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TITLE: Ultrafast Transient Modeling in Microscale Heat/Mass Transport

The manner in which energy is transported in matter or the way in which chemical reactions take place under ultrafast transient conditions requires special treatment and cannot be treated by the usual macroscopic theories. We shall discuss the Dual-Phase-Lag (DPL) model, which allows for very fast micro processes to take place on time-scales, of pico to femtoseconds. The resulting lagging behavior has been shown to capture several experimentally observed phenomena that cannot be described by the macroscopic concepts. Originating from the development made about four years ago, the physical contents of the phase-lag concept have been significantly extended in recent years. The number of perfect correlations to the existing macroscopic and microscopic heat transfer models has now increased to seven; an efficient finite difference scheme has been developed to study the refined structures of thermal lagging in microfilms, and the phase-lag concept has been extended to describe the inter-metallic layer growth in metal matrix composites (MMC). It may be hoped that more challenging experimental results can be identified for further examinations of the phase-lag concept in microscale environments.

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