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FFT-based micromechanical simulations of transformation plasticity. Comparison with a limit-analysis-based theory. (English) Zbl 1478.74012

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Summary: This work addresses the numerical simulation of transformation plasticity by using a numerical scheme based on the fast Fourier transform (FFT). A two-phase material with isotropic thermo-elastoplastic phases is considered. Together with prescribed transformation kinetics, this permits to describe the plasticity induced by the accommodation of the volume change accompanying the phase transformation (Greenwood-Johnson mechanism). We consider random distributions of α -phase nuclei within a homogeneous γ -phase matrix, with an isotropic growth law of the nuclei. The numerical results are compared to a recently proposed limit-analysis-based theory [*Y. El Majaty et al.*, “A novel treatment of Greenwood-Johnson’s mechanism of transformation plasticity – case of spherical growth of nuclei of daughter-phase”, *J. Mech. Phys. Solids* 121, 175–197 (2018; doi:10.1016/j.jmps.2018.07.014)], which permits in particular to account for a nonlinear dependence of the “transformation plastic strain” with the stress applied. A very good agreement between the FFT simulations and the theory is obtained, for uniaxial and multiaxial loadings, over a wide range of stresses applied.

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- 74S25 Spectral and related methods applied to problems in solid mechanics
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