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For many other applications, however, the demands of electrical technology require copper to have higher mechanical properties and to be capable of use at elevated operating temperatures while still retaining the good conductivity for which it is selected in the first place. Therefore, a large variety of high copper alloys has been developed, whose properties are equal to or, in some cases, higher than those of many other engineering metals, yet, which have conductivities high enough for electrical applications. Pure copper has the highest electrical conductivity of any commercial metal. This property makes it the preferred material for power and telecommunications cables, magnet winding wire, printed circuit board conductors and a host of other electrical applications. The copper industry has invested a lot of research effort over decades to create materials capable of meeting these demanding needs. The products of this research are found in the large variety of high copper alloys, materials whose properties are equal to or, in some cases, higher than those of many other engineering metals, yet, which have conductivities high enough for electrical applications. In terms of composition, and for wrought products forms rod, bar, sheet, strip, etc. Not surprisingly, it is primarily their relatively high copper content that gives this family of copper alloys their high conductivity. Pure copper is the optimal material for electric current conductors. It combines high electric conductivity and a reasonable price. But many wire and cable applications require a strength which exceeds the strength attainable with pure copper wire, e. In these cases the use of copper alloys becomes necessary. Strength increase in alloys is possible by two different metallurgical effects, solid solution hardening and precipitation hardening. Brass and bronze are widely used solid solution hardened alloys. Certain high copper alloys with low contents of alloying elements, e. Ni, Si, and Cr, are precipitation hardened and offer an interesting combination of high strength, good electrical conductivity and relaxation resistance. The high-copper alloy family includes, in wrought forms, cadmium coppers C and C , beryllium coppers CC , chromium coppers CC , zirconium copper C , chromium-zirconium copper C and combinations of these and other elements. Alloy C, another member of the group, contains nickel, silicon and chromium. There are fewer cast high-copper alloys, although the beryllium copper family is well represented. Solid Solution Hardened Copper Alloys Copper lattice is able to dissolve a certain amount of atoms of other metals, e. Sn, Zn and Mg. These atoms take the lattice sites of copper atoms which is called solid solution. The copper lattice in the vicinity of the atoms is distorted by expansion if the atoms which are bigger than copper atom, e. If the atoms are smaller than copper, e. Sn, Ni and Al, the lattice distortion is a contraction. In both cases the resistance of the material against deformation is increased compared to pure copper, in other words the material becomes harder. Some elements can be dissolved in copper in high percentages. According to the equilibrium phase diagrams, the maximum solubility of Zn is To achieve high strength wire, in addition to the solid solution hardening effect a high degree of cold drawing deformation is necessary. Thin wires of phosphor bronze easily achieve strength values of MPa due to cold drawing. But lattice distortion due to alloyed elements decreases electrical conductivity. The disadvantage of solid solution hardened alloys is the low electrical conductivity, e. This decrease of electric conductivity is due to the lattice distortion caused by alloying atoms. In order to minimize the drop in electrical conductivity and to increase strength, solid solution hardened high copper alloys with low content of alloyed elements are applied. To overcome this, the application of precipitation hardened alloys becomes necessary. Precipitation Hardened High Copper Alloys The ability to dissolve other types of atoms in general is increased at elevated temperatures. If temperature decreases the limit of solubility is undershot. This fact may be utilized to generate precipitations by an annealing procedure at temperatures below the solubility limit. The atoms form precipitations, a second phase, an intermetallic. The size of these particles usually is lower than nm. As the atoms leave the lattice, the lattice distortion is undone and the electric conductivity of the material increases. Cold deformation after the solution annealing but previous to the age annealing supports the formation of small-sized and homogeneously distributed precipitations. On the other hand the precipitates increase the base strength of the material and influence the strengthening behavior. They harden the material. A big advantage of precipitation hardened alloys is their relaxation resistance. If the material is exposed to elevated service temperatures the precipitates do not dissolve and the increased base hardness is maintained. As the content of alloyed elements in these alloys is low, these alloys are classified as high copper alloys. Relaxation Resistance Rough service conditions require high performance materials e. Impacts require high strength and ductility Vibrations require high fatigue strength Elevated temperature requires relaxation resistance. The strength of solid solution hardened alloys is due to the lattice deformation during the cold drawing process. As this base strength is low, solid solution hardened alloys suffer from severe relaxation. In principle, precipitation hardened alloys are subjected to the same degradation. However, their base strength is much higher and hence they exhibit good, and some alloys even very good relaxation resistance. Applications of High Copper Alloys Few typical uses are given below, each encompassing a very wide variety of designs and demands to meet product needs. Several of the applications listed are ordinarily satisfied by one of the electrical coppers, UNS CC, and high copper alloys are used only when their enhanced properties and needed and when a somewhat lower electrical or thermal conductivity can be tolerated. Terminals and connectors for electrical, electronic and automotive applications. The bulk of these are made from brass, or, for somewhat more demanding applications, phosphor bronze. High copper alloys such as beryllium copper, copper-nickel and others are reserved for more severe duty, especially with regard to stress relaxation resistance. As always, factors such as formability, strength and conductivity play a role in the materials selection decision. Designers typically work with alloy suppliers when it comes to detailed property requirements. Springs for relay contacts and switchgear. Here, too, less-costly alloys are used for commodity-type products, and high copper alloys are used when the need arises. Integrated circuit lead frames. These are made from specialty alloys designed for both their connector-related properties and for compatibility with packaging requirements. Unless welded, busbar products rod, bar, plate are typically made from electrolytic tough pitch copper, C, or for maximum conductivity, electronic or oxygen-free high conductivity coppers. Where mechanical requirements demand higher strength, dilute alloys such as silver-bearing copper or high copper alloys can be considered. Welded or brazed busbars require either oxygen-free copper or a deoxidized copper. These are normally made from pure copper unless strength requirements dictate higher mechanical properties. They are also made from pure copper unless higher strength or annealing resistance needed, in which case a silver-bearing copper can be considered. Silver-bearing copper C is used for its annealing resistance. Spot welding electrodes, seam welding wheels. Chromium copper, zirconium copper, beryllium coppers and other high copper alloys can be specified, depending on strength requirements. The use of strip metals for connector springs, terminals, contacts, and switches is well accepted in the interconnection industry. This is particularly true for copper alloys, because of their desirable combination of conductivity, strength, and formability. His task is to find a specific design which can be reliably and economically manufactured. To accomplish this goal he must find the copper alloy and temper which will allow the connector to be manufactured, assembled and used successfully throughout its intended life, all at minimum cost. Summary A new generation of high performance copper alloy wire is attracting attention of the electronic industry. Excellent material properties have been obtained due to the effect of precipitation hardening. The alloys are known in the electronic industry as precipitation hardened copper alloy strip for connectors and electrical contacts. Now these alloys are available as wire which is often further processed to square shaped connector pins. Wire made of the precipitation hardened high copper alloy such as UNS C attracts more and more attention of connector designers. It is found to be suitable for application as square-shaped connector pin as it offers a lot of interesting properties:

Chapter 2 : Metal and Alloy Uses in Engineering, Domestic, and Medical Industries

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Course Descriptions MSE Introduction to Structure, Properties, and Processing of Materials I Bonding in materials, the crystal structure of metals and ceramics, and defects in materials will be introduced. Basic principles of phase diagrams and phase transformations will be given with particular emphasis on microstructural evolution and the effect of microstructure on the mechanical properties of metals and alloys. Introductory level knowledge of mechanical properties, testing methods, strengthening mechanisms, and fracture mechanics will be provided. Introduction to Structure, Properties, and Processing of Materials II Structures, properties, and processing of ceramics; structure, properties and processing of polymers and composites; electrical, thermal, magnetic and optical properties of solids; and corrosion. Materials Characterization and Processing Laboratory Principles of materials properties, processing and microstructure will be illustrated by experiments with qualitative and quantitative microscopy, mechanical testing, thermal processing, plastic deformation and corrosion. Materials design and selection criteria will be introduced by studying case histories from industry and reverse engineering analyses. Applied Thermodynamics of Materials Thermodynamic principles will be applied to the behavior and processing of materials. Topics covered will include thermodynamic properties, solution thermodynamics, phase equilibria, phase diagram prediction, gas-solid reactions and electrochemistry. Mechanical Behavior of Materials Elements of elastic plastic deformation of materials and the role of crystal structure. Strengthening and toughening mechanisms. Fracture; including fatigue, stress corrosion and creep rupture. Introduction to Composite Materials Principles and applications of manufacturing and mechanics of polymer-matrix, and ceramic-matrix composites. Processing and properties of fibers. Design of components using composite materials. Mechanical Behavior Laboratory Characterization of mechanical properties of materials and fundamentals of materials deformation and fracture processes will be experienced through hands-on projects with tensile, rheological, cyclic, and high temperature testing; drawing; forging; extrusion; rolling; and hot pressing. Transport Phenomena in Materials Processing Mechanisms and quantitative treatment of mass, energy, and momentum transfer will be applied to design and analysis of materials processing. Increasingly complex and open-ended engineering design projects will be used to illustrate principles of diffusion; heat conduction, convection, and radiation, and fluid flow. Failure Analysis Methods for determining the nature and cause of materials failure in structures and other mechanical devices. Analysis of case histories. Introduction to High Temperature Materials Plastic deformation of metals and other solid materials at elevated temperatures. Dislocation mechanisms; creep processes; oxidation. Strengthening mechanism, including ordering and precipitation hardening. Biomaterials Introduction to a series of implant materials, including metals, ceramics, glass ceramics, polymers, and composites, including comparison with natural materials. Issues related to mechanical properties, biocompatibility, degradation of materials by biological systems, and biological response to artificial materials will be addressed. Particular attention will be given to the materials for the total hip prosthesis, dental restoration, and implantable medical devices. Phase Transformation Kinetics and Applications Principles and applications of phase transformations to control microstructure and materials properties. In depth, quantitative coverage will include vacancies, solid solutions, phase diagrams, diffusion, solidification of metals, nucleation and growth kinetics, and thermal treatments to control microstructure. Ceramic Materials Microstructure of crystalline ceramics and glasses and role of thermodynamics and kinetics on its establishment. Effect of process variables on microstructure and ultimately on mechanical, chemical and physical properties. Materials Processing and Microstructures Laboratory Illustrative processing, microstructural characterization and control. As-cast, wrought, and solutionized non-ferrous alloys, dendritic, non-dendritic, and eutectic microstructures. Powder metallurgy-processed, and weld microstructures. Electrical and Magnetic Properties of Materials Principles underlying electrical and magnetic behavior will be applied to the selection and design of materials. Topics covered will include: Processing of Materials in the Liquid and Vapor State Fundamental principles of materials processing and their quantitative application to process design will be illustrated for materials processes involving liquids and gasses: Alloy Casting Processes Principles of alloy solidification are discussed and applied in the context of sand, investment, and die casting; continuous and direct chill casting; electroslag and vacuum arc remelting, crystal growth, rapid solidification, and laser coating. Advanced Biomaterials In-depth coverage of a series of biomaterials for various applications. Topics include calcium phosphates and composites for hard tissue replacement, drug delivery systems, tissue engineering and issues unique to the biomedical field. Capstone Design Project I Seniors working in teams with faculty and industry mentors solve open ended projects in design of materials, products, and processes. Oral and written reports are required in each semester. Introduction to Research Methods of research and development. Correlation and interpretation of experimental results. Writing of technical reports. Materials Characterization Principles and experimental methods of optical, electron, and x-ray examination of engineering materials. Emphasis on use of x-ray analysis, with introduction to electron microscopy, Auger spectroscopy, scanning electron microscopy, and microanalysis. Materials Joining Basic materials principles applied to fusion and solid phase welding, brazing and other joining processes. Effects of joining process and process variable values on microstructure, soundness and mechanical properties of as-processed joints. Treatment and properties of joints and joined assemblies. Joining defects and quality control. Nanomaterials Synthesis and Design Introduces synthesis and design of materials in the nanoscale. Typical synthesis strategies of low dimensional materials including nanoparticles, nanowires, nanotubes and hierarchical nanostructures are presented and discussed. The reasons behind growth mechanisms are interpreted and the nanoscale structure-properties relations are described. Design strategies of multifunctional nanomaterials will be addressed as well. Readings from modern scientific literature are assigned weekly for in-class discussions. Materials for Advanced Fossil Energy Systems Will familiarize students with the state of the art in fossil fuel power generation technologies ranging from conventional combustion to emerging technologies such as oxyfuel combustion; integrated coal gasification IGCC and fuel cell IGFC systems; and CO2 separation and sequestration. Capstone Design Project II Seniors working in teams with faculty and industry mentors solve open-ended projects in design of materials, products, and processes. Corrosion and Materials Protection Corrosion and materials protection designed for engineering students. Principles of materials degradation, extensive case histories and practical applications. Selection of metals, alloys, ceramics and polymers for atmospheric, soil, marine and chemical environments. Evaluation methods, protective measures and the techniques of failure analysis. Nanomaterials Characterization and Application Introduces materials characterization and applications at the nanoscale. Self-Assembled and Lithographically defined structures are treated. Nanoscale particles, tubes, films, and structures are discussed. Applications for enhanced mechanical, electronic, magnetic, optical, and biological properties are described. Societal implications including performance, costs, environmental impacts, and health issues are addressed. Materials for Alternative, Renewable Energy Overview of energy conversion and storage systems - centralized and distributed generation to stationary and motive batteries; efficiency calculation and thermodynamics; electrochemistry - primary and secondary batteries; fuels - chemistry, processing, impurities; combustion, gasification and electrochemical systems; materials requirements; bulk and surface properties; metals, ceramics and superalloys; gas -metal interactions; gas - liquid - metal interactions; development trend - alloying principles, coatings, claddings; alloy processing and coating techniques.

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Chapter 3 : Ferrous Metals - Engineer's Handbook

Metals and Smart Alloys. Category: Science This booklet provides a source of ideas and information about metals and alloys, including smart alloys. It suggests some activities to demonstrate the properties of metals and some of their applications.

Metal Alloys Used in Industry written by: These properties include resistance to high temperatures and shrinking; a requirement of gas turbine blades for example. Metal alloys are made using several methods, such as adding the element to the base metal in a furnace or by hot press process in which the metal and elements are sandwiched and pressed to form an alloy. The alloys have many applications in engineering in which high temperature, low corrosiveness, toughness, and durability are required. This is an article on alloys in which we will examine the elements used to attain the required properties and some of the applications of alloys in engineering, along with some of the benefits of metal alloys. However, I have listed a few more popular elements below along with the properties they bring to the particular alloy. Copper Copper is used along with tin to produce the alloy bronze, whose properties can be modified by altering the amounts of tin and copper added to the steel. The main properties of bronze are resistance to corrosion and metal fatigue along with good thermal and electrical conductivity. Applications include numerous plumbing fittings, gearing, valves, and piping components. The main application is in the transport sector, particularly in the construction of aircraft and railway rolling stock. Aluminum alloys are also used extensively in the car industry in the production of engines and gearboxes. However, brass is not as popular in engineering nowadays apart from manufacture of brass fittings on fire hoses, screwed rod and screws, the main application being in the domestic sector and in the production of musical instruments. Zinc is also alloyed along with lead and tin to make solder, a low melting point alloy used in soldering. Tin Used to produce bronze and solder as previously discussed but also to form the alloy Babbitt, used to line white metal bearings. Lead As previously noted, lead is used with tin in the formation of solder alloy. It is also used in the formation of typesets in the printing industry and again in Babbitt white metal alloy production Vanadium The main application of vanadium alloys are high speed tool steels HSTS. Its properties give a reduction in weight, an increase in tensile strength, and resistance to corrosion. It is also used along with chrome in the formation of hand tools such as spanners and socket sets. Chromium Chromium is used to produce stainless steel and is known for its resistance to corrosion and hardness properties. Stainless steel has many industrial uses â€” the main ones being tools, surgical equipment, specialist valves and piping, liquid storage tanks, and structural sections. Manganese Manganese gives an alloy the properties of hardness without causing brittleness. Applications are the production of railroad tracks, switching points which require the above properties. Manganese is also used to produce a very hard alloy known as Spartan steel being used in the steel construction industry. Tungsten When small quantities of tungsten are added to steel, a very hard-wearing, tough alloy is formed. It has many applications in the military sector both as armor and armor piercing components. It is also used in engineering where high temperatures are prevalent such as gas turbine components and where the properties of toughness without brittleness are a requirement. Tungsten alloys are also used in x-ray tubes and incandescent light fittings as well tungsten inert gas welding components, due to its high melting property. Nickel Nickel is corrosion resistant and it is used along with other elements to form stainless steel, brass and bronze with their attendant properties. Its applications are in power station rotary components which require the alloys properties of resistance to cracking, deformation, corrosion under sustained high temperatures are numerous. Nickel alloys are also used in the aerospace and chemical industries.

Chapter 4 : Properties/applications of engineering materials | STEM

Materials engineering - metals and alloys Understanding, modelling and processing of metals and alloys with respect to the properties and material behaviour and development of novel materials. Strategic focus.

All substances on our planet can be classified as either pure substances or mixtures. In addition to the elements that make up the periodic table of elements, pure substances also include compounds that you encounter every day, like water. Mixtures include substances like Kool Aid and bronze. Bronze is a mixture of the elements copper and tin. Bronze is considered an alloy of copper. An alloy is a metal that is made by mixing two or more metallic elements, or made by mixing a metal and a nonmetal. What might be some advantages of using a copper mixture rather than using pure copper? Pause for students to share responses. As stated by some of you, when copper is mixed with other elements, forming alloys, some benefits might be to lower the materials cost and make it easier to produce the material. In order to understand the advantages of alloys, we are going to play the role of materials engineers who use their understanding of the properties of alloys in order to determine the ways in which they can be used. Show students Table 1. Titanium and Its Alloys. Using the information in this table, we can determine whyâ€"for a given applicationâ€"it may be more beneficial to use an alloy rather than a pure substance. Discuss the table as a class. Then proceed to Lesson Closure. Lesson Background and Concepts for Teachers Alloys are created in order to enhance specific properties and characteristics of a given material. For example, the hardness, strength and corrosion-resistance of titanium are heightened when mixed with other substances, such as aluminum or chromium. Today, most commonly used metals are not pure; rather, they are alloys. Since most design problems involve the selection of materials, it is important for scientists and engineers to study materials properties in order to understand and sometimes redesign the structure of a given substance. For example, an engineer who designs hip or knee replacement implants must understand the properties of a material to determine whether it will survive in the human body for a given period of time without side-effects to the person. A material used for hip replacement parts needs to be ductile, resistant to corrosion, biocompatible and, among other things, strong. Alloys are most often selected for such applications because of the properties they exhibit. A scanning electron microscope in use. Most often, they are investigated at the atomic level; x-ray diffraction and SEM scanning electron microscope imaging enable scientists and engineers to identify the extent of damage that may occur to a material from various testing scenarios, such as strength testing conducted in extreme temperatures. In the case of metals, correlations between the properties and the crystal structure the manner in which atoms are arranged are identified in order to determine the most suitable applications for the material. A metal made by mixing two or more metallic elements, or by mixing a metal with a nonmetal. For example, bronze is a mixture of copper and tin, and steel is a mixture of iron and carbon. The total number of protons positive charges found in the nucleus of an atom of an element. Also the total number of electrons surrounding the nucleus of an atom of an element. A characteristic of a substance that is hard and rigid and breaks with smooth fractures, such as glass. The ability of a substance to deteriorate over time due to chemical means. A characteristic of a substance that is malleable and can be physically changed without breaking, such as plastic. A substance made of one type of atom, which cannot be broken down into smaller parts. For example, titanium Ti. A characteristic of a substance that describes its ability to be shaped and molded through hammering or pressing. The temperature at which a substance melts. A substance made by mixing two or more substances together. For example, bronze is a mixture of copper and tin. The ability of a substance to react with oxygen. A substance made of only one type of atom, or one type of molecule, or one type of compound. For example, gold Au , oxygen gas O2 , or water H2O. The ability of a substance to react with other substances. Associated Activities Alloy the Way to Mars - Mirroring real-world engineering, student teams take measurements and make calculations for various metal alloys to determine their specific strengths and compile a class data table. After analysis of the class data, they write letters to NASA to communicate and defend their findings for the alloy they recommend be used to construct the engine and engine turbines for a space launch system being designed to transport astronauts to Mars. For example, with the creation of titanium alloy 6al-4v, hip replacements and engine turbines became a reality. With the support of materials scientists, materials engineers can design newer, more efficient alloys, and then apply these substances to broader applications. Next, administer the summary assessment.

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Chapter 5 : Types of Metal Alloys | MATSE Materials In Today's World

All kinds of industries including aerospace, automotive, civil, and nuclearâ€š depend on materials scientists to improve the performance of metals and design new alloys. Titanium is a great example of a versatile metal, which is why it is so widely used: it is lightweight, strong, corrosion-resistant, and biocompatible.

Edit Materials science is one of the oldest forms of engineering and applied science, deriving from the manufacture of ceramics. Modern materials science evolved directly from metallurgy , which itself evolved from mining. A major breakthrough in the understanding of materials occurred in the late 19th century, when Willard Gibbs demonstrated that thermodynamic properties relating to atomic structure in various phases are related to the physical properties of a material. Important elements of modern materials science are a product of the space race: Materials science has driven, and been driven by, the development of revolutionary technologies such as plastics , semiconductors , and biomaterials. Before the s and in some cases decades after , many materials science departments were named metallurgy departments, from a 19th and early 20th century emphasis on metals. The field has since broadened to include every class of materials, including: With significant media attention focused on nanoscience and nanotechnology in recent years, materials science has been propelled to the forefront at many universities. Fundamentals Edit In materials science, rather than haphazardly looking for and discovering materials and exploiting their properties, the aim is instead to understand materials so that new materials with the desired properties can be created. The basis of materials science involves relating the desired properties and relative performance of a material in a certain application to the structure of the atoms and phases in that material through characterization. The major determinants of the structure of a material and thus of its properties are its constituent chemical elements and the way in which it has been processed into its final form. The manufacture of a perfect crystal of a material is currently physically impossible. Instead materials scientists manipulate the defects in crystalline materials such as precipitates , grain boundaries Hall-Petch relationship , interstitial atoms, vacancies or substitutional atoms, to create materials with the desired properties. Not all materials have a regular crystal structure. Polymers display varying degrees of crystallinity, and many are completely non-crystalline. Glasses , some ceramics, and many natural materials are amorphous , not possessing any long-range order in their atomic arrangements. The study of polymers combines elements of chemical and statistical thermodynamics to give thermodynamic, as well as mechanical, descriptions of physical properties. In addition to industrial interest, materials science has gradually developed into a field which provides tests for condensed matter or solid state theories. New physics emerge because of the diverse new material properties which need to be explained. Materials in industry Radical materials advances can drive the creation of new products or even new industries, but stable industries also employ materials scientists to make incremental improvements and troubleshoot issues with currently used materials. Industrial applications of materials science include materials design, cost-benefit tradeoffs in industrial production of materials, processing techniques casting , rolling , welding , ion implantation , crystal growth , thin-film deposition , sintering , glassblowing , etc. Thus, the extraction and purification techniques employed in the extraction of iron in the blast furnace will have an impact of the quality of steel that may be produced. The overlap between physics and materials science has led to the offshoot field of materials physics, which is concerned with the physical properties of materials. The approach is generally more macroscopic and applied than in condensed matter physics. See important publications in materials physics for more details on this field of study. The study of metal alloys is a significant part of materials science. Of all the metallic alloys in use today, the alloys of iron steel , stainless steel , cast iron , tool steel , alloy steels make up the largest proportion both by quantity and commercial value. Iron alloyed with various proportions of carbon gives low, mid and high carbon steels. For the steels, the hardness and tensile strength of the steel is directly related to the amount of carbon present, with increasing carbon levels also leading to lower ductility and toughness. The addition of silicon and graphitization will produce cast irons although some cast irons are made precisely with no graphitization. Other significant metallic alloys are those of aluminium , titanium , copper and magnesium. Copper alloys have been known for a long time since the Bronze Age , while the alloys of the other three metals have been relatively recently developed. Due to the chemical reactivity of these metals, the electrolytic extraction processes required were only developed relatively recently. The alloys of aluminium, titanium and magnesium are also known and valued for their high strength-to-weight ratios and, in the case of magnesium, their ability to provide electromagnetic shielding. These materials are ideal for situations where high strength-to-weight ratios are more important than bulk cost, such as in the aerospace industry and certain automotive engineering applications. Other than metals, polymers and ceramics are also an important part of materials science. Polymers are the raw materials the resins used to make what we commonly call plastics. Plastics are really the final product, created after one or more polymers or additives have been added to a resin during processing, which is then shaped into a final form. Polymers which have been around, and which are in current widespread use, include polyethylene , polypropylene , PVC , polystyrene , nylons , polyesters , acrylics , polyurethanes , and polycarbonates. Plastics are generally classified as "commodity", "specialty" and "engineering" plastics. PVC polyvinyl-chloride is widely used, inexpensive, and annual production quantities are large. It lends itself to an incredible array of applications, from artificial leather to electrical insulation and cabling, packaging and containers. Its fabrication and processing are simple and well-established. The versatility of PVC is due to the wide range of plasticisers and other additives that it accepts. The term "additives" in polymer science refers to the chemicals and compounds added to the polymer base to modify its material properties. Engineering plastics are valued for their superior strengths and other special material properties. They are usually not used for disposable applications, unlike commodity plastics. Specialty plastics are materials with unique characteristics, such as ultra-high strength, electrical conductivity, electro-fluorescence, high thermal stability, etc. It should be noted here that the dividing line between the various types of plastics is not based on material but rather on their properties and applications. For instance, polyethylene PE is a cheap, low friction polymer commonly used to make disposable shopping bags and trash bags, and is considered a commodity plastic, whereas Medium-Density Polyethylene MDPE is used for underground gas and water pipes, and another variety called Ultra-high Molecular Weight Polyethylene UHMWPE is an engineering plastic which is used extensively as the glide rails for industrial equipment and the low-friction socket in implanted hip joints. Another application of material science in industry is the making of composite materials. Composite materials are structured materials composed of two or more macroscopic phases. An example would be steel-reinforced concrete; another can be seen in the "plastic" casings of television sets, cell-phones and so on. These plastic casings are usually a composite material made up of a thermoplastic matrix such as acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene ABS in which calcium carbonate chalk, talc , glass fibres or carbon fibres have been added for added strength, bulk, or electro-static dispersion. These additions may be referred to as reinforcing fibres, or dispersants, depending on their purpose. Classes of materials by bond types.

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Chapter 6 : Materials Science and Engineering: Metals | Materials Science and Engineering

Metals have been an active area of research in MSE at Georgia Tech from the early days of the development of alloying theories, to casting and forming of advanced aluminum alloys for the aerospace industry, to the understanding of their mechanical behavior under monotonic/cyclic/dynamic loading for automotive and defense applications, and their.

Titanium is a great example of a versatile metal, which is why it is so widely used: You can find titanium in all kinds of things, including planes, appliances, eye glasses, golf clubs, tools, hypo-allergenic jewelry, laptop computer shells, automobile exhaust systems, and biomedical implants. Anodized strips of titanium. Anodization, which is similar to electroplating, oxidizes the surface of the titanium strips by running a current through a solution in which the metal is suspended. Different combinations of time and voltage determine the thickness of the surface oxidation, which in turn determines the final color as light reflects off of it in different ways. How can we create planes that are so light and have so little drag that one day a flight from New York to Tokyo might take only 5 hours instead of 13? How can we make mountain bikes that are easier to carry over streams? How can we safely store nuclear waste for 10, years or more? The answer to all of these questions is: From a Samurai sword to a steel I-beam to electrical wiring, metals are part of our past, present and future. Metals are the most common elements in the periodic table and are characterized by malleability, ductility, high electrical and thermal conductivity and a shiny surface that reflects light. Metallic bonding where valence electrons are shared by the entire solid gives rise to the "free" electrons responsible for electrical and thermal conductivity. Most metals and alloys combinations of metals are also highly crystalline, which is the key to their ability deform plastically and to resist failure under repeated mechanical loadingâ€”good examples of this are the alloys used in aircraft that can compensate for deformation in high-speed flight, or skyscrapers designed to bend in the wind. When approaching the nanometer scale, in which electrons behave like waves and surface effects are important, metallic materials acquire intriguing properties. For instance, silver nanoparticles are yellow and gold nanoparticles are burgundy. These new optical properties are interesting for sensing and communication technologies. With the cubes, signal can be identified with just ten thousand molecules. Without the nanocubes, ten billion molecules would be needed. Ankem has studied the deformation of titanium alloys and other metals that occurs over time, an effect called "creep. Shape memory materials display an unusual property of "remembering" the shape they were formed into at high temperature. They experience a solid state phase change, in which atoms are rearranged, but the material remains a solid. If a piece of shape memory metal alloy wire is deformed, for example, it will return to its original state when exposed to the heat of a hair dryerâ€”the heat triggers the "memory" of where the atoms were at the time of its production. An amorphous metal is an alloy combining elements of differing atomic diameters. The dark grey disk left is an amorphous metal formed by combining 5 different atoms together: The differing atomic diameters and unusual composition prevents the atoms from arranging in a regular crystalline structure. The atoms have no easy way to slip by each other under deformation, resulting in a very hard material. When a steel ball bearing is dropped on the amorphous metal, it does not permanently deform and the ball bounces many times before coming to rest.

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an understanding of the structures, classifications and properties of materials used in engineering and will enable them to select materials for different applications. The unit is appropriate for learners engaged in manufacturing and mechanical engineering, particularly where.

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Materials science or materials engineering is an interdisciplinary field involving the properties of material (matter) and its applications to various areas of science and engineering.

Chapter 9 : Classification of Engineering Materials

Engineering properties of materials such as: Electrical conductivity, strength, toughness, ease of forming by extrusion, forging and casting, machinability and corrosion.