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*$\Gamma$ -convergence of Power-Law Functionals and Applications to Polycrystal Plasticity.*

Models of polycrystal plasticity are obtained as limiting cases of more flexible power-law models via  $\Gamma$ -convergence. The effective yield sets are characterized in terms of variational principles in  $L^\infty$  associated to the limiting functionals. (Received July 20, 2010)