

PRODUCTION TECHNOLOGY

(Diploma 3rd SEM)



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Foundry (or) Casting is the process of forming metallic products by melting the metal, pouring it into a cavity known as mould and allowing it to solidify. In this way the molten metal takes ~~shape~~ a shape of the mould. The molten metal will chill rapidly on making contact with the mould surface. The casting of all sizes are produced in sand moulds.

Foundry:-

Foundry:- Foundry is the place where castings are produced.

Casting:- Casting is a process of forming metallic products by melting the metal, pouring it into a cavity known as the mould and allowing it to solidify. The solidified object is called casting.

Terms of casting:-

Flesh - A moulding flesh is one which holds the sand mould intact.

(a) Drag - ~~upper~~ lower moulding flesh.

(b) Cope - Upper moulding flesh.

(c) Cheek - Intermediate moulding flesh
(in three piece mould)

Pattern :- Pattern is a replica of the final object to be made.

Parting Line :- It is the dividing line between the two moulding fleshs.

Moulding Sand :- It is a mixture of Silica, clay, & water and other additives in appropriate proportions to get desired result.

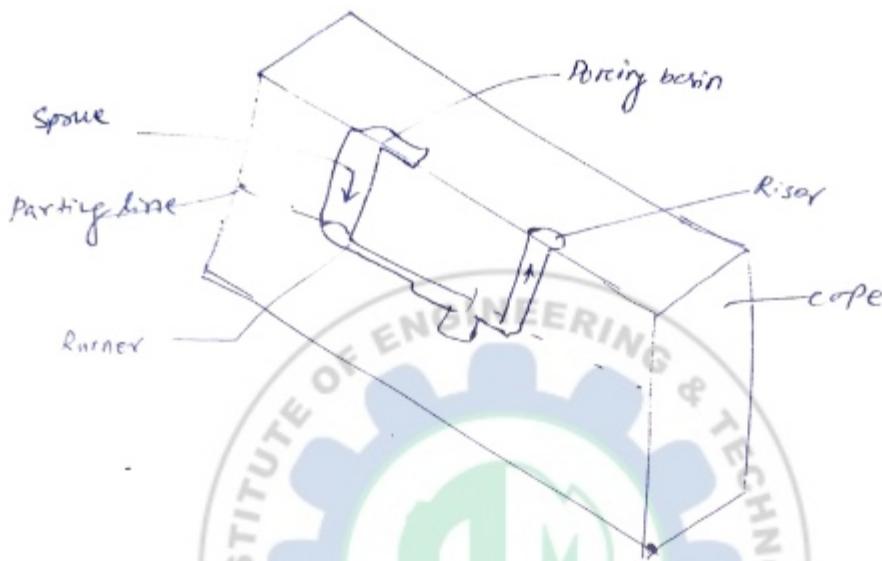
Cope :- It is used for making hollow cavities in casting.

Spout :- It is the passage through which the molten metal from the pouring basin reaches the mould cavity.

Runners :- The passage way in the parting plane through

Gate :- the actual actual entry point through which molten metal enters.

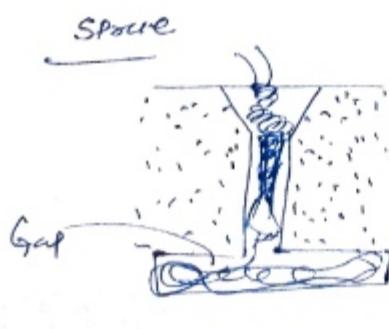
Riser :- It is the reservoir of molten metal provided in casting so that the hot metal can flow back onto the mould cavity when there is a reduction in volume of metal due to solidification.



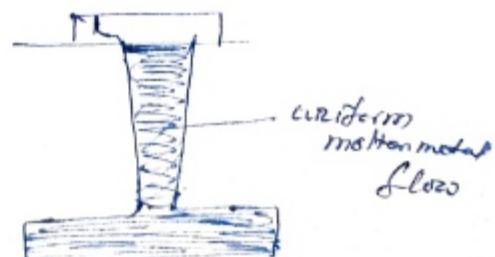
Gating System :-



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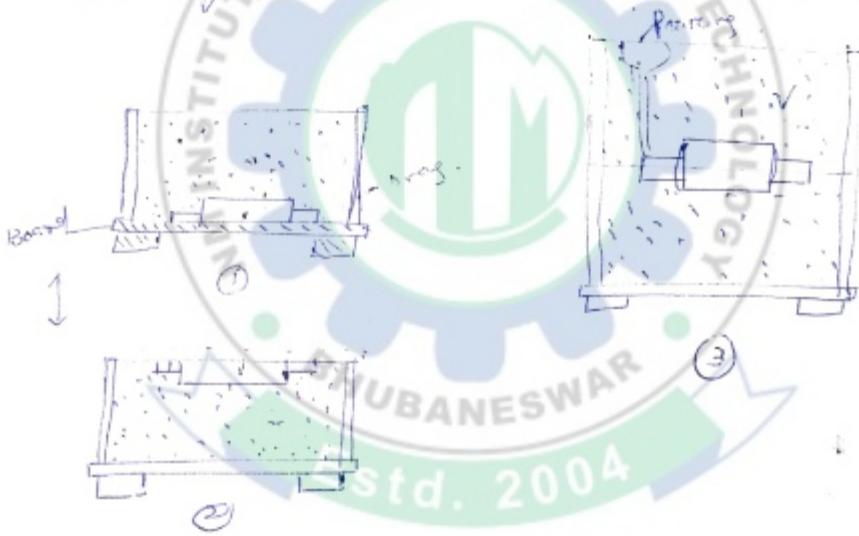


Correct.
(Tapered) ✓

Sand Casting Process

Sand moulding :-

First the bottom board is placed even surface of floor. The drag is kept upside down on the bottom board along with the drag part of the pattern at the centre of the flask on the board. There should be enough clearance b/w the pattern and wall of flask (appx. 50 to 100 mm). The sand is sprinkled over the pattern & board completely filled ~~the~~. The ramming of sand should be done properly.



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The basic steps in making a casting process:-

- Pattern making
- Mould & core making
- Melting & Casting & Pouring
- Fettling
- Testing & Inspection.

1) Pattern making:

According to the casting desired pattern is made. Soft wood pattern are used when a small no. of casting is to be produced. While for large no. of production Hard wood (or) metal pattern may be employed.

2) Mould & Core making:

Modelling Sand is one of the most important material in production of sand casting. Sand is formed by breaking up of rocks due to natural forces such as frost, wind, rain, action of water.

3)

Once mould is made, it is ready to receive the molten metal. At this stage ~~the~~ metal of required composition is melted in a suitable furnace & the molten metal is tapped in a suitable ladle & then poured into the cavity & allowed to cool down for solidification.

Pouring must be carefully controlled, it should be done continuously & uniform rate until the mould gates & risers are full.

4) Fettling:

Castings, when taken out are not in same condition due to riser, gates etc. Also not free from sand particles. The process of cutting off the unwanted parts, cleaning & finishing the casting is known as fettling.

- Removal of fins(unwanted) & other projections.
 - " " scale from the surface
- (Generally by the help of grinding wheel)

5) Testing & Inspection:-

Pneumatic or hydraulic pressure tests on castings such as valves, cylinders, where pressure tightness is important.

Small casting can be tested with air pressure or submerged ~~not~~ under water to indicate the leaks.

Inspection is an act of checking the acceptability of a casting. The cleaned castings are inspected to check for blowholes, cracks and other such defects.

- Visual inspection.
- Dimensional "
- Mechanical testing
- Crack detection etc.

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Pattern Allowances:

In the construction of patterns due - allowance must be made for the behaviour of a casting during solidification. Metals shrink during solidification. & further construction of the

therefore the size of the pattern, be larger than the required than the resultant casting, in order to avoid the necessity of making due allowance by calculation either by the blue print stage or on the production of pattern.

Hence the size of the pattern is never kept the same that of the desired casting.

Allowances

✓ - Shrinkage allowance

* - machining " "

- Draft "

✓ - Distortion allowance

✓ - Shake "

Shrinkage allowance (or) contraction allowance.

The metals shrink when cooling.

Liquid shrinkage - refers to reduction in volume - when the metal changes from liquid to solid state at the solidus temp.

Solid shrinkage is reduction in vol. caused, when metal changes loses temperature in solid state

The rate of contraction with temperature is dependent on the material.

Ex. cast iron - shrinks by 21.0 mm/m .

Shrinkage Allowances for various Metals

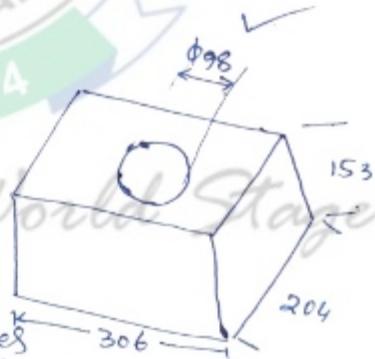
Metal/Alloys	Shrinkage Allowance (mm/m)
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Grey C.I	10.5
White C.I	20.0
Aluminum	17.0
Brass	15.5
Copper	16.0
Zinc	24.0

Calculation of pattern



Casting Dimensions



Provision of Shrinkage Allowances

PB Calculate the dimensions of patterns for the casting of white cast iron.

From Table. White cast iron = 20 mm/m $\Rightarrow \frac{20}{100} = 0.02 \text{ mm}$

$$\text{Allowance on dimension } 300 = 300 \times 0.02 = 6 \text{ mm}$$

$$\Rightarrow 300 + 6 = 306 \text{ mm}$$

$$200 \times 0.02 = 4 \text{ mm}$$

$$\Rightarrow 204 \text{ mm}$$

$$150 \times 0.02 = 3 \text{ mm}$$

$$\Rightarrow 153 \text{ mm}$$

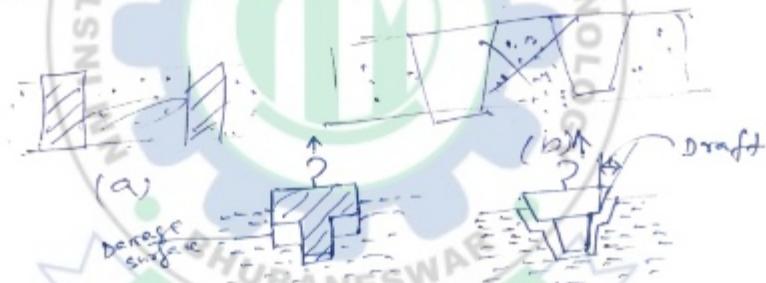
$$100 \times 0.02 = 2 \text{ mm}$$

All dimensions of small thickness will be reduced, But the allowances should be subtracted from desired 100-8mm=98mm

Draft Allowances (or) Taper Allowances

When withdrawing the pattern from the sand mould, the vertical faces of pattern are in contact with the sand, which may damage the edge of the mould cavity around the pattern.

To reduce the chances of this happening the vertical faces of pattern are always tapered from the pattern parting line. This provision is called draft allowance.



Shake allowance or Rapping Allowance

Before withdrawal from the sand mould the pattern is rapped all around the vertical faces to enlarge the mould cavity slightly which facilitates its removal. Since it enlarges the final casting made it is desirable that the original pattern dimensions should be reduced to account for this increase. There is

FINISHING (or) MACHINING ALLOWANCE

The finish of the casting obtained in sand casting is generally poor. To bring the casting to the desired level of quality, it has to be machined. For this some extra material has to be provided on the pattern, this is known as machining allowance. Therefore the

Size of the pattern increases due to Machining allowance. This allowance depends on casting metal, size & shape of casting, method of machining & the degree of finish required.

Standard finishing allowance for metals is 3mm to 1.5mm/m².

PATTERNS

The first step in the production of a casting is the manufacture of a suitable pattern. Soft patterns are used when a small no. of casting is to be produced, while for large production, hard wood or metal patterns are used.

Patterns should be impermeable to moisture, & for this reason, wood patterns are usually coated with several layers of paint. It should have good surface finish to ensure that they can be withdrawn from the mould easily.

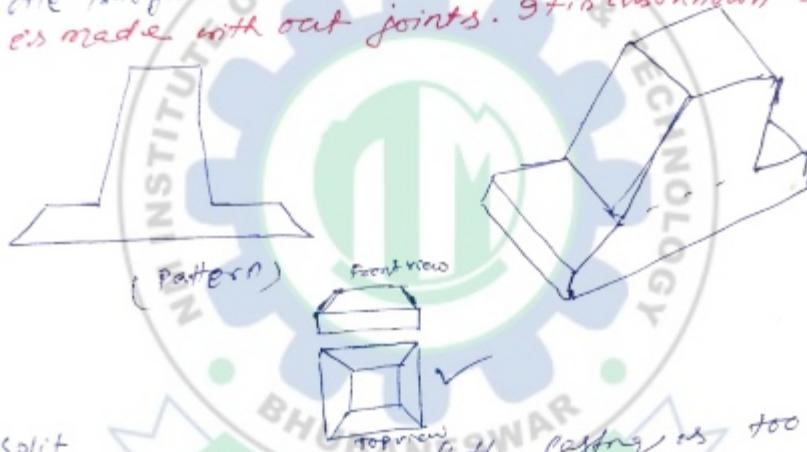
Types of Patterns

1. Single piece pattern (Solid)
2. Split pattern (or) two piece pattern
3. Gated pattern
4. Cope & Drag pattern.
5. Match plate pattern.
6. Loose piece pattern (multipiece pattern)
7. Follow board pattern.
8. Sweep pattern.
9. Skeleton pattern
10. Segmental "

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1) Single piece pattern :-

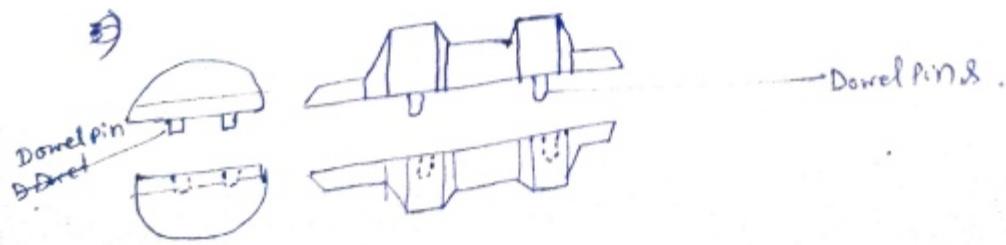
This is the simplest type of patterns. The name single ~~is~~ indicates a single piece pattern. For simple ^{shape large casting} jobs this type of pattern is used. this type of pattern can be cast in drag only, because one surfaces expected to be flat. ^{it is also known as solid pattern} it is made without joints.



2) Split

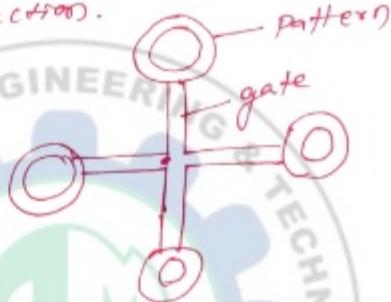
When the depth of the casting is too high then the pattern is split into two parts so that one piece is in drag and another piece in the cope.

The split surface of the pattern is lying on the parting line. In this case the two pieces of the pattern should be aligned properly by the help of ~~two~~ dowel pins.



Gated Pattern :-

It is an improved type of simple pattern, where the gating & runner system are integral with the pattern. These are suitable for small quantity production.



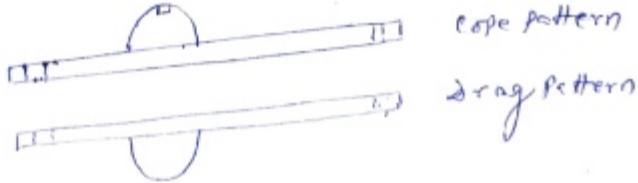
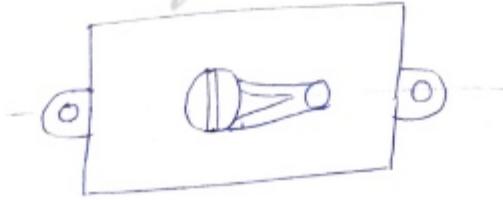
Cope & Drag pattern :-

This type of pattern are similar to two piece or split pattern. In this pattern the cope & drag halves of pattern along with the gating and risering system are attached separately to the metal or wooden plates with the help of dowel pin or alignment pins.

~~along~~ with the help of dowel pin or alignment pins.

These are used for very large casting.

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Match plate pattern

The pattern in two halves are mounted on the opposite sides of the wooden or metallic plate known as match plate.

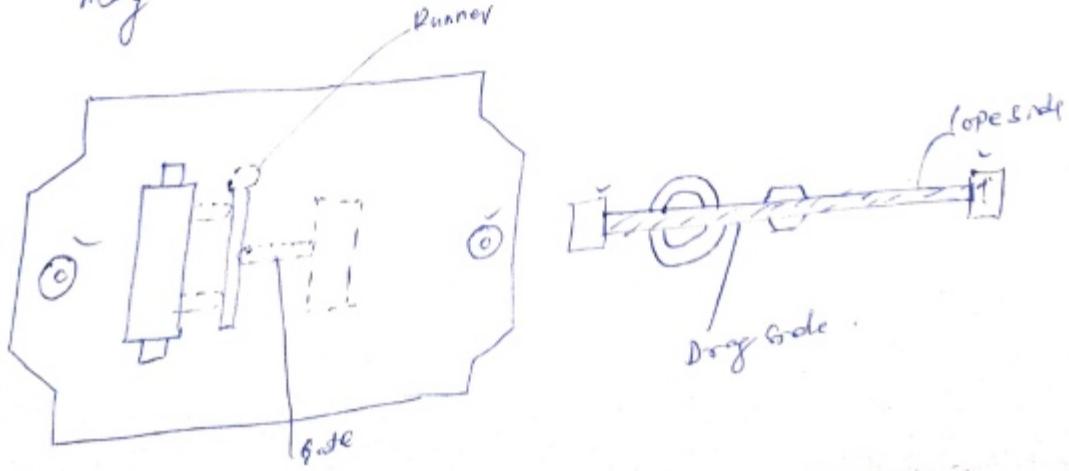
This model or patterns are extension of cope & drag pattern.

Here the pattern (cope & drag) along with the gating & risering are mounted on a single Match plate of metal or wooden plate with either side.

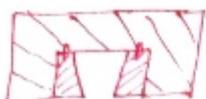
One side of match plate is attached with cope flask & other side with drag flask. In this case after removal of pattern, obtained a complete mould with gating, gating by joining cope & drag.

Generally gate is made of aluminium, metal or any light weight metal. Also the gating system are either connected to the match plate or integral

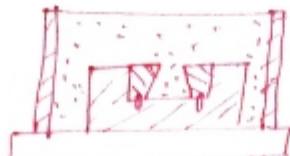
made. This is used for small castings with higher accuracy & large production. Here moulding pocket may be sand moulds or plaster moulds.



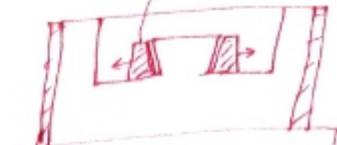
Loose piece



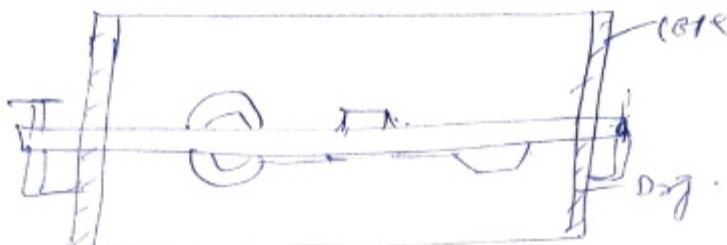
(a) Pattern



(b) making the mould



(c) Removing Loose pieces

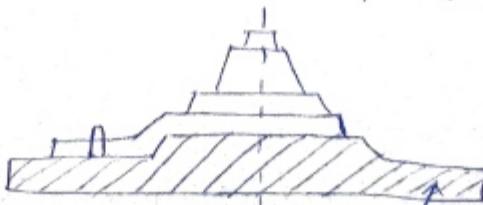


Loose piece pattern :- (multipiece pattern)

Many pattern which are complicated in shape, cannot be made in one or two pieces because of difficulty in withdrawing the pattern. A complecating casting may require three or more pieces to make the difficult pattern. In such cases the pattern is made. This type of pattern is called loose piece pattern. This pattern is required when it is not possible to withdraw the pattern as such from the moulding sand. In this case Follow board pattern main pattern is removed first then the loose pieces.

→ This type of pattern is adopted for those castings, where there are some positions structurally weak. If the weak positions are not supported properly it will break ~~and~~ due to ramming force.

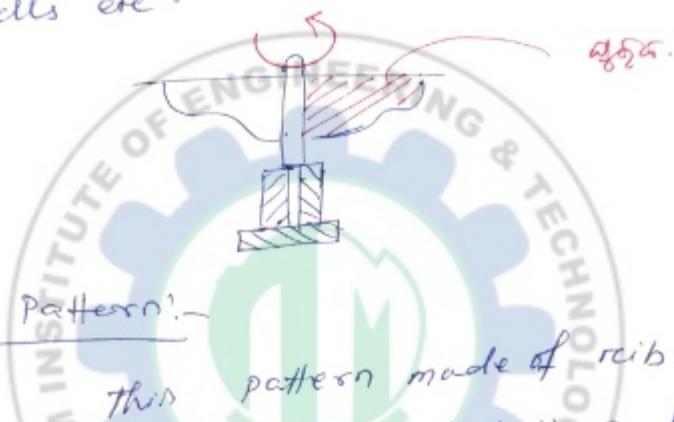
Hence for these weak or hanging portions a follow board is fit closely fitted to avoid breakage. This type of pattern is called follow board pattern.



Follow Board

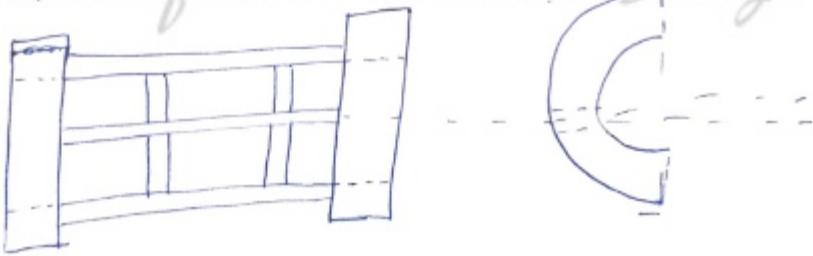
Sweep pattern :- It is not a true pattern.

Sweep pattern are used for forming large circular moulds by revolving a sweep attached to a spindle. Actually a sweep is a template of wood or metal & is attached to the spindle at one edge and other end depend upon the desired shape. It is used for large casting such as bells etc.



Skeleton Pattern:-

This pattern made of ribs of wood used for building the final pattern by packing sand around the skeleton. This type of pattern is useful generally for very large castings required in small numbers, where large expense on complete wooden pattern is justified. This frame work of ribs is called skeleton.



Segmental Pattern

It is also known as 'part patterns'. There are used for producing a large circular casting such as rings wheel of rims & gear. This pattern revolves about centre after ramming one section it moves to another section to complete the moulds.



Pattern Material:-

Before selecting a particular material for pattern making the following factors must be considered.

- choice of material & no. of casting desired.
- mould material need.
- thickness, degree of accuracy & finishing.
- type of production of castings.
- Possibility of design changes.

The most important Characteristics:-

- Easily available at low cost.
- Easily washed, shaped, joined.
- Easily shaped & joined.
- Lightness.
- Strong, hard & durable so that it may be resistant to wear, to corrosion & chemical action.
- Repairable & re-usable.

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Commonly used materials in pattern making:-

- (A) - wood.
- (B) - metal & alloys.
- (C) - plasters
- (D) - plastics & Rubbers
- (E) - Wax Pattern.
- (F) - ~~Wood & Plaster~~ ~~monetary~~.

e) Wax patterns → wax pattern provide high degree of surface finish & dimensional accuracy to castings. After being moulded of the wax pattern is not taken out of the mould like other patterns, rather the mould is inverted & heated the molten wax comes out of the mould.

Patterns are made in water cooled moulds (or) dies.

Commonly used wax's are - Paraffin wax, Carnauba wax.

Shellac wax, beeswax,蜂蜡(carnauba wax).

(A) Wood :- Usually wood is the most popular material for pattern making. The main reason is that it is easily available & ~~light~~ weight. Also it can be easily fabricated ^{with} low cost. However, for large ^{No. of} production hard wood may be employed.

The commonly used wood for pattern making are -

- Teak wood
- Mahogany wood
- Deodar wood
- Kali Cherry wood.
- Walnut wood.
- Shimam wood

Adv (wood)

- ~~Readily~~ Readily & Plenty available.
- Cheapness
- Easily workable
- Lightness
- Making smooth surface easily.
Wood can be easily fabricated into many forms.

Dis adv :- Readily affected by moisture distortion
(wood, Due to absorption of moisture distortion
& dimension changes)

2) - If not store properly it may warp.

3) - Less durability.

4) - Its strength is low & tends to break on rough uses.

B) Generally before it is used.

(B) Metal :-

metallic patterns are used when a large number of castings are desired. For better result like durability, smooth surface finish, metal patterns are used.

The following metals -

- Cast iron

- Aluminium

- Steel

- Brass etc.

Adv

- * Cast iron is cheaper, stronger & also gives a smooth surface but heavy & easily break.
- * Among all metallic patterns, Aluminium patterns are more popular because of their lightness, soft & easy to work & also got - resistance to corrosion & abrasion by sand and with stand chemical action.

(c)

disadv

- High cost
- Heavier than wood
- Tendency for rusting (except Aluminium).

(c) PLASTICS :- {Epoxy resin, Phenolic resin}

Plastic materials are lighter, stronger

Adv
- Durable
- Corrosion Resistant
- Easy to make
- Better adhesive qualities.
wear resistant and are not affected to moisture of the moulding sand. Because of its smooth surface it's dimensionally stable & can be cleaned easily.

Rubber - Generally silicon Rubber is used for forming the pattern.

(d) Plaster :- Gypsum cement known as plaster of Paris is also used for making patterns.

Moulding Sand

Principal

The important ingredients of sand moulding are Silica grains, Clay (as binder materials), ~~and~~ moisture to activate the clay & miscellaneous materials like Zircon sand, additives etc.

- * Silica in the form of granular quantity is the chief constituent of moulding sand (approximately 80-90% of silica). It is a product of breaking of quartz rocks or decomposition of granite.

Silica sand gives refractoriness, chemical resistivity etc. Along with ~~silica~~ a small amount of Iron-oxide, alumina, limestone, magnesia, soda, potash are present as impurities.

Clay :- (5 to 18%)
Clays are used as a binder agent mixed with moulding sand to provide the strength.
Ex. - Bentonite, Kaolinite.

(Water) Moisture :- (2 to 8%)
Clay is activated by moisture so that it develops the plasticity & strength. The amount of moisture used should be properly controlled. The bonding action considered best, if the moisture added in the exact quantity.

Excess of moisture will reduce the bonding & strength & weaken the mould. For better result the %age of water used are 2 to 8%.

Special additive (a) Miscellaneous materials

Seaweed (improve surface finish)

Ash²⁺ Graphite & talc (improve reactivities)

Fuel oil (improve mouldability)

Molasses (" strength & edge hardness)

Type of moulding Sand :-

For better casting, moulds are required to have ~~to~~ some properties.

→ It must be strong enough to withstand the temperature.

→ It must resist the flowing hot metal.



Moulding Sands maybe classified according to their use -

- 1) Green Sand.
- 2) Dry sand.
- 3) Loam Sand.
- 4) Facing Sand.
- 5) Parting Sand.
- 6) Core Sand.

Green Sand:-

Green sand is the mixture of Silica sand with 18 to 30% of clay and 6 to 8% water.

The clay & water furnish the bonds for green sand. moulds prepared in this sand are known as green sand mould.

Dry Sand:-

Green sand that has been dried or baked after the mould is made is called Dry Sand.

When clay & silica are mixed in equal proportions with little or no special additives it is called loam sand. (It is used for large castings).

Facing Sand:-

Facing sand is made of silica & clay without the addition of used sand. Facing sand forms the face of the mould. It is used directly next to the surface of the pattern & it comes in contact with the molten metal when it is poured. Around 10 to 15% of facing sand is used over the whole amount of moulding.

Parting Sand:-

Parting sand is clean clay-free silica sand which serves for the purpose of parting. Parting sand is used to sprinkle on the pattern before ramming for easy withdrawal of pattern after ramming.

Coresand:-

It is also called oil sand. It is the mixture of silica sand & core oil like linseed oil, light mineral oil & other binding materials. It improves the collapsibility.

Properties of Sand :-

A good moulding sand must have the following important properties -

- Porosity (Permeability)
- Cohesiveness (or) Strength
- Flowability
- Adhesiveness
- Refractoriness
- Thermal stability
- Collapsibility

Porosity :- molten metal always contains certain amount of gases & water vapour. These gases and water vapour evolve by moulding sand. The sand must have sufficiently porous to allow the gases & moisture present within sand to be removed. This property of sand is known as porosity (or) permeability.

Cohesiveness (Strength) :-

The ability of sand particles to stick together is known as cohesiveness.

Due to insufficient strength, it may lead to collapse.

Flowability:-

This property of a sand refers to its ability to behave like a fluid so that, when rammed it will flow to all portions of mould & pack all round the pattern and take up the required shape. The sand must flow smoothly while preparing mould.

Adhesiveness:-

This property of sand helps the sand to retaining the mould cavity & stay in box. In other word the particles cling or adhere to mould box surfaces & ^{also} adhere to neighbouring sand particles.

Refractoriness:- (With stand temperature)

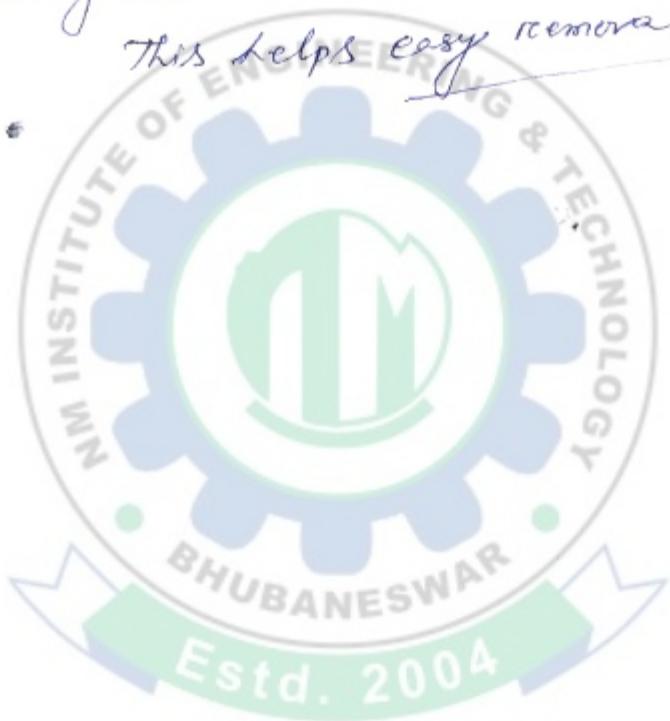
This property implies that the sand must not fuse when it comes in contact with molten metal. That is why it must have good refractoriness.

Thermal stability:- It means that a foundry sand must retain its dimensions under high temperature conditions, otherwise the mould cavity may disturb.

Collapsibility:

This means that after the molten metal on the mould gets solidified, the sand mould must be collapsible, so that free-contraction of metal occurs & thus mould naturally avoids the tearing or cracking of contracting metal.

This helps easy removal of the casting.



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defect ①

Casting Defects

- Any irregularities in the moulding process, causes defects in casting.
 - The major defects, which are likely to occur in casting are
1. - Gas Defects.
 2. - Shrinkage defects.
 3. - Moulding Material defects.
 4. - Pouring metal defects.
 5. - Metallurgical defects.

Gas Defects

All these defects are caused by the lower gas passing tendency of the mould which may be due to lower venting or lower permeability of the mould.

(a) Blow holes (or) open blow

- These are the spherical cavity present inside the casting (or) on surface.
- The defect on the surface is called open blow.
- The defect inside the casting " " blow hole.
- This is due to "The moisture present/left in the mould".

Because the heat of the molten metal converts moisture into steam.

- Airy

Also the atmospheric (air &) gases absorbed by the molten metal during the flow in the mould is not escape out. This is also known as inclusion.

- Pin hole porosity :-

This is caused due to presence of hydrogen in the molten metal. The hydrogen while leaving form a small diameter pin holes.

Shrinkage Cavity

These are caused by the liquid shrinkage occurring during the solidification of casting.

- Fixation of Casting.

~~To~~ To compensate this defect, proper feeding of different metal is required.

Moulding Material Defects

These are the defects, which are caused due to the characteristics of moulding materials.

(a) Cuts & Washes

It appears as a rough spot & caused by erosion of moulding sand by the flowing molten metal.

(b) Metal Penetration

- When the molten metal enters the gap b/w the sand grains.
- The result would be rough casting surface.
- Also sometimes ~~is~~ free of mouldy sand.

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✓ - Choosing appropriate grain size to eliminate the defects.

(c) Fusion:-

- This is due to fusion of sand grains with molten metal.
- The main reason is the lower quality of refractoriness of clay used in moulding sand.

Run out :-

- When the molten metal leaks out of the mould due to faulty mould making or defective moulding flask.

Buckles

It is the expansion of thin layer of sand at mould face, when - obstructed by the flask, the mould face tends to bulge out, forming the V-shaped. If additives additives are proper then the buckles to be avoided.

Rat tail

A thin long shallow angular depression.

Scab :-

DooP

Swell

Dross

Dirt

Pouring metal Defect.

This defects occur due to lower fluidity of molten metal -

The defects are

1> Mis run

2> Cold Shut

3> Slag Inclusion.

① This is due to insufficient superheat, Start freezing/chilling before reaching the farthest point of mould cavity

② For casting with gates at its two sides
the misrun may slow up at the centre of casting due to non fusion of two streams of metal resulting in a discontinuity.

③ Due to Slag

If slag is not removed before tapping it will moves to the mould cavity.

Die Casting Method

- Die casting is best suited for mass production at low cost.

— Die casting again two types

① Gravity Die Casting

② Pressure Die Casting

Gravity Die Casting

— It is also known as permanent mould

— Casting of metals like

— The mould made of metal like

steel, they last long etc.

— This mould is called "DIES"

— In this process, the molten metal of gravity

— Poured into the die cavity.

Adv

— Better mechanical properties

— Better surface finish

— Gives better accuracy

— Dimensional accuracy

— Defects free

— Production rate is faster

— Longer life.

Dis

— Not economical

— Heavy casting cannot be casted.

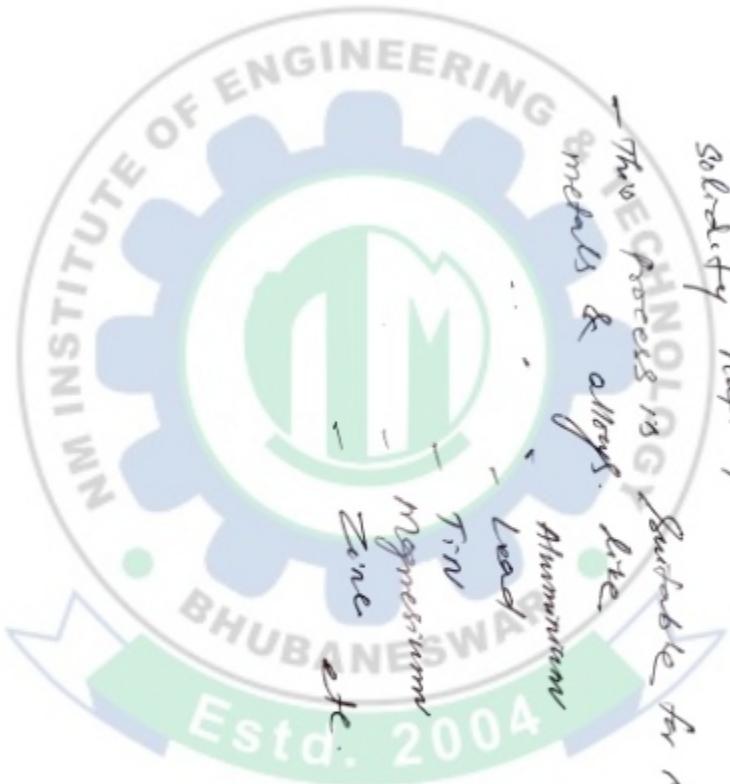
— very thin section is not possible.

Process die casting:

- In this process, the molten metal is forced into the metallic moulds under pressure.
- Hence metal flows very quickly & solidify rapidly.

Suitable for low melting

metals & alloys like
Aluminum
Lead
Tin
Magnesium
Zinc
etc.



Centrifugal Casting:

- # It is the introduction of liquid metal into a rotating mould.
- # Centrifugal force plays a major role in controlling shape of casting.

Centrifugal force is utilised to distribute liquid metal over the outer surfaces of mold.

Hollow cylinder and annular shapes are formed in this process.

mould

rotary



- The molten metal is poured into rotating mould or die due to which, ~~freezing~~ centrifugal force of casting.
- In this method/process, each layer of metal is subjected to a pressure gradient across its radial thickness, such as max - at outermost layer min - "inner" ..

This p. gradient affects the removal of
gases & also make the casting more dense & round.

- It is commonly used for casting of
 - Hollow cylindrical shape
 - Water pipes
 - San brooks
 - Batteys etc.



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Method :

- (1) True centrifugal casting.
- (2) Semi centrifugal casting
- (3) Centrifuging.

TRUE CENTRIFUGAL CASTINGS:

- It is used for making cylindrical parts.
- pipes
- gun barrels
- hollow bushes
- axis symmetrie

- Molten metal is poured on rotating mould.
- Axis of rotation is horizontal (vt for small rc)

- Molds are made of steel, iron, graphite coated with refractories materials / refractories lining.

- Inner surface of casting remains cylindrical because of molten metal is uniformly distributed by centrifugal force.

- No core is required.

- Mold is rotated slowly.

- Molten metal in cylindrical quantity is poured into the mould through the mantle nozzle basin.

- Amount of molten metal determines the thickness of pipe to be casted.
- Thickness of pipe is provided around the jacket is provided around the jacket.
- A water jacket is provided around the jacket.
- Mold for casting.

Adv

- Dense & fine grained metal casting are produced.
- Proper directional solidification obtained.
- There is no need of core.
- No gating system is required.
- Useful for mass production.

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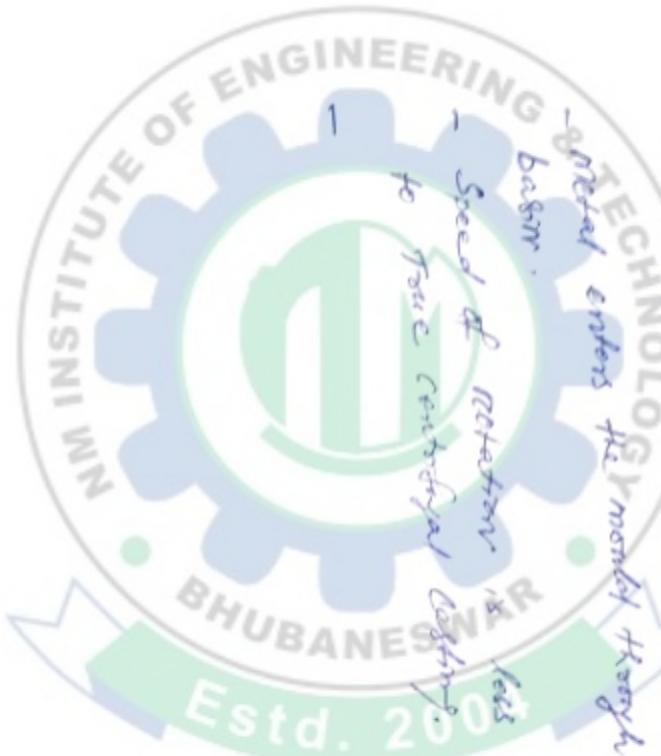
- Limit note certain shapes.
- Cost of equipments is very high.
- Skilled workers are required for operat.

Application

- Gun pipe
- Bearings for electric motor.
- Cast iron pipe
- Tubing
- Liners for L.C. engine
- Rings, long rods, etc.

Semi-Orthogonal Casting:

- It is also known as Profile Orthogonal Casting.
- Gear blanks, wheels are produced.
- Molds may be made of sand or metal.
- The axis of rotation is always vertical.



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Casting :-

- Centrifuging method is used to obtain higher metal pressure.
- Bearing Caps can be made.
- It is suitable for small jobs of any slope.
- A numbers of small jobs are joined to form by radial runners.

The casting is possible only in vertical direction.



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Moving furnaces (Cupole)

After removal, the molar metal is powdered into fine, rounded granules.

The cupola is a blast-type furnace for producing molten cast iron. It is a revised type cylindrical steel made of 6 to 8 mm thickness hot-plate riveted or lined inside with a iron refractory blocks. Diameter varies from 1 to 2 meters. The whole shell is mounted on brick work foundations or on steel columns. The bottom of the cupola is provided with a deep bottom door, through which - details consisting of slag, coke etc. can be removed at the end of melt. To cover the top there is an opening (clogging door) through which the refractories located at the a height of 0.6 to 1.2 meters above the bottom of the furnace.



Zones

Combustion Zone → It is the zone where the combustion of the fuel occurs by oxygen of the air blast and produces lot of heat in the reactor.

Firing Zone → It is the bottom of the furnace where the molten metal comes here.

Reduction Zone → This zone is located above the firing zone where the reduction of the fuel occurs by oxygen of the air blast and produces lot of heat in the reactor.

Reduction Zone → This zone is located above the top of the combustion zone in the top of the coke bed. CO₂ produced in combustion zone comes in contact with hot coke and is reduced to CO. In this zone iron & other elements are protected from oxidizing influences.

Melting Zone → It is the first layer of iron above the coke bed. The temperature in this zone is as high as 1700°. Iron is melted in this zone.

Preheating Zone → It is located above melting zone to the charging door. Iron & coke are preheated to this zone.

Stack → Comes gases from preheating zone to atmosphere.

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Refractory Material:

Materials that don't melt at high temp.

Cross section of sand mould need for pouring



Casting Terms

Flask :

moulding flask is one, which holds the sand mould inert depending upon the position of flask, it is referred by various names such as

- # dray
- # cope
- # cheek

Drag:

Lower moulding flask.

Cope - Upper moulding flask.

Cheek Intermediate moulding flask, used in 3-piece moulding.

Mould:- Sand.

Casting (process) — Solidified product

Pattern :- Impression giving substance for mould.

- It is a replica of the final object to be made with some modifications.
- The mould cavity is made with the help of pattern.

Passing line:-

This is the dividing line b/w the two moulding flask that makes the sand mould.

Pouring Basin:-

A small funnel shaped cavity at the top of the mould into which a molten metal is poured.

Sprue:-

The passage through which the molten metal from the pouring basin reaches to the mould cavity in many cases it controls the flow of metal into the mould.

Runner:-

The passage way in the pouring plane through which molten metal flows is regulated before they reach the mould cavity.

Gate:-

The actual entry point through which molten metal enters the mould cavity.

Riser:-

It is the reservoir of molten metal provided in the casting, so that hot metal can flow back into the mould cavity when there is reduction in volume of metal due to solidification.

Pattern Material

a) No. of casting to be produced

Metal patterns are preferred when the production quantity is large.

b) Dimensional accuracy & Surface finish.

xc) wood

The most common material for making pattern for sand casting is wood.

Adv (wood)

- Inexpensive
- Easily available in large quantity
- Easy to machine
- To make & shape diff. configuration
- Easy to join (complex shape)
- Light weight
- Easy to obtain surface finish
- Easily reproducible
- Strong also

Limitations (Wood) pattern

- (1) - Wooden patterns are affected by shrinkage & swelling
- (2) - They possess poor resistance.
- (3) - They can't withstand rough handling.
- (4) - They are weak as compared to metal

Pattern Technology

Application (Wood Pattern)

- Wooden pattern are used where the no. of casting to be produced is small

and size is large.

White Pine

Teak

Sisham

Napke

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Pattern (Metal)

Generally Aluminum.

- The diff. metals & alloys used for making metal pattern are
 - Aluminum & its alloy
 - Aluminum & its alloy

- Steel Technology
- Cast Iron
- Brass
- Metal pattern

(as compared to wood)

- Do not absorb moisture
- Most accurate & more strong (as compared to wood)
- They can withstand rough handling
- They can withstand wear resistance.
- Possess excellent resistance to swelling &
- Excellent resistance to dimensional tolerances.

Limitations

- Expensive
- No easily repairable
- Heavier than wooden
- Can't be machined easily.
- Corrosive

Application (Metal pattern)

- metal pattern are employed, where large no. of casting have to be produced.

Plastic pattern

Plastic pattern may not work well when subjected to a condition of severe shocks as in molding / Jolting / running.

POP

or may be made of Pots or Gypsum/Cement

- Adv
- Inticate shape can be cast without
- differently.
- It has high compressive strength 255 N/mm^2 .
- It has good surface finish.

Application:

Small & intricate pattern.

Small & intricate pattern.

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- It provide very good surface finish.
- High accuracy
- Reusable

Application — Investment Casting

Procedure of Sand Mould Casting:

First the bottom board is placed on the L.K. Surface.

The drag is kept upside down on the bottom board along with the drag part of the pattern board at the centre of the plate on the board.

There should be some clearance between the pattern and the wall of flask.

The sand is sprinkling over the pattern & board completely filled.

Now, ramming of sand should be proper.



The basic steps in making sand mould casting

- Pattern making
- Mould & core making
- Melting & casting & pouring
- Fettling
- Testing & inspection.

① Pattern Making

- According to the casting desired, pattern is made
- Soft wood pattern is used for small nos. of Casting.
- Metal " or metal patterns " " Large " "

② Mould & Core Making

- The important material is molding sand.
- Silica sand is used for the same.

③ Melting, Casting & Pouring

- Once mold is ready.
- It is ready to receive molten metal.
- Next the suitable metal in a furnace.
- Molten metal is tapped through Ladle
- Poured into the cavity
- Allowed to solidify (cool)
- Pouring Should be uniform & continuous.

④ Fettling:

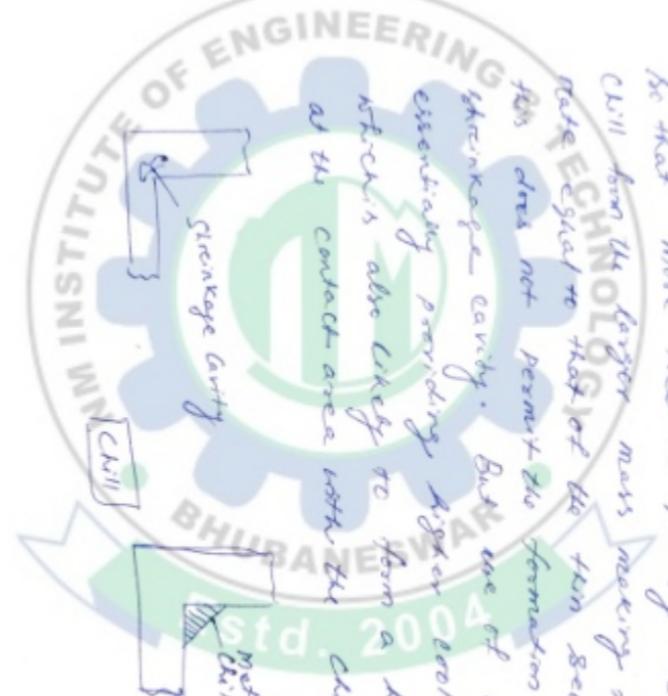
- After solidified
- Casting is ready
- It is (cavity) not free from sand particles.
- The process of cutting / removing sand particles from casting / finishing the casting is called FETTLING.

⑤ Testing & Inspection

- Hydrometric / hydraulic pressure tests on casting
- Inspection is an act of checking the acceptability of casting - by -
 - Visual inspection
 - Dimensional "
 - Mechanical "
 - Crack detection.

Chills

In a casting, metallic chills are used in order to provide progressive solidification or to avoid the shrinkage cavities. Chills are essentially a large heat sink. When ever it is not possible to provide a riser for a part of the casting, which is heavy, a chill is placed close to it. So that more heat is quickly absorbed by the chill from the larger mass making steel cooling rate equal to that of the thin sections. Thus dies not permit the formation of a shrinkage cavity. But use of chills means essentially providing higher cooling rate which is also likely to form a hard spot at the contact area with the chill.



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CHAPTERS

Chapters are used to support cores against the molten cavity to take care of its own weight. It mould cavity to take care of its own weight and over come the melt cohesive forces.

This is related note core setting & core shifting.

Due to the upward thrust of the molten metal, the liquid metal tends to float more easily. As the motion tends for a longer time, the lower has greater opportunity to float, shift, or crack. If the core gets displaced from its position in the mould it will result in a displaced casting. Hence a defective casting is produced. In order to overcome the reduced movement of core due to upward thrust of the molten metal, chapters are used. The chapters are metal forms placed between the mould and core surfaces. These are of the same composition as that of the pouring metal so that the molten metal would provide enough heat to completely melt them and enough heat to completely melt chapters. The thus fuse with it during casting. Thus these chapters are normally used... Various types of chapters are 

Through the chapters it is supported to fuse with parsons metal, which normally contains a weak joint in the casting and causes blow holes. This is due to oil, grease & dirt on the surface of chapters. So generally the chapters before placed in the mould should be thoroughly cleaned.

Copula operation :-

Preparation of coke :- After each heat, the slag and refractory refraces are cleaned as soon as the parting of the lining is completed, the bottom doors are raised and held in position by metal props. The sand bottom is made back about 1 ft slopes towards the top hole.

Firing of Copula

Small pieces of iron are ignited on the sand bottom. When the wood burns well, coke is added. Air necessary for coke combustion from tuyeres. Coke is added until the desired height is reached. Instead of placing wooden pieces, the natural coke may be ignited by gas burners or electric spark igniters.

CHARGING :-

After coke bed is properly ignited, coke & pig iron are charged in alternative layers until the copula is full from charging door.

In addition of iron & coke, a certain amount of limestone is added to the first.

Metal charges

Bronze lime stone fluxes & gypsum (CaF_2) &

flux alk (Na₂O) also used as fluxing material.

A flux removes the impurities in the iron & portlandite iron from oxidation. Limestone reduces the melting point of slag & increases fluidity.

Opening the air blast :- At the end of this, the blast is opened. As the melting proceeds, the molten metal appears at the tap hole.

Pouring the molten metal :

When sufficient molten metal is collected the slag hole is opened & slag is run off. Then the tap hole is opened, molten metal is collected in hoppers & converted to molten steel pots.

Welding

Define welding.

Welding is the process of joining of two similar or dissimilar metal by application of heat with or without application of pressure or addition of filler metal.

Classification of welding processes

Welding processes may be classified as:

- ① Fusion welding
- ② Electro arc welding
- a) shielded metal arc welding
 - b) carbon arc welding
 - c) gas metal arc welding
 - d) Gas tungsten arc welding
 - e) Submerged arc welding
 - f) Plasma welding
- ③ Resistance welding
 - a) Spot welding
 - b) Seam "
 - c) Projection "
 - d) Resistance welding
 - e) Flash "
 - f) Persweld "

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4) Solid State welding

- cold welding
- Diffusion "
- Ultrasonic "
- Friction "
- Explosive "
- Forge "

Thermochemical welding

- Thermo welding
- Atomic Hydrogen welding
- ~~Arc welding~~

Radial welding

- Laser beam welding
- Electron beam welding

Allied process

- soldering
- Brazing.

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Gas welding:

Gas welding is a method of fusion welding in which a flame produced by combustion of gases to heat & melt the parent metal and filler root of joint.

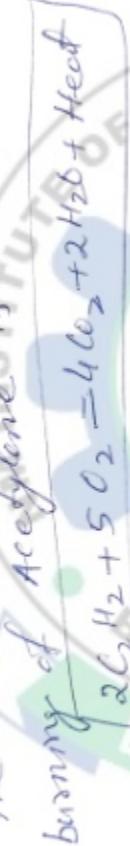
The filler metal may be added to the molten metal to fill up the cavity.
The most commonly used gases are

- Oxygen gas.
- Acetylene gas.

The gases are mixed in proper proportions in a welding blowpipe (torch).
The intense heat (flame) melts & fuses together the edges of parts to be welded. Generally either metal is used at full

Oxy-Acetylene welding Process

This welding process is the combustion of oxygen & acetylene, which gives heat. The large amount of heat reaches the temp. of about 2000°C to 3200°C . The chemical reaction involved in the burning of Acetylene is



Gas welding is suitable for joining sheet metal plates of 2 mm to 50 mm.

Principle

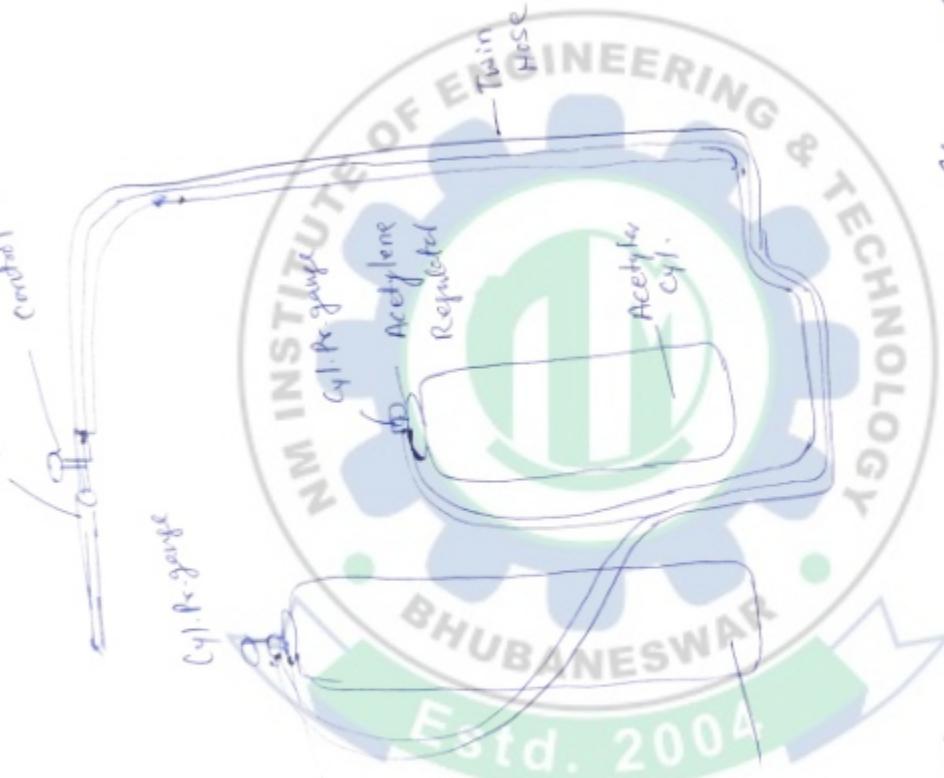
The flame is obtained by ignition of oxygen & Acetylene gases, mixed in blow pipe

The flame is applied to edge of the joint. As the melting point of Steel approx 1400°C

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Figure 1

Welding torch
control valve



Gase Flame

The correct adjustment of the flame is the correct variable, works by varying the composition of oxygens acetylene supplied to the blowpipe or torch.

Explain Various types of Flame:

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- ① Neutral Flame
- ② Luminous " "
- ③ Oxidizing "

Neutral Flame:

Neutral flame -
When the ratio of oxygen and acetylene is equal.

Acetylene flame has max temp(3100°C)

Central Cone

Outer Slope

A white colour & has purple envelope.

With reddish hue to weld mild Steel

Stainless Steel

Cast iron

Copper

Aluminium.

Purple

Blue

Neutral

This flame is bright white

Bluish white

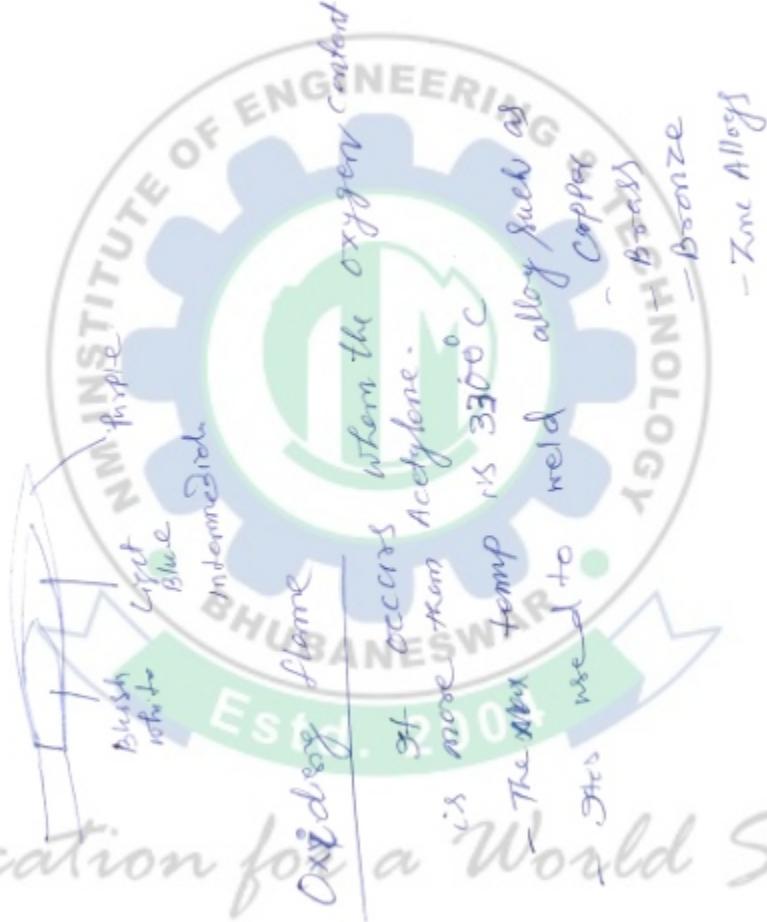
Neutral

Flame Mixture more than
oxygen across whom Acetylene

- get excess of flame zone
- get colour of flame zone
- luminous zone
- intermediate zone
- outer envelope

- It is also known as reducing flame.

- The max. Temp is 2900°C
- Combusting flame is need to weld
 - high carbon steel
 - Alloy Steel



Weldability:

It is defined as the capacity of being welded onto inseparable joints having specific properties such as definite weld strength.

Actually a metal has good weldability if it has various factors affecting means

- composition of metal
- properties of metal & strength
- thicknesses of plates
- thermal properties.
- welding materials.
- filler material.
- proper heat treatment before & after deposition of metal.

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Resistance Welding :-

Resistance welding process is a fusion welding process where both heat & pressure are applied on the joint but no filler metal or flux is added.

In resistance welding, a heavy electric arc current is passed through the metal pieces to be joined over a limited area, causing them to be locally heated to plastic state & the weld is completed by the application of pressure. In this process two copper electrodes are used. The pressure on the joint is continuously maintained and the metal fuses together under this pressure.

The heat generated at the joint is given by the relation :-

$$H = K I^2 R t$$

Where H = Heat generated in Joule.

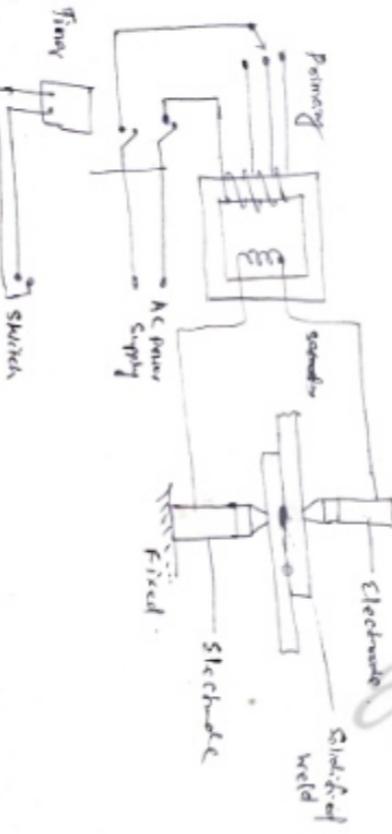
I = Electric current in Amperes.

R = Resistance of the joint in ohms.

t = Time of current flow in seconds.

K = a constant to account for the heat loss from the welded joint.

Diagram :-



The main requirement of this process is the low voltage & high current power supply. This is obtained by means of a transformer with a provision to have different tapping on primary side as required for different materials. The secondary electrodes' bindings are connected to the electrodes. A timer is used to control the electric supply.

The above required can be provided either mechanically, hydraulically, pneumatically,

- a) Spot welding
- b) Seam welding
- c) Projection welding
- d) Butt welding.

Types of resistance welding

Spot welding (The simplest & most commonly used method)
of overlap welding of strips, sheets or plates of metal at small areas.

In this method, sheets of metal to be welded are held by copper electrode by applying pressure through foot pedal lever. A current of low voltage & sufficient amperage is passed between electrodes causing the parts to be brought to melting temperature. The metal under electrodes pressure is joined & welded.

After this, the end is forced off. At this the pressure is still acting. The pressure is applied till the weld cools & produce a solid bond.

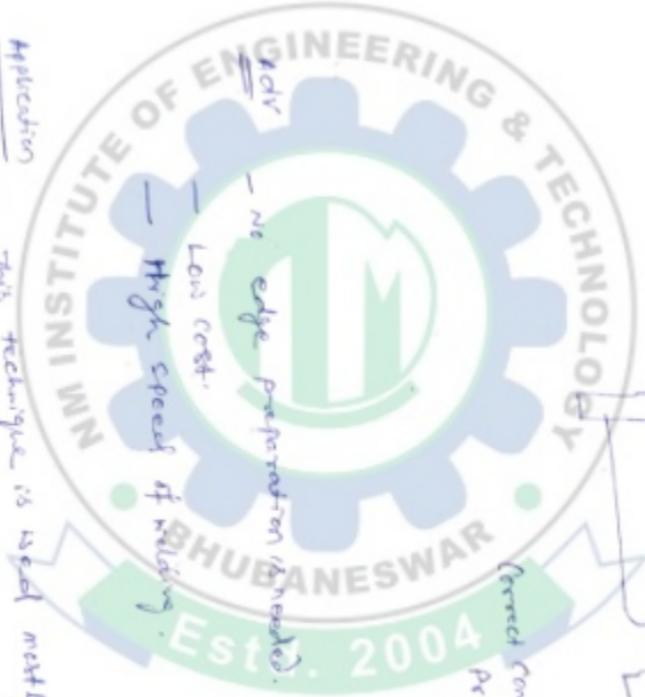
¶ Now the pressure is released and the iron is removed from the machine.



Correct combination of Pr.
Pr, Current, + time

- No edge preparation (^{Adv} needed)
- Low cost
- High speed of welding

work:



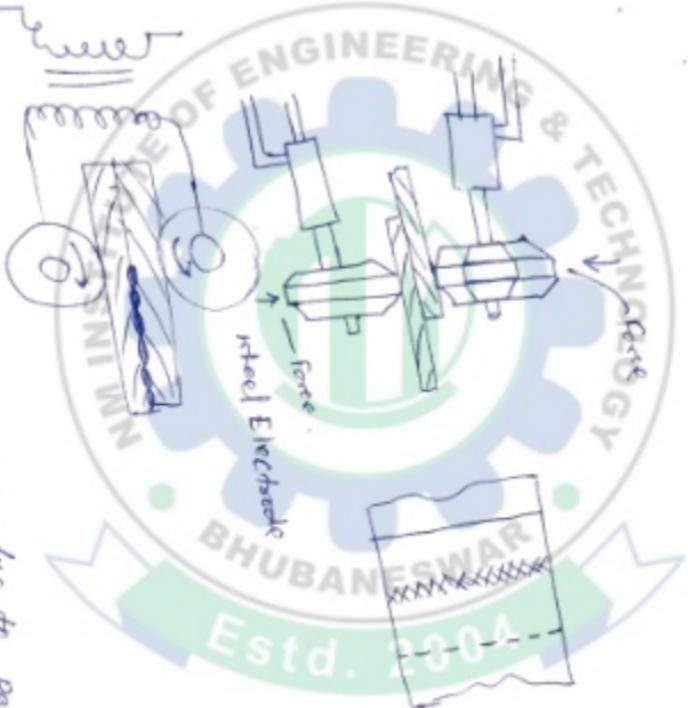
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Application - This technique is used mostly in thin sheet work.

Seam welding:

Seam welding is similar to spot welding, except that the electrodes in spot welding are replaced by copper rollers or wheels. The workpieces to be welded are ~~joined~~ ^{joined} between the rollers.

A current



The heat is produced due to passing of current through the resistance in the welding circuit. The heat generated can be controlled by either varying the current (or) pressure between the sheets which varies the contact resistance. Seam welding is used on many types of pressure tight (or) leak proof tanks for various purposes.

Projection welding :-

Projection welding is another variation of spot welding. Small projections are raised on one side of the sheet (or) plate, where it is to be welded to another. The projections are generally very small such as 0.8 mm apart.

The projections serve to concentrate (localize) the welding heat at these areas of contact and facilitate fusion without the necessity of employing a large current.

During large welding process, the heated softed projections collapses under the pressure of the electrodes here by forming the weld.

finished weld.



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Butt welding:

Butt welding is used to join the pieces end to end. This process is best suited to rods, pipes & many other parts of uniform bars.

- Section :

- upset welding
- flash welding

Upset welding:

In upset welding the pieces to be joined are brought together to make with each other in butt joint. The two pieces are held tightly together and current is applied so the heat is generated through the contact.

Because of the joint being under pressure, the ends of the two pieces get slightly

upset .

fixed

part

movable

face



Flask welding

held by

Flash Joint

Flash welding \rightarrow Similar to upset welding. Heat is obtained by means of

except that the

an arc + heat

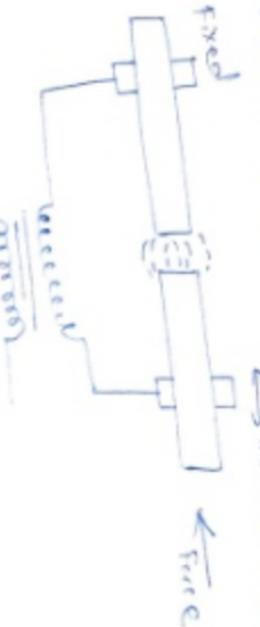
The two pieces are brought together & power supply is switched on. As the parts are

held closer, fleshing (a) arcing raises the temperature of the parts to a welding temperature. Now the parts are forced together, to form a weld.

It consists of two plates, one is fixed and

fixed

→ movable clamp



Forge Welding :-

It is the oldest method of all the metallurgy. It is the oldest method of all the metallurgy. Parts are heated in a furnace to a plastic state and then joined together by a blow of high power hammer. The force can be applied in repeated blows manually by a worker through the process is very slow, yet it is conveniently used for joining parts of mild steel, wrought iron, and low carbon steels.

When wrought iron (w) steel or high-carbon steel exposed to the air, it oxidizes and is covered with a film of rust. (i.e. oxide). If the film scale is allowed to remain on the surfaces to be welded, the result will be brittle. In order to avoid this, fluxes are used.

In case of wrought iron, small pieces of flux are sprinkled on the work piece. Solderable flux or fluxed steel calcined borax is used as flux.

Friction welding: (also called Solid state welding)

The heat required for welding is they
process is obtained by the friction between the
ends of the two parts to be joined. One of the
parts to be joined is rotated at a high speed -
around 2000 rpm & other part is usually aligned
with the second one in place of ~~friction~~ ~~friction~~ of
the friction between the parts raises the temperature
of both ends.

(i) The rotation of the part is stopped &
the pressure on the fixed part is increased so that
the joined pieces take place. This is called
locking welding.

Friction welding is another way of butt-welding of
non-conducting materials.

The axial pressure applied depends on the
strength & hardness of the materials being joined. The pr.
range from 5000 to 45000 psi. The total time taken is
taken into friction welding is 40 to 2 to 30 sec.

Sequence of a welding process

→ Welding → Part① Rotated.

- (L) → I → 3 ← Part② advances to contact part①

→ G → T → Pressure

→ Slight pressure is applied.

→ Pressure

rotation stopped, pressure increased
finishing of welding.

Defects in welding:-

- Incomplete fusion
 - Porosity
 - Slag inclusion.
 - Crack.
 - Over penetration.
- I.F. This will be seen as a discontinuity in the weld zone. The main cause for this defect are improper penetration of the joint, wrong design of joint, & incorrect welding technique, wrong choice of Technology Parameter.
- The main parameter is welding current (more than the required would not sufficiently heat all the faces of joint).
- Porosity: Porosity in welding is caused by the presence of gases entrapped during the solidification. The gases that causes porosity are hydrogen, oxygen, nitrogen.
- Oxygen generally reaches the weld pool as oxide of base metal (as) filler metal (as) in some compounds of fluxes present on the electrode coatings.
 - Nitrogen generally enters the weld pool through atmospheric nitrogen (as) the contaminated shielding gases.
- Porosity of present in large quantity would reduce the strength of the joint.

Slag Inclusions

Slag is removed by the reaction with the fluxes and it is lighter.

Due to low density, it will float on top of the molten metal & won't be removed after solidification by chipping hammer. Due to are free, the slag goes into the weld pool & if there is enough time, it is to float the slag below the periphery pass area inside the fusion zone and forms slag-inclusions.

Cause of Slag inclusion

- Rapid solidification.
- Ineff. Inclusion removal tool.

It is also reduce the strength of joint.

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Crack:
Welding cracks may be hot or cold cracks.

Hot - It generally occurs at high temperature.

It can be prevented by heating the metal.

Cold - Solid cracking generally occurs at room temperature after the weld is completely cooled. This can be seen in the heat-affected zone.

(Cause - rapid cooling)

Soldering & Brazing

In welding processes, the joint of the base metal is melted & a joint is prepared, but soldering & brazing processes, where the base metal is not melted, ~~but~~ the joint is obtained by means of a filler metal.

The filler metal having a melting point lower than that of a base metal.

Soldering Technology

It is a method of joining similar & dissimilar metals by means of a filler metal whose melting point is below 420°C . The solder is usually an alloy of Lead and Tin. A suitable flux is used in soldering to prevent oxidation of joint. Fluxes are available in the form of powder, paste or liquid.

The joint design of soldering & brazing are ~~similar~~ but soldered joint is weaker compared to the brazed joint, mechanical fastening etc.

In soldering joint, the surface of the base metal is cleaned by acid cleaning or mechanical cleaning before soldering.

The most commonly used soldering methods are — hand soldering (Electrically heated iron) — dip soldering — wave soldering.

— A soldering iron is a copper rod with a thin tip, which can be used for flattening the soldering material. The soldering iron is heated by keeping it on a flame or by means of electricity. To the joint the solder (silver) is applied, which melts & forms around the joint by catenary action.

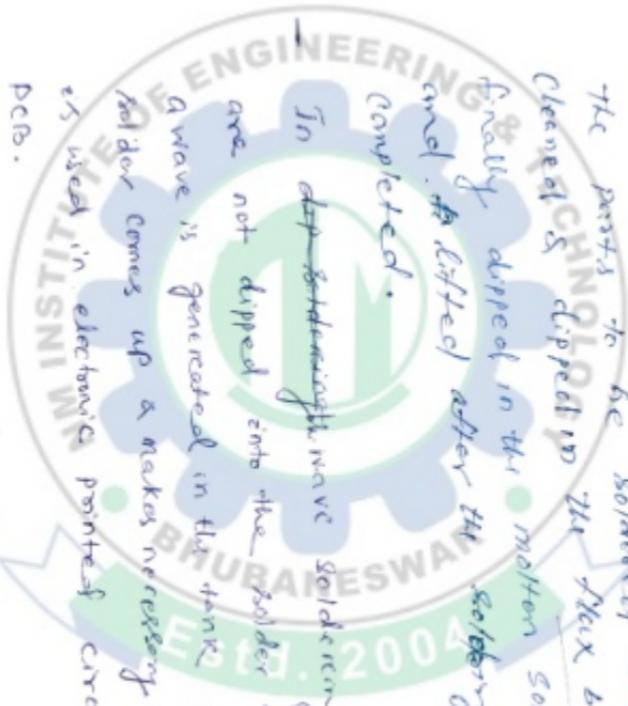
— In dip soldering, a large amount of solder is melted in a tank, which is closed. The parts to be soldered are first cleaned & dipped in the flux bath & finally dipped in the molten solder bath and lifted after the soldering is completed.

In deep soldering wave soldering, the parts are not dipped into the solder tank, but a wave is generated in the tank so that the solder comes up & makes necessary joint. This is used in electronic printed circuit board PCB.

Also other method of soldering

- torch soldering.
- oven "
- resistance soldering.
- infrared soldering.

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BRAZING:-

It is a process of joining two pieces of metals in which a non-ferrous filler metal (i.e.) alloy is introduced between the pieces to be joined.

The melting point of the filler metal is above 420°C, i.e., lower than the melting temperature

of parent metal.

The copper

alloys and brass are commonly used as -

silver base alloys are also used in brazing. Suitable fluxes for metal in brazing. Flux

such as borax powder is used.

In brazing, the metal pieces to be

joined are heated until cleaned to remove all
grease & oxide. The parts are held together
along the line of joint and held
by some clamp.

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Powder Metallurgy:-

- # It is defined as "the art of making objects by the heat treatment of - compressed metallic powders.

"Powder Metallurgy" includes the blending & mixing of powders, pressing or compacting powder into desired shape & size, sintering the pressed - powder compact & annealing of product to meet specified dimension.

Advantages

- It is suitable for mass production.
- Machining oper's are eliminated.
- Metals & alloys can be mixed together in any proportions.
- Better control of composition.
- Process is very economical.
- Loss is less as compared to other process.

Diss Adv

- High compaction pressure required.
- Costly equipments are required.
- Low melting powders like, tin, zinc cadmium, some times thermal difficulties appear.
- Inticate shapes can not be produced.
- Some metal powder are explosive.

Applications

- Rotor of gear pump
- Tungsten wire
- motor brushes
- metallic filter.
- complex shape components
- Refractory metal composites.
- Auto motive components

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Sintering:

- Sintering means , Heating of Pressed compact below the melting temp of any constituent
- The Sintering temp used vary with the compressive load type of powder.
- Aluminium Copper alloys can be sintered at temps from 350°C to 500°C for 24 hrs.
- Copper & copper alloys can be sintered at 700°C
- compact of iron powder are usually sintered at temp of 1200°C for approx $\frac{1}{2}$ hrs.

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Press Tool

3.11. TYPES OF DIES

3.11.1. Classification of Dies

The dies may be classified as follows

1. Simple dies
2. Compound dies
3. Progressive dies
4. Transfer dies
5. Fluid-activated diaphragm dies
6. Multi-action dies

1. Simple dies :

- The die sets which are made to perform a single press-working operation, such as punching or bending, that is accomplished in one stroke of the press, are called *simple dies*.
- A single operation die may be a bending die, curlie die, wiring die and bulging die.

2. Compound dies :

- Compound dies make close tolerance and concentric parts, as all work is done in one stroke.
- Fig. 3.48 shows a compound blank and draw die. The metal enters as a flat sheet, is cut to the right length, and is then formed over a reverse-type punch. Spring action on a pressure plate strips the part off the punch. The knockout pin, shown at the top, pushes the part out of the upper die if it stays on that side when the die opens.

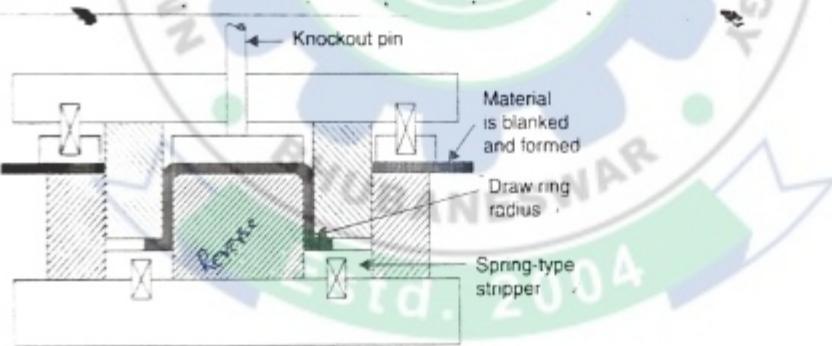


Fig. 3.48. Compound blank and draw die.

3. Progressive dies :

- These dies are made to *cut and form a part in successive stages or stations of the die*. The parts are held together by the strip skeleton or tabs until the last station or cut off. Force or movement comes from the strip feeder attached to the press.
- A progressive die can perform very complex work, doing piercing, blanking, forming, lancing and notching.
- The *advantage* of this type of die is that the tooling can be spread out.
- The *cost of progressive dies is high* and therefore they are usually limited to high production operations.

4. Transfer dies :

- Transfer dies, like progressive dies, are also multistation dies and are constructed on the same principle, but unlike progressive dies, the blanks are cut out first from the strip

stock and then mechanically moved through successive stages, sometimes arranged in a circle. An example of the type of part that would require a transfer die is shown in Fig. 3.49.

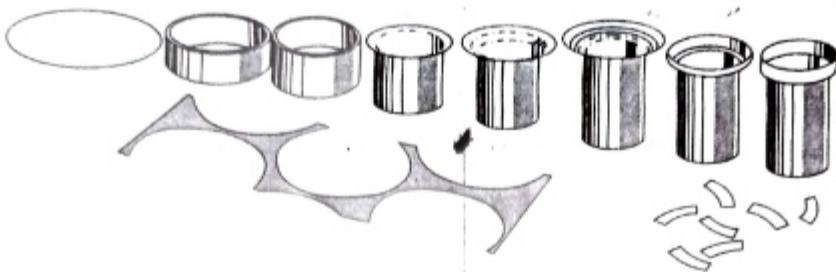


Fig. 3.49. Deep drawn part formed in a transfer die.

Comparison between Transfer dies and Progressive dies :

Transfer dies :

- Both are *multiple station operation dies*.
- (i) The main advantage of transfer die over progressive die is a reduced liability to damage due to scrap metal getting into the dies as already cut blanks are fed to the dies.
- (ii) The elimination of a great deal of scrap loss is the greatest advantage of transfer operations.
- (iii) Transfer blanks can also be cut to take advantage of the grain direction of the metal stock.
- (iv) Transfer mechanisms generally have a *higher initial cost than progressive die setup*.

Progressive dies :

- (i) In progressive dies continuous strip from a coil is fed into the dies whereas in transfer dies previously cut blanks are fed into the dies.
- (ii) Progressive operations can usually be run at higher speeds and with shorter press strokes than comparable transfer operations.

5. Fluid-activated diaphragm dies :

- Drawing of sheet-metal parts may be accomplished by the use of fluids and a diaphragm.
- The process has the *advantage of closer control of the drawing operation so that parts that usually require two drawing operations can be done in one*.

6. Multi-action dies :

- Multi-action dies are used to perform multistep forming in one operation. The *punch and die segments are operated in a sequence that is coordinated with the press stroke*.
- In this setup (Fig. 3.50) the entire sheet is held between tooling plates at all times. Unsupported metal does not flow with the punch as it does in conventional tooling. The multiple, matched dies are made so that segments can be timed to move for an optimum forming sequence. The tools are mounted in a conventional hydraulic press, which is programmed to activate independent, external hydraulic circuits.

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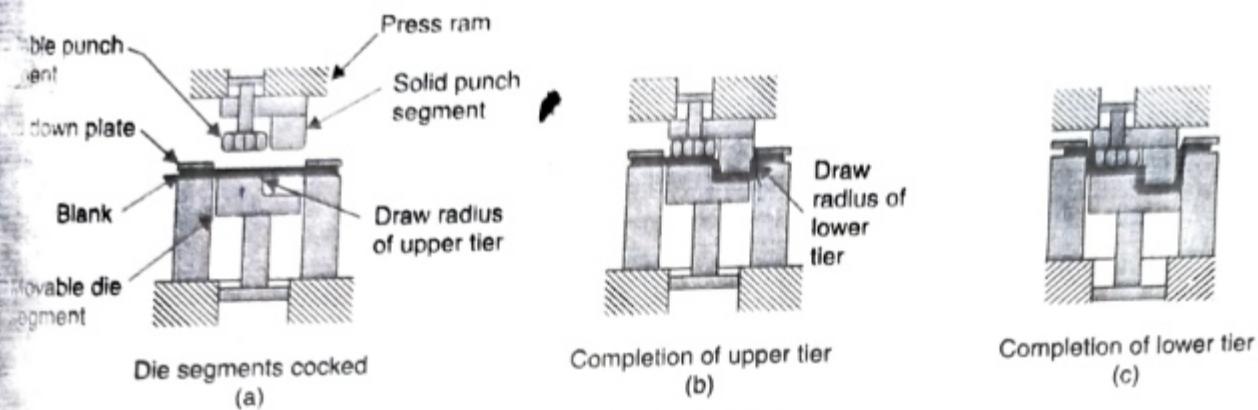


Fig. 3.50. Multi-action dies.

Note : Though both the fluid-activated diaphragm and the multi-action dies have good control over metal which is necessary to avoid excessive thinning and buckling, it appears that multi-action dies provides more control.

3.11.2. Causes of Failure of Dies in Metal Working Operations

In metal working operations, failure of dies generally results from one or more of the following causes :

1. Excessive wear.
2. Improper installation, assembly, and alignment.
3. Overloading, misuse and improper handling.
4. Improper dies design.
5. Defective die materials.
6. Improper heat treatment and finishing operations.
7. Overheating and heat checking i.e., cracking caused by thermal cycling.

PRESSES

3.12.1. Classification of Presses

Presses are employed to provide power to operate dies for blanking, forming, and shearing. They may be classified as follows :

1. According to type of frame :

- (i) Open frame presses.
- (ii) Closed frame presses.

Open frame press :

This press is also known as 'Gap frame' or 'C' frame press.

The most common type press is 'open back inclinable C-type frame press', commonly known as OBI press. Its frame is inclined backward which facilitates the removal of scrap or parts by gravity through the open back. It ranges from small 1 tonne bench press to floor presses rated upto 150 tonnes.

Owing to their construction, open frame presses are less rigid and strong and are useful mainly for operations on smaller work.

These presses are available upto 200-tonne capacity with strokes of 90 to 120 per minute.

3.	<i>Drawing</i>	(i) Good surface finish and dimensional accuracy. (ii) Low equipment and tooling cost. (iii) High production rate. (iv) Long lengths of rounds, tubings, square and angles can be produced.	(i) Production of constant cross-sections only. (ii) Deformation limited to small reductions. (iii) Lubrication is necessary.
4.	<i>Deep drawing</i>	(i) Moderate equipment and tooling cost. (ii) High production rate. (iii) Good surface finish.	(i) Forming of shallow or deep parts of simple shapes only. (ii) Limited to forming of thin sheets. (iii) Finishing required.
5.	<i>Hot extrusion</i>	(i) Suitable for large reduction. (ii) Moderate cost of equipment and toolings. (iii) Complex sections and long products can be produced.	(i) Components with thin walls are difficult to produce. (ii) Only constant cross-section can be produced. (iii) Lubrication is necessary. (iv) Dimensional accuracy and finish achieved are not good.
6.	<i>Impact extrusion</i>	(i) Good finish and dimensional accuracy. (ii) High production rate. (iii) Generally no finishing is required. (iv) Suitable for production of thin sections.	(i) Deformation limited to small reductions. (ii) Suitable for production of light components from softer materials.
7.	<i>Punching and blanking</i>	(i) Low cost of labour. (ii) High production rate. (iii) Almost any shape can be obtained. (iv) Moderate equipment cost.	(i) Cost of tooling can be high. (ii) Limited to thin sheet applications.
8.	<i>Open-die forging</i>	(i) Simple to operate. (ii) Inexpensive tooling and equipment. (iii) Wide range of workpiece sizes can be used. (iv) Suitable for low production volume.	(i) Fairly skilled operators are required. (ii) Can be used for simple shapes only. (iii) Production rate is low. (iv) Dimensional accuracy and surface finish achieved are poorer. (v) Finishing required for achieving final shape.
9.	<i>Closed-die forging</i>	(i) Can be used for production of complex shapes. (ii) Suitable for high production rate. (iii) Good dimensional accuracy and reproducibility.	(i) Appropriate die set for production of each component. (ii) High equipment and tooling cost. (iii) More than one step required for each forging. (iv) Finishing required for achieving final shape.