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A Multi-scale Approach to Nano-Composite Nickel-Based Materials¹ ANGELA WILSON, JAMAL UDDIN, THOMAS CUNDARI, University of North Texas — The behavior of nano-composite materials that are formed by incorporating aligned carbon nanotubes (CNTs) into a bulk nickel matrix have been considered. Mechanical properties of these novel materials have been predicted and strain-stress relationships have been investigated by atomistic calculations with interactions derived from the modified embedded-atom method (MEAM). The mechanical stability has been assessed, with consideration of Young's modulus both within and beyond the small elastic deformation regime. Comparisons have been made between Ni/CNTs, the pure FCC nickel matrix, and pristine CNTs. Both single-walled and multi-walled nanotube systems have been considered.

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