## Introduction A few interesting facts about materials...

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### Interesting (advanced) materials

#### Aerogels

- frozen smoke
- holds records in the Guiness Book of records
- made up of supercritical dried liquid gels of alumina, chromium, tin oxide
- is 99.8% empty space making it semi-transparent
- good insulator
- big surface area
- small density



#### Silica aerogel in block form

https://www.researchgate.net/figure/Silica-aerogel-in-block-form\_fig1\_271451182



### A 2.5 kg brick is supported by a piece of aerogel with a mass of 2 g

Készítette: Courtesy NASA/JPL-Caltech - NASA Stardust Website, Közkincs, https://commons.wikimedia.org/w/index.php?curid=85519



Some applications of aerogels

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#### Artificial spider silk

- produced by several companies with different technologies
- protein fibre

- remarkable mechanical strength. Its tensile strength is comparable to that of high-grade carbon steel

- technologies: using a bacteria that produces the protein, then the protein is converted into fibers; using genetically modified silkworms, fermentation technologies etc.



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9e1j4b5kIHM

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#### **Carbon nanotubes**

 long chains of carbon held together with covalent bonds, stronger than the bonds in diamonds- protein fibre

high tensile strength, 300 times
stronger than high –grade steel

- low density
- high thermal and electric conductivity
- chemical modification is possible (functionalization) – increase the applicability





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#### **Metamaterials**

- produced by several companies with different technologies
- they gain their properties from their structure rather than composition
- used to create microwave "invisibility cloaks", 2D invisibility cloaks and other materials with unusual optical properties
- pearl is a naturally occurring metamaterial
- possible applications in optics, astronautics etc.



#### metamaterial MECHANISMS



Alexandra Ion, Johannes Frohnhofen, Ludwig Wall, Robert Kovacs, Mirela Alistar, Jack Lindsay, Pedro Lopes, Hsiang-Ting Chen, and Patrick Baudisch



#### Metamaterials Mechanism

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

Lycurgus cup – dychroic effect: The dichroic effect is achieved by making the glass with tiny proportions of nanoparticles of gold and silver dispersed in colloidal form throughout the glass material.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v7jzHttcTG4

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#### **Metallic glasses**

- are amorphous metals, metals with a disordered structure
- high strength, up to twice the strength of the steel

- shiny and opaque as metals, conduct heat and electricity, resistant to corrosion, shapable

- made by quick cooling of molten metals

- applications as electrical grids, ultrasharp scalpels, hinges, sport equipment (tennis racquets, golf clubs, skies)

- can be made only from some, expensive metals (Pd, Zr). All the other metallic glasses are not workable enough, they are brittle



#### Metallic glass:

- strong and hard
- shapable





#### Metal:

- strong and hard
- difficult to shape

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SuNR6fUz67U

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#### Metallic composite foam

- created from aluminum, titanium, tantalum
- methods: powder metallurgy, hollow sphere method, lotus type method,

- strong and light, porous, high compressive strength, low thermal conductivity, reciclable,

- proposed as construction material
- important in civil engineering

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Prototype/In-Production Applications:	W weight	K stiffness	En energy	с damping	f frequency	Importance to civil engineering
steel foam bars, rods, sandwich plates [58]	х	х		х	х	Proof-of-concept, demonstrates steel foam bars, rods, sandwich plates, foam filled tubes can all be produced; demonstrates essentially all aluminum foam applications could be extended to steel foam.
wall/floor foam sandwich panels [60]	х	х		х	x	Mass production of metal foam panels is possible. Great variety of bending stiffness-to-weight regimes opened up by this possibility.
balcony platform, parking floor slab [62]	x	constr		x		Metal foam panels may take significant, even localized, loads, thus appropriate for floor slab, even heavily loaded parking garage (as load redistributes adequately).
crane lifting arm and support [61]	constr	х				Metal foam beams can be produced that support high/typical structural loads and fatigue is not a unique problem as crane arms were fatigue tested.

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fabrication equipment [61]		x		x	x	Metal foam panels can be tuned for desired vibration characteristics, could, e.g., be very important for high-speed rail applications.
	constr	х			х	Shell structures possible with metal foams, tight dynamic performance constraints can be met. Metal foam explicitly cheaper than traditional sandwich panel in this case.
Concept-only Applications						
race car frame [64, 59]	x	constr	x	х		Design space opened up by metal foams is large, concept-only applications in automotive, demonstrate multi-criteria optimal solutions including energy absorption.
	x	constr				Concept-only application in cargo ship demonstrates strength, stiffness, and weight potential under large demands.

http://www.steelfoam.org/arwade\_emi\_11\_review\_01.pdf

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#### **E-textiles**

- "intelligent" textiles

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EAP WFY4\_8Eg



#### Translucent wood

- made by removing the lignin from the wood

https://www.archdaily.com/785482/translucentwood-meet-the-new-material-developed-by-kth



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- combination of clay and hydrogel

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#### The CABKOMA STRAND ROD

- thermoplastic carbon fiber composit
- lightest seismic reinforcement
- 160 m long, 12 kg

https://www.komatsumatere.co.jp/cabkoma/en/



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#### Self healing concrete

- works with bacteria that is activated by the water penetrating through a crack, and the bacteria produces CaCO<sub>3</sub>



https://www.ugent.be/e a/structuralengineering/en/researc h/magnel/research/rese arch3/selfhealing

## From quarks to atoms Electron structure

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#### Matter

- classical definition: something that has mass and takes up space
- modern physics, matter is not a fundamental concept because a universal definition of it is elusive: elementary constituents of atoms may not take up space individually, and massless particles may be composed to form objects that have mass
- physical or corporeal substance in general, whether solid, liquid or gaseous, especially as distinguished from incorporeal substance as spirit or mind, or from qualities, actions etc.
- the substance or substances of which any physical object consists or is composed
- something that occupies space
- matter can be defined as anything that is affected by gravity, that has weight or would have weight if it was near the Earth or another star or planet massive enough to produce measurable gravity

### Substance, mass, space

#### Substance

- that of which the things consist (phylosophy)
- species of matter of definite chemical composition (physics)

#### Mass

 In physics, mass is a property of a physical body. It is the measure of an object's resistance to acceleration (a change in its state of motion) when a net force is applied

#### Space

 Is the boundless three-dimensional extent in which objects and events have relative position and direction

### How the science "works"?

- in material science, in physics, in engineering the definitions can only be accepted if they can be proved
- the method of proving is the: EXPERIMENT
- Conditions and effects:
  - have to be reproducible
  - not disputable (TRUE)



### What the matter is?

 Natural sciences: everything that is able to interact with one of the fundamental interactions (forces) or with the combination of these, is MATTER (Manuel Carreira, Spanish physicist and philosopher)

- The matter:
  - has a place in space
  - has some quantity of energy
  - can interact with physical instruments
  - it constructs the Universe