

Absence of MoC_x phase in phase diagram. Why?

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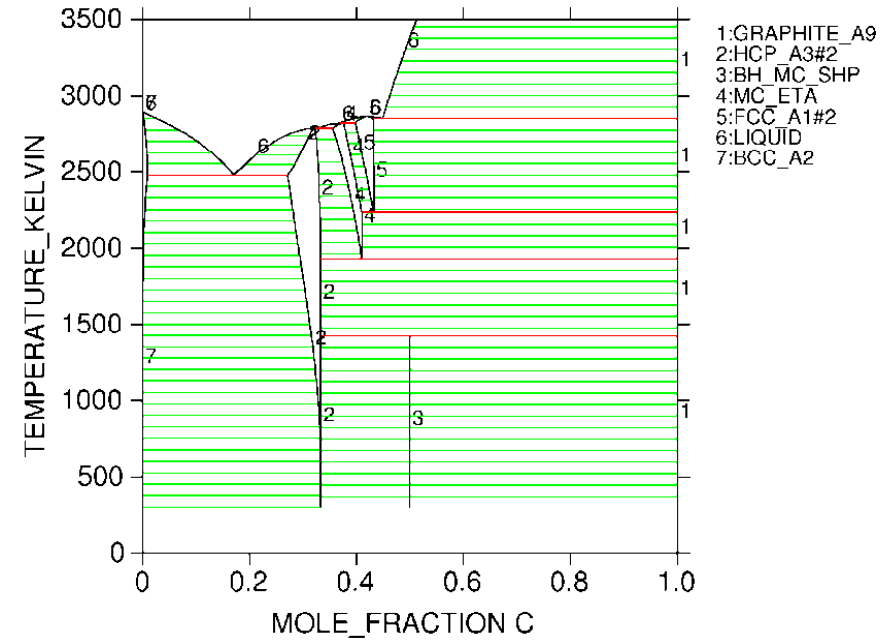
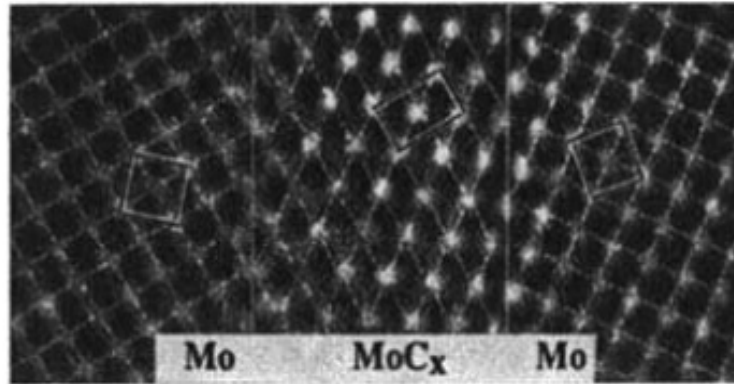
The role of coherency strain on the structural stability of a metastable precipitate in Mo-C binary system

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Motivation



How it could be stabilized?

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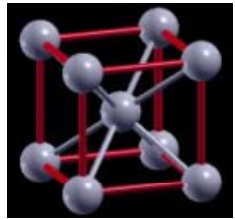
Structure of the talk

- Introduction
- Bulk study and their results
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- Summary

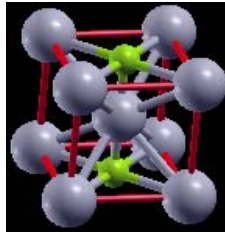
Technical details

- DFT calculations are being carried out using VASP code
- GGA for exchange-correlation effects
- UltraSoft pseudopotential for the core-valence interaction
- Electron wave function - Plane wave basis set – Cut-off energy
- K-point mesh – Monkhorst Pack type
- CALPHAD method by engaging Thermocalc software

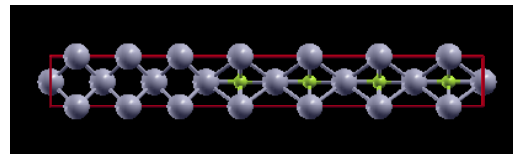
Introduction



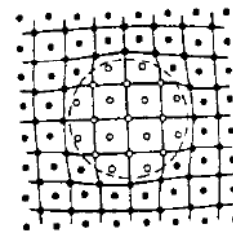
(Original matrix)



(Variation of lattice parameters)



(Coherency strain)

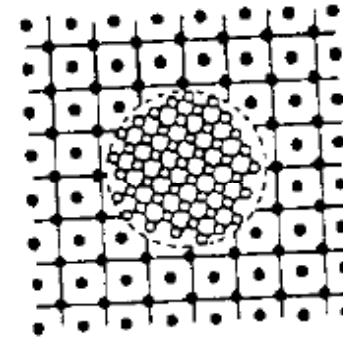
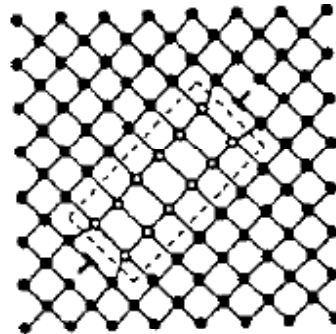
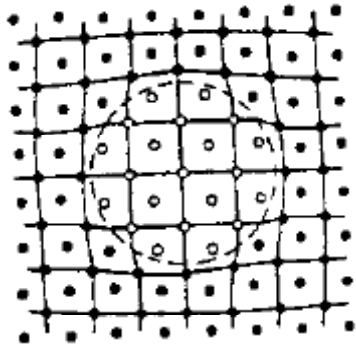


(Coherency of precipitate)



Interface energy?

Bulk study and their results



$$\gamma' = \gamma_0 + E_{\text{Bulk}} + E_{\text{Strain}}$$

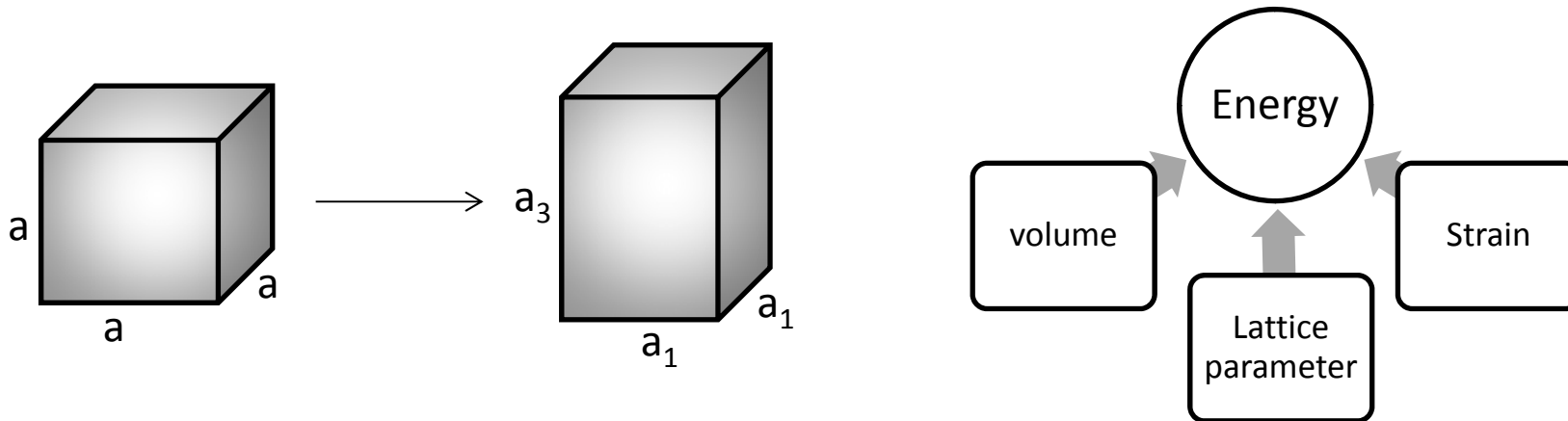
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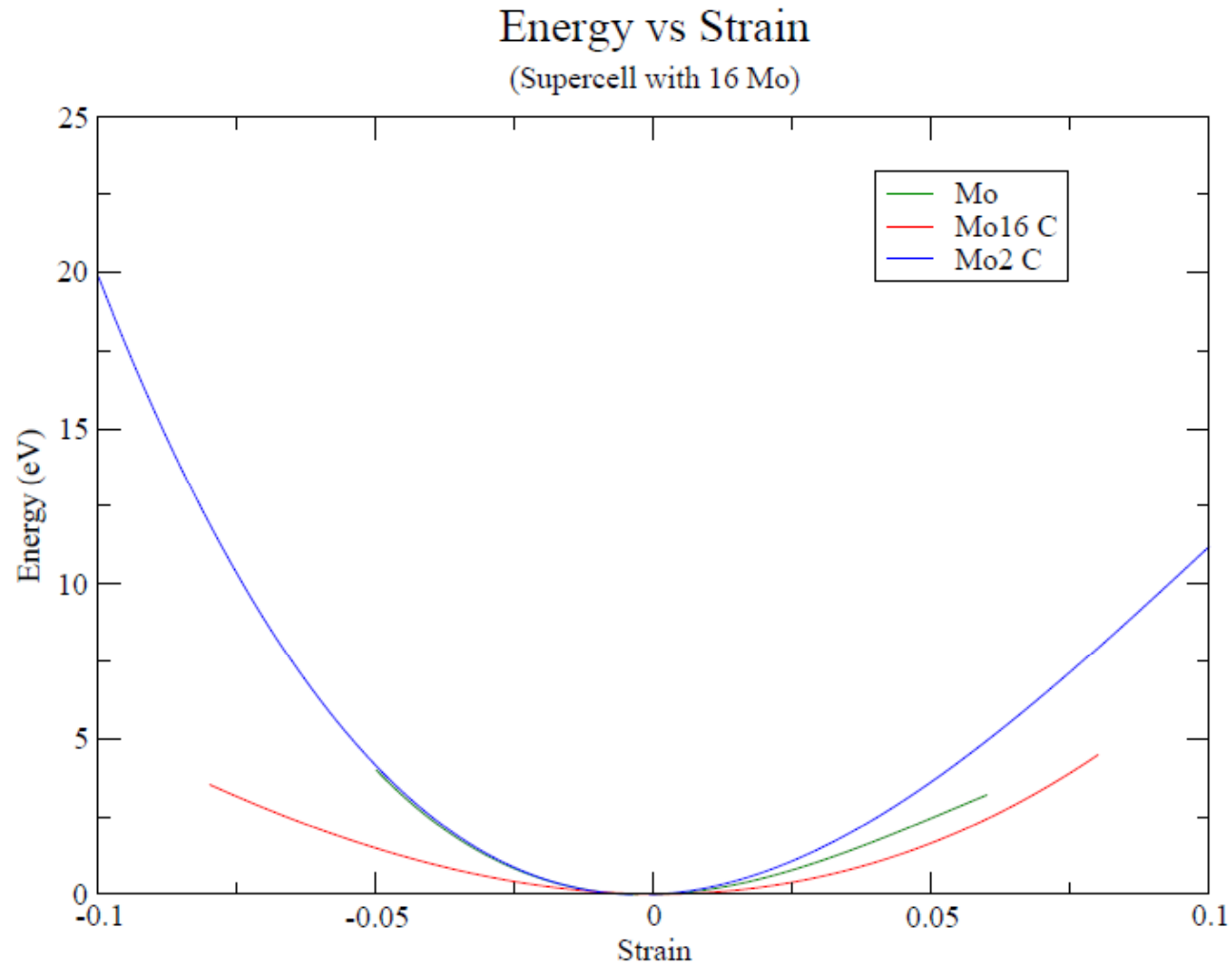
Systems engaged:

- Mo
- Mo_{16}C
- Mo_{16}C_8

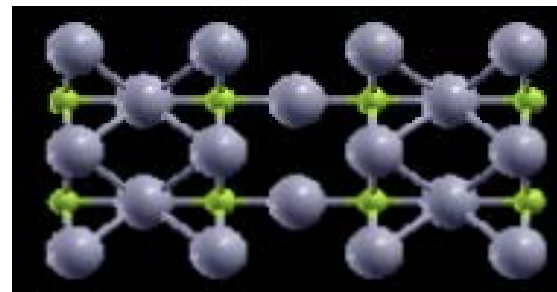
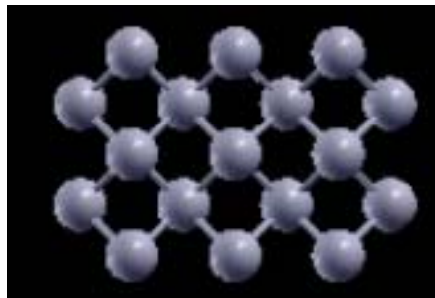
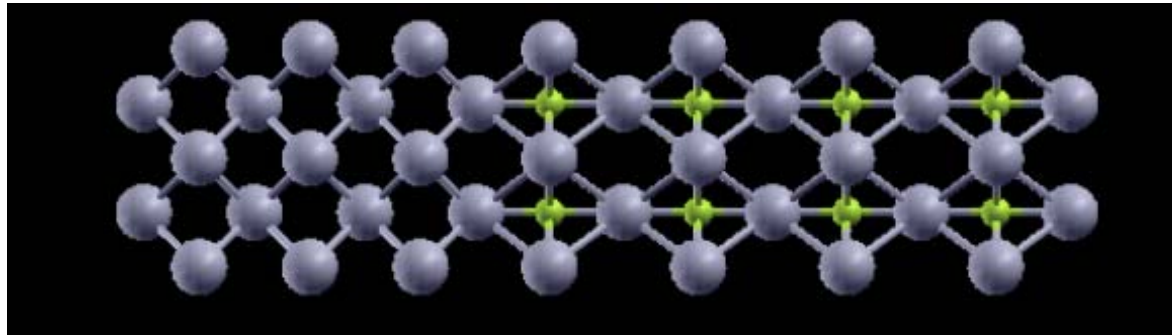
Biaxial strain:



Bulk study and their results



Coherent interface



$$\gamma = (E_{\text{Tot}} - E_{\text{Bulk}}) / 2A \quad (\text{Interface energy})$$

$$W_{\text{sep}} = [E_{\text{FS}} - E_{\text{Tot}}] / 2A \quad (\text{Work of separation})$$

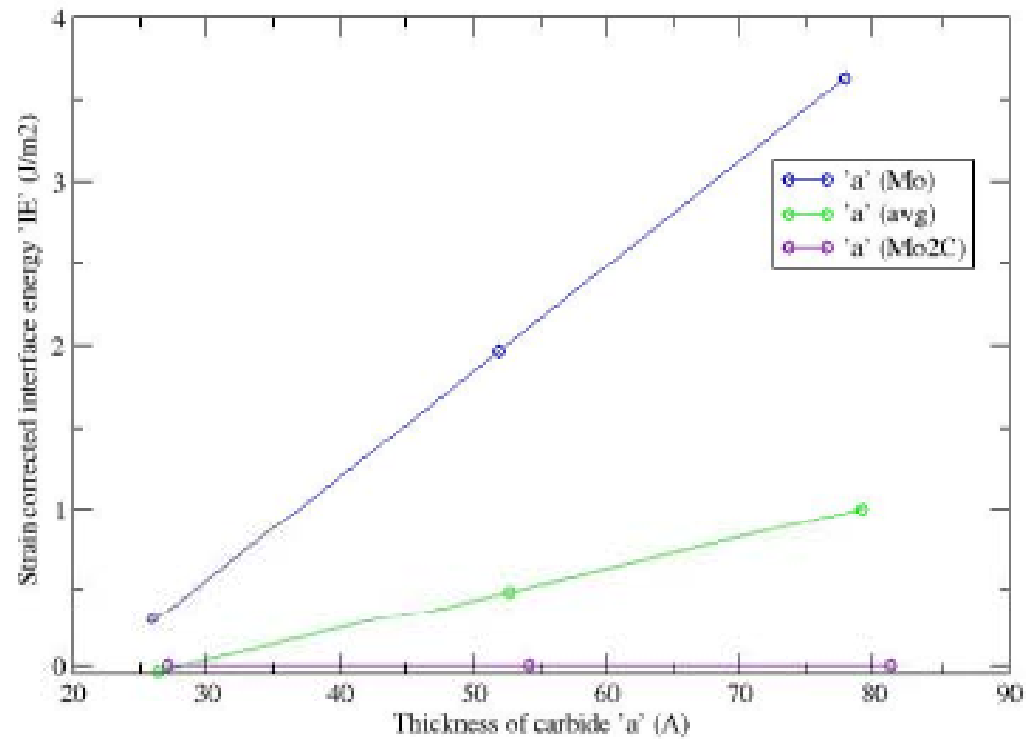
$$\gamma' = (\gamma_0 + nE_{\text{Mo2C}} + mE_{\text{Mo}} + n\varepsilon_{\text{Mo2C}} + m\varepsilon_{\text{Mo}}) / 2A \quad (\text{Strain corrected interface energy})$$

$$\gamma_0 = \gamma'(n=14, m=4) - \gamma \quad (\text{Constant})$$

Interface study and results – Mo || Mo₂C

Lattice constant(Å)	W_{sep} (J/m ²)	γ (J/m ²)
3.0712 (avg)	4.424	0.544
3.1520 (Mo)	3.274	0.705
2.9907 (Mo ₂ C)	4.063	0.828

IE vs d

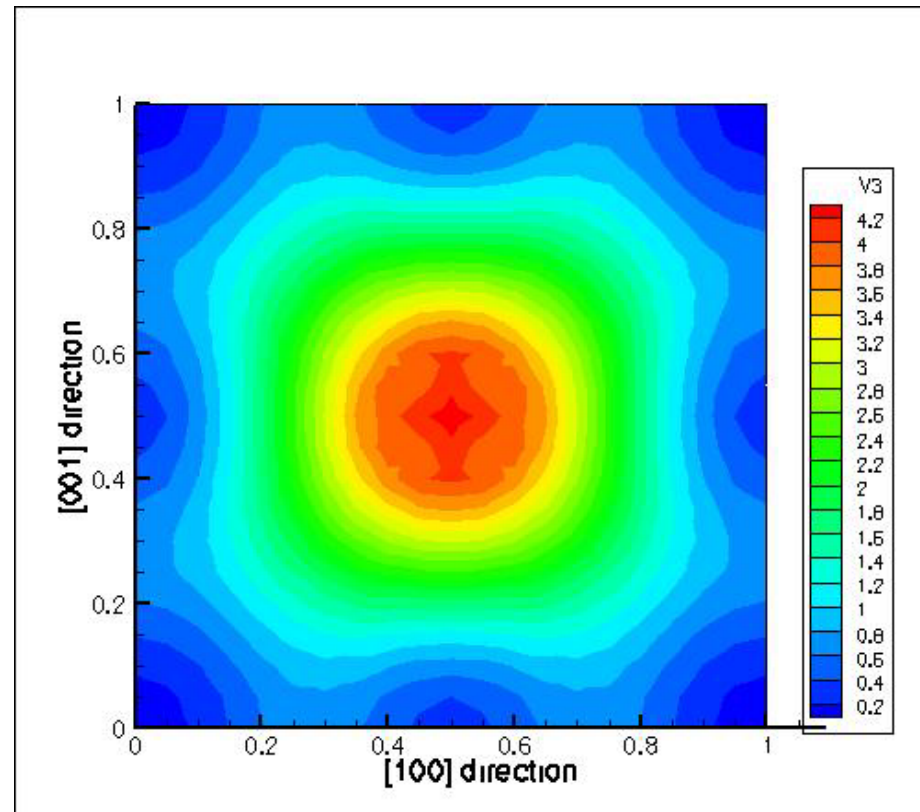


Interface study and results – Mo || Mo₂C

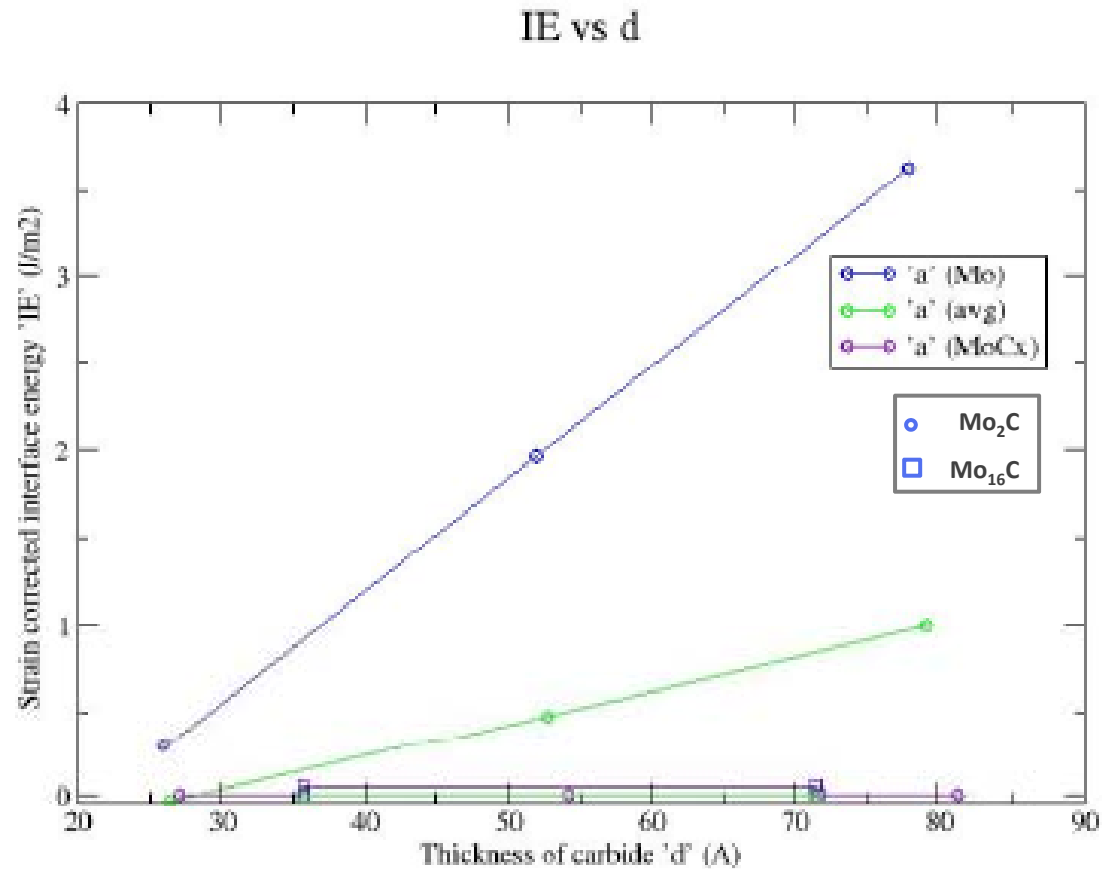
Gamma surface study

$$b = 1/2[100]$$

$$= 1/2[010]$$



Interface study and combined results



Conclusions

- Bulk system
 - Energy accompanying the strain for Mo and carbides have been calculated
- Coherent interface
 - Coherency is expected only until $\sim 30\text{\AA}$ thickness of carbide in the case of Mo || Mo₂C
 - Coherent interface could be observed in the case of Mo || Mo₁₆C due to the lower carbon concentration
- The semi-coherent interface has to be modeled

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