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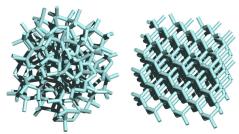
Mechanical Properties of Sustainable Materials

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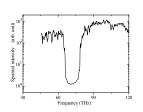
Order in atomic arrangement and physical properties of solids

If we look into solids microscopically, we find that atoms are arranged in some ordered manner. Microscopic structures in solids can be classified in view of the atomic order into three groups: periodic structures (crystals), quasiperiodic structures (quasicrystals) and amorphous structures. Such atomic orders often determine the macroscopic properties of solids. We aim at elucidating the relation between the microscopic structure and macroscopic physical properties of solids, and also at developing new materials with desirable properties using the information obtained through such studies.

Development of random network photonic devices Discovery of an amorphous structure exhibiting a 3D photonic band-gap



Photonic amorphous diamond structure and photonic crystalline diamond structure

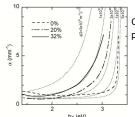


Photonic density of states calculated by an FDTD method



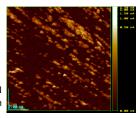
Fabrication of photonic amorphous diamond structure in a microwave regime

Physical properties of dislocations in semiconductors

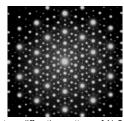


Change in optical absorption spectra by plastic deformation

Conductive spots on surface of GaN introduced by plastic deformation

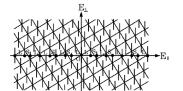


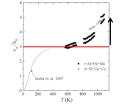
Phason dynamics in quasicrystals: Elucidation of origin of physical properties inherent to quasicrystals



Electron diffraction pattern of Al-Cu-Fe icosahedral quasicrystal with the incident beam parallel to a fivefold axis

An example of a 1D quasicrystalline structure described as a section of a 2D periodic structure





Braking of Dulong-Petit's law in high-temperature specific heat

Measurement of high-temperature internal friction

