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Problem Studied

As stated in our proposal of 2 April 1981, "Conformational and Mechanical Properites at High Strain Rates," fundamental knowledge of high-speed deformation is very limited. We have provided new insights both on the microscopic atomistic level and at the macroscopic level of constitutive modelling.

During our 42-month study we have analyzed the plastic flow of solids (1, 2, 3) reviewed and developed new simulation methods for studying mass, momentum, and energy flows (4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9). We have considered the macroscopic aspects of plasticity, fracture, and powder compaction (10, 11, 12). We have begun an extension of these ideas to molecular systems (13) and have considered the technical aspects of some simple problems in elasticity (14, 15). We have most recently studied heat flow simulation in fluids and solids (16).
Summary of Results

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We have stimulated considerable interest in this area through a series of review articles and through participation in and organization of several international meetings and schools* covering these areas.

Orsay CECAM Workshops at Orsay (1983-5)
Euratom Course at Ispra (1984)
Enrico Fermi School of Physics at Varenna (1985)
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