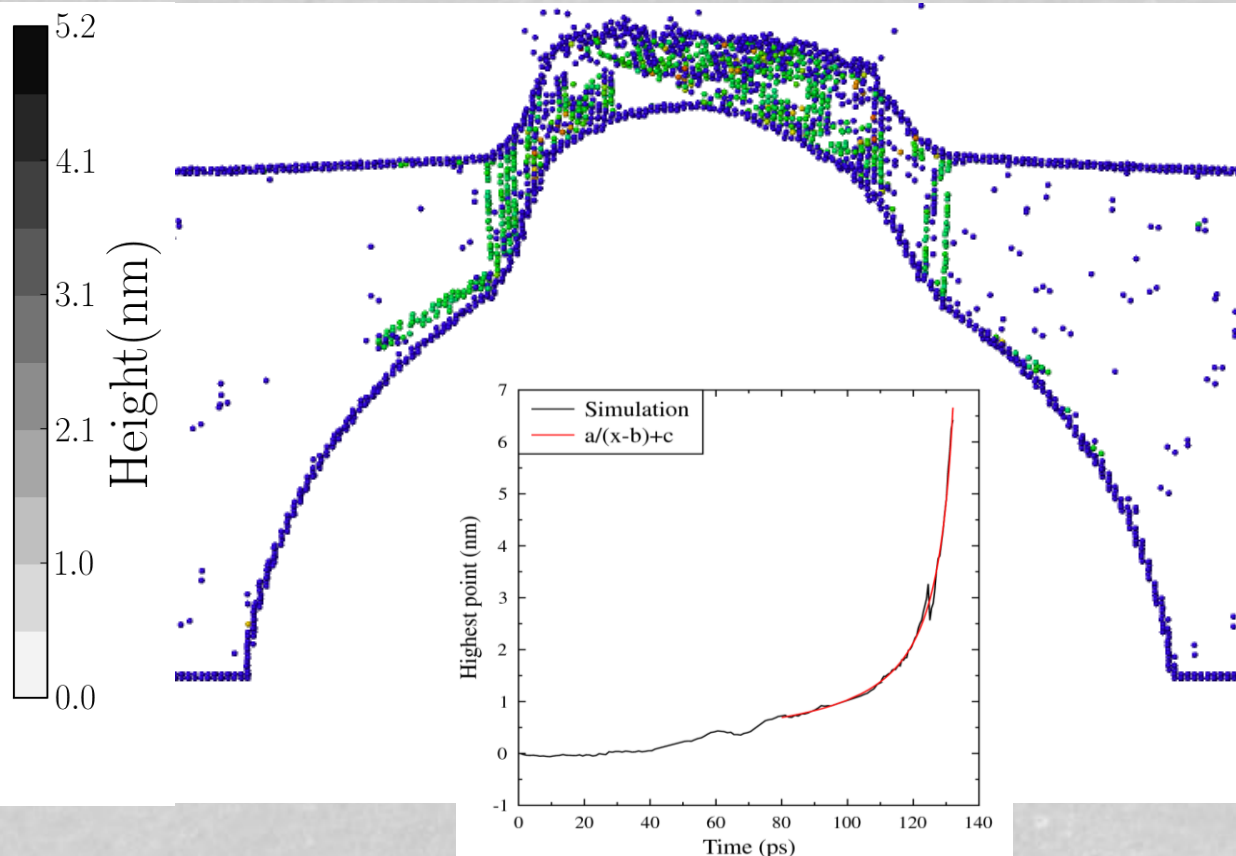
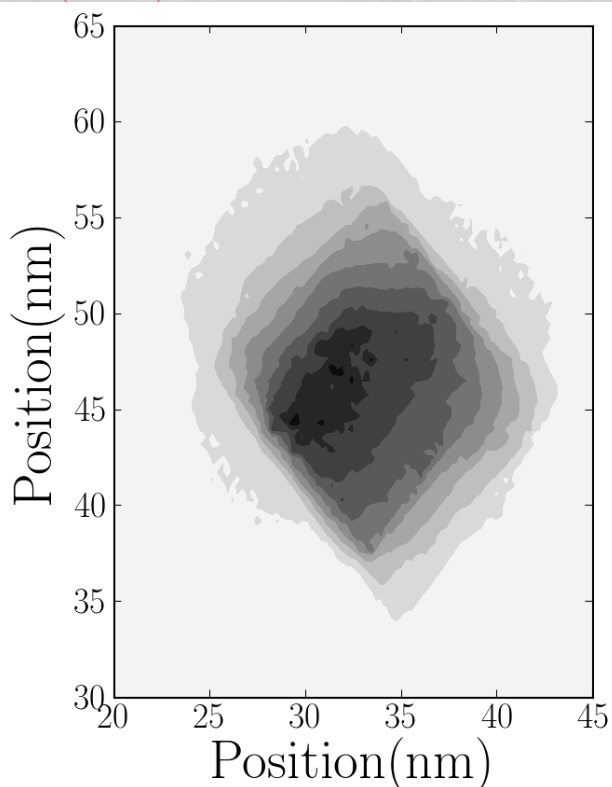
# Initial plastic deformation



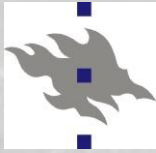
the top view and a slice of the system at time  $t = 114$  ps when the first bump has formed



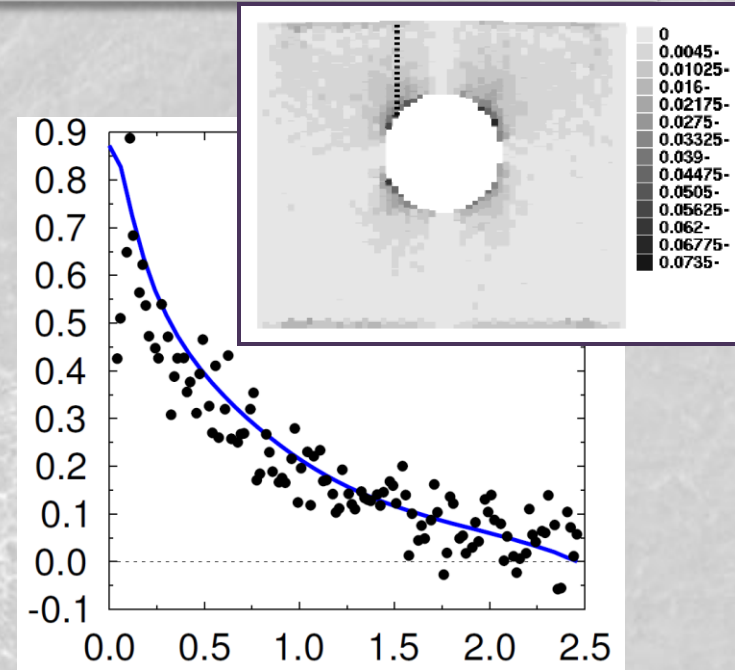
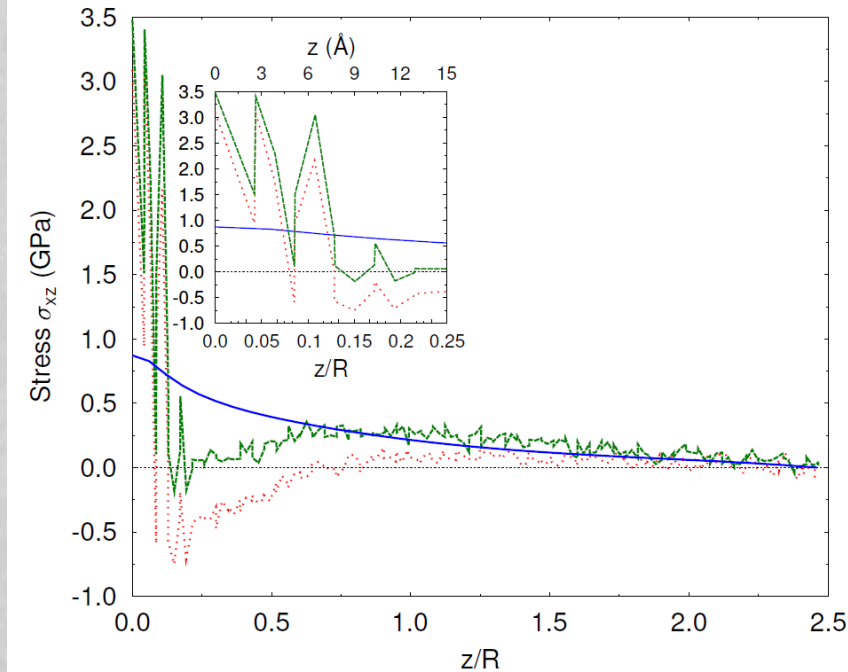
# “Catastrophic” growth of a protrusion at the void



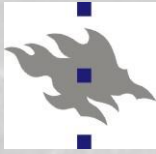
☞ the top view and a slice of the system at time  $t = 130$  ps when the fully developed protrusion is clearly visible.



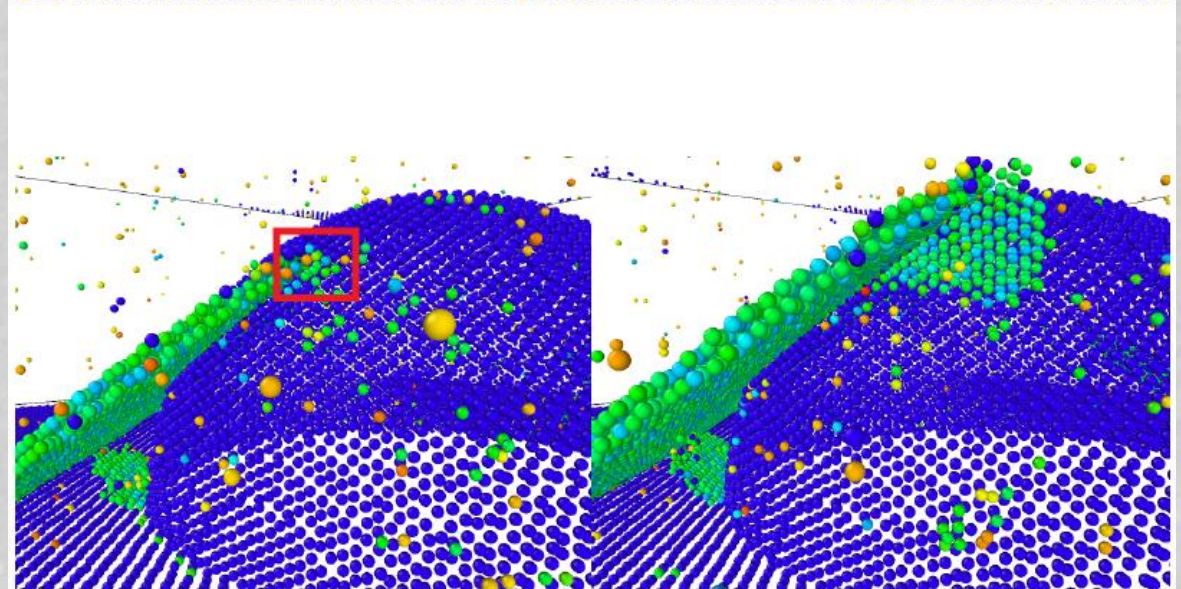
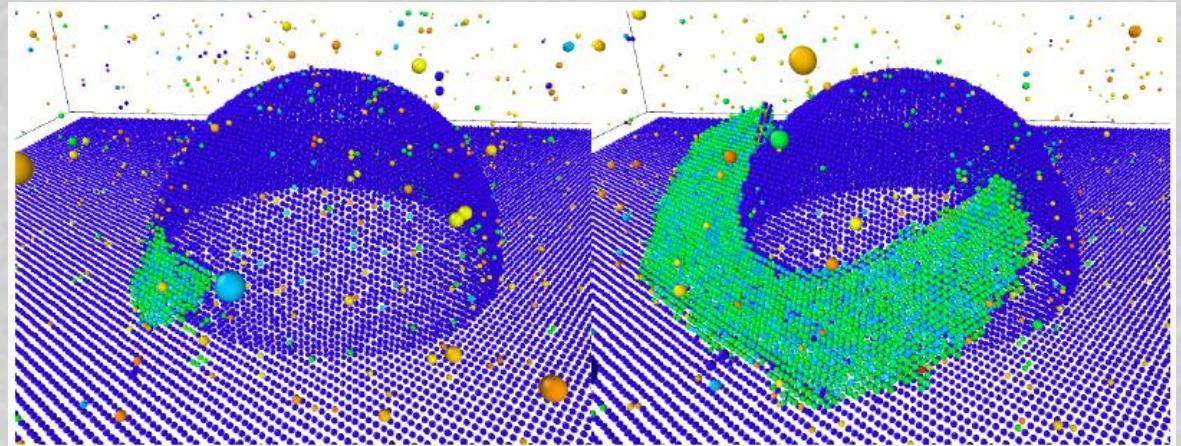
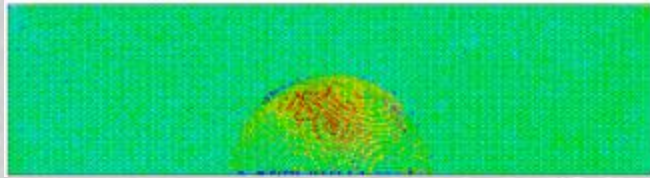
# Deeper view on atomic level stress MD vs FEM



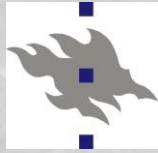
- ✎ The distribution of shear stress  $\sigma_{xz}$  on MD simulations along a line (directed in z-direction) starting from the point of maximum shear on void surface and ending on the material surface for a void located at depth  $H = 2R$ . b) A detailed view of the atomic level stress near the void surface shows an alternating pattern caused by the surface stress. c) The difference between the simulation results with external stress and pure surface stress corresponds to the analytical result.



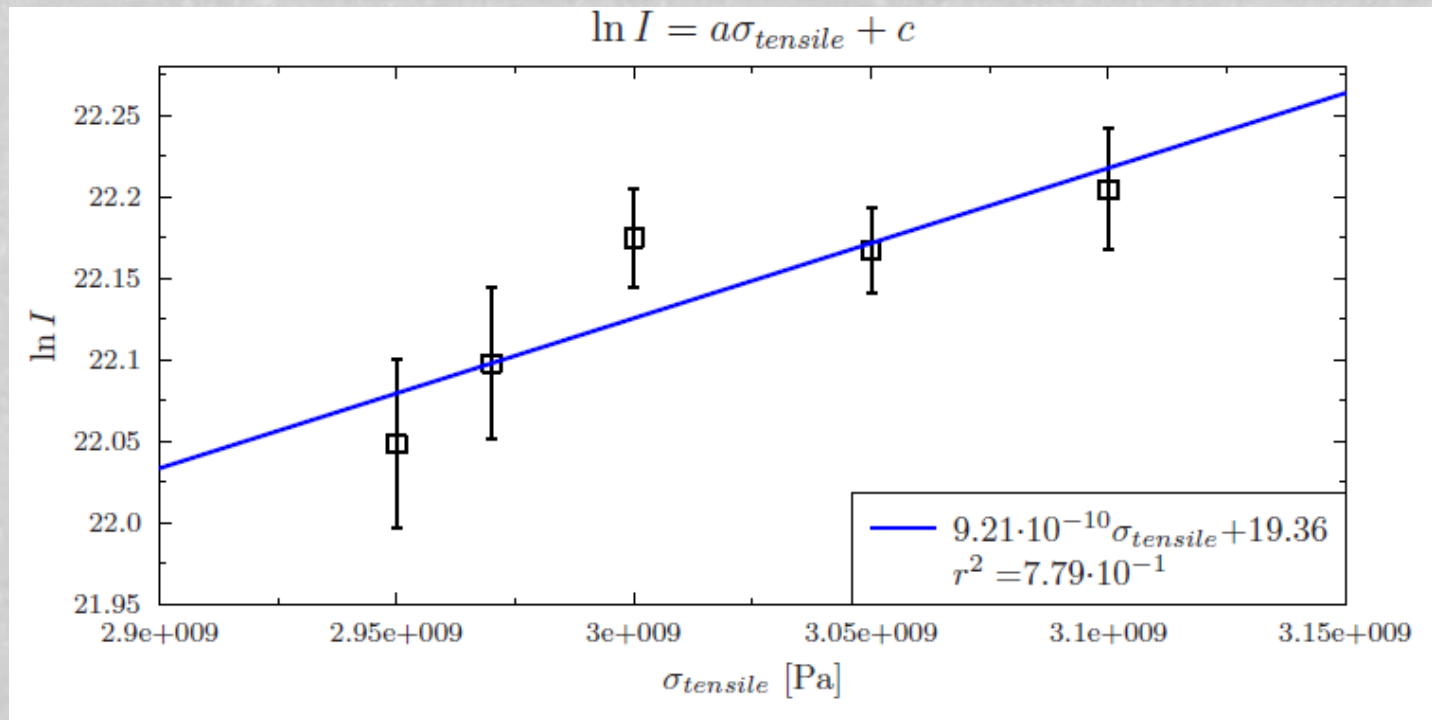
# Zoom in at the dislocation nucleation spot



- Trying to analyze the nucleation event, we constructed the half void
- First at random : nucleates a dislocation in the slip plane not perpendicular to the surface.
- Second, almost pre-determinedly in 5 ps the : dislocation in perpendicular to the surface slip plane appears in all simulations.

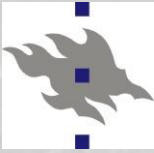


# Quantitative result



- Analyzing the dislocation nucleation rate at fixed temperature and within a small range of stresses we can obtain the effective activation volume to be  $2.2b^3$  and Gibbs free energy  $Q(3 \text{ Gpa}, 575 \text{ K}) = 0.5 \text{ eV}$ . Both values well agree ( $1..10b^3$  and  $0.2 \text{ eV}$ ) with data from

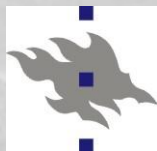
Ting Zhu, Ju Li, Amit Samantha, Ausint Leach, and Ken Gall. Temperature and strain-rate dependence on surface dislocation nucleation. *Physical Review Letters*, 100(2), 2008.



# Summary



- ⌘ We pursue the studies of mechanical properties of Cu surface under electric field.
- ⌘ We also noticed that the dislocations are activated after the breakdown has taken place.
  - This may also contribute in the clear lattice structure correlation with the maximum electric field, which the surface can tolerate before breaking down
- ⌘ The coupling of dislocation model and electric field effect resulted in “catastrophic” protrusion growth, which was not observed previously, but intuitively in line with field emission measurements from flat copper surfaces.
- ⌘ We also start obtaining some quantitative data to be able to estimate the relevance of the process to the real situation



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