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BME303

## Third Semester B.E./B.Tech. Degree Examination, June/July 2024 Material Science and Engineering

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

*Note: 1. Answer any FIVE full questions, choosing ONE full question from each module.  
2. M : Marks, L: Bloom's level, C: Course outcomes.*

Module – 1			M	L	C
<b>Q.1</b>	<b>a.</b>	List the three primary classifications of solid materials. Explain briefly the distinctive chemical features of each.	06	L2	CO1
	<b>b.</b>	Classify and briefly explain primary atomic bonds.	08	L2	CO1
	<b>c.</b>	Define unit cell of a crystal lattice. Name and sketch the various crystal structures (unit cells) commonly present in materials. Show the value of edge length (a).	06	L2	CO1
<b>OR</b>					
<b>Q.2</b>	<b>a.</b>	Explain the following terms related to crystal structure: (i) Size of unit cell                      (ii) Coordination number (iii) Atomic packing factors	06	L2	CO1
	<b>b.</b>	Determine the Atomic Packing Factor (APF) for FCC structure (Unit Cell).	08	L2	CO1
	<b>c.</b>	Classify and briefly explain crystal lattice imperfections.	06	L2	CO1
<b>Module – 2</b>					
<b>Q.3</b>	<b>a.</b>	Explain the term diffusion. State and briefly explain the various types of diffusion mechanisms.	08	L2	CO2
	<b>b.</b>	State and explain Fick's laws of diffusions.	08	L2	CO2
	<b>c.</b>	State and explain any two factors that influence diffusion process.	04	L3	CO2
<b>OR</b>					
<b>Q.4</b>	<b>a.</b>	Define the following: i) Phase    ii) Phase diagram    iii) Phase equilibrium iv) Solubility limit.	04	L2	CO2
	<b>b.</b>	Explain 'Lever rule' for the construction of phase diagram.	06	L2	CO2
	<b>c.</b>	Name and explain the three invariant reactions that take place in Fe-Fe <sub>3</sub> C phase diagram.	10	L2	CO2
<b>Module – 3</b>					
<b>Q.5</b>	<b>a.</b>	Name and explain the various mechanisms by which the nucleation of solid particles in liquid metal occurs.	10	L2	CO3
	<b>b.</b>	Explain with suitable diagrams the process of precipitation hardening.	10	L2	CO3
<b>OR</b>					
<b>Q.6</b>	<b>a.</b>	Explain briefly the following heat treatment processes: (i) Annealing    (ii) Normalizing    (iii) Tempering    (iv) Nitriding	16	L2	CO3
	<b>b.</b>	What do you understand by critical radius for nucleation?	04	L2	CO2
<b>Module – 4</b>					
<b>Q.7</b>	<b>a.</b>	Classify the various surface coating techniques used in surface engineering.	04	L1	CO4
	<b>b.</b>	Briefly explain Chemical Vapour Deposition (CVD).	10	L2	CO4
	<b>c.</b>	Write a note on Lubrication and binders.	06	L1	CO4
<b>OR</b>					
<b>Q.8</b>	<b>a.</b>	Briefly explain the powder-metallurgy process using flow chart.	08	L2	CO4
	<b>b.</b>	State and briefly explain the various methods of atomization processes used for preparing the metallic powder.	12	L2	CO4

## Module – 5

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Q.9	a.	What is the Chemical Composition of grey cast iron? Show the microstructure by stating the various properties and uses of grey cast iron.	06	L2	CO5
	b.	Name the various alloying elements and their influence over steel alloys.	08	L2	CO5
	c.	How are copper alloys classified? Designate and state the properties and uses of copper alloys.	06	L2	CO5
<b>OR</b>					
Q.10	a.	How composite materials are classified. State their constituents used.	06	L2	CO5
	b.	Name and briefly explain the various types of fibers and matrix materials used for Fiber Reinforced Plastics (FRP).	08	L2	CO5
	c.	Explain the process of obtaining Material data.	06	L2	CO5

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Q.No.	Solution and Scheme	Marks
1a)	<p>Solid materials have been conventionally classified into three groups. Metal, Ceramics and polymer. based on chemical makeup and atomic structure.</p> <p>Classification of material based on appearance, structure &amp; physical properties</p> <p>Hard, soft, Transparent, Opaque.</p> <p>Classification based on usage of material. of.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Construction material</li> <li>Aerospace material</li> <li>Nuclear material</li> </ul> <p>Metal- This material has characteristics like high electrical, Thermal conductivity. Ability to be deformed or cut into shapes without breaking and high mechanical strength. These are produced from compounds.</p>	

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	<p>Ceramics are generally compounds between metallic &amp; nonmetallic compounds of oxides, nitrides and carbides.</p> <p><u>Polymers</u> are generally organic compounds based upon carbon and hydrogen. These are large molecular structures.</p>	

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1(b)	<p>There are mainly 3 primary atomic bonds, Ionic bond, Covalent, and Metallic bond.</p> <p><u>Ionic bond</u> It can form between two elements when one has small number of electrons when one has small number of electrons in valence shell (metal) and one has small number of electrons in the valence shell and has small number of electrons in the valence shell.</p> <p><u>Covalent bond</u> It is an interatomic linkage that results from the sharing of an electron pair between two atoms. The binding arises from the electrostatic attraction of their nuclei for the same electrons.</p> <p><u>Metallic bond</u> In this type of bonding the electrons are surrounded to common pool &amp; become shared by all atoms in the solid metal.</p>	

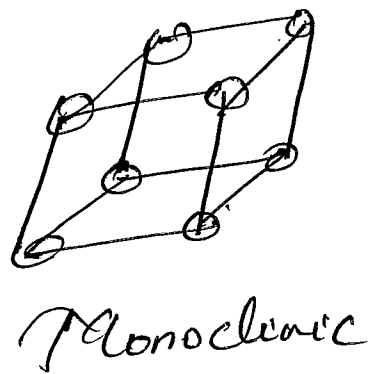
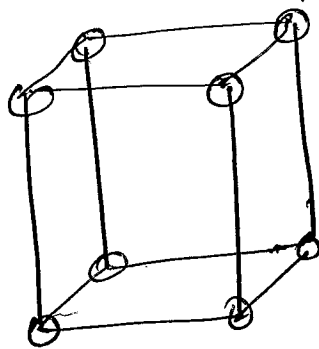
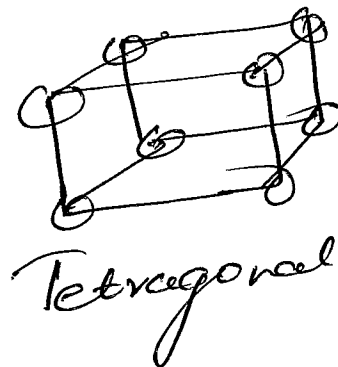
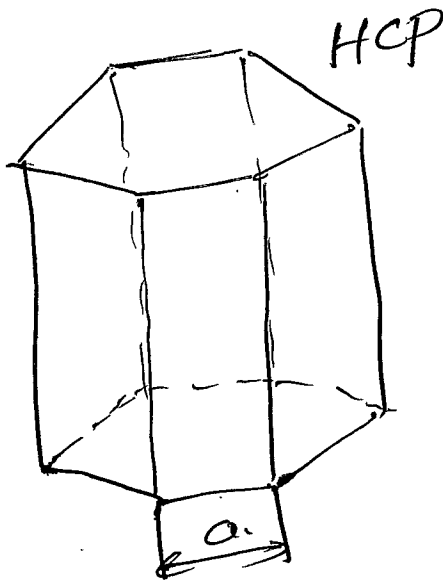
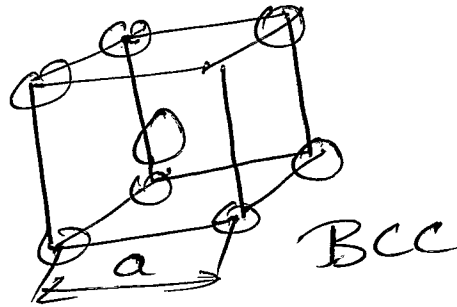
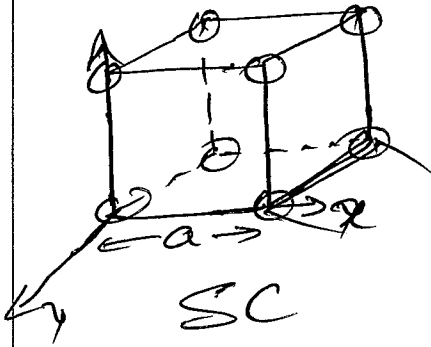
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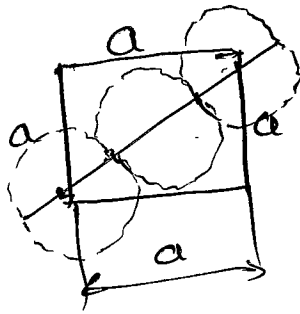
Unit cell is the smallest structure unit that describes the crystal structure. It is simply assumed as single bricks in a building.  
Following are the different types of unit cell



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2(a)	<p>i) <u>Size of Unit Cell</u></p> <p>It determine the geometrical dimension of unit cell, the corner atoms are in physical contact along the edge of the unit cell. Each side length is made up of two radii. The length of the side is given as <math>l = 2r</math>. vol of unit cell = <math>8r^3</math></p> <p>ii) <u>Co-ordination No. (CN)</u></p> <p>It refers to the number of atoms touching a particular atom. It indicates how tightly &amp; efficiently atoms are packed together.</p> <p>CN for SC = 6</p> <p>CN for BCC = 8</p> <p>iii) <u>Atomic packing factor (APF)</u></p> <p>When molten metal is allowed to solidify to room temperature, the atoms within the solid pack together as tightly as possible. It determine density of crystalline solid.</p>	

2(b)

APF for FCC unit cell



Let  $r$  be the radius of atom  
and  $a$  be the side length of the  
Cube

$$\text{APF} = \frac{\text{Vol of atoms/unit cell}}{\text{Vol of unit cell}}$$

$$= \frac{\text{Vol of each atom} \times \text{No. of atoms per unit cell}}{\text{Vol of unit cell}}$$

Effective no. of atoms  
in atom ~~per~~ unit cell  $= (8 \times \frac{1}{8}) + (\frac{1}{2} \times 6)$


$$= 1 + 3 = 4$$

$$\text{APF} = \frac{\left(\frac{4}{3} \pi r^3\right) \times 4}{a^3} \quad a = \frac{4r}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\text{APF} = \frac{\left(\frac{16}{3} \pi r^3\right) (2\sqrt{2})}{64 r^3} = 0.74 = 74\%$$



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2(c)	<p>Crystal imperfection denotes a deviation from the perfect arrangement of atoms/molecules in a crystal structure.</p> <p>Imperfection mainly classify as</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Zero dimension or point defects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>vacancy defect,</li> <li>Interstitial defect</li> <li>Substitutional defect</li> </ul> </li> <li>b) One dimensional or line defects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Edge dislocation</li> <li>Screw dislocation</li> </ul> </li> <li>c) Two dimensional or surface defects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Grain boundary defect</li> <li>Tilt boundary defect</li> <li>Twin boundary defect</li> </ul> </li> <li>d) Three dimensional or volume defects</li> </ol>	

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3a)	<p><u>Atomic Diffusion</u></p> <p>It refers to the movement of atoms or molecules in a solid. An atom in its normal position in the crystal structure will not be stable, instead will be vibrating rapidly about its lattice position within the crystal. At higher temp atoms jump to neighbouring sites.</p> <p><u>Diffusion Mechanism</u></p> <p>There are mainly two diffusion mechanisms: vacancy diffusion and interstitial diffusion.</p> <p><u>Vacancy diffusion</u> involves movement of atoms from original lattice position to an adjacent vacant lattice.</p>  <p>The diagram shows two stages of vacancy diffusion. On the left, a crystal lattice is represented by a grid of circles. One circle is missing, creating a 'vacant lattice' site. An arrow points to the right, where the same lattice is shown, but the atom that was previously in the vacant site has moved into the adjacent site, and the original site is now vacant. This process is labeled 'vacancy diffusion'.</p> <p><u>Interstitial diffusion</u></p> <p>It involves movement of interstitial atoms from one interstitial site to its neighbouring site, without permanently displacing any of the parent atoms in the crystal lattice.</p>	

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3(b) Fick's I law of diffusion

It states that, the flux of a body 'J' moving across a plane of unit area in unit time is proportional to the concentration gradient  $\frac{dc}{dx}$

$$J \propto \frac{dc}{dx} \quad \text{or} \quad J = -D \frac{dc}{dx}$$

J = flux      C = vol Concentration

x = distance betn plane of direction

D = diffusivity

$\frac{dc}{dx}$  = Concentration gradient

Fick's II law diffusion

It determines diffusion under unsteady & condition. The diffusion flux and concentration gradient at some particular point in a solid vary with time  $J = f(x, t)$

It states that, the rate of compositional change of the diffusing material at a point is equal to the diffusivity times the rate of concentration gradient  $\frac{dc}{dt} = D \frac{d^2c}{dx^2}$

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3c)	<p><u>Factors affecting Diffusion</u></p> <p>(i) <u>Crystal Structure</u> with more imperfection allow diffusion to take place at a faster rate than those with lesser imperfection. Diffusion proceed more rapidly along the grain boundaries because this is a zone of crystal imperfection.</p> <p>(ii) <u>Atomic packing factor</u></p> <p>Highly packed crystal have low diffusivity. For ex. FCC structure has atomic packing factor of 0.74 greater than that of BCC structure having factor of 0.68.</p>	

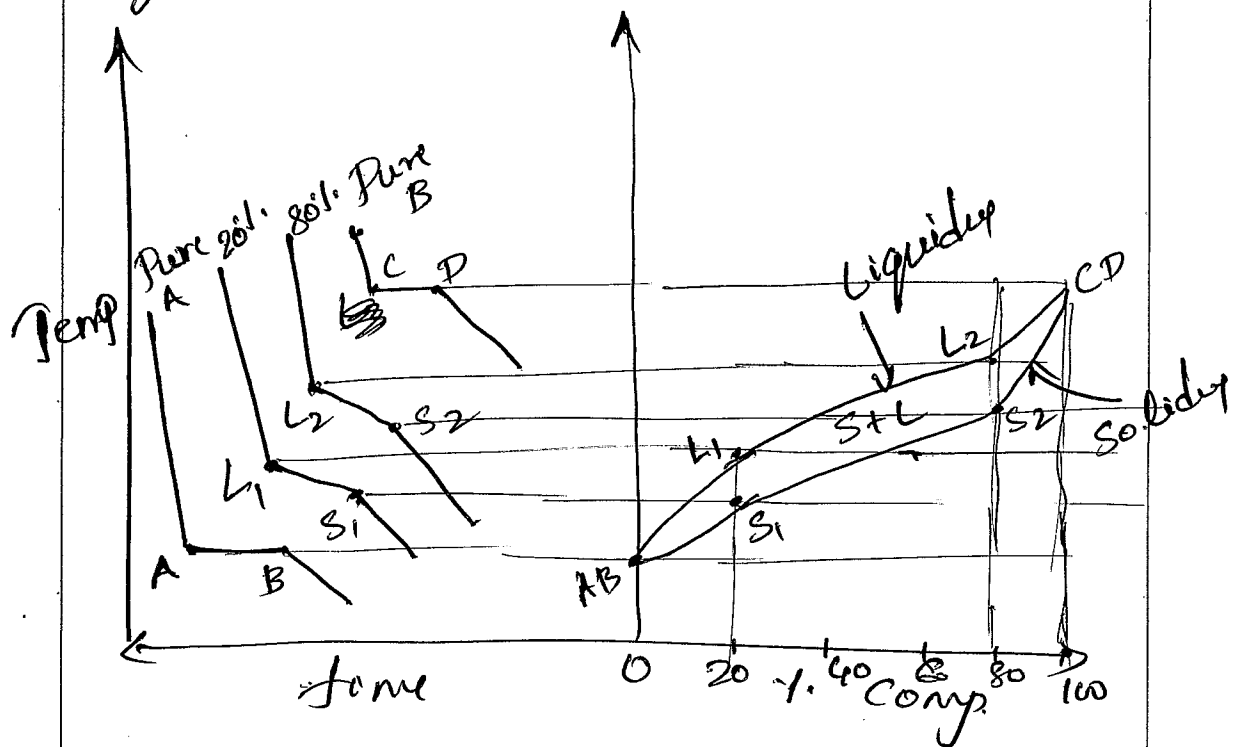
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4(a)	<p>(i) <u>Phase</u> It is defined as a homogeneous, physical distinct, mechanically separable portion of a material with given chemical composition</p> <p>(ii) <u>Phase diagram</u> It is graphical presentation showing change of phase with respect to temperature and composition</p> <p>(iii) <u>Phase equilibrium</u> It is state of system where the phase characteristics remain constant over indefinite time periods</p> <p>(iv) <u>Solubility limit</u> It determines max and min solubility of component in given type of alloy at particular temperature</p>	

4(b)

Lever rule-

In metallurgy, the relative amount of the two phases present are determined in a similar way to that of the weights needed to balance the lever.

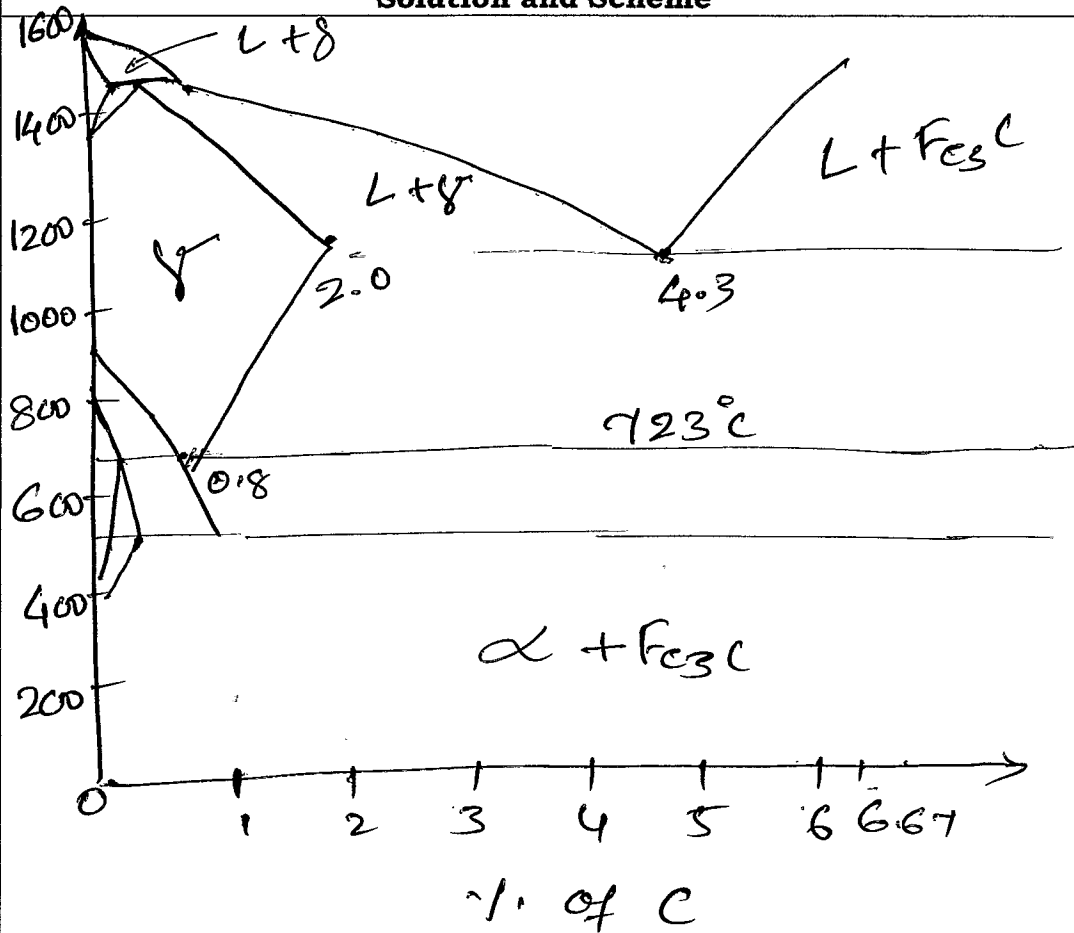
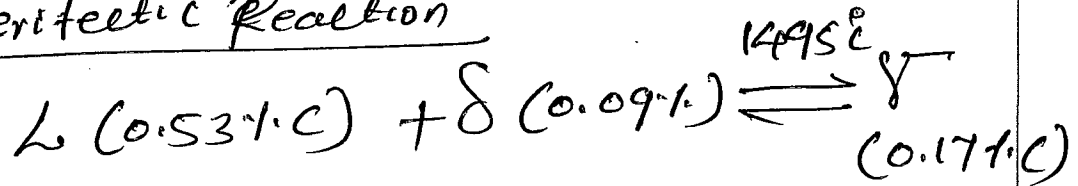
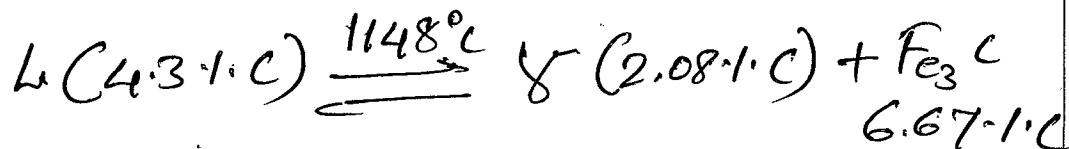
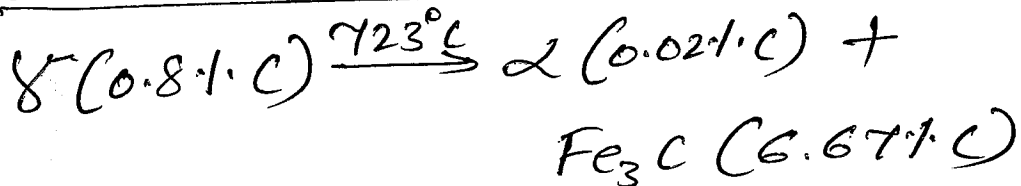
For ex. By using the lever rule the weight percent liquid and weight percent solid for any particular temperature can be calculated for any average alloy composition in the two phase liquid plus solid region.



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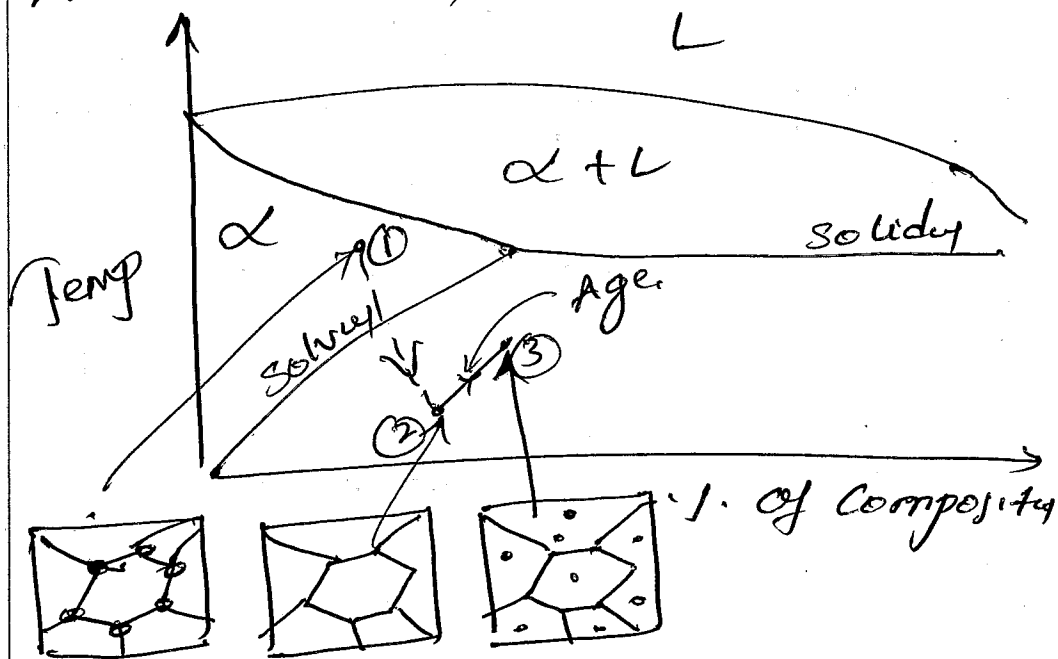
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4cPeritectic ReactionEutectic ReactionEutectoid Reaction

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5a)	<p>There are two main mechanisms by which the nucleation of solid particles in liquid metal occur are homogeneous and heterogeneous nucleation.</p> <p>Homogeneous nucleation considered first since it is the simplest case of nucleation. Homogeneous nucleation in a liquid melt occur when the metal itself provides the atoms needed to form a nuclei</p> <p>Heterogeneous nucleation - It is the nucleation that occur in a liquid on the surfaces of its container, insoluble impurities, and other structural material that lower the critical <sup>free</sup> energy required to form the stable nucleus.</p>	



5(b) Precipitation/Age hardening  
 Certain metals and alloys show increase in their hardness after allowing sufficient time at room temperature, or after heating to a slightly higher temperature.  
 For ex. Age ~~h~~ hardening of Al-Cu alloy



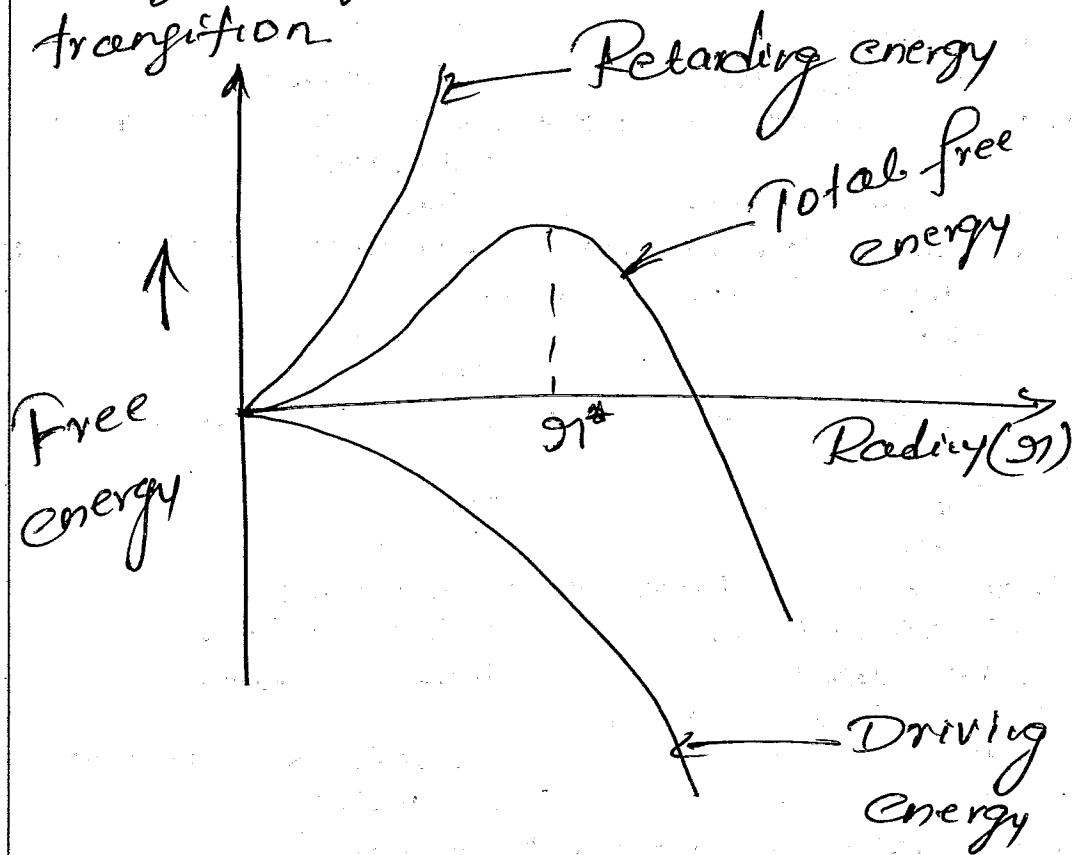
Precipitation hardening performed  
 by  $\rightarrow$  Solution treatment  
 Quenching &  
 Aging.

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6(a)	<p><u>Annealing</u> It is a heat treatment process, in which the metal is heated to high temp, holding it there for considerable time, and then allowing to cool at room temperature at predetermined rate. It relieve internal stresses induced by some primary process. And also some coarseness of grains. Soften the metal.</p> <p><u>Normalizing / Air quenching</u></p> <p>It involve heating material to an elevated temperature and then allow it to cool back to room temp by exposing it to room temp air after it is heated. It refine the grain structure &amp; improve machinability.</p> <p><u>Tempering</u>, Steels subjected to hardening heat treatment process martensitic microstructure which is brittle in nature. Even slight impacts may cause fracture of the hardened metal. Also sever</p>	

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	<p>Internal stresses which <del>are</del> are set up in the material.</p> <p><u>Nitriding</u> It is one of the case hardening process. It involves diffusion of Nitrogen (<math>N_2</math>) into the surface of certain type of steel containing Aluminium, Chromium, Molybdenum, Tungsten and Vanadium.</p>	

6(b) Critical radius ( $r^*$ )

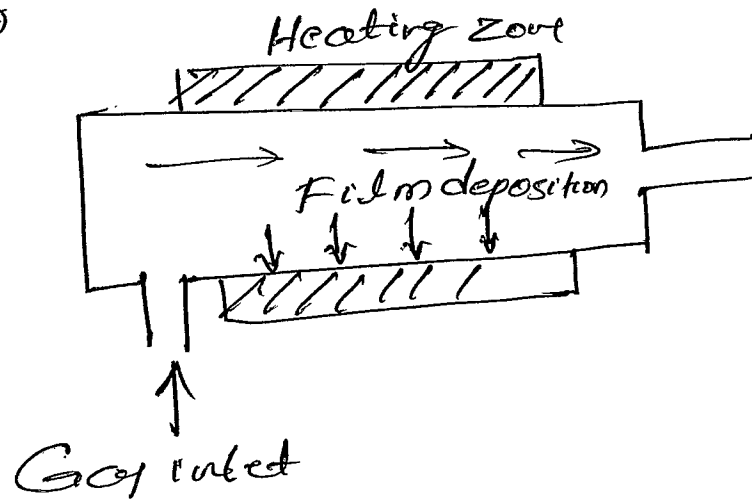
It is radius of small nuclei that is necessary for a phase transition to occur. Such of formation of a solid from a liquid or a gas. It is an important concept in understanding the kinetics of phase transition.



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7(a)	<p>Various materials such as mild steel, aluminium, &amp; their alloys, there is possibility of bacterial invasion, to overcome these surface coating technology a layer of material are implanted over the main contacting surface in order to enhance the durability of the material.</p> <p>Generally surface coating classify as</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gaseous state process</li> <li>Solution state process</li> <li>Molten or semi molten state process</li> </ul> <p>Further Gaseous state process classifying as CVD, PVD, IBCD</p> <p>Solution state process of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chemical solution deposition</li> <li>Electrochemical deposition.</li> <li>Sol gel</li> </ul> <p>Molten state of Laser, Thermal spraying, &amp; welding.</p>	

7(b) CVD process

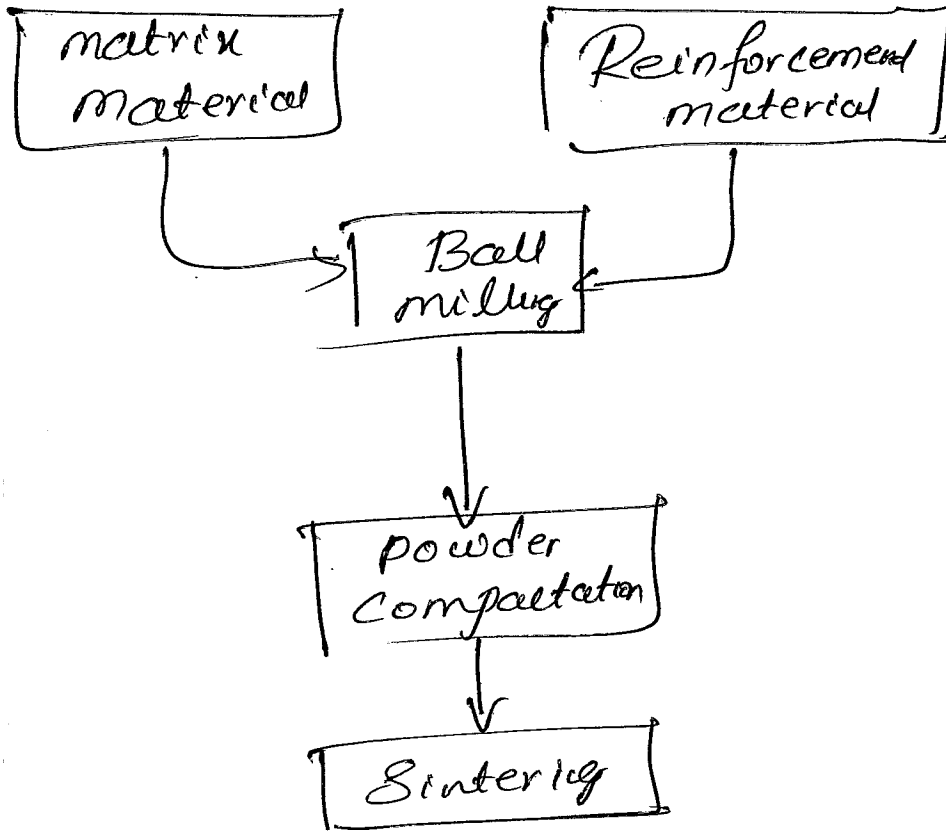
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In this process, the gaseous phase of required material is condensed on to the surface target, During the CVD process high temperature heating of substrate is done due to which the selection of material is limited since it only works with material that have high melting point. The reaction chamber consisting of target material is now introduced with the precursor materials, As they vapourize, the precursors are absorbed on to the target surface.

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7(c)	<p><u>Lubrication</u></p> <p>It is generally accomplished by either blending a solid lubricant powder with the iron-based powder or by spraying a liquid dispersion or solution of lubricant onto the die cavity surface.</p> <p>Dry lubricants or solid lubricants are materials that, despite being in the solid phase, are able to reduce friction between two surfaces sliding against each other.</p> <p><u>Binder</u></p> <p>A binder for metallurgical powder composition for powder metallurgy applications, include styrene and their derivatives.</p>	

8a)



Powder of matrix material and reinforcing material mixed together and processed to next steps of ball milling. In this process grinding of large lumps of material into smaller pieces. Further compaction is performed by mechanical process to get required shape. After compacting the product is undergoing sintering process under different temperature.



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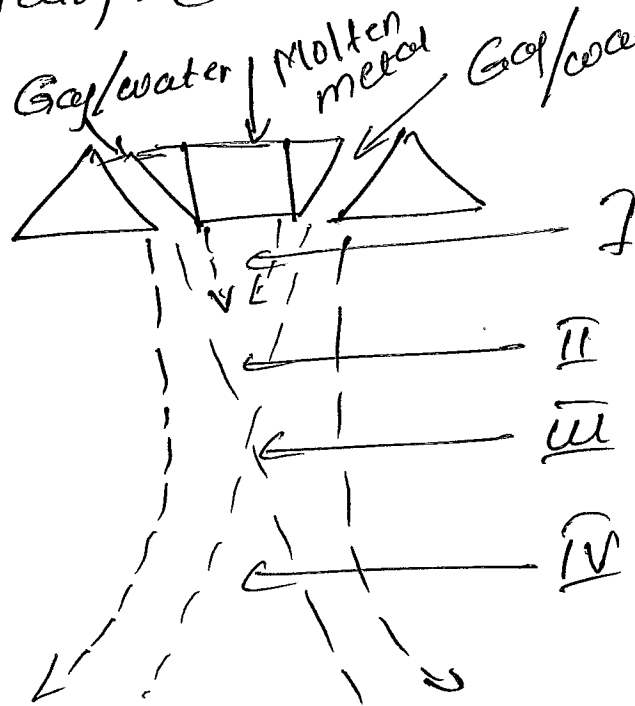
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8(b) Atomization process ~~using~~ used in preparing metallic powder

A This process involves formation of powder from molten metal using a spray of either gas or liquid. This is the most significant method of producing metal particles

In gas atomization gases like  $N_2$ , He, Ar are used for breaking up of ~~the~~ molten metal when high pr. gas flow is adopted the with high force strikes metal ~~powd~~ grains and breaks in to number of pieces



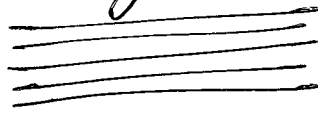
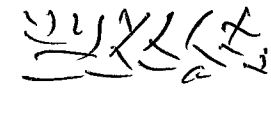
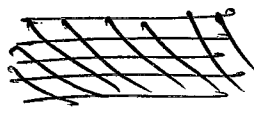
Gas atomization in powder metallurgy

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9(a)	<p>Chemical Composition of Grey CI</p> <p>C <math>\rightarrow</math> 2.5 to 4%</p> <p>Si <math>\rightarrow</math> 1% to 3%</p> <div data-bbox="399 492 1149 716"> </div> <p>Micro Structure</p> <p><u>Property</u></p> <p>Tensile Strength — 100 — 850 MPa</p> <p>Compressive Strength — 300 — 1200 MPa</p> <p>Higher hardness</p> <p>Low impact strength</p> <p><u>Application</u></p> <p>Base structure for machines &amp; heavy equipment that are exposed to vibration are frequently constructed of this material</p>	

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9(b)	<p>Effect of alloying elements on steel alloys</p> <p><u>Carbon</u> → Increases mechanical properties like strength, hardness</p> <p><u>Chromium</u> → Increases hardness, tensile strength</p> <p><u>Nickel</u> Increases hardness &amp; strength property without decreasing ductility</p> <p><u>Manganese</u> Increases strength and decreases ductility</p> <p><u>Sulfur</u> → It increases brittleness</p> <p><u>Silicium</u> → Degassing agent</p> <p><u>Molybdenum</u> → Preventing temper brittleness</p> <p><u>Vanadium</u> → Increases strength and hardness.</p>	

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9(c)	<p>Classification of Copper alloys</p> <p>Copper alloys classified as</p> <p>Copper Zinc alloy</p> <p>Copper - Zinc - Lead alloy</p> <p>Copper - Zinc - Tin alloy</p> <p>Copper alloy designated by the unified number system (UNS) developed by ASTM. The designation have 5 digit preceded by the prefix letter C. For ex</p> <p>Cu-Zn alloy C21000 ... C28999</p> <p>C70600 - Indicates Cu with Fe 1.0 - 1.8 Ni - 9 to 11 + relative impurity</p> <p><u>Properties</u> - Corrosive resistance</p> <p>Good Malleability &amp; Ductility</p> <p>Non magnetic, tough material</p> <p><u>Appln</u></p> <p>Bearing, gear, and valve guides, Radiators hydraulic tubing etc.</p>	

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10 (a)	<p>Composite materials are commonly classified at two distinct levels</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) with respect to matrix constituent <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Polymer matrix Composite</li> <li>* Metal matrix Composite</li> <li>* Ceramic matrix Composite</li> </ul> </li> <li>2) with respect to reinforced constituent <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Fiber reinforced Composite</li> <li>* Particulate reinforced Composite</li> <li>* Laminated Composite</li> </ul> </li> </ol> <p>Constituents of Composite material</p> <p>Matrix → polymer, Metal Ceramic</p> <p>Reinforcement material - Fiber particle lamination</p>	

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10(b)	<p><u>Fiber material</u> used for FRP  carbon, graphite, SiN, SiC  <math>Al_2O_3</math>, Aramid, E-glass  Boron. <del>to</del> Metal wire Steel, Mo.  W</p> <p><u>Matrix material</u>  Polymer, Epoxy, Polyester,  Metallic, &amp; Ceramic</p> <p>Fiber - must bear most of the  load applied</p> <p><u>Matrix</u> Transfer external load among  fibers, Prevent Chemical &amp; Abrasive  degradation of the fibers, <del>prep</del>  Prevent Cracks propagation. Keep  fiber orientation.</p> <p>Following are the 3 possible  Configuration of FRP</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Continuous</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Discontinuous</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Woven</p> </div> </div>	

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Solution and Scheme

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10c

Process of obtaining metal data  
 In general identifying, evaluating and selecting material is an open ended problem solving process with more than one solution. As a consequence, selecting the optimum material for product design is not easy. Also the choice for product design is not so easy. Also the choice of material will vary depending on the stage of the design process, from a large range of possibility at the Concept stage when design information is more specific and stable.

In effect, material selection can be considered to be a process reflecting the design process itself. It begins with initial screening of all possible material through comparing and ranking of alternative material to selecting optimum material.

