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Research Interests Computational materials science, dislocation mechanics, atomistic simulation, plasticity, machine learning for science

EDUCATION

École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Lausanne, Switzerland

Ph.D. in Mechanics Aug 1, 2016 - Oct 30, 2020

Advisor: Dr. William Curtin

Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur, India

B.Tech.-M.Tech. Dual Degree in Mechanical Engineering

Jul 15, 2011 - Jul 15, 2016

Publications

R. Ahmad, and W. Cai, "Free energy calculation of crystalline solids using normalizing flow", arXiv preprint (2021) arXiv:2111.01292.

R. Ahmad, S. Paul and S. Basu, "Characterization of entanglements in glassy polymeric ensembles using the Gaussian linking number", Phys. Rev. E 101 (2020) 022503.

R. Ahmad, Z. Wu and W. A. Curtin, "Analysis of double cross-slip of pyramidal I $\langle c+a \rangle$ screw dislocations and implications for ductility in Mg alloys", Acta Mater. 183 (2020) 228-241.

R. Ahmad, B. Yin, Z. Wu and W. A. Curtin, "Designing high ductility in magnesium alloys", Acta Mater. 172 (2019) 161-184.

R. Ahmad, Z. Wu, S. Groh and W. A. Curtin, "Pyramidal II to basal transformation of $\langle c + a \rangle$ edge dislocations in Mg-Y alloys", Scr. Mater. 155 (2018) 114-118.

R. Ahmad, S. Groh, M. Ghazisaeidi and W. A. Curtin, "Modified embedded-atom method interatomic potential for Mg-Y alloys", Modelling Simul. Mater. Sci. Eng. 26 (2018) 065010.

Z. Wu, R. Ahmad, B. Yin, S Sandlöbes and W. A. Curtin, "Mechanistic origin and prediction of enhanced ductility in magnesium alloys", Science 359 (2018) 447-452.

Conference/ Summer School **R.** Ahmad, Z. Wu, and W. A. Curtin, "Pyramidal $\langle c+a \rangle$ cross-slip mediated ductility in Mg alloys ductility", The Minerals, Metals & Materials Society (TMS) (2020) San Diego, USA.

W. A. Curtin, R. Ahmad, B. Yin and Z. Wu, "Design of Ductile Rare-Earth-Free Magnesium Alloys", Magnesium Technology 2020, 19-24

R. Ahmad, Z. Wu, S. Groh and W. A. Curtin, "Pyramidal II to basal transformation of $\langle c+a \rangle$ edge dislocations in Mg-Y alloys and its implication for ductility", Euromat (2019) Stockholm, Sweden.

Mechanics and Physics of Stretchable Objects (2018) Corsica, France.

Research EXPERIENCES Postdoctoral Researcher

May 1, 2021 - current

Micro and Nano Mechanics Group, Stanford University, California, USA

Advisor: Dr. Wei Cai

Postdoctoral Researcher

Nov 1, 2020 - April 30, 2021

Laboratory for Multiscale Mechanics Modeling,

École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Lausanne, Switzerland

Advisor: Dr. William Curtin

Aug 1, 2016 - Oct 30, 2020

Atomic Scale Investigations into the Origins of Ductility in Mg Alloys École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Lausanne, Switzerland

Advisor: Dr. William Curtin

M.Tech. Thesis Jul 15, 2015 - Jul 15, 2016

Investigation into disentanglement of polymer chains in a glassy amorphous polymer through molecular

dynamics simulations

Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur, India

Advisor: Dr. Sumit Basu

SCHOLASTIC Achievements Selected for the Early Postdoctoral Mobility Fellowship (2021-2022) awarded by the Swiss National Science Foundation.

Selected for the Humboldt Postdoctoral Research Fellowship (2021-2022).

Received the best PhD thesis award by EDME (Mechanics) doctoral program, EPFL.

Academic Projects

Kinetic Monte Carlo simulation of screw dislocation mobility in BCC metals Feb - Jun 2019 Updated Lagrangian Finite Element Formulation Aug - Nov 2014 Effect of Initial Stresses on the Wave Propagation in Arteries Aug - Nov 2014 Static Equilibrium of a Red Blood Cell Aug - Nov 2014 Aug - Nov 2014 Wave Propagation in an Initially Stressed Elastic Solids Jan - Apr 2014

Minimum Energy Path of a Reaction Using Nudge Elastic Band Method

Relevant Courses

- Rheology and Structure of Complex Fluids - Non-Linear Vibration - Fracture Mechanics - Molecular Modelling in Chemistry - Topics in Topology - Non-Linear Finite Element Method - Wave Propagation in Elastic Solid - Mechanics of Biological Membrane

- Finite Element Method - Advanced Mechanics of Solid - Theory of Elasticity - Vibration and Control

- Linear Algebra and Ordinary Diff Eqns - Complex Analysis and Partial Diff Eqns - Real Analysis and Calculus - Nature and Properties of Materials

- Fourier Analysis and Boundary Value Problems - Computational Multiscale Modeling of Solid

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages - Python, C, C++, FORTRAN, Matlab

Software - LAMMPS, ParaDis, Ovito, Abaqus, Gaussian

Teaching EXPERIENCES Teaching Assistant, EPFL

- Solid Mechanics Spring Semesters 2018, 2019, 2020

- Introduction to Structural Mechanics Spring Semester 2017

Teaching Assistant, IIT Kanpur

- Basic Electrical Engineering Fall Semesters 2016

- Engineering Graphics and Design Spring Semester 2015

Positions of RESPONSIBILITY Academic Mentor, Counseling Service Team'12, IIT Kanpur Aug 2012 - Apr 2013 Account Secretary, Hall Executive Committee, Hall 3, IIT Kanpur Aug 2012 - Apr 2013

References William Curtin

Professor

Institute of Mechanical Engineering

EPFL, Switzerland

Wei Cai

Professor

Department of Mechanical Engineering

Stanford University, USA

Zhaoxuan Wu

Assistance Professor

Department of Materials Science and Engineering

City University of Hong Kong, China