

Mechanical Properties: strength, hardness, ductility, brittleness, toughness, stiffness, & impact resistance

Mfg. Properties: castability, machinability ratings, machining speeds & feeds

Physical Properties: density, M.P., thermal conductivity, specific heat, & coeff. of thermal expansion

Optical Properties: transparency/opacity, color, R.I., pleochroism, birefringence, dispersion, extinction

Acoustic Props: sound/reflection/transfer

Atomic Props: atomic mass/number /weight

Chemical Props: pH / reactivity / surface tension & energy

Electrical Props: capacitance / permittivity

Magnetic Props: Curie temp / permeability

Wishes Vs Reality: strong materials $\rightarrow$ stubborn, ductile $\rightarrow$ delicate

Alloy & Composites: combination of ≥ 2 metals & ≥ 2 types of materials (metals, polymers, & ceramics)

Brass / Bronze / Cast Iron Vs. Laminar / fiber-reinforced / particulate composites

Alloys: corrosion resistance, strength, lighter, thermal/electrical compatibility, durable

Composites: strength-to-weight ratio, durability, design flexibility, cost-effective

Tensile Tests mechanical test that measures response of a material to a stretching force.

stress-strain $\rightarrow$ pulled until failure, elongation measured

used for: material selection, Q.C., product development

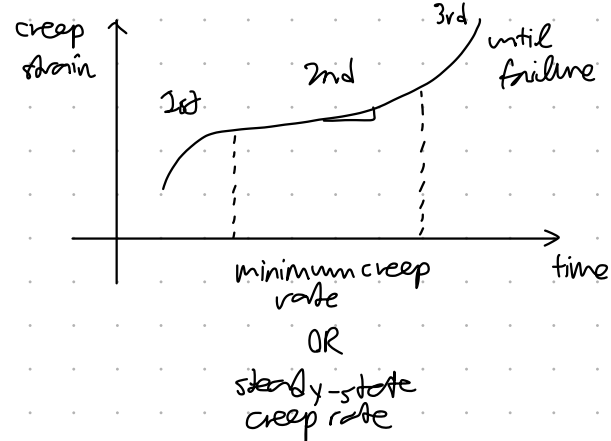
extrinsic properties: relates to how much of the material is present

intrinsic properties

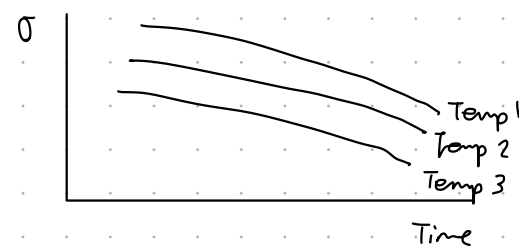
Engineering Stress: $\sigma = F/A_0$, force per cross-sectional area (MPa) **intrinsic prop.**
amount of withstandable force before failing

Engineering Strain: $\epsilon = (L-L_0)/L_0 = \Delta L/L_0$, % change in length of material
intrinsic prop., unitless; amount of deformation when subjected to external load.

Creep: time-dependent deformation of a material while under an applied load $<$ yield strength
occurs mostly at elevated temp.

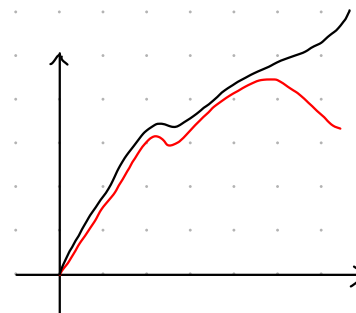


Stress rupture test: similar to creep testing but w/ higher stresses / always done until failure



Engineering Stress Strain
assumes cross-sectional area stays constant (not true incl b/c it $\downarrow$ due to elastic & plastic deformation).

True Stress-Strain Curve
applied load / actual cross-sectional area



Tensile Test (How to)

Select the material $\rightarrow$ cut the material to ASTM's size & shape,
avoid damage $\rightarrow$ place in grips of universal tester & pull until failure.

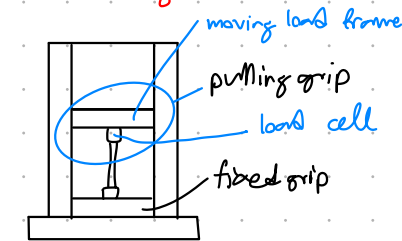
Why tensile test?

$\rightarrow$ material selection, Q.C., product design & development, & refining prototypes

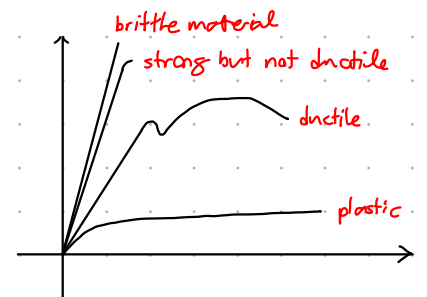
ASTM: American Society for Testing & Materials

ASTM D882: in the form of thin sheeting (film $<$ 1.0mm thick)

Tensile Testing Machine:

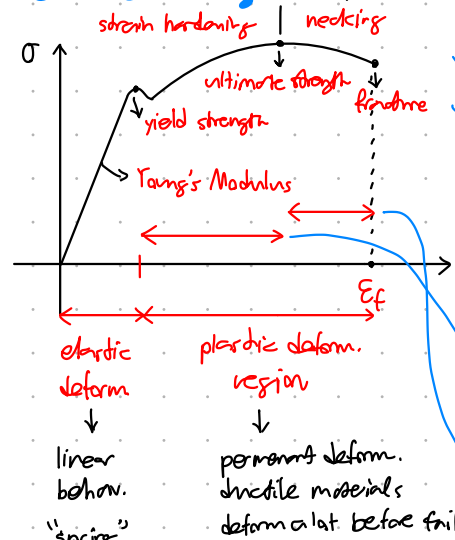


force vs displacement
 $\rightarrow$ stress vs strain



Strength: ability of a material to resist deformation under external loads

Tensile Strength: maximum stress that a material can support w/o fracture



Yield Strength: max. stress before permanent deformation (MPa).

Young's Modulus: material's stiffness/resistance to elastic deformation under load
higher = more σ needed to create same amount of strain

E_f : maximum strain @ fracture

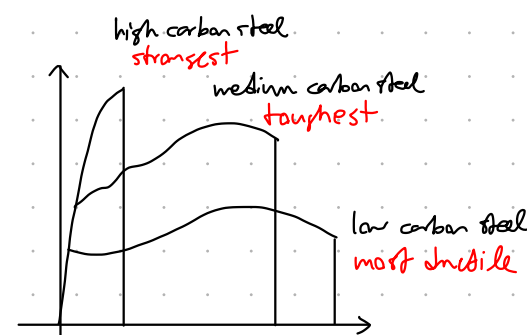
max. amount of deformation
 $\rightarrow$ provides info about ductility
ductile: $E_f \uparrow$, brittle: $E_f \downarrow$

Strain Hardening region: material $\rightarrow$ stronger & more difficult to be stretched.

Necking Region: material necks until failure
further necking region = easier to pull mat into wires, ductile!

Ductility: ability to stretch plastically before fracturing

Toughness: ability to absorb energy & plastically deform w/o. fracturing
 $J \cdot m^{-3}$ must be both strong & ductile. Area under σ - ϵ curve.

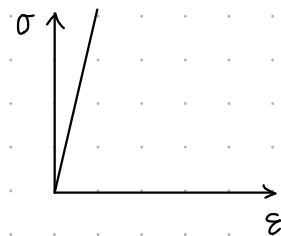


How Materials Break:

experimental variations: changes that affect results of experiment (temp., strain rate, specimen geometry, loading direction).

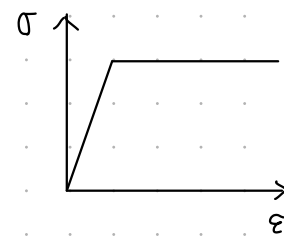
Perfectly elastic:

fractures rather than yield to plastic flow; brittle materials



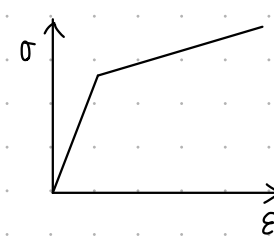
Elastic & Perfectly Plastic:

behaves like molten cheese!
when heated to sufficiently high temp.



Elastic & Strain Hardening Materials

Most ductile metals behave this way when cold worked



Mechanical Properties From Tensile Tests

Strength: ability to resist deformation under external loads

Hardness: resistance towards penetration/scratching
↳ compression test

Ductility: deform plastically before fracture, occurs after elastic range's exceeded.

Stiffness: resistance of a material to deformation under external loads; opp. to elasticity E.

Toughness: ability of a material to absorb energy & deform plastically before fracturing, opp. of brittleness. Area under σ - ϵ curve

Brittleness: tendency of a material to fracture upon application of stress; opp. of toughness, fractures w/o significant deformation

Elasticity: ability of a material to return to its original shape after deformation
it is $\propto$ length of elastic region

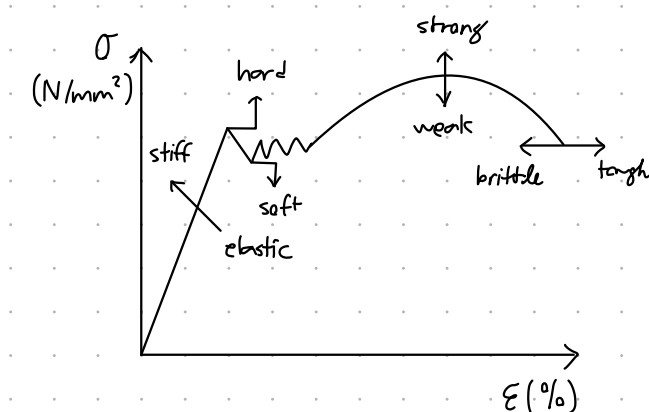
Plasticity: ability to undergo permanent deformation w/o breaking; $\propto$ length of plastic region

Malleability: ability to be deformed under compression w/o cracking.

Cohesion: ability to resist separation of its particles

Fatigue: tendency of failure under cyclic loading

Creep: tendency of deformation under constant load overtime.



Stiff (steeper) / elastic (shallow)

Hard (higher) / soft (lower)

Strong ($\uparrow$ tensile F) / weak (necks first, tears easily)

Brittle (low tensile F, breaks fast)

/ tough (form marked deform. before breaking)