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Chapter 1 – Introduction to Materials Science and Engineering





Objectives of Chapter 1

- Introduce the field of materials science and engineering (MSE)
- Provide introduction to the classification of materials



Chapter Outline



- 1.1 What is Materials Science and Engineering?
- 1.2 Classification of Materials
- 1.3 Functional Classification of Materials
- 1.4 Classification of Materials Based on Structure
- 1.5 Environmental and Other Effects
- 1.6 Materials Design and Selection



Section 1.1 What is Materials Science and Engineering?



- □ Materials Science and Engineering
- Composition means the chemical make-up of a material.
- Structure means a description of the arrangements of atoms or ions in a material.
- Synthesis is the process by which materials are made from naturally occurring or other chemicals.
- Processing means different ways for shaping materials into useful components or changing their properties.





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Figure 1.1 Application of the tetrahedron of materials science and engineering to ceramic superconductors. Note that the microstructure-synthesis and processing-composition are all interconnected and affect the performance-tocost ratio





Figure 1.2 Application of the tetrahedron of materials science and engineering to sheet steels for automotive chassis. Note that the microstructure-synthesis and processing-composition are all interconnected and affect the performance-to-cost ratio





Figure 1.3 Application of the tetrahedron of materials science and engineering to semiconducting polymers for microelectronics



Section 1.2 Classification of Materials



Metals and Alloys
 Ceramics, Glasses, and Glass-ceramics
 Polymers (plastics), Thermoplastics and Thermosets
 Semiconductors
 Composite Materials



Table 1.1 Representative examples, applications, and properties for each category of materials



Example of Applications Properties

Metals and Alloys Automobile engine blocks Gray cast iron Castable, machinable, vibration damping Ceramics and Glasses SiO₂-Na₂O-CaO Window glass Optically transparent, thermally insulating Polymers Polyethylene Food packaging Easily formed into thin, flexible, airtight film



Table 1.1 Continued



Example of Applications Properties

Semiconductors Silicon Transistors and integrated Unique electrical circuits behavior

CompositesCarbide cutting tools forHigh hardness, yetTungsten carbidemachininggood shock resistance-cobalt (WC-Co)





Figure 1.4 Representative strengths of various categories of materials







Figure 1.5 A section through a jet engine. The forward compression section operates at low to medium temperatures, and titanium parts are often used. The rear combustion section operates at high temperatures and nickel-based superalloys are required. The outside shell experiences low temperatures, and aluminum and composites are satisfactory. (Courtesy of GE Aircraft Engines.)



Figure 1.6 A variety of complex ceramic components, including impellers and blades, which allow turbine engines to operate more efficiently at higher temperatures. (Courtesy of Certech, Inc.)







Figure 1.7 Polymerization occurs when small molecules, represented by the circles, combine to produce larger molecules, or polymers. The polymer molecules can have a structure that consists of many chains that are entangled but not connected (thermoplastics) or can form three-dimensional networks in which chains are cross-linked (thermosets)







Figure 1.8 Polymers are used in a variety of electronic devices, including these computer dip switches, where moisture resistance and low conductivity are required. (Courtesy of CTS Corporation.) Figure 1.9 Integrated circuits for computers and other electronic devices rely on the unique electrical behavior of semiconducting materials. (Courtesy of Rogers Corporation.)



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Figure 1.10 The Xwing for advanced helicopters relies on a material composed of a carbon-fiberreinforced polymer. (Courtesy of Sikorsky Aircraft Division— United Technologies Corporation.)





Section 1.3 Functional Classification of Materials

□ Aerospace

- Biomedical
- Electronic Materials
- Energy Technology and Environmental Technology
- Magnetic Materials
- Photonic or Optical Materials
- Smart Materials
- Structural Materials





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Figure 1.11 **Functional** classification of materials. Notice that metals, plastics, and ceramics occur in different categories. A limited number of examples in each category is provided



Section 1.4

Classification of Materials-Based on Structure



Crystalline material is a material comprised of one or many crystals. In each crystal, atoms or ions show a long-range periodic arrangement.

- □ Single crystal is a crystalline material that is made of only one crystal (there are no grain boundaries).
- Grains are the crystals in a polycrystalline material.
- Polycrystalline material is a material comprised of many crystals (as opposed to a single-crystal material that has only one crystal).
- □ Grain boundaries are regions between grains of a polycrystalline material.



Section 1.5 Environmental and Other Effects



Effects of following factors must be accounted for in design to ensure that components do not fail unexpectedly:

Temperature
Corrosion
Fatigue
Strain Rate





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Figure 1.12 Increasing temperature normally reduces the strength of a material. Polymers are suitable only at low temperatures. Some composites, special alloys, and ceramics, have excellent properties at high temperatures





Figure 1.13 Skin operating temperatures for aircraft have increased with the development of improved materials. (After M. Steinberg, Scientific American, October, 1986.)





Figure 1-14 Schematic of a X-33 plane prototype. Notice the use of different materials for different parts. This type of vehicle will test several components for the Venturestar (From "A Simpler Ride into Space," by T.K. Mattingly, October, 1997, Scientific American, p. 125. Copyright © 1997 Slim Films.)



Section 1.6 Materials Design and Selection



Density is mass per unit volume of a material, usually expressed in units of g/cm³ or lb/in.³
 Strength-to-weight ratio is the strength of a material divided by its density; materials with a high strength-to-weight ratio are strong but lightweight.





TABLE 1-2 Strength-to-weight ratios of various materials

Material	Strength (Ib/in. ²)	Density (lb/in. ³)	Strength-to-weight ratio (in.)
Polyethylene	1,000	0.030	$0.03 imes 10^6$
Pure aluminum	6,500	0.098	$0.07 imes 10^6$
Al ₂ O ₃	30,000	0.114	0.26×10^{6}
Ероху	15,000	0.050	$0.30 imes 10^6$
Heat-treated alloy steel	240,000	0.280	$0.86 imes 10^6$
Heat-treated aluminum alloy	86,000	0.098	0.88×10^6
Carbon-carbon composite	60,000	0.065	0.92×10^{6}
Heat-treated titanium alloy	170,000	0.160	$1.06 imes 10^6$
Kevlar-epoxy composite	65,000	0.050	1.30×10^{6}
Carbon-epoxy composite	80,000	0.050	$1.60 imes 10^6$

