Preface

The mathematical modeling of microstructures in solids is a fascinating topic that combines ideas from different fields such as analysis, numerical simulation, and materials science. Beginning in the 80s, variational methods have been playing a prominent rôle in modern theories for microstructures, and surprising developments in the calculus of variations were stimulated by questions arising in this context.

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