

Heat resistant materials & Creep behavior

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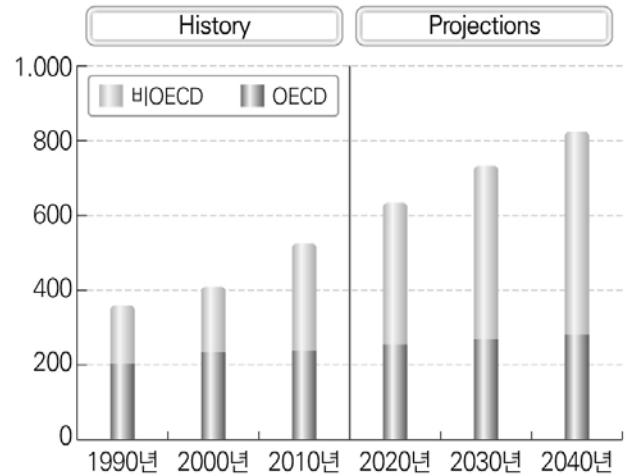


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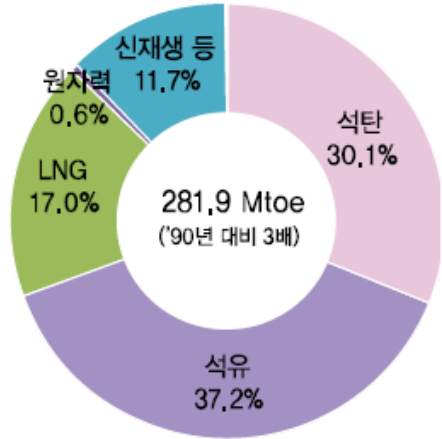
❖ Energy consumption & Thermal power station

- IEO Energy consumption prospect



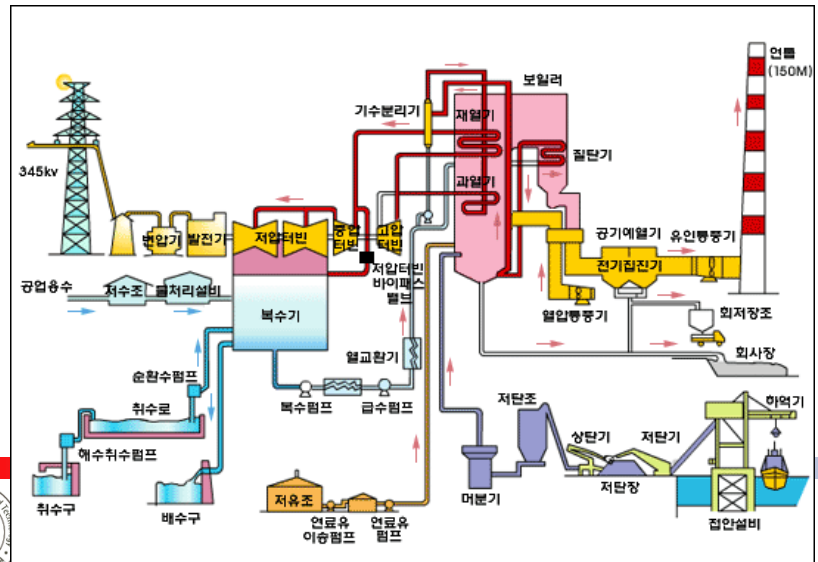
International Energy Outlook 2014

- '14 Korea 1st Energy supplement ratio



2015 Korea Energy Handbook

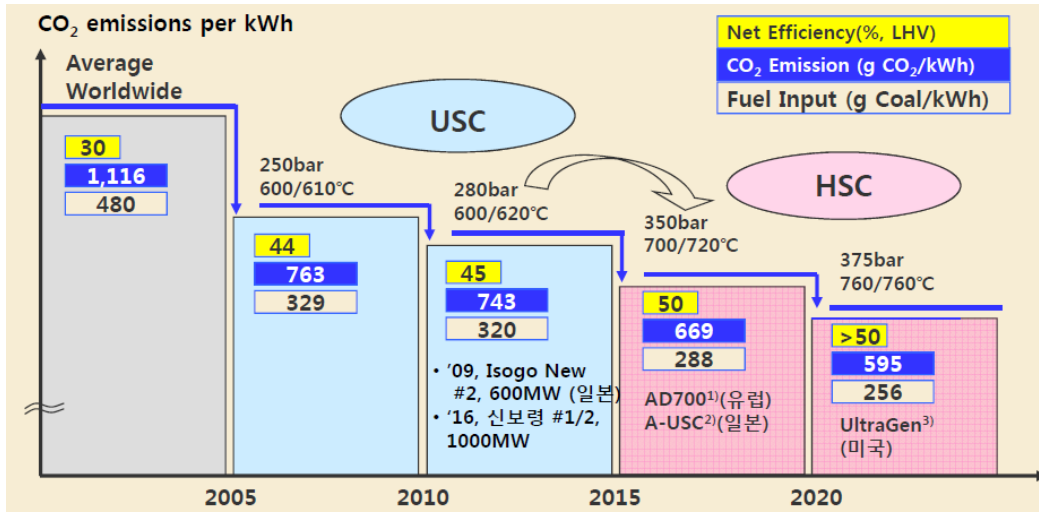
- Thermal power station



- CCT (Clean Coal Technology)
 - HELE coal technology (High Efficiency Low Emission coal technology)
 - CCS(CO₂ Capture & Storage)



❖ Coal thermal power station & Heat resistant materials

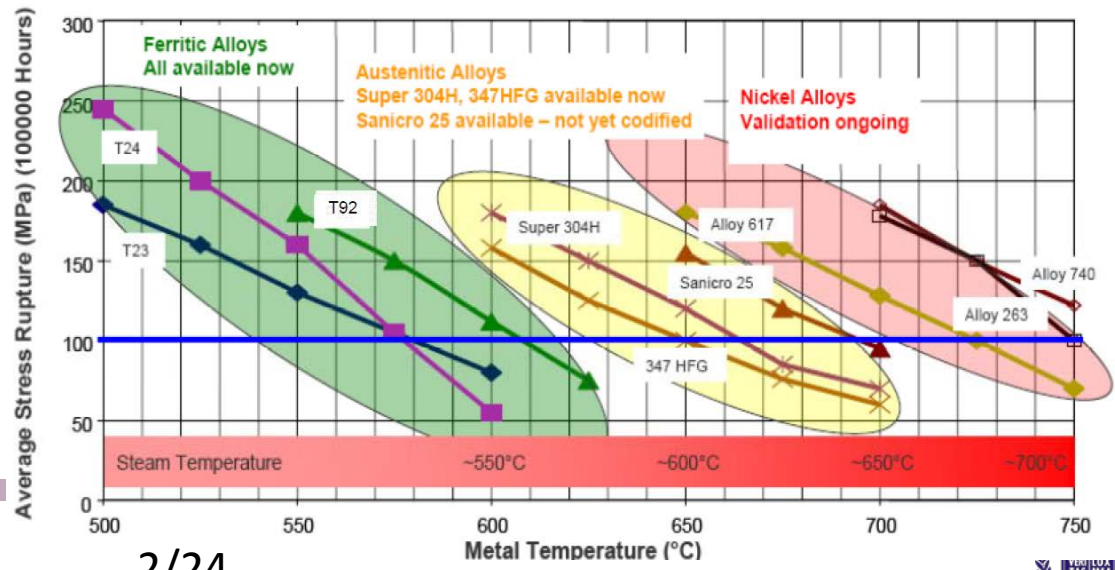


SC(Supercritical)
 : 538°C ↓
 USC(Ultra-supercritical)
 : 566°C ↑
 HSC(Advanced-USC)
 : 704°C ↑

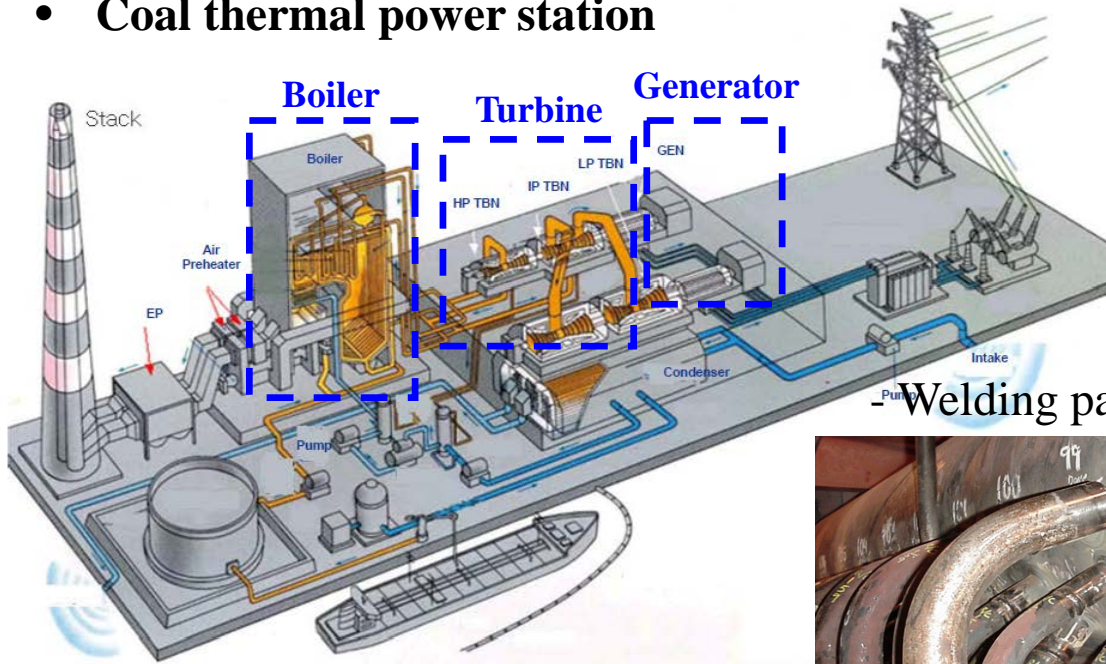
T ↑ → Efficiency ↑ → CO₂ emission ↓

- Current state of Korea
- SC → USC
- 6000 ton CO₂/MW
- 30% efficiency (ave)

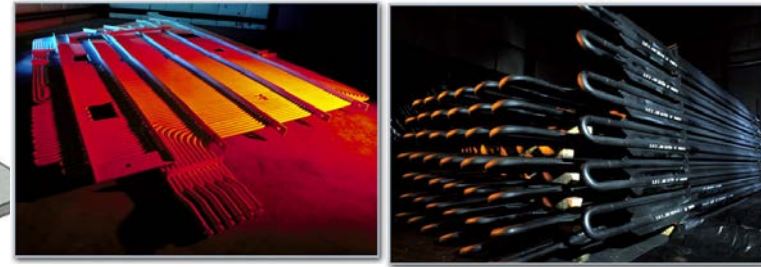
• Heat resistant materials



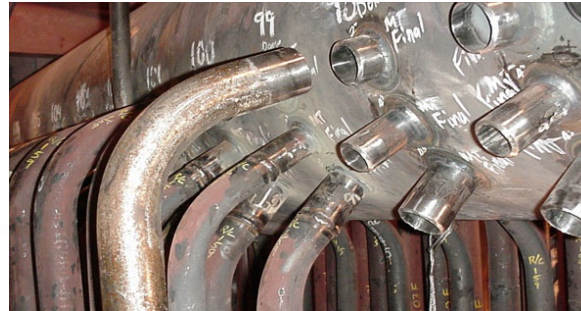
- **Coal thermal power station**



- Boiler (tube, pipe)



- Welding part



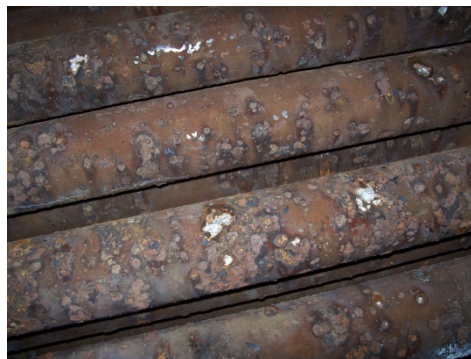
- Turbine



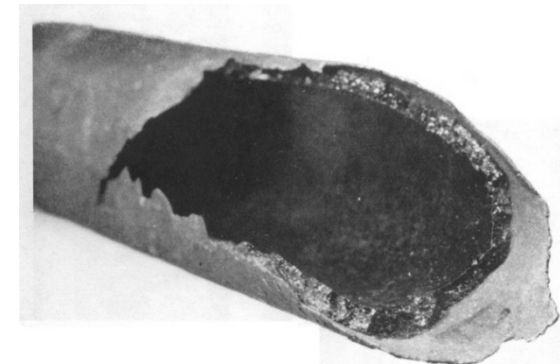
- Bending part



- Corrosion



- Oxidation



❖ Creep

- **Definition**

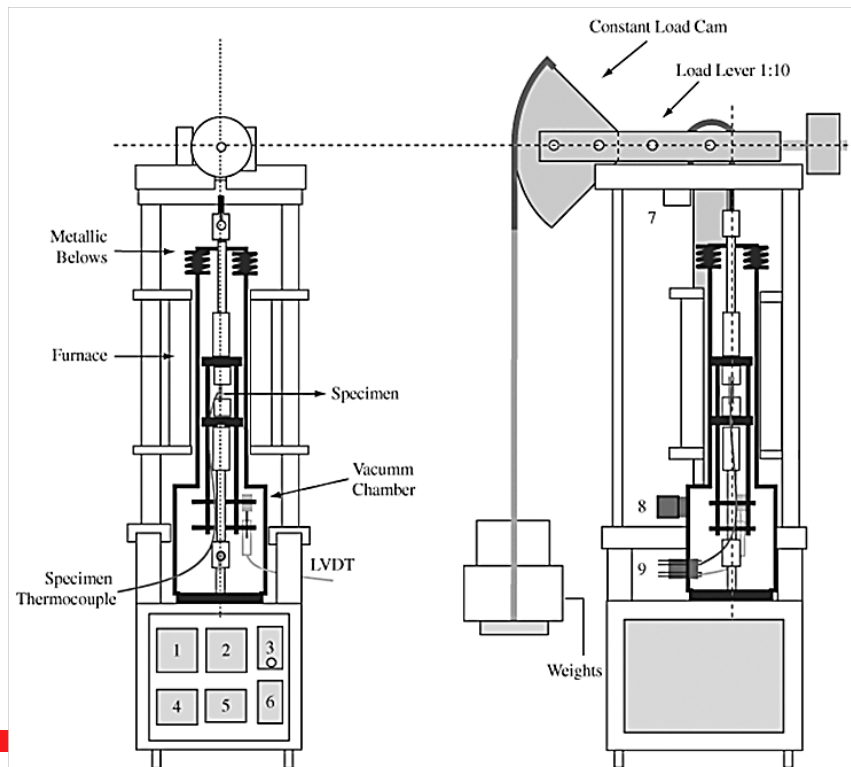
: Phenomenon which materials gradual are changed(are deformed) under a constant applied load(stress)

Normally, under a constant applied load at an elevated temperature ($T > 0.4 T_m$)

→ a **time dependent dimensional change**

Jet engine (1% in 10,000 hrs), steam tube (1% in 100,000 hrs)

To determine the engineering creep curve of metal, a **constant load** is applied to a tensile specimen maintained at **constant temperature** and the **strain** of the specimen is determined as a function of **time**

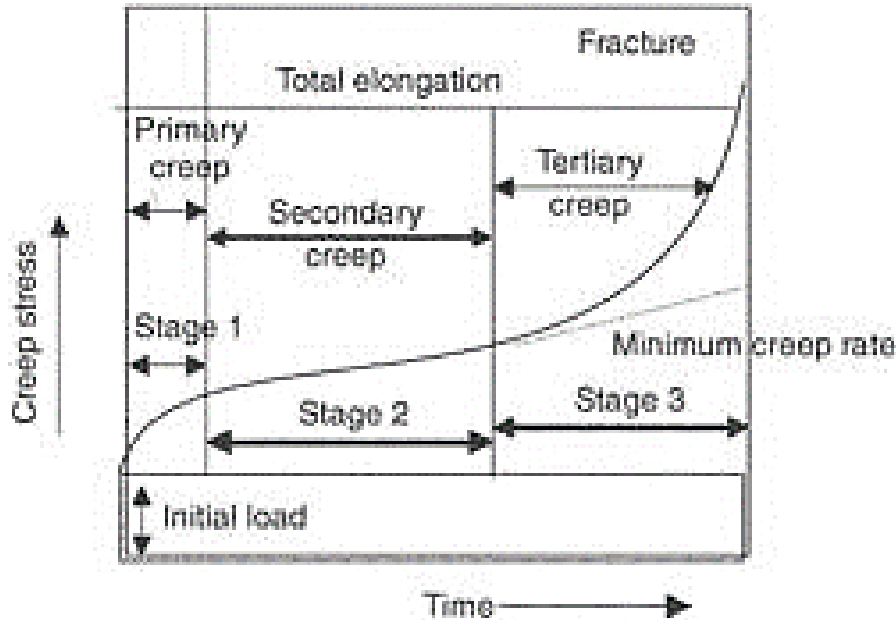


Tensile test

: constant displacement determined stress

Creep test

: constant stress determined strain and time



- **Creep stages (3 steps)**

- Primary creep (Transient)**

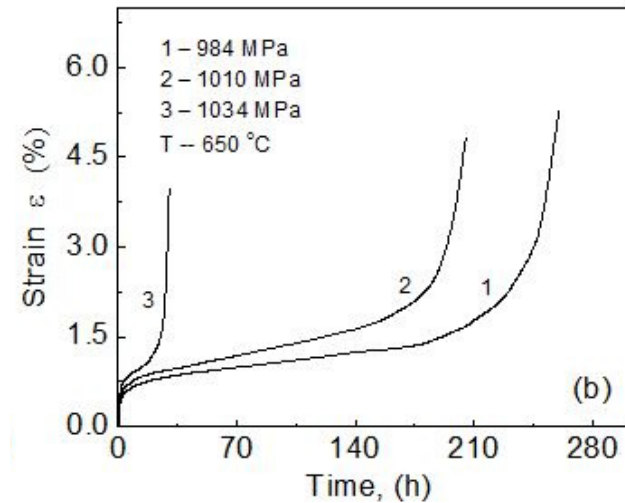
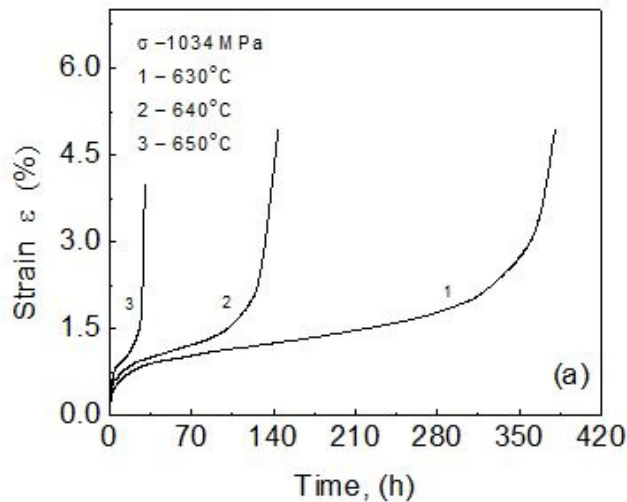
- : strain rate decreases with increasing time → work hardening

- Secondary creep (Steady-state)**

- : balance between work hardening and recovery

- Tertiary creep (Acceleration)**

- : strain rate increases due to creep damage (effective area decrease, metallurgical change)



• Creep mechanisms

- Dislocation glide ($\sigma/G > 10^{-2}$)

Involves dislocation moving along slip planes and overcoming barriers by thermal activation

Occurs at high stress and low T

- Dislocation creep (climb, $10^{-1} > \sigma/G > 10^{-4}$)

Involves dislocation movement to overcome barriers by thermally assisted mechanisms involving diffusion of vacancies or interstitials

- Diffusion creep ($10^{-4} > \sigma/G$)

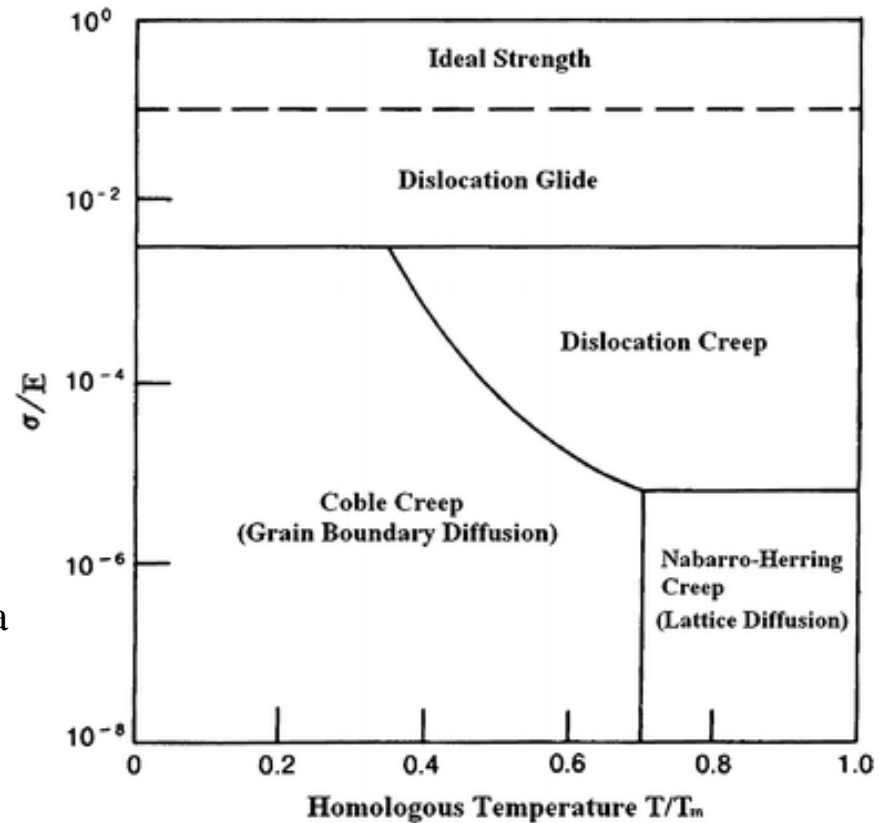
Involves the flow of vacancies and interstitials through a crystal under the influence of applied stress

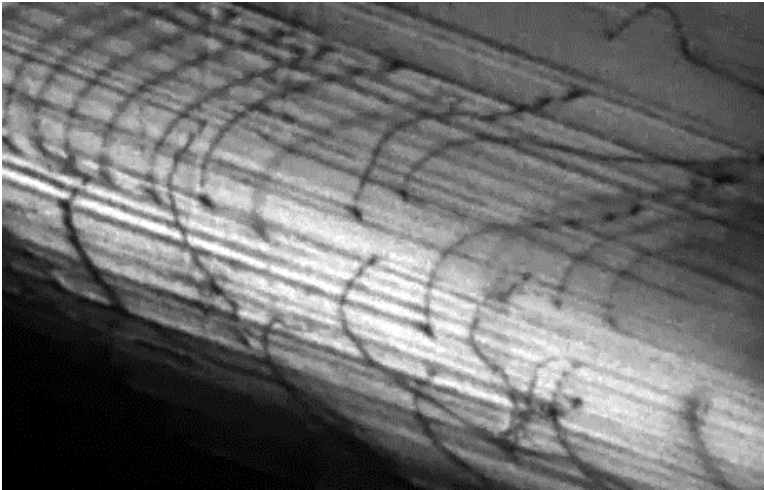
Favored at high T and low stress

Bulk diffusion (Nabarro-Herring creep), GB diffusion (Coble creep)

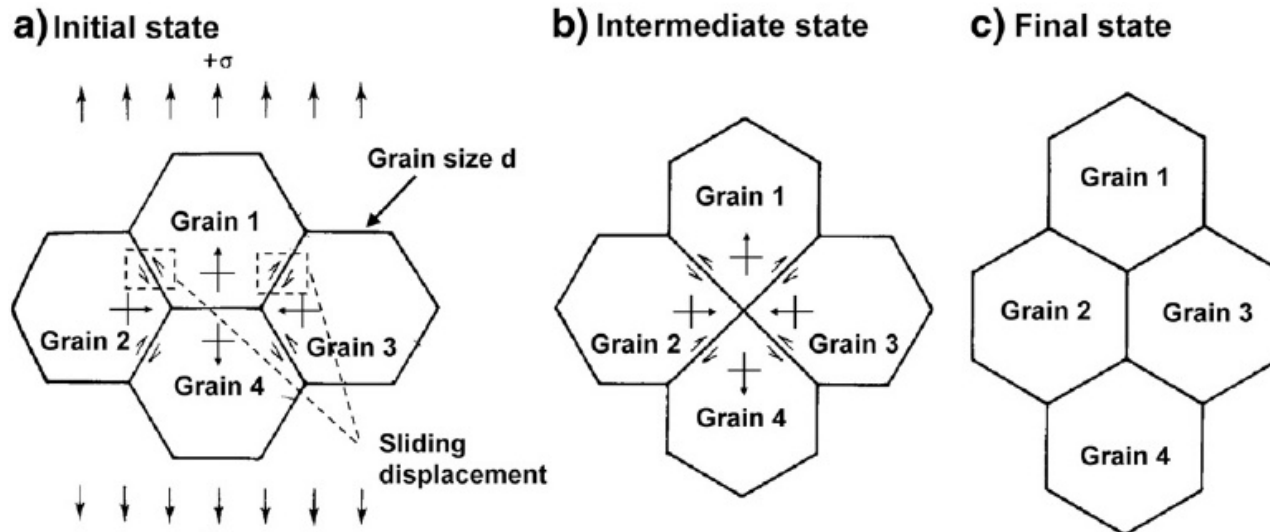
- Grain boundary sliding

Involves the sliding of grains past each other





Josh Kacher, Acta Materialia 60 (2012) 6657–6672



C.M. Hu, Materials Characterization 61 (2010) 1043 – 1053

Strengthening mechanism

Solid Solution Hardening

Substitutional solid solution (Mo, W, Co..)

Interstitial solid solution (C, N, B)

Precipitation(Dispersion) Hardening

$$\sigma = 0.8MGB/\lambda$$

Work Hardening(Dislocation Hardening)

$$\sigma_0 = \sigma_i + \alpha Gb\rho^{1/2}$$

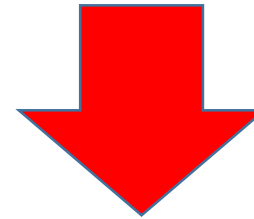
Grain Size Refinement Hardening

$$\sigma_y = \sigma_0 + kD^{-1/2}$$

Secondary Phase Hardening

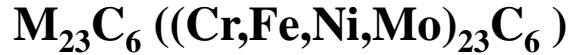
$$\sigma_{ave} = f_1\sigma_1 + f_2\sigma_2 \quad f : \text{volume fraction}$$

But, Creep is time-dependent deformation
→ **Microstructure changes are effective**



Microstructural degradation → heterogeneous → failure

Carbo-Nitride



Crystal structure : FCC ($a=10.57\sim 10.68\text{\AA}$)

Precipitation site : Grain boundary, Twin boundary

Shape : Globular, Plate

Typical Size : 200~500nm

Initial stage : Precipitation hardening

Precipitate at grain boundary \rightarrow depletion zone \rightarrow Coarsening \rightarrow Decreasing strength



Alloy : Ti, Nb, V, Zr, Ta.. (strong carbide/nitride former)

Crystal structure : FCC ($a=4.40\sim 4.47\text{\AA}$)

Precipitation site : dislocation, stacking faults. Twin or grain boundary

Shape : Cuboidal shape after sufficient aging

Providing good strengthening effect

Stabilizing the alloy against intergranular corrosion

Z-Phase (CrNbN)

Crystal structure: Tetragonal ($a=3.037\text{\AA}$, $c=7.391\text{\AA}$)

Precipitation site : grain boundaries, twin boundary, dislocation

Shape : Rodlike, Cuboidal

Typical Size : 20~50nm

Z phase forms Nb stabilised steel with N at low temperature than MX particles.

Modified Z- phase : (Cr(Nb,V)N), CrVN

MX precipitates \rightarrow Z-phase after long time annealing (stable phase below 1000°C)

M₂N (Cr₂N)

Crystal structure: Hexagonal close packed ($a=4.78\text{\AA}$ $c=4.44\text{\AA}$)

Precipitation site : grain boundaries, twin boundary, dislocation

Shape : Rodlike, Cuboidal

Typical Size : 20~50nm

Intermetallic compound

Laves phase (Fe_2Mo , Fe_2Nb , Fe_2W , Fe_2Ta , Fe_2Ti)

Crystal structure : Hexagonal ($a=4.73\text{\AA}$, $C=7.72\text{\AA}$)

Precipitation site : Grain boundary,

Mo added steel : formation after a minimum of 1000h between $625\sim 800^\circ\text{C}$

Nb stabilized steel : after long time aging, 5000~10000h between $625\sim 800^\circ\text{C}$

→ However, NbC and Z phase are more stable than Laves phase

σ -Phase (Fe,Ni)_x(Cr,Mo)_y

Crystal structure : Tetragonal ($a=8.80\text{\AA}$, $C=4.54\text{\AA}$)

Precipitation site : Grain boundary, Twin boundary, Inclusion

The precipitates form after long term aging at high temperature (10,000~15,000h, 600°C)

G Phase ($\text{Ni}_{16}\text{Nb}_6\text{Si}$, $\text{Ni}_{16}\text{Ti}_6\text{Si}_7$, $(\text{Ni,Fe,Cr})_{16}(\text{Nb,Ti})_6\text{Si}_7$) (austenitic stainless steel)

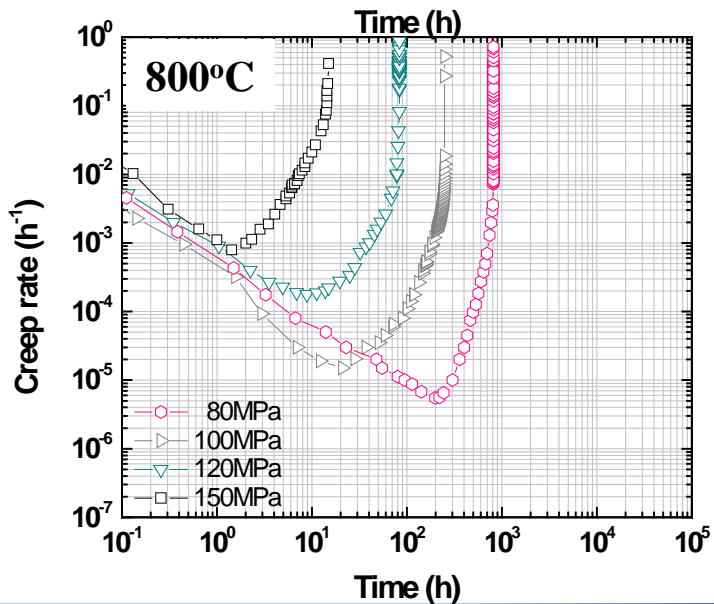
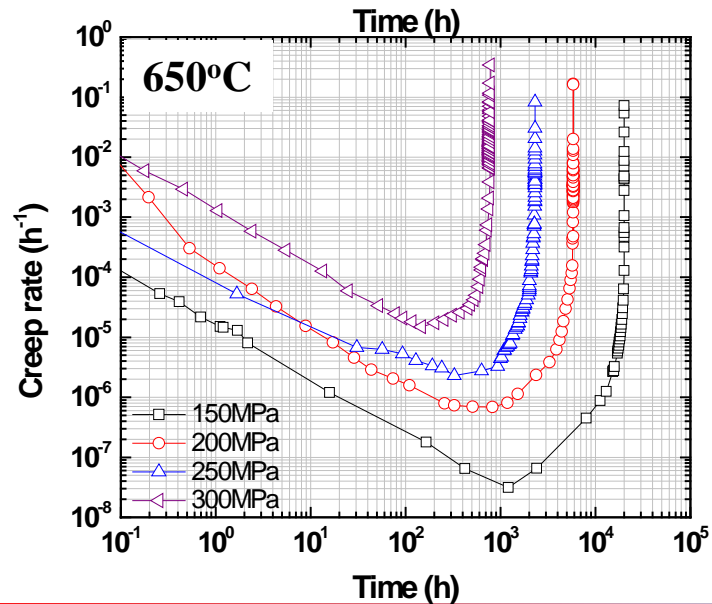
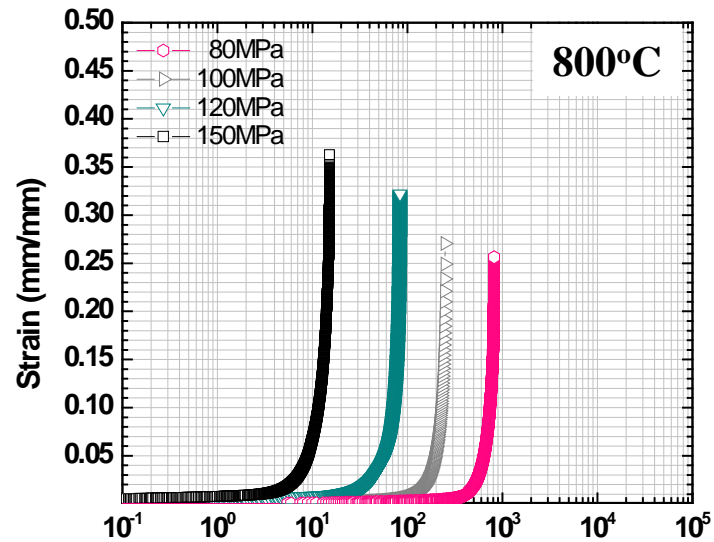
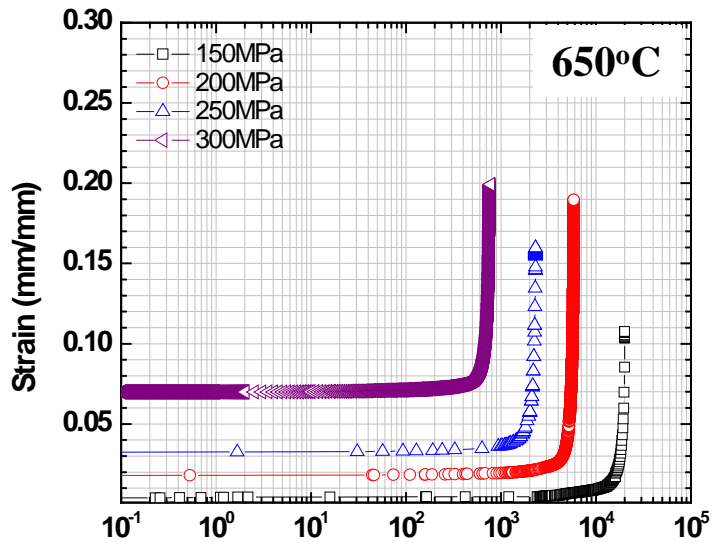
Crystal structure : FCC Phase ($a=1.115\sim 1.12\text{\AA}$)

Table 6 Crystal structures and compositions of main precipitates in austenitic stainless steels

Precipitate	Structure	Parameters, nm	Composition
NbC	fcc	$a=0.447$	NbC
NbN	fcc	$a=0.440$	NbN
TiC	fcc	$a=0.433$	TiC
TiN	fcc	$a=0.424$	TiN
Z phase	tetragonal	$a=0.3037$, $c=0.7391$	CrNbN
M_{23}C_6	fcc	$a=1.057\sim 1.068$	$\text{Cr}_{16}\text{Fe}_5\text{Mo}_2\text{C}_6$ (e.g.)
M_{16}C	diamond cubic	$a=1.062\sim 1.128$	$(\text{FeCr})_{21}\text{Mo}_3\text{C}$, $\text{Fe}_3\text{Nb}_3\text{C}$, M_{16}SiC
σ phase	tetragonal	$a=0.880$, $c=0.454$	Fe-Ni-Cr-Mo
Laves phase	hexagonal	$a=0.473$, $c=0.772$	Fe_2Mo , Fe_2Nb
γ phase	bcc	$a=0.8807\sim 0.8878$	$\text{Fe}_{36}\text{Cr}_{12}\text{Mo}_{10}$
G phase	fcc	$a=1.12$	$\text{Ni}_{16}\text{Nb}_6\text{Si}_7$, $\text{Ni}_{16}\text{Ti}_6\text{Si}_7$

T. Sourmail, Precipitation in creep resistant austenitic stainless steels, Materials Science and Technology, 17 (2001) 1-14

Typical creep curve



Stress dependences of minimum creep rates

Norton law (Power law)

$$\dot{\epsilon}_m = A \sigma^n$$

Dislocation creep

$n=3\sim 5$

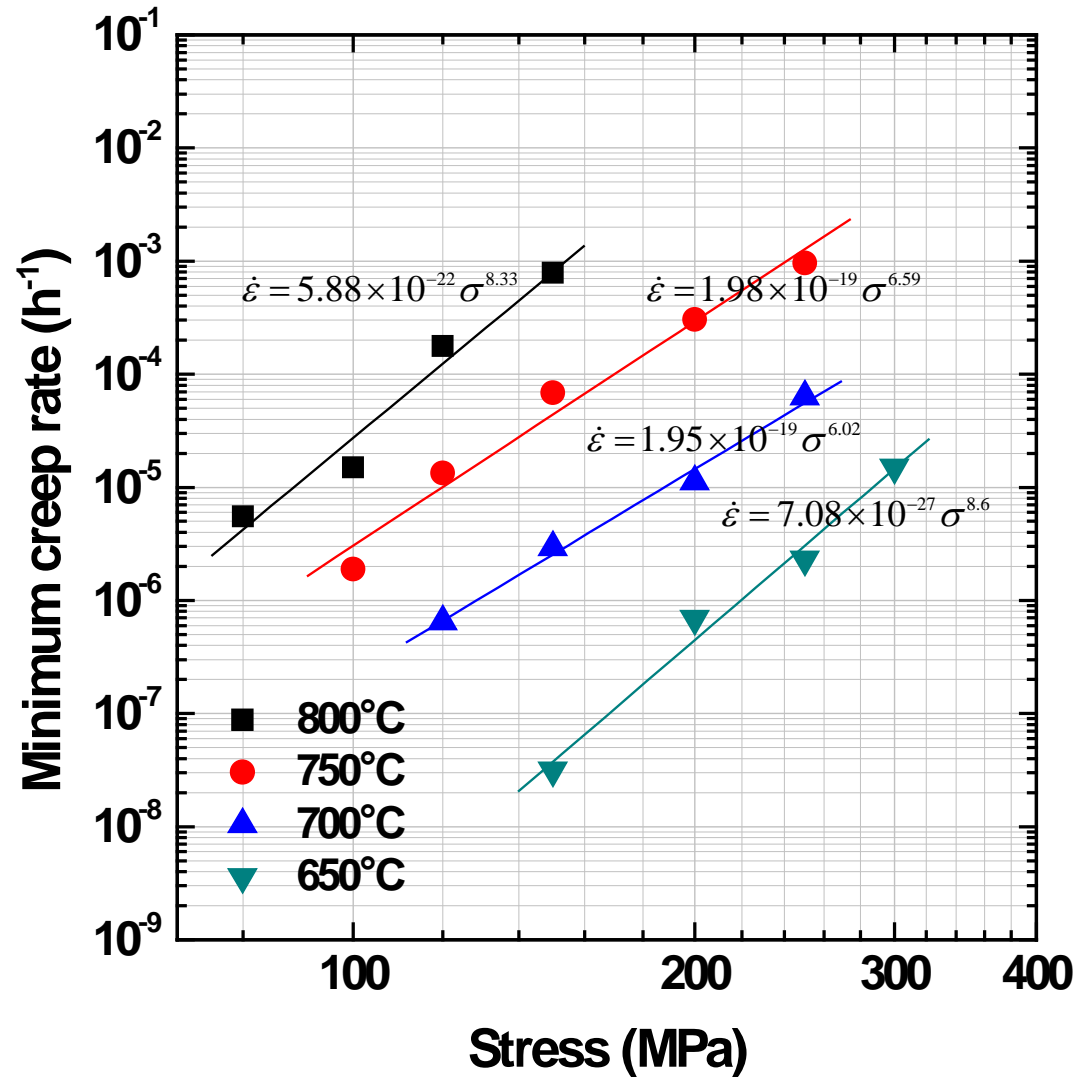
: pure metal, simple alloy

$n=3\sim 12$

austenitic stainless steel

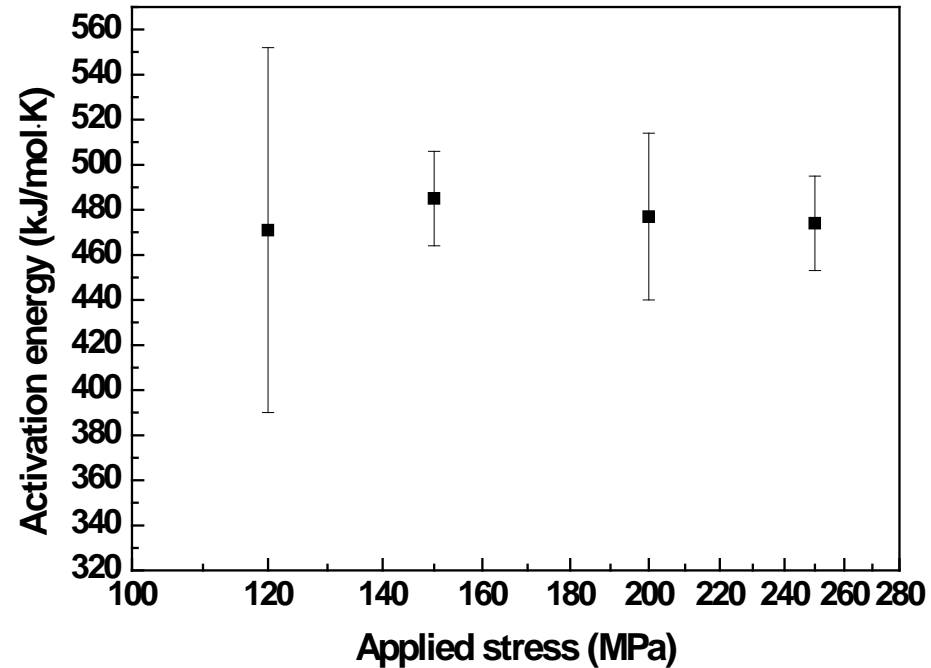
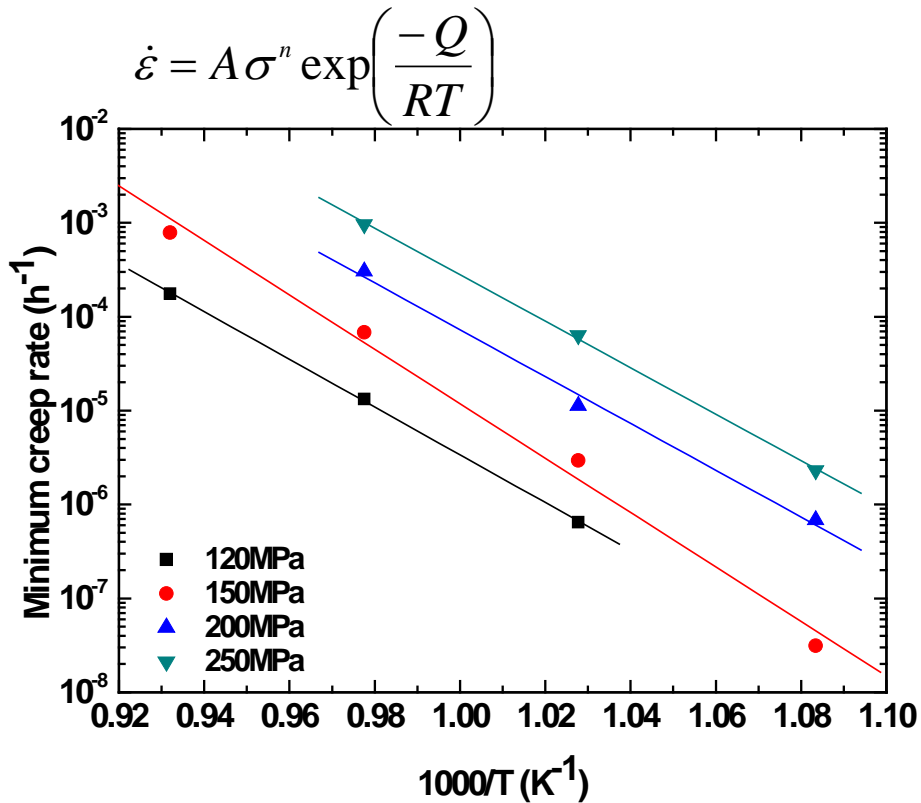
In this study

$n=6\sim 8.6$



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Activation energy for dislocation creep



- γ -Fe self diffusion activation energy : 295kJ/mol
- 14Cr-15Ni-Ti austenitic stainless : 460kJ/mol
- 347H austenitic stainless steel : 441~461kJ/mol
- TP347H austenitic stainless steel : 385~463kJ/mol

The similarly value of apparent activation energy (465~485kJ/mol)

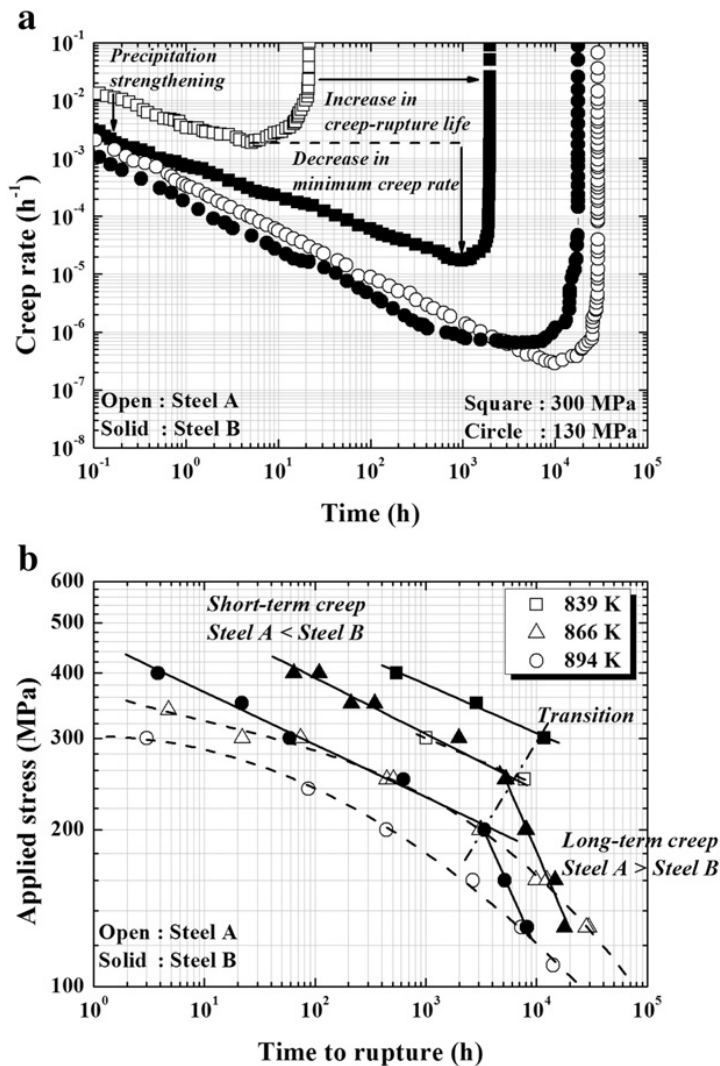


Fig. 4. (a) Creep rate versus time tested at 866 K and (b) creep-rupture plot of the Steel A and Steel B acquired at various creep conditions.

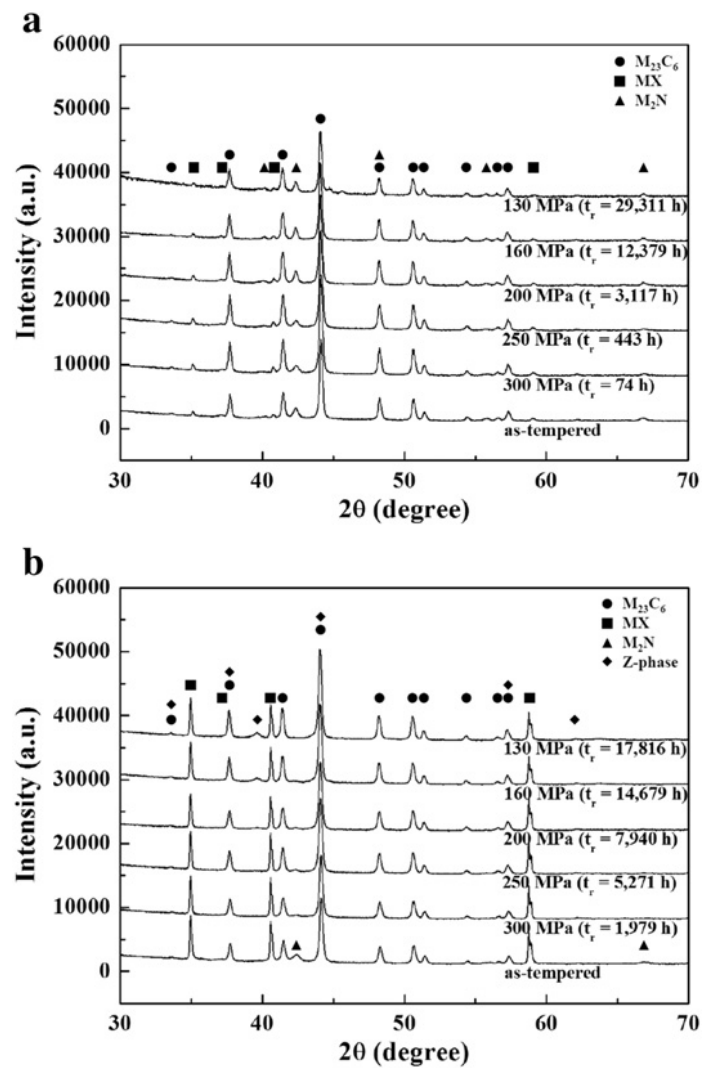


Fig. 5. XRD profiles of the powders electrolytically extracted from the gauge part of creep specimens of (a) Steel A and (b) Steel B tested at 866 K.

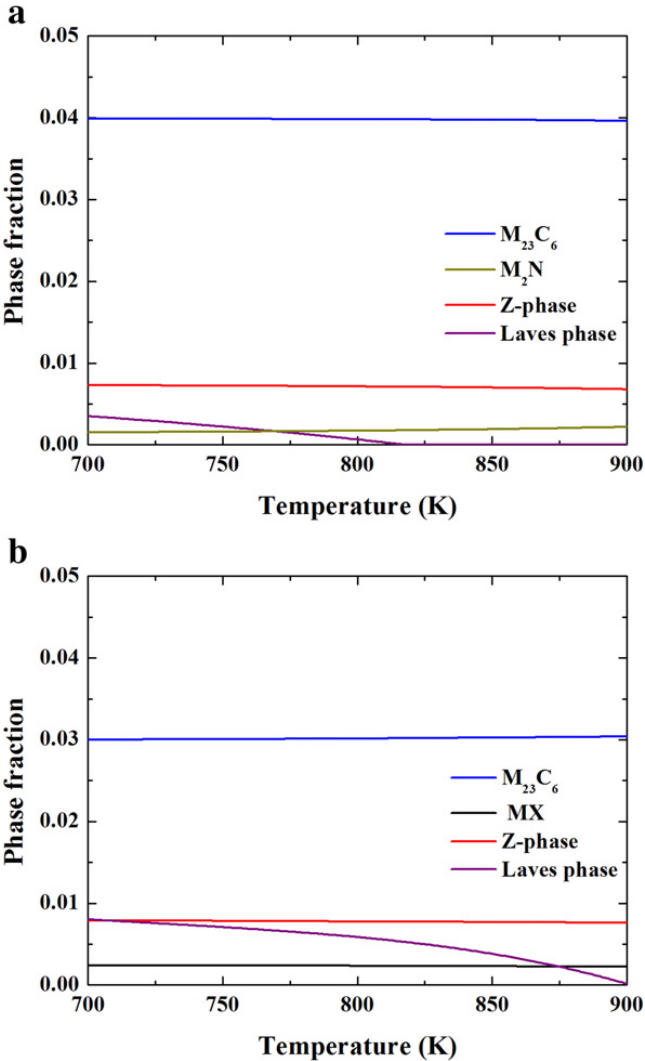


Fig. 7. Equilibrium phase fraction of high-Cr martensitic heat-resistant steels, (a) Steel A and (b) Steel B calculated by MatCalc.

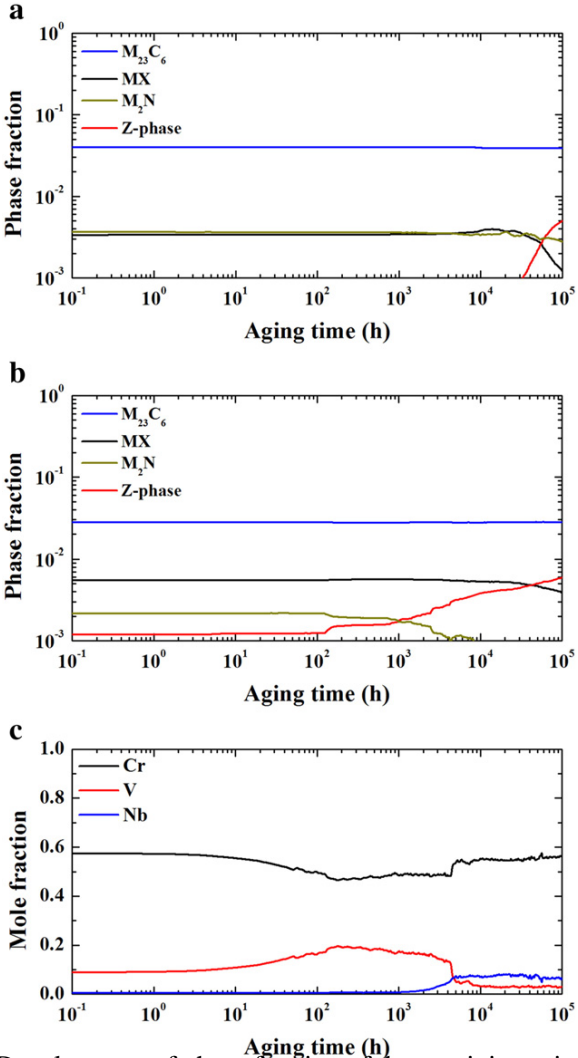
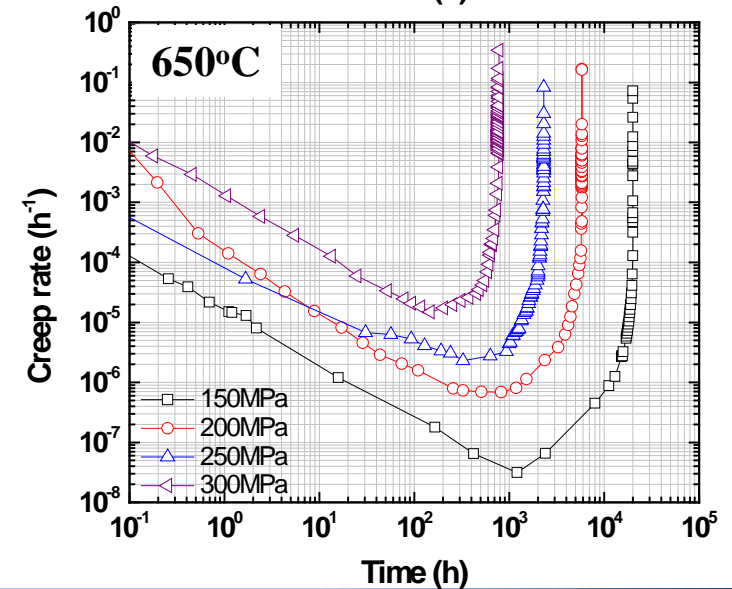
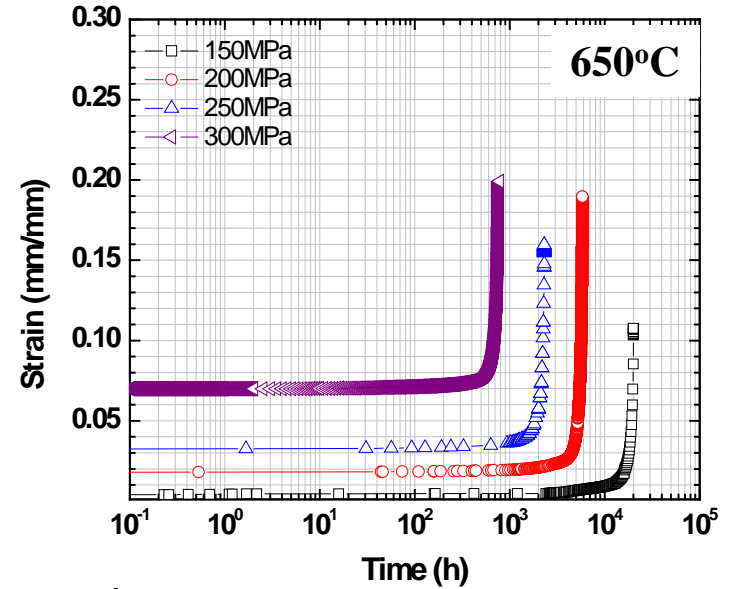
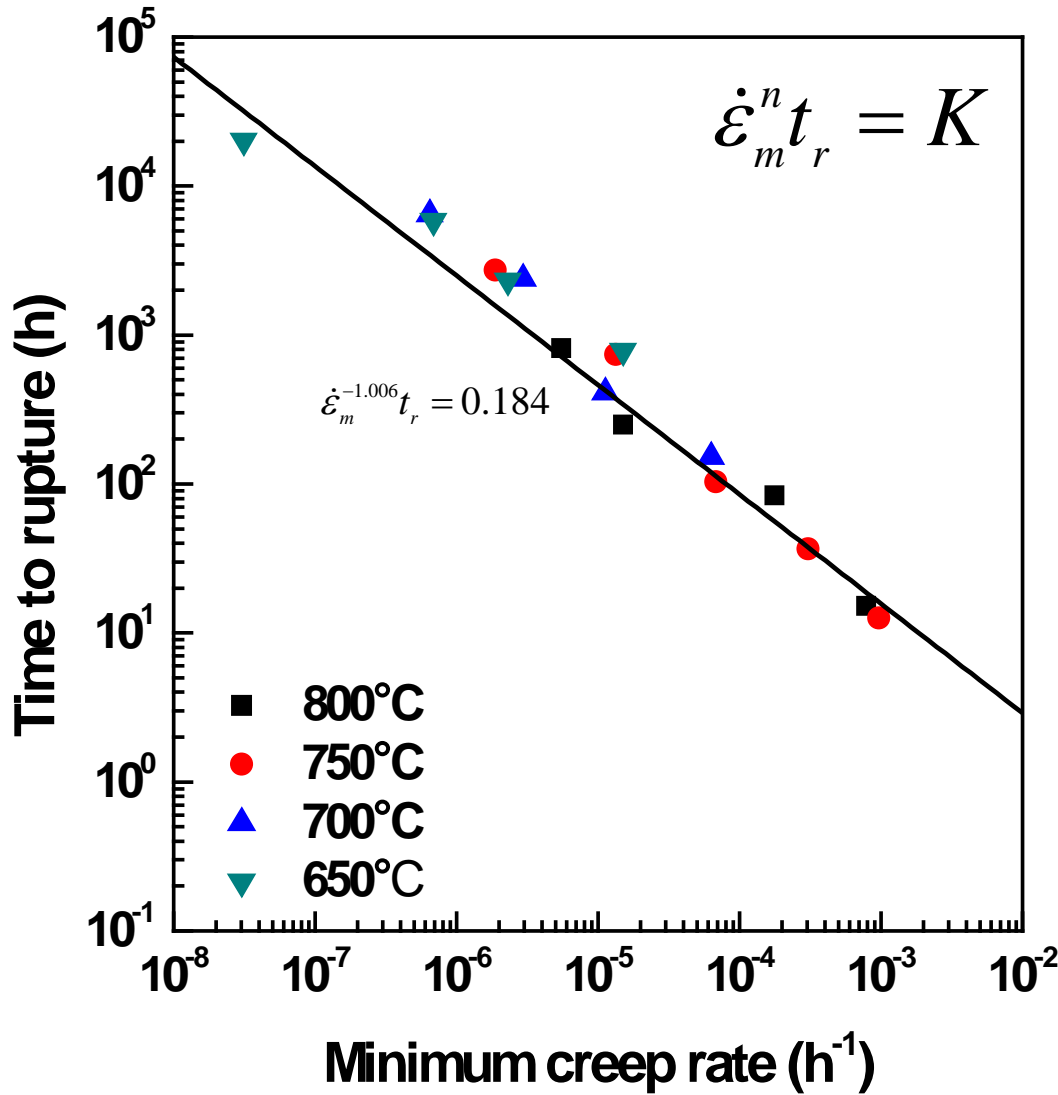


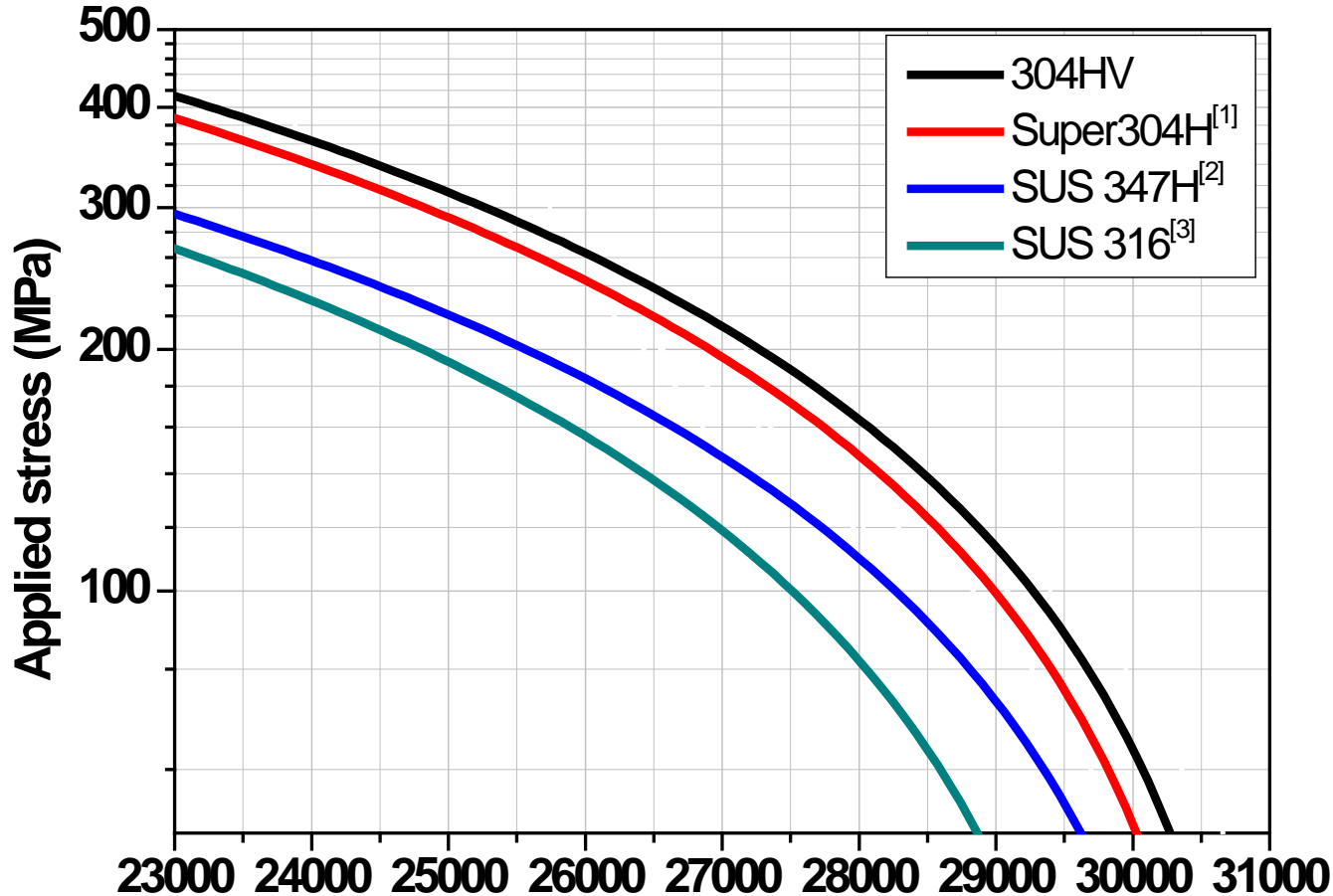
Fig. 8. Development of phase fraction of the precipitates in (a) Steel A, (b) Steel B and (c) chemical composition of M_2N in Steel B during aging at 866 K calculated by thermo-kinetic simulation.

Monkman-Grant relationship (predict the rupture time)



Larson-Miller plot (predict the rupture time)

$$T(\log t_r + C) = K$$



$$LMP = (T)(\log t_r + 25) \text{ (K,h)}$$

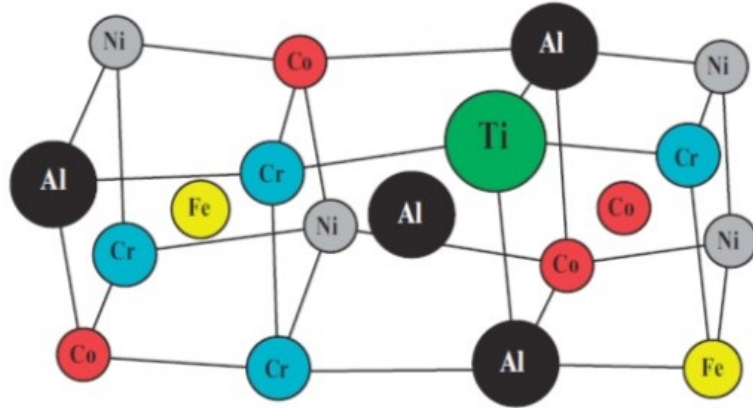
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❖ High Entropy alloy(HEA) Introduction

Definition

: At least five major metallic element having an 5-35 at%



➤ Core effect

- 1) Solid solution strengthening
- 2) Distorted lattice structure
- 3) Cocktail effect
- 4) Sluggish effect
- 5) Nanoscale deformation twin (Cantor alloy)

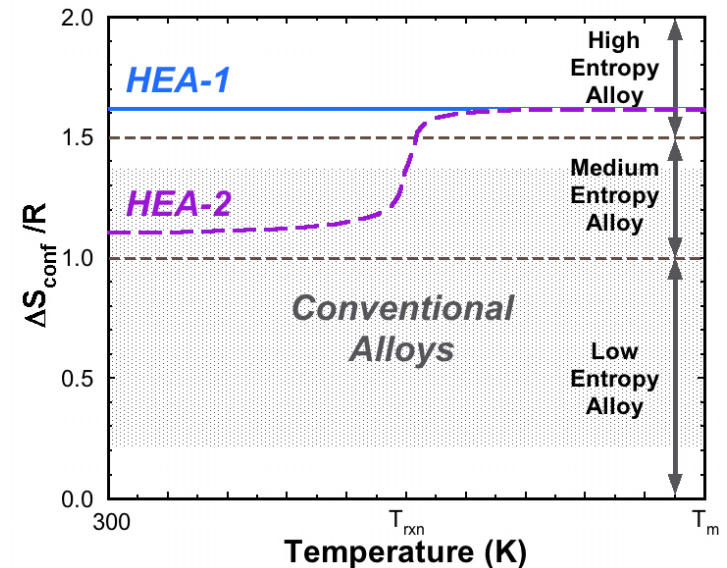
B. Cantor, Materials Science and Engineering A 375–377 (2004) 213–218

→ FeCrMnNiCo

Yeh, Advanced Engineering Materials, 6, 5 (2004) 299-303

→ High-Entropy alloys (HEAs)

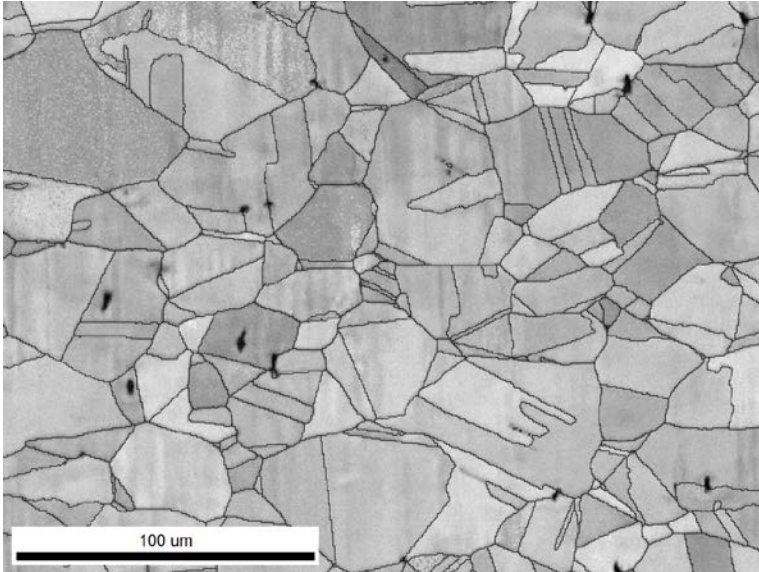
$$\Delta S_{conf} = -R \sum_{i=1}^N n_i \ln n_i$$



Daniel B. Miracle, “Exploration and Development of High Entropy Alloys for Structural Applications”, Entropy (2014), 16, 494-525

Initial specimen information

- EBSD IQ(Microstructure)

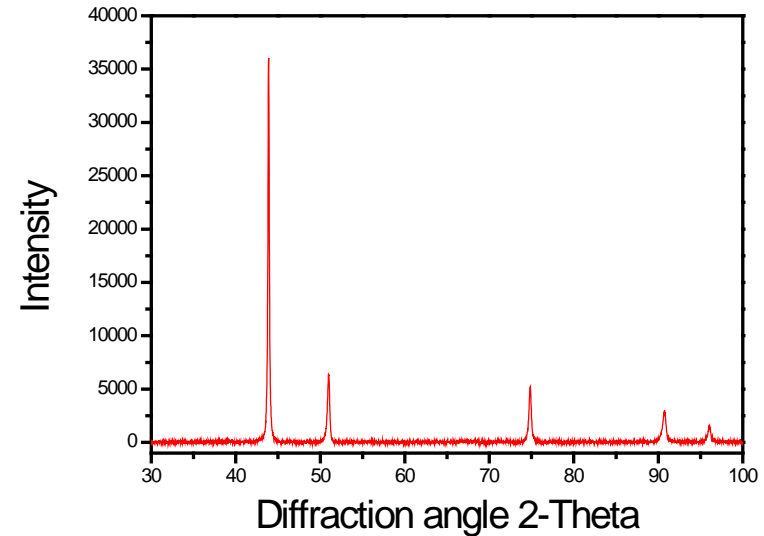


$50.34\mu\text{m} \pm 19.89$

- EDS

Element	Wt%	At%
CrK	18.30	19.76
MnK	18.36	18.75
FeK	19.95	20.80
CoK	21.18	20.92
NiK	19.94	19.78
Matrix	Correction	ZAF

- XRD



FCC single phase

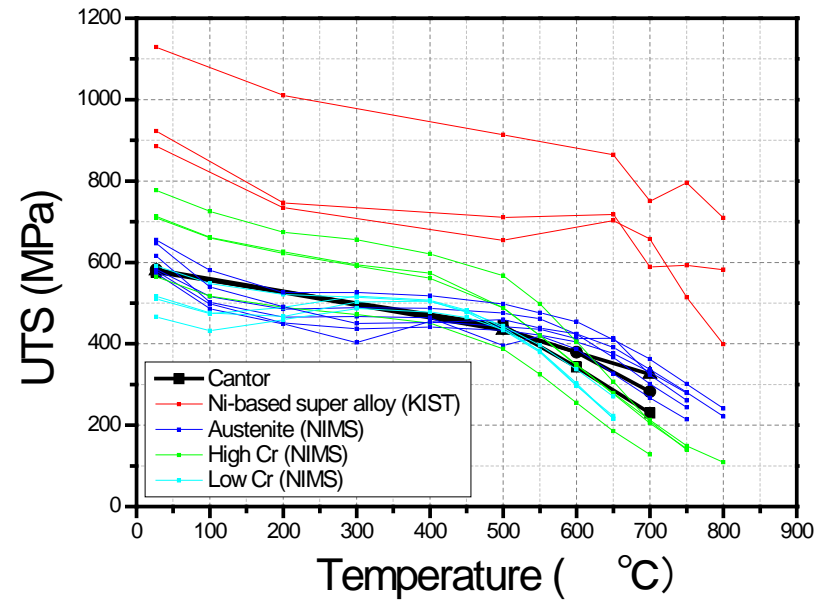
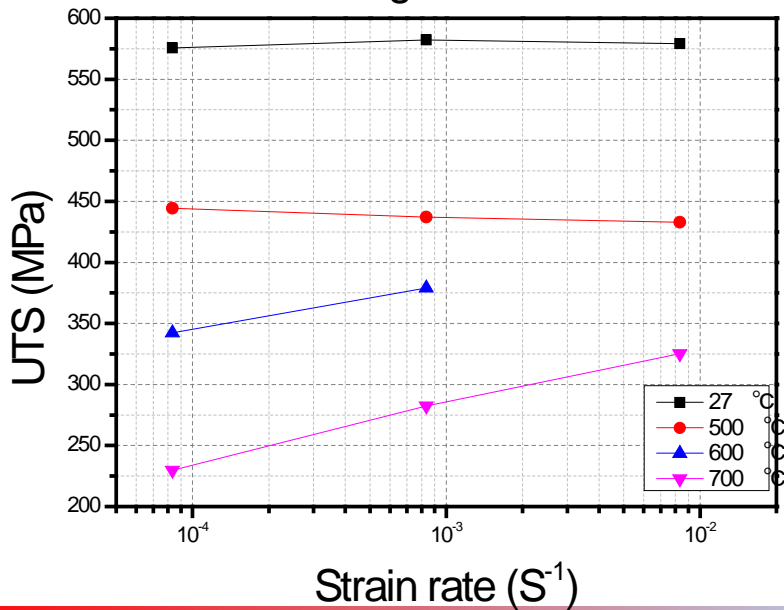
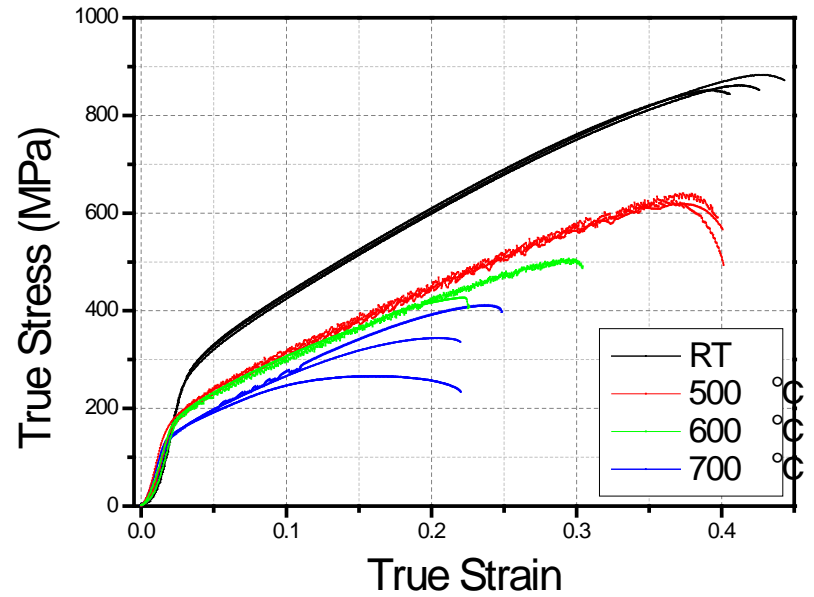
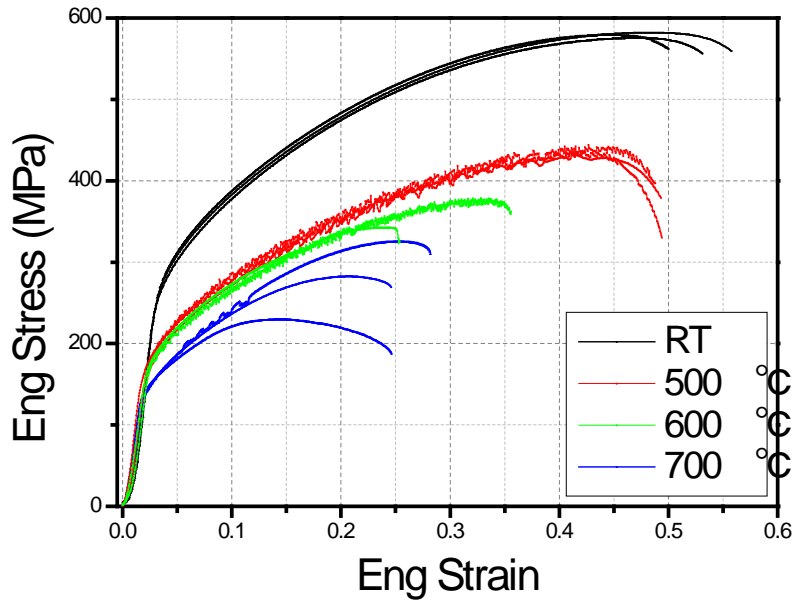
Lattice parameter* : 3.58238 \AA

(*:Bragg's law와 d-spacing으로 얻은 각각의 면들의 lattice parameter의 평균)

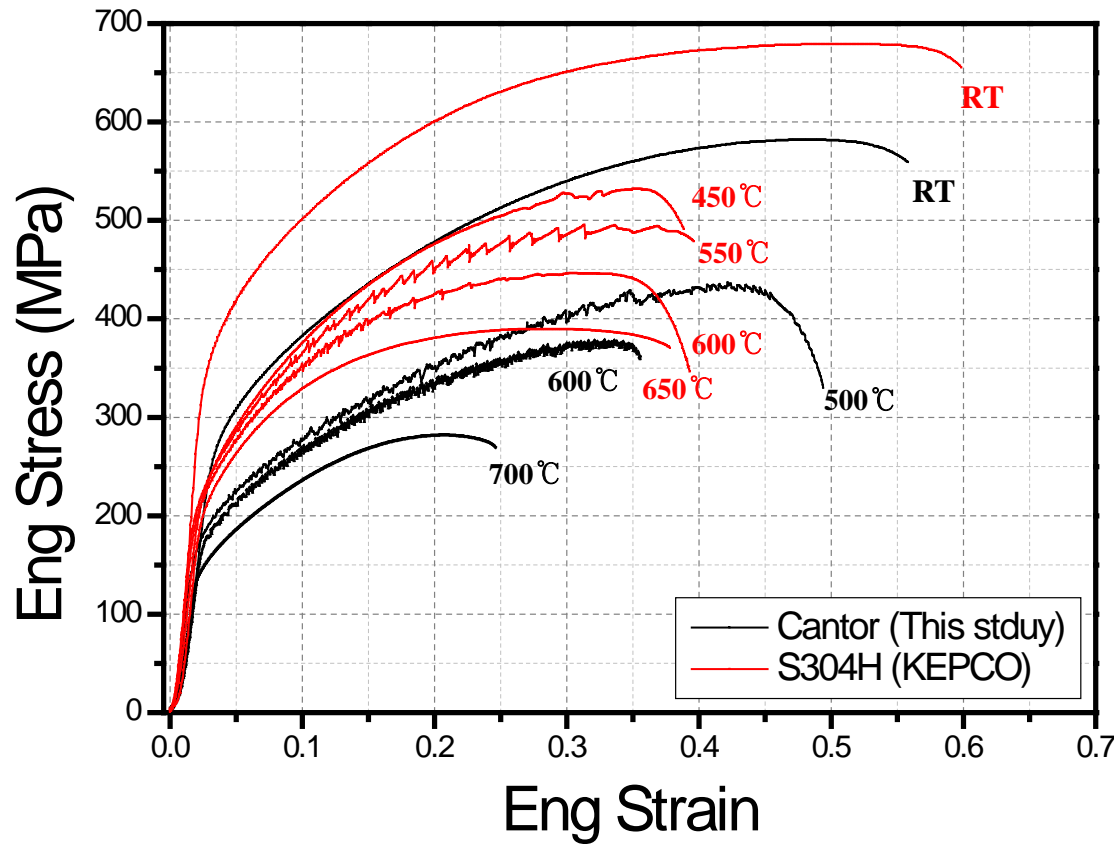
- Vickers hardness

$161\text{Hv} \pm 2.677$

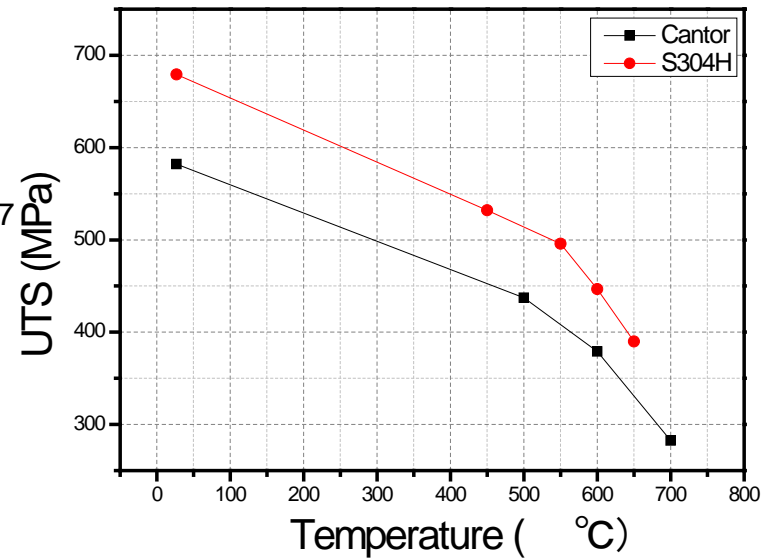
Tensile results



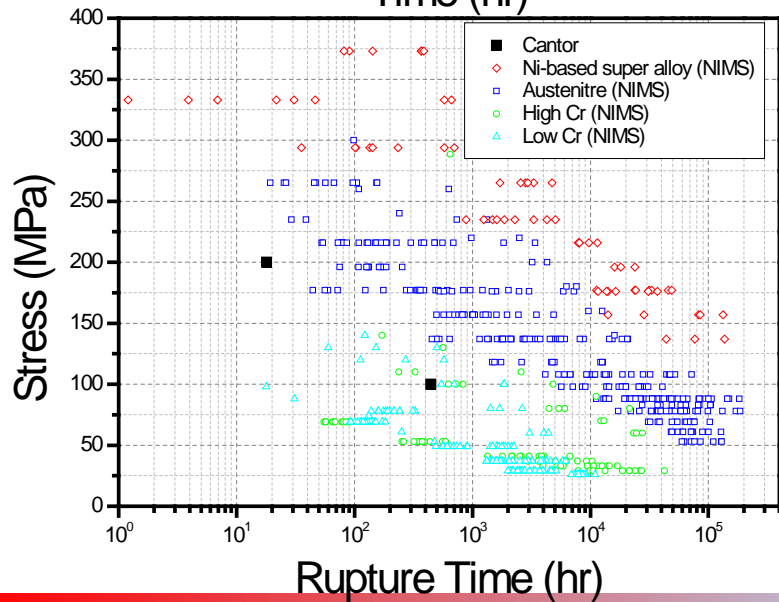
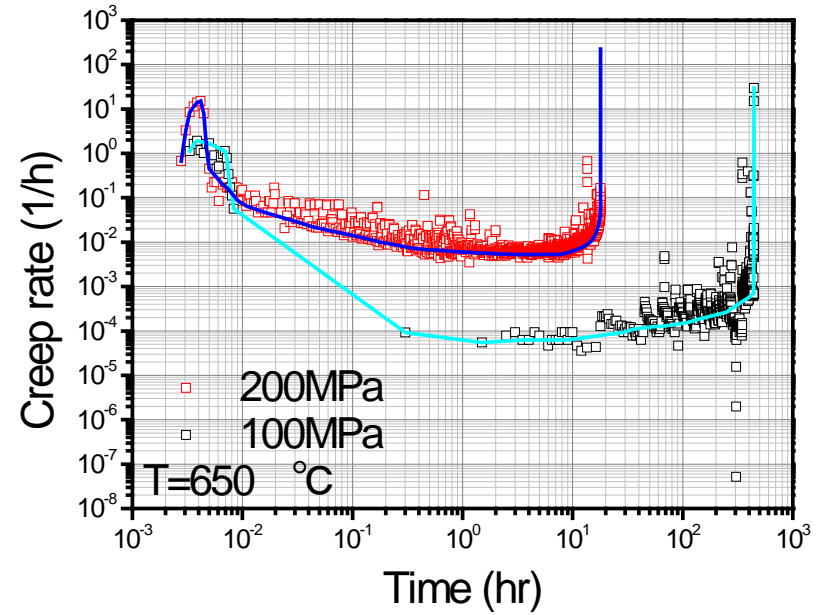
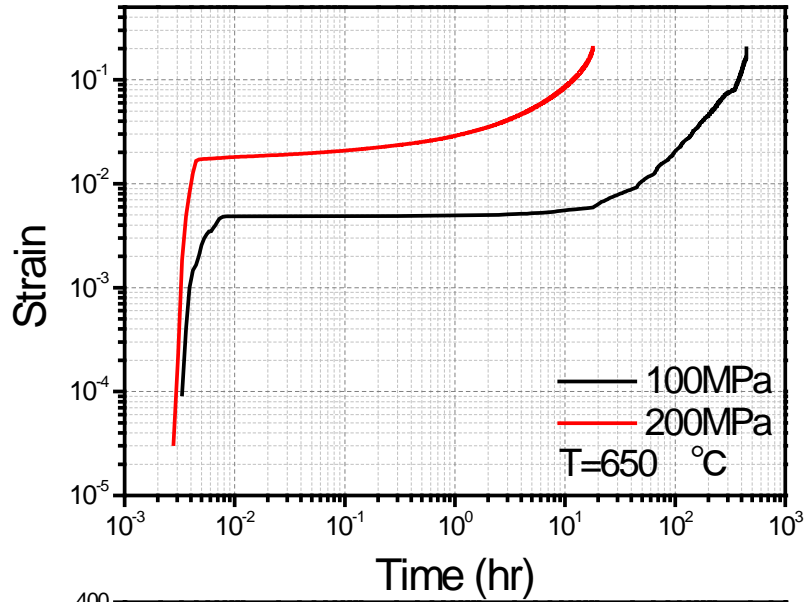
Tensile results compared with S304H



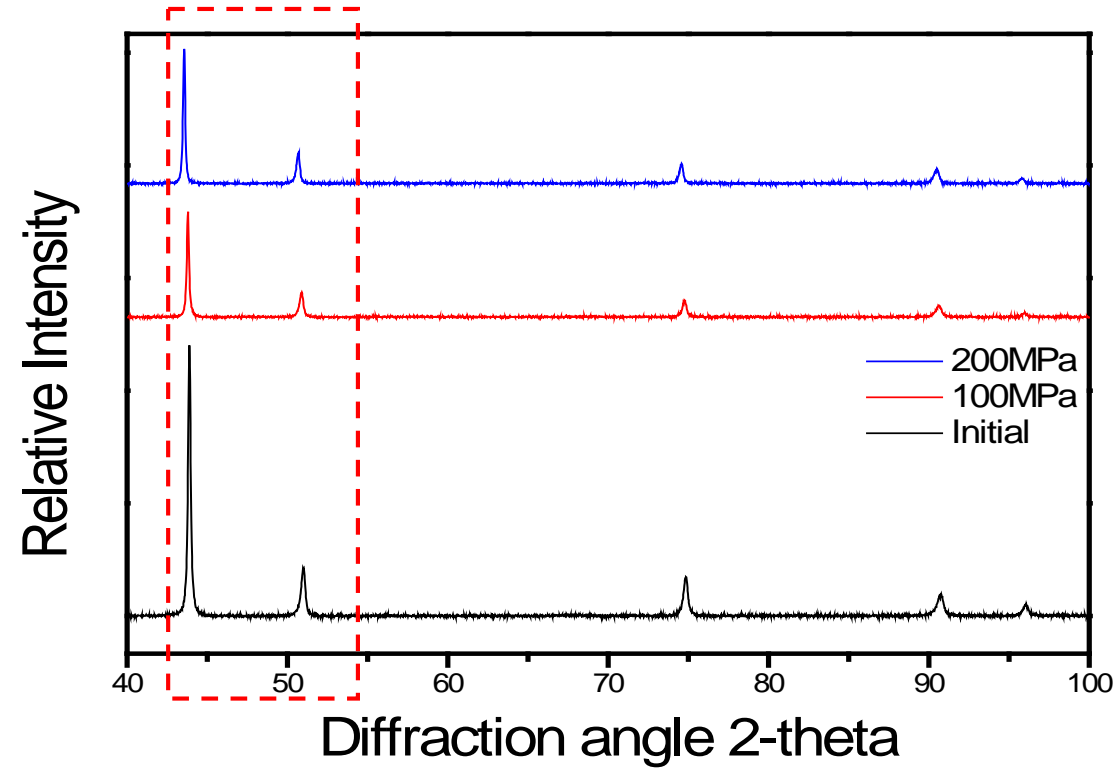
- Cantor
Strain rate : 8.333×10^{-4}
- S304H
Strain rate : 6.666×10^{-4}



Creep results

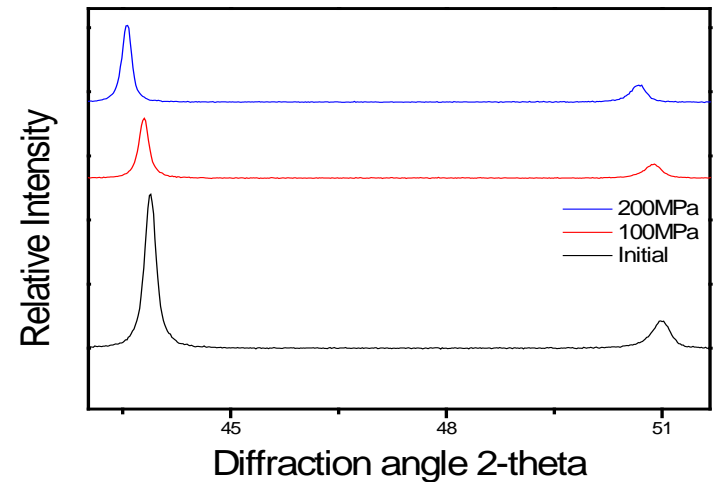


XRD results after creep test



Specimen	Initial	100MPa	200MPa
Crystal structure	FCC	FCC	FCC
Lattice parameter* (Å)	3.58238	3.58729	3.59578

(*:Bragg's law와 d-spacing으로 얻은 각각의 면들의 lattice parameter의 평균)



Summary

- To improve efficiency of coal thermal power station, increase of operating temperature is required. Therefore, research on heat-resistant material should be preceded.
- Materials with high heat-resistance, oxidation-resistance, corrosion-resistance, weldability and especially creep-resistance are required as the structural materials for the thermal power station application.
- Creep phenomenon is a time-dependent deformation behavior and microstructural change is dominant effect on the failure of materials.
- Through the creep test condition under high temperature and constant load compare to the real operating condition, we expect to predict the lifetime of structural materials for the thermal power station.

Thank you for your attention