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PRESENTATION OUTLINES

1. Destructive test

2. Nondestructive test

3. Metallography and Micro structural
analysis

4. Conduction and control of heat treatments

1. DESTRUCTIVE TEST

- ✓ It is accomplished by **forcing a part to fail** by the application of various load factors.
- ✓ Typically destructive tests are **tensile test, compressive test, hardness test and impact test.**
- ✓ It is also called **mechanical properties test.**

✓ Some of mechanical properties test of engineering materials are;

✓ Hardness test

✓ Impact test

✓ Torsion test

✓ Tensile test

1.1 HARDNESS TEST

□ It is resistance to **indentation** and to **scratching** or **abrasion** under a locally applied load.

Moh's Hardness Scale

- ✓ Moh's hardness scale simply consists of 10 minerals arranged in order from 1 to 10.
- ✓ Diamond is rated as the hardest and is indexed as 10; talc as the softest with index number 1.

Diamond	10
Corundum	9
Topaz	8
Quartz	7
Orthoclase (Feldspar)	6
Apatite	5
Fluorite	4
Calcite	3
Gypsum	2
Talc	1

The most common hardness tests are;

Brinell test,

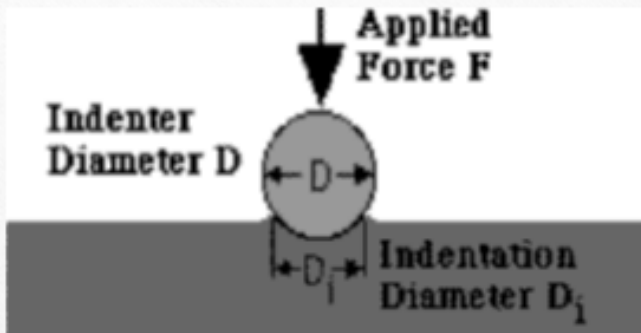
Vickers test and

Rockwell test.

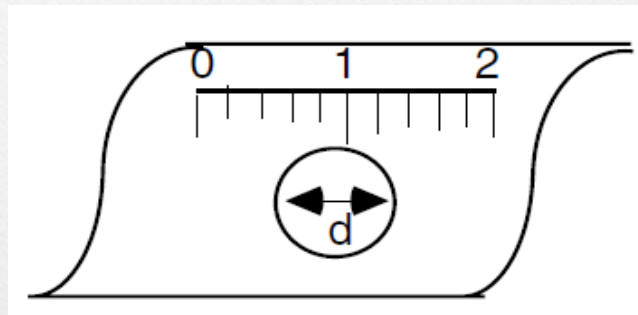
1.1.1 BRINEL HARDNESS TEST

- ✓ A **known load** is applied for a given **period of time** to a specimen surface using a hardened steel or tungsten-carbide ball.
- ✓ The ball causes a **permanent indentation**.
- ✓ Standard ball diameter is 10 millimeters.
- ✓ The diameter of the resulting permanent indentation is then measured and converted to a **Brinell hardness number**.

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$$\text{BHN} = \frac{F}{\frac{\pi}{2} D \cdot (D - \sqrt{D^2 - D_i^2})}$$



- ✓ A well structured Brinell hardness number looks like as **"75 HB 10/500/30"** which means that a Brinell Hardness of **75** was obtained using a **10mm** diameter hardened steel with a **500 kilogram** load applied for a period of **30 seconds**.



Figure 1 - Brinell Hardness Tester Model HB3000B

Example;



Impression on Brinell hardness test sample

$$\text{Tensile Strength} = \text{BHN} \times 500$$

$$= 190 \times 500$$

$$= 95000 \text{ psi}$$

(1020 Steel) Brinell Hardness Number, BHN

$$D = 10\text{-mm}$$

$$P = 3000 \text{ kg}$$

$$d = 4.37\text{-mm}$$

$$BHN = \frac{P}{\frac{\pi \times D}{2} \times (D - \sqrt{D^2 - d^2})}$$

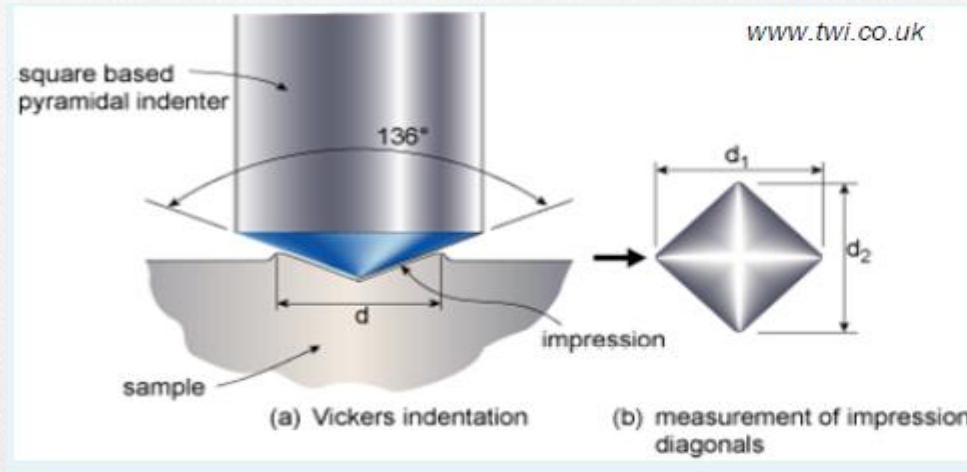
$$BHN = \frac{3000}{\frac{\pi \times 10}{2} \times (10 - \sqrt{10^2 - 4.37^2})}$$

$$BHN = 190$$

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1.1.2 VICKERS HARDNESS TEST

- ✓ It consists of indenting the test material with a **diamond indenter**, in the form of a **right pyramid with a square base**
- ✓ It is subjected to a load of **1 to 100 kgf**.
- ✓ The full load is normally applied for **10 to 15 seconds**.



$$VHN = \frac{2P \sin(\theta/2)}{d^2} = \frac{1.854P}{d^2}$$

Where P is the applied load, kg

d is the average length of the diagonals $= (d_1 + d_2) / 2$, mm

θ is the angle between the opposite faces of the diamond) $= 136^\circ$

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- ✓ The Vickers hardness should be reported like **800 HV/10**, which means a Vickers hardness of 800, was obtained using a 10 kgf force.
- ✓ Most Vickers hardness testing machines use forces of 1, 2, 5, 10, 30, 50 and 100 kgf.

1.1.3 ROCKWELL HARDNESS TEST

- ✓ It involves the use of an indenter for penetrating the surface of a material by;
 - ❑ Applying a minor, or initial load, and then
 - ❑ Applying a major, or final load under specific conditions.
- ✓ The Rockwell Test measures depth of indentation **not diameter as in the Brinell Test.**
- ✓ The **difference between** the minor and major penetration depths is then **noted as a hardness value.**
- ✓ The Rockwell Hardness Tester has **a gauge on the machine** that will display the Rockwell Hardness Number after the load is removed.
- ✓ *The harder the material the higher the number.*



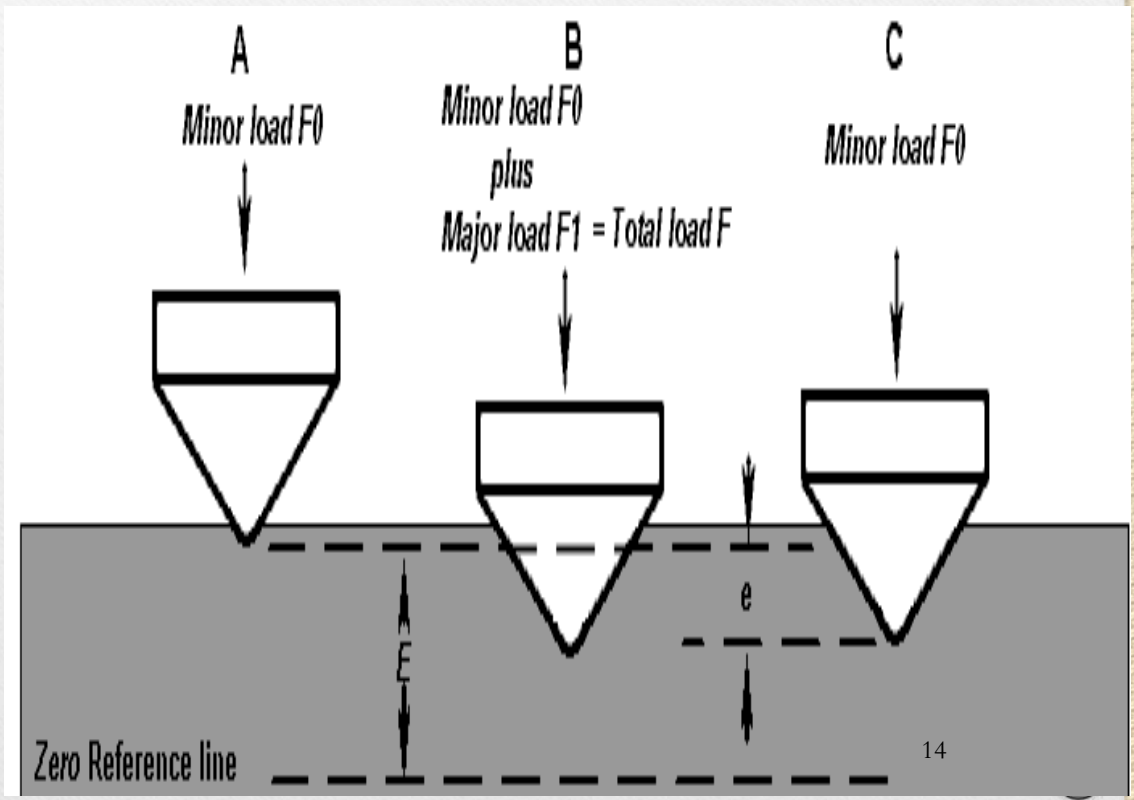
✓ The Rockwell hardness number; $HR = E - e$

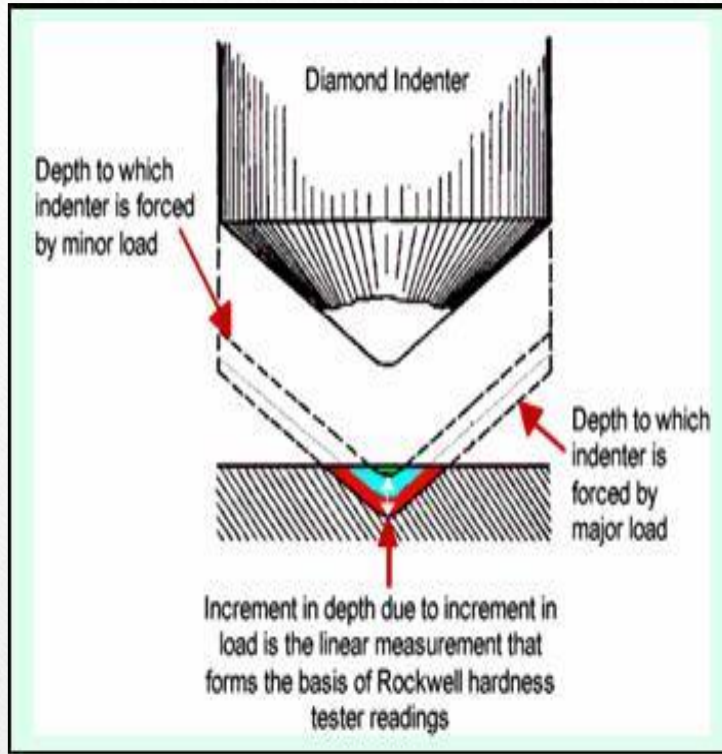
Where F_0 , F_1 and F is preliminary minor load in kgf , additional major load in kgf and total load in kgf ; respectively.

e = permanent increase in depth of penetration due to major load F_1 measured in units of 0.002 mm and E = a constant depending on form of indenter (100 units for diamond indenter, 130 units for steel ball indenter).

HR = Rockwell hardness number.

$$e = \frac{(h_2 - h_1)}{0.002}$$





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	Hardness		
	Vickers or Brinell	Mohs	
	3000	10	Diamond
Tantalum carbide	2000	9	Corundum
Alumina ceramics	1000	8	Topaz
Zircon ceramics	500	7	Quartz
Polycrystalline glass	300	6	Feldspar
Manganese steels	200	5	Apatite
Titanium	100	4	Fluorite
Carbon steels	50	3	Calcite
Aluminum	30	2	Gypsum
Magnesium	20	1	Talc
Hard lead alloys	10		
Soft lead	5		
	3		
	2		

Figure: Approximate relative harnesses of metals and ceramics for Mohs scale and indentation scales.

1.2 IMPACT TEST

- ✓ When a material is subjected to **a sudden intense blow** in which the strain rate is extremely rapid.
- ✓ The test specimen should be **notched**, because **V-notched** specimens better measure the resistance of the material to crack propagation.
- ✓ The ability of a material to withstand an impact blow is often referred to as the **toughness**.
- ✓ A material high impact resistance is said to be a tough material.

✓ There are two standard impact tests;

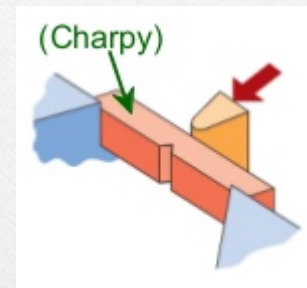
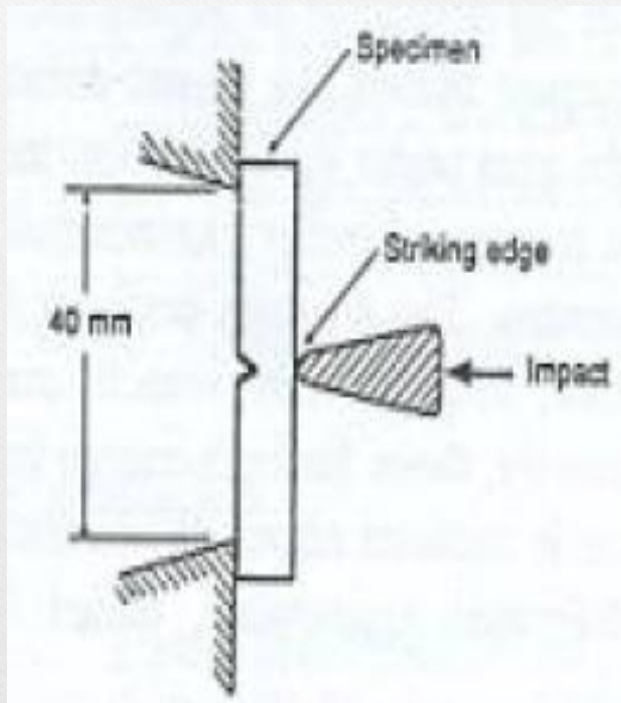
❑ Charpy impact test and

❑ Izod impact test

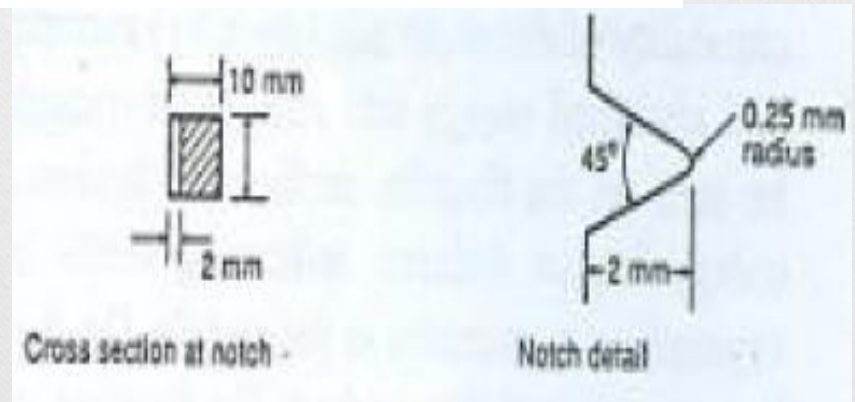
✓ They are commonly used to measure Impact Energy (sometimes referred to as Notch Toughness) and also evaluate the **brittleness of a material.**

1.2.1 CHARPY TEST

- ✓ The load is applied as an impact blow from a weighted pendulum hammer that is released from a cocked position at a fixed height "h".



Held horizontally on anvil
as simply supported beam



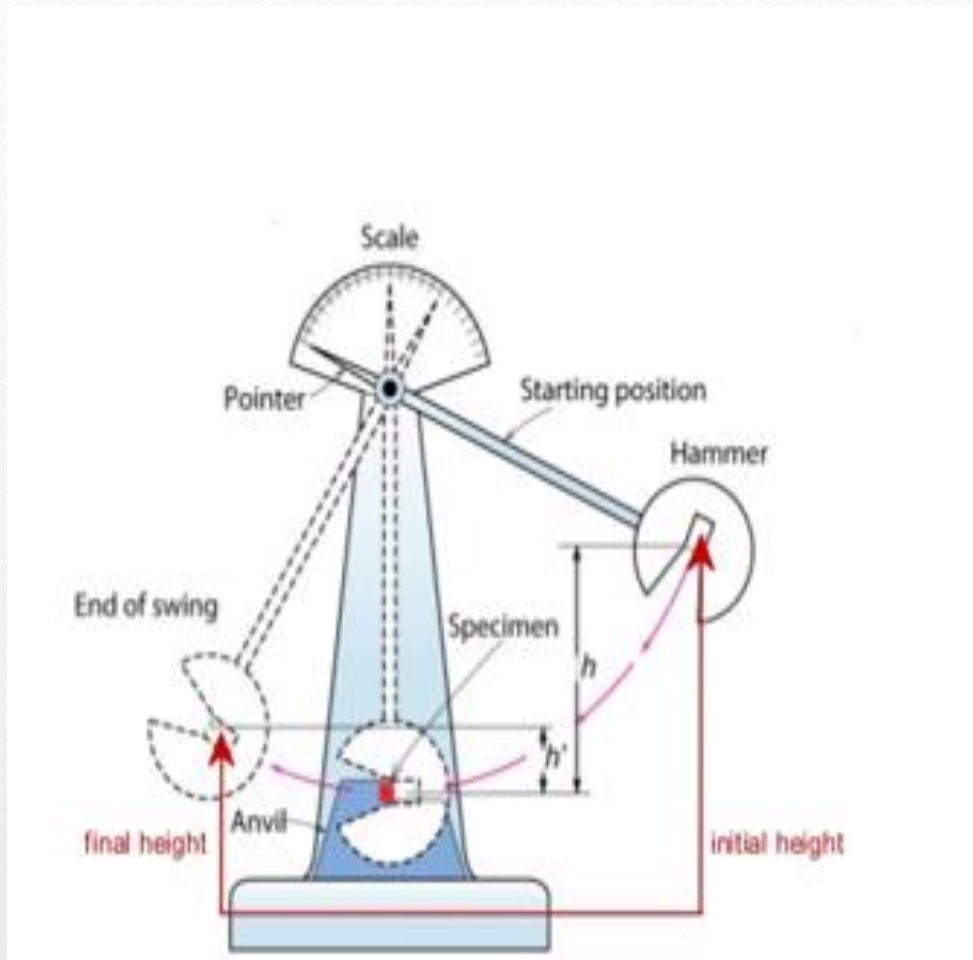
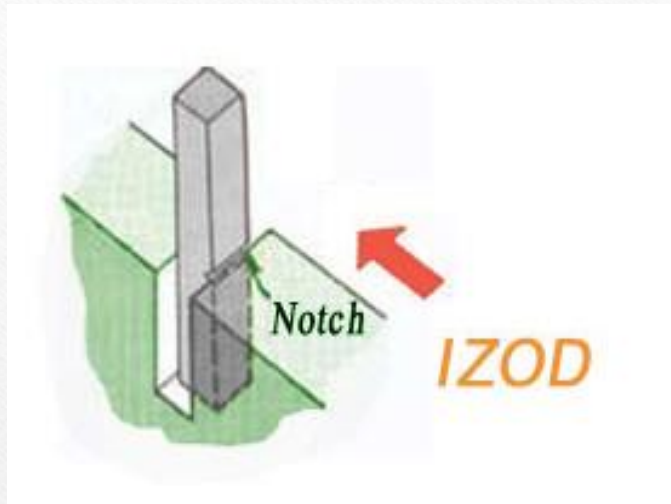


Figure: Setup of the Charpy and Impact test

1.2.2 IZOD TEST



Held vertically on anvil as
cantilever

- ✓ Generally, the chief differences between these two impact tests are the **way the test specimen is held and in the pendulum hammer design.**

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1.3 TORSION TEST

- ❑ Torsion occurs when any shaft is subjected to a torque.
- ❑ This is true whether the shaft is **rotating** such as:
 - ❖ Drive shafts on engines,
 - ❖ Motors and turbines

Or **stationary** (such as with a bolt or screw).

- ❑ It makes the shaft twist and one end rotates relative to the other **inducing shear stress** on any cross section.
- ❑ Failure might occur **due to** shear alone or because the shear is accompanied by **stretching or bending**.

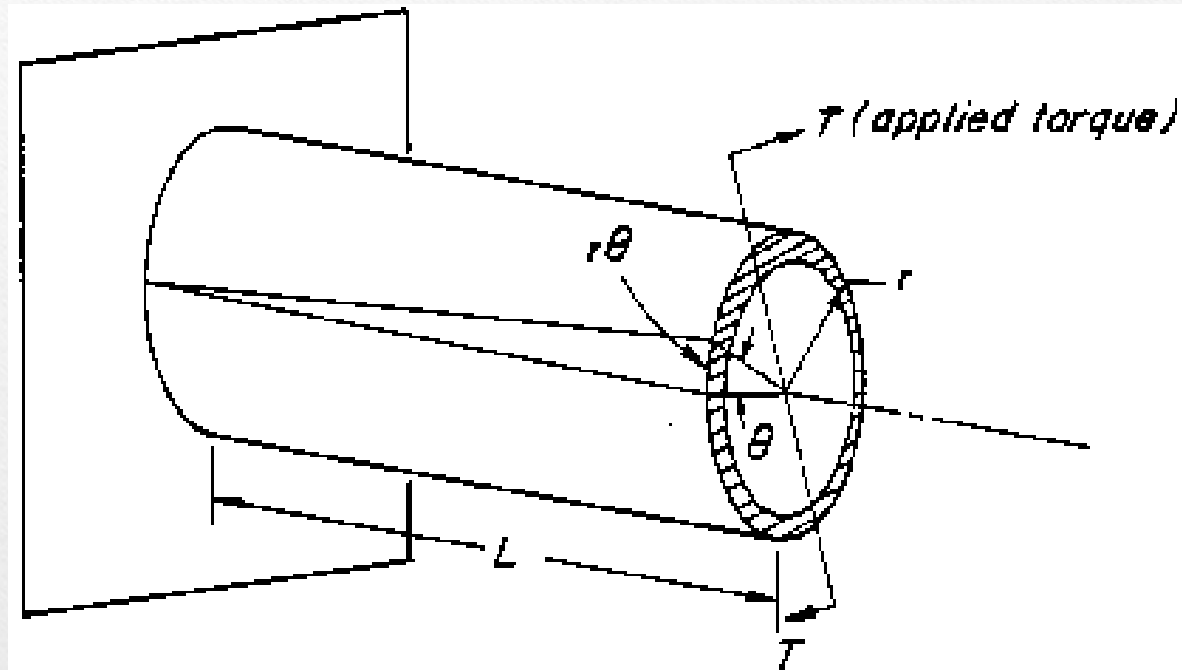


Figure: Torsion of cylindrical test bar

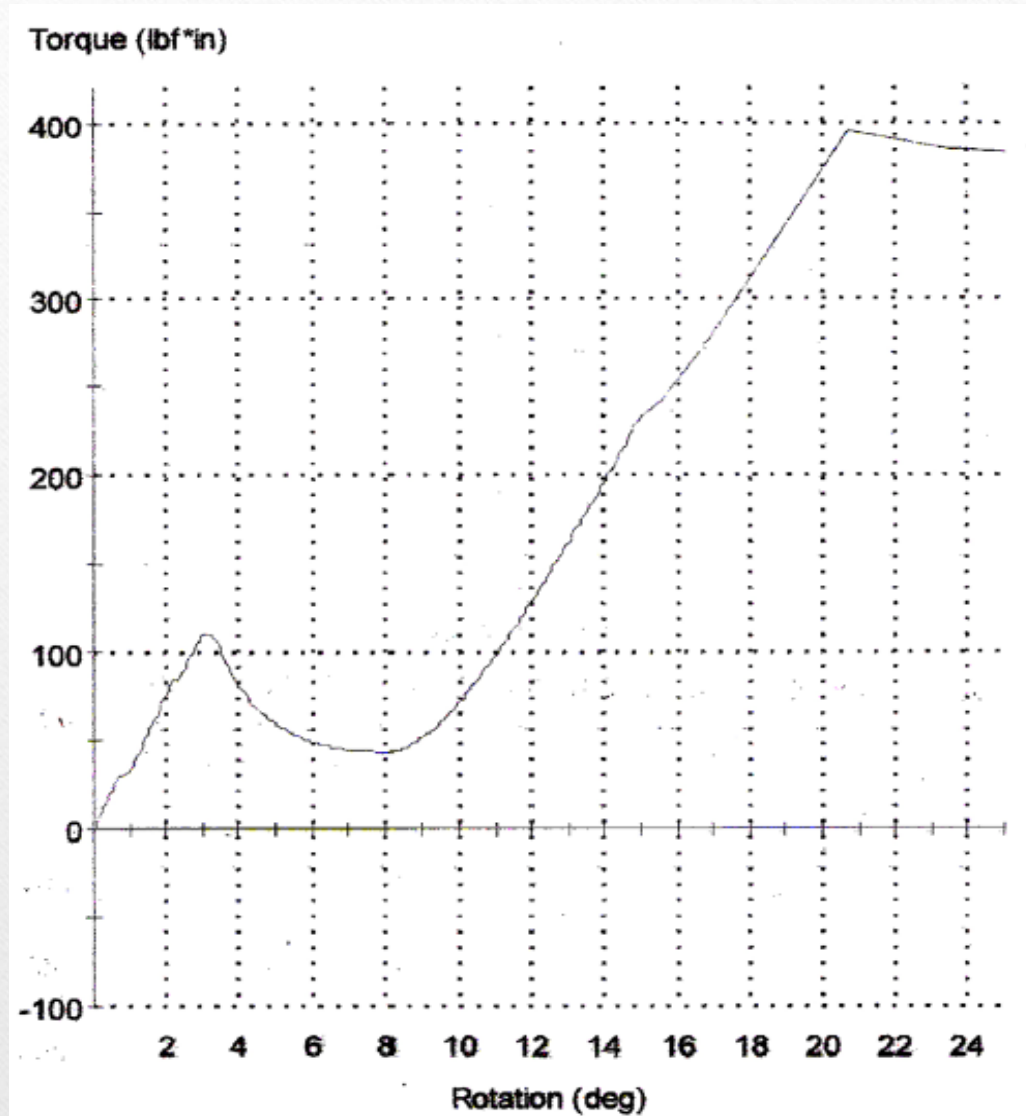


Fig: Example of torque-twist curve

- A plot of shear stress vs. shear strain for each rod is made by using the following formulas:

$$\tau = TR/J \quad \text{shear stress}$$

$$\gamma = R\theta/L \quad \text{shear strain}$$

$$G = \tau / \gamma \quad \text{shear modulus}$$

where:

T = torque applied to rod

R = radius of rod

J = Polar moment of inertia of rod ($J = \pi r^4/2$)

L = gage length of rod

θ = maximum rotation of rod (radians)

$$T = GJ \frac{\theta}{L}$$

1.4 TENSILE TEST

- ❖ The tensile test measures the resistance of a material to a static or slowly applied force.
- ❖ It is designed to demonstrate mechanical properties as:
 - ✓ Modulus of elasticity,
 - ✓ Yield strength,
 - ✓ Ultimate tensile strength (UTS),
 - ✓ Elongation and
 - ✓ Reduction in area at rupture.

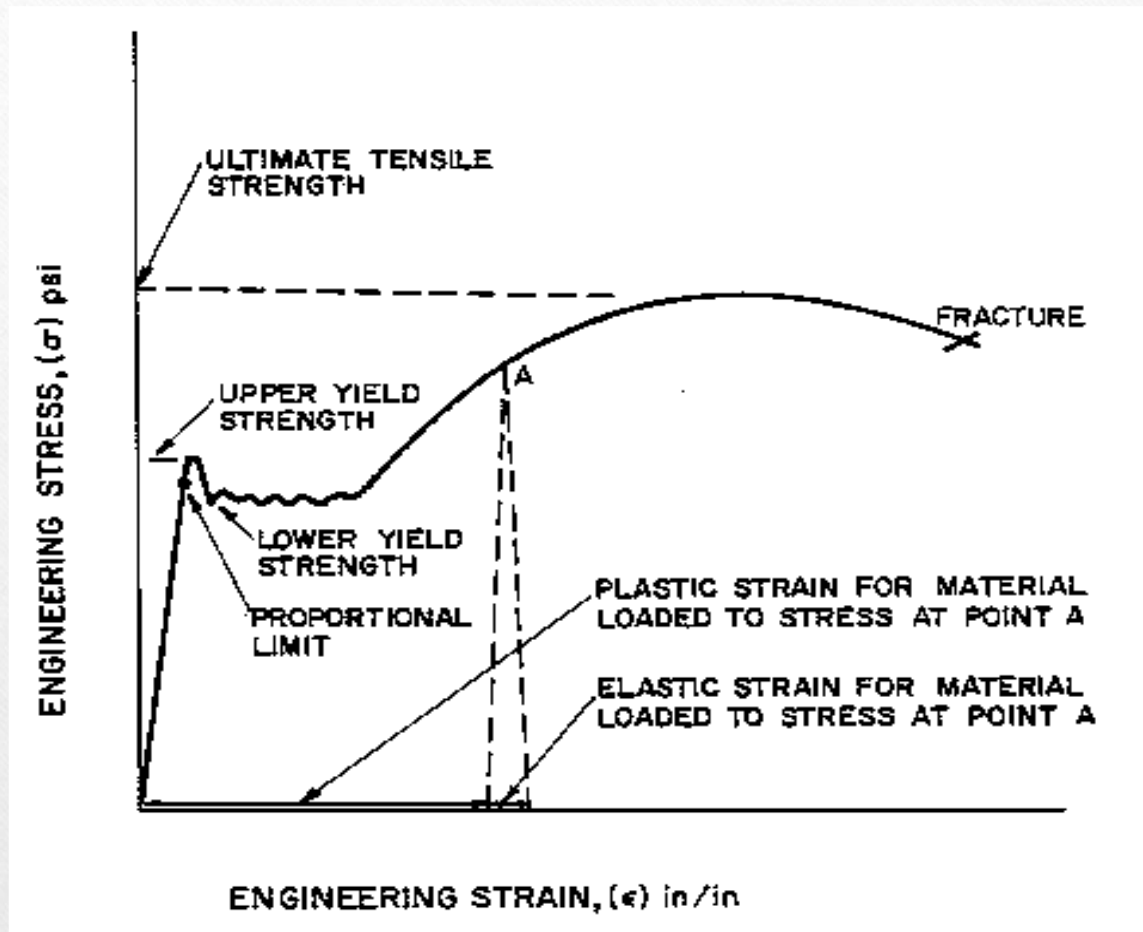


Figure: Engineering stress-strain diagram for hot-rolled carbon steel

- ✓ As shown in Fig., often basic stress-strain relations are plotted using engineering stress, σ , and engineering strain, ϵ .
defined as:

$$\sigma = \frac{\text{Load}}{\text{Original Area}} = \frac{P}{A_0}$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{\text{Deformed length} - \text{Original length}}{\text{Original length}} = \frac{L - L_0}{L_0}$$

□ The **ductility of a material** is its ability to deform under load and can be measured by either **a length change** or **an area change**.

□ The **percent elongation**, which is the percent strain to fracture is given by:

$$\%EL = 100\varepsilon_f = 100\left(\frac{L_f - L_o}{L_o}\right) = 100\left(\frac{L_f}{L_o} - 1\right)$$

□ The **percent reduction in area** is a cross-sectional area measurement of ductility defined as

$$\%RA = 100\left(\frac{A_o - A_f}{A_o}\right) = 100\left(1 - \frac{A_f}{A_o}\right)$$

2. NON-DESTRUCTIVE TESTS

- ✓ It does not affect the part's future usefulness.
- ✓ There are different techniques for non-destructive test;
 1. Visual inspection
 2. Radiography
 3. Liquid (Dye) penetrant method
 4. Eddy current testing
 5. Ultrasonic Inspection
 6. Magnetic particle

2.1 VISUAL INSPECTION

- ✓ VI is particularly effective detecting **macroscopic** flaws, such as poor welds.
- ✓ Most simple, quickly and easily performed method.
- ✓ Limited to detecting **only surface defects**.

2.2 RADIOGRAPHY

- ✓ Based on the ability of *x-rays* and *gamma rays* to penetrate all materials and thicknesses differently.
- ✓ The radiation is directed through the part and *imprints on a film stock* or an electronic device.
- ✓ The resulting image reveals the internal characteristics of the part, with possible imperfections showing up as *density changes* in the image.
- ✓ This process is used primarily on welds and is *difficult to use on complex shapes*.

✓ If a **void present** in the object being radiographed, ***more x-rays will pass*** in that area and;

- the film under the part in turn will have more exposure than in the non-void areas.

✓ However this method is **less popular** the process is **costly**, **health risks** for process operators and high interpretive **skills** in reading the x-ray images are required.

2.3 LIQUID (DYE) PENETRANT METHOD

- ❑ This is one of the simplest non-destructive testing methods primarily used for detecting the presence of surface defects only.
- ❑ A liquid penetrant dye is applied for a specific time.
- ❑ Later a developer (like talc or chalk powder) is applied which causes the dye to be drawn out from the defect and mark the flaw's location.

[Non-destructive Video\Dye Penetrant Inspection\(1\).mp4](#)

2.4 EDDY CURRENT TESTING

- ❑ Eddy currents are created through a process called **electromagnetic induction**.
- ❑ When alternating current is applied to the conductor, such as copper wire, **a magnetic field develops** in and around the conductor.
- ❑ It has a sensor to detect such failure of materials.

□ Eddy currents can be used for:

- ✓ Crack detection,
- ✓ Material thickness measurements,
- ✓ Coating thickness measurements,
- ✓ Conductivity measurements.

□ Advantages; **sensitivity to small cracks** and other defects, ability to detect surface and near surface defects

□ Limitation; applicability just **on conductive materials** and limited **depth** of penetration.

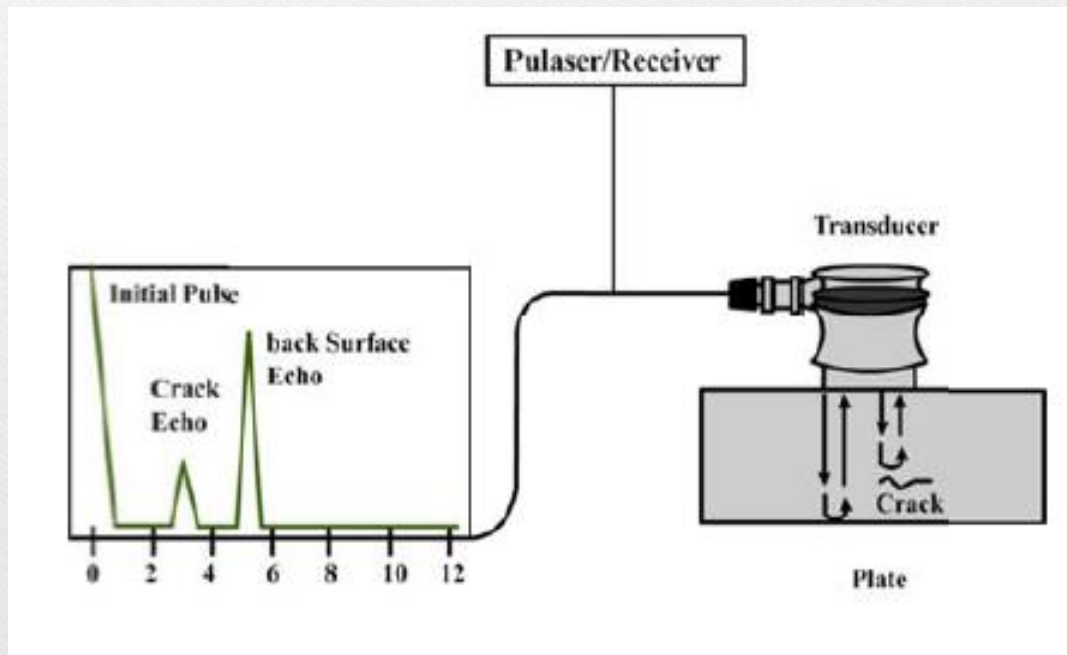
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2.5 ULTRASONIC INSPECTION

- ✓ It uses a high frequency **sound energy** to conduct examinations and make measurements.
- ✓ Sound energy is introduced and **propagates** through the materials in the form of waves and **reflected** from the opposing surface.
- ✓ An internal defect such as crack or void **interrupts the waves' propagation** and reflects back a portion of the ultrasonic wave.

- ✓ The **amplitude** of the energy and the **time** required for return indicate the presence and location of any flaws in the work-piece.

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2.6 MAGNETIC PARTICLE INSPECTION

- ❑ This method uses magnetic fields and small magnetic particles, such as iron filings to detect flaws in components.
- ❑ The only requirement is that the component being inspected must be made of **a ferromagnetic material** such iron, nickel, cobalt, or some of their alloys.
- ❑ Since these materials are materials that can be magnetized.

- ❑ If there is a **discontinuity** such as a crack or a flaw on the surface of the part, **magnetic flux will be broken** and a new south and north pole will form at each edge of the discontinuity.

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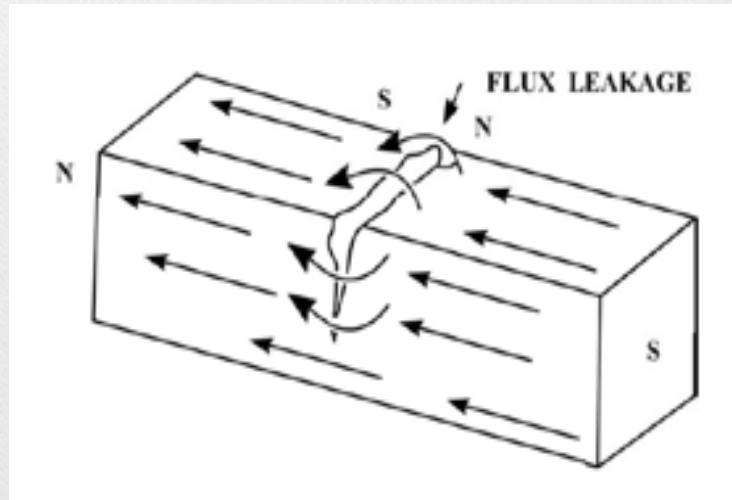


Fig: Principle of magnetic particle test ⁴⁰

3. METALLOGRAPHY AND MICRO STRUCTURAL ANALYSIS

- ❑ **Metallography** is the study of metals by optical and electron microscopes, to characterize the microstructures of the materials.
- ❑ Structures which are coarse enough to be discernible by the naked eye or under low magnifications are termed **macrostructures**.
- ❑ Those which require high magnification to be visible are termed microstructures.
- ❑ A reasonable working definition of **microstructure** is:
“The arrangement of phases and defects within a material.”
- ❑ Microstructure can be observed using a range of optical and electronic microscopy techniques.

How microstructures form?

- ✓ Microstructures form through a variety of different processes.
- ✓ Microstructures are almost always *generated when a material undergoes a phase transformation* brought about by changing temperature and/or pressure;
(e.g. a melt crystallizing to a solid on cooling).
- ✓ Microstructures can be created through *deformation or processing of the material*;
(e.g. rolling, pressing, welding).
- ✓ Finally, microstructures can be created *artificially by combining different materials* to form **a composite material**;
(e.g. carbon-fibre reinforced plastic).

□ Metallography or microstructural analysis includes, but is not limited to, the following types of analysis:

- Grain size
- Porosity and voids
- Phase analysis
- Dendritic growth
- Cracks and other defects
- Inclusion size, shape and distribution
- Weld and heat-affected zones (HAZ)

- ❑ The process is done according the following procedures:
 - (a) Sample cutting
 - (b) Sample cleaning
 - (c) Sample mounting
 - (d) Grinding by using SiC papers
 - (e) Polishing by using diamond paste, alumina paste, Magnesium oxide
 - (f) Acid etching (HNO₃, HCl, HF, etc)
 - (g) Acquisition of the microstructure's image by using optical and/or electronic microscopy

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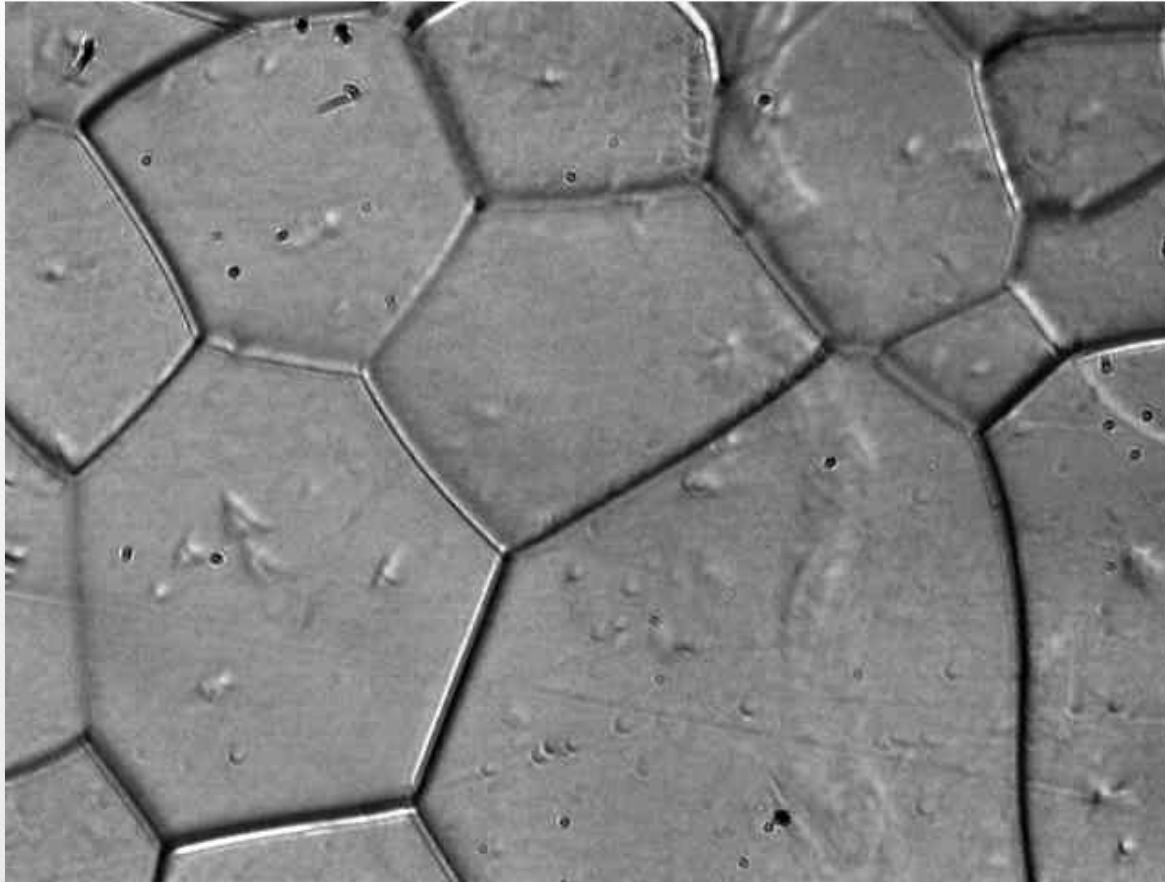


Figure: Rhenium grain size

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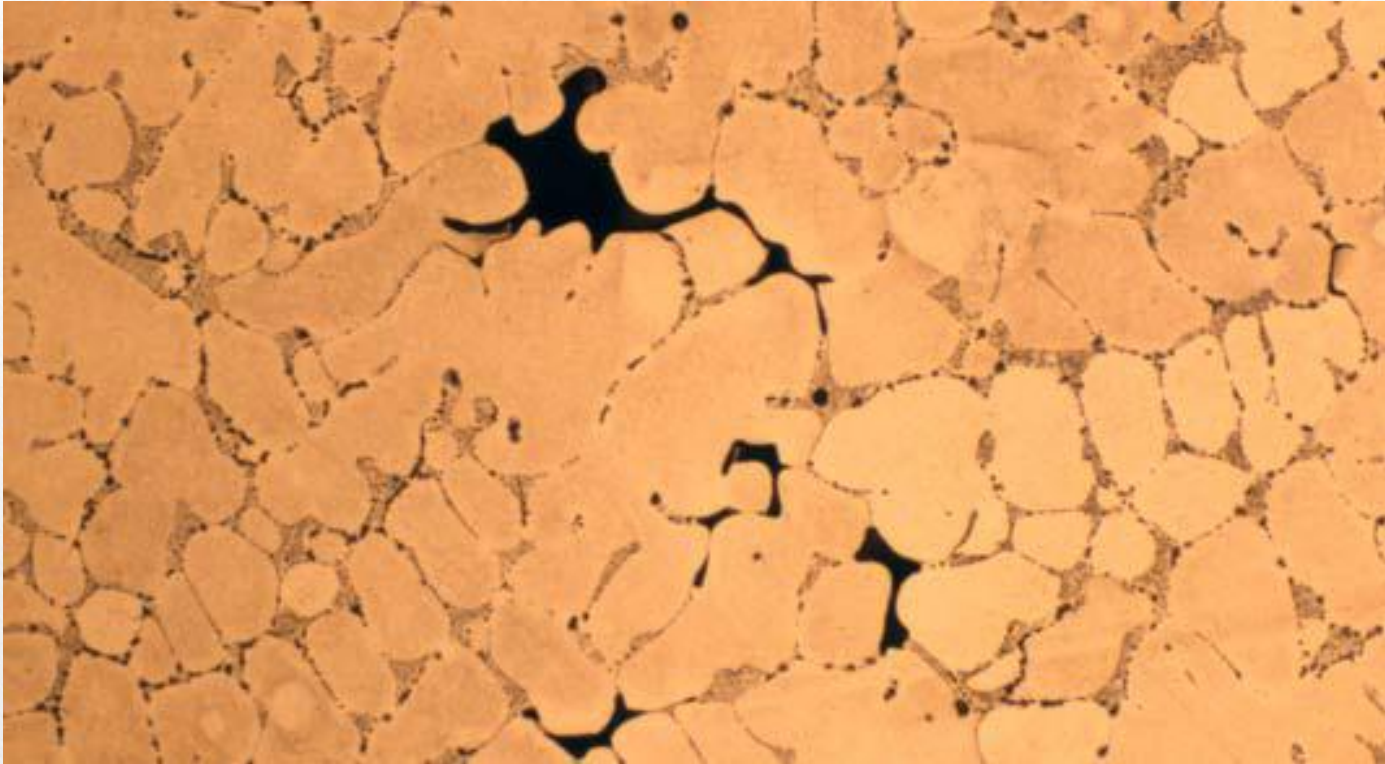


Figure: Casting porosity in copper

4. CONDUCTION AND CONTROL OF HEAT TREATMENTS

- ✓ **Heat treatment** is an operation or combination of operations involving *heating* at a specific rate, **soaking**(holding) at a temperature for a period of time and **cooling** at some specified rate.
- ✓ The furnace must be of the proper size and type and controlled, so the **temperatures are kept within** the prescribed limits for each operation.
- ✓ Even the **furnace atmosphere affects** the condition of the metal being heat-treated.

4.1 Stages of heat treatment

Heat treating is accomplished in three major stages:

Stage 1: Heating the metal slowly to ensure a uniform temperature.

Stage 2: Soaking (holding) the metal to a specified time.

Stage 3: Cooling the metal to the cooling medium.

Cooling medium may be:

- ✓ Water
- ✓ Oil
- ✓ Air and
- ✓ In side furnace room.

4.2 Types of heat treatment

There are four basic types of heat treatment processes;

- ✓ Annealing,
- ✓ Normalizing,
- ✓ Hardening, and
- ✓ Tempering.

Tempering relieves the internal stresses and also allows some iron carbide to form. It also restores ductility.

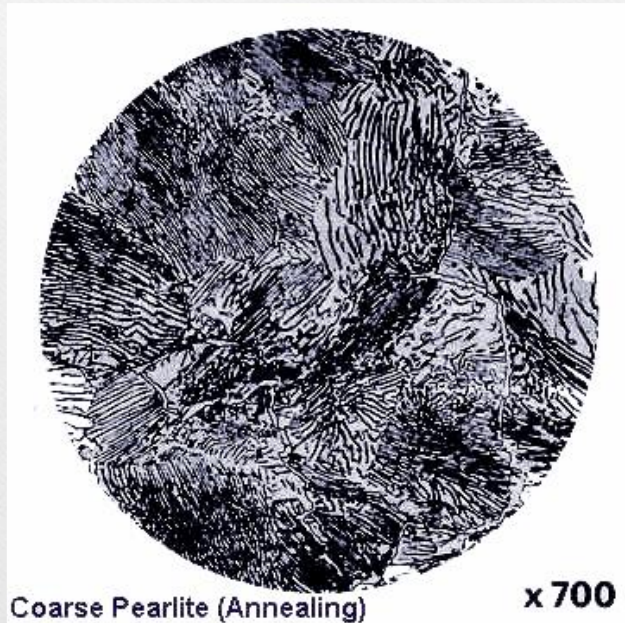
- ✓ If a steel is **quenched** into water or oil from **(870°C)** a metastable phase called martensite forms.
- ✓ This phase sets up **large internal stresses** and prevents carbide from forming.
- ✓ The internal stresses produce *a high hardness* and unfortunately, *low toughness*.
- ✓ To restore toughness, steels are tempered by *reheating* them to a lower temperature around 800°F (426°C) and cooling.

Normalizing is applied to reverse the *embrittling effects* of cold work.

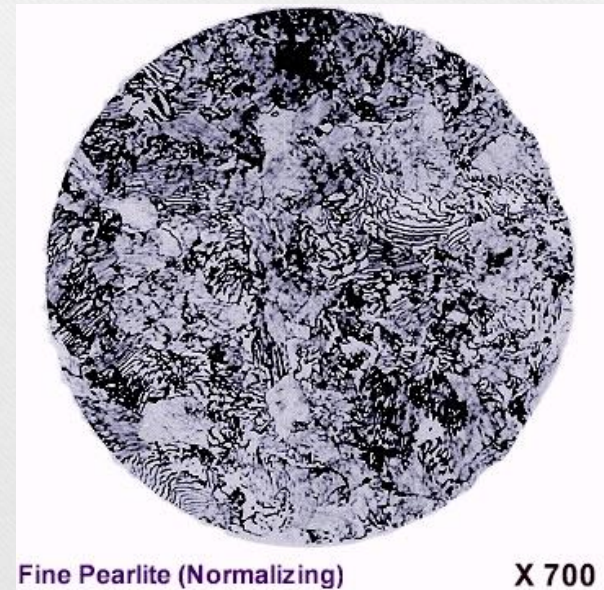
- ✓ By heating the sample into the austenite range and allowing recrystallization.
- ✓ The grain structure is refined and relatively small grains are formed by allowing the sample to **slow-cool in air.**

Annealing is used to relieve stresses, increase ductility and modify the microstructure.

- ✓ A previously **cold-worked**; SAE 1040 specimen, held for **1 hour in 900°C**, then allowed to **cool in the furnace** itself by turning the oven off thus facilitating a very slow cooling of the sample.



Normalizing SAE 1040 specimen, At **900°C for 1 hour** then allowed to cool in **air**.



Hardening: SAE 1040 specimen,
Heated at 900°C for 1 hour, then *rapidly
quenched in cold water.*

- ✓ **Martensite** is the hardest and strongest and, in addition, the most brittle.



Martensite (Quenching)

X 700

Tempering: SAE 1040 specimen, heated at 900°C for 1 hour then *water quenched.*

- ✓ The specimens are reheated to **400°C** in another furnace for **30 minutes** and are then removed and *allowed to cool to room temperature in air.*



Carbide/Ferrite (Tempering)

X 700

Thank you!