### Materials Selection : Engineering Materials, Properties and Selection Methodology



# Outline

- Engineering Materials
- Material Properties
  - Mechanical Properties
  - Thermal Properties
  - Electrical Properties
  - Optical Properties
  - Eco-Properties



## **Evolution of Materials**





# **Classes of Engineering Materials**







# Materials

- Metals: Stiff materials with relatively high elastic moduli and exhibit ductility. Can be made strong by alloying, mechanical and heat treatments
- Ceramics and glasses: Materials with high moduli, but, brittle.
  - Tensile strength means the brittle fracture strength;
  - Compressive strength is the brittle crushing strength (15x fracture strength).
  - Low tolerance for stress concentrations (like holes or cracks) or for high contact stresses (at clamping points, for instance)
  - Finds application in bearings and cutting tools
  - Large scatter in the properties



## Materials

- Polymers and elastomers: Materials with low moduli
  - High strength can be as strong as metals
  - Elastic deflections can be large due to low moduli
  - They exhibit creep (time dependent deformation under constant load) even at room temperature
  - Very high strength-to-weight ratio
  - Can be made into complex shapes



# Materials:Composites

A composite material consists of two phases:

- Primary
  - Forms the matrix within which the secondary phase is imbedded
  - Any of three basic material types: polymers, metals, or ceramics
- Secondary
  - Referred to as the imbedded phase or called the reinforcing agent
  - Serves to strengthen the composite (fibers, particles, etc.)
  - Can be one of the three basic materials or an element such as carbon or boron



## Types of composite materials

There are five basic types of composite materials: Fiber, particle, flake, laminar or layered and filled composites.



### Classification of composite material

- Metal Matrix Composites (MMCs)
  - Mixtures of ceramics and metals, such as cemented carbides and other cermets
  - Aluminum or magnesium reinforced by strong, high stiffness fibers
- Ceramic Matrix Composites (CMCs)
  - Least common composite matrix
  - Aluminum oxide and silicon carbide are materials that can be imbedded with fibers for improved properties, especially in high temperature applications
- Polymer Matrix Composites (PMCs)
  - Thermosetting resins are the most widely used polymers in PMCs.
  - Epoxy and polyester are commonly mixed with fiber reinforcement



### Classification of composite material

- Matrix material serves several functions in the composite
  - Provides the bulk form of the part or product
  - Holds the imbedded phase in place
  - Shares the load with the secondary phase



# The reinforcing phase

- The imbedded phase is most commonly one of the following shapes:
  - Fibers, particles, flakes
- Orientation of fibers:
  - One-dimensional: maximum strength and stiffness are obtained in the direction of the fiber
  - **Planar:** in the form of two-dimensional woven fabric
  - Random or three-dimensional: the composite material tends to posses isotropic properties



# The reinforcing phase

#### **Types of phases**

- Currently, the most common fibers used in composites are glass, graphite (carbon), boron and Kevlar 49.
  - Glass most widely used fiber in polymer compositescalled glass fiber-reinforced plastic (GFRP)
    - E-glass strong and low cost, but modulus is less than other (500,000 psi)
    - S-glass highest tensile strength of all fiber materials (650,000 psi). UTS~ 5 X steel ;  $\rho \sim 1/3$  x steel



# The reinforcing phase

- Carbon/Graphite –Graphite has a tensile strength three to five times stronger than steel and has a density that is one-fourth that of steel.
- Boron Very high elastic modulus, but its high cost limits its application to aerospace components
- Ceramics Silicon carbide (SiC) and aluminum oxide (Al2O3) are the main fiber materials among ceramics. Both have high elastic moduli and can be used to strengthen low-density, low- modulus metals such as aluminum and magnesium
- Metal Steel filaments, used as reinforcing fiber in plastics





Plate 1: A380 composite materials application. Not shown: CFRP passenger floor panels and struts. Some composite parts are bonded others are not. Several metal parts are also bonded in modern civil and military aircrafts.



### Automotive sectors





### Lamborghini





# **Mechanical Properties**







- General
  - Weight
  - Expense
- Mechanical
  - Stiffness: E (Gpa)
  - Strength: yield strength
  - Tensile strength:  $\sigma_t$
  - Fracture toughness: K<sub>IC</sub>
- Thermal
  - Expansion coefficient
  - Thermal conductivity
- Electrical
  - Conductivity
- Wear corrosion and Oxidation



#### Thermal conduction







## Fracture Toughness

• Fracture toughness ( $MPa\sqrt{m}$ ) measure of the crack resistance of the material

• 
$$K_{Ic} = \beta \sigma_t \sqrt{\pi c}$$



- The fracture toughness is determined by loading a sample with a known crack of length 2c
- Fracture toughness are typically well defined for <u>brittle materials</u>



### Illustration of Mechanical Properties











- All right(Stiff, strong, tough, light)
- Not stiff enough (needs higher E)
- Not strong enough (needs higher  $\sigma_y$ )
- Not tough enough (needs higher  $K_{IC}$ )
- Too heavy needs (needs lower density)

### Materials



### **Material Property Chart**







## Property charts: Stiffness/weight



• Straight lines are the elastic wave speeds  $\sqrt{\frac{E}{\rho}}$ 

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#### Modulus to Density





#### Strength to Density





#### Fracture Toughness to Density





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### Modulus to Strength



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#### Specific Modulus to Specific Strength







#### Fracture Toughness to Modulus





#### Fracture Toughness to Strength





### Thermal conductivity to diffusivity





#### Expansion to conductivity





#### **Expansion to Modulus**





### Normalized Strength to Expansion





### Strength at High Temperature





### **Relative Cost**





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### **Design for Impact**







### Wear Rate





### **Material Selection**

- Identifying the desired attribute for objectives and constraints *(Translation)*
- Comparing with real engineering materials for the best match (Screening and Ranking)
   Translation





### Mapping Design Requirements to Materials





# Screening by Attributes and Links

Screen on attributes

#### Requirements: must

- operate at 100°C
- be electrical insulator
- · conduct heat well

Example: heat exchanger tubes

Retain materials with:

- max operating temp > 100C
- resistivity R >  $10^{20} \mu\Omega.cm$ 
  - T-conduct.  $\lambda > 100 \text{ W/m.K}$

Screen on links

Example: cheap metal window frame

Requirements: must

be extrudable



Retain materials with:

• links to "extrusion"

Screen on both attributes and links



## Screening on Attributes





### **Ranking by Performance**

 Objective: Metric of performance which can be maximized or minimized, such as mass, volume, cost per unit attribute





### Material Indices: Tie Rod

Minimizing mass for a light strong tie rod •



*Minimize*  $m = AL\rho$  where L is length, A is cross-sectional area and  $\rho$  is density

Constraint:  $\frac{F^*}{A} \leq \sigma_f$  where F\* is the force and  $\sigma_f$  is the failure strength

 $m \ge (F^*)(L)\left(\frac{\rho}{\sigma_f}\right) \implies \text{Material Properties}$ 

**Functional Constraint** 

Geometric Constraint

Minimize this material index or  $\frac{\sigma_f}{\rho}$  specific strength can be maximized  $\frac{E}{\rho}$ 

### Light Stiff Panel

- Function: Panel
- Objective: Minimize m of the panel
- Constraints: Bending Stiffness, S\* (functional constraint)
   Length L and width b specified (geometric constraint)
- Free Variables: Panel thickness h and material

 $m = AL\rho = bhL\rho$ 

The bending stiffness S can be given by,  $S = \frac{C_1 E I}{L^3} \ge S^*$  and  $I = \frac{bh^3}{12}$ 

$$m = hbL\rho = \left(\frac{12L^3S^*}{C_1Eb}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}bL\rho = \left(\frac{12S^*}{C_1b}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}(bL^2)\left(\frac{\rho}{\frac{1}{E^{\frac{1}{3}}}}\right) \longrightarrow \text{Material Properties}$$

$$Mp = \frac{E^{\frac{1}{3}}}{\rho}$$
 (For stiffness);  $Mp = \frac{\sigma y^{\frac{1}{2}}}{\rho}$  (For strength)



### Light Stiff Beam

- Function: Beam
- Objective: Minimize m of the panel
- Constraints: Bending Stiffness, S\* (functional constraint) square cross-section (geometric constraint)
- Free Variables: Area A and material

 $m = AL\rho = b^2 L\rho$ 

The bending stiffness S can be given by,  $S = \frac{C_2 EI}{L^3} \ge S^*$  and  $I = \frac{b^4}{12} = \frac{A^2}{12}$ 

$$m = AL\rho = \left(\frac{12L^3S^*}{C_1E}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}L\rho = \left(\frac{12L^3S^*}{C_2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}(L)\left(\frac{\rho}{E^{\frac{1}{2}}}\right) \quad \Longrightarrow \text{ Material Properties}$$

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# Ashby's Methodology





## Material Indices

#### Material properties --

the "Physicists" view of materials, e.g.

| Cost,                     | C <sub>m</sub> |
|---------------------------|----------------|
| Density,                  | ρ              |
| Modulus,                  | Е              |
| Strength,                 | $\sigma_y$     |
| Endurance limit,          | $\sigma_{e}$   |
| Thermal conductivity,     | λ              |
| T- expansion coefficient, | α              |

#### Material indices --

the "Engineers" view of materials

#### **Objective: minimise mass**

| Function        | Stiffness          | Strength              |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Tension (tie)   | ρ/E                | ρ/σ <sub>y</sub>      |  |  |  |  |
| Bending (beam)  | ρ/Ε <sup>1/2</sup> | $\rho/\sigma_y^{2/3}$ |  |  |  |  |
| Bending (panel) | ρ/Ε <sup>1/3</sup> | $ ho/\sigma_y^{1/2}$  |  |  |  |  |
|                 | <b>X</b>           | 1                     |  |  |  |  |
|                 |                    |                       |  |  |  |  |
|                 | Minimise these!    |                       |  |  |  |  |



## **Selection Using Charts**









### Materials, Shapes and Processes





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### **Process Material Compatibility**

|       |             | Material Class   |         |            |          |       |       |             |             |      |         |            |                   |            |      |           |      |
|-------|-------------|------------------|---------|------------|----------|-------|-------|-------------|-------------|------|---------|------------|-------------------|------------|------|-----------|------|
|       |             |                  |         |            |          |       |       | l           |             |      |         |            |                   |            |      |           |      |
|       |             |                  |         |            |          |       |       |             |             | _    |         |            |                   |            |      |           |      |
|       |             |                  |         | -          |          |       |       |             |             |      |         |            |                   |            |      |           |      |
|       |             |                  |         | 1          | Metals   |       |       | Cerar       | nics & Glas | ses  |         | 1          | Polymers & Elasto | mers       | 1    | Composite | es   |
|       |             |                  |         | L          |          |       |       |             |             |      |         | l          |                   |            | 1    |           |      |
|       |             |                  | Ferrous | Refractory | Preclous | Heavy | Light | Cementitous | Vitreous    | Fine | Glasses | Thermosets | Thermoplastics    | Elastomers | PMCs | MMCs      | CMCs |
|       | []          | Gravity          | 2       | 1          | 2        | 2     | 2     | 0           | 0           | 0    | 1       | 0          | 0                 | 0 .        | 0    | 0         | 0    |
|       | Casting     | Low pressure     | 2       | 0          | 2        | 2     | 2     | 0           | 0           | 0    | 2       | 0          | 0                 | 0          | 0    | 1         | 0    |
|       |             | High pressure    | 1       | õ          | 2        | 2     | 2     | 0           | 0           | 0    | 1       | 0          | 0                 | 0          | 0    | 2         | 0    |
|       |             | Investment       | 2       | 2          | 2        | 2     | 2     | 0           | 0           | 0    | 0       | 0          | 0                 | 0          | 0    | 0         | 0    |
|       |             | Injection        | 0       | 0          | 2        | 0     | 0     | 0           | 0           | 0    | 2       | 2          | 2                 | 2          | 2    | 0         | 0    |
|       | Moulding    | Compress         | 0       | 0          | 2        | 0     | 0     | 0           | 0           | 0    | 2       | 2          | 2                 | 2          | 2    | 1         | 0    |
|       | Moulaing    | Blow             | 0       | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     | 0           | 0           | 0    | 2       | 0          | 2                 | 0          | 0    | 0         | 0    |
|       | LJ          | Foam             | 0       | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     | 0           | 0           | 0    | 0       | 2          | 2                 | 2          | 0    | 0         | 0    |
|       |             | Cold             | 2       | 0          | 2        | 2     | 2     | 0           | 0           | 0    | 0       | 0          | 0                 | 0          | 0    | 0         | 0    |
|       |             | Warm             | 2       | 0          | 2        | 2     | 2     | 0           | 0           | 0    | 0       | 0          | 0                 | 0          | 0    | 0         | 0    |
|       | Deformation | Hot              | 2       | 2          | 2        | 2     | 2     | 0           | õ           | 0    | 2       | Ő          | 0                 | 0          | 0    | ō         | 0    |
|       | L           | Sheet            | 2       | 1          | 2        | 2     | 2     | 0           | 0           | 0    | 0       | 0          | 2                 | 0          | 0    | 1         | 0    |
|       |             | T                |         | 2          | 2        | 2     | 2     | 0           | 1           | 0    | 0       | 2          | 2                 | 0          | 2    | 2         |      |
|       | []          | Turn             |         | 2          | 2        | 2     | 2     | 0           |             | 0    | 0       | 2          | 2                 | 0          | 2    | 2         |      |
| 52    | Machining   | Grind            | 2       | 2          | 2        | 2     | 2     | 0           | 2           | 2    | 2       | 0          | 2                 | 0          | 0    | 2         | 2    |
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| ۳, S  | Powder      | Sinter/HIP       | 2       | 2          | 2        | 2     | 2     | 0           | 2           | 2    |         | 0          | 2                 | 0          | 0    | 2         | 2    |
| Pa    | Methods     | Slip cast        | 0       | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     | 0           | 2           | 2    | 2       | 0          | 0                 | 0          | 2    | 0         |      |
|       |             | Spray forming    |         | 2          | 2        | 2     | 2     | 0           | 2           | 2    | 2       | 2          | 2                 | 0          | 2    | 0         | ő    |
|       |             | Hydration        | 0       | 0          | 0        |       |       | 2           | 0           |      | 0       | 0          |                   |            | 0    |           |      |
|       | Composite   | Lay-up           | 0       | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     | 0           | 0           | 0    | 0       | 0          | 0                 | 0          | 2    | 0         | 2    |
|       | Forming     | Mould            | 0       | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     | 0           | 0           | 0    | 0       | 2          | 2                 | 2          | 2    | 0         | 0    |
|       |             | Squeeze-cast     | 1       | 0          | 0        | 2     | 2     | 0           | 0           | 0    | 0       | 0          | 0                 | 0          | 0    | 2         | 0    |
|       |             | Filament wind    | 0       | 0          | 0        | 0     | 0     | 0           | 0           | 0    | 0       | 0          | 0                 | 0          | 2    | 0         | 0    |
|       |             | PVD              | 0       | 2          | 2        | 2     | 0     | 0           | 0           | 2    | .0      | 0          | 0                 | 0          | 0    | 1         | 0    |
|       | Molecular   | CVD              | 0       | 2          | 2        | 2     | 0     | 0           | 0           | 2    | 0       | 0          | 0                 | 0          | 0    | 1         | 2    |
|       | Wiethous    | Sputtering       | 2       | 2          | 2        | 2     | 2     | 0           | 0           | 0    | 0       | 0          | 0                 | 0          | 0    | 0         | 0    |
|       |             | Electroforming   | 1       | 0          | 2        | 2     | 0     | 0           | 0           | 0    | 0       | 0          | 0                 | 0          | 0    | 0         | 0    |
|       | Special     | Electrochemical  | 2       | 2          | 2        | 2     | 2     | 0           | 0           | 0    | 0       | 0          | 0                 | 0          | 0    | 2         | 0    |
|       | Methods     | Ultrasonic       | 1       | 2          | 0        | 0     | 0     | 0           | 2           | 2    | 2       | 0          | 0                 | 0          | 0    | 0         | 2    |
|       |             | Chemical         | 2       | 2          | 2        | 2     | 2     | 0           | 2           | 2    | 2       | 0          | 0                 | 0          | 0    | 0         | 0    |
| [     |             | Thermal Beam     | 2       | 2          | 2        | 2     | 2     | 0           | 2           | 2    | 2       | 2          | 2                 | 2          | 2    | 2         | 2    |
|       |             | Weld/braze       | 2       | 2          | · 2      | 2     | 2     | 0           | 0           | 0    | 0       | 0          | 2                 | 0          | 0    | 0         | 0    |
|       | Fabrication | Adhesive         | 2       | 2          | 2        | 2     | 2     | 2           | 2           | 2    | 2       | 2          | 2                 | 2          | 2    | 2         | 2    |
|       |             | Fasten           | 2       | 2          | 2        | 2     | 2     | 2           | 2           | 2    | 2       | 2          | 2                 | 2          | 2    | 2         | 2    |
|       |             | Microfabrication | 2       | 2          | 2        | 2     | 2     | 0           | 2           | 2    | 2       | 2          | 2                 | 2          | 2    | 2         | 2    |





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# Selection by Technical Analysis

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### **Process Material Relationship**

Select on processability and material properties

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# Selection on Similarity

Select on similarity (and innovative substitution)

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• How balance objectives ? eg

Performance, P } Conflicting objectives

Plot performance metric P
against cost metric C

• **A** "**solution**", is a material with a given combination of cost and performance

• Dominated and non-dominated solutions

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![](_page_56_Picture_6.jpeg)

# **Multi-objective Optimization**

- *Solution:* a viable choice, meeting constraints, but not necessarily optimum by either criterion.
- **Dominated solution (A):** some other solution is better by both metrics
- *Non-dominated solution (B):* no one other solution is better by both metrics

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- The **trade-off surface** (or Pareto front) is the surface on which the nondominated solutions lie
- Use intuition to select
- Form a value function: a composite objective

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## **Multi-objective Optimization**

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# Summary

- Engineering Materials
- Material Property Charts
- Material Indices
- Material Selection Methodology by Ashby
- Multi-objective Optimization

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