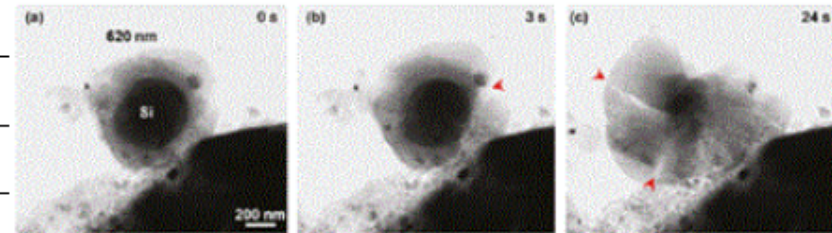


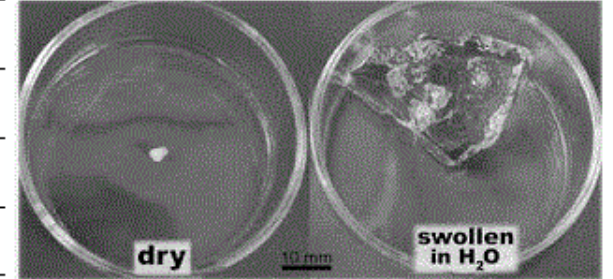
# 9) Mass Transport in solids

Background: many applications where some mobile species can flow or diffuse through a solid

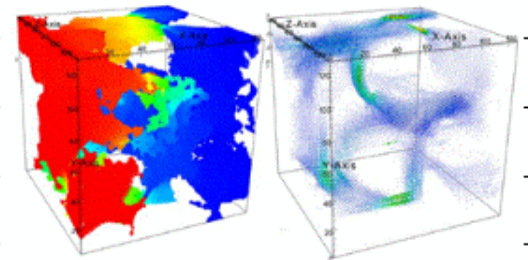
Examples: (1) Li-ion battery electrodes



(2) Hydrogels



(3) "Poroeasticity" diffusion of fluid through rock



Petrophysical simulation for NMR.  
Pore-scale Darcy flow in a sandstone

Goal: Develop continuum equations describing diffusion through elastic solid

Review: Classical diffusion equations

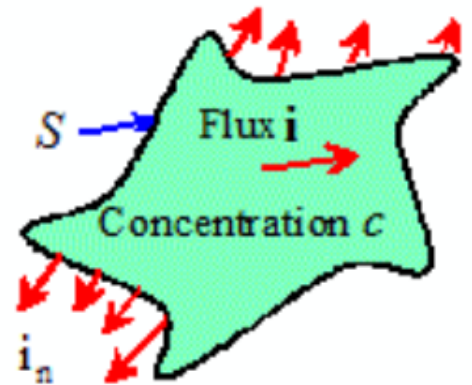
\* Spatial concentration  $c$ : (mols per unit spatial vol)

\* Flux  $\underline{i}$ ;  $\underline{i} \cdot \underline{n} dA$ : mols per time crossing  $\underline{n} dA$

\* Ficks law:  $\underline{i} = -D \nabla_y c$

\* Mass conservation  $\frac{\partial c}{\partial t} = -\nabla_y \cdot \underline{i}$

\* Boundary conditions  $\underline{i} \cdot \underline{n} = \dot{z}_n^*$  on boundaries  
or  $c = c^*$

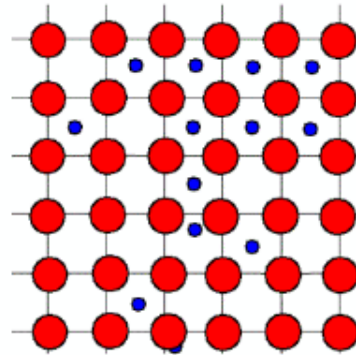


Goal: extend this to combine with deformation

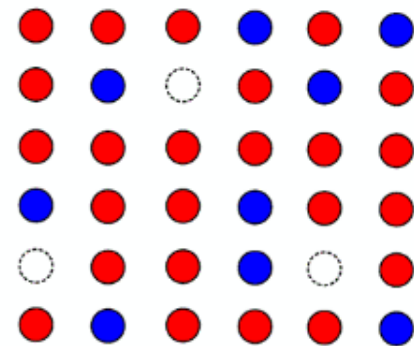
\* Question: how to distinguish diffusion & deformation?

+ Solution: Larché - Cahn "network model"

Solid is a network of lattice sites



Interstitial



Substitutional

Diffusion: hops from one lattice site to another

Deformation: motion of the lattice sites

Assumptions: Lattice sites conserved  
Distortion of lattice from stress is reversible  
Neglect body forces; Quasi-static; const  $\Theta$

## Basic Definitions

Concentrations  $C_A, C_B, C_V$  denote mols per unit ref vol of A, B, V

Spatial :  $C_A, C_B, C_V$  : mols per unit def vol

Lattice site conservation :

$$C_A + C_B + C_V = C_L = \text{constant}$$

Let  $m_A, m_B$  be molar masses

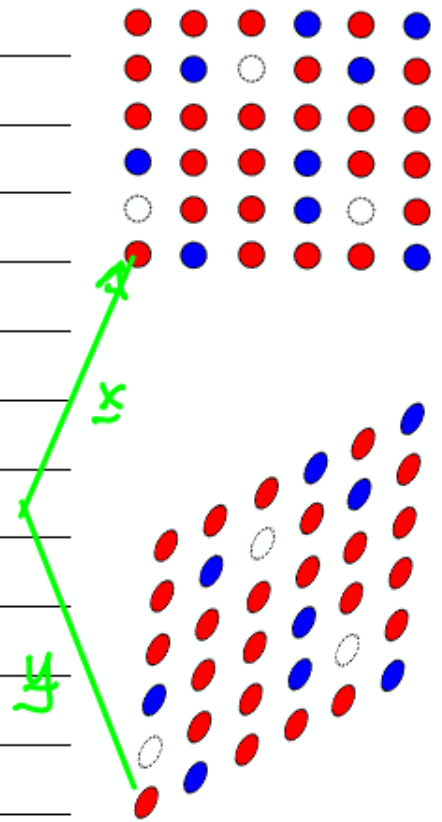
$$\rho_0 = m_A C_A + m_B C_B$$

$$\rho = m_A C_A + m_B C_B$$

$$C_A = J_{CA}$$

$$C_B = J_{CB}$$

$$C_V = J_{CV}$$



Deformation  $y(\underline{x})$  describes motion of lattice sites

$$F = \nabla y \quad \bar{J} = \det(F)$$

Decompose  $F$  into a compositional shape change  $F^c$  (shape change @ zero stress) plus an elastic deformation induced by external stress  $F^e$

$$F = F^e F^c$$

Usually assumed  $F^c$  is only a vol change

$$F^c = [\Omega(C_A, C_B, C_V)]^{1/3} \mathbf{I}$$

Note adding equal amounts of A, B, V produces an isotropic vol expansion



$$\Omega(\lambda C_A, \lambda C_B, \lambda C_V) = \lambda \Omega(C_A, C_B, C_V)$$

Euler's theorem for homogeneous functions

$$\frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial C_A} C_A + \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial C_B} C_B + \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial C_V} C_V = \Omega$$

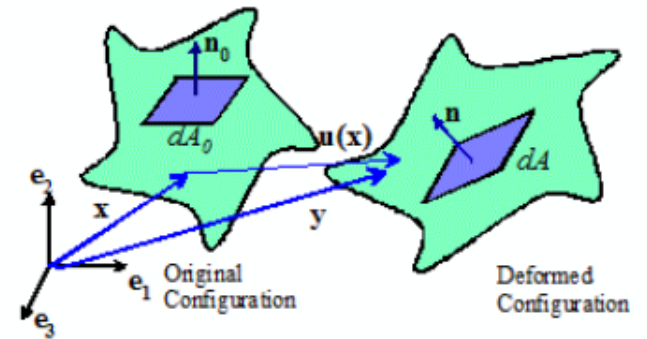
### Mass Transport

Spatial flux vectors  $\underline{z}_A, \underline{z}_B, \underline{z}_V$

By definition  $\underline{z} \cdot \underline{n} dA = \text{mols/sec crossing } \underline{n} dA$

Referential flux vectors  $\underline{I}_A, \underline{I}_B, \underline{I}_V$

satisfy  $\underline{I}_A \cdot \underline{n}_0 dA_0 = \text{mols/sec crossing } \underline{n}_0 dA_0$



Recall that  $dA_n = J F^{-T} \underline{n}_0 dA_0$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{I} \cdot \underline{n}_0 dA_0 = \underline{z} \cdot (J F^{-T} \underline{n}_0 dA_0)$$

$$= (J F^{-T} \underline{z}) \cdot \underline{n}_0 dA_0$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{I} = J F^{-T} \underline{z}$$

Also introduce "Flux exchange vectors"

$I_{AB}$  : referential flux <sup>of A</sup> from A/B exchange

$I_{AV}$  : " " <sup>of A</sup> " " A / vacancy "

$I_{BV}$  : " " <sup>of B</sup> " " B / vacancy exchange

$$I_A = I_{AB} + I_{AV} \quad I_B = -I_{AB} + I_{BV}$$

$$I_V = -I_{AV} - I_{BV}$$

Hence  $I_A + I_B + I_V = 0$  (lattice sites conserved)

## Conservation Laws

Mass conservation

$$\frac{\partial C_A}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \underline{I}_A = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial C_B}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \underline{I}_B = 0$$



Derivation  $\frac{d}{dt} \int_{V_0} CA dV_0 + \int_{A_0} I_A \cdot n_0 dA_0 = 0$

Apply divergence theorem; localize

Linear momentum:

Stress acts on lattice

Neglect momentum of fluxes

Quasi-static

$$\nabla_y \sigma \approx 0$$