### FOOD PACKAGING MATERIALS

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#### CAN YOU SAY SOME EXAMPLE FOOD PACKAGING MATERIALS



### PACKAGING MATERIALS

- The major categories of materials used for food packaging are
  - glass,
  - metals,
    - paper and
    - paperboard, and
    - Plastics etc.

# A SIMPLIFIED MASS TRANSFER OPERATION IS ILLUSTRATED IN FIGURE:

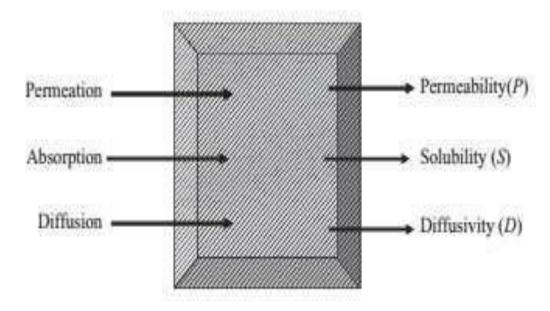
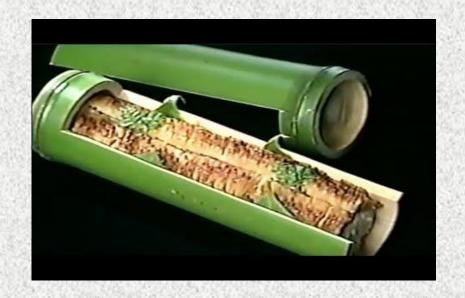


Figure 41.1 Mass transfer in food packaging.

### TYPES OF PACKAGING MATERIALS:

- 1. Traditional materials (Leaves, fiber, wood, leather etc.)
- 2. Industrial materials (Paper.....)

#### TRADITIONAL PACKAGING











### BANANA/PLANTAIN, MAIZE, PALMYRA PALM LEAVES



#### LEAVES, VEGETABLE FIBRES AND TEXTILES

- Leaves are cheap and readily available, and are used as wrappers for products such as cooked foods that are quickly consumed.
- Banana or plantain leaves are used for wrapping traditional cheese and fruit confectionery such as guava cheese.
- Maize leaves are used to wrap corn paste or blocks of brown sugar, and 'Pan' leaves are used for wrapping spices in India.
- Other examples are green coconut palm, papyrus leaves and bamboo and rattan fibres, which are woven into bags or baskets and used for carrying meat and vegetables in many parts of the world.
- Palmyra palm leaves are used to weave boxes in which cooked foods are transported, and small banana leaf bags are used to contain coffee beans that are a traditional gift in some parts of Africa.
- Some of these have the potential to be developed as niche packaged products for tourist markets.

#### LEAVES, VEGETABLE FIBRES AND TEXTILES

- Fibres from kenaf and sisal plants are mainly used for making ropes, cord and string, which can be made into net bags to transport hard fruits.
- They can also be spun into a yarn that is fine enough to make coarse canvas. Other examples of textile containers are woven jute sacks, which are used to transport a wide variety of bulk foods including grain, flour, sugar and salt.
- Plant fibre sacks are flexible, lightweight and resistant to tearing, have good durability, and may be chemically treated to prevent them rotting.
- Their rough surfaces are non-slip, which makes stacking easier compared to synthetic fibre sacks, and they are bio-degradable.
- Most textile sacks can be re-used several times after washing and they are easily marked to indicate the contents.
- They are still widely used to transport fresh or dried crops, but they are being replaced as shipping containers by woven polypropylene or multi-walled paper sacks (below).
- Calico is a closely woven, strong cotton fabric that can be made into bags for flour, grains, legumes, coffee beans and sugar.
- Muslin and cheesecloth are open-mesh, light fabrics used both to strain liquid foods during processing and to wrap foods such as cheeses and processed meats (e.g. smoked ham).







#### WOOD

- Wooden containers protect foods against crushing, have good stacking characteristics and a good weight-to-strength ratio.
- Wooden boxes, trays and crates have traditionally been used as shipping containers for a wide variety of solid foods including fruits, vegetables and bakery products.
- Wooden tea chests are produced more cheaply than other containers in teaproducing countries and are still widely used.
- Small wooden boxes are used to pack tea or spices for tourist markets in some countries.
- Wooden barrels have been traditionally used as shipping containers for a wide range of liquid foods, including cooking oils, wine, beer and juices.
- They continue to be used for some wines and spirits because flavour compounds from the wood improve the quality of the products, but in other applications have been replaced by aluminium, coated steel or plastic barrels.

### WOODEN TEA CHESTS AND WOODEN BARRELS





#### LEATHER

- Leather containers made from camel, pig or kid goat hides have traditionally been used as flexible, lightweight, non-breakable containers for water, milk and wine.
- Manioc flour and solidified sugar were also packed in leather cases and pouches, but the use of leather has now ceased for most commercial food applications

### LEATHER CONTAINERS AND MANIOC FLOUR





#### **EARTHENWARE**

- Pottery is still used domestically for storage of liquid and solid foods such as yoghurt, beer, dried foods, honey, etc..
- Corks, wooden lids, wax or plastic stoppers, or combinations of these are used to seal the pots.
- If they are glazed and well sealed, they prevent oxygen, moisture and light from entering the food and they are therefore suitable for storing oils and wines.
- They also restrict contamination by micro-organisms, insects and rodents.
- Unglazed earthenware bowls or pots are porous and the evaporating moisture makes them suitable for products that need cooling.
- They are still used for local sales of curd or yoghurt in parts of Asia.

### EARTHENWARE









### WHERE DO THEY COME FROM?



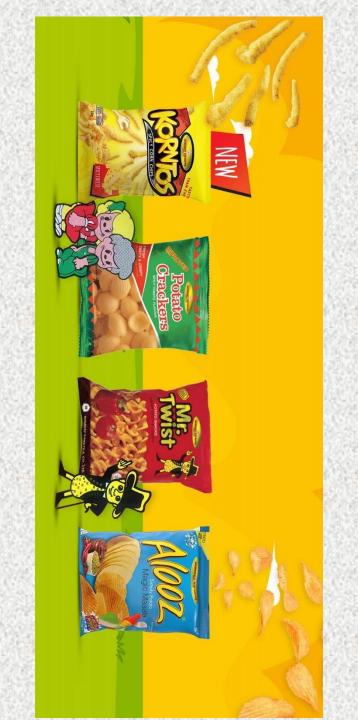
### **METALS**

- Metals are the most versatile of all forms of packaging.
- Advantages:
  - They offer the combination of excellent physical protection and barrier properties, formability, decorative potential, recyclability, and consumer acceptance.
- ☐ Metal containers are vacuum-sealed and thermally sterilized under low oxygen pressure.
- The decomposition of nutrients is kept to a minimum in metal containers, since metals are a perfect barrier to oxygen, light and moisture.
- ☐ The major limitations of metal containers are cost, the weight of the containers and the fact that they are difficult to crush.
- Aluminum and steel are the most predominantly used metals in food packaging.

### ALUMINUM FOIL







### I. ALUMINUM FOIL

- Aluminium is a lightweight, silvery white metal derived frombauxite ore.
- Magnesium and manganese are often incorporated into aluminium to improve its mechanical strength.
- Aluminium is highly resistant to most forms of corrosion; its natural coating of aluminium oxide provides a highly effective barrier to the effects of air, temperature, moisture and chemical attack.
- The mechanical, physical and chemical properties of aluminum foil such as its barrier effect, deadfold properties and suitability for food contact enable a wide range of applications in many different products and sectors.
- The material is light but strong, can be formed and converted into complex shapes, has a high thermal and electrical conductivity, and can be recycled without decrease in quality.
- Aluminium foil is used for aseptic cartons, pouches, wrappings, bottle capsules, push through blisters, laminated tubes, lids, trays and containers.

#### **BAUXITE ORE**

- Bauxite is primarily comprised of aluminum oxide compounds (alumina), silica, iron oxides and titanium dioxide.
- The chemical formula of bauxite is Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>.



### ii. Tinplate

- ☐ Tinplate has been used for preserving food for well over a hundred years.
- ☐ Tinplate is a thin steel sheet coated by tin.
- Produced from low-carbon steel (that is, black plate), tinplate is the result of coating both sides of black plate with thin layers of tin.
- The coating is achieved by dipping the sheets of steel in molten tin (hot-dipped tinplate) or by the electrodeposition of tin on the steel sheet (electrolytic tinplate).
- □ Food cans and the lids of glass screw-cap containers are made of tinplate.
- The benefit provided by the bare tin surface inside the can is protection of the natural flavor and appearance of the food, through oxidation of the tin surface in preference to oxidative degradation of the food.



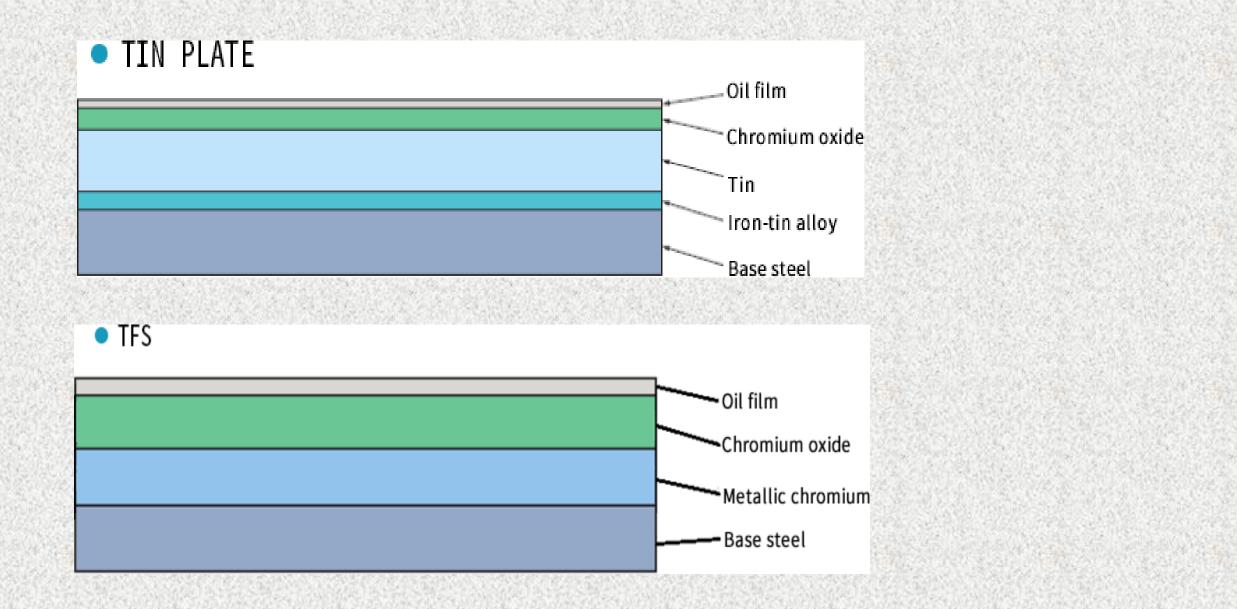


#### iii. Tin - Free Steel

- Tin Free Steel (TFS) is produced by applying electrolytic chromic acid treatment over steel sheets.
- This is also known as electrolytic chromium-coated steel or chrome-oxide-coated steel.
- Tin free steel requires a coating of an organic material to provide complete corrosion resistance.
- Tin-free steel has good formability and strength, but it is much cheaper than tinplate.



### TIN PLATE VS TFS



### ANY QUESTION





# IDENTIFICATION OF DIFFERENT TYPES OF PACKAGING MATERIALS USING IN THE FOOD INDUSTRY.

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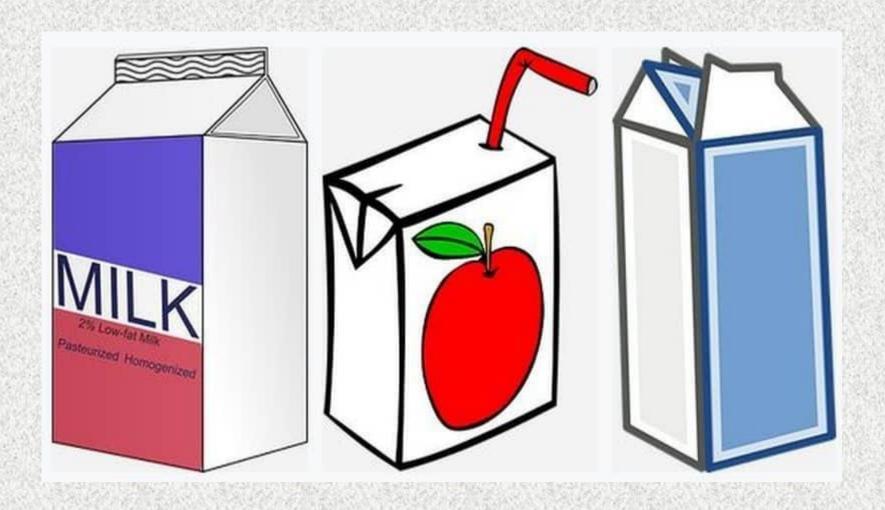








### TETRA PACK!!!!!!!!



#### PROCEDURE?

- I have Supplied different types of food products
- Thickness of measuring the HDPE or LDPE?