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"A Formulation Based on Fast Fourier Transforms for the Prediction of Micromechanical Behavior and Microstructure Evolution of Plasticity Deformed 3D Polycrystals"

Friday, October 6, 2006 11:00 A.M. Seminar in Doherty Hall 1212

Refreshments precede seminar at 10:30 A.M. in 2325 Wean Hall

We present a numerical formulation based on Fast Fourier Transforms to obtain the micromechanical fields in plastically deformed 3-D polycrystals. This formulation, developed in the last decade [1] as a fast algorithm to compute the elastic and elastoplastic response of composites using as input a digital image of their microstructures, has been in turn adapted to deal with 3-D polycrystals deforming by dislocation glide [2]. The FFT-based formulation provides an exact solution of the governing equations, has better performance than a Finite Element calculation for the same purpose and resolution, and can use voxelized microstructure data as direct input. To illustrate the capabilities of this model, we will show its predictions, together with comparisons with other models and experimental results on effective properties, local fields and average field fluctuations, subgrain structure formation, and global and local texture evolution in cubic and hexagonal materials.

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