

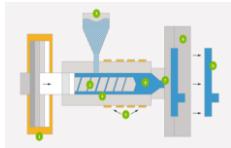
# Plastic Forming

Vacuum forming



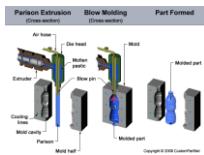
where a sheet of plastic is heated to a forming temperature, stretched onto a single-surface mold, and forced against the mold by a vacuum. This process can be used to form plastic into permanent objects

Injection moulding



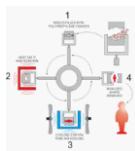
Plastic injection moulding is the process of melting plastic pellets (thermosetting/ thermoplastic polymers) that once malleable enough, are injected at pressure into a mould cavity, which fills and solidifies to produce the final product.

Blow moulding



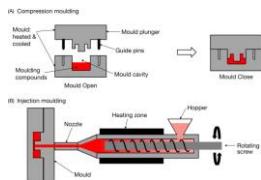
Blow moulding is the process of forming a molten tube of thermoplastic material and placed within a mold cavity and inflating the tube with compressed air, to take the shape of the cavity and cool the part before removing from the mold.

Rotational moulding



Rotational Molding involves a heated hollow mold which is filled with a charge or shot weight of material. It is then slowly rotated, causing the softened material to disperse and stick to the walls of the mold.

Compression moulding



Compression molding is the process of molding in which a preheated polymer is placed into an open, heated mold cavity. The mold is then closed with a top plug and compressed in order to have the material contact all areas of the mold.

## Hand Forming

Forging



Forging is a manufacturing process involving the shaping of a metal through hammering, pressing, or rolling. These compressive forces are delivered with a hammer or die.

Casting



liquid metal is poured into a mold that contains a hollow shape. The metal and mold are then cooled, and the metal part (the casting) is extracted.

Bending



Bending is a metal forming process in which a force is applied to a piece of sheet metal, causing it to bend at an angle and form the desired shape.

## Material Removal

Turning

Centre lathe



The **Centre Lathe** is used to manufacture cylindrical shapes from a range of materials including; steels and plastics.

Milling Machine



The **vertical milling machine** is a precision tool used for shaping and fabrication by the removal of stock typically from metallic work pieces

Threading

Tap and Die



Threading is the process of creating a screw thread

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## Joining Methods

Welding



Welding is a joining process whereby two or more parts are united by means of heat or pressure or both.

Riveting



When installed the rivet is either drilled, placed or punched into a hole, afterwards the tail is then deformed, holding the rivet in place.

The rivet is deformed by of the tail, which makes the material flatter and usually causes the tail to be expanded by about one and a half times the size of the stem's original diameter.

Soldering



Soldering is a process in which two or more items are joined together by melting and putting a filler metal into the joint,

Brazing



Brazing is a metal-joining process in which two or more metal items are joined together by melting and flowing a filler metal into the joint,

Threaded Fasteners



A threaded fastener is a discrete piece of hardware that has internal or external screw threads. they are usually used for the assembly of multiple parts and facilitate disassembly. The most common types are the screw, nut and bolt.

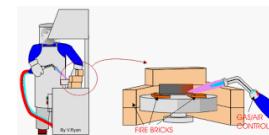
Self Tapping Screws



A self-tapping screw is a screw that can tap its own hole as it is driven into the material

## Heat Treatment

Hardening and Tempering



Hardening is the process of increasing the hardness of the material by heating and then quickly cooling. Tempering is the heating process to a temperature below is critical range, holding and then cooling

Case Hardening

Case-hardening or surface hardening is the process of hardening the surface of a metal object while allowing the metal deeper underneath to remain soft

Normalising



Normalising is the process of heating a material to a temperature above a critical limit and then cooling in open air.

Types of materials		
<b>Ferrous Metals</b>	Ferrous metals which contain <b>iron</b> . They may have small amounts of other metals or other elements added, to give the required properties. They will corrode if unprotected	Iron, carbon steels, high speed steels
<b>Non Ferrous metals</b>	Non Ferrous metals which do not contain iron. Pure metals (have no other metal or element)	Copper, brass, bronze, aluminium, zinc, tin, lead, titanium

Polymers		
<b>Thermo plastics</b>	<b>Thermo Plastics</b> -usually a plastic polymer, which becomes more soft when heated and hard when cooled. <b>Thermoplastic</b> materials can be cooled and heated several times without any change in their chemistry or mechanical properties	ABS, Polyethylene, HIPS, PVS, polycarbonate, polypropylene
<b>Thermoset plastics</b>	polymer that irreversibly becomes rigid when heated.	Polyester resin, urea – formaldehyde, epoxy resin, phenol- formaldehyde.
<b>Ceramics</b>	A ceramic is an inorganic non-metallic solid made up of either metal or non-metal compounds that have been shaped and then hardened by heating to high temperatures.	Tungsten carbide, glass, ceramic bearing material
<b>Composites</b>	A composite material is a material made from two or more materials with significantly different physical or chemical properties that, when combined, produce a material with characteristics different from the original components	Glass reinforced plastic, Carbon fibre, concrete
<b>Smart Materials</b>	Smart materials, are designed materials that have one or more properties that can be significantly changed in a controlled fashion by external stress, moisture, electric or magnetic fields, light, temperature, pH, or chemical compounds	Shape memory alloys, thermochromic materials, Shape memory plastics, Quantum Tunnelling Composite.
<b>Alloys</b>	Alloying metals involves mixing two or more metals and other elements to improve their properties.	

**High Carbon Steel**

The hardest of the carbon steels. Less ductile, tough and malleable.  
Uses - Chisels, hammers, drills, files, lathe tools, taps and dies



**Cast Iron**

Hard, brittle, strong, cheap, self-lubricating. Whitecast iron, grey cast iron, malleable cast iron.  
Uses - Heavy crushing machinery. Car cylinder blocks, vices, machine tool parts, brake drums, machine handle and gear wheels, plumbing fitments.



**Medium Carbon Steels**

Stronger and harder than mild steels. Less ductile, tough and malleable.  
Uses - Metal ropes, wire, garden tools, springs.



## Engineering materials and properties



**Aluminium**

Greyish-White, soft, malleable, conductive to heat and electricity, It is corrosion resistant. It can be welded but this is difficult.  
Uses - Aircraft, boats, window frames, saucepans, packaging and insulation, pistons and cranks.



**Copper**

Red, tough, ductile, High electrical conductor, corrosion resistant, Can work hot or cold. Needs frequent annealing.  
Uses - Electrical wire, cables and conductors, water and central heating pipes and cylinders. Printed circuit boards, roofs.



**Aluminium alloys**

Ductile, Malleable, Work Hardens.  
Uses - Aircraft and vehicle parts.



**Brass**

Very corrosive, yellow in colour, tarnishes very easily. Harder than copper. Good electrical conductor.  
Uses - Castings, ornaments, valves, forgings.



**Mild Steel**

Tough, high tensile strength, ductile. *Because of low carbon content it can not be hardened and tempered. It must be case hardened.*  
Uses - Girders, Plates, nuts and bolts, general purpose.



**High Speed Steel**

Can be hardened and tempered. Can be brittle. Retains hardness at high temperatures.  
Uses - Cutting tools for lathes.



**High Tensile Steel**

Very strong and very tough.  
Uses - Gears, shafts, engine parts.



**Stainless Steel**

Corrosion resistant  
Uses - Kitchen draining boards. Pipes, cutlery, aircraft.



Properties of materials	
<b>malleability</b>	The ability of a material to permanently deform in all directions without cracking.
<b>ductility</b>	The ability of a material to deform, usually by stretching along its length.
<b>conductivity/resistivity</b>	The ability of a material to conduct heat or electrical energy. Opposite for resistivity
<b>hardness</b>	<b>Resistance of a material to deformation, indentation, or penetration by means such as abrasion, drilling, impact, scratching</b>
<b>machinability</b>	<b>Machinability is a characteristic of a material, such as a metal, that makes it easy to drill, shape, cut, grind</b>
<b>corrosion resistance</b>	<b>How well a substance (especially a metal) can withstand damage caused by oxidization or other chemical reactions</b>
<b>elasticity/plasticity</b>	The ability of a material to permanently change in shape.

Materials and uses	
Ferrous and non ferrous metals and alloys	<b>Used for cast iron machine bases, bronze for boat propellers, Copper used in wiring and circuit boards.</b>
Thermoplastics	<b>ABS for appliance casing</b>
Thermoset Plastics	<b>Phenol-formaldehyde for heat resistant saucepan handles.</b>
Ceramics	<b>Tungsten carbide for cutting tool tips)</b>
Composites	<b>Carbon fibre for bicycle frames</b>
Smart materials	<b>Shape memory alloy in alarm systems</b>

<b>Destructive testing</b>	is undertaken in order to understand a specimen's performance or material behaviour, these procedures are carried out to the test specimen's failure.	Tensile Testing, Hardness testing
<b>Non Destructive Testing</b>	is a testing and analysis technique used by industry to evaluate the properties of a material, component, structure or system for characteristic differences or welding defects and discontinuities without causing damage to the original part	Conductivity testing, Crack testing, Ultra Sonic Testing