Modeling of non-Newtonian fluids without material frame indifference

Wolfgang Dreyer (WIAS)

In the fifties the modeling of non-Newtonian fluids initiated the search for invariant time derivatives with respect to certain space time transformations. Then Euclidean Transformations were selected to establish the Principle of Material Frame Indifference and Nth Grade Fluids. However, the two concepts lead to serious inconsistencies between thermodynamic consistent models and experimental observations. In 1986 the subject has been resolved in a remarkable paper by I. Müller and K. Wilmanski. We discuss alternative non-Newtonian fluids models of Maxwell-type and of Balance-type within Continuum Thermodynamics as it was laid down by D. Bothe and W. Dreyer.