Numerical investigation of stress/strain localisation during diffusive phase transformation in steels

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Transformation plasticity

Microscopic stress/strain localisation



Plastic strain during phase transformation under small applied stress

♦ Mechanism

• Greenwood-Johnson effect • Magee effect

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Stress/strain calculation by FFT numerical scheme

Iterative solution of Lippmann Schwinger equation

Application of Fourier transform for the solution of complex microstructure
H. Moulinec and P. Suquet (1998)

 Application of Fourier transform for polycrystal plasticity R. A. Lebensohn (2001)

Local constitutive equation

equilibrium condition

 $\dot{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}(x) = \mathbf{C}(x) : \left(\dot{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}} - \dot{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}^{p} - \dot{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}^{th} \right) = \mathbf{C}^{0} : \dot{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}} + \dot{\boldsymbol{\tau}}(x) \qquad \text{div}\,\dot{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} = 0$ $\mathbf{C}^{0} : \text{Elastic modulus of reference media}$

FFT method is based on permutation of heterogeneous plasticity problem With homogeneous one by using polarisation field

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♦ 3 dimensional calculations are performed





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when 3% transformed



> Plastic strain is accumulated in the parent phase

♦ when 50% transformed



> Plastic strain is accumulated in the parent phase

♦ when 99% transformed



> Plastic strain in the daughter phase is not negligible

Dislocation density evolution during transformation

Comparison of total dislocation density (considering GND)





 $D=10\mu m$ $\perp : \rho > 2 \times 10^{11} (m^{-2})$ $\perp : \rho > 2 \times 10^{12} (m^{-2})$

 \succ Dislocation density is higher when grain size is small

◆ Modelling of transformation plasticity in polycrystalline materials



Fig. Strain evolution during phase transformation under several applied stress.

\succ TP is obtained without 'artificial' term ε^{tp}

Residual stress effect on macroscopic response



 \succ residual stress by phase transformation \rightarrow macroscopic response

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Schematic of calculation sequence



Transformation plasticity after pre-tension(compression)

Pre-deformation effect on transformation dilatation



Strong anisotropic behaviour of transformation expansion

Pre-deformation effect on transformation dilatation



Result by FFT

L. Taleb , S. Petit, 2006

The calculated results can explain the mechanism

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Concluding Remarks

- Numerical modelling by using FFT has been developed in order to find stress/strain field during phase transformation
- The strain localisation has been found near the transformation front of austenite phase
- The irreversible strain in ferrite phase occurs after the second half of phase transformation
- Back stress causes significant anisotropic dilatation during phase transformation



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