Multi-phase-field-lattice Boltzmann model for polycrystalline solidification with melt convection

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ABSTRACT

It is crucial for a material design to accurately predict the material microstructure formed during solidification. However, a numerical prediction of the solidification microstructure is difficult, because the solidification is a complicated multi-physics problem including the solid-liquid phase transformation, crystal anisotropy, solute diffusion, thermal conductivity, melt convection, solid motion, grain growth and so on.

In this study, we develop a multi-phase-field-lattice Boltzmann model to express a polycrystalline solidification with melt convection. This model can simulate the growth, motion and collision of multiple dendrites in the presence of melt convection and the grain growth after collision between different dendrites. This is attained by extending a phase-field-lattice Boltzmann model for a single dendrite [1, 2] to the multiple dendrites expressed by the multi-phase-field model. Some two-dimensional simulations are demonstrated to express the ability of the developed model.

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