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Title: “Refurbishment and Lifetime Enhancement of Aircraft Components”

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Abstract:

Aircraft components are typically replaced with new parts as soon as they show localized damage. Kinetic spraying has the potential to successively rebuild defective areas, thus saving considerable costs and resources in aviation. However, process parameters have complex interdependencies and must be individually adjusted. This includes primary parameters related to material and impact conditions, as reflected by the ratio between impact and critical velocity, but also secondary influences related to robotics, like transversal velocity of the gun over the substrate. Computer-based trajectory planning will be presented for different model repair geometries. Resulting critical mechanical properties like adhesion and cohesive strength are analyzed and discussed. Temperature gradients during deposition have a significant influence on stress distribution and potential crack propagation. Based on a comprehensive knowledge of mechanisms and processes, properties and stress states may be tailored to obtain as new properties in repair. These concepts can also be applied to new parts to control crack pathways and enhance service life.



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