

Detection of vacancies in FCC solid and their effect on twinning

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What is the most stable form of FCC nano crystals?



Are there other forms?





 $-3.6729 \quad -3.6743 \quad -3.6710$ The minimum free energy per atom $\frac{eV}{atom}$

 $\frac{0}{0}$

%

Volumetric strain

What mechanism triggers the twinning ?

How do vacancies affect twinning ? HZB



Size Density

relaxation

twin plane atoms / vacancy neighbor

Models were visualized in OVITO

700 K All calculations were done by CLUSTER.

Initial **ISOLATED** computational model (top => bottom)

Where do vacancies come from?



Ostwald ripening / condensation of atoms



If there are such changes -> the vacancies is confirmed (?)

TEM "observation" of vacancies



XRD "observation" of vacancies



FCC metals evolve under exposure to Cu X-rays



Is it typical for all FCC metals ?

It is typical for: Cu, Ir, Pt, Ni, and Au (macrocrystals were also tested)



Conclusions:

How do vacancies affect twinning?

To verify vacancies driven
twinning we need to detect vacancies

2) Only depend parameters can be measured: density and size of particles



3) Theoretical predictions were confirmed by three independent techniques

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