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Casting & solidification:

Casting begins with molding. Molds are of sand, ceramics, metals and plaster. There are two types of molds:

1) Open mold:

In this molten metal is poured directly in the mold from its open mouth.

2) Closed mold:

In this molten metal is poured through an opening (downspout/runner) that connects to the shape of material. There is a riser that compensates for shrinkage.

After some time, the material cools down & is removed. Further processing may be required.

Casting types:1) Expandable casting:

In this, the mold must be sacrificed in order to recover the material. Examples include sand casting.

2) Permanent casting:

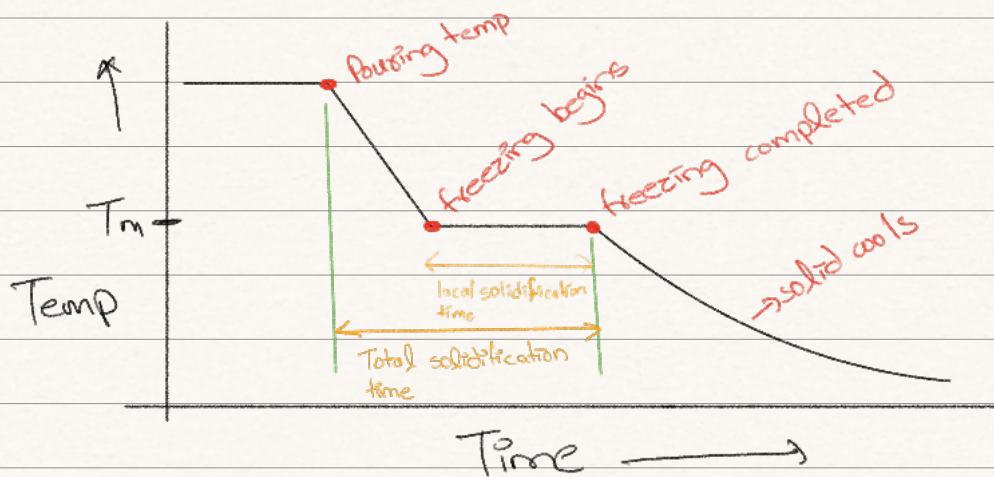
In this, the mold is divided in two sections that open to recover the material. The mold is made of metal, ceramic refractory material. Examples include die casting.

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Sand casting:

- The mold consists of two parts: cope and drag. The cope is the upper portion of mold and the drag is the lower portion of the mold. These are contained in box called flask.
- The shape is created in the mold by pressing the shape made of wood, plastic into the sand.
- The pattern is made oversized to allow for shrinkage of metal.
- The internal pattern can be created by placing a core in the cavity.
- molten metal is poured through an opening (downspout / runner) that connects to the shape of material. There is a riser that compensates for shrinkage of the metal as it cools down.

Pure metals:



Investment casting:

- Mould created with wax.
- Wax coated with ceramic.
- Wax melted to get mold.

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Centrifugal castings

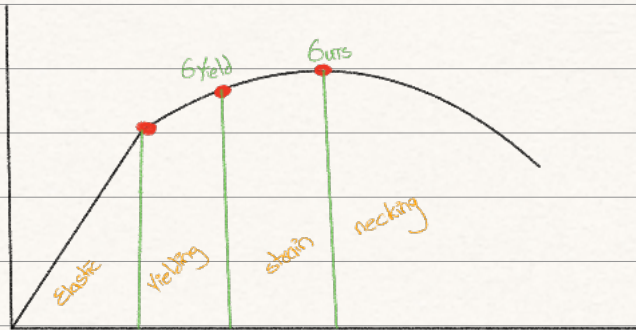
• Molten metal poured in rotating drum at high speeds to long pipes. The molten metal sticks to wall. The speed of rotation affects thickness of final material.

Alloys:

Most alloys freeze over a temp range rather than a single temp.

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Tensile testing of Engineering materials



UTS: Max strength that can be borne by a mat

Yield: Elastic & plastic exist simultaneously.

• ↑ Ductile ∝ Necking ↑

↳ pure metals → alloys → ceramics

Strain Rate: 1mm/min

$$\text{Tensile strength } \sigma_t = \frac{F_{\max}}{A_0}$$

$$\%E = \frac{l - l_0}{l_0} \times 100$$

$$\%A = \frac{A_0 - A}{A_0}$$

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Hardness testing of engineering materials

Hardness Test:

↳ Resistance to deformation

1) Brinell's test:

Indenter: Hardened steel/tungsten carbide ball

- Load applied
- Diameter of shape created measured. Hardness formulated
- Can't tell hardness of components.

2) Vicker's test:

Indenter: Diamond pyramid

- Load applied 3 less required
- Length of shape created measured. Hardness formulated
- Can tell hardness of components.

3) Rockwell's test:

Indenter: Diamond Cone/steel ball

- Load applied → ^{↑ For material} Major & Minor. ^{↘ For breaking thin layers (10kg)}
- Length of shape created measure
- Can tell hardness of components.

Scale	load	Mark
A	60	Cone
B	100	sphere
C	150	Cone

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4) Nano indentation:

For measuring hardness of thin film.

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Impact testing of Engineering materials

Toughness: Impact absorption ability of a material.

Critical temperature:

Temperature at which a material becomes brittle from ductile.

Toughness \propto brittle.

If fracture & yield point are close then material is brittle otherwise ductile.

Reinforcement:

- 1) Whisker bridging
- 2) Fibre
- 3) Grain bridging

• If crack is along grain boundaries then material is ductile.

• If across, then brittle.

Two common types of testing:

• A notch is made to create stress concentrated region. To make sure that materials are tested along a standard.

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1) Charpy testing:

- Sample is horizontally placed.
- For metals used in constructions

2) Izod testing:

- Sample is vertically placed.
- For plastics & composites.

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Atomic force microscopy

Tells topography of a material.

1) Contact mode:

- The tip is in continuous contact with material.
- The force is kept constant adjusting height.

2) Tapping mode:

- Tip is tapping on material.
- The amplitude is kept constant

3) Non-contact mode:

- Tip hovers over sample

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• The interaction of forces changes tip's oscillation frequency or amplitude.

4) Force modulation:

- Tip oscillates at a certain frequency
- Changes in amplitude & phase of oscillation tells about stiffness & adhesion forces.

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X-ray diffraction