

Topic 4: Materials

0.4 Specification notice:

In order to develop their practical skills, students should be encouraged to carry out a range of practical experiments related to this topic.

Mathematical skills that could be developed in this topic include determining the slope of a linear graph and calculating or estimating, by graphical methods as appropriate, the area between a curve and the x-axis and realising the physical significance of the area that has been determined.


This topic may be studied using applications that relate to materials, for example, spare-part surgery.

4.Q Exam questions

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4.49 be able to use the equation density $\rho = m/v$

<p>Define density? And what are its unit? While you're at it, write the equation for density?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The mass per unit volume ● g/cm^3 or kg/m^3 ● $\rho = m/v$
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Identify the factors that affect the density of liquids and gases?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Density is affected by the mass of each particle and the spacing between the particles ● Therefore gases are lower density than liquids as they have much larger inter-molecular spacing
How would you convert from mm ³ to m ³	Divide by 1x10 ⁻⁹
How would you convert from g/cm ³ to Kg/m ³	g/cm ³ x 1000 = kg/m ³
Volume of a sphere equation	$V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$
Volume of a cylinder equation	$V = \pi r^2 h$
Area of circle equation	$A = \pi r^2$

4.50 understand how to use the relationship upthrust = weight of fluid displaced

Define upthrust?	The upward force caused when a fluid is displaced
Define Archimedes Principle?	The upthrust is equal to the weight of the fluid displaced
State the condition that is required for an object to float in a liquid?	Upthrust = weight
What is the upthrust equation either variation?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● (U=mg) Upthrust = mass of fluid displaced times gravitational field strength ● (U=p_fVg) Upthrust = density of fluid x volume of fluid x gravitational field strength <p><i>Think of p_fVg looking like an owl and so you can refer to it as the owl equation</i></p>

Draw the 2 different diagrams of the 3 forces acting on a bubble in a fluid for when it rises and falls?

9 A small bubble is **rising** through a liquid at a constant speed.

Which row of the table correctly summarises the forces in both the diagram and the equation?

V = viscous drag, U = upthrust, W = weight

The force arrows are not drawn to scale.

X Falling	A		$W = V + U$
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X Rising	C		$U = W + V$
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(Total for Question 9 = 1 mark)

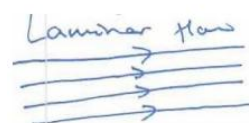
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4.51 a. be able to use the equation for viscous drag (Stokes' Law), $F = 6\pi\eta rv$. b. understand that this equation applies only to small spherical objects moving at low speeds with laminar flow (or in the absence of turbulent flow) and that viscosity is temperature dependent

Describe laminar flow



- Occurs at low velocity only
- Streamlines never cross



smooth flow that follows streamlines.



unpredictable flow that causes eddies to form

Define turbulent flow?



(The circle things not the straight line)

Where the streamlines cross and form eddies (area behind the ball chaotic)

Define viscosity and what are its units?

- Viscosity is how hard it is for a fluid to flow
- Pa s (pascal seconds)

Q4.

The viscosity of fluids varies with temperature.

Which line of the table correctly shows the change in viscosity with increasing temperature?

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<input type="checkbox"/> B	decreases	increases
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Why does viscosity decrease at higher temperatures for liquids but increases with gases at a higher temperature & Answer this question:

- At higher temperatures particles in liquids move faster and hence viscosity is reduced as the drag force would be less at a given speed and so terminal velocity will be greater
- At higher temperatures, particles in gases collide more as they have a higher KE

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	B		1

- B is answer

State the conditions required to apply Stokes' law? (4)

- Low velocity
- Small object
- Spherical object
- Smooth object
- The flow is laminar

State Stokes law and what each constant means in the viscous drag equation? $n = \eta$ and $\pi = \pi$

- $F = 6\eta\pi rv$
- F = force of drag
- η = viscosity
- r = radius of sphere
- v = terminal velocity

What is the weight equation in terms of Stokes law as the owl equation?

- $W = \rho_s Vg$
- ρ = density of solid (sphere)

Think of $\rho_s Vg$ looking like an owl then you can refer to it as the owl equation

How would you derive terminal velocity from stoke's law? $\rho = \text{density}$

- $U = \rho_{(f)} Vg$
- $F_d = 6\eta\pi r v$
- $W = \rho_{(s)} Vg$
- $V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$
- $D + U = W$
- $D = W - U$
- $6\eta\pi r v = \rho_{(s)} Vg - \rho_{(f)} Vg$
- $6\eta\pi r v = Vg(\rho_{(s)} - \rho_{(f)})$
- $6\eta\pi r v = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3 g (\rho_{(s)} - \rho_{(f)})$
- $v = \frac{2r^2 g}{9\eta} (\rho_{(s)} - \rho_{(f)})$
- $v = \frac{2g}{9\eta} (\rho_{(s)} - \rho_{(f)}) \times r^2$
- With $y = mx + c$
- Where $v = y$, $m = \frac{2g}{9\eta} (\rho_{(s)} - \rho_{(f)})$ and $x = r^2$

Stoke's Law

$U = \rho_f Vg$ (upthrust)
 $F = 6\pi\eta r v$ (drag force)
 $W = \rho_s Vg$ (weight)

Labels: volume of fluid displaced, density of fluid, speed, viscosity, radius of sphere.

Diagram: A small sphere falling in a fluid. Upward arrow is U , downward arrow is W . Text: "Small, smooth sphere, slow speed".

At terminal velocity: $\Sigma F = 0 \therefore D + U = W$

$$6\pi\eta r v + \rho_f Vg = \rho_s Vg$$

$$6\pi\eta r v = \rho_s Vg - \rho_f Vg$$

$$6\pi\eta r v = Vg(\rho_s - \rho_f)$$

$$6\pi\eta r v = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3 g (\rho_s - \rho_f)$$

$$v = \frac{2r^2 g}{9\eta} (\rho_s - \rho_f) = \text{terminal velocity.}$$

Boxed result: $V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$

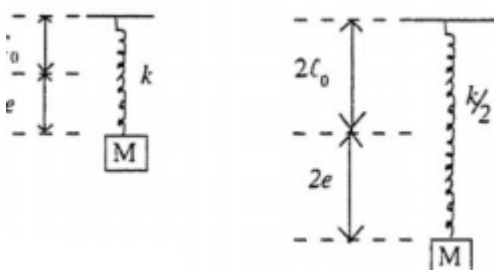
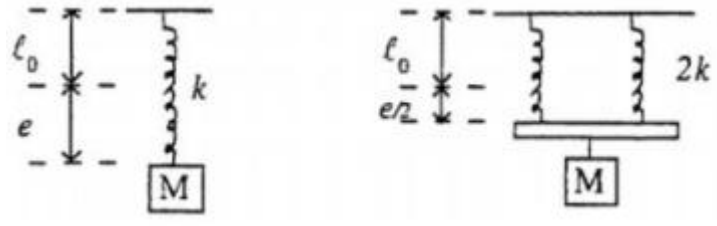
Boxed equation: $v = \frac{2g(\rho_s - \rho_f)}{9\eta} \times r^2$
 $y = m x$

4.52 CORE PRACTICAL 4: Use a falling-ball method to determine the viscosity of a liquid.

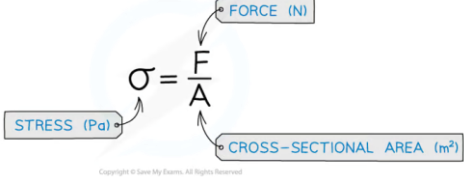
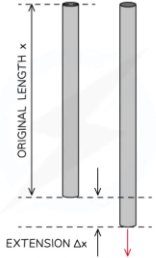
State the measurements you would need to take to determine the viscosity of a liquid

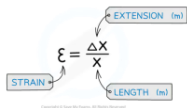
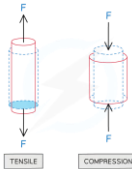
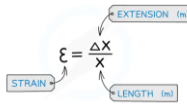
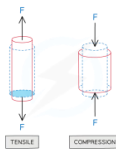



- Diameter of the balls (Using a vernier calliper)
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4.53 be able to use the Hooke's Law equation, $\Delta F = k\Delta x$, where k is the stiffness of the object

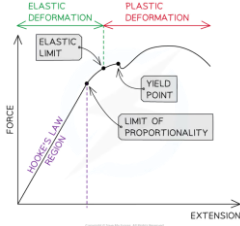
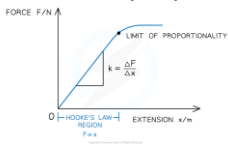
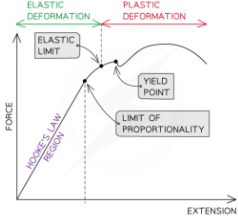
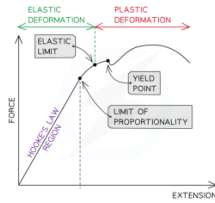
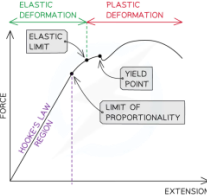
<p>State Hooke's law and the conditions under which a material obeys Hooke's law?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Force is directly proportional to extension up to the limit of proportionality ● $F=k\Delta x$ ● k = stiffness constant (spring's constant) ● Δx = extension <p><i>The graph of force against extension of a spring obeying Hooke's Law will have a line of constant gradient passing via the origin. These are two features</i></p>
<p>What is the equation for Hooke's law in series and why?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● $1/k_T = 1/k_1 + 1/k_2$ ● There is a force of Mg pulling on both springs -> overall extension is double (as there are two springs) -> the overall spring constant has to be $k/2$ -> the elastic strain energy would be $2E$.  <p><i>On the load-extension graph, you have a greater extension on the equivalent spring for less force so the line is shallower. You can think of this as a long bungee rope stretching more than a shorter one.</i></p>
<p>How does Hooke's Law work on springs in parallel and why?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● $k_T=k_1+ k_2$ ● The same force of Mg is shared between both springs -> extension on each is $1/2$ the original -> spring constant has to be $2k$ -> the elastic strain energy would be $0.5E$  <p><i>On the load-extension graph, you're getting half the extension for the same force so the line is steeper. You can think of this as using muscle building equipment using multiple parallel springs, the more springs, the harder it is to compress (and hence stiffer)</i></p>

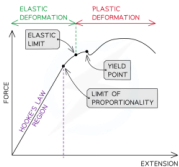
4.54 understand how to use the relationships • (tensile or compressive) stress = force/cross-sectional area • (tensile or compressive) strain= change in length/original length • Young modulus = stress/strain

Define stress?	The force per unit area
What is the equation for stress? And what is each quantity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • $\sigma = F/A$ • Stress = pascal (Pa Nm⁻²) • F = Newtons (N) • A = Cross sectional Area (m²) 
What is tensile stress ?	<p>Forces acting away from each other causing tension so that the object will increase in length and stress=force/cross sectional area</p> $\text{stress} = \frac{F}{A}$ <p><i>This differs from pressure in that an object under stress is pulled rather than pushed</i></p>
What is compressive stress?	<p>Forces acting towards each other causing compression so that the object will decrease in length and stress = force/ cross sectional area</p> $\text{stress} = \frac{F}{A}$ <p><i>This differs from pressure in that an object under stress is pulled rather than pushed</i></p>
Define Strain?	<p>The ratio of extension to original length</p> 

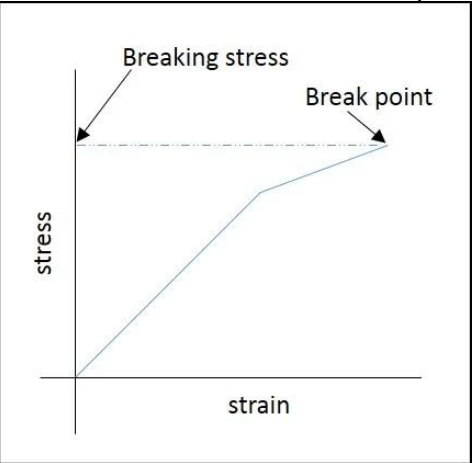
<p>What are the 2 variations for the equation for the ratio of strain?</p>	<p>$\epsilon = \Delta x / x$ or $\epsilon = \Delta l / l$</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Δx = extension ● Δl = change in length  <p><i>Strain</i> = $\frac{\Delta L}{L}$</p>
<p>Describe tensile strain? $e = \epsilon$</p>	<p>Forces acting away from each other causing tension so that the object will increase in length and strain = extension/original length</p>  
<p>Describe compressive strain? $e = \epsilon$</p>	<p>Forces acting towards each other causing compression so that the object will decrease in length and strain = extension/original length</p>  
<p>Define Young modulus?</p>	<p>The stiffness of the material given by the ratio of stress to strain</p> <p>YOUNG MODULUS $E = \frac{\text{STRESS } \sigma}{\text{STRAIN } \epsilon} = \frac{F_x}{A \Delta x}$</p> 
<p>What is the equation for the young modulus? $E = \sigma / \epsilon$ with its 3 variations</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● $E = \sigma / \epsilon$ ● $E = \frac{F/A}{\Delta x/l}$ <p>YOUNG MODULUS $E = \frac{\text{STRESS } \sigma}{\text{STRAIN } \epsilon} = \frac{F_x}{A \Delta x}$</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● $E = \frac{Fl}{A \Delta x}$
<p>What is the equation for cross-sectional area?</p>	<p>$A = \frac{1}{4} \pi d^2$ or $\pi \left(\frac{d}{2}\right)^2$</p> <p><i>Often with questions like calculating resistivity or stress they would give the diameter in mm don't forget to convert to metres !!!</i></p>

4.55 a. be able to draw and interpret force-extension and force-compression graphs b. understand the terms limit of proportionality, elastic limit, yield point, elastic deformation and plastic deformation and be able to apply them to these graphs

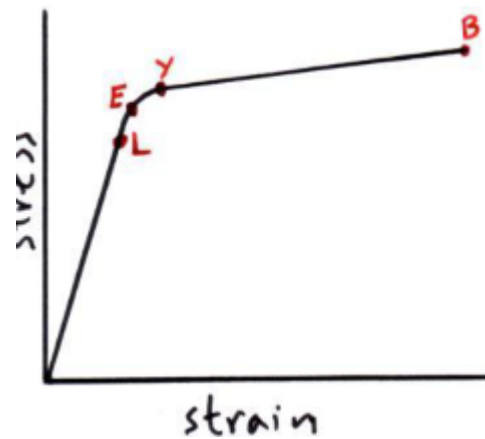
<p>Draw a force-extension graph labelling: Hooke's law, Elastic limit, Limit of proportionality (LOP), Elastic deformation, Plastic deformation, Yield point</p>	
<p>Define limit of proportionality?</p> 	<p>The point beyond which hooke's law is no longer true when stretching or compressing a material</p>
<p>Define elastic limit?</p> 	<p>The point before which a material will return to its original length or shape when the deforming force is removed</p> <p><i>This point is always after the limit of proportionality</i></p>
<p>Define yield point?</p> 	<p>Is where the material continues to stretch even though no extra force is being applied to it</p>
<p>Define elastic deformation?</p> 	<p>A change of shape where the material will return to its original shape when the load is removed</p>
<p>Define plastic deformation?</p>	<p>A change of shape where the material will not return to its original shape when the load is removed</p> <p><i>It occurs after the yield point</i></p>

																						
<p>What is plastic and elastic behaviour?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Plastic behaviour - doesn't return to its original shape after forces removed ● Elastic behaviour - returns to its original shape after forces removed 																					
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4.56 be able to draw and interpret tensile or compressive stress-strain graphs, and understand the term breaking stress

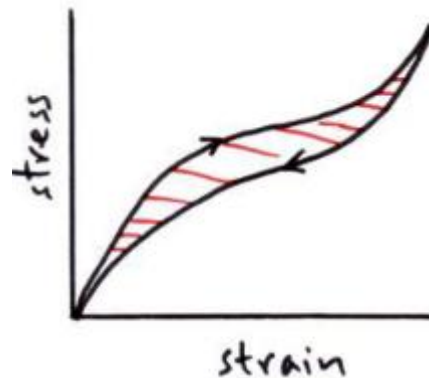
<p>What is the 'breaking stress'/'ultimate tensile stress' and what can it represent?</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The maximum stress a material can hold before it breaks and represents the strength of a material <p><i>The maximum force per original cross-sectional area a wire is able to support until it breaks</i></p>
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Sketch and label the 4 points of the stress-strain graph for a ductile material (such as copper)



- **L** - limit of proportionality
- **E** - elastic limit
- **Y** - yield point (where a small increase in force leads to a large increase in length)
- **B** - breaking point/breaking stress

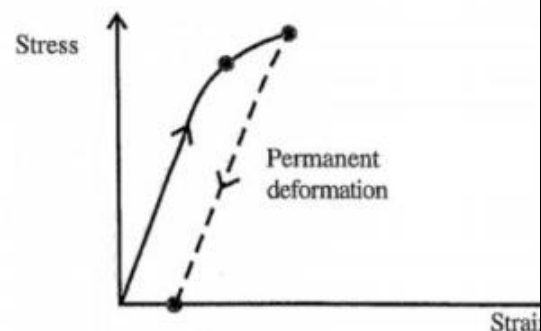
Sketch and describe the loading-unloading stress-strain graph of rubber



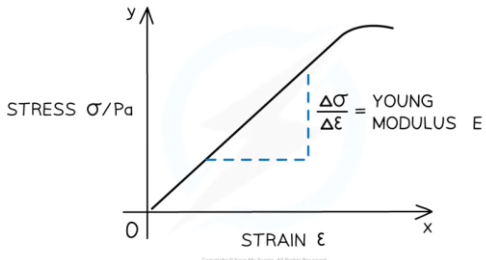
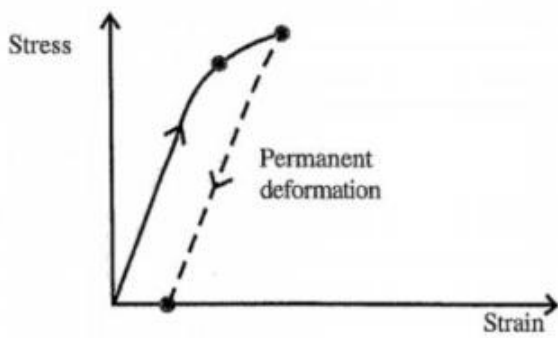
- The difference in area is the energy loss per unit volume due to internal friction
- This is called a hysteresis loop

You know this shape because when pulling a rubber band, it starts off hard to pull, becomes easier, then becomes harder again

Sketch and describe the loading-unloading stress-strain graph for a metal wire obeying Hooke's Law past the elastic limit



- Wire has been permanently stretched -> longer for a given load

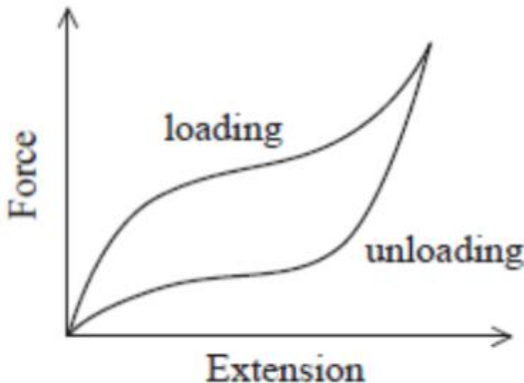
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Area between is the energy required to permanently deform the wire as this energy isn't recovered
Phrase to remember whether stress or strain comes first in the young modulus equation?	When you are stressed you show the strain (i.e. stress/strain)
What region on a stress-strain graph is hooke's law obeyed? 	The linear region
How and which region on a stress-strain graph can you ONLY calculate the young modulus from? 	The gradient of a straight line of the linear region

4.57 CORE PRACTICAL 5: Determine the Young modulus of a material

State the measurements you would need to take to determine the young modulus of a length of wire?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diameter of wire (to find cross-sectional area) Mass of hanging masses (to find force) Original length New length (to find extension)
When is Hooke's Law used and when is Young's Modulus used?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hooke's law is for specific devices (e.g., springs or some length of wire) Young's modulus is used for materials (as its independent of dimension)

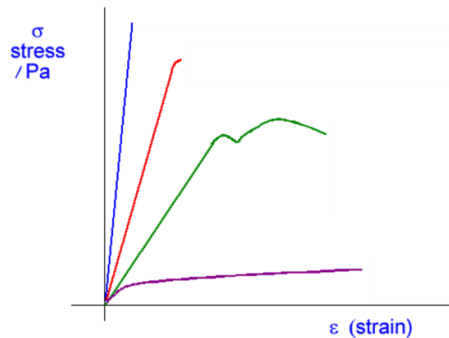
4.58 be able to calculate the elastic strain energy E_{el} in a deformed material sample, using the equation $\Delta E_{el} = 0.5F\Delta x$, and from the area under the force-extension graph

The estimation of area and hence energy change for both linear and non-linear force-extension graphs is expected.

What does the area beneath a force-extension graph represent?	The work done on the material
<p>Explain what is meant by hysteresis?</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Work is done on the material when loading (= area under whole graph) ● Energy is released by the material during unloading (= area under unloading curve) ● At each extension there is more force on loading than there is on unloading ● Energy is transferred to the internal store of the material (thermal if elastic, thermal and work done permanently deforming the material if inelastic)
What are the 2 equations for elastic strain energy (elastic potentially energy)?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● $\Delta E_{el} = 0.5F\Delta x$ ● And since Hooke's law states that $F=k\Delta x$ ● $\Delta E_{el} = 0.5k(\Delta x)^2$
What is elastic strain energy (elastic potentially energy)?	The stored potential energy in an elastic object - all the work done in stretching it
What property does a strong material have?	Can withstand a large breaking stress before failure

What property does a <u>stiff</u> material have?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Large stress only produces a small strain ● Steep gradient
What property does a <u>tough</u> material have?	Requires a large amount of energy to cause fracture/failure
What property does a <u>brittle</u> material have?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● High Young modulus ● No plastic region ● Don't stretch far beyond their elastic limit. They break ● Requires low work done per unit volume before it breaks ● Will undergo very little/no plastic deformation before failure ● Where a material undergoes little to no plastic deformation before fracturing (break apart) at a low strain
What property does a <u>ductile</u> material have?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Large plastic region ● It can be deformed plastically ● Able to be drawn into a wire ● Can undergo a large amount of plastic deformation before fracturing ● Large increase in strain for small increase in stress
What property does a <u>plastic</u> material have?	Where a material will experience a large amount of extension as the load is increased
What property does a <u>malleable</u> material have?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The materials stretch far ● Able to be hammered into shape ● Large plastic region ● It can be deformed plastically ● Able to be drawn into a wire ● Can undergo a large amount of plastic deformation before fracturing ● Large increase in strain for small increase in stress

Label the graph below identifying the brittle material, the plastic material, the ductile material and the strong (but not ductile) material?



- Blue (top) = brittle
- Red (second) = strong
- Green (third) = ductile
- Purple (bottom) = plastic

What is the difference between a material being malleable or ductile?

- **Ductility** is the ability of a material to plastically deform without breaking when tensile stress is applied to it
- **Malleability** is the ability of a material to plastically deform without breaking under compressive stress rather than tensile stress

Properties of materials

- Strong:**
can withstand large stress before failure/breaking
- ii. **Stiff:**
large stress only produces a small strain
- iii. **Tough:**
Requires a large amount of energy to cause fracture/failure
- iv. **Brittle:**
Requires very little energy to cause fracture/failure. Will undergo very little plastic deformation before failure.
- v. **Elastic:**
Returns to its original shape when the force has been removed
- vi. **Hard:**
Able to withstand being scratched (not on spec)
- vii. **Ductile:**
Able to be drawn into a wire
- viii. **Malleable:**
Able to be hammered into shape