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CuNi1Si

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EN:CW109C

Manufactures list:

Aurubis (<http://www.aurubis.com/en/>) - CuNi1Si(LNSP)
KM Europa Metal AG (<http://www.kme.com/>) - CuNi1Si(STOL76)

A copper alloys containing nickel and silicon are heat treated. CuNi1Si has excellent cold and hot forming, good resistance to atmospheric corrosion, high mechanical and electrical properties, high wear resistance and fatigue strength.

Basic properties

| Basic properties | Value | Comments |
|--|--------|--------------|
| Density [g/cm ³] | 8,9 | |
| Specific heat capacity [J/(kg*K)] | 377 | |
| Temperature coefficient of electrical resistance (0...100°C) [10 ⁻³ /K] | 2 | |
| Electrical conductivity [T=20°C, (% IACS)] | 29-60 | (17-35 MS/m) |
| Thermal conductivity [W/(m*K)] | 85-260 | |
| Thermal expansion coefficient 20...300°C [10 ⁻⁶ /K] | 16,8 | |
| [Ref: 232, 239, 237] | | |

Applications

Main applications

Connectors, slide bearings, leadframe, electrical contact elements, clips for electrical contact lines, power supply and grounding, high corrosion resistance mechanical equipment, fittings. *Literature:* [Ref: 232, 240]

Kinds of semi-finished products/final products

Slide bearings technology, electrical technology, railway engineering, general mechanical engineering, die casting practice.

Chemical composition

| Chemical composition | Value | Comments |
|----------------------|------------|------------|
| Cu [wt.%] | 97,08-98,3 | Calculated |
| Fe [wt.%] | 0-0,2 | |
| Mn [wt.%] | 0-0,1 | |
| Ni [wt.%] | 1,0-1,6 | |
| Pb [wt.%] | 0-0,02 | |
| Si [wt.%] | 0,4-0,7 | |
| Others [wt.%] | 0,3 | |

[Ref: 570]

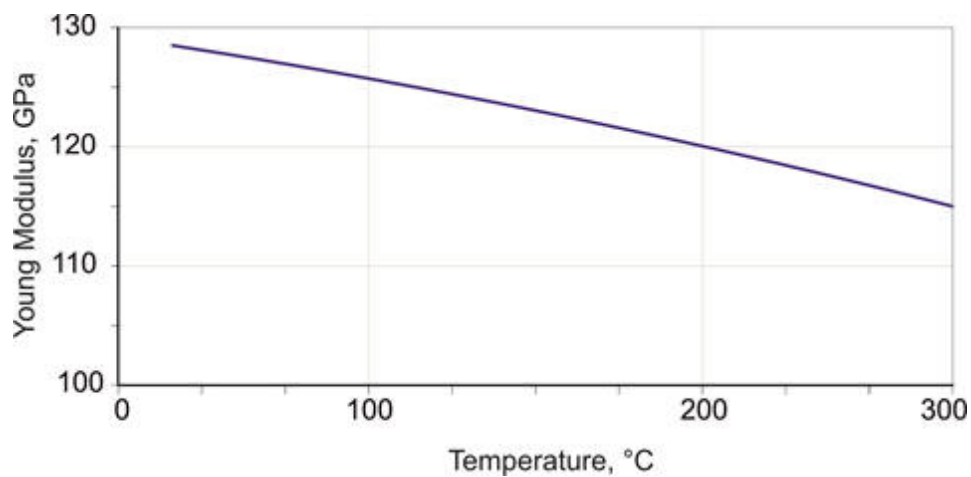
Mechanical properties

| Mechanical properties | Value | Comments | Literature |
|---------------------------|---------|----------|------------|
| UTS [MPa] | 240-650 | | |
| YS [MPa] | 90-620 | | |
| Elongation [%] | 5-25 | | |
| Hardness | 100-205 | [HV] | |
| Young's modulus [GPa] | 128 | | |
| Kirchhoff's modulus [GPa] | No data | | |
| Poisson ratio | No data | | |

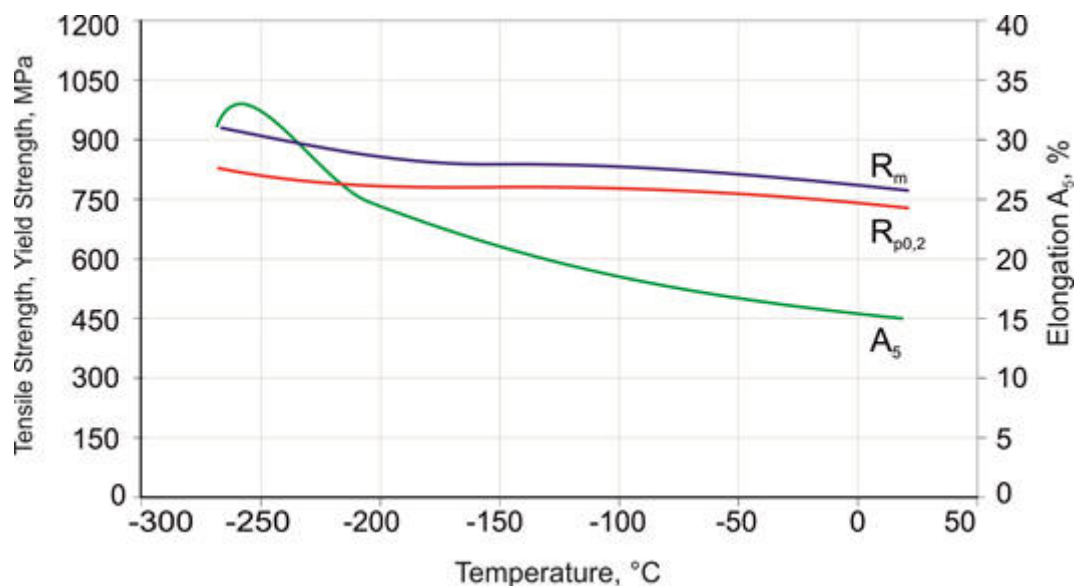
Material's mechanical and electrical properties in different tempers

| Temper | Tensile strength, MPa | Yield strength (min), MPa | Elongation (min)A50mm, % | Hardness | Literature |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|------------|-----------------|
| R360/H100 | 360-430 | 250 | 12 | 100-130 HV | [Ref: 239] |
| R410/H130 | 410-480 | 360 | 10 | 130-150 HV | |
| R460/H140 | 460-530 | 430 | 8 | 140-160 HV | |
| R520/H150 | 520-570 | 490 | 5 | 150-170 HV | |
| R580/H175 | 580-650 | 540 | 6 | 175-205 HV | |
| R440, Rod | 440 | 300 | 16 ($Lo=5,65*(So)^{0,5}$) | | EN 12163 (2011) |
| R540, Rod | 540 | 470 | 10 ($Lo=5,65*(So)^{0,5}$) | | |
| R590, Rod | 590 | 540 | 12 ($Lo=5,65*(So)^{0,5}$) | | |
| R440, Wire | 440 | 300 | 16 ($Lo=5,65*(So)^{0,5}$) | | EN 12167 (2011) |
| R540, Wire, rod, sheet, strip, tube. | 540 | 470 | 12 ($Lo=5,65*(So)^{0,5}$) | | |
| R590, Wire, rod, sheet, strip, tube. | 590 | 540 | 10 ($Lo=5,65*(So)^{0,5}$) | | |

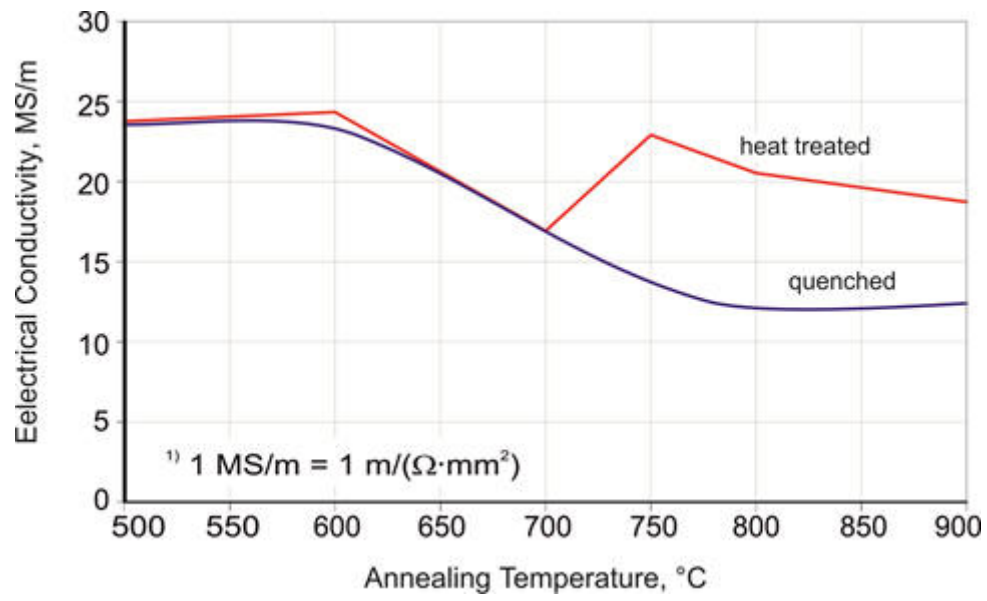
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| R240, Rod | min. 240 | 90 | 25 (A ₁₀₀) | | [Ref: 232] |
| R300, Rod | min. 300 | 210 | 16 (A) | | |
| R350, Rod | min. 350 | 280 | 12 (A) | | |
| R410, Rod | min. 410 | 320 | 5 (A ₁₀₀) | | |
| R440, Rod | min. 440 | 320 | 12 (A ₁₀₀) | | |
| R500, Rod | min. 500 | 420 | 10 (A) | | |
| R540, Rod | min. 540 | 450 | 10 (A) | | |
| R590, Rod | min. 590 | 570 | 8 (A ₁₀₀) | | |
| R250, Profile | min. 250 | 100 | 35 (A) | | |
| R380, Profile | min. 380 | 250 | 8 (A) | | |
| R420, Profile | min. 420 | 260 | 15 (A) | | |
| R560, Profile | min. 560 | 520 | 10 (A) | | |
| R410, Wire | min. 410 | 400 | 6 (A _{11,3}) | | |
| R450, Wire | min. 450 | 440 | 5 (A ₁₀₀) | | |
| R590, Wire | min. 590 | 580 | 7 (A ₁₀₀) | | |
| R650, Wire | min. 650 | 620 | 7 (A ₁₀₀) | | |



Modulus of elasticity vs. temperature of CuNi1Si [Ref: 232]



Mechanical properties vs. temperature below 0°C of CuNi1Si (age hardened at 450°C for 2 hour) [Ref: 232]

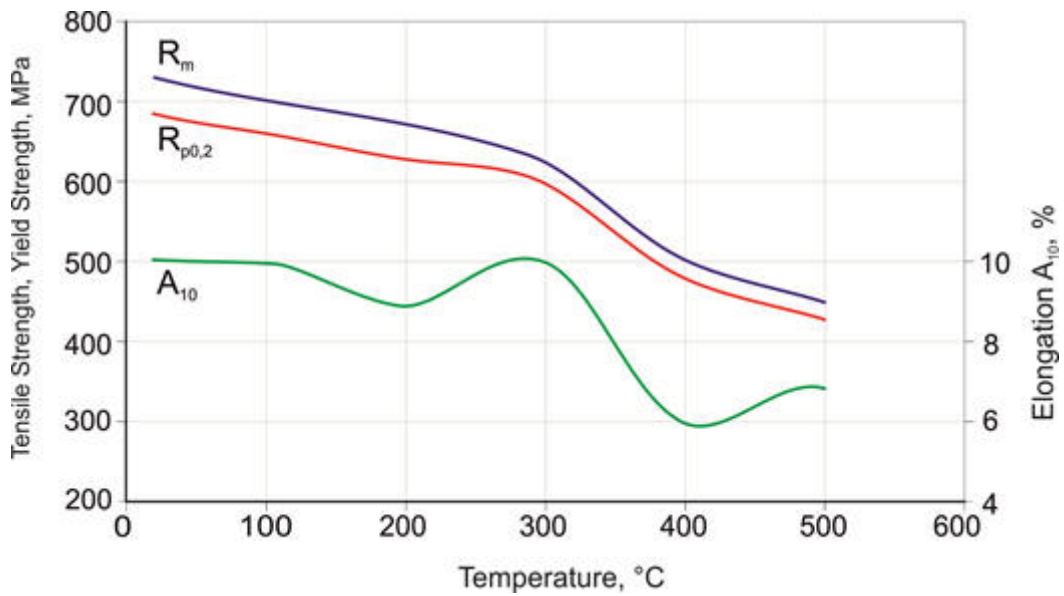


Electrical conductivity vs. annealing temperature of CuNi₂Si [Ref: 232]

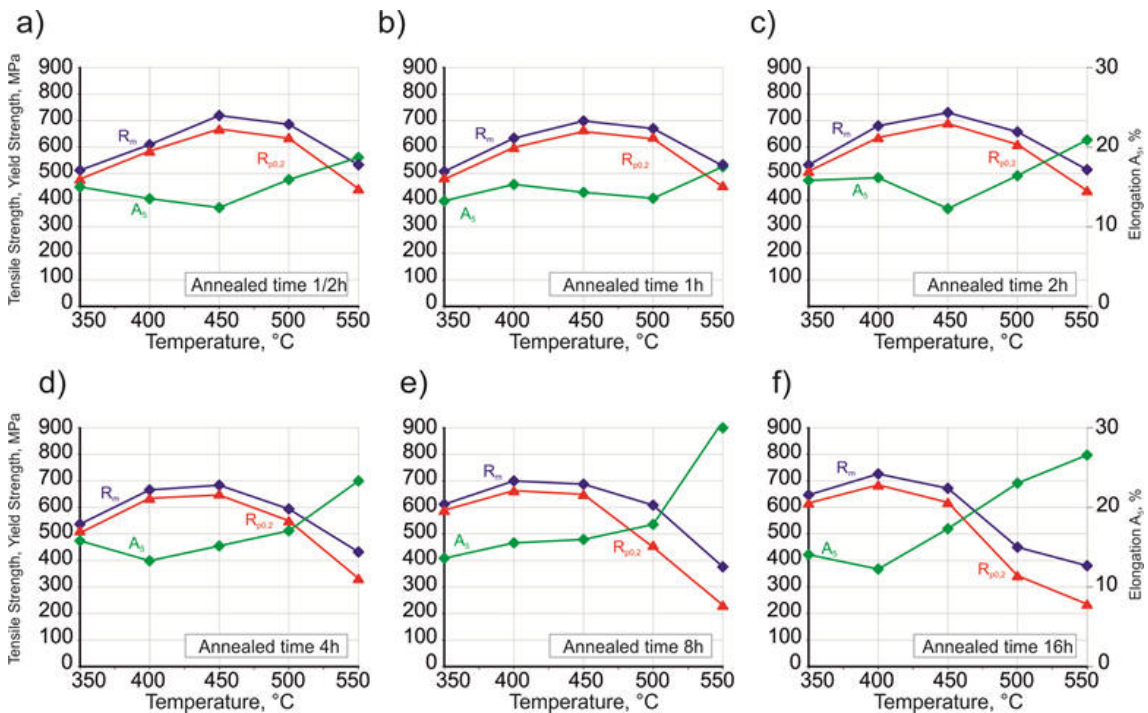
Exploitation properties

Heat resistance

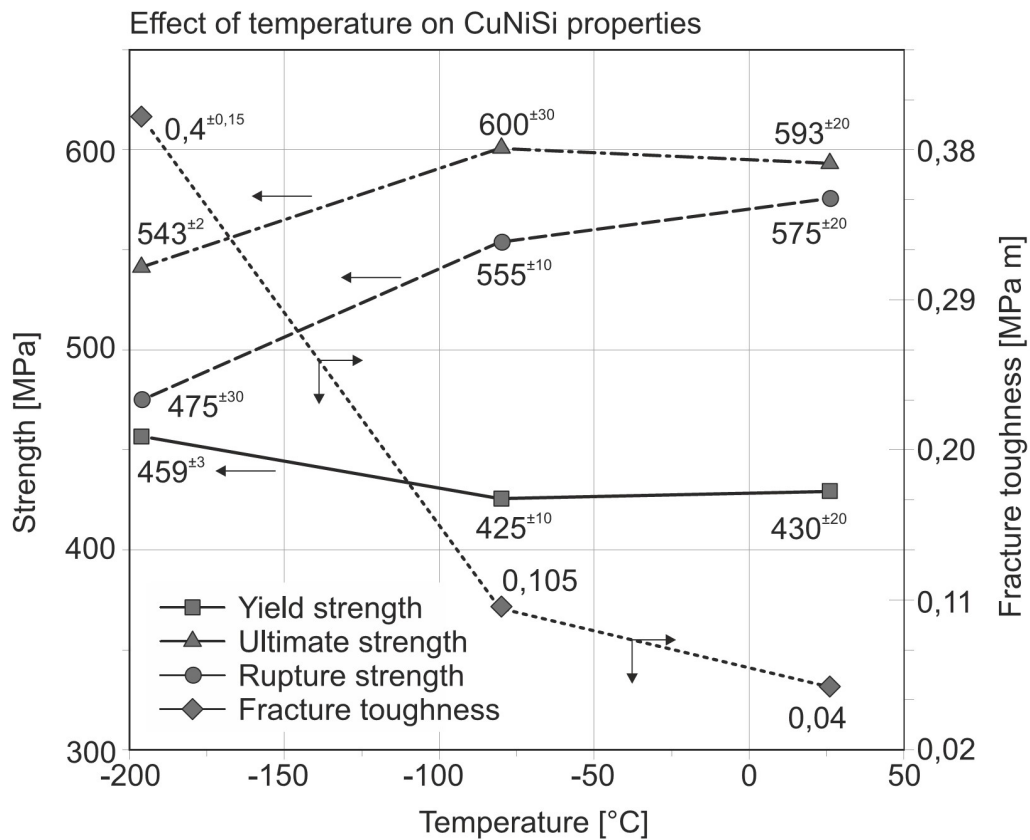
Mechanical and electrical properties vs temperatures



Heat resistance of CuNi1Si [Ref: 232]



Influence of annealing temperature and time on CuNi1Si mechanical properties after cold deformation of 80% [Ref: 232]



Effect of Temperature on the strength and fracture toughness of precipitation hardened CuNiSi [Ref: 237]

Long-term heat resistance, e.g. Arrhenius curve

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Half- softening temperature

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Corrosion resistance

Hydrogen embrittlement resistance

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Other kind of corrosion elements

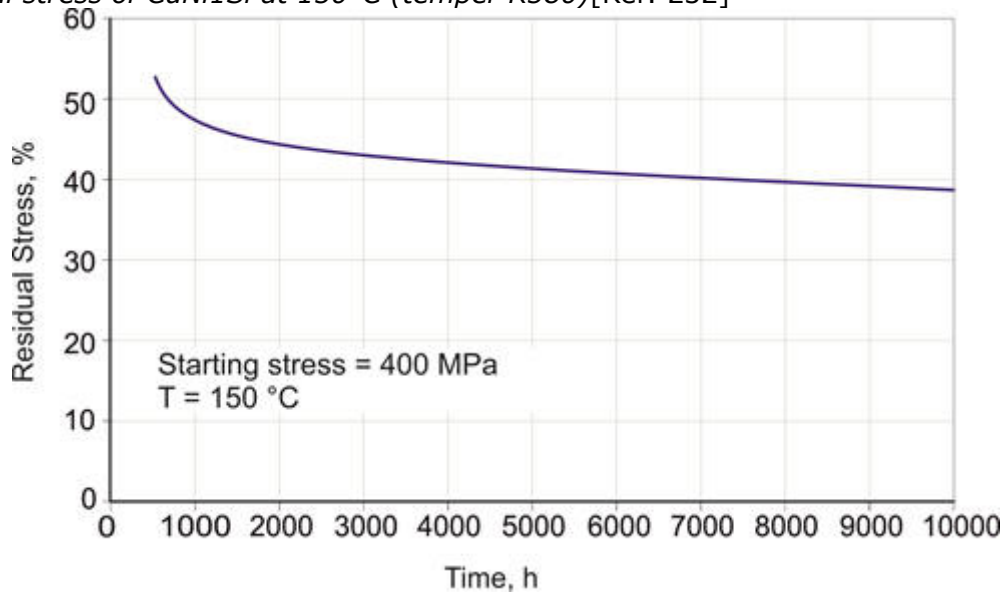
| Type of corrosion | Suitability | Literature |
|--------------------|-------------|------------|
| Atmospheric | Good | [Ref: 232] |
| Marine environment | Good | [Ref: 232] |

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| Stress crack | Not resistant | [Ref: 239] |
| Hydrogen embrittlement | No data | - |
| Electrolytic | No data | - |
| Other | No data | - |

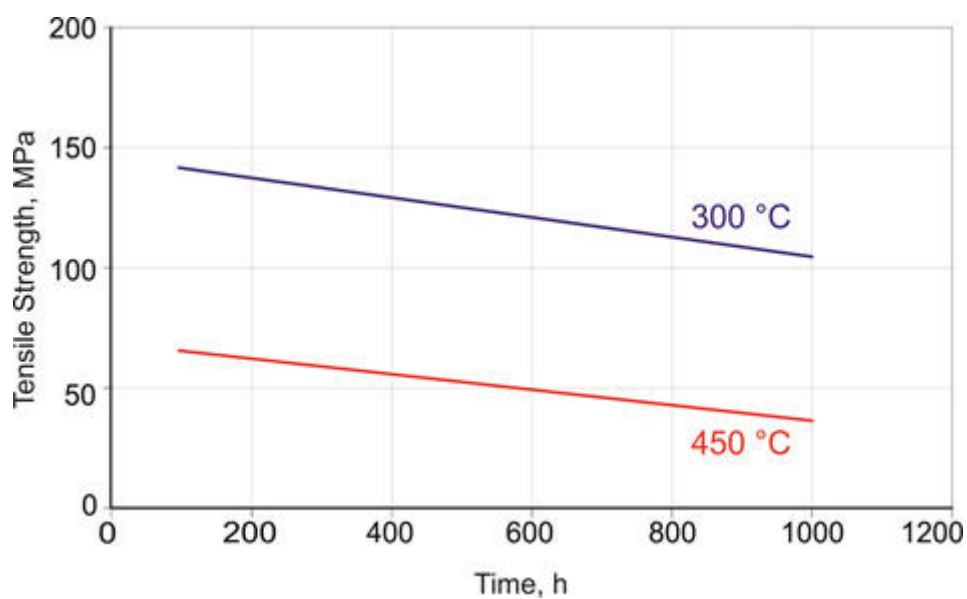
Rheological resistance

Stress relaxation

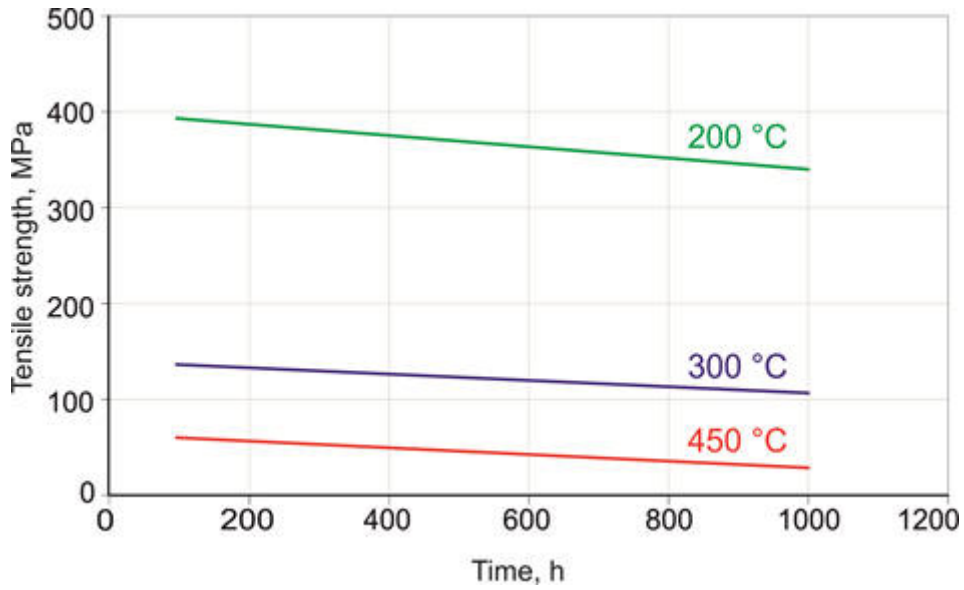
Residual stress of CuNi1Si at 150°C (temper R580)[Ref: 232]



Creep



Creep strength of CuNi1Si supersaturated hardened [Ref: 232]



Creep strength of CuNi1Si thermally hardened [Ref: 232]

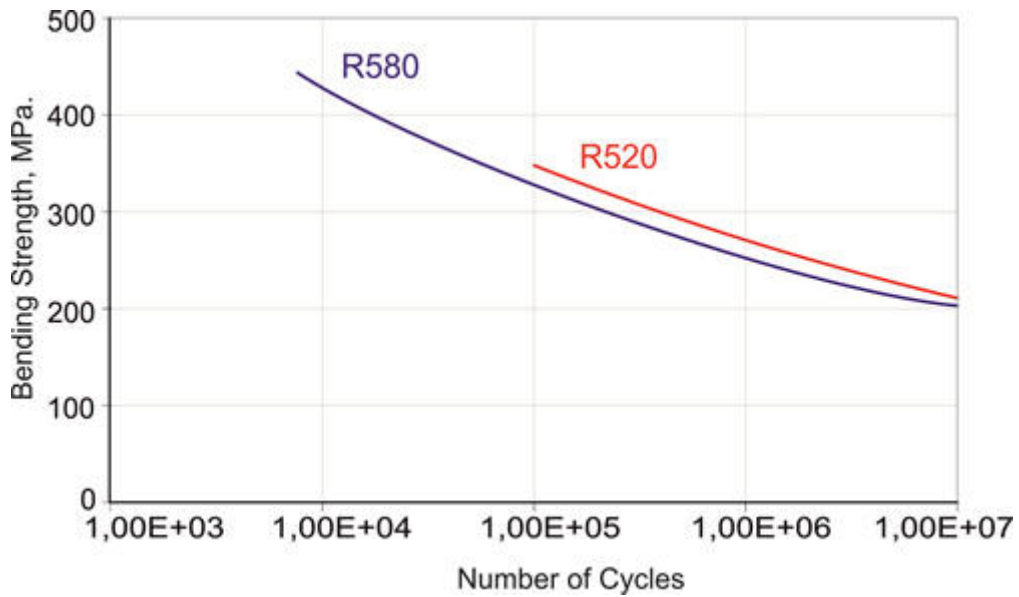
Wear resistance

Friction resistance

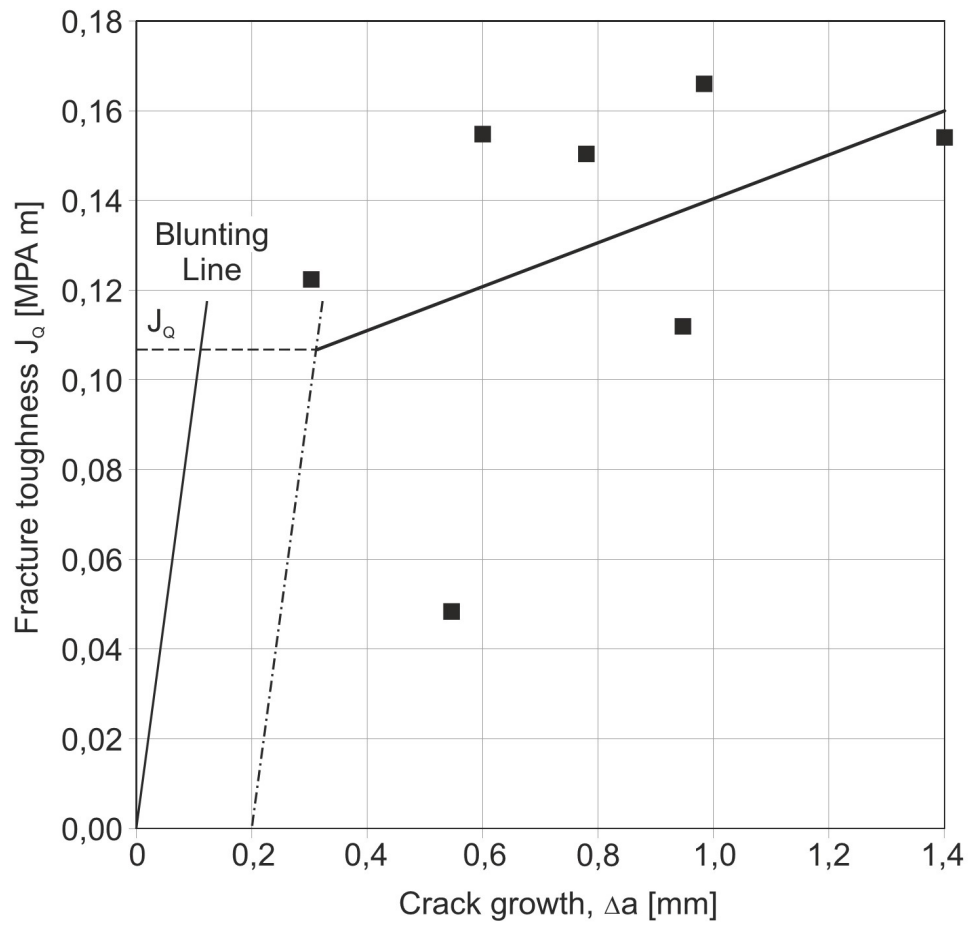
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Fatigue resistance

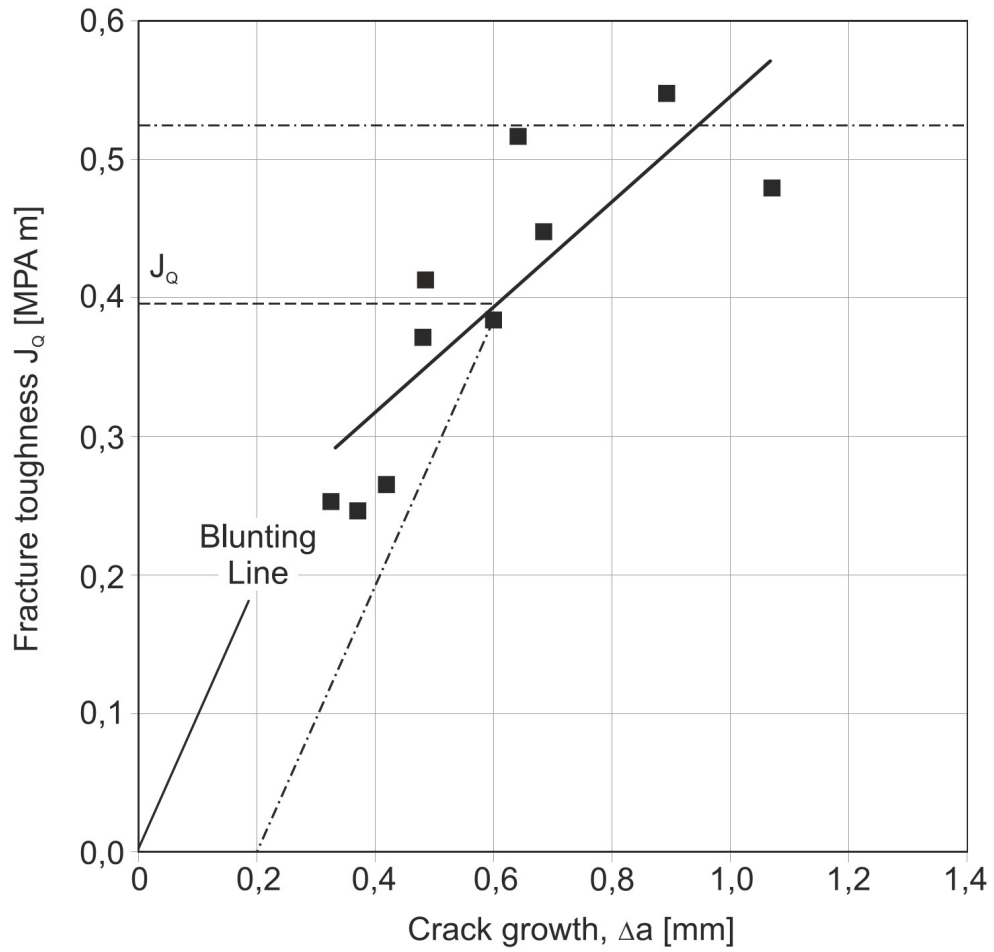
Fatigue cracking



Fatigue strength on bending vs number of cycles of CuNi1Si [Ref: 232]



Measured J versus crack extension, Δa , from a series of fracture toughness tests at -80°C with CT precipitation hardened CuNiSi specimens. Δa assumed as half the height of the triangular fractured surface [Ref: 237].



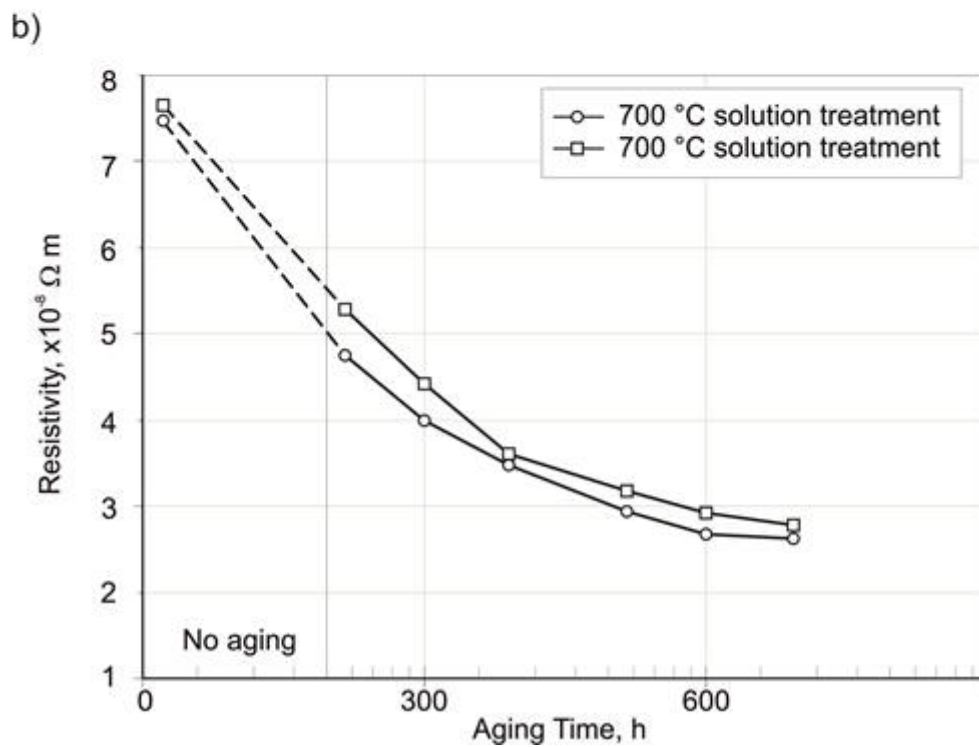
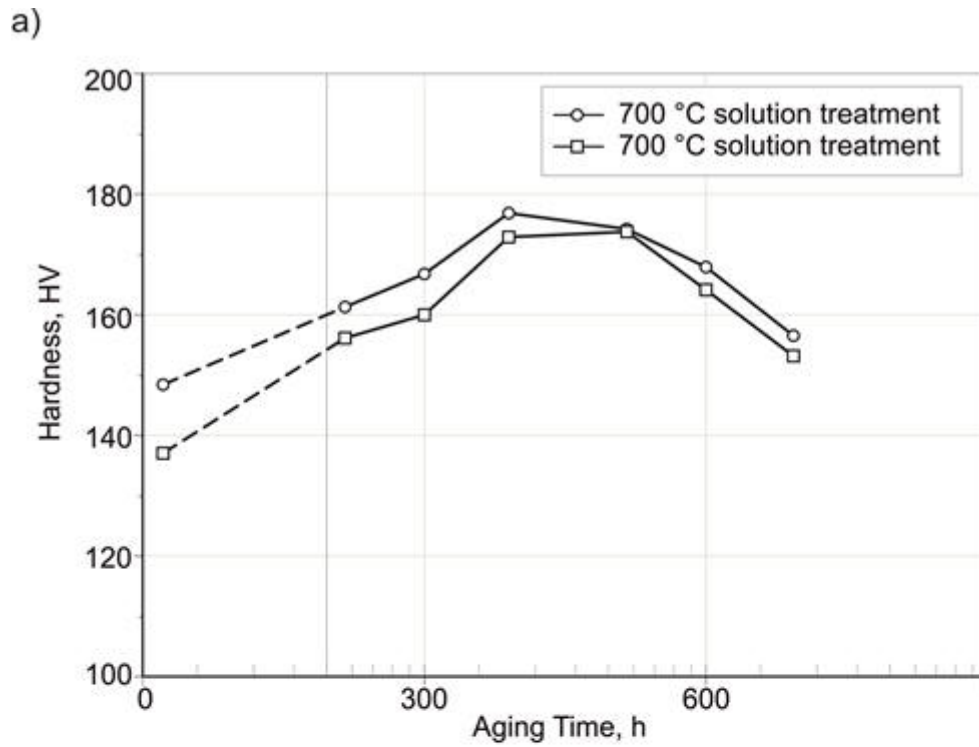
Measured J versus crack extension, Δa , from a series of fracture toughness tests at -196 oC with CT precipitation hardened CuNiSi specimens. Δa assumed as half the height of the triangular fractured surface [Ref: 237]

Impact strength

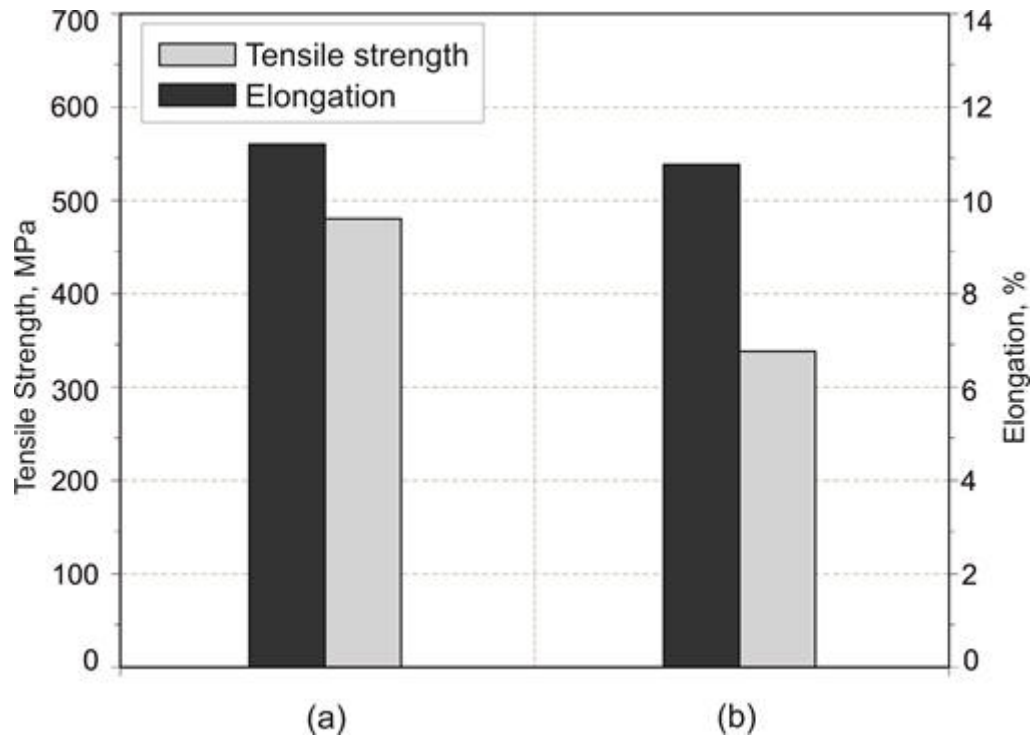
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Fabrication properties

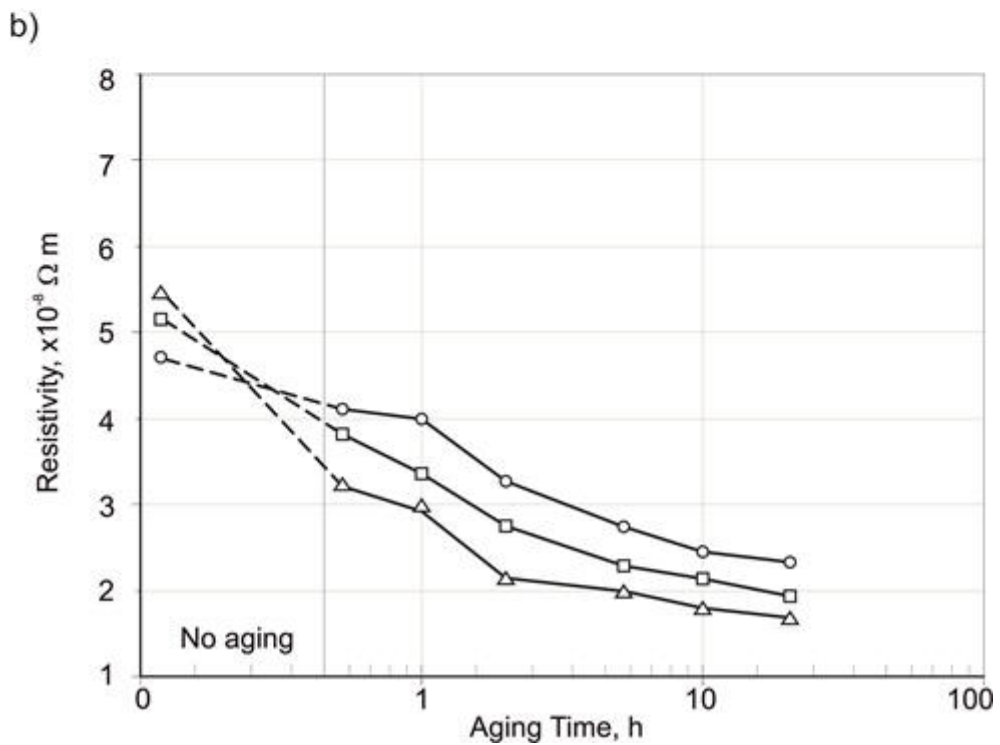
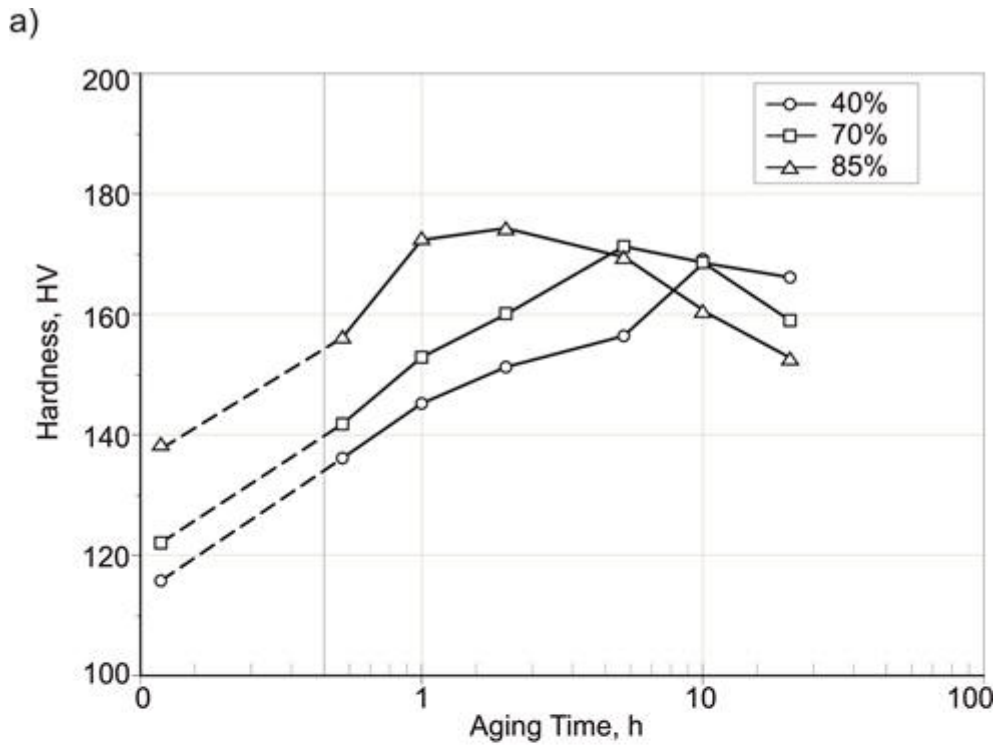
| Fabrication properties | Value | Comments |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| Soldering | good | |
| Brazing | fair | |
| Hot dip tinning | good | |
| Electrolytic tinning | good | |
| Electrolytic silvering | good | |
| Electrolytic nickel coating | good | |
| Laser welding | fair | |
| Oxyacetylene Welding | not recommended | |
| Gas Shielded Arc Welding | fair | |
| Spot Weld | good | |
| Seam Weld | good | |
| Butt Weld | good | |
| Capacity for Being Cold Worked | good | |
| Capacity for Being Hot Formed | good | |
| Machinability Rating | 30 | |
| [Ref: 232] | | |



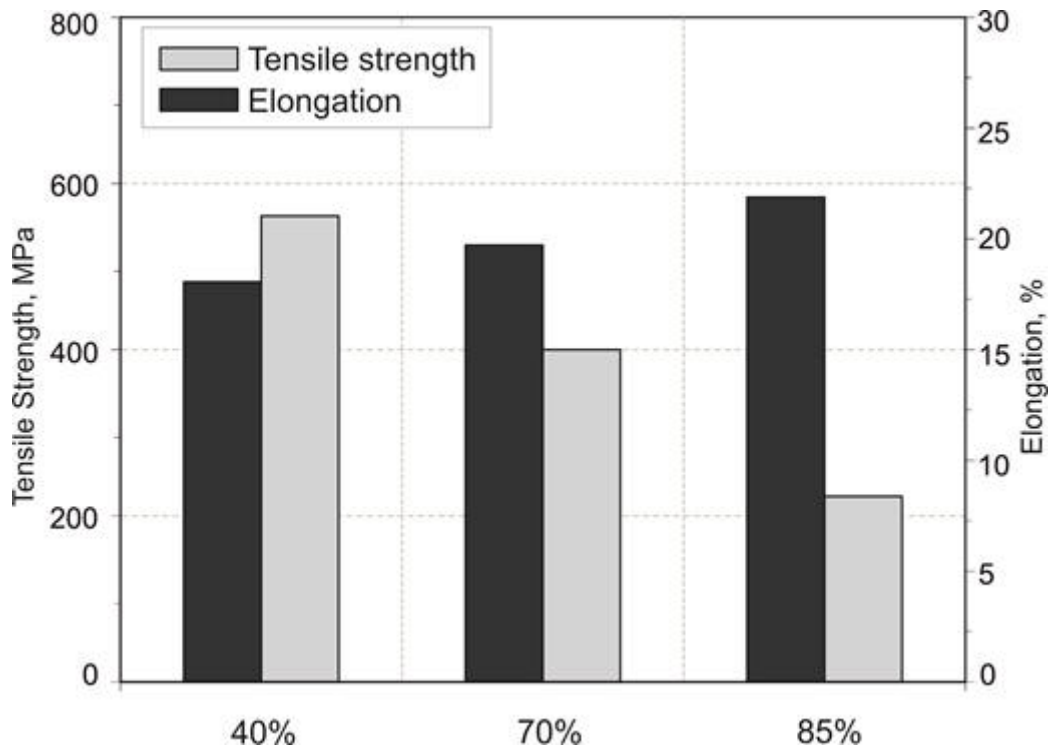
The variations of hardness and electrical resistivity of Cu1.5 Ni-0.3Si-0.03P-0.05Mg leadframe alloy with varying aging time at 450°C. Cu-1.5Ni-0.3Si-0.03P-0.05Mg is cold rolled 80% and aged at 450°C after solution treatment; (a) hardness, (b) electrical resistivity [Ref: 230].



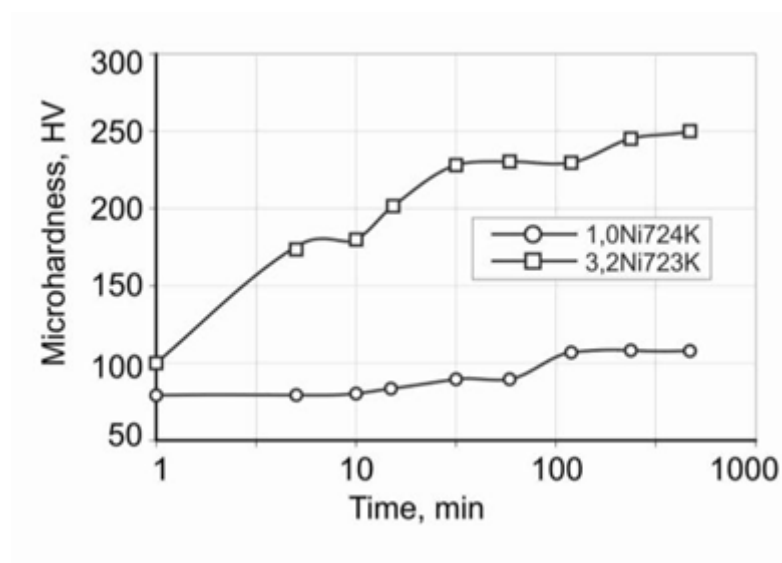
The comparison of tensile strength and elongation of Cu-1.5Ni-0.3Si-0.03P-0.05Mg leadframe alloy with different initial grain size; (a) initial grain size of 10 μm after solution treatment at 700°C, (b) initial grains size of 15 μm after solution treatment at 800°C [Ref: 230].



The variation of (a) hardness and (b) electrical resistivity of Cu-1.5Ni-0.3Si-0.03P-0.05Mg leadframe alloy cold rolled to 40, 70, 85% with increasing aging time at 450°C [Ref: 230].



The variation of tensile properties of Cu-1.5Ni-0.3Si-0.03P- 0.05Mg leadframe alloy with varying cold rolling ratio from 40 to 85% at peak aged condition at 450°C [Ref: 230].



The dependence of the microhardness on the aging time of CuNi3Si and CuNi1Si. (Note: Samples (strip) was solution heat-treated for 1 h at 1173 K in an argon atmosphere and water quenched) [Ref: 229]

Technological properties

| Technological properties | Value | Comments |
|---------------------------------|-----------|----------|
| Melting temperature [°C] | 1050-1070 | |
| Annealing temperature [°C] | 650-750 | |
| Homogenization temperature [°C] | 750-850 | |
| Ageing temperature [°C] | 425-490 | |
| Hot working temperature [°C] | 800-900 | |
| [Ref: 232] | | |

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