



## Study of Serrated Flows in Bulk Metallic Glasses and High Entropy Alloys

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### ABSTRACT

Bulk metallic glasses (BMGs) and high entropy alloys (HEAs) attract more and more attention for their unique mechanical properties. Recent work suggests that BMGs and HEAs show serrated flows at certain temperatures and strain rates, which is similar to the Portevin–Le Chatelier effect (PLC) in traditional alloys. Therefore, the study of serration behavior could provide a unique way to investigate the deformation dynamics of BMGs and HEAs, and, consequently, to endow us with the fundamental understanding of deformation mechanisms for BMGs and HEAs. In this study, compressive behavior of BMGs and HEAs are characterized statistically, and a new model developed from the mean-field theory is utilized to describe the serrated flows in BMGs and HEAs.

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