Full field and mean field modeling of grain growth in a multiphase material under dry conditions : application to peridotites

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- Mean field model calibration based on full field simulations
- Quantification of the peridotite grain growth kinetics

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14 Abstract

We present a full field framework based on the level-set (LS) approach, which enables 15 to simulate grain growth in a multiphase material. Our formalism permits to take into 16 account different types of second phases, which can be static or dynamic (i.e. evolving 17 also by grain growth) and reproduce both transient (evolving relative grain sizes) and 18 steady-state structures. We use previously published annealing experiments of porous 19 olivine or olivine and enstatite mixtures to constrain the parameters of the full field model, 20 and then analyse the results of a peridotite-like annealing simulation. The experimen-21 tal grain growth kinetics is very well reproduced while the simulated microstructure mor-22 phologies show some differences with experimental ones. We then propose a mean field 23 model calibrated thanks to the full field simulations, which allow us to predict the mean 24 grain size evolution depending on the simplified peridotite composition (e.g. second phase 25 mean grain sizes, fractions). 26

27 1 Introduction

Depending on thermal and mechanical conditions, deformation of rocks may involve grain size sensitive (GSS) creep mechanisms (Boullier & Gueguen, 1975). In upper mantle rocks for instance, these phenomena are known to contribute non negligibly to the bulk deformation of the lithosphere (Hiraga, Miyazaki, et al., 2010; Hansen et al., 2014). Studying the grain size evolution of peridotites at lithospheric depths can therefore provide important insights into the mechanical behaviour of tectonic plates.

Grain size evolution involves different mechanisms acting at the microscopic scale, from 34 grain boundary migration (GBM) to nucleation and recrystallization (RX). In natural 35 and some experimental conditions, all of these microscopic mechanisms act simultane-36 ously and are often coupled with each other. Their individual effect on the kinetics of 37 microstructures is not completely understood. Hence, it appears important to study these 38 mechanisms separately in order to understand them and their effects on the micrody-39 namics. To this purpose, deciphering the kinetics of grain growth in natural peridotites 40 necessitates understanding GBM first within pure olivine (the principal mineral in up-41 per mantle rocks) aggregates, then examining how GBM is modified by the presence of 42 second phases (either static or evolving by grain growth). 43

The full field level-set (LS) approach has demonstrated its capability to model sev-44 eral microstructural evolutions in metallic materials (Bernacki et al., 2009; Maire et al., 45 2016; Scholtes, Boulais-Sinou, et al., 2016) and was recently used to model isotropic grain 46 growth in pure olivine aggregates (Furstoss et al., 2018). In this paper, we use recent (Fausty 47 et al., 2018) and well established (Agnoli et al., 2012; Scholtes, Ilin, et al., 2016) tech-48 niques of the LS framework to take into account the presence of second phases (SP), in 49 order to simulate, using full-field modeling, the grain size evolution of real mantle rocks 50 under dry conditions. 51

 $_{52}$ $\,$ We then compare the full field results obtained with a mean field model based on the

⁵³ work of Bercovici and Ricard (2012) which describes the grain size evolution as a func-

tion of the different SP fractions and is calibrated for the temperatures of the upper man-tle.

⁵⁶ 2 Physical processes and methods

While peridotites are mostly composed of olivine (generally close to forsterite com-57 position with Mg/(Mg+Fe) near 0.9), they display a large variability in terms of min-58 eral composition, which depends on the nature and proportion of second phases. Ma-59 jor second components are pyroxene (clino and orthopyroxenes, for instance pigeonite 60 and enstatite, respectively) which can reach as much as 30% in volume fraction. It has 61 been shown experimentally (Hiraga, Tachibana, et al., 2010) that pyroxene and olivine 62 grains coarsen simultaneously through capillarity-driven olivine/olivine (Ol/Ol) and py-63 roxene/pyroxene (Px/Px) GBM. In the following, we will designate this type of SP by 64 dynamic second phase (DSP). Other minor SP in mantle rocks are generally alumina phases 65 which can take different forms depending on temperature, pressure and water content 66 (e.g. spinel, garnet, plagioclase). These minor phases are chemically distinct from the 67 olivine and pyroxene, and as we consider dry conditions, their growth can occur only by 68 slow diffusion processes. The aluminium diffusion required for the growth of these sec-69 ond phases has very low diffusion coefficients (Spandler et al., 2007; Qian et al., 2010). 70 Thereby, these grains of second phases grow so slowly that we will consider them as static 71 and we will call them static second phase (SSP) in the following. Even present as a few 72 volume percent, they can have a strong influence on grain growth of major phases by im-73 peding the GBM through a Smith-Zener pinning mechanism (Smith, 1948) (figure 1). 74 In natural conditions, mantle rocks can also contain very minor minerals (e.g. pyrrhotite, 75

rutile, phlogopite) holding marginal chemical species and for which the grain growth seems
unlikely (i.e. they are very long timescale SSP). Finally, peridotites can also contain pores
which can be formed by fluid circulation (Wark et al., 2003) (e.g. from deserpentinization process, partial melting). From the grain growth point of view, their effect can be
similar to the one of second phase grains by impeding grain boundary migration (Agnoli
et al., 2014).

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2.1 Smith-Zener drag/pinning

Without stored energy, the interaction between a grain boundary and a SSP can be quantified by the classical mean field Smith-Zener drag formulation (Smith, 1948). With this approach, a SSP can block or "pin" a surface by imposing a drag pressure (P_{drag}) on the moving grain boundary. By approximating the interaction between grains and SSP thanks to an additional driving pressure, P_{drag} , the grain boundary velocity is classically expressed as follows (Herwegh et al., 2011) :

$$\vec{v} = M(P - P_{drag})\vec{n} = M(-\gamma\kappa - P_{drag})\vec{n},\tag{1}$$

where M is the grain boundary mobility expressed through an Arrhenius law (i.e. M =89 $M_0 e^{-\frac{Q}{RT}}$, with M_0 the reference mobility, Q the activation energy, R the gas constant 90 and T the temperature in Kelvin), $P = -\gamma \kappa$ is the driving pressure due to capillarity 91 with γ the interface energy and κ its mean curvature (curvature in 2D and the sum of 92 the main curvatures in 3D), and \vec{n} is outward unit normal to the boundary. This for-93 mulation (with a drag pinning pressure) represents the equilibrium conditions between 94 the particle $(\gamma_{1P}, \gamma_{2P})$ and the grain boundary energy (γ) , which corresponds to Her-95 ring's law (Herring & Kingston, 1951). By considering the geometrical model presented 96 in figure 1, the drag force exerted by the SSP on the grain boundary can be expressed 97 as : 98

$$F_{drag} = 2\pi r \gamma \cos(\theta) \sin(\theta + \alpha), \tag{2}$$

which is equivalent to,

$$F_{drag} = \pi r \gamma (sin(2\theta + \alpha) + sin(\alpha)), \tag{3}$$

where r is the radius of the SSP. This expression allows for a coherent or incoherent nature of the SSP in the matrix. In fact, a non null angle α allows to consider $\gamma_{1P} \neq \gamma_{2P}$ (meaning generally that the SSP is coherent with one of the grains) while $\alpha = 0$ implies the isotropy of these interfacial energies meaning, except special cases, that the SSP is incoherent with the matrix. By applying to $sin(\alpha)$ Herring's law with the different interfacial energies and substituting in eq.(3) we get :

$$\sin(\alpha) = \frac{\gamma_{2P} - \gamma_{1P}}{\gamma},\tag{4}$$

$$F_{drag} = \pi r \gamma (sin(2\theta + \alpha) + \frac{\gamma_{2P} - \gamma_{1P}}{\gamma}).$$
(5)

Thus, the maximum pinning force occurs for θ equal to $(45^\circ - \frac{\alpha}{2})$ which is the effective force considered to compute the P_{drag} effect of a mono-disperse SSP in the Smith-Zener formalism and state-of-the-art mean field models.

The LS framework already presented by Furstoss et al. (2018) is naturally able to 109 take into account the pinning phenomenon (Agnoli et al., 2012; Scholtes, Ilin, et al., 2016) 110 without any assumption on the expression of the dragging pressure or material param-111 eters calibration. By imposing an angle α , verifying Herring's law i.e. the left part of Eq.4, 112 when a grain boundary is passing through a SSP, the local mean curvature of the bound-113 ary will be adequately modified, naturally inducing pinning. It is important to highlight 114 that this full field approach enables to avoid the introduction of a fictitious P_{drag} pres-115 sure in the kinetics relation as in Eq.(1). 116

In practice, the SSP are described by voids in the FE mesh and an angle α is imposed 117 by applying boundary conditions along the void boundaries. In this work, these condi-118 tions are the ones used by Agnoli et al. (2012), which imposes the orthogonality of grain 119 boundaries with the domain boundaries (and thus SSP boundaries) implying $\alpha = 0$. 120 As the different interfacial energies of the aluminium-rich phase (or very minor phase)/olivine 121 system are not well constrained it seems reasonable to consider the two surface energies 122 γ_{1P} and γ_{2P} as similar by imposing a null angle α . This approach has shown its efficiency 123 for metallic materials (Agnoli et al., 2014, 2015), in predicting grain growth kinetics and 124 the possible limiting mean grain size (Scholtes, Ilin, et al., 2016). Those results and oth-125 ers (Hillert, 1988; Moelans et al., 2006) show a strong influence of the presence of SSP 126

on microstructural evolution even when they only represent a few percent of the rock

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2.2 Beyond Smith-Zener pinning

The classical Smith-Zener pinning mechanism may not be applicable when major 130 and secondary phases have both comparable grain sizes and volume fractions, which can 131 be the case for olivine and pyroxenes in peridotites. Moreover, synthetic peridotites (olivine-132 like+pyroxene-like) annealing experiments (Ohuchi & Nakamura, 2007; Hiraga, Tachibana, 133 et al., 2010) show that both olivine and pyroxene grains appear to grow simultaneously. 134 The evolution of the mean grain size of each phase with time follows an inverse power-135 law relationship (i.e. $R \propto t^{\frac{1}{n}}$, with R the mean grain size), with n varying for the two 136 phases with the composition of the sample but are relatively close to each other. It was 137 also shown by Hiraga, Tachibana, et al. (2010) that the migration of an interphase bound-138 ary is much slower than that of a grain boundary. Interphase boundary migration can 139 be explained by driving pressures resulting from phase transformation and capillarity. 140 The capillarity pressure term, $P = -\gamma \kappa$ (the notation σ , rather than γ , being often used 141 for phase evolutions), is identical to the capillarity pressure term acting on grain inter-142 faces with of course different values of interface energies and mobilities. This term, lead-143 ing to the balancing of multiple junctions, explains also the Gibbs-Thomson effect in con-144 text of phase interfaces and so the Ostwald ripening mechanism (i.e. long range diffu-145 sion) (Lifshitz & Slyozov, 1961). In fact, the Ostwald ripening corresponds to a low evo-146 lution with competition and equilibrium between small diffusion fluxes at interphase bound-147 aries and capillarity at these interfaces (by keeping constant global phase fractions). 148 In the considering context and following the state of the art (Ohuchi & Nakamura, 2007; 149

Hiraga, Tachibana, et al., 2010; Bercovici & Ricard, 2012), some hypotheses can be done. 150 First, in the absence of fluid (over or under saturated in Si^{4+} ions) the chemical poten-151 tial gradient related to phase change in between Px and Ol can be considered as very 152 slight and so volume fraction of the different phases assumed as constant. Thus, migra-153 tion of the phase interfaces can be considered as driven mainly by the capillarity pres-154 sure, i.e. the reduction of interfacial energy, leading to short term migration (multiple 155 junctions balancing) and long term evolution (the interphase energy decreasing being 156 responsible of local composition gradient and volume diffusion affecting the local veloc-157 ity and leading to the well-known Ostwald ripening mechanism). Thus, under dry con-158

ditions, it seems relevant to considerer a low capillarity pressure as the preponderant mechanism in interphase migration as sometimes considered in the literature (Bercovici & Ricard, 2012, 2014).

A statistical measurement of the different triple junctions of annealed microstructures 162 permits, applying Herring's law, the approximation of the different interfacial energies. 163 Knowing the interfacial energy of an Ol/Ol grain boundary ($\gamma_{Ol/Ol} = 1J.m^{-2}$, (Cooper 164 & Kohlstedt, 1986)), Tasaka and Hiraga (2013) found $\gamma_{Px/Px} = 0.8 J.m^{-2}$ and $\gamma_{Ol/Px} = 0.8 J.m^{-2}$ 165 $0.85J.m^{-2}$. These values, which will be considered as constant by phase (no crystallo-166 graphic dependence), constrain triple junction angles between both phases to be nearly 167 120° . Furthermore, as the local curvature of boundaries close to multiple junctions is very 168 high, the driving pressure due to capillarity is important enough to allow for the migra-169 tion of interphase boundaries. Since these boundaries have very slow migration veloc-170 ities, the equilibration of triple junctions will cause interphases to be curved (figure 1). 171 This effect has already been noticed by Linckens et al. (2014) under the name of "sur-172 face tension driven phase boundary migration". 173

Recent developments in the LS framework (Fausty et al., 2018) have permitted to 174 consider a non homogeneous interfacial energy throughout the microstructure. This for-175 malism proposes to describe the simulated microstructure by a certain number of LS func-176 tions ψ_i . Each function represents a set of non-neighboring grains by the signed distance 177 (positive and negative respectively inside and outside the grain) to the interfaces of the 178 grains. The different grain boundaries are then located at the 0 isovalue of the LS func-179 tions and the microstructure evolves through the transport of the these functions. The 180 classical LS transport equation is modified in order to take into account the spatial vari-181 ation of the interfacial energy. If the metric properties of the LS functions are respected 182 (i.e. $\|\nabla \psi_i\| = 1$) the strong formulation for a pure grain growth (only driven by cap-183 illarity) problem takes the form : 184

$$\frac{\partial \psi_i}{\partial t} + M \nabla \gamma \nabla \psi_i - \gamma M \Delta \psi_i = 0.$$
(6)

This formulation ensures that triple junctions respect Young's equilibrium. It has been shown by Fausty et al. (2018) that only considering the first and third terms of eq.(6) (i.e. classical strong formulation) with an heterogeneous γ field leads to triple junctions equilibrated at 120°. Taking into account of the second term of eq.(6) permits to respect

Young's law at triple junctions according to the different interfacial energies in place but 189 also to respect the local γ values in the boundaries kinetics. Of course, if this formal-190 ism allows to consider the capillarity pressure in all its complexity for grain and phase 191 interfaces, resulting slight local composition gradient at interphase boundaries and sub-192 sequent volume diffusion of Si^{4+} ions is not modeled in the proposed FE framework. This 193 aspect can be seen as an ambitious perspective of the proposed numerical framework in 194 terms of numerical complexity and necessary experimental data. In the proposed frame-195 work, this aspect is treated roughly by ensuring the volume conservation of each phase. 196 At each resolution time step, the DSP volume gained or lost is then redistributed through-197 out the microstructure (see appendix A). To summarize, in order to model the grain growth 198 within a forsterite (Mg rich end-member of olivine) + enstatite (Mg rich end-member 199 of pyroxene) system, we proceed as follows : 200

• the heterogeneous fields γ and M are defined at the different types of interfaces (Fo/Fo, En/En, Fo/En boundaries, see table 1 and section 3.1).

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• These fields are extended and regularised in order to make them differentiable by using the same method as Fausty et al. (2018).

The pre-Laplacian term of eq.(6) is calculated using these two heterogeneous fields.
The pre-convective term of eq.(6) is calculated by using the heterogeneous γ field

- and a homogeneous M field at a value equal to the one used for the of grain boundaries.
- The transport of the LS functions is obtained by solving eq.(6) through a FE framework (see (Fausty et al., 2018) for details on FE integration procedure).

• The DSP volume gained or lost is then redistributed throughout the microstructure during a last transport step of the LS functions in order to ensure the volume conservation of each phase (see appendix A).

This methodology takes into account both the very slow displacement of the interphase boundaries through a curvature driven pressure (described by the third term of eq.(6)), and its movement in order to respect the equilibrium angles at the multiple junctions (described by the second term of eq.(6)). Moreover, the curvature driven motion of the interphase boundaries involves to the smaller DSP grains to shrink, and this for the benefit of the larger grains through the volume redistribution step. Thus, the Ostwald ripening is in fact taken into account by considering very precisely the capillarity

- force at each kind of interface and by approximating (by homogenization at the multiphase polycrystal scale) the effect of residual diffusion fluxes.
- **3** Full field simulation results

Within this section, after having exposed the material parameters used, we present 224 different full field simulation results. First we present simulations of olivine grain growth 225 with SSP, then forsterite plus DSP (enstatite in this case) and finally the case of a peridotite-226 like (olivine plus enstatite plus SSP) grain growth. All initial microstructures are gen-227 erated using a Laguerre-Voronoï Dense Sphere Packing (VLDSP) algorithm (Hitti & Bernacki, 228 2013) which permits to respect precisely a grain size distribution in context of initial polyg-229 onal grain shapes. In the case of second phase growing simultaneously (i.e. DSP) the vol-230 ume of second phase is randomly distributed among the generated grains in order to re-231 spect an imposed DSP mean grain size. Finally, we use numerical conditions (grain size, 232 temperature, time) compatible with existing experimental data, i.e. a large number of 233 very small grains and relatively short annealing times. 234

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3.1 Material parameters

The different material parameters used for the full field simulations presented in 236 this section are listed in table 1. The values of γ are taken from the literature (see sec-237 tion 2.2). The mobility value of the Fo/Fo grain boundaries is calibrated on the pure forsterite 238 grain growth experiment of Hiraga, Tachibana, et al. (2010) considering the same acti-239 vation energy than an Ol/Ol grain boundary (Furstoss et al., 2018). The En/En grain 240 boundary mobility (reference mobility and activation energy) is the one determined by Skemer 241 and Karato (2007). For the interphase boundary mobility we took the value that best 242 replicates the experimental results of Hiraga, Tachibana, et al. (2010) assuming the ac-243 tivation energy determined by Nakakoji and Hiraga (2018) based on forsterite plus en-244 statite annealing experiments. For the latter mobility we find a value 3 order of mag-245 nitude lower than the one of Fo/Fo grain boundary which is consistent with previous study 246 (Bercovici & Ricard, 2012). 247

- These parameters have to be carefully considered and in particular the temperature dependence of the mobilities (i.e. activation energies). In fact, the temperature range used
- for their determination is very small (1473-1573K for Q_{Ol} from (Furstoss et al., 2018)

- and 1533-1673K for $Q_{Fo/En}$ from (Nakakoji & Hiraga, 2018)) or even null (only 1633K for Q_{Fo} from the present study, see section 3.3).
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3.2 Case of SSP acting as Smith-Zener pinning particles

In this section, the initial grain size distribution and the material parameters used 254 are the ones determined in 2D by Furstoss et al. (2018) using the experimental data of Karato 255 (1989) for pure olivine. The effect of SSP is studied by introducing different volume frac-256 tions (0.2, 5 and 10%) of spherical particles with different mean grain sizes (0.25, 0.5, 0.5, 0.5)257 0.75 and 1 as a fraction of the initial olivine mean grain size) with a small standard de-258 viation ($< 0.2\mu$ m). The calculation domain size is 0.2x0.2mm, the initial number of grains 259 is approximately 4000 and the temperature is 1573K. The mean grain size evolutions are 260 plotted in figure 2 for an SSP mean size of 0.5 times the initial olivine grain size and for 261 the different SSP volume fractions. 262

The experimental data plotted in figure 2 come from annealing of porous olivine 263 aggregates (Nichols & Mackwell, 1991) where pores are impeding the grain growth. The 264 initial volume fraction and the size of pores are not well constrained but may be esti-265 mated between 1 and 5% and close to 0.5 times the initial mean grain size respectively, 266 thus our simulations initial conditions are comparable with this experiment. Nichols and 267 Mackwell (1991) noticed an increase of the pore size during annealing, which results in 268 non frozen microstructure, not reaching a limiting mean grain size (see figure 2). As the 269 size and number of SSP imposed in the full field simulations do not evolve, the model 270 shows the same trend as in experiments at the beginning of the simulation, then quickly 271 reaches a limiting mean grain size. Figure 2 shows a significant decrease of the grain growth 272 kinetics when the volume fraction of the SSP increases, and other simulations with dif-273 ferent SSP sizes show the same trends. Usually the presence of homogeneously dispersed 274 SSP also imposes a limiting mean grain size (Scholtes, Ilin, et al., 2016) which corresponds 275 to a totally pinned microstructure. Figure 2 shows that for 5 and 10% of SSP volume 276 fraction, the limiting mean grain size is small and rapidly reached. For 0.2% of SSP vol-277 ume fraction, higher limiting mean grain size is expected, and takes more time to reach 278 (mean field model from section 4.2.1 predicts a limiting mean grain size near 28µm ob-279 tained in 50 hours). The other full field simulations show also that by increasing the SSP 280 volume fraction, the limiting mean grain is lower and is reached faster. 281

We then try to estimate the effect of the SSP size for a given SSP volume fraction on the grain growth kinetics. In fact, for the same SSP volume fraction the microstructure where the SSP size is the lowest has the lowest limiting mean grain size and the slowest grain growth kinetics (figure 3). This is due to the fact that for a similar volume, the cumulated surface of the pores interacting with the crystalline matrix is more important when the pores (or SSP) are small and dispersed.

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3.3 Case of primary and secondary phases growing simultaneously

We then performed full field simulation of grain growth in a biphase material where 289 the two phases grow simultaneously, using the method presented in section 2. We com-290 pare the predicted mean grain size evolutions with the ones obtained experimentally by Hiraga, 291 Tachibana, et al. (2010) during an annealing treatment of different forsterite and enstatite 292 mixtures. As the major phase is forsterite, we cannot use the material parameters of nat-293 ural olivine as in the previous section. Thus we used the same methodology as in (Furstoss 294 et al., 2018) to obtain, from the pure forsterite annealing experiment, the 2D grain bound-295 ary mobility. However, as the data from (Hiraga, Tachibana, et al., 2010) have been ob-296 tained only for one annealing temperature, we cannot determine the activation energy, 297 which describes the temperature dependence of the grain boundary mobility. Thus, the 298 activation energy will be considered equal to that of a natural olivine (Fo 92%) grain bound-299 ary. Nevertheless, the obtained grain boundary mobility after calibration is $4.9 \cdot 10^{-4} mm^4 J^{-1} s^{-1}$, 300 which is valid at 1633K whereas the natural olivine 2D grain boundary mobility at this 301 temperature was $4.9 \cdot 10^{-2} mm^4 J^{-1} s^{-1}$. The initial mean grain sizes for each phase 302 are the ones given by Hiraga, Tachibana, et al. (2010) which permits a direct compar-303 ison with the experimental results in terms of total mean grain size (figure 4) or mean 304 grain size for both phases (figure 5). 305

The grain size evolutions predicted by the full field LS approach are in very good agreement with experimental data (figures 4 and 5), excepted for the pure forsterite case for which we calibrated the Fo/Fo grain boundary mobility. The simulated grain size evolution for 0% DSP fraction show a quasi linear trend while the experimental one tends to a limit mean grain size. For this case (pure forsterite) we suspect the presence of a small amount of SSP, this point is discussed in the section 4.3. The ratio between the major phase (forsterite) mean grain size and the DSP mean grain size is not constant over the simulation durations at least for DSP fractions $\leq 15\%$ (figure 6). However for 24% of DSP fraction, this ratio seems to be constant during all the simulation, which suggests that this ratio could be taken into consideration only if a steadystate is reached between the main phase and the DSP particles.

As for the pure olivine case in presence of SSP (see previous section), the DSP fraction has an effect on grain growth kinetics : increasing the DSP fraction decreases the average growth rate. The simulated and experimental microstructure morphology after two hours of annealing for the 9% enstatite sample are presented in figure 7.

While the predicted grain sizes are consistent with the experimental ones, the sim-321 ulated microstructure morphology, and particularly the DSP grain shape, shows some 322 differences : in the experiments, DSP grains are either polygonal, concave or convex while 323 in the simulation they are mostly concave and sometimes polygonal depending on the 324 local configuration (see figure 7). These results show that our scheme reproduces exper-325 imental results even if the mobility of interphase boundaries is not precisely constrained. 326 Indeed, the main factor that impedes grain growth here is the pinning of grain bound-327 aries by triple junctions which have an interphase boundary. 328

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3.4 Peridotite-like grain growth

In this section, we seek to model the grain growth within a system which may rep-330 resent a natural peridotite at least in terms of phase composition. We used phase pro-331 portions comparable to those of a Lherzolite (Roden et al., 1988) which could be encoun-332 tered, for instance, within a peridotite xenolith. The major phase, representing olivine, 333 accounts for 78% volume fraction, the DSP, which may be ortho/clino-pyroxene is taken 334 as 19% volume fraction and the SSP, which could be aluminium phases or pores repre-335 sent 3% of the volume. The initial grain size distributions for the three phases are iden-336 tical. 337

The predicted mean grain size evolution and the microstructure morphology at different stages of the annealing are plotted in figure 8. The grain growth rate is slower than the ones predicted in pure olivine + SSP or DSP aggregates (figure 3 and 4). The DSP grain shapes are, as for the full field simulations presented in section 3.3, mostly concave or polygonal depending on the local morphology of the microstructure. ³⁴³ 4 Discussion

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4.1 Grain growth kinetics and microstructure morphologies

Our results show that grain growth kinetics in peridotites is strongly impacted by 345 the presence of SSP and DSP. In fact, even few percent of SSP significantly reduces the 346 growth rate and imposes a limiting mean grain size (figure 3). The decrease of the SSP 347 size for a same SSP volume fraction decreases both the growth kinetics and the limit-348 ing mean grain size (figure 4). This may be explained by the reduction of the mean in-349 terparticle distance and thus the increase of the number of contact points between grain 350 boundaries and SSP. For the same reasons, the increase of the SSP volume fraction for 351 a same SSP size results in a decrease of the growth rate and the limiting mean grain size. 352 In the same way, increasing the DSP volume fraction decreases the growth rate (figure 353 4). This may be explained by the impeding of the grain boundaries by the slower inter-354 phase boundaries whose density increases with increasing DSP volume fraction, at least 355 for the fractions considered in this work. The results of experimental annealing of forsterite 356 and enstatite microstructure are well reproduced by our full field formalism in terms of 357 total mean grain size evolution (figure 4) and mean grain size evolution for each phase 358 (figure 5). In experimental mixtures and natural mantle rocks, the Zener relationship 359 which fixes the ratio between the major phase and the DSP mean grain size seems to 360 be achieved (Linckens et al., 2011; Tasaka et al., 2014) (see figure 6). 361

The simulated mean grain size evolutions do not show a perfect linear trend and 362 particularly for the smaller DSP fractions (figure 6). In fact, the achievement of Zener 363 relationship assumes in addition to the classical Smith-Zener assumptions (see section 364 4.2.1) that the microstructure is at equilibrium (i.e. has reached the maximum mean grain 365 size as long as the DSP grains do not grow). However, this equilibrium is not necessar-366 ily reached at the first evolution stages and especially for small DSP fractions for which 367 grain growth without pinning can still occur. Nevertheless, for larger grain sizes the nu-368 merical results are within the range of ratios defined by experimental and natural rock 369 samples. 370

The morphology of the simulated microstructures does not change from a monophase system by considering only SSP : grains are polygonal in shape (figure 4). By introducing DSP, the microstructure shows significant difference in terms of grain shapes, and in particular some DSP grains do not have straight interphase boundaries. In experimen-

tal data, these boundaries can be straight or curved either inward or outward of the DSP 375 grains. However, the full-field simulation reproduces only straight or inward curved in-376 terphase boundaries (figure 7 and 8). This may be due to two numerical aspects: i. the 377 number of dimensions used to simulate the grain growth; indeed the capillarity force should 378 take into account the 3 dimensional nature of the interface curvature, which is naturally 379 done in experimental conditions but not in the considered 2D full field model and ii. our 380 treatment for conserving volume phase fractions which act to phase interfaces and which 381 is, topologically, a rough approximation of the slight diffusion mechanism due to Gibbs-382 Thomson effect. 383

4.2 Mean-field model

A mean field model describing the mean grain size evolution taking into account the presence of SSP, DSP or both can be proposed by describing, statistically, the driving and dragging pressure exerted on the grain boundaries of the microstructure. In fact, considering that the velocity of a grain boundary is equivalent to the evolution of the mean grain size \bar{R} , eq.(1) can be rewritten as :

$$\frac{d\bar{R}}{dt} = M(P - \sum P_{drag}).$$
(7)

In order to be consistent with the present full field simulations, the driving pressure will be taken as the capillarity pressure and will be approximated by $\frac{\gamma}{pR^{p-1}}$ (Rozel et al., 2011) where γ is the interfacial energy of the major phase and p the growth exponent generally taken to be 2 (Kameyama et al., 1997).

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4.2.1 Smith-Zener pinning drag pressure

Using the same strategy than in the classical Smith-Zener framework (Smith, 1948), 395 we make the hypotheses that each SSP exerts the maximal possible force on the grain 396 boundaries. The dragging force from eq.(5) becomes $F_{dragSSP} = \pi \bar{R}_{SSP} \gamma$ (for inco-397 herent SSP) with \bar{R}_{SSP} the mean SSP radius. By also considering that the number of 398 SSP at the interfaces (n_{GB}) corresponds to a random distribution of volume fraction f_{SSP} 300 over the domain, this number can be expressed as $n_{GB} = n_v 2\bar{R}_{SSP}$ with $n_v = \frac{3f_{SSP}}{4\pi\bar{R}_{SSP}^3}$ 400 the number density of spherical SSP of mean radius \bar{R}_{SSP} . Those two equations give the 401 pressure exerted by the SSP on the grain boundaries as : 402

$$P_{dragSSP} = F_{dragSSP} \cdot n_{GB} = \frac{3\gamma f_{SSP}}{2\bar{R}_{SSP}}.$$
(8)

This expression can be modified in order to take into account the possible deviations from the assumptions mentioned above, for instance, due to the variations of SSP radii around the mean radius or to the non-perfectly random distribution of the SSP. Then eq.(8) is rewritten as :

$$P_{dragSSP} = \frac{3\gamma f_{SSP}^{m_{SSP}}}{2K_{SSP}\bar{R}_{SSP}},\tag{9}$$

where K_{SSP} and m_{SSP} are mean-field parameters which have to be calibrated on experimental or full field simulation results.

In all cases, relation (9) shows that for a given SSP radius or a given SSP volume fraction, a large volume fraction or respectively a small SSP radius, where the corresponding mean interparticles distance is small (figure 3) will result in a large pressure on the moving grain boundaries. By using this expression in eq.(7), the mean grain size evolution can be computed knowing the initial mean grain size. The mean field parameters are used to fit the different full field simulation results presented in section 3.2 (figure 2) and are then plotted against the ratio $\frac{\bar{R}_{SSP}}{R_0}$ as illustrated in figure 9a.

- This mean field model predicts the grain growth kinetics taking into account the presence SSP without the use of full field models except for the initial calibration. However, as the mean field parameters may depend also on other system characteristics (i.e. grain size distribution, shape of the SSP) this calibration should be used with care and considered valid only for the exact conditions used to calibrate it.
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4.2.2 Interphase boundary pinning drag pressure

In experimental or simulated annealed biphase microstructures, grains of the minor phase are generally separated from each other, occupying the multiple junctions of the other phase (figure 4). Thus the number of multiple junction involving interphase boundaries increases which act as blocking barriers to the grain boundary migration, and so impede grain growth.

427 At the contact zone between grain boundary and interphase boundary, the formed triple 428 junction exerts a force resisting growth comparable to the pinning force. This force can be expressed by considering a single spherical grain of the DSP surrounded by grains of
the major phase with triangular ridge at the triple junction (geometrical model already
exposed by Bercovici and Ricard (2012)) :

$$F_{dragDSP} = (2\gamma_{IB}cos(\theta) - \gamma)\pi\bar{R}_{DSP},$$
(10)

where γ_{IB} is the interphase boundary interfacial energy, \bar{R}_{DSP} is the equivalent mean radius of the DSP grain and θ is the half-angle formed by the ridge (i.e. the half of the triple junction angle located inside the DSP grain). This expression is consistent with the Smith-Zener pinning force equation (5), and also translates the inhibition of grain growth by the presence of DSP.

By considering a 2D space, the number of ridges developed around a DSP grain surrounded by grains of other phases is the 2D coordinence of the grain. Thus, making the hypothesis that the DSP grains are non agglomerated (consistent if the DSP does not represent a large volume fraction) the number of ridge per unit surface can be expressed as :

$$n_{ridge} = \frac{f_{DSP}\bar{C}_{DSP}}{\pi\bar{R}_{DSP}^2},\tag{11}$$

where f_{DSP} and \bar{C}_{DSP} are respectively the volume fraction and the mean 2D coordinence of the DSP. The latter can be easily extracted from the full field simulations and plotted as shown in figure 10.

The driving pressure exerted by the ridge onto the grain boundaries of the principal phase can then be estimated as :

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$$P_{dragDSP} = F_{dragDSP} \cdot n_{ridge} = \frac{(2\gamma_{IB}cos(\theta) - \gamma)f_{DSP}\bar{C}_{DSP}}{\bar{R}_{DSP}}.$$
(12)

As for the dragging pressure of the SSP, the expression of the dragging pressure for the DSP is generalized according to :

$$P_{dragDSP} = \frac{(2\gamma_{IB}cos(\theta) - \gamma)f_{DSP}^{m_{DSP}}\bar{C}_{DSP}}{K_{DSP}\bar{R}_{DSP}},$$
(13)

where K_{DSP} and m_{DSP} are the mean field parameters, which able to predict a consistent dragging pressure for cases quite distant from the above mentioned hypotheses (i.e. when the DSP fraction is large the number of ridges is not equivalent to the 2D DSP coordinence). Equation (13) requires computing the DSP grain size evolution in a mean field way, which can be simulated using a generalized Burke and Turnbull law (Burke & Turnbull, 1952; Cruz-Fabiano et al., 2014) :

$$\bar{R}_{DSP}^2 - R_{DSP0}^2 = \alpha M_{DSP} \gamma_{DSP} t^n, \tag{14}$$

where R_{DSP0} is the initial DSP mean grain size, M_{DSP} and γ_{DSP} are the mobility and 455 interfacial energy between two DSP grains respectively, and α and n are the Burke and 456 Turnbull parameters which, by fitting the DSP grain size evolution, are 0.6 and 0.284 457 respectively. By using the expression of the dragging pressure in eq.(7) and eq.(14) to 458 compute the DSP mean grain size, the grain growth kinetics within a biphase material 459 can be predicted. The mean field parameters are used to fit the different full field sim-460 ulation results presented in section 3.3 (figure 4) and are then plotted as a function of 461 f_{DSP} as shown in figure 9b. 462

As with the SSP dragging pressure mean field model presented in the precedent section, this model should be used with caution, being aware that its validity is limited to the conditions used to calibrate it.

4.2.3 Total mean grain size evolution law

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⁴⁶⁷ By using the expressions of the dragging pressures developed above with eq.(7), ⁴⁶⁸ we can estimate the mean grain size evolution of a microstructure as a function of DSP ⁴⁶⁹ and SSP fraction as :

$$\frac{d\bar{R}}{dt} = M(\frac{\gamma}{2\bar{R}} - \frac{3\gamma f_{SSP}^{m_{SSP}}}{2K_{SSP}\bar{R}_{SSP}} - \frac{(2\gamma_{IB}cos(\theta) - \gamma)f_{DSP}^{m_{DSP}}\bar{C}_{DSP}}{K_{DSP}\bar{R}_{DSP}}).$$
(15)

By replacing the material parameters with that of forsterite and enstatite, the mean field parameters by their calibrations and the others known values this expression becomes :

$$\frac{d\bar{R}}{dt}(mm.s^{-1}) = 4 \cdot 10^{-4} e^{-\frac{1.85 \cdot 10^5}{RT}} (\frac{1}{2\bar{R}} - \frac{3f_{SSP}^{-0.06\frac{\bar{R}_{SSP}}{R_0} + 0.65}}{(-0.67\frac{\bar{R}_{SSP}}{R_0} + 2.5)2\bar{R}_{SSP}} - \frac{0.23f_{DSP}^{5.40f_{DSP}^2 - 2.90f_{DSP} + 0.47}}{(-9.89f_{DSP}^2 + 3.34f_{DSP} + 0.64)\bar{R}_{DSP}}).$$
(16)

Using this equation and the DSP grain size evolution law (eq.(14)), the mean grain size 473 evolution of a peridotite-like sample (see section 3.4) during an annealing treatment is 474 underestimated but essentially reproduced (figure 8) without needing to calibrate other 475 parameters. This underestimation can be explained and corrected by considering that 476 a certain number of SSP grains are in contact with DSP grains which decreases the num-477 ber of ridges and SSP grains effectively pinning the grain boundaries. The DSP mean 478 coordinance \bar{C}_{DSP} without counting the SSP grains is then lower (figure 10), 5.3 instead 479 of 6.2, and a corrective coefficient of $\frac{5.3}{6.2}$ can be applied to the second term of equation 480 (15) or (17) to account for this configuration. Taking into account these corrections, the 481 predicted mean grain size evolution of a peridotite-like is more consistent with the full 482 field simulation (figure 8). In a geodynamical perspective, the remaining underestima-483 tion of grain growth kinetics should not be highly problematic despite the timescale in-484 volved, because temperatures may be lower $\left(\frac{d\bar{R}}{dt} \propto e^{-\frac{Q}{RT}}\right)$, and initial grain size higher 485 than the ones used in experiments. For instance, with the activation energy used in this 486 study, the timescale of the peridotite-like annealing (figure 8) will be 100 years at 900K 487 instead of 50000s at 1633K. Furthermore, for this type of extrapolation, the activation 488 energy has a first order importance, although estimates from the literature appear to be 489 very different (ranging from 160 to 600kJ/mol, after (Evans et al., 2001)). When using 490 an activation energy of 300kJ/mol, the timescale of the peridotite-like annealing (figure 491 8) will be 100000 years at 900K, compared to 50000s at 1633K. 492

The conditions used for these mean field modelings are close to the ones which served to their calibrations (e.g. grain size distribution, SSP size, DSP volume fraction, temperature) but have necessitated an interpolation of the mean field parameters. The mean field prediction gives consistent mean grain size evolution even interpolated within the range of calibration. However, far from these conditions, or extrapolated, the mean field model will need to be tested carefully and probably recalibrated. Moreover, particular caution should be taken on the temperature dependance of our models while the activation energy gets a first order influence (see the above paragraph) and because no multi temperature simulations has been performed with experimental comparison.

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4.3 Adequation of mean field models with short and long term annealing experiments

In two recent papers, Nakakoji et al. (2018); Nakakoji and Hiraga (2018) (NH2018) 504 published the results of long term (500h) experiments for grain growth and deformation 505 in an enstatite-forsterite synthetic aggregate for a DSP proportion of 20%, at different 506 temperatures. Unfortunately, only the results after 500h of annealing are available, but 507 these results allow us to evaluate the performance of our mean field model at large time 508 scales. In comparison, the experiment presented in (Hiraga, Tachibana, et al., 2010) (H2010) 509 paper that was used to calibrate our model was conducted for a single temperature of 510 $1360^{\circ}C$ (1633K), but with different proportions of DSP and tracked the grain size evo-511 lution through time. The description of grain boundary diffusion-controlled grain growth 512 in NH2018 is based on the formulation proposed by Ardell (1972) for the rate of growth 513 of the DSP (e.g., enstatite), such as: 514

$$d_{t_En}^4 - d_{0_En}^4 = \frac{8\gamma c\delta D_{GB_growth} V_{m_growth}^2 \nu}{3GRT} t,$$
(17)

where $d_{0_En}=0.3$ µm and d_{t_En} are the initial and final enstatite sizes respectively, γ is the surface energy (0.85 $J.m^{-2}$), δ is the grain boundary width (1nm), D_{GB_growth} is the grain boundary diffusivity for grain growth, V_{m_growth} is the molar volume for grain growth (3.61·10⁻⁵ $m^3.mol^{-1}$), ν depends on the proportion of DSP ($\nu = 0.47$ for $f_{DSP} =$ 24%), G is a geometric factor (0.34) and R is the gas constant.

We first use the results of NH2018 to estimate the grain boundary diffusivity at 520 $1360^{\circ}C$ and find $D_{GB_{growth}} \approx 1.76 \cdot 10^{-13} m^2 s^{-1}$. Similarly, we estimate the mean 521 sizes of enstatite and forsterite grains at $1360^{\circ}C$ after 500h based on NH2018's results 522 at 1.4 and 2.4 µm, respectively. The ratio of forsterite versus enstatite radii is 1.65 ac-523 cording to NH2018. If we draw the growth of enstatite and forsterite grains with time 524 according to the theoretical curve described in equation 17, we find that it explains the 525 grain size of both phases after 500h, but fails to capture the grain size evolution during 526 the first 50h of the experiment, during which grains grow much faster than predicted (fig-527

ure 11a). Conversely, our mean field model (equation 17) performs slightly better dur-528 ing the first 10h (although the predicted grain size is a little too large) but fails to ex-529 plain the latest stages of the experiment in the absence of SPP. Indeed, after 50-100h 530 grain growth seems to slow down of even stop completely, whereas both mean-field mod-531 els predict continuous grain growth. This slowing down cannot be explained unless we 532 consider the possible presence of a small fraction of SSP in NH2018 experiments, which 533 could be tiny pores or impurities. If we try to adjust our mean field model taking into 534 account SPP, we find that a very small fraction of SPP (0.1%) of extremely small size 535 $(\approx 60nm)$ better explains the long- and short-term experimental results (figure 11b). 536 This issue has already been raised by Bercovici and Ricard (2012) where these authors 537 suggest the presence of small (< 1%) proportion of SPP in H2010's experiments, based 538 on an analytical solution of two-phase grain growth with SPP. Based on these results, 539 we suggest that short-term (< 50h) annealing experiments can help calibrating full-field 540 or mean-field models such as those presented in this study because they have a lower sen-541 sitivity to the presence of small SPP than long-term ones. Conversely, our mean-field 542 and/or full-field models could be used to better constrain the initial conditions of long-543 term experiments and in particular infer the presence of undetectable SPP. 544

545 5 Conclusion

The grain growth of a multiphase material is largely impacted by the presence of 546 secondary phases. In this study, we focused on grain growth kinetics of mantle peridotites 547 at lithospheric depth conditions. Generally, increasing fraction of secondary phases re-548 duces the growth rate. Two aspects of multiphase material evolution were modelled here: 549 the occurrence of static secondary phases that block or pin a surface (for instance spinel 550 or other rare phases which compositions are very different from olivine and even more 551 static than spinel) and the occurrence of evolving secondary phases (pyroxenes versus 552 olivine in peridotites). The interphase boundary migration occurring by Ostwald ripen-553 ing is taken into consideration in our model by accounting for capillarity force and ap-554 proximating the effect of residual diffusion fluxes by a homogenized numerical treatment. 555 This assumption could be avoided in a future work by the implementation of small-scale 556 diffusion fluxes in the numerical model. Anyway, the full field LS framework presented 557 here precisely reproduced different grain growth experiments within multiphase peridotite 558 analogues and may allow accessing to geologically relevant time and space scales and es-559

pecially for natural microstructures for which the grain sizes involve timescales out of 560 reach for laboratory experiments. Based on the full field model, we then propose a mean 561 field model with the aim to calculate the grain size evolution upon the presence of dif-562 ferent type of secondary phases using minimal computational resources. We explain how 563 the mean field model proposed here can be recalibrated on experimental or full field data 564 as long as the initial conditions are fixed (e.g. SSP or DSP fraction and size, grain size 565 distribution). Such mean field models might be of peculiar importance within large-scale 566 geodynamic models where grain size sensitive creep has to be considered. 567

Appendices

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A Volume conservation enforcement

The artificial volume conservation through the use of another LS functions trans-570 port step is not only needed in order to respect the hypothesis, made in section 2.2, that 571 the phase fractions remain constant. In fact, the computational domain can also be con-572 sidered as an open domain where chemical compounds, such as silica, may enter and exit 573 through diffusion, which may cause variations in the volume fraction of the different phases. 574 However, in order to estimate the effect of the proportion of DSP on grain growth ki-575 netics, we have to keep this proportion constant throughout the simulation. Using pe-576 riodic boundary conditions or enlarging the computational domain could have been other 577 solutions to treat or limit this border domain aspect but the first is not implemented (due 578 to remeshing operations) and the second would have been too computer time consum-579 ing. 580

Therefore, at each timestep the signed DSP volume variation $\Delta\Omega$ is tracked and uniformly redistributed by applying the following velocity to the interphase boundaries of the microstructure as schematized in figure 12 :

$$\vec{v} = -\frac{\Delta\Omega}{\Gamma\Delta t}\vec{n} \tag{18}$$

where Γ is the interphase boundary surface where the velocity is applied and Δt is the

585 timestep.

By using this methodology, already tested within a LS context (Pino-Munoz et al., 586 2014), the volume change over the all simulation does not exceed 0.01% while without 587 this redistribution step the DSP fraction generally increases up to full the calculation 588 domain after a long simulation time. As shown in figure 12 this phase redistribution step 589 does not change the shape of the DSP grain since the homogeneous velocity field is ap-590 plied along and through the normal of the interface. It is important to notice that this 591 method is not mass conserving in the traditional sense (e.g. no species conservation equa-592 tion). Moreover the DSP volume is not locally redistributed though realistic local com-593 position gradient because all of the loss or win volume is homogeneously redispatched 594 on each DSP grain of the microstructure. A perspective of this treatment consists to con-595 sider a more realistic redistribution by considering, at each time step, the velocity of Eq.18 596 as locally dependent of the size of the considering second phase grain comparatively to 597 the second phase mean grain size. The idea being to reproduce more closely Ostwald Ripen-598 ing effects. 599

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Table 1: Material parameters used for the full field simulations, from a: (Furstoss et al., 2018), b: present study, c: (Skemer & Karato, 2007), d: (Nakakoji & Hiraga, 2018), e: (Cooper & Kohlstedt, 1986) and f: (Tasaka & Hiraga, 2013).

7 Figures caption

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Figure 1: Electron Back Scattered (EBS) - Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM) image of a peridotite from the French Massif Central, left : an Ol/Ol grain boundary pinned by spinel particles and the geometrical model of the interaction between a SSP and a grain boundary from Agnoli et al. (2014), right : the light and dark gray phases are orthopyroxene and olivine respectively, the arrows show some curved interphase boundaries impeded by triple junctions.

Figure 2: Full field predicted mean grain size evolutions are for an initial grain size distribution similar to the one used by Karato (1989). Grain boundary mobility is calibrated on the 0% static second phase (SSP) fraction grain growth experiment as explained in (Furstoss et al., 2018), and the SSP and the olivine mean grain size are 0.8 and 1.7µm respectively. The experimental data come from (Nichols & Mackwell, 1991) and the mean field predictions (dotted line) are from section 4.2.1. Figure 3: Left, initial microstructures with 5% of static second phase (SSP) fraction for SSP mean grain size equal to 0.5 (top) and 1 (bottom) time the initial olivine mean grain size. Right, microstructures after 4000s annealing at 1573K. The grain colors are related to the index of the global level set function which describes the considered grain (Scholtes et al., 2015).

Figure 4: Total mean grain size evolution during experimental (dots from (Hiraga, Tachibana, et al., 2010)), simulated (solid lines) and predicted by the mean field model (dashed lines, see section 4.2.2) annealing treatments at 1633K for different dynamic second phase (DSP) fractions

Figure 5: Mean grain size evolution for each phase during experimental (dots from (Hiraga, Tachibana, et al., 2010)), simulated (solid lines) and predicted by the mean field model (dashed lines, see section 4.2.2) annealing treatments at 1633K for the 3% and 9% dynamic second phase (DSP) fraction systems.

Figure 6: Plot of the major phase mean grain size depending on the DSP mean grain size and fraction for : natural mantle rocks (ultramylonites) from (Linckens et al., 2011) (dashed lines), forsterite plus enstatite mixture from (Tasaka et al., 2014) (solid lines) and for the simulation of the present study (dots from section 3.3).

Figure 7: Simulated (left) and experimental (right) from (Tasaka & Hiraga, 2013) microstructure, at the same scale, with 24% of dynamic second phase (DSP) fraction after 2h annealing at 1633K. The blue and red colours correspond to enstatite and forsterite respectivelly. Figure 8: Simulation of a peridotite-like annealing at 1633K. The full field predicted mean grain size evolution is represented by the solid line while the dotted lines show the non-corrected (green) and corrected (orange) mean field predictions (see section 4.2.3). The full field simulated microstructure is represented a the top of the figure at different stages, and the calculation domain size is 10x10µm.

Figure 9: Best fit mean field parameters K (orange) and m (blue) for static second phase (SSP) (9a) : plotted as a function of $\frac{\bar{R}_{SSP}}{R_0}$ where R_0 is the initial mean grain size and for dynamic second phase (DSP) (9b) : plotted as a function of f_{DSP} .

Figure 10: Dynamic second phase (DSP) 2D coordinance distribution of, the 9% volume fraction DSP (without static second phase, SSP) simulated microstructure after 10000s annealing at 1633K (red), and the peridotite-like (the SSP grains are not taken into account for the coordinance) simulated microstructure after 45000s annealing at 1633K (blue). The arrows indicate the mean coordinance, $\bar{C}_{DSP} = 6.2$ for simulation without SSP and $\bar{C}_{DSP} = 5.3$ for the simulation with SSP.

Figure 11: Mean grain size evolution for 24% DSP annealing at 1633K, (11a) : comparison of mean field models after Nakakoji et al. (2018) (NH2018), Bercovici and Ricard (2012) (BR2012) and this study with experiments of Hiraga, Tachibana, et al. (2010) and Nakakoji et al. (2018), (11b) : comparison between experiments and mean field model developed in this study taking into account in addition to the 24% DSP, 0.1% of SSP with different SSP size. Article

Figure 12: Representation of the volume conservation enforcement, the green grain is the initial dynamic second phase grain, the red grain is the one obtained after the physical LS function transport step and the blue one is obtained after the volume redistribution transport step.

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5% SSP, small SSP grains



5% SSP, large SSP grains

Time: 0 s

mm 0.12 0.14 0.16 0.18 0.2 0.02 0.04 0.06 0.08 0.1 0

Time: 4000 s

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