

Solid solution strengthening



Solid solution strengthening effects in ferrite-pearlite high-strength lowalloy steels.



Particle strengthening

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Coherency hardening

Surface hardening

Order hardening

Stacking fault hardening

Modulus hardening



$$\tau = \frac{2T}{bL} \approx \frac{\mu b}{L}$$

Grain boundary strengthening



Number of dislocations in pile up:
$$npprox rac{ au_0 L}{\mu b}$$

Normal stress acting across
$$OP$$
: $\sigma = \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{L}{r}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \tau_0 \cos \frac{1}{2} \theta \sin \theta$

Shear stress acting on
$$OP$$
: $au = -\left(rac{L}{4r}
ight)^{rac{1}{2}} au_0(2\cosrac{1}{2} heta - \sin heta\sinrac{3}{2} heta)$

.

Hall-Petch equation

I apply an additional shear stress, τ , to the pile-up and the resistance due to the GB is $(\tau - \tau_i)$. τ_i is the friction stress. Maximum stress in the next grain (Stroh) is

$$\tau_{\max} = (\tau - \tau_i)\sqrt{L/4r} \tag{1}$$

When τ reaches the shear stess in yielding, τ_y , sources are activated in the next grain. So (1) becomes

$$\tau_y = \tau_i + (\tau_{\max} \times 2\sqrt{r}) L^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

I can identify L with the grain size, d; and after converting to tensile stress I get the Hall-Petch equation,

$$\sigma_y = \sigma_i + k_y d^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$



$$\sigma_y = \sigma_i + k_y d^{-\frac{1}{2}} \qquad \text{(Hall-Petch equation)}$$
$$(\tau_s - \tau_i)nb \approx 2\gamma_s \longrightarrow \sigma_f \approx \frac{4\mu\gamma_s}{k_y} d^{-\frac{1}{2}} \qquad \text{(Cottrell-Petch equation)}$$

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Low carbon steel at -196° C

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2.3. Effect of grain size of ferrite on yield stress and impact transition temperature. (0.10%C; 0.50%Mn; 0.2%Si; 0.006%N).

The Fe–C phase diagram



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Fe-Fe₃C Phase Diagram, Materials Science and Metallurgy, 4th ed., Pollack, Prentice-Hall, Slide 14











Cooling / heating at $0.125^{\circ}C$ per minute

A ₁	Change on heating Pearlite to austenite	Change on cooling Austenite to pearlite		
A ₂	Loss of ferromagnetism	Gain of ferromagnetism		
A ₃	Last ferrite absorbed in austenite	First ferrite nucleates from austenite		
A_{cm}	Last cementite absorbed in austenite	First cementite nucleates from austenite		
A ₄	First δ -iron forms from austenite	Last δ -iron dissolves in austenite		

Diffusivity

Solvent	Solute	Activation energy, Q (kJ mol ⁻¹)	Frequency factor, <i>D</i> o (cm ² s ⁻¹)	Diffusion coefficient, D _{910°C} (cm ² s ⁻¹)	Temperature range (°C)
γ-iron	С	135	0.15	1.5×10^{-7}	900-1050
	Fe	269	0.18	2.2×10^{-13}	1060-1390
	Со	364	3.0×10^2	24.0 ×10 ⁻¹² (at 1050°C)	1050-1250
	Cr	405	1.8×10^{4}	58.0 ×10 ⁻¹² (at 1050°C)	1050-1250
	Cu	253	3.0	15.0×10^{-11}	800-1200
	Ni	280	0.77	7.7×10^{-13}	930-1050
	P	293	28.3	3.6×10^{-12}	1280-1350
	S	202	1.35	1.5×10^{-9}	1200-1350
	W	376	1.0 ×10 ³	12.0 ×10 ⁻¹² (at 1050°C)	1050–1250
α-iron	С	80	6.2×10^{-3}	1.8×10^{-6}	
	N	76	3.0×10^{-3}	1.3×10^{-6}	
	Fe	240	0.5		700-750
	Co Cr	226 343	0.2 3.0 ×10 ⁴	2.1×10^{-11}	700-790
	Ni	258	9.7	3.7×10^{-11}	700-900
	P W	230 293	2.9 3.8 ×10 ²	2.0×10^{-10}	860-900

Table 5.2 Diffusion data for microalloy and interstitial solutes in austenite and in ferrite. The diffusion coefficients of these elements at 1200°C in austenite, and at 700°C in ferrite, are also shown

Element/Phase	D ₀ (m ² s ⁻¹)	Q (kJ mol-1)	D _α 700°C (m ² s ⁻¹)	Dy 1200 °C (m ² s ⁻¹
C/a	0.62 × 10 ⁻⁶	80.4	3.00 x 10 ⁻¹¹	arti
C/Y	0.10 × 10-4	135.7	-	1.59 × 10 ⁻¹⁰
N/a	0.50 × 10 ⁻⁶	77.0	3.66 × 10-11	
N/y	0.91 × 10-4	168.6	-	9.60 × 10 ⁻¹¹
Ti/a	3.15 × 10-4	248.0	1.56 × 10 ⁻¹⁷	
Ti/y	0.15 × 10-4	251.2	-	1.86 × 10-14
V/α	0.61 × 10-4	267.1	2.80×10^{-19}	-
V/y	0.25 × 10-4	264.2	-	1.07 × 10 ⁻¹⁴
Nb/a	-	-	-	-
Nb/y	5.30 × 10 ⁻²	344.6	-	1.56 × 10 ⁻¹³
Al/a	0.30 × 10 ⁻²	234.5	7.80 × 10 ⁻¹⁶	-
Al/y			-	-
Fe/a	1.67 × 10 ⁻⁴	256.7	2.79 × 10-19	-
Fe/y	0.49 × 10-4	284.1	-	4.13 × 10 ⁻¹⁵



Phase transformations in steel



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N α ΩLB. α_{LIR} α α_{W} α V Y Nucleation and growth reaction Y V V V v v Plate morphology Υ Y Y Y Ν Y N N v v v v v Ν IPS shape change with shear component N N Diffusionless nucleation Y Ν Ν Ν Ν Ν Ν Ν Only carbon diffuses during nucleation N Y Y Y Y Ν N N Reconstructive diffusion during nucleation Ν N Ν Y Y Y N N Ν N v Often nucleates intragranularly on defects V Ν v Ν v Y Diffusionless growth Y Y Y N N N Ν Reconstructive diffusion during growth Ν Ν N Y Y Y Ν All atomic correspondence during growth Y Y Y Y N N N N Y Y Y Y Y Ν Substitutional atomic correspondence during growth N N S S S Bulk redistribution of substitutional atoms during growth N N Ν Ν Ν S Local equilibrium at interface during growth N Ν N Ν S S N S S N Local para-equilibrium at interface during growth N N Ν Y Ν Ŷ N Y Y Y Diffusion of carbon during transformation N N N S S S Carbon diffusion-controlled growth Ν Y N N Ν Y Cooperative growth of ferrite and cementite N Ν Ν N Ν N S Ν High dislocation density v v v v Ν N N Y Y Y Ν N N Ν Incomplete reaction phenomenon Necessarily has a glissile interface v Y Y Y Y N N Ν Y v Always has an orientation within the Bain region Y Y Y N N Ν Grows across austenite grain boundaries Ν N Ν Y Y Y N N Y v v v v N N Ν High interface mobility at low temperatures Displacive transformation mechanism v Y v Y Υ N N Ν Reconstructive transformation mechanism Ν Ν Ν v N N v Y

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TTT diagrams



1000 900 800 700 v S 600 TEMPERATURE, **TEMPERATURE**, 500 400 0.10% C ŏ 20%0 300 32 õ 41% 0.61% C 200 -0-83% 1 100 4 5 9 2 8 000 000 000 0000 00000 00000 TIME HELD IN CONSTANT TEMPERATURE BATH FROM START OF QUENCH, \$









Decomposition of austenite



Fig. 5. Cinephotomicrographic sequence showing the formation of ferrite allotromorphs (arrows) on austenite grain boundaries in pure iron at 825°C (cooling rate 12°C/s) (x 125).



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Fig. 10. Cinephotomicrographic sequence showing the formation of lath martensite in a low-alloy steel at 330°C (cooling rate of 17°C/s) (x227).(8)



Fig. 11. Cinephotomicrographic sequence showing the formation of bainite in a low-alloy steel at $550^{\circ}C$ (cooling rate $6.2^{\circ}C/s$)(x227).⁽⁸⁾



Growth of proeutectoid ferrite







Widmanstätten ferrite



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Acicular ferrite







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TTT diagrams













Decomposition of austenite by reconstructive transformation



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Growth of pearlite





D is carbon diffusivity in austenite; $\lambda^{\alpha}, \lambda^{\mathsf{C}}$ are widths of ferrite and cementite lamella.

Growth of proeutectoid ferrite




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Widmanstätten ferrite







	α'	α_{LB}	α_{UB}	α_{a}	α_{W}	α	α_{i}	Р
Nucleation and growth reaction	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Plate morphology	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Ν	N	Ν
IPS shape change with shear component	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N
Diffusionless nucleation	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	Ν
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Reconstructive diffusion during nucleation	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y
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The rate of growth of ferrite in austenite















Combining diffusion controlled interface velocity equation

$$\left(c^{\gamma\alpha}-c^{\alpha\gamma}\right)\frac{\partial z^{*}}{\partial t}\approx -D\,\frac{\bar{c}-c^{\gamma\alpha}}{\Delta z}$$

with conservation of mass condition

$$(\bar{c} - c^{\alpha\gamma}) z^* = \frac{1}{2} (c^{\gamma\alpha} - \bar{c}) \Delta z$$

leads to

$$\frac{\partial z^*}{\partial t} = \frac{D\left(c^{\gamma\alpha} - \bar{c}\right)^2}{2z^*\left(c^{\gamma\alpha} - c^{\alpha\gamma}\right)\left(\bar{c} - c^{\alpha\gamma}\right)}$$

that is,
$$z^* \propto \sqrt{Dt}$$

In the single component case,

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Rate of solute} \\ \text{partitioning} \end{array} = \begin{array}{l} \text{Diffusive flux} \\ \text{away from interface} \end{array} \\ (c^{\gamma\alpha} - c^{\alpha\gamma}) \, \frac{\partial z^*}{\partial t} = (c^{\gamma\alpha} - c^{\alpha\gamma}) \, v = -D \frac{\partial c}{\partial z} \end{array}$$

In the case of two components, say C and Mn,

$$(c_{\rm C}^{\gamma\alpha} - c_{\rm C}^{\alpha\gamma}) v = -D_{\rm C}^{\gamma} \frac{\partial c_{\rm C}}{\partial z}$$
$$(c_{\rm Mn}^{\gamma\alpha} - c_{\rm Mn}^{\alpha\gamma}) v = -D_{\rm Mn}^{\gamma} \frac{\partial c_{\rm Mn}}{\partial z}$$

But

$$D_{\rm C}^{\gamma} \gg D_{\rm Mn}^{\gamma}$$



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There is *local equilibrium* at the α/γ interface: compositions in both α and γ are those at the ends of equilibrium tie lines.

Austenite and ferrite cannot *both* have concentrations of C or Mn *greater* than the average \bar{c} . Therefore there is a unique solution to the coupled equations on slide 8.

At low undercooling and supersaturation growth is by Partitioning-Local Equilibrium mode

At high undercooling and supersaturation growth is by Negligible Partitioning-Local Equilibrium mode



$$(c_{\rm C}^{\gamma\alpha} - c_{\rm C}^{\alpha\gamma}) v = -D_{\rm C}^{\gamma} \frac{\partial c_{\rm C}}{\partial z}$$
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Carbon \rightarrow



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Decomposition of austenite by displacive transformation



Bainite



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Above T_0 : Widmanstätten ferrite

Below T_0 : bainite

Upper bainite — carbon rejected into austenite Lower bainite — carbide retained in bainite ($\approx 60^{\circ}$ to midrib) Acicular ferrite — bainite nucleated inside austenite grains











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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FffY381eMhU

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Alloy steels













Figure VI-1. Effect of niobium on the recrystallization of a 0.05%C-1.8%Mn steel. (a) Dynamic recrystallization. (b) Static recrystallization. (L. Meyer, F. Heisterkamp, and W. Mueschenborn, in *Microalloying* 75, Union Carbide Corp., New York, 1976, p. 153, by permission.)



Zener's pinning force : $p=\pi r\gamma$



Figure VI-2, Effect of microalloy content (niobium, vanadium, or titanium) on the ferrite grain size of as-hot-rolled low-carbon steel strip. (L. Meyer, F. Heisterkamp, and W. Mueschenborn, in *Microalloying 75*, Union Carbide Corp., New York, 1976, p. 153, by permission.)

Order of solubility of carbide in austenite: V \rightarrow Ti \rightarrow Nb





Austenite







 $\label{eq:VT} \begin{array}{l} V_T: \text{wt\% V in alloy} \\ N_T: \text{wt\% N in alloy} \\ [V]: \text{wt\% V dissolved in austenite} \\ [N]: \text{wt\% N dissolved in austenite} \\ V_{VN}: \text{wt\% V present as VN} \\ N_{VN}: \text{wt\% N present as VN} \\ A_V: \text{ relative atomic mass of V} \\ A_N: \text{ relative atomic mass of N} \end{array}$

$$V_T = [V] + V_{VN}$$
$$N_T = [N] + N_{VN}$$
$$N_{VN} = V_{VN} \frac{A_N}{A_V}$$
$$k_s = [V][N]$$

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= $(V_{T} - V_{VN}) (N_{T} - N_{VN})$
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$$V_{\rm VN} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{A_{\rm V}}{A_{\rm N}} \left[\left(N_T + V_T \frac{A_{\rm N}}{A_{\rm V}} \right) - \sqrt{\left(N_T + V_T \frac{A_{\rm N}}{A_{\rm V}} \right)^2 - 4 \frac{A_{\rm N}}{A_{\rm V}} \left(V_T N_T - k_s \right)} \right]$$



















Fig. 9.7 Effect of stoichiometry on the precipitation of TiC in a microalloyed steel (Gladman *et al.*, In: *Micro-alloying 75*, Union Carbide Corporation, 1975)



Fig. 9.6 Effect of austenitizing temperature on the yield strength of a 0.1C-0.6Mn-0.09Nb steel (Gladman *et al.*, In: *Micro-alloying 75*, Union Carbide Corporation, 1975)

Precipitation of carbides, nitrides and carbonitrides

Precipitation in austenite

Precipitation during the $\gamma \longrightarrow \alpha$ transformation

Continuous growth of carbide fibres or laths

Interphase precipitation

Precipitation in ferrite








Continuous growth of carbide fibres or laths



Fig. 4.13 Fe-4Mo-0.2C transformed 20 min at 650°C. Fibrous Mo_2C growth from y boundary (Berry). Thin-foil EM

Interphase precipitation



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Figure VI-7. The mechanism of nucleation and growth of carbides on the γ - α interface. (R.W.K. Honeycombe, *Met. Trans. A*, 7A:915 (1976), by permission.)

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Fig. 4.16Fe-12Cr-0.2C transformed 30 min at 650° C.Precipitation of $M_{23}C_6$ at stepped γ/α interface: a, bright field; b,
precipitate spot dark field (Campbell). Thin-foil EMSlide 10



Fig. 5.5 Vanadium carbo-nitride particles having the interphase precipitate morphology and distribution in the interlamellar ferrite of the pearlite eutectoid structure (dark field transmission electron micrograph).



Fig. 4.14 Fe-0.75V-0.15C transformed 5 min at 725°C. Interphase precipitation of VC in ferrite

Model carbide precipitation hardened steel: 630VMoNb

0.096C-1.6Mn-0.51Mo-0.26Si-0.25V-0.05Al-0.056Nb

 σ_y =902 MPa; U.T.S.=964 MPa; elongation 18.2%







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Double Diffraction



 $\begin{array}{c} [100]_{(V, \, Mo)C} / / [100]_{\alpha} \\ (200)_{(V, \, Mo)C} / / (110)_{\alpha} \end{array} \end{array}$



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FIG. 5. Gibbs free energy -at a Temperature of 800 °C– for each of the studied compounds as a function of the content of C and V.

FIG. 6. Alternative top view of Figure 5 showing only the structures with the lowest Gibbs energies. The black dot indicates the composition of the steel from reference [6].



Precipitation in ferrite-age hardening



Fig. 4.5. Effect of rate of cooling on the strengthening due to precipitated carbides in niobium and vanadium steels.





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Principal features of martensite in steel

Mechanical properties

Transformation at constant composition

Athermal

Shape change: hence strain energy

Irrational habit planes

Crystallographic orientation relation



Fig. 5.3 Fe-30.5Ni-0.3C, illustrating the displacement of surface scratches by the martensitic shear (Bhadeshia). Nomanski interference contrast, $\times 650$

Kurdjumov–Sachs (**K**–**S**)

 $\begin{array}{c} (111)_{\gamma} \parallel (101)_{\alpha} \\ [1\overline{1}0]_{\gamma} \parallel [11\overline{1}]_{\alpha} \end{array}$

Nishiyama–Wasserman (N–W)

 $\begin{array}{c} (111)_{\gamma} \parallel (110)_{\alpha} \\ [\bar{1}10]_{\gamma} \parallel [001]_{\alpha} \\ [11\bar{2}]_{\gamma} \parallel [\bar{1}10]_{\alpha} \end{array}$

Greninger–Troiano (**G**–**T**)

 $\begin{array}{c} (111)_{\gamma} \parallel (110)_{\alpha} \\ [\overline{12} \ 17 \ \overline{5}]_{\gamma} \parallel [\overline{17} \ 17 \ 7]_{\alpha} \quad \textit{or} \quad [\overline{12}\overline{1}]_{\gamma} \ 1^{\circ} \text{ away from } [1\overline{10}]_{\alpha} \end{array}$





Fio. 5.1 The formation of twinned martensile (schematic). OA and O'A' are corresponding lattice vectors in the parent and one product orientation; PQ and P'Q' are corresponding vectors in the parent and the other product orientation. Macroscopic habit plane vectors OZ become identical vectors OZ'.





Glissile interface

TEM lattice image of Fe–20.2%Ni–5.4%Mn γ – α' interface. Terraces are $(111)_{\gamma}$ and habit plane is approximately $(121)_{\gamma}$.

Phenomenological Theory of Martensite

Lattice correspondence (Bain)

Lattice rotation

Lattice invariant strain (slip and / or twinning)



$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \epsilon_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \epsilon'_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\epsilon_0 = \frac{\sqrt{2}a_{\alpha'} - a_{\gamma}}{a_{\gamma}} \qquad ; \qquad \qquad \epsilon_0' = \frac{a_{\alpha'} - a_{\gamma}}{a_{\gamma}}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathsf{Bain} \mathsf{strain}$$

 $\mathbf{R}=\mathsf{rotation}$

$$\mathbf{P}_2\mathbf{P}_1 = \mathbf{R}\mathbf{B}$$

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Correct macroscopic shape, correct structure






Steel martensite is tetragonal !



 $M_s(^{\circ}C) = 539 - 423 \times \%C - 30.4 \times \%Mn - 17.7 \times \%Ni - 7.5 \times \%Mo$



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Low carbon martensite up to 0.6wt% C, and Fe–Ni–Mn alloys Habit planes : $\{557\}_{\gamma}$ (three variants to each $\{111\}_{\gamma}$ plane) Orientation relation: **K–S**

Lath martensite



(a)

(b)

Fig. 5.10 Fe-0.16C alloy. Martensite formed by quenching from 1050°C: a, optical micrograph, ×95; b, thin-foil EM showing heavily dislocated laths (Ohmori)





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Medium carbon martensite 0.5-1wt% C

Habit plane : $\{225\}_{\gamma}$

Orientation relation: K–S

"acicular" martensite





Fig. 5.11 Fe-0.8C alloy quenched from 1100°C: a, optical micrograph x 200; b, thin-foil EM showing twinning in martensite laths (Ohmori)

High carbon martensite more than 1wt% C, and high Ni steels

Habit plane : $\{259\}_{\gamma}$

Orientation relation: $\mathbf{N}-\mathbf{W}$

Plate martensite

Bursts



Burst martensite in Fe-30%Ni-0.31%C



Fig. 5.7 Fe-1.8C-3Mn-2Si. Lenticular martensite illustrating the burst phenomenon (Bhadeshia). Optical micrograph. ×300

Hardenability





Fig. 7.3 1.1 Ni-0.75Cr-0.4C steel. Hardness data from transverse sections through water-quenched bars of increasing diameter (Grossman *et al.*, In:

Cooling stages

1. Vapour blanket

Cooling by radiation, depending on emissivity of the steel

2. Nucleate boiling

Quench medium boils

3. Convective cooling

Specimen fully covered by quenchant

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In one dimension, Fourier's law is

$$q = -k rac{\partial T}{\partial x}$$
 [J s⁻¹m⁻²]

The heat conduction equation is

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \kappa \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2}$$

Newton's law of cooling is

 $q = h(T_1 - T_2) = h(\text{temperature of body-temperature of surroundings})$

$$\begin{split} k(T) &= \text{thermal conductivity } [\mathsf{J} \mathsf{s}^{-1} \mathsf{m}^{-1} \mathsf{K}^{-1}] \\ \kappa(T) &= \frac{\text{thermal conductivity}}{\text{volume heat capacity}} = \text{thermal diffusivity } [\mathsf{m}^2 \mathsf{s}^{-1}] \\ h(T) &= \text{heat transfer coefficient } [\mathsf{J} \mathsf{s}^{-1} \mathsf{m}^{-2} \mathsf{K}^{-1}] \\ H(T) &= quench \text{ severity } [\mathsf{m}^{-1}] = \frac{h}{2k} \propto \text{Biot number} \times \frac{\text{area}}{\text{volume}} \end{split}$$







Agitation	Oil	Water	Brine
None	0.25-0.30	0.9-1.0	2
Mild	0.30-0.35	1.0-1.1	2.0-2.2
Moderate	0.35-0.40	1.2-1.3	
Good	0.40-0.50	1.4-1.5	
Strong	0.50-0.80	1.6-2.0	
Violent	0.80-1.1	4.0	5.0

Table VII-5 Approximate values of H (severity of quench)¹

¹ H.E. McGannon, ed., *Making, Shaping and Treating of Steel*, U.S. Steel Corp., Pittsburgh, 1971, p. 1099.



Figure VII-26. Relationships among ideal diameter, critical diameter, and severity of quen (Making, Shaping and Treating of Steel, 9th ed., 1971, copyright United States Steel Corporati



Fig. 7.9 Effect of carbon content and grain size on base hardenability (Moser and Legat, *Härterei Techn. Mitt.*, 1969, 24, 100)



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The two principal variables that influence hardenability of steel are:

- 1. prior austenite grain size
- 2. composition





Figure VII-50. Effect of carbon on boron multiplying factor in 0.8%Mn steels. (D.T. Llewellyn and W.T. Cook, *Met. Technol.*, 1:517 (1974), by permission.)



Figure VII-51. Hardenable diameter (90% martensite at center of Fe-0.5%Mn alloys, as-waterquenched, with and without boron at an austenite grain size of ASTM 4). (R.A. Grange and C.R. Hribal, U.S. Steel Corporation Tech. Rept 40.061 (1), June 1972, by permission.)



Figure VII-52. Schematic representation of effect of austenitizing temperature in a boron steel and a corresponding boron-free steel. (R.A. Grange and J.B. Mitchell, *Trans. Am. Soc. Met.*, 53:157 (1961).)



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Fig. 7.7 The effect of % martensite and carbon content on as-quenched hardness (Hodge and Orohoski, In: Thelning, *Steel and its Heat Treatment*, Bofors Handbook, Butterworths. 1975)



the bar centre is the same as that for the point in the Jominy specimen. Curves are plotted for a range of cooling rates (Grossman and Bain, *Principles of Heat Treatment*, ASM, 1964)
Tempering



Fig. 8.7 Properties of water-quenched and tempered 1050 steel (C 0.48–0.55, Mn 0.6–1.07) (Metals Handbook, 8th edition, Volume 1, ASM)

- **Stage 1**: up to 250°C; precipitation of ϵ -Fe₃C, partial loss of tetragonality.
- **Stage 2**: 230–300°C; decomposition of retained austenite.
- **Stage 3**: 200–350°C; ϵ –Fe₃C transforms to θ –Fe₃C (cementite), loss of tetragonality.
- **Stage 4**: $>350^{\circ}$ C; θ coursens and spheroidises, ferrite recrystallises.



Fig. 8.2 Fe-0.8C quenched and tempered at 250°C. Precipitates of ε carbide and cementite (arrowed) (Ohmori). Thin-foil EM



Fig. 8.3 Fe-0.8C quenched and tempered at 450°C. Fe₃C growing along twin boundaries (Ohmori) Thin-foil EM



Fig. 8.4 Fe-0.8C quenched and tempered at 250°C. Grain boundary precipitation of cementite (Obmori) Thin-foil EM



Fig. 8.5 Fe-0.17C water quenched from 900°C and tempered 5h at 650°C. Spheroidized Fe_3C in equi-axed ferrite (lenel). Optical micrograph, $\times 350$

