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# Effects of growth condition on the anisotropic growth and stacking behavior of GaAs polar nanowires: *ab initio* thermodynamics

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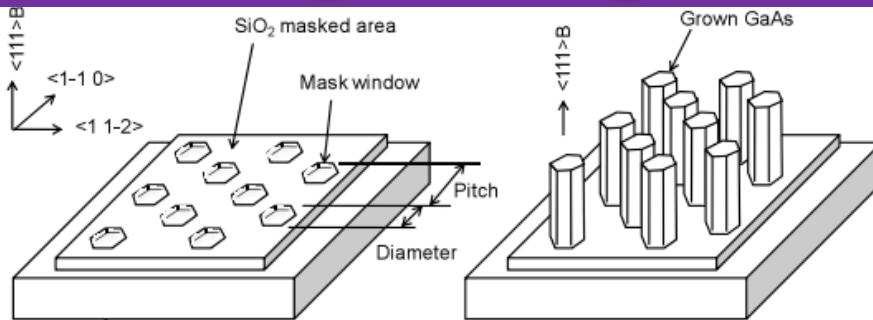
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# 1. Unidirectional growth of Nanowire

# Anisotropic VS-growth of GaAs NW



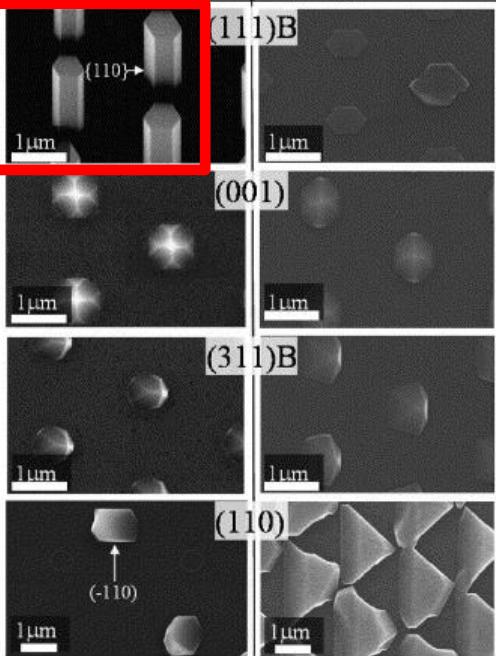
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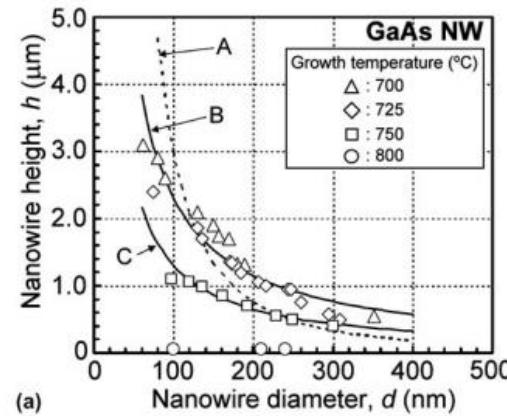
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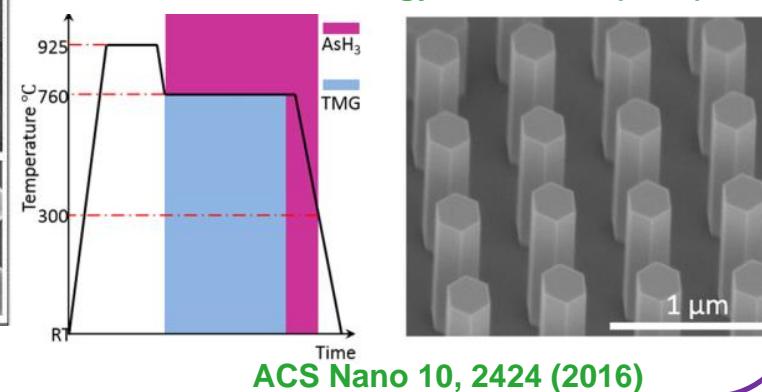
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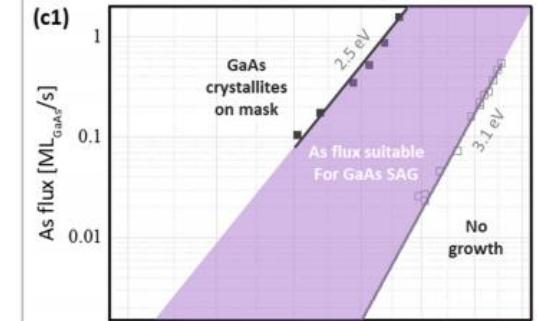


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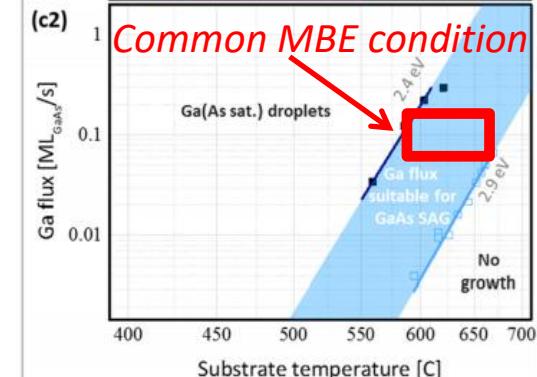


## SA-MBE

### GaAs SAG selectivity window



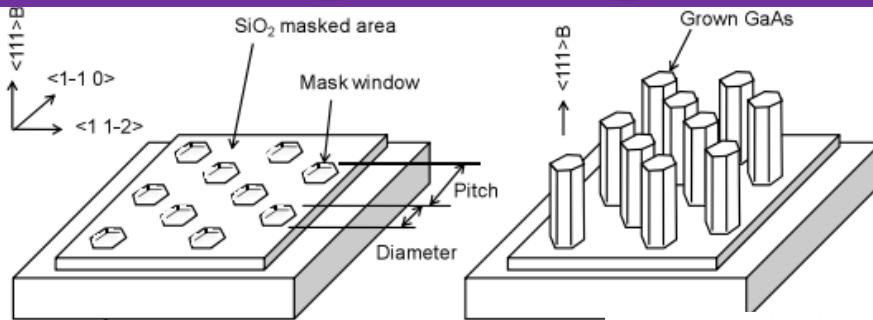
Common MBE condition



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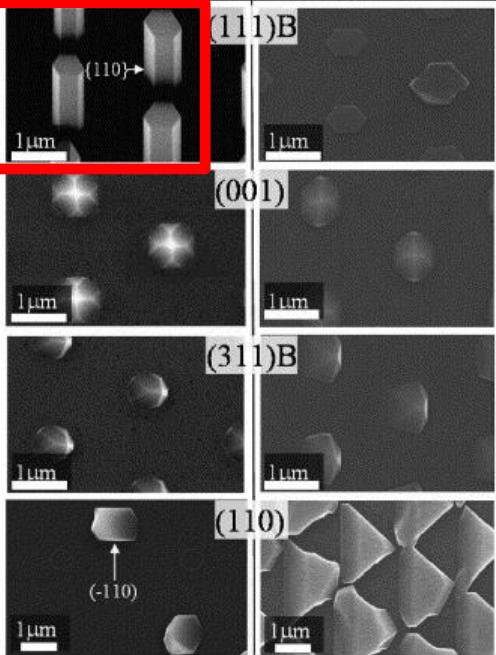
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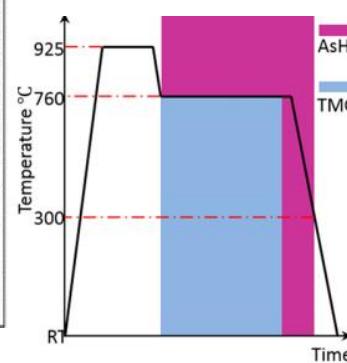
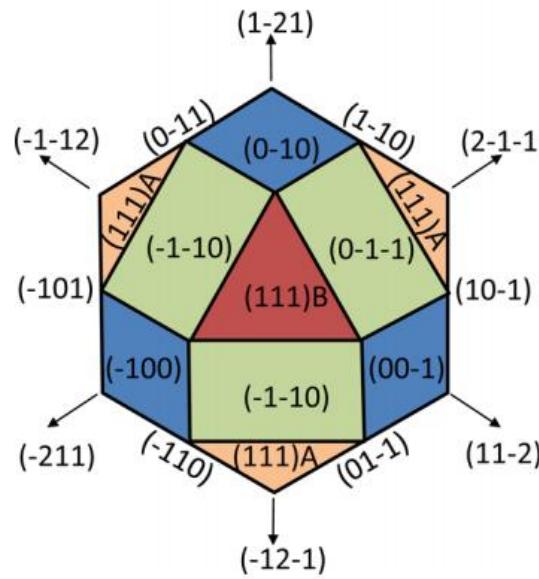
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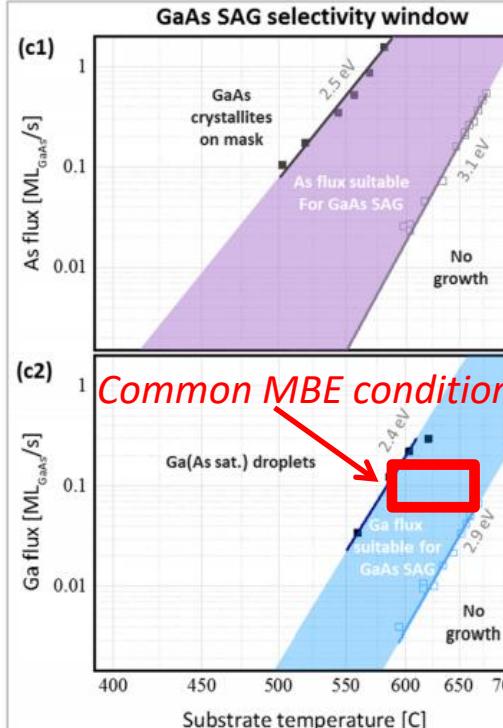


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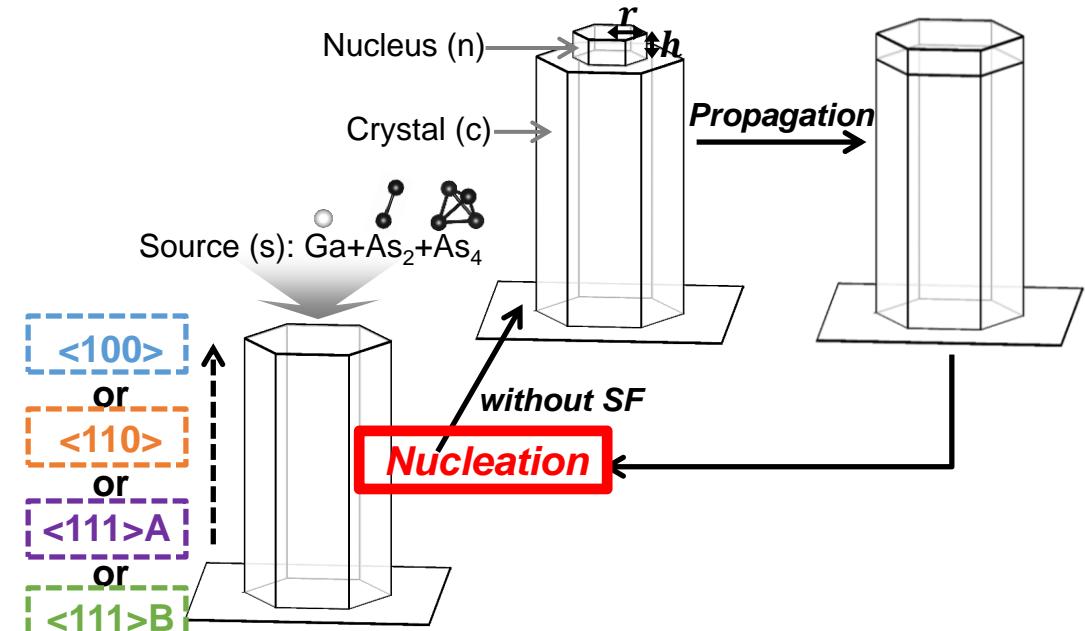
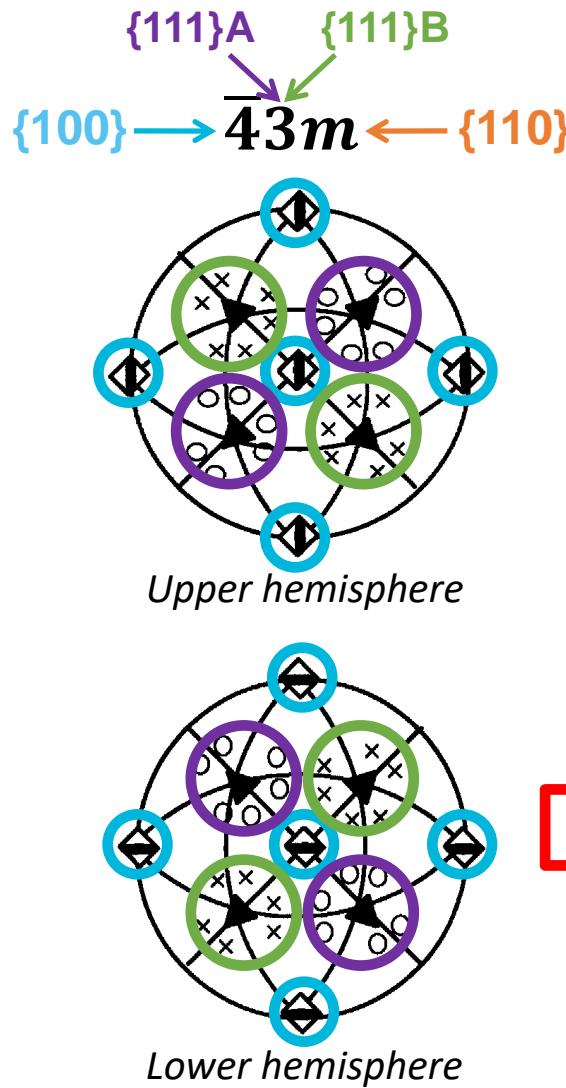
## SA-MBE



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# 1. Unidirectional growth of Nanowire

# Theoretical approach to why $\langle 111 \rangle B$ ?



**Surface orientation dependent nucleation rate:**

$$\dot{N}_{n|Surf}(T, P) = \dot{C}(Surf, T, P) \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta G_{sn}^*(Surf, T, P)}{kT}\right)$$

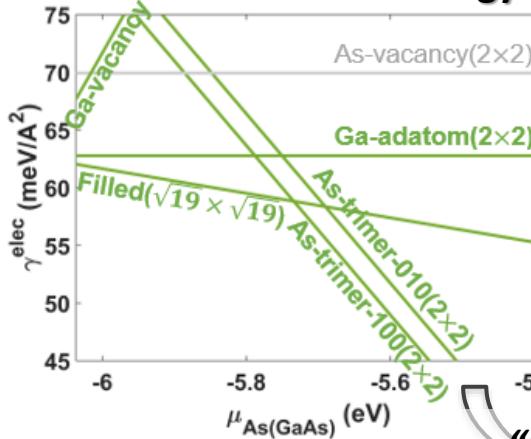
**"Rate of source supply"**  
onto each surface

**"Nucleation barrier"**  
on each surface

# 1. Unidirectional growth of Nanowire

# *Ab initio* thermodynamics to surface

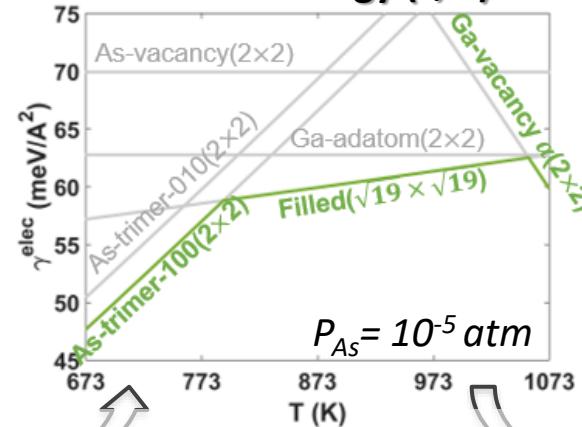
Conventional surface energy ( $\mu$ )



$\mu_{As(Gas)} = \mu_{As(GaAs)}$

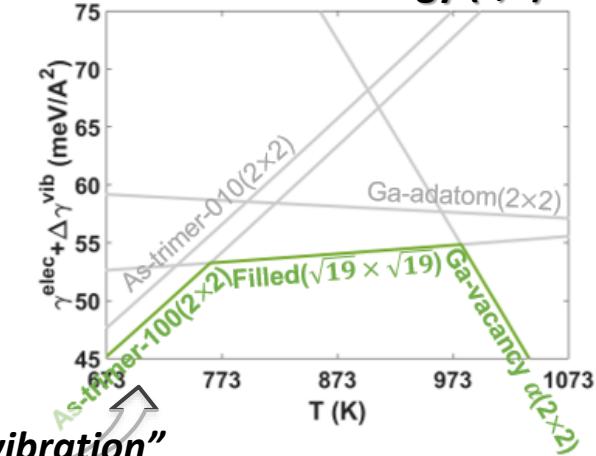
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Surface energy (T, P)

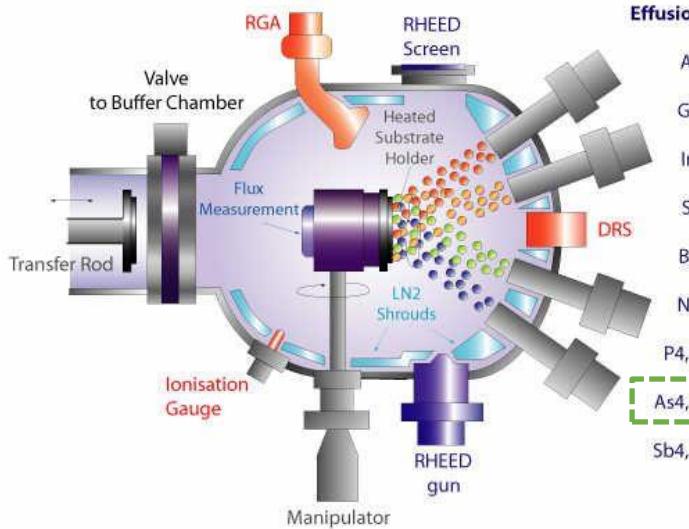


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Total surface energy (T,P)



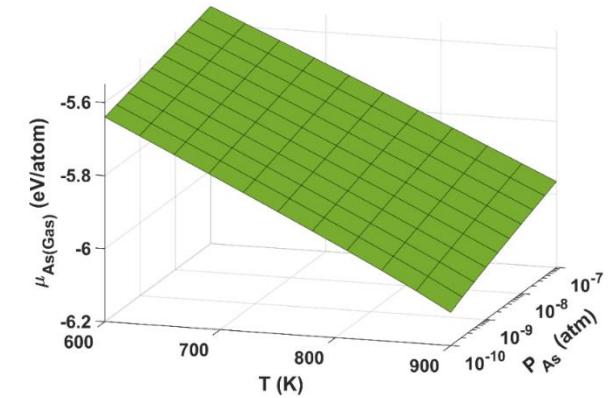
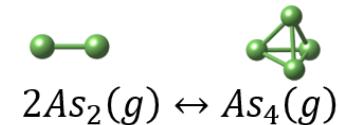
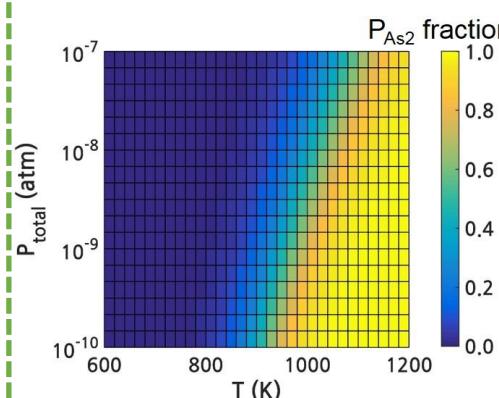
$$\gamma = \gamma^{elec} + \Delta\gamma^{vib}$$



Effusion cells

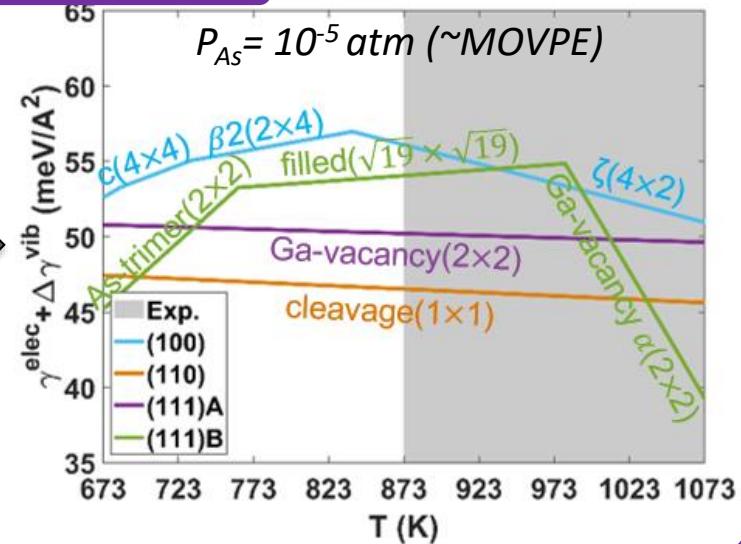
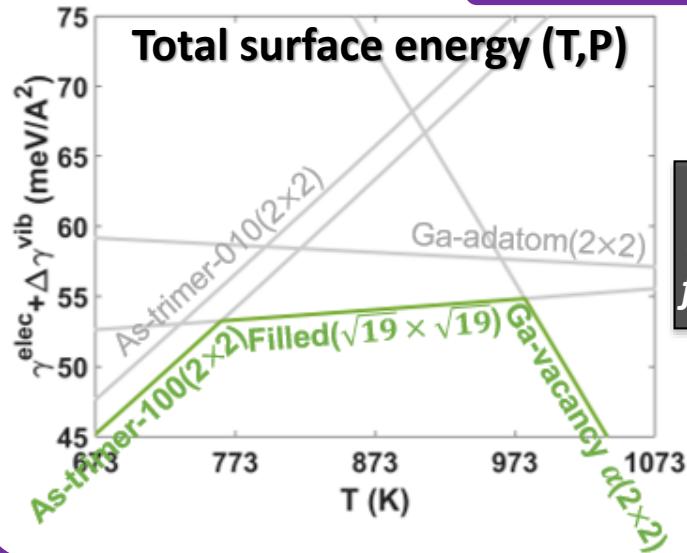
Vapor environment of GaAs

$$\mu_{As(Gas)} = \frac{1}{2} \mu_{As_2(Gas)} = \frac{1}{4} \mu_{As_4(Gas)}$$

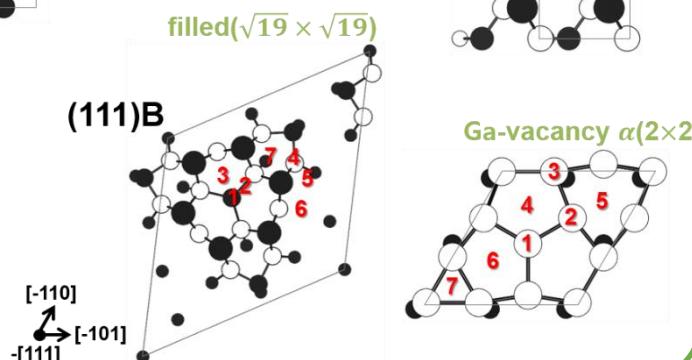
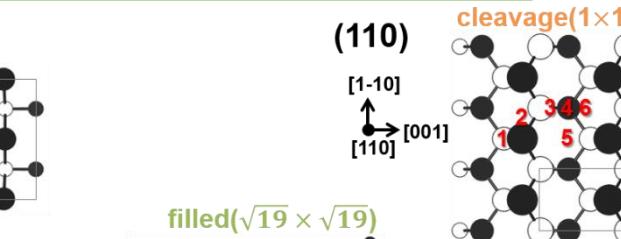
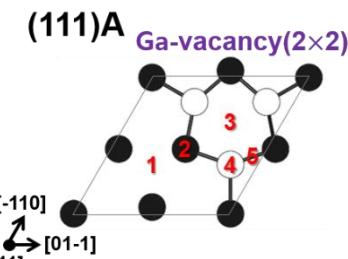
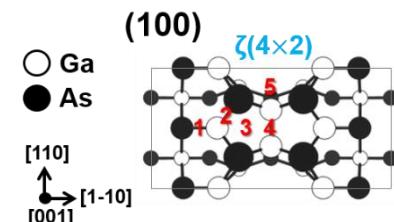


# Adsorption on surface reconstruction

## Stable surface structures

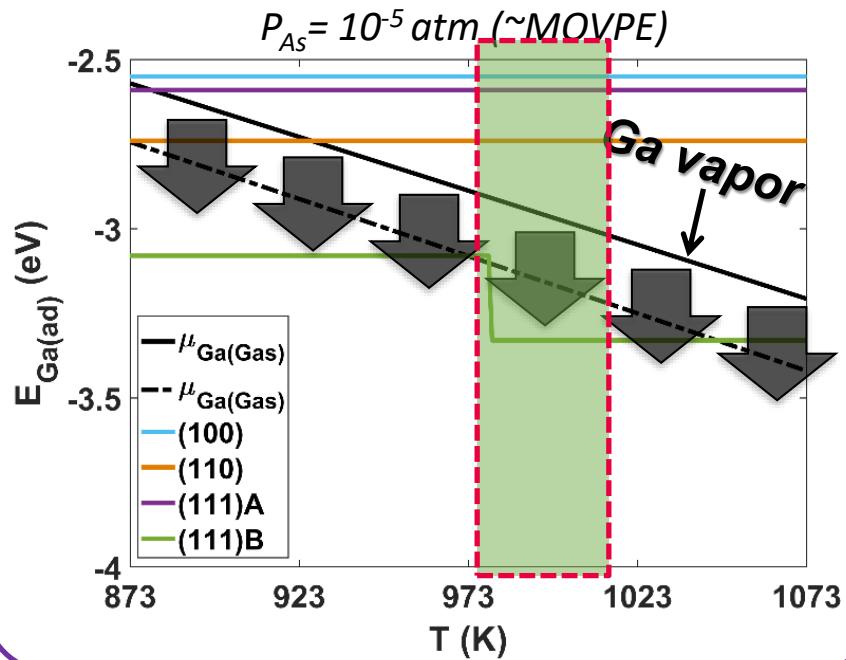


## Possible adsorption sites

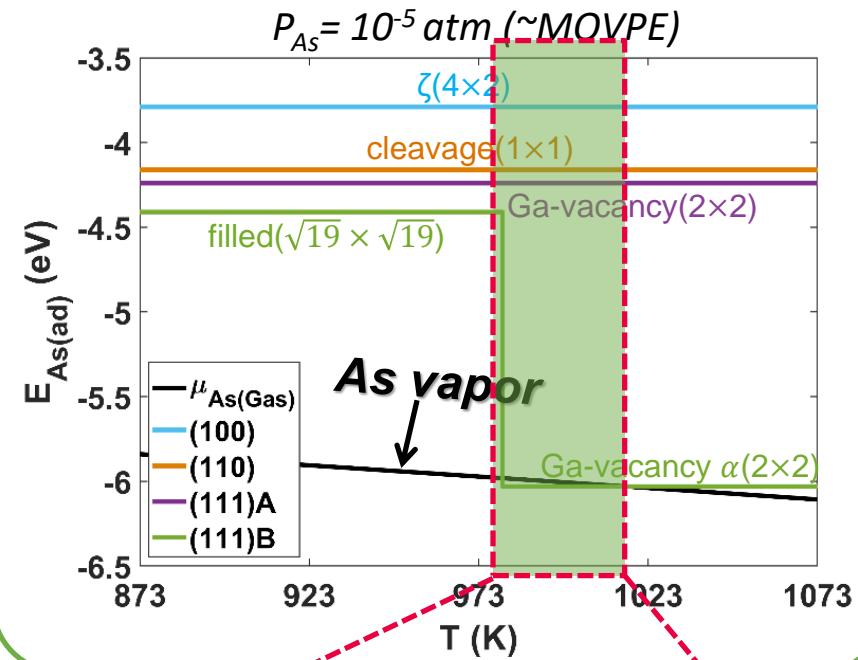


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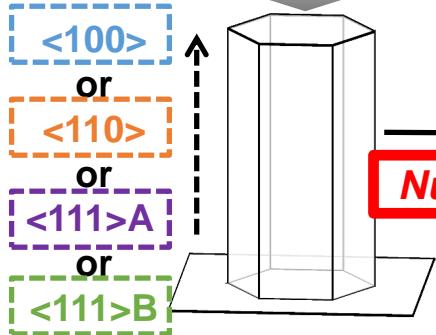
## Ga adsorption



## As adsorption



Source (s):  $\text{Ga} + \text{As}_2 + \text{As}_4$

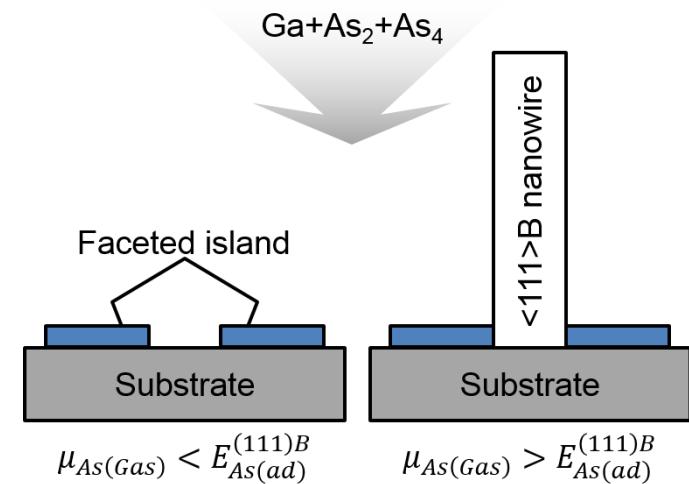
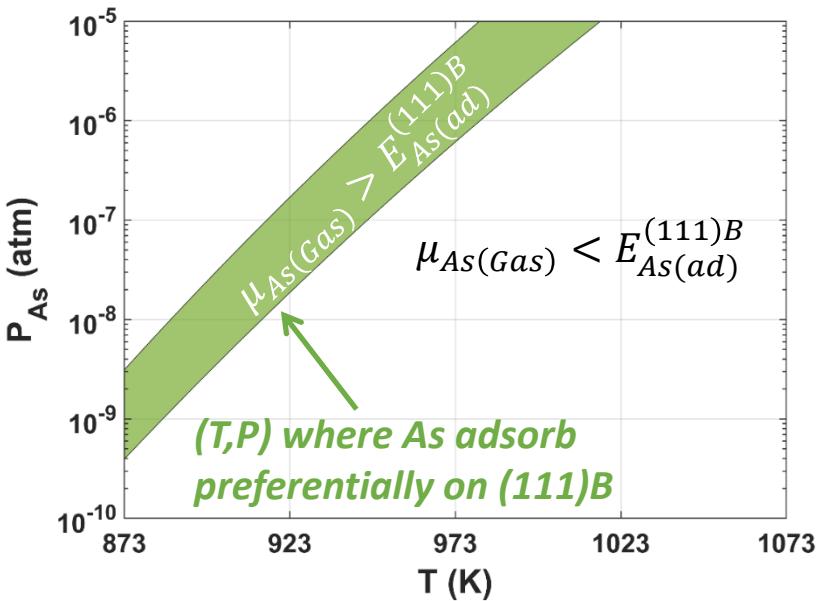


$$\dot{N}_{n|Surf}(T, P) = \dot{C}(\text{Surf}, T, P) \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta G_{sn}^*(\text{Surf}, T, P)}{kT}\right)$$

$\dot{N}_{n|Surf}: (111)\text{B} \gg (111)\text{A} \cong (110) > (100)$

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# (T,P) window of the preferential adsorption

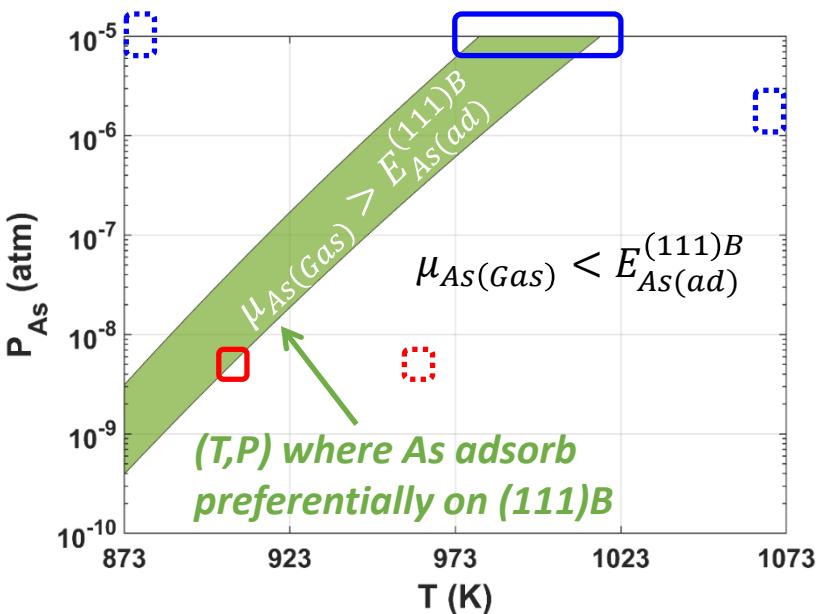


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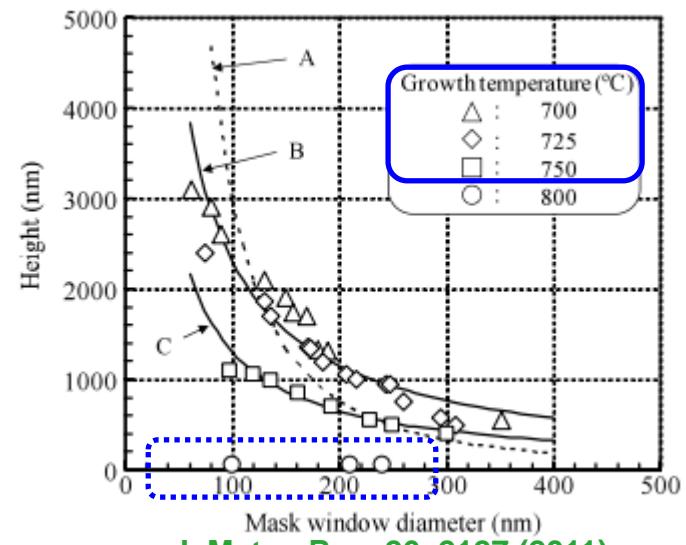
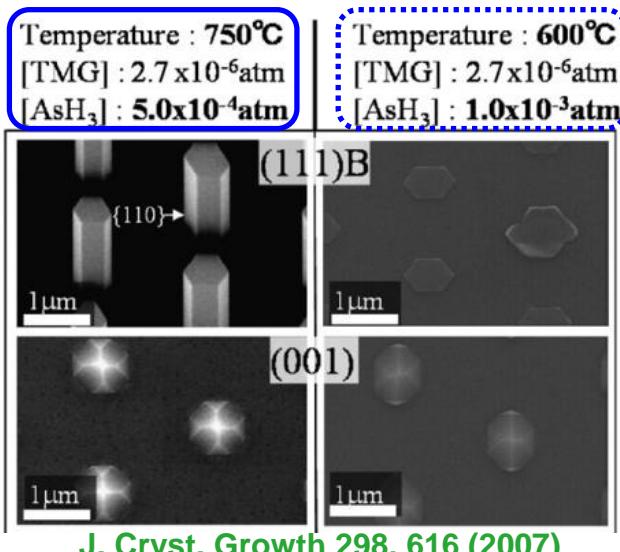
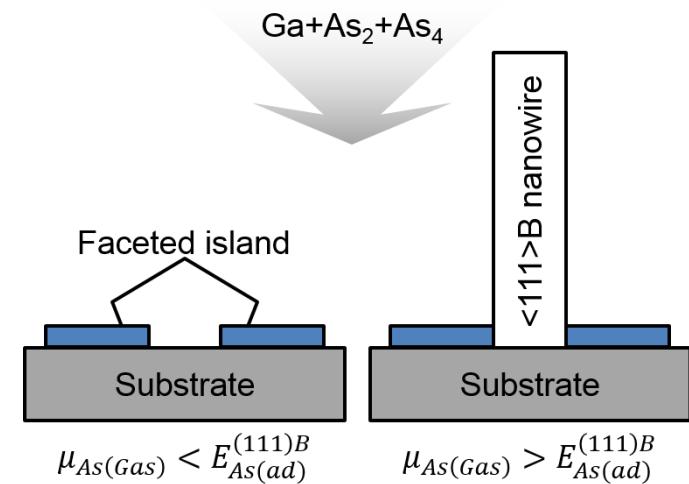
*"Preferential adsorption → nucleation → BNW growth"*

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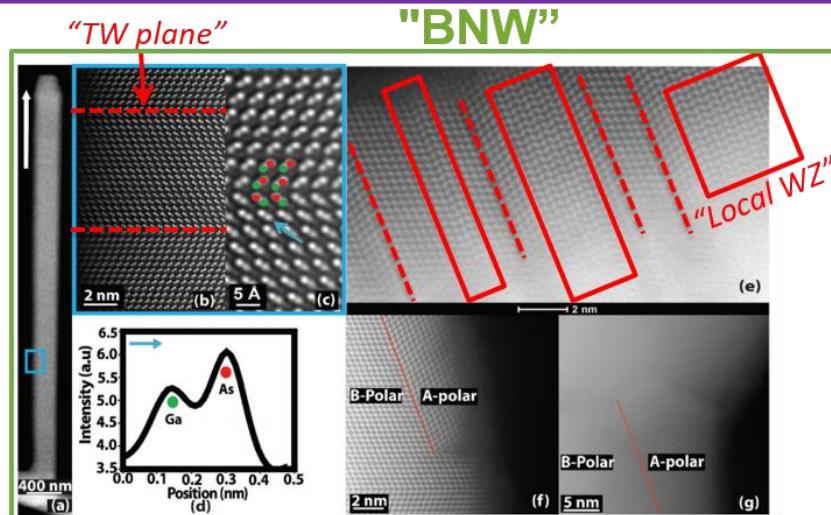
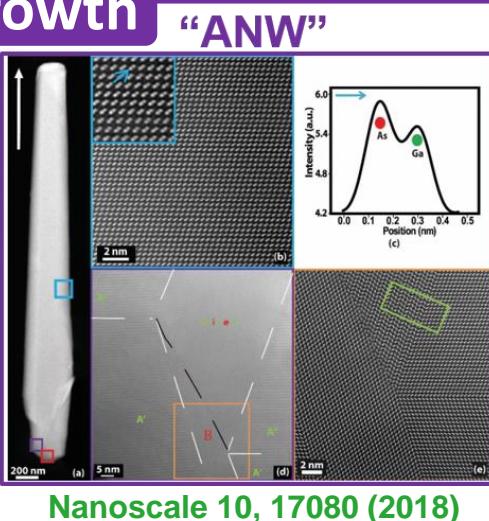
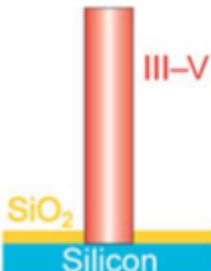
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  - SA-MBE NW (O)
  - SA-MBE NW (X)



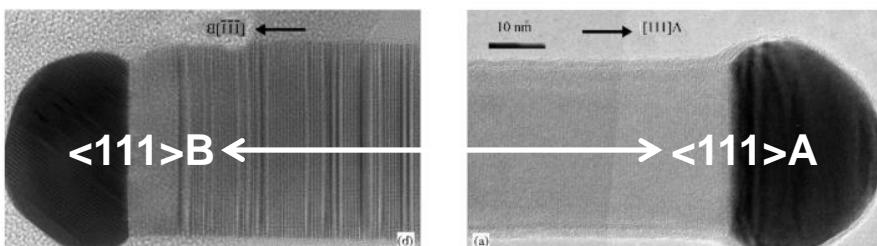
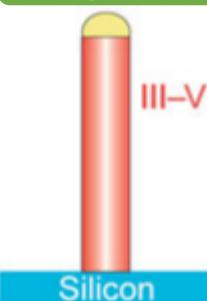
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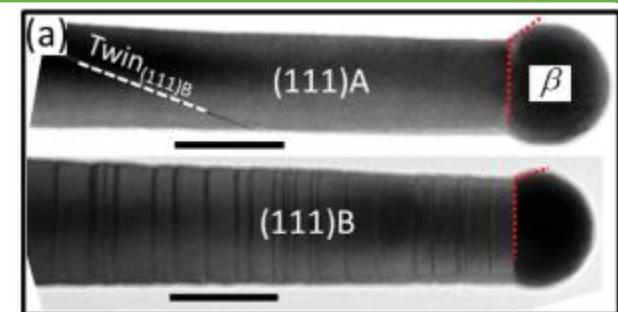
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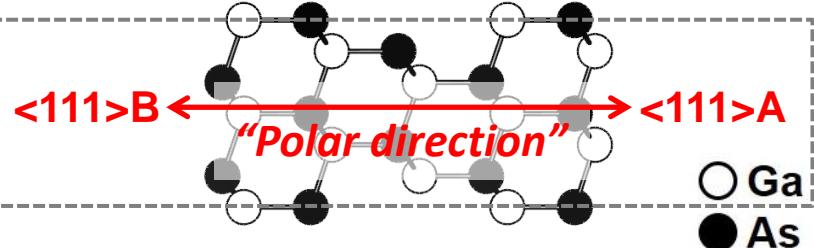
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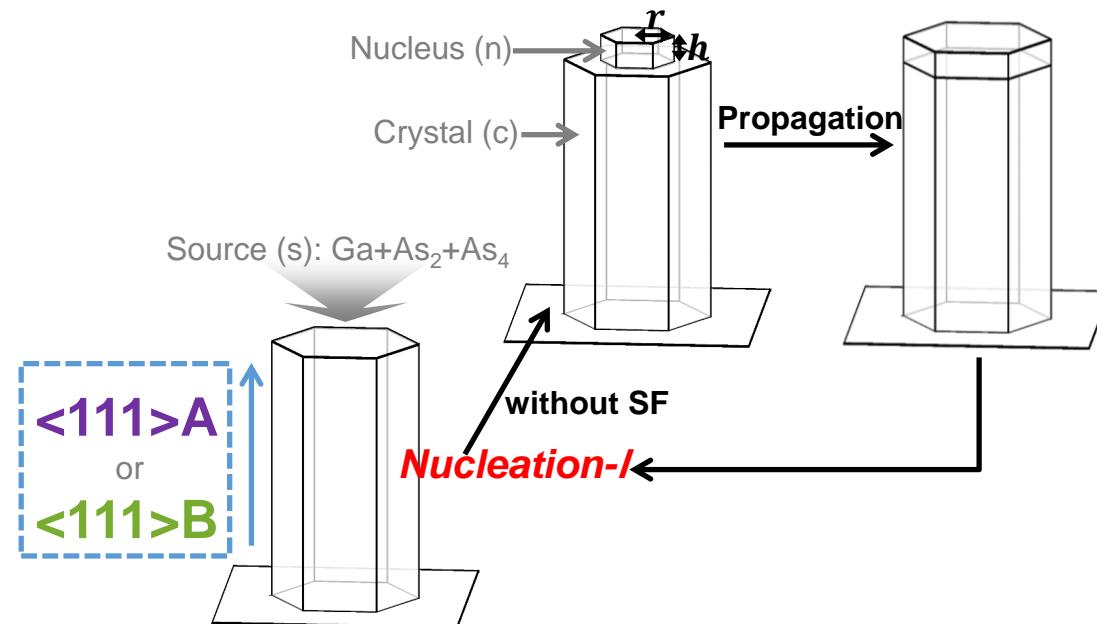
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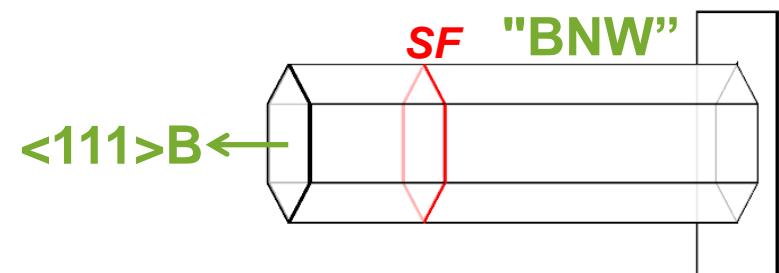
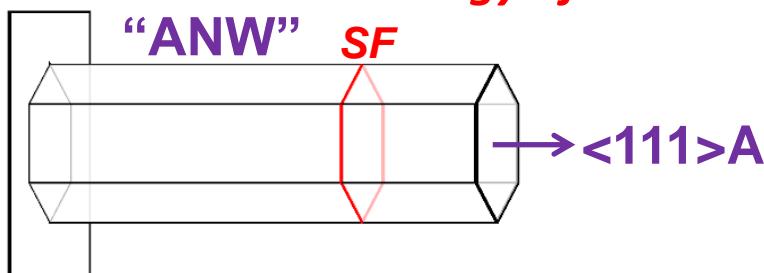
## "Polarity dependent stacking"

Between the two opposite directions of <111>, density of planar defects is much higher in <111>B than <111>A

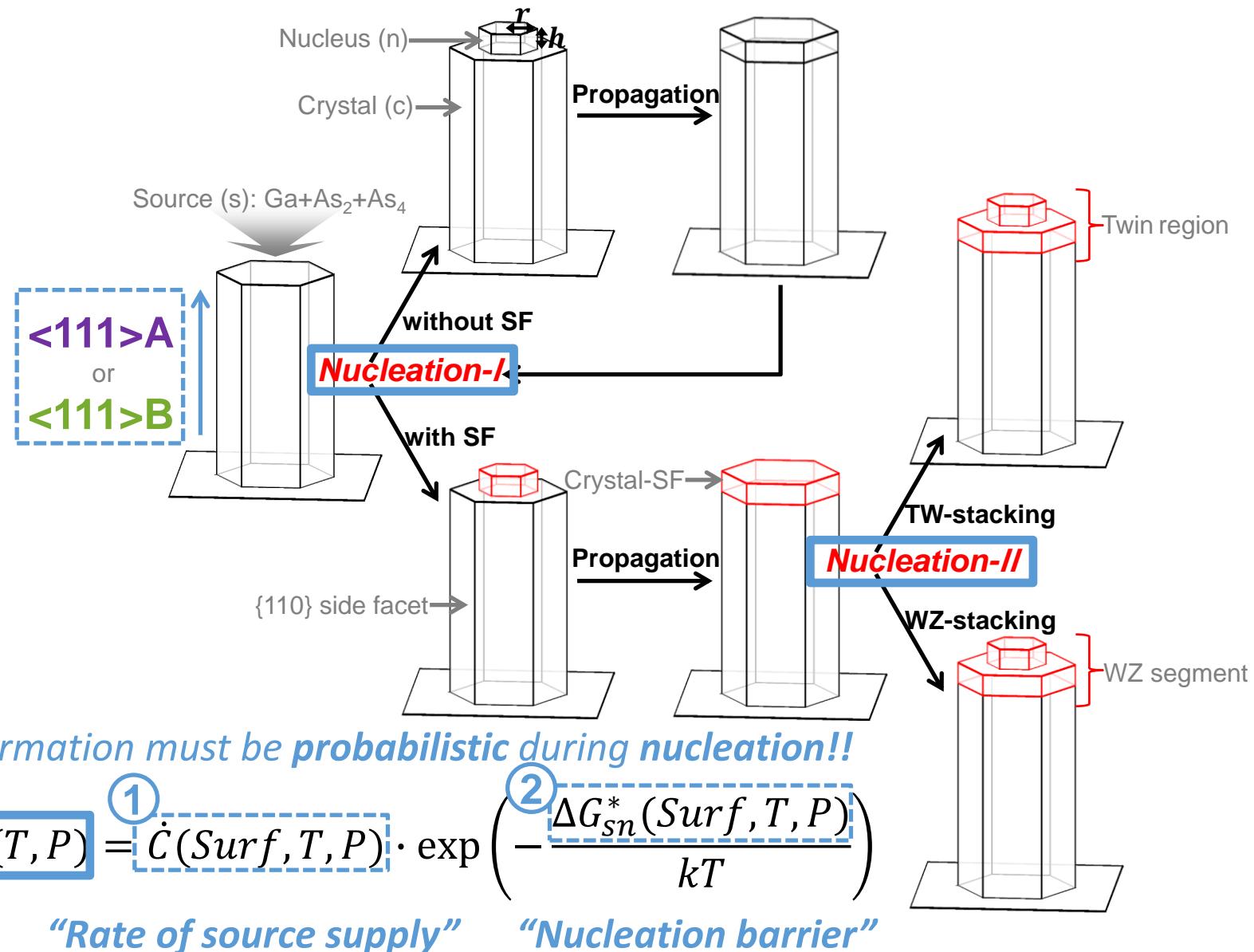
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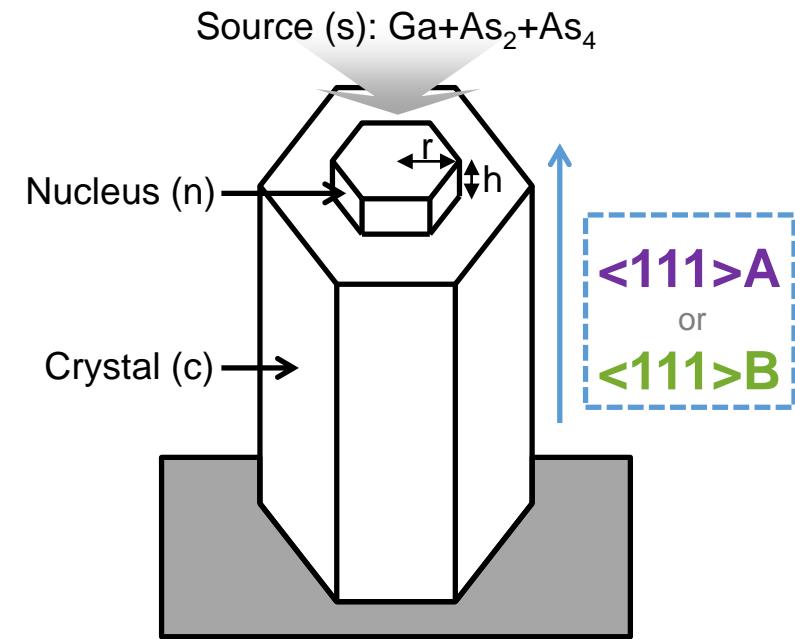
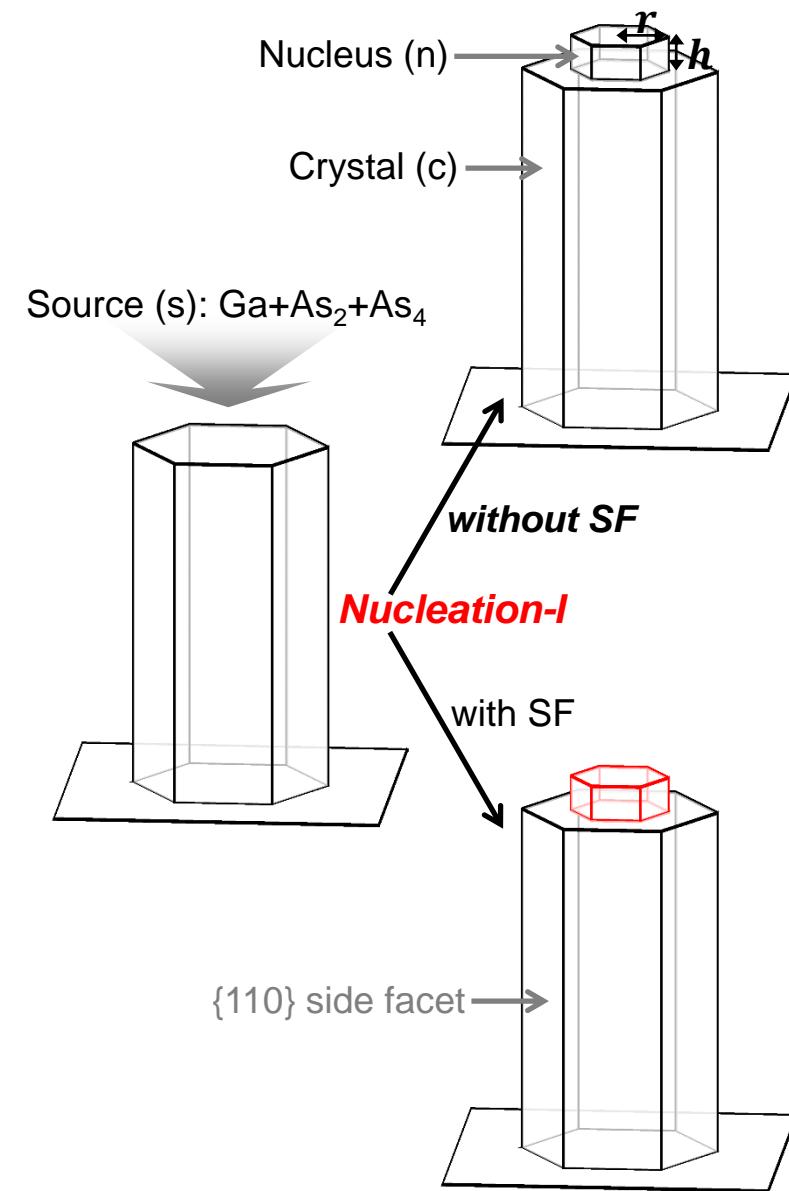
*The total energy of SF-embedded ANW and BNW is the same!*



# Energetics of fully formed NW?



# Nucleation-I: with ZB or SF stacking



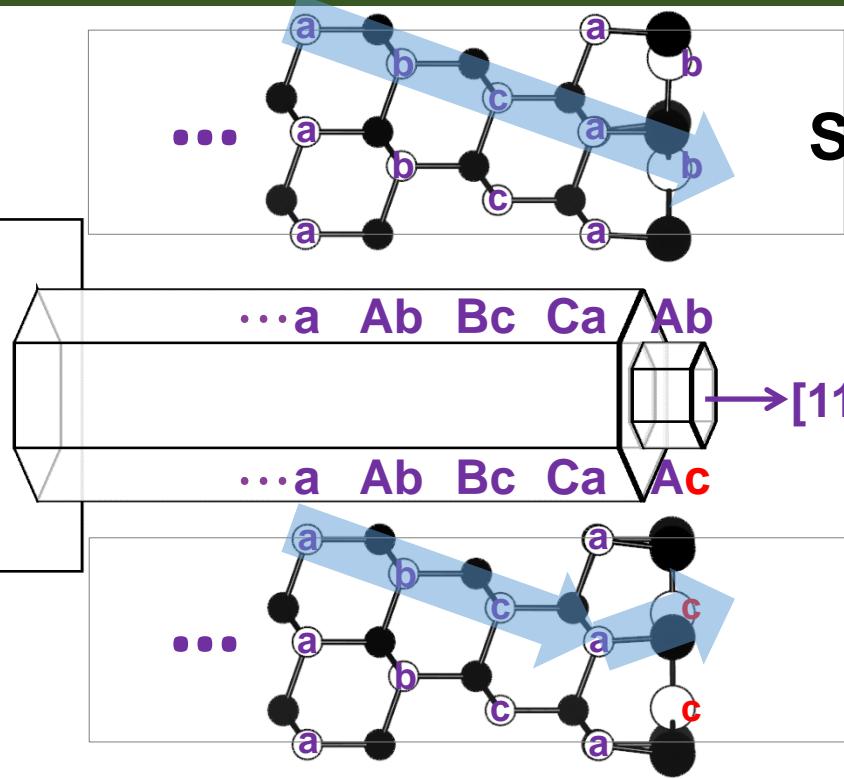
$$\Delta G_{sn} =$$

*"Incorporation energy"*  $V \Delta \mu_{sn}$

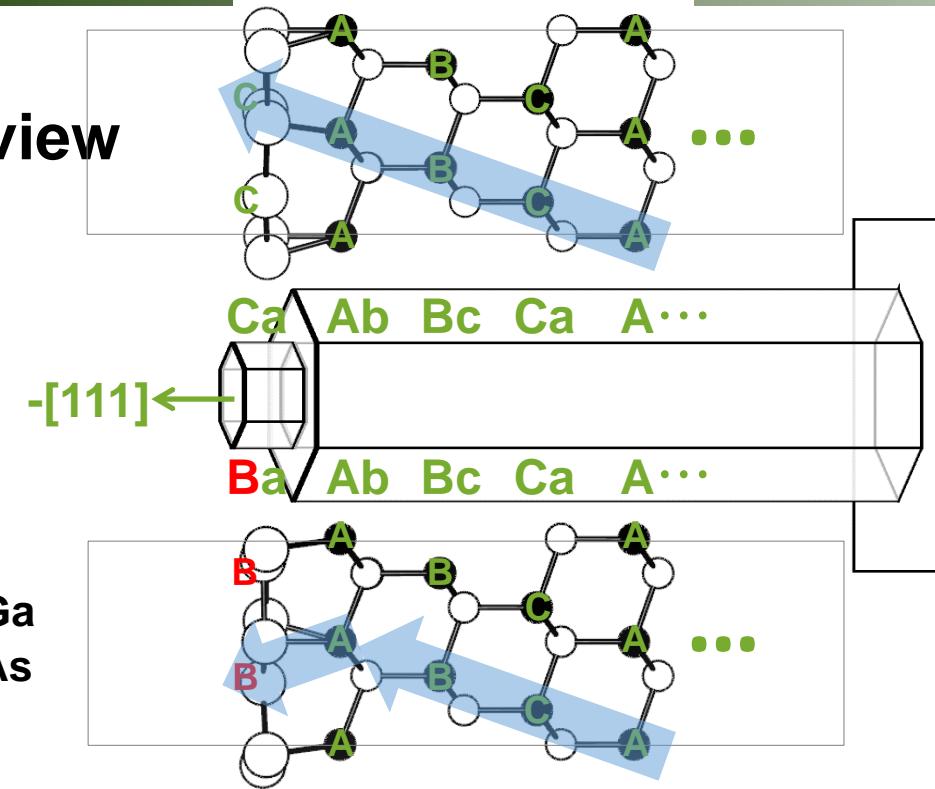
*"Side surface energy"*  $+ A_{side} \gamma_{sn(110)}$

*"Top surface energy"*  $+ A_{top} (\gamma_{cn(111)} - \gamma_{sc(111)})$

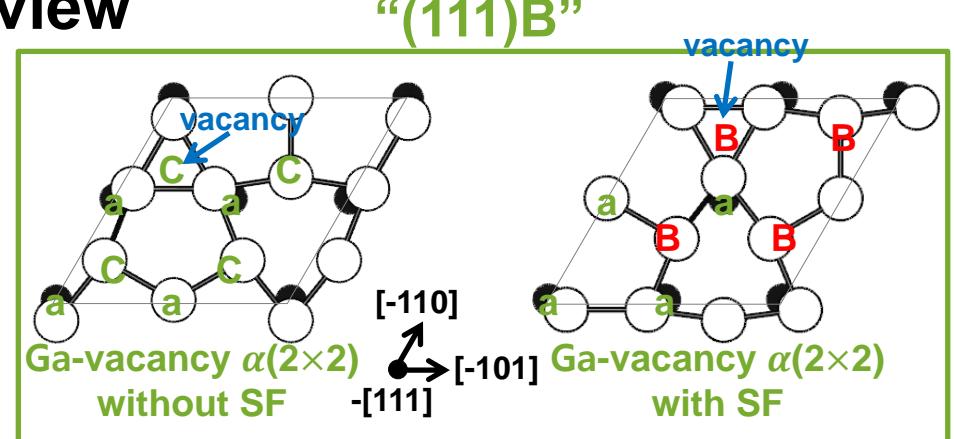
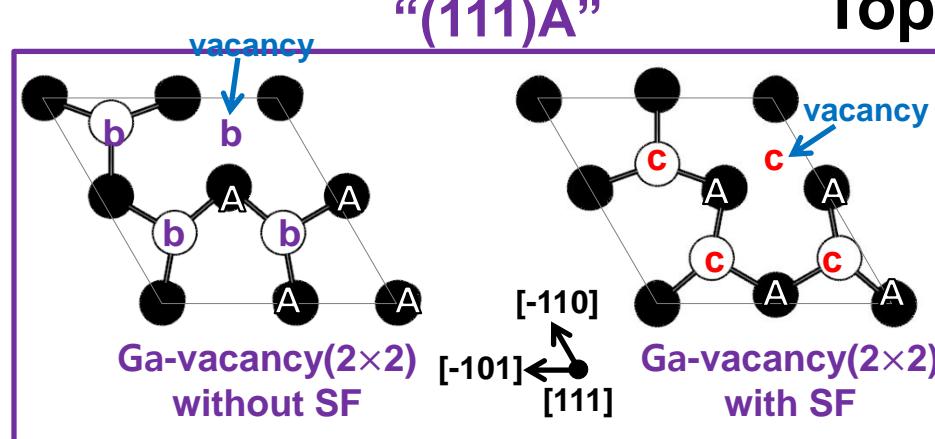
# (111)A & B reconstruction with SF



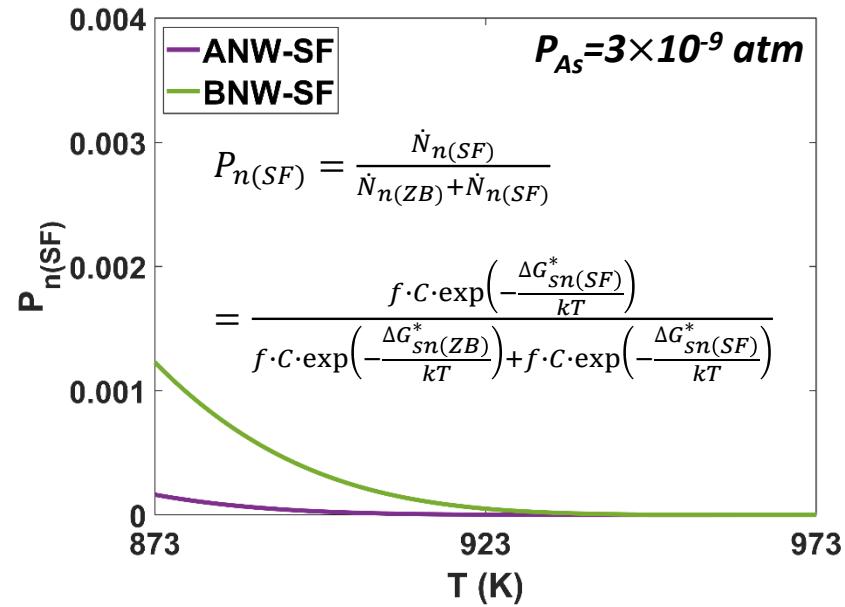
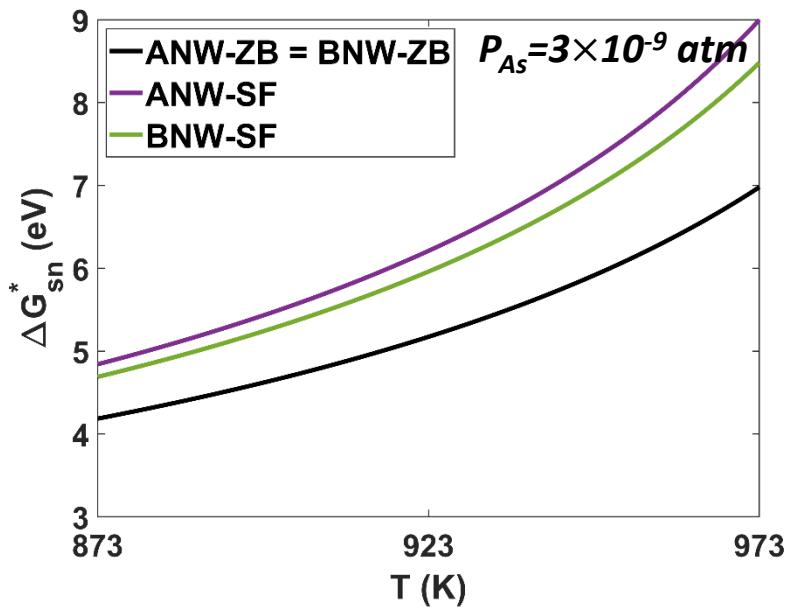
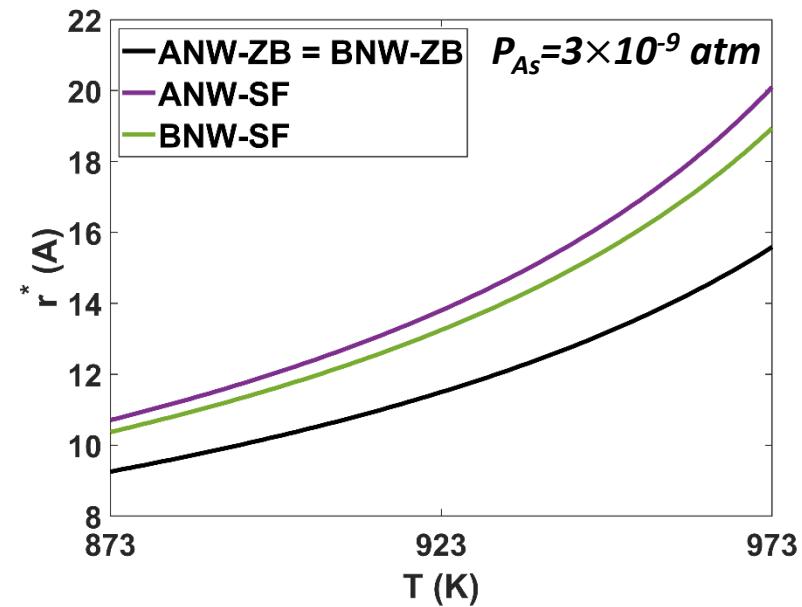
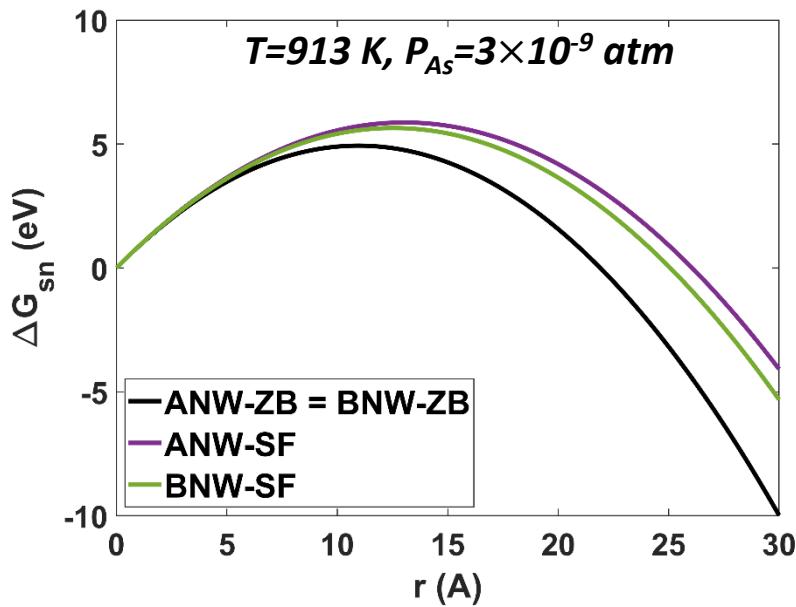
Side view



Top view

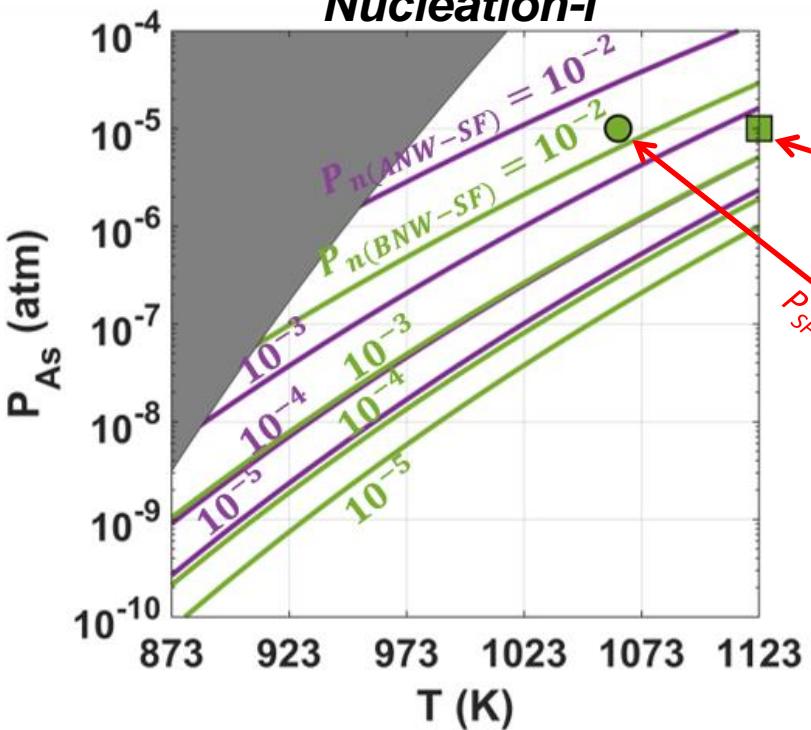


# Nucleation-I: ZB vs. SF



# Asymmetric stacking in nucleation-I

## Nucleation-I



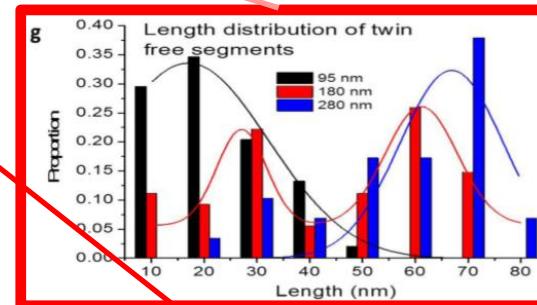
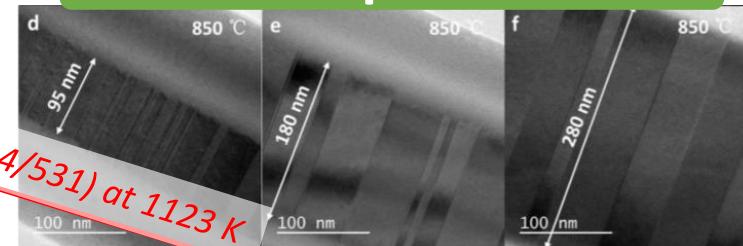
**“SF density”**

Polarity dependence: ANW < BNW

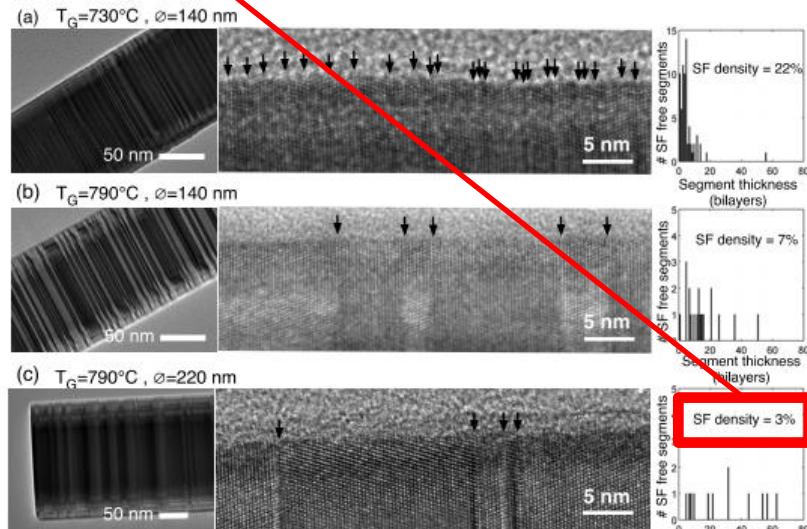
T dependence: high T < low T

P dependence: low P < high P

## BNW experiments



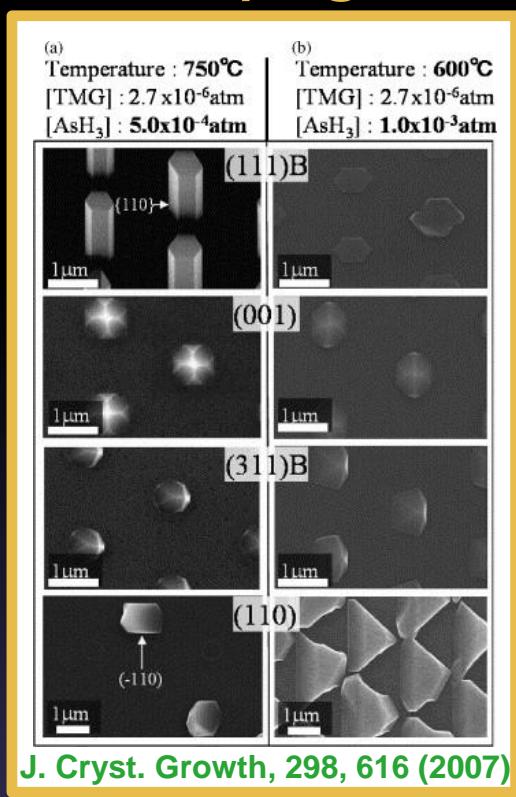
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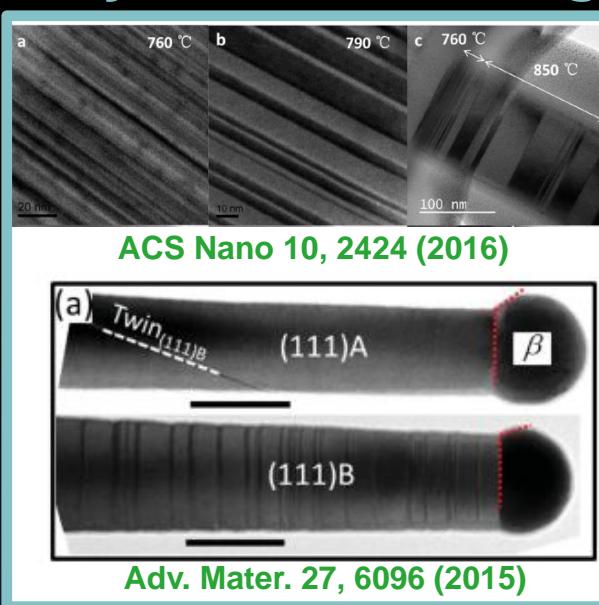
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# Thank you

## Anisotropic growth



## Asymmetric stacking



$$\dot{N}_n = [f \cdot C] \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta G_{Sn}^*}{kT}\right)$$

