Course "Physics and Mechanics of Random Media"

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Participants: *30 maximum*

Goal:

Many solid media and materials (composites, granular media, metals, biomaterials, porous media, soils, rocks, etc.) encountered in materials sciences, geophysics, environmental sciences, energetics, hydrogeology,... display microstructures and structures of several length scales, showing often a non- deterministic disorder. A better understanding and prediction of the resulting multiscale and random nature of materials' mesoscopic and/or macroscopic properties requires a modeling approach based on a combination of probabilistic concepts with methods of physics and mechanics. The course, which aims to provide an introduction to this subject, will be given in a self-contained series of lectures and training sessions on computers.

First, motivated by a review of advanced experimental techniques for the microstructure

description, and by typical results involving fluctuations present in plasticity, damage, fracture, and flows phenomena in porous media, basic tools of applied probability and random processes are recalled. Then, probabilistic tools for the description random media and models together with their simulation are introduced. At the second stage, physics and mechanics of random media are presented from the standpoint of approximate solutions of partial differential equations with random coefficients. For example, linear electrostatics problems in random media are studied by means of perturbation expansion of the random electric and displacement fields, while bounds on the effective permittivitty and of elastic moduli are derived from variational principles. This approach of homogenization, which can be applied to other physical properties like the composition of permeability, or of the thermal conductivity, is illustrated by third order bounds.

The third area of focus concerns the use of numerical techniques (in particular FFT-based computation), to provide an estimation of homogenized properties of random media from Monte Carlo type simulations. Bounds and numerical techniques are then extended to non linear behaviours, like the plasticity of polycrystals. Given the importance of reliability problems in a multitude of engineering applications, several fracture statistics models (brittle, ductile, fatigue) are worked out from a probabilistic approach.

Structure of the course: Five full days in a single week. Lectures (70%) and practical training on computers (30%).

Course contents

Day 1 (Monday November 14): Introduction and basic concepts:

9h30-9h35 General introduction (F. Willot) **(Room L027)**

9h35- 10h30 Introduction to random media and homogenization : from images to physical properties (F. Willot)   **(Room L027)**

10h30-11h Break

11h- 12h30 Introduction to applied probability and probabilistic models (B. Figliuzzi) **(Room L027)**

14h-15h Introduction to the simulation of random variables (C. Lantuéjoul)   **(Room L027)**

15h-15h30 Break

15h30-17h30 Morphological characterization of random sets and of random functions: size, repartition, connectivity (B. Figliuzzi)   **(Room L027)**

Day 2 (Tuesday November 15): Models and simulation of random media

9h-10h Examples of models and simulation of point processes (C. Lantuéjoul)   **(Room L027)**

10h-10h30 Examples of models of random sets (Boolean models) (J. Angulo) **(Room L027)**

10h30-11h Break

11h-12h30 Examples of models of random sets (Boolean model) (J. Angulo)   **(Room L027)**

14h-15h Gaussian random functions: properties and (conditional) simulations (C. Lantuéjoul)   **(Room L027)**

15h-18h Training session on morphological characterization of images and on simulations with the

software Micromorph (B. Figliuzzi) **(Room L027)**

Day 3 (Wednesday November 16): Homogenization of random media (linear properties): bounds and numerical techniques

9h-10h Electrostatics of random media: perturbation expansion of the random electrical and displacement fields; estimation of the effective permittivity, statistical approach of the Representative Volume Element (F. Willot)   **(Room L027)**
10h-10h40 Classical and Hashin-Shtrikman variational principles; derivation of bounds of effective properties (F. Willot)   **(Room L027)**
10h40-11h Break
11h-11h45 Third order bounds of the dielectric permittivity and of the elastic moduli of some models of random media. Examples of optimal microstructures (F. Willot)   **(Room L027)**
11h45-12h45 Training session on the calculation of bounds of linear properties of random media (F. Willot) **(Room L027)**

14h- 15h Numerical homogenization of random media, Representative Volume Element (F. Willot) **(Room L027)**
15h– 15h30 Break
15h30-17h Training session on heat conduction with Fast Fourier transform (FFT) computations (F. Willot) **(Room L027)**

Day 4 (Thursday November 17): Transport in random media. Fracture Statistics, numerical techniques

9h-10h30 Material variability of mechanical properties at different scales (A.-F. Gourgues-Lorenzon) **(Room L027)**
10h30-10h45 Break
10h45-12h15 Material variability of mechanical properties at different scales (A.-F. Gourgues-Lorenzon) **(Room L027)**

14h-15h45 Scales and physical properties in porous media (B. Noetinger) **(Room L027)**
15h45-16h Break
16h-17h30 Representative Volume Element (F. Willot) **(Room L027)**

Day 5 (Friday November 18): Homogenization of random media (nonlinear properties, resonances)

9h-10h45 Resonances in the properties of composite media (Y.-P. Pellegrini) **(Room L027)**
10h45-11h Break
11h-12h30 Training session on resonances (Y.-P. Pellegrini) **(Room L027)**

14h-15h30 Nonlinear composites (F. Willot, Y.-P. Pellegrini) **(Room L027)**
15h30-15h45 Break
15h45-17h30 Nonlinear composites (F. Willot, Y.-P. Pellegrini) **(Room L027)**
17h30-17h45 Conclusion

Readings

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Prerequisites: Basic knowledge in probability theory, physics and mechanics of solids.
Examination: The students prepare a written report from data processed during the training sessions. The report is submitted before Dec. 1 or after the course