

Structure-Property Relations in Materials

ME/MATS 570, Fall 2014

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Class: Graf 307, Wd,Fri 8:00–09:50

Office hours: Dearborn 304, Wd 17:00 & Fr 10:00

Prerequisites, Co-requisites and Enforced Prerequisites: None

Course Credits: This course combines approximately 120 hours of instruction and assignments for 4 credits.

Course Content: Fundamentals of the interactions between the structure and properties of materials. Atomic bonding and atom interactions. Geometric and algebraic representations of symmetry. Introduction to phase equilibria. Phenomenological background of elasticity and plasticity in materials. Anisotropic materials and tensor representations. Influence of structure on thermal, electrical, and optical properties of materials.

Topics covered: Planned sequence of topics covered (this list could change).

- Electronic structure and bonding
 - Electrons, wave functions, and all that [Handout](#)
 - Electronic structure of atoms [Tilley: 1–1.2](#)
 - Bonding [Tilley: 2, & 3.1](#)
 - Band structure [Tilley: 2.3.3–2.3.5](#)
- Atomic structure and crystallography
 - Crystals
 - * Lattices, and translational symmetry [Tilley: 5.1.1–5.1.2, + handout](#)
 - * Rotational symmetry, stereographic projections, and space groups [Tilley: 5.1.3 + handout](#)
 - * Crystal planes, reciprocal lattices and Miller indices [Tilley: 5.14–3.5](#)
 - * Diffraction [Tilley: 5.2](#)
 - * Tensor properties [Handout](#)
 - * Crystal structures [Tilley: 5.3](#)
 - * Crystal defects [Tilley: 3.4–3.5](#)
 - Quasicrystals, amorphous materials and glasses [Tilley: 3.2.3–3.2.6, & 6.3](#)
 - Polymers and molecular solids [Tilley: 6.4](#)
- Microstructure and phase equilibria
 - Solid solutions [Tilley: 3.4.1](#)
 - Phase diagrams [Tilley: 4](#)
 - Solidification/Nucleation and growth [Tilley: 3.3](#)
- Structure-Property Relationships
 - Mechanical Properties [Tilley: 10.1–10.4](#)
 - Electrical Properties [Tilley: 13.1–13.2, & 11–11.3.4](#)
 - Thermal Properties [Tilley: 15–15.4](#)
 - Optical Properties [Tilley: 14.3, & 14.9](#)

Measurable Student Learning Outcomes:

1. Predict basic physical properties of materials based on knowledge of their structure, atomic composition and chemical bonding.
2. Readily describe the structure of crystalline materials using the nomenclature of Bravais lattices and Miller Indices.
3. Describe the symmetry elements for crystalline materials.
4. Use a binary phase diagram to quantitatively describe the compositions, phases and microstructures developed in binary solid systems.
5. Describe the mechanical properties of materials in terms of elastic and plastic behavior

Evaluation of Student Performance: midterm 1: 30%, midterm 2: 30%, final (comprehensive): 40%. Homework is assigned weekly but will not be collected or graded. Homework and reading assignments are an important exercise that helps you understand and apply the concepts covered in class.

Learning Resources: The required text for this class is:

R. Tilley, *Understanding Solids: The Science of Materials*, Wiley 2nd Ed. (2013) (required)

Suggested textbooks are:

- o Barrett, Nix and Tetelman, *The Principles of Engineering Materials*, Prentice Hall (1973)
- o Anderson, Leaver, Rawlings and Alexander, *Materials Science*, Chapman & Hall (1990)
- o A. Kelly, G. W. Groves, and P. Kidd, *Crystallography and Crystal Defects*, Wiley (2000)
- o S. Elliott, *The Physics and Chemistry of Solids*, Wiley (1998)
- o W.D. Callister, *Materials Science and Engineering: An Introduction, 8th Ed.*, Wiley (2009)
- o J. F. Nye, *Physical Properties of Crystals—Their Representation by Tensors and Matrices*, Oxford (1985)
- o Gersten and Smith, *The Physics and Chemistry of Materials*, Wiley (2001)

Office Hours: Office hours will be held in 304 Dearborn Hall on Wednesday from 5–6pm and Fridays after class from 10–11am, or by appointment if you can not make these times.

Academic Dishonesty: Oregon State University provides clear definition and sanctions for academic dishonesty. As a result, academic dishonesty of any kind is not tolerated. For suspected academic dishonesty, a meeting with the student will take place and a formal report to the Chair of the Department, to the student's dean, and to the Student Conduct Office may follow. Students caught cheating, plagiarizing, or participating in any form of academic dishonesty may receive an F or other penalty on the assignment or test and possibly in the course. If you have any questions about the definition of academic dishonesty or the extent of sanctions that may result from dishonest behavior, it is important to access information on the OSU Student Conduct Website at: <http://oregonstate.edu/admin/stucon/index.htm>

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