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Steel Making [#3]



Steel Making

- Why steel is used in Engineering?
- How steel is produced?
- What is needed to produce steel?
- What are the types of steel?
- Where in the world can steel be produced?
- In what “forms” (geometries) steel is produced? / How steel is sold?

“Globalization is the **integration** and **interdependency** of world **markets** and **resources** in producing consumer goods and services”

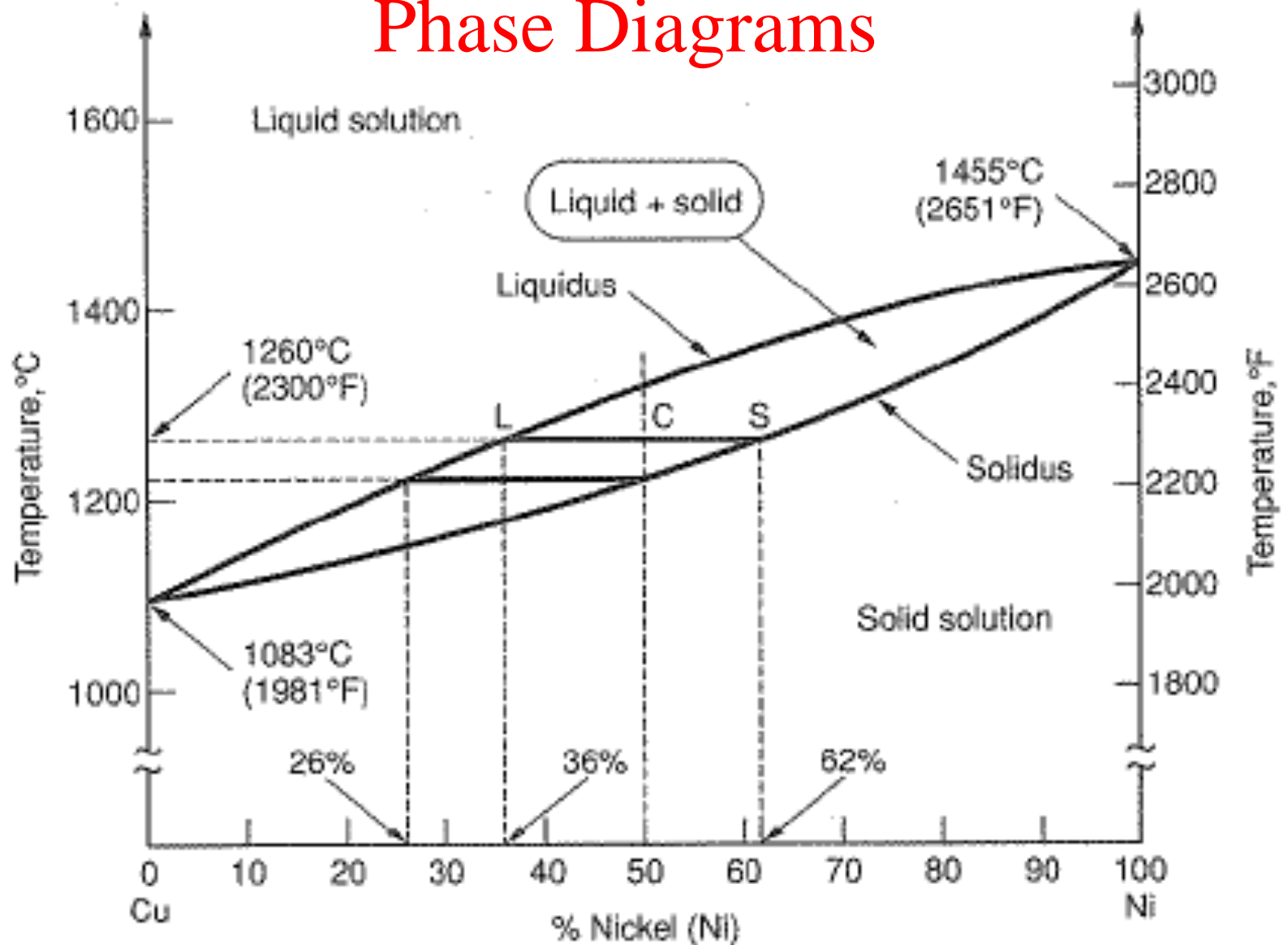
Why steel is used in Engineering?

Table 1.1 Materials used in manufacturing

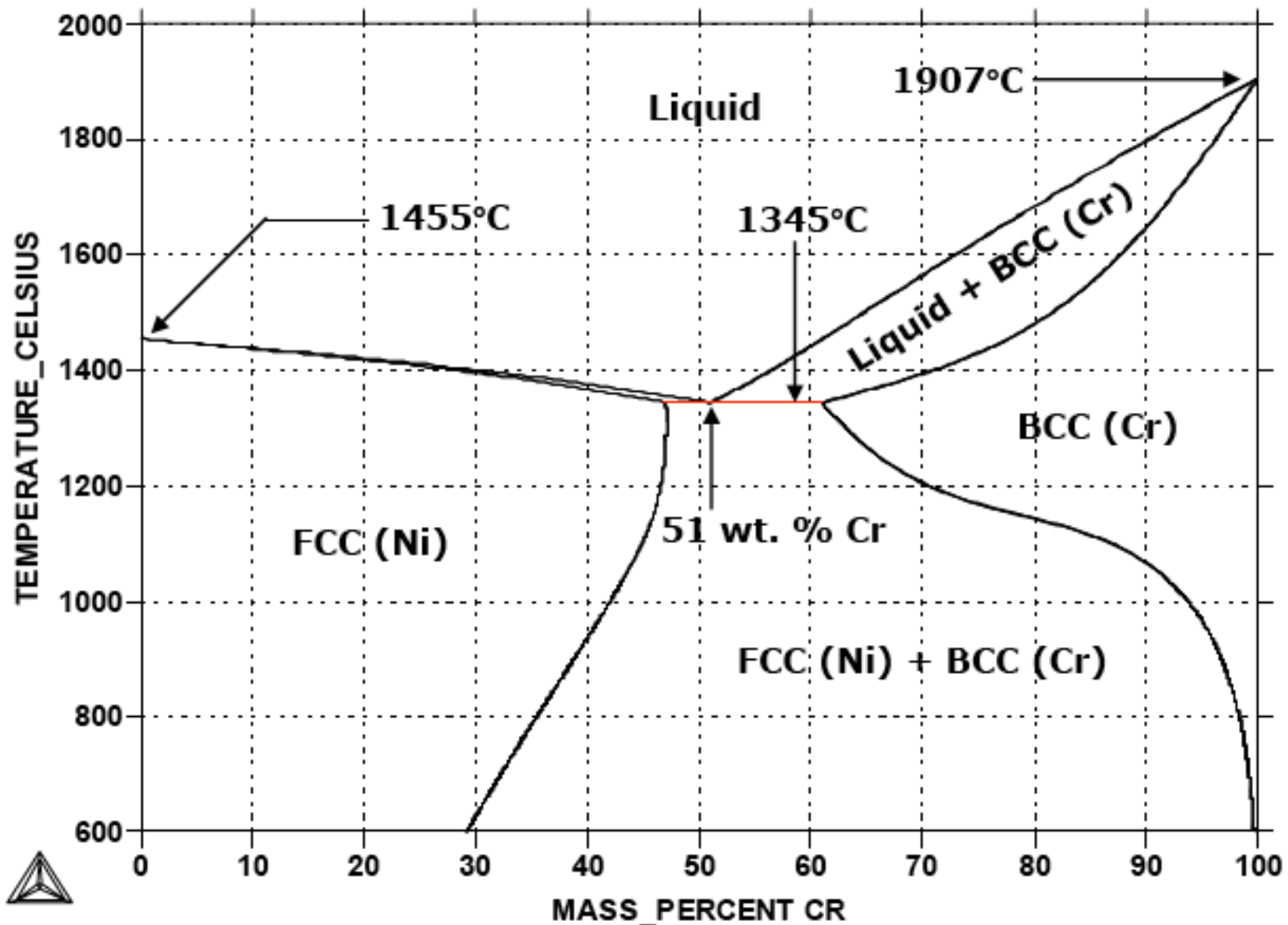
Material	Approximate world production (tonnes $\times 10^6$)	Approximate relative cost	Density (kg/m ³)	Approximate volume produced (m ³ $\times 10^6$)
Iron (steel)	768	1	7 900	97
Aluminium	18	3	2 700	6.7
Copper	11	5	8 900	1.2
Zinc	7	4	7 100	1
Lead	5	3	11 300	0.41
Nickel	0.7	10	8 900	0.08
Magnesium	0.4	8	1 700	0.23
Tin	0.3	20	5 800	0.05
Titanium	0.1	26	4 500	0.02
Polymers	85		900–2200	56

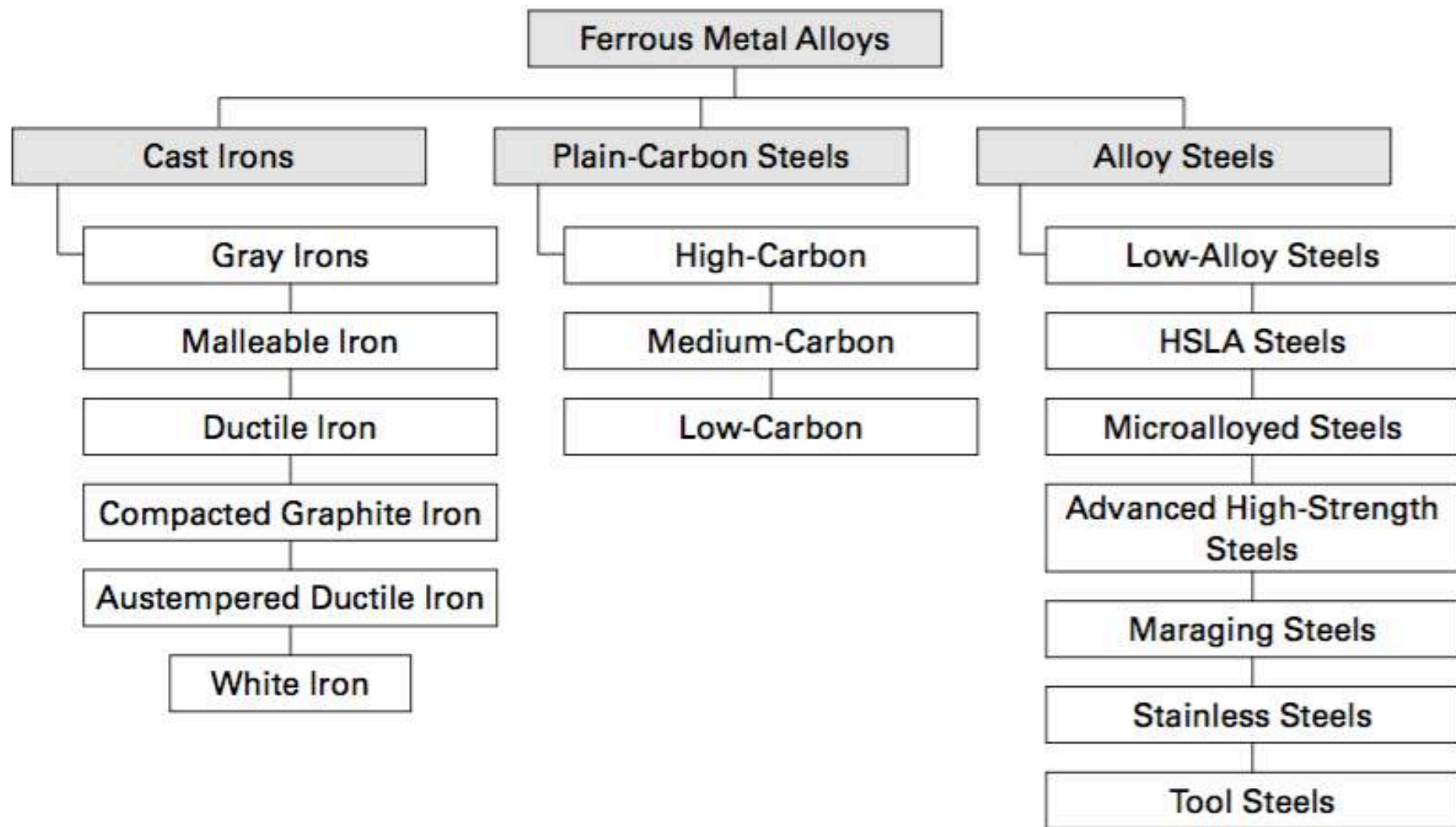
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Phase Diagrams

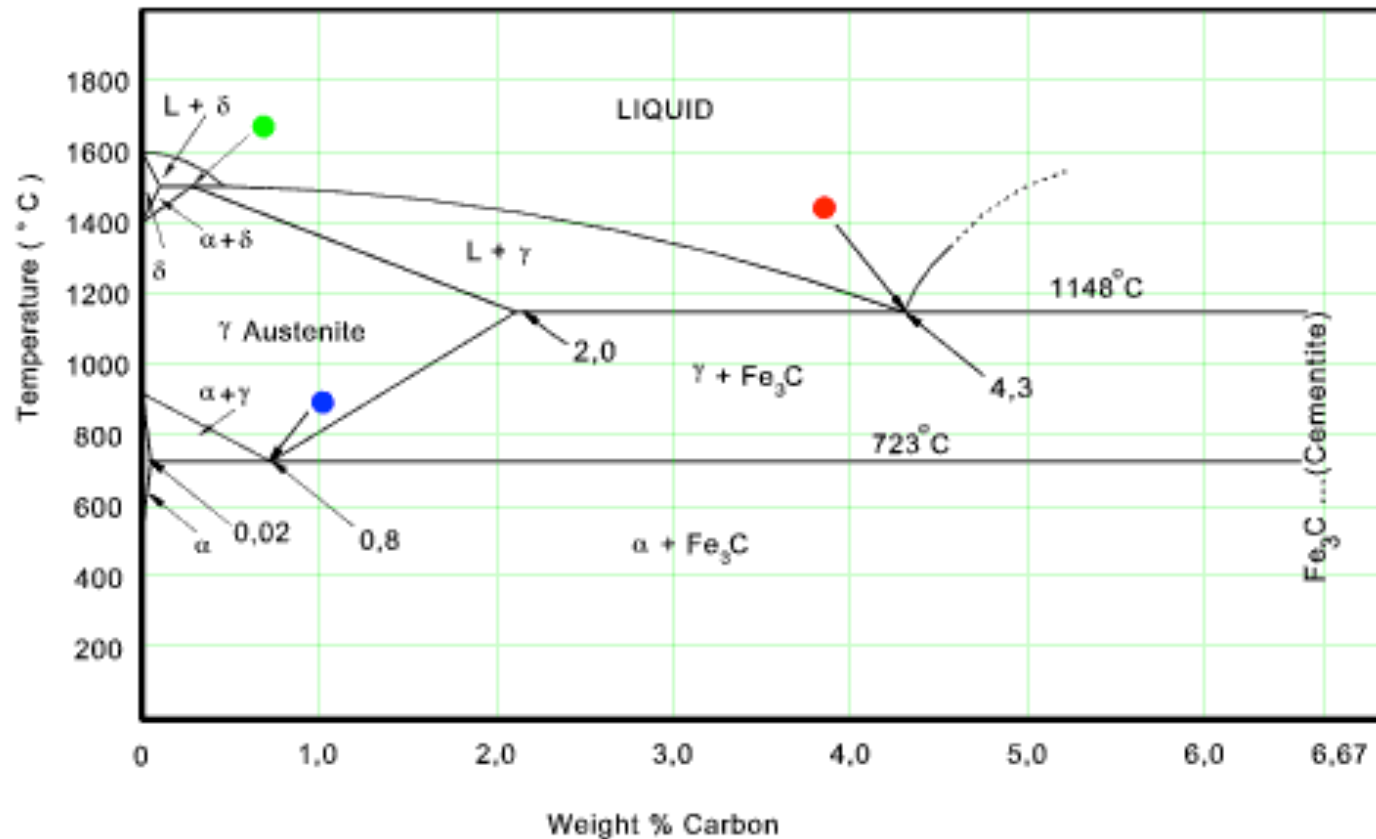


Nickel-Chromium Phase Diagram



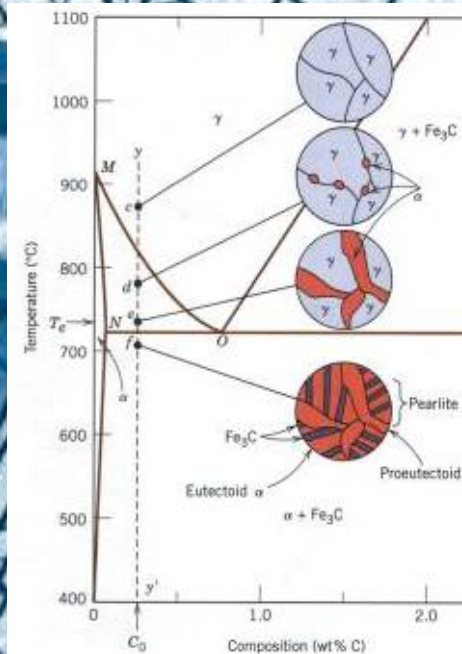
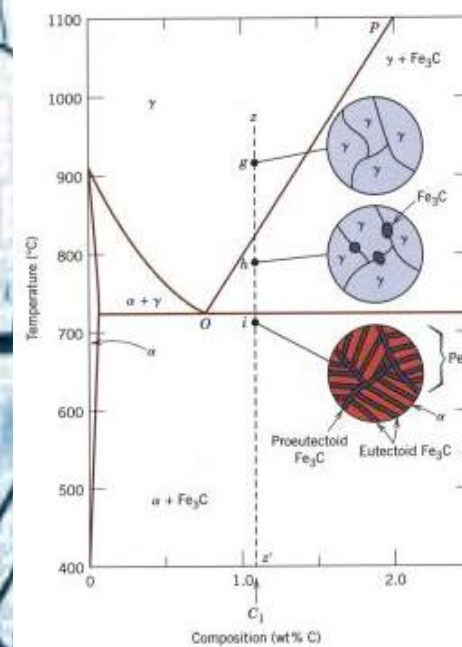


Fe-C Diagram

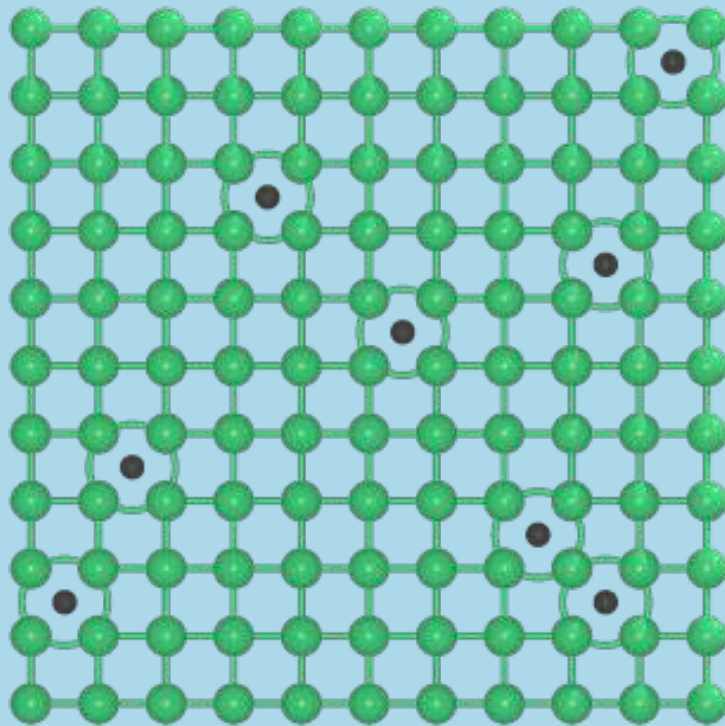


α = Ferrite (BCC)
 γ = Austenite (FCC)
 δ = Ferrite (BCC)
 Fe_3C = Cementite (6.67% C)

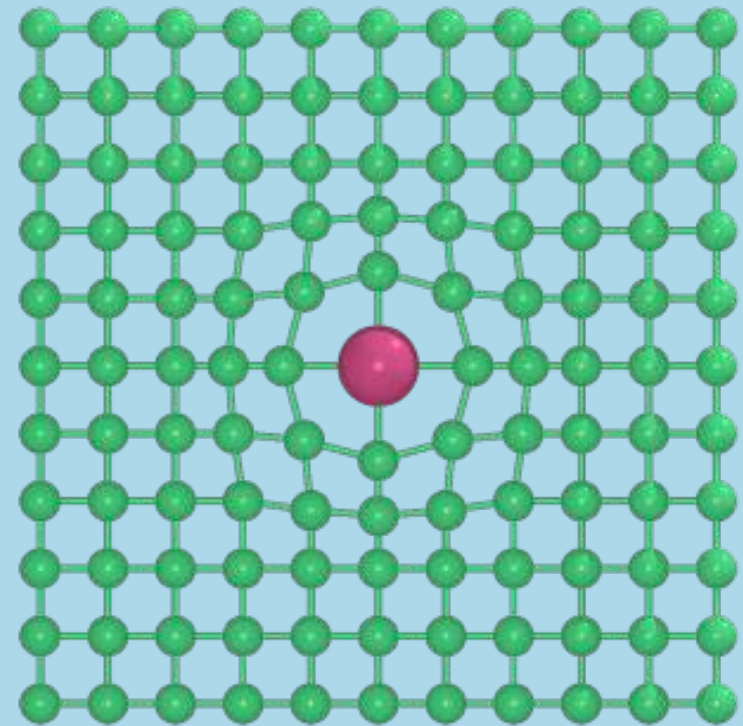
● Peritectic
● Eutectic
● Eutectoid



Hardening with solution atom (Interstitial and Substitutional)



Interstitial Hardening



Substitutional Hardening

TABLE 7-1 Effect of Carbon on the Strength of Annealed Plain-Carbon Steels^a

Type of Steel	Carbon Content	Minimum Tensile Strength	
		Mpa	ksi
1020	0.20%	414	60
1030	0.30%	448	65
1040	0.40%	517	75
1050	0.50%	621	90

^aData are from ASTM Specification A732.

FIGURE 7-7 A comparison of low-carbon, medium-carbon, and high-carbon steels in terms of their relative balance of properties. (a) Low-carbon has excellent ductility and fracture resistance, but lower strength. (b) Medium-carbon has balanced properties. (c) High-carbon has high strength and hardness at the expense of ductility and fracture resistance.

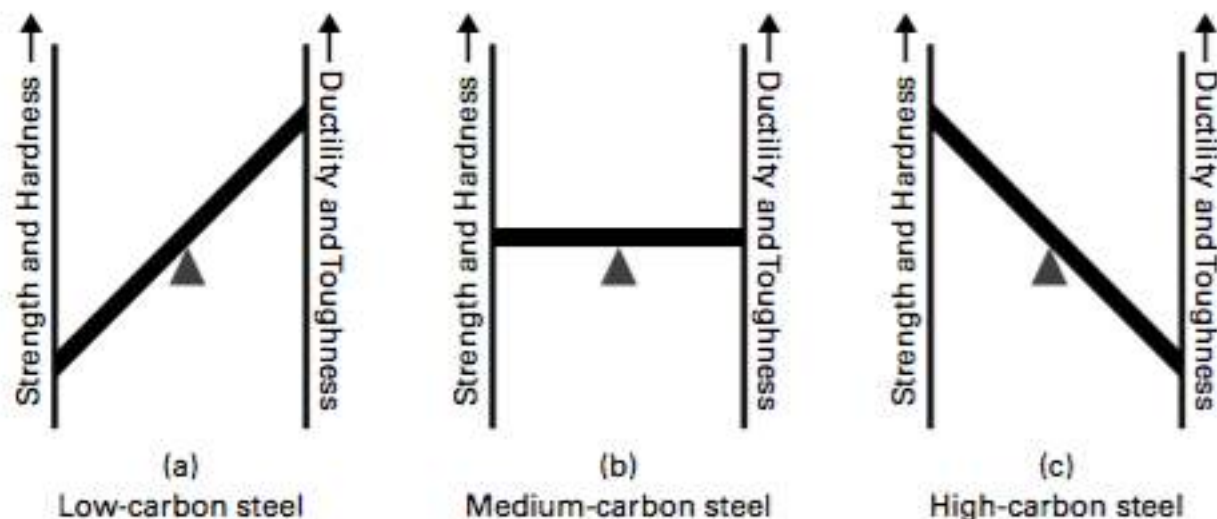


TABLE 7-2 Effect of Carbon on the Strength of Quenched-and-Tempered Alloy Steels^a

Type of Steel	Carbon Content	Minimum Tensile Strength	
		Mpa	ksi
4130	0.30%	1030	150
4330	0.30%	1030	150
8630	0.30%	1030	150
4140	0.40%	1241	180
4340	0.40%	1241	180

^a Data from ASTM Specification A732.

TABLE 7-3 Principal Effects of Alloying Elements in Steel

Element	Percentage	Primary Function
Aluminum	0.95–1.30	Alloying element in nitriding steels
Bismuth	—	Improves machinability
Boron	0.001–0.003	Powerful hardenability agent
Chromium	0.5–2	Increase of hardenability
	4–18	Corrosion resistance
Copper	0.1–0.4	Corrosion resistance
Lead	—	Improved machinability
Manganese	0.25–0.40	Combines with sulfur to prevent brittleness
	>1	Increases hardenability by lowering transformation points and causing transformations to be sluggish
Molybdenum	0.2–5	Stable carbides; inhibits grain growth
Nickel	2–5	Toughener
	12–20	Corrosion resistance
Silicon	0.2–0.7	Increases strength
	2	Spring steels
	Higher percentages	Improves magnetic properties
Sulfur	0.08–0.15	Free-machining properties
Titanium	—	Fixes carbon in inert particles
		Reduces martensitic hardness in chromium steels
Tungsten	—	Hardness at high temperatures
Vanadium	0.15	Stable carbides; increases strength while retaining ductility, Promotes fine grain structure

TABLE 7-4 AISI–SAE Standard Steel Designations and Associated Chemistries

AISI Number	Type	Alloying Elements (%)					
		Mn	Ni	Cr	Mo	V	Other
1xxx	Carbon steels						
10xx	Plain carbon						
11xx	Free cutting (S)						
12xx	Free cutting (S) and (P)						
13xx	High manganese	1.60–1.90					
15xx	High manganese						
2xxx	Nickel steels		3.5–5.0				
3xxx	Nickel–chromium		1.0–3.5	0.5–1.75			
4xxx	Molybdenum						
40xx	Mo				0.15–0.30		
41xx	Mo, Cr			0.40–1.10	0.08–0.35		
43xx	Mo, Cr, Ni		1.65–2.00	0.40–0.90	0.20–0.30		
44xx	Mo				0.35–0.60		
46xx	Mo, Ni (low)		0.70–2.00		0.15–0.30		
47xx	Mo, Cr, Ni		0.90–1.20	0.35–0.55	0.15–0.40		
48xx	Mo, Ni (high)		3.25–3.75		0.20–0.30		
5xxx	Chromium						
50xx				0.20–0.60			
51xx				0.70–1.15			
6xxx	Chromium–vanadium						
61xx				0.50–1.10		0.10–0.15	
8xxx	Ni, Cr, Mo						
81xx			0.20–0.40	0.30–0.55	0.08–0.15		
86xx			0.40–0.70	0.40–0.60	0.15–0.25		
87xx			0.40–0.70	0.40–0.60	0.20–0.30		
88xx			0.40–0.70	0.40–0.60	0.30–0.40		
9xxx	Other						
92xx	High silicon						1.20–2.20Si
93xx	Ni, Cr, Mo		3.00–3.50	1.00–1.40	0.08–0.15		
94xx	Ni, Cr, Mo		0.30–0.60	0.30–0.50	0.08–0.15		

TABLE 7-9 AISI Designation Scheme for Stainless Steels

Series	Alloys	Structure
200	Chromium, nickel, manganese, or nitrogen	Austenitic
300	Chromium and nickel	Austenitic
400	Chromium and possibly carbon	Ferritic or martensitic
500	Low chromium (<12%) and possibly carbon	Martensitic

Cast Iron

TABLE 7-14 Typical Properties of Pearlitic Gray, Compacted Graphite, and Ductile Cast Irons

Property	Gray	CGI	Ductile
Tensile strength (MPa)	250	450	750
Elastic modulus (Gpa)	105	145	160
Elongation (%)	0	1.5	5
Thermal conductivity (w/mk)	48	37	28
Relative damping capacity (Gray = 1)	1	0.35	0.22

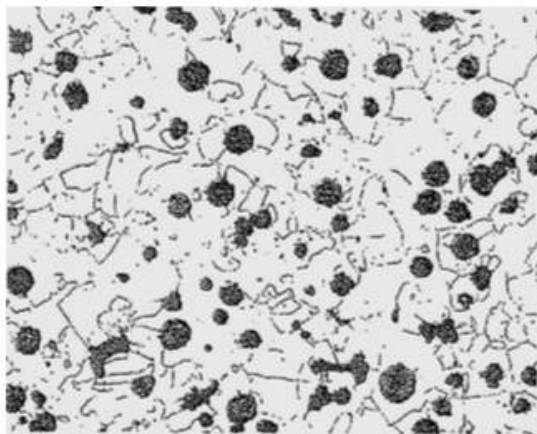


FIGURE 7-13 Ductile cast iron with a ferrite matrix. Note the spheroidal shape of the graphite, 100 \times . (Courtesy Ronald Kohser)

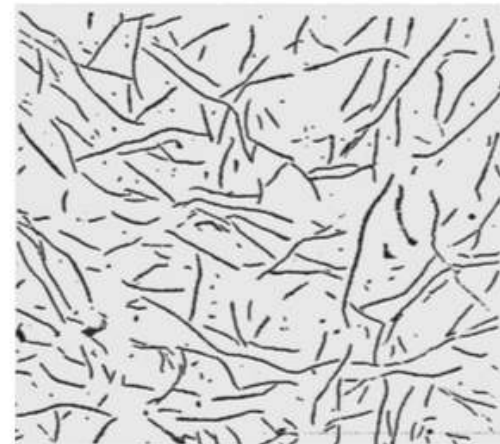


FIGURE 7-11 Photomicrograph showing the distribution of graphite flakes in gray cast iron; unetched, 100 \times . (Courtesy Ronald Kohser)

Primary manufacturing processes

Manufacturing operations can be generally classified into primary and secondary processes. For metals, primary manufacturing usually refers to **the conversion of ores into metallic materials**. Secondary manufacturing is generally understood to mean the conversion of the products from the primary operation into semifinished or finished parts.

- refining steel from iron ore
- aluminium from bauxite

PIG IRON (Ferro Gusa)



- Pig iron is produced from iron ores by **blast furnaces**.
- The high carbon product of the 20th century furnaces became known as **cast iron**.
- Blast furnaces are typically more than 30 m high and about 10m in diameter. The structure is roughly cylindrical and lined with refractory firebrick, supported by a water-cooled outer steel shell.

Carbon	3.0–4.5%
Manganese	0.15–2.5%
Phosphorus	0.1–2.0%
Silicon	1.0–3.0%
Sulfur	0.05–0.1%

PIG IRON



Iron Ore;

- Iron Supply

Coke;

- residual solid of heating coal
- Fuel
- Reduction for Fe
- Carbon Supplier

Limestone;

- rock of calcium carbonate CaCO_3
- Reacts with impurities / Produces slag (scoria)
- Low melting point

Hot Air

- Or blast to burn the coke



Blast Furnace

Iron Ores

The iron itself is usually found in the form of:

- magnetite (Fe_3O_4 , 72.4% Fe),
- hematite (Fe_2O_3 , 69.9% Fe),
- goethite ($\text{FeO}(\text{OH})$, 62.9% Fe),
- limonite ($\text{FeO}(\text{OH}) \cdot n(\text{H}_2\text{O})$) or
- siderite (FeCO_3 , 48.2% Fe)

Hematite: the
main iron ore in
Brazilian mines



Siderite (Brazil)

Magnetite and pyrite
from Piedmont, Italy



Limonite



Goethite, Cornwall,
England

Iron Ores (Mining)

What are pellets?

Pellets are small balls of iron ore used in the production of steel. They are made with technology that uses the powder that is generated during the ore extraction process, once considered waste.

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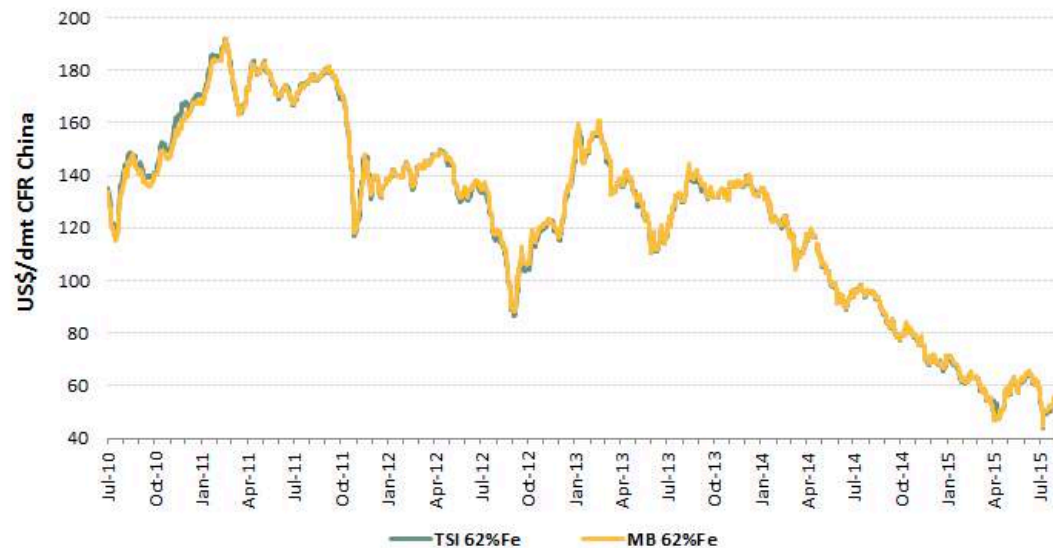


Iron Ore Indices

Spot Market Indices	August, 11th	Weekly Average (last 5 days)	Monthly Average (last 30 days)
	US\$/dmt	US\$/dmt	US\$/dmt
The Steel Index 62%Fe	55,90	56,20	52,67
Metal Bulletin 62%Fe	56,22	56,47	53,26
Platts 62% Fe	To Platts 62%Fe, visit Platts website		

* Numbers is US\$/dmt

Spot Market Iron Ore Price Index (fines)



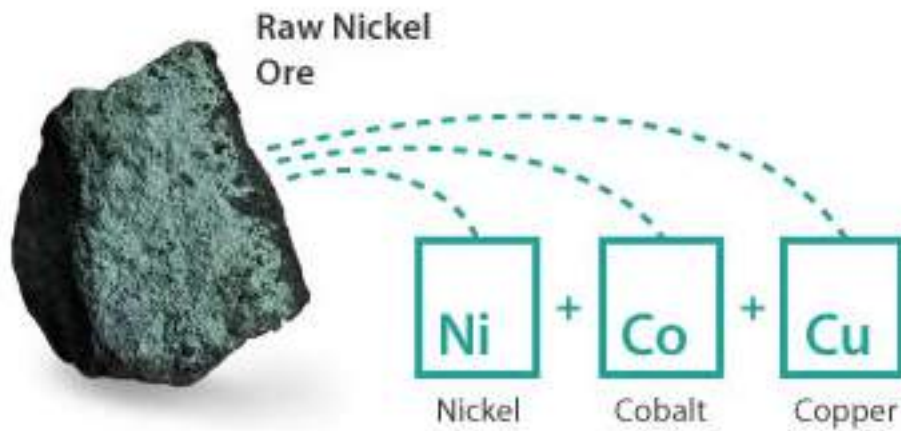
Sources:

The Steel Index: www.thesteelindex.com

Metal Bulletin: www.mbsonoreindex.com

Platts: www.platts.com

Other Ores



Copper ore extraction site at Sossego Mine, Pará state



Aluminum Ore (Bauxite)

Museos Nacional UFRJ – Mining / Ores

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- <http://www.museunacional.ufrj.br/exposicoes/geologia/exposicao/meteoritos>
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- Museu de Ouro Preto: <http://www.museu.em.ufop.br/museu/mineracao.php>



Coke (Coal)

“Global steel production is dependent on coal. 70% of the steel produced today uses coal. Metallurgical coal – or coking coal – is a vital ingredient in the steel making process. World crude steel production was 1.4 billion tonnes in 2010. Around 721 million tonnes of coking coal was used in the production of steel.”

<http://www.worldcoal.org/coal/uses-of-coal/coal-steel/>

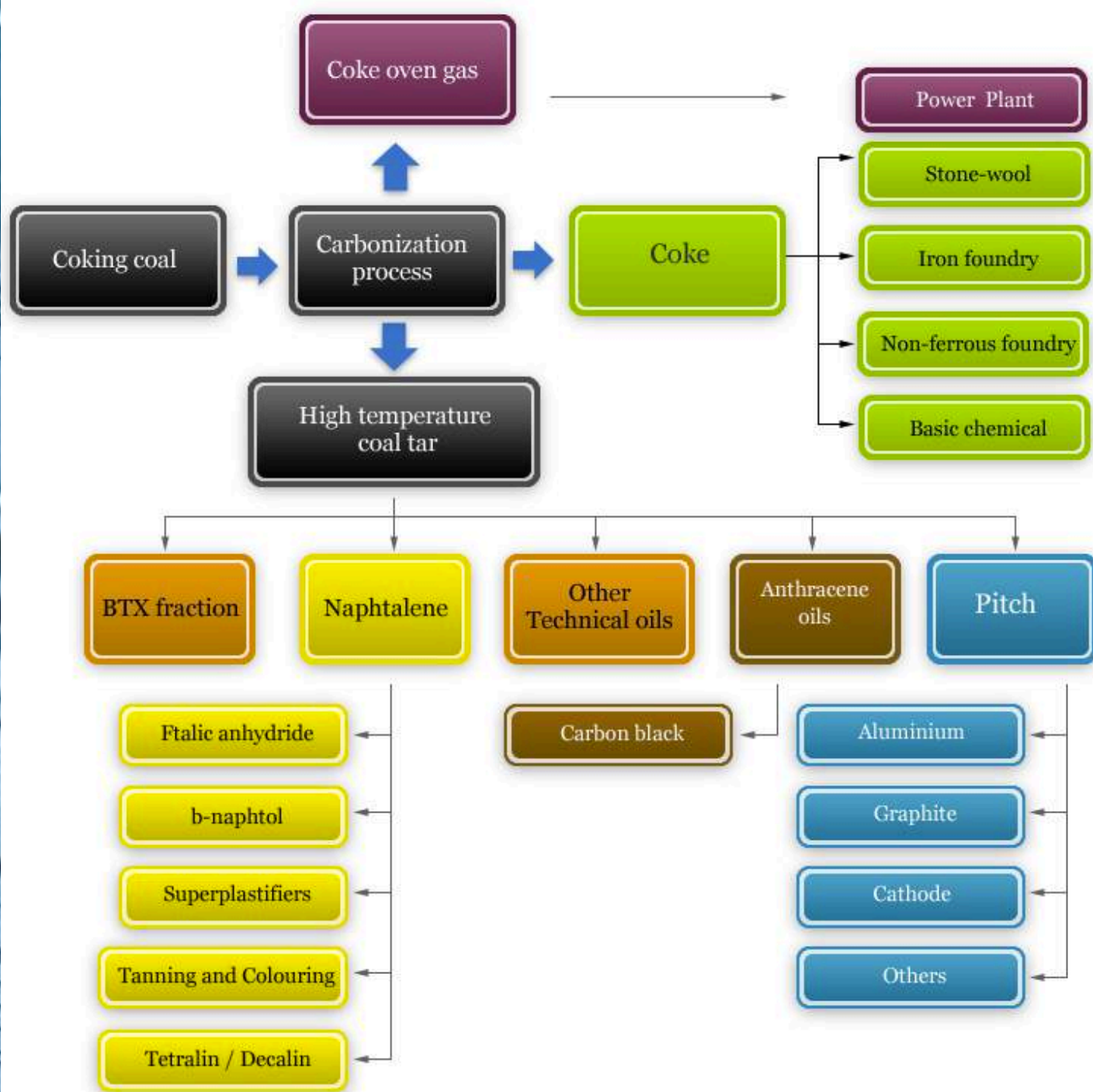


It acts as the fuel, burning to produce carbon monoxide and to reduce the iron oxide to iron.

Coking coal is found in many parts of the world.

Coke (Coal)

- Coking coal is converted to coke by driving off impurities to leave almost pure carbon.
- The physical properties of coking coal cause the coal to soften, liquefy and then resolidify into hard but porous lumps when heated in the absence of air. Coking coal must also have low sulphur and phosphorous contents. Almost all metallurgical coal is used in coke ovens.
- The coking process consists of heating coking coal to around 1000-1100°C in the absence of oxygen to drive off the volatile compounds (pyrolysis).
- This process results in a hard porous material - coke.
- Coke is produced in a coke battery which is composed of many coke ovens stacked in rows into which coal is loaded. The coking process takes place over long periods of time between 12-36 hours in the coke ovens. Once pushed out of the vessel the hot coke is then quenched with either water or air to cool it before storage or is transferred directly to the blast furnace for use in iron making.

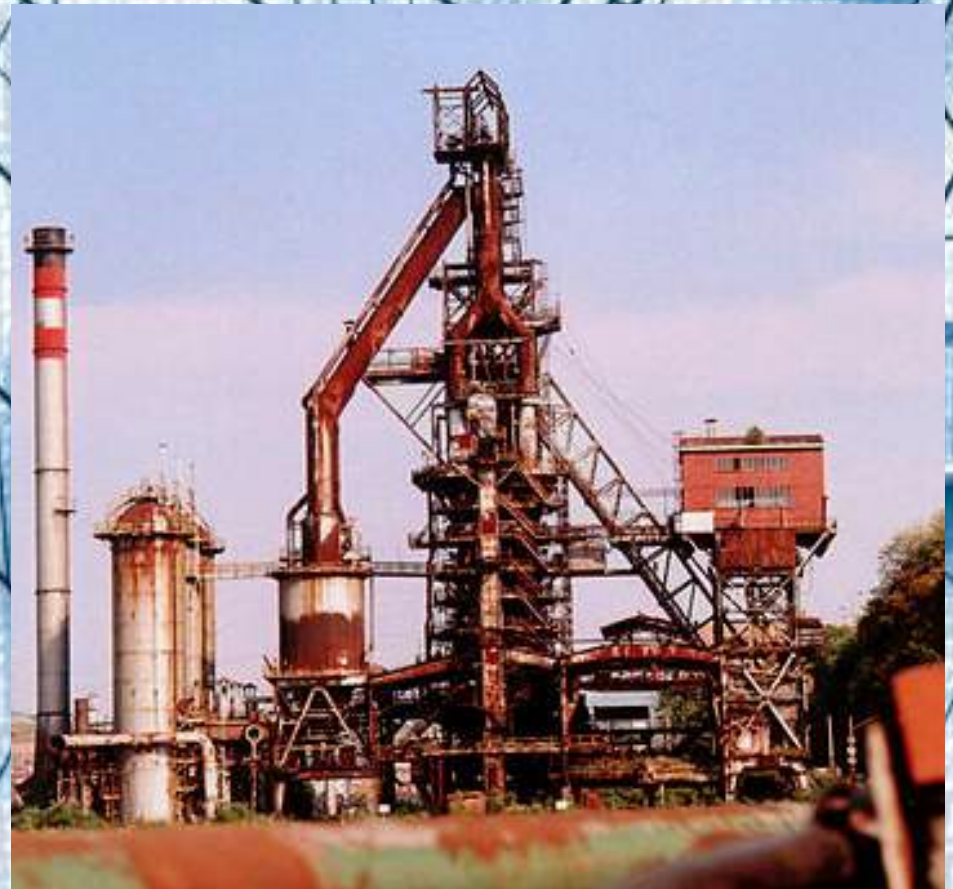
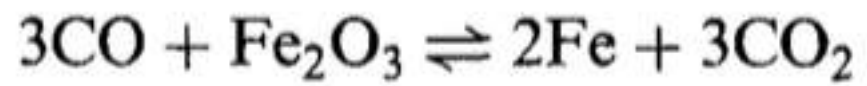


Limestone (calcário)

- Limestone is a sedimentary rock consisting predominantly of calcium carbonate (CaCO_3).
- Within the blast furnace it combines with impurities in the ore to form a slag which floats on molten pig iron and is separately tapped into a ladle.
- **Slags consist mostly of the oxides** of silicon, aluminium, calcium and magnesium, and can be used in making concrete or as railroad ballast.



How steel is produced?



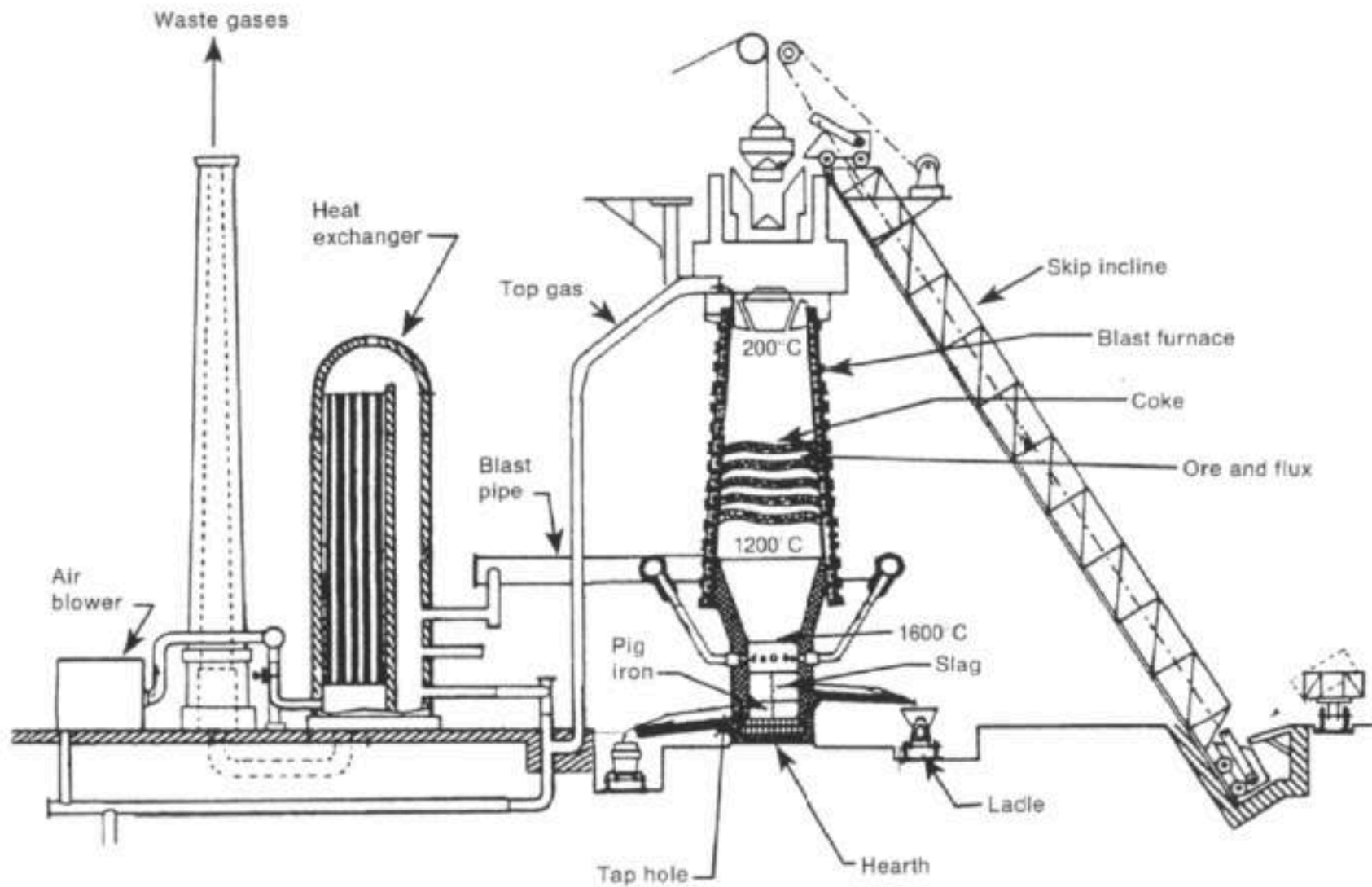


Fig. 1.1 Diagram of a blast furnace for the production of pig iron.

How steel is produced?

Approximately 800 t of pig iron are tapped from the blast furnace about five times a day, with the blast furnace operated continuously 7 days a week. To produce 800 t:

- 1400 t of ore,
- 500 t of coke,
- 320 t of limestone and
- 3200 t of air

About 90% of the iron contained in the ore is converted to pig iron. The remaining product is removed primarily as slag or as a gaseous *top gas*, which is combustible and is used for heating the incoming blast.

The pig iron produced contains 2.5-5% carbon, 1-3% silicon and various amounts of manganese, sulphur and phosphorus originally from the ore, or picked up from the coke.

How steel is produced?

- Steel is produced from molten blast furnace pig iron in a *converter* furnace by oxidizing the carbon, sulphur, phosphorus and other impurities in the pig iron.
- Molten pig iron is brought into contact with air, or more recently oxygen, so that impurities are burned by transforming them into oxides.
- The oxides are less dense than the molten steel and float on the surface as a liquid slag, which can be separated.
- In addition to pig iron, some converter furnaces can process recycled scrap steel.
- Due to the ability to process scrap, such converter furnaces are often the initial processing step at many steel mills.

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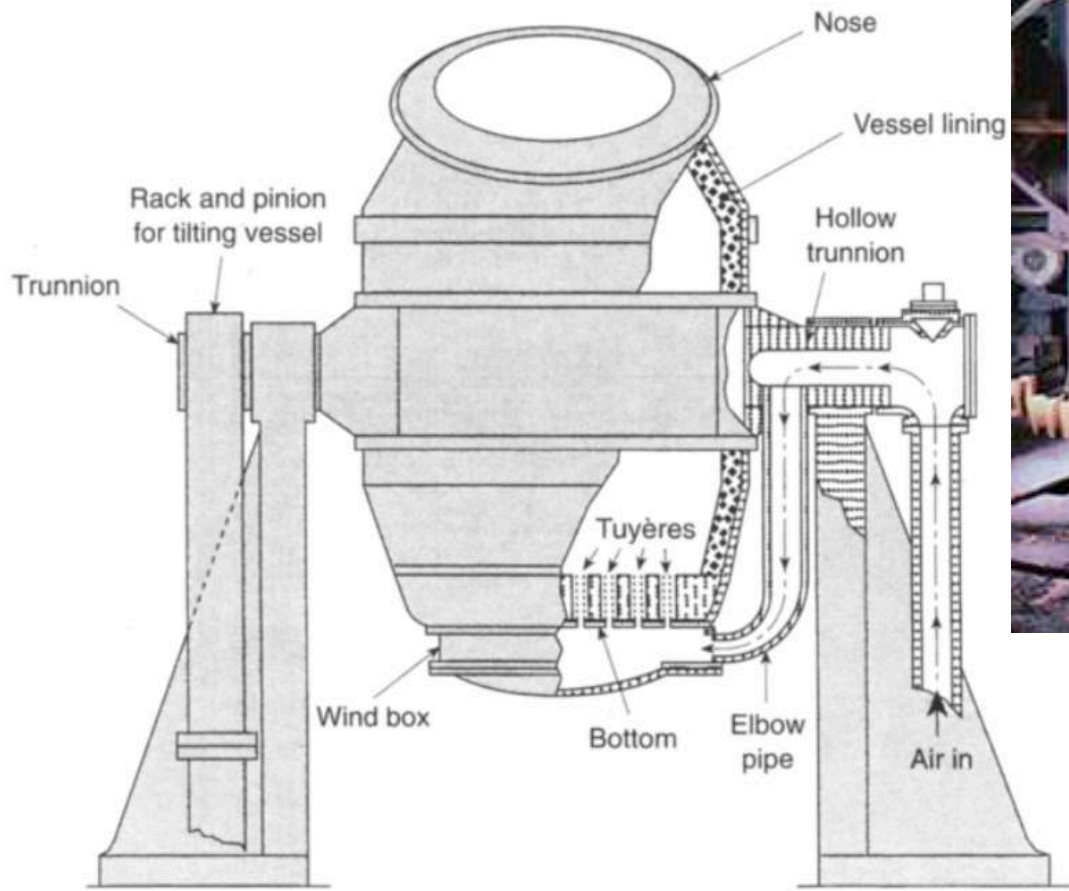
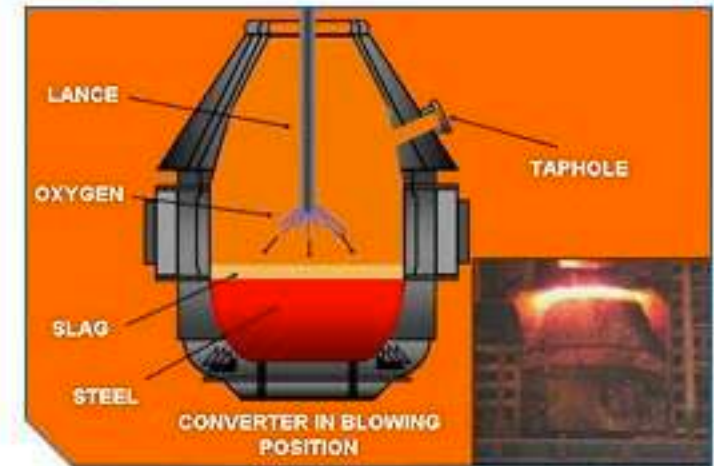
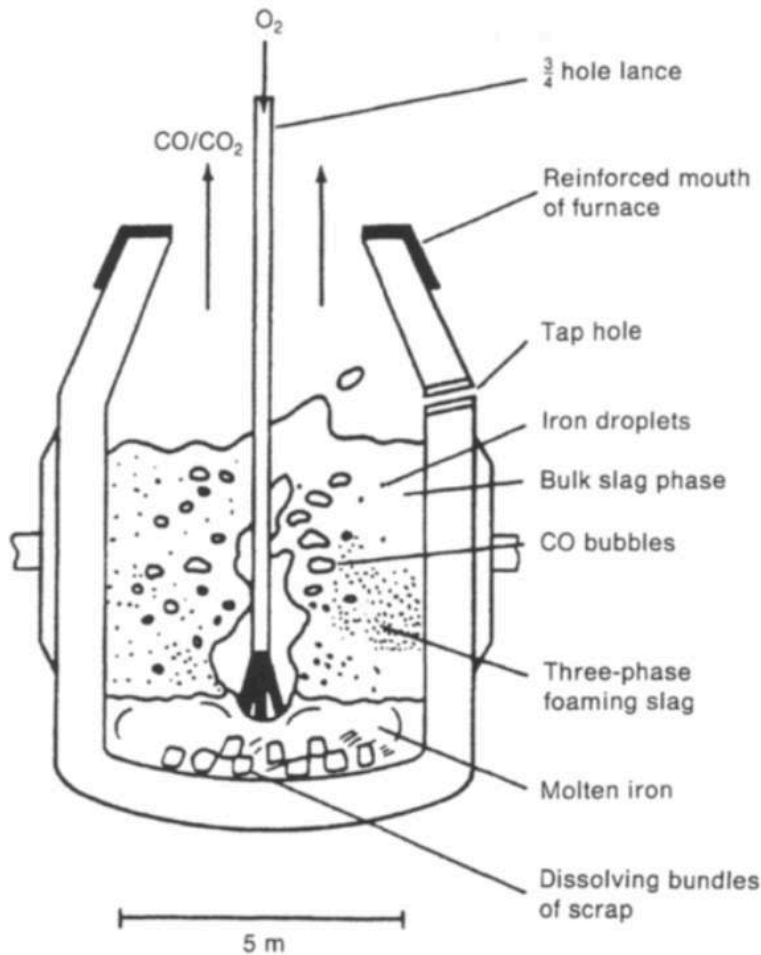


Fig. 1.2 Schematic of a Bessemer steel converter. (Reproduced courtesy of The AISE Steel Foundation.)



LD Converter



Fig. 1.4 Cross-section through a basic oxygen steel converter. (Reprinted with permission from ASM Materials Engineering Dictionary, edited by J.R. Davis (1992) ASM International, Materials Park, OH 44073-0002, Fig. 30, p. 33.)

What is needed to produce steel?

- Where normally there are Steel Plants? Why?
- What is needed?



Waste and Energy?

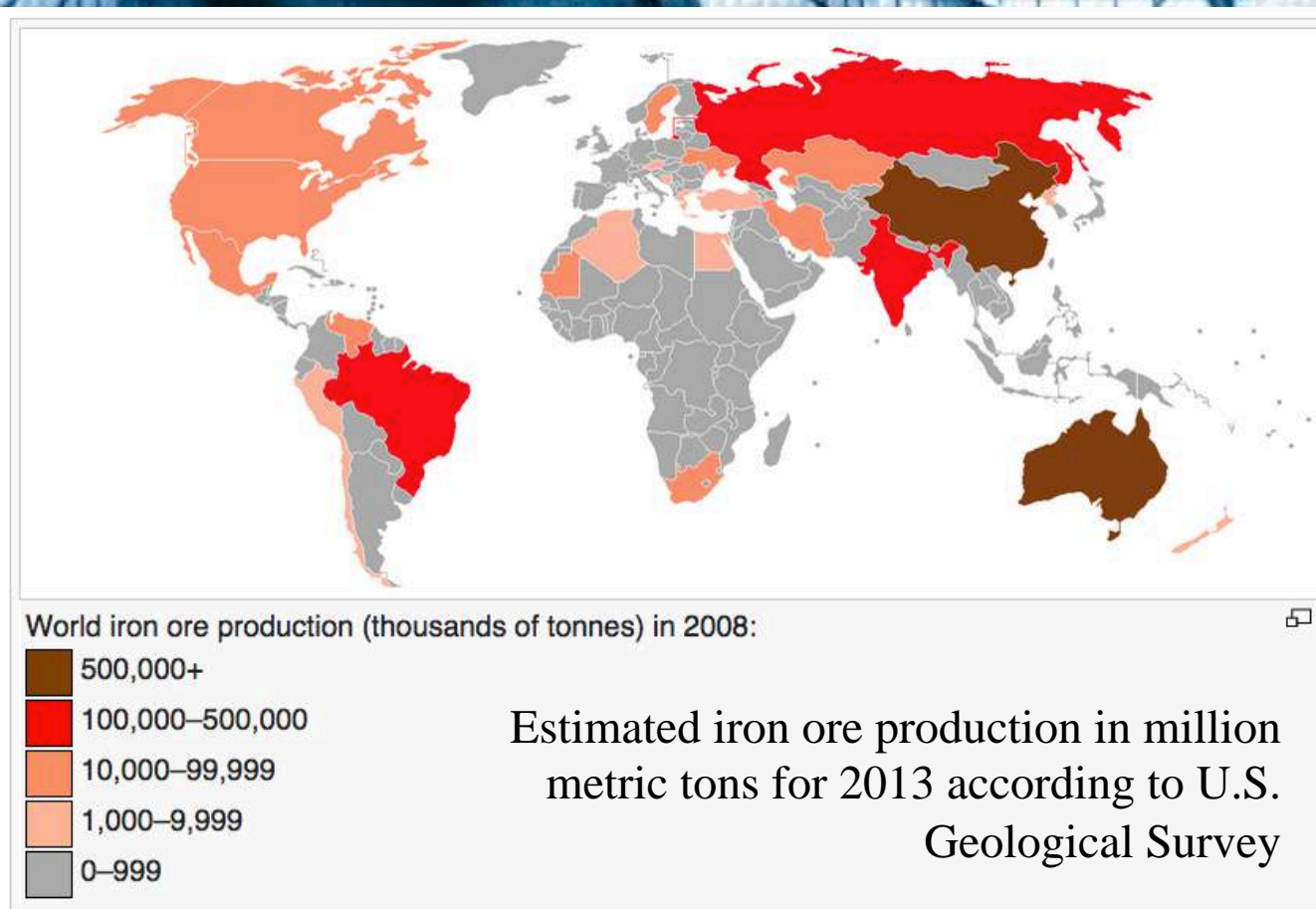
During the manufacturing of steel, a significant amount of dust is produced that contains zinc and other metals and minerals generated from the steel making process.

This dust is typically extracted by the air pollution control system on an Electric Arc Furnace (EAF).

Steel plant waste is difficult to recycle back through the primary steel plant facility because of environmental compliance issues and their physical form as particulates/dusts. The challenge is finding a viable solution that is capable of separating the valuable recyclable metals from the hazardous waste.

Where in the world can steel be produced?

Iron Ore Suppliers



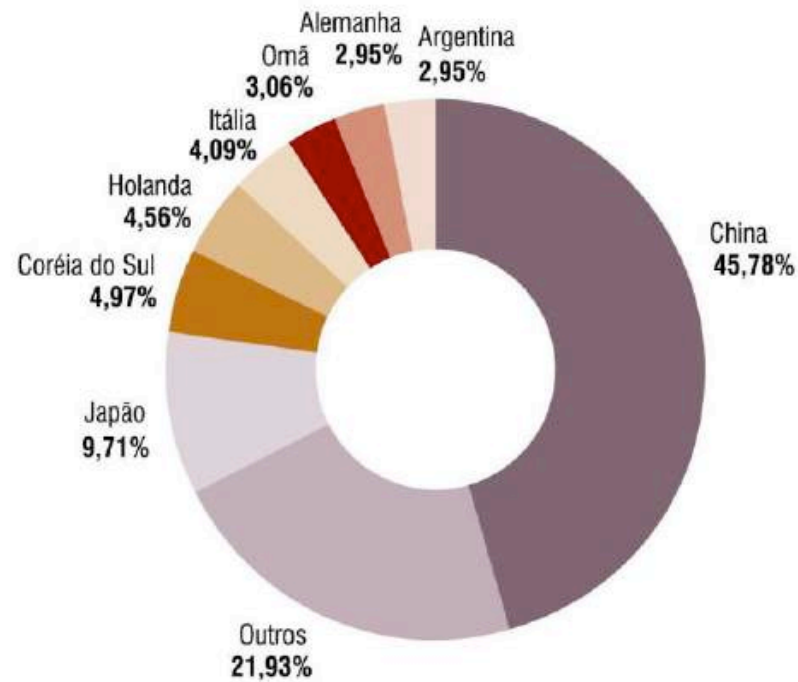
Country	Production
China	1320*
Australia	530
Brazil	398
India	240
Russia	102
Ukraine	80
South Africa	67
United States	52
Canada	40
Iran	37
Venezuela	30
Sweden	26
Kazakhstan	25
Chile	13
Other countries	60
Total world	2800

As maiores empresas produtoras no Brasil são: Vale com 84,52%, CSN com 5,45%, Samarco com 6,29%, MMX com 2,03% e Usiminas com 1,71%.

Os principais estados produtores no Brasil são: MG (67%), PA (29,3%) e outros (3,7%).

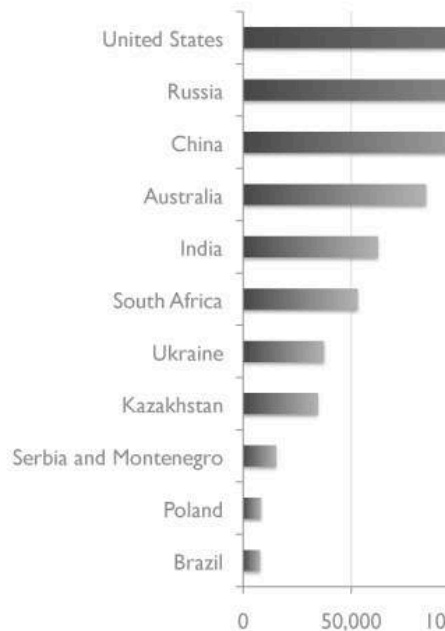
Brazil as a Iron Ore Supplier

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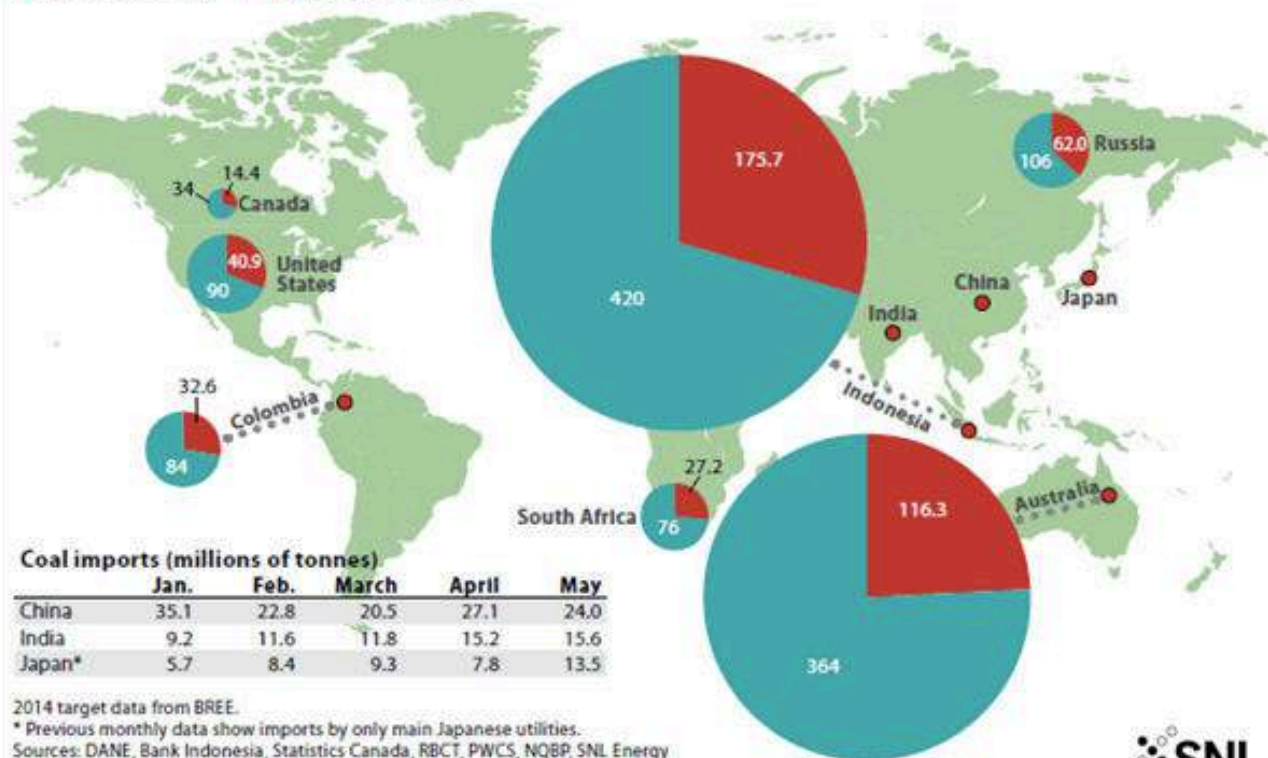
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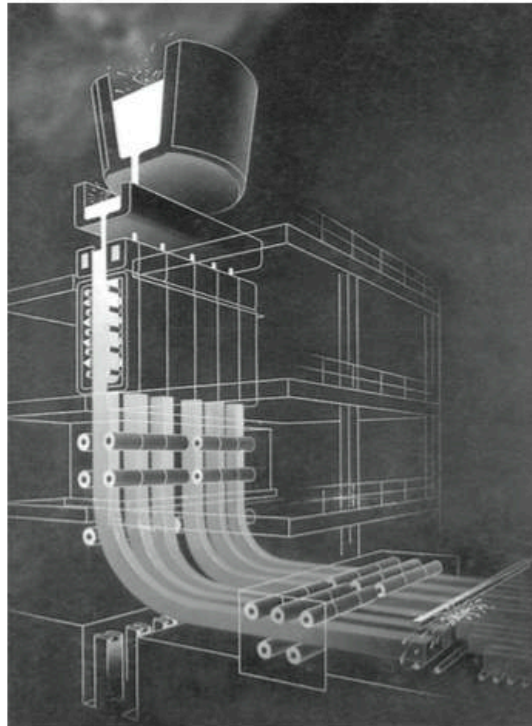
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Global coal exports/imports (millions of tonnes)

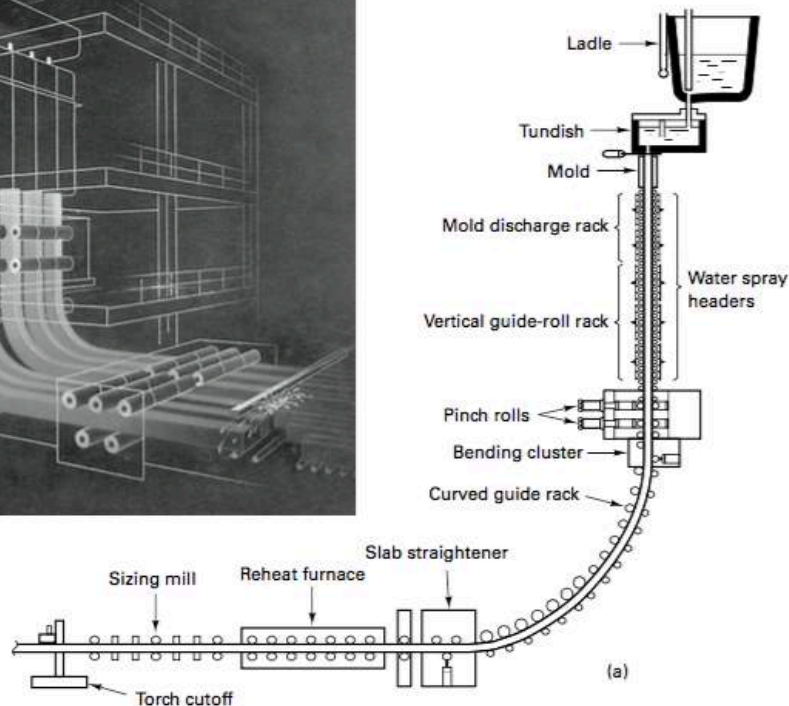
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In what “forms” (geometries) steel is produced?
How steel is sold?



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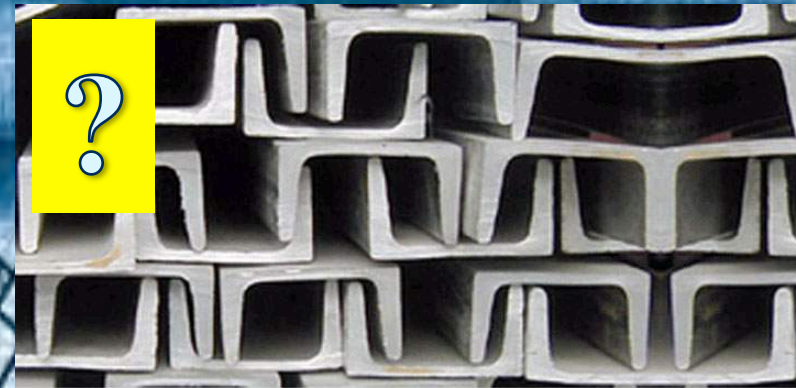
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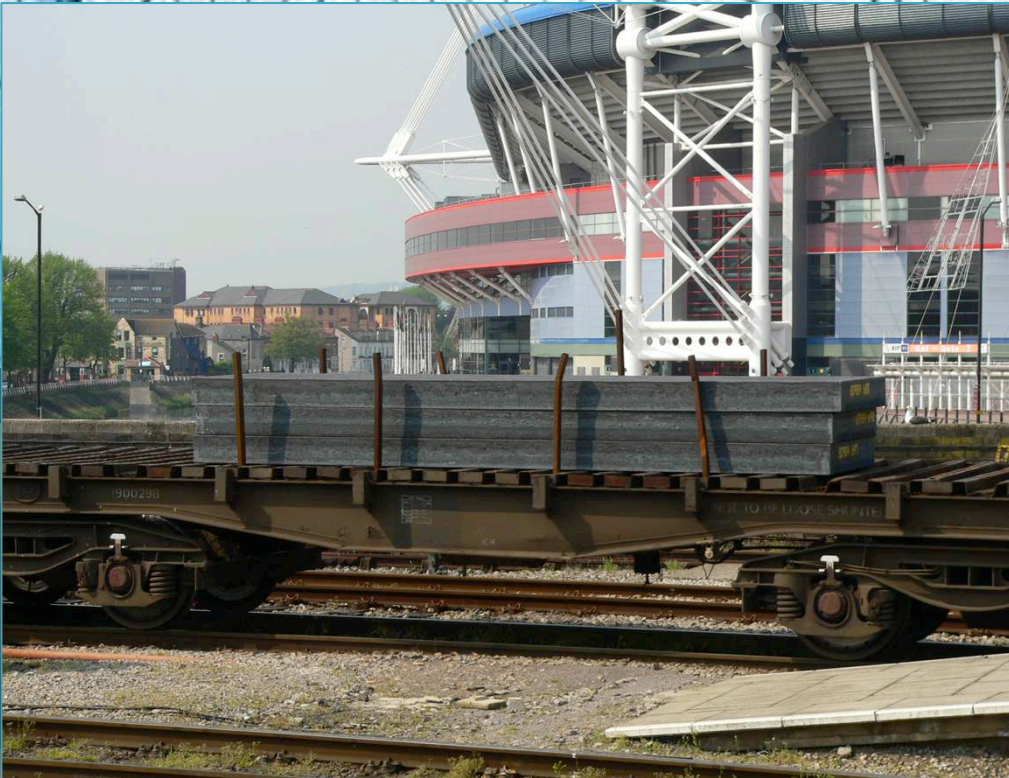
FIGURE 7-3 (a) Schematic representation of the continuous casting process for producing billets, slabs, and bars. (b) Simultaneous continuous casting of multiple strands. (Reproduced with permission from Penton Media)

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HOME WORK (For next class)

- What are the companies of selling steel in your home country ?
- Could you search the medium prices of steel?
- In what forms? Bars? Slab? Ingot?