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"TECHNOLOGICAL COMPLEXITY OF IRON AND STEEL INDUSTRY PRODUCTS"

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The UNIDO Secretariat assigned to carry on the research of technological complexity of iron and steel industry products to the group of the USSR experts. This technological complexity is essential to define the strategy of development and progress of the iron and steel industry of developing countries. The mentioned research is the furthe **continuation of the study "Technology in the service of development" •finished by the Sectoral studies branch of the UNIDO Division for industrial studies in November 1980. In this study the analysis has beer, conducted for technological complexity of developing, machines and equipment coming under the heading "Capital goods production? This study has been conducted with regard to the problems put in the forefront by developing countries and was aimed at measuring the techno**logical complexity of machines and methods of production in terms of **different indices (somewhat hypothetical). The Index of technological complexity is the integral quantity of production complexity involved** in a given product, as shown with the use of expert evaluations by 80 factors grouped into six technological levels. The greater the tech **nologic&l complexity of a product, the higher the Index of complexity and vice-versa.**

The determination of the Index of technological complexity was based on evaluating the distinctive features of the following process stages : pre-design product concept - laboratory - manufacture of parts - assembly. All these stages were quantitavely evaluated in terms of 80 factors grouped into 6 technological levels of complexity. The sum of all the values of these factors represented the Index of complexity of the product. 480 theoretically possible combinations

have been obtained with the maximum amounts of factors and technolo**gical levels of complexity (in practice this was reduced to 366 possible combinations). This made it possible to structure the system in such a way that it covered the majority of the technological stages required from the time of pre-design product concept to final opera**tions of assembly.

The 80 factors which form the Index of complexity are divided into three main groups :

A - 39 production factors constituting the actual production process.

B - 23 factors associated with third-party semi-finished product: and technical services ("production infrastructure").

C - 18 factors making allowance for the use of basic completing components and units.

In turn A and B are broken down into groupings which it is necessary to show in detail;

A.| - 9 overall factors constituting the actual production process including weight of products, hours of know-how per U3S 1000 of finished products, laboratories, direct production hours per ton of finished products, manufacturing diversity in respect of number of types and models, manufacturing runs, product assembly, minimum recommended or possible product sizes.

Ag - 30 factors associated with the use of production equipment including different equipment for gas cutting bending, rolling, drawing etc, machine tools, special production equipment down to the equ ipment for quality control of the final product.

Bj - 8 factors associated with semi-finished products (conventional processes of casting iron, steel and non-ferrous metals, foun-

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dling and forging of main materials, more sophisticated processes of foundling and forging).

 B_2 - 15 factors pertaining to third-party technical services including different operations of stress relief, heat treatments, metallic surface deposits and surface protection, manufacture and maintenance of metall-cutting tools, rough and very rough machining, cold pressing.

C - 18 factors making allowance for the use of basic completing components and units.

80 factors are dissimilar in importance and in order to reflect the differences between them, and consequently define their contribution to the total index of technological complexity, the authors of the mentioned study adopted four different performances exhibited wiby exponential characteristic reflecting geometrical ratios.

There are the following performances adopted by the authors : $\tau_{0} = 2^{0.25}$, $\tau_{1} = 2^{0.5}$, $\tau_{2} = 2^{0.75}$, $\tau_{3} = 2$. Their solution gave respectively $\sigma_0 = 1.19$; $\sigma_1 = 1.41$; $\sigma_2 = 1.68$ and $\sigma_3 = 2.0$

Consequently the complexity levels gained the following values _ according to the performances :

The authors adopted the following performances.::

Weight of products $-\zeta_2$, Hours of know-how $-\zeta_3$,

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Direct production hours per ton of finished nroduet — ^t *~.* *** «k** *7'* **Oxyacetylene cutting** $-\overline{\mathbf{T}}_{0}$ Conventional processes of iron casting $-\overline{L}_1$, Forging $-\overline{\mathcal{U}}_2$ etc.

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For servicing of this system, a system of information on technological complexity has been constructed for 318 groups of products (ms **chine tool equipment, machines, electric motors and other electric . equipment, transport equipment, measurement and monitoring instrument: office equipment, typewriters, calculators, computers etc). With 80 factors and 6 complexity levels the possibility exists of bringing up the system to a recording capacity of 152640 data. The accomplished analysis shows that in practice when decreasing the number of product groups there is a possibility to mobilize effectively about 35000 data. The magnitude of this figure has justified the processing of the information by computer.**

This analysis has led to distinguish some kind of "lavs", and, among other things, the fact that capital goods are characterized by the considerable heterogeneity of their technological contents and, consequently, by their complexity. The technological complexity of machines entering into this group grows in the following order : simple metal products <electrical machines measurement and monitorin **instruments^ non-electrical machines < transport equipment.**

Considered from a functional and technical point of view, the ma chines have the following order of mean complexity: semi-finished pro ~ ducts part3 **and components** *^* **autonomous finished products ^ integrated finished products and sub-systems.**

According to the final demand in machines from the sectors of • industry for which they are intended, the order of complexity of specific capital goads is as follows : agricultural machinery ^ agro-foe industries € chemicals and petrochemicals industries ^ building and

building materials industries < engineering construction < extraction of minerals < agro-industries, tobacco, leather, textiles <heavy metallurgy, iron and steel, forging., foundry < road transport equipment < rail transport equipment <air transport equipment.

The specific capital goods for these essential demand sectors have the following minimum, mean and maximum values of the index of complexity :

Values of the index of complexity

The analyeis of technological complexity of capital goods conduc ted by the UNIDO specialists makes it possible, from their opinion, **to developing countries to master the most important strategic option for developing their industries, evaluate the levels of complexity of producing planned products and the period of time required for the as similation of these levels; choose appropriate forms of integration c**

the national industry, develop the program of carrying out planned problems and adapt their educational and-.personnel training system with this in mind. The mentioned specialists concluded that the majority of the developing countries which at the present time have a weak production basis for production of capital goods could aim at level 3 of complexity of products. At this level, they have the possibility to produce independently only 40% of the required equipment.

For the less developed countries, it seems that the production of agricultural machinery and certain simple semi-finished products constitutes a preferable way of entry into the capital goods industry. /1,2,3/.

Attaining one or another value of the index of complexity of capital goods production in the developing countries are dependent upon the degree of the iron and steel industry development in many respects All the factors used by the UNIDO specialists and the complexity level **are largely determined by the availability and quality characteristics of metal products. This deals to a largest extent with 8 factors associated with semi-finished products 15 factors pertaining to** third-party technical services (B_2) and 18 factors making allowance **for the use-of basic completing components and units.**

Gaining the economical independence by the developing countries presupposes the development of their industrial base which would permit to change fundamentally the technical level of all the branches of the national economy.

Industrialization is the imperative condition for developing the economy. The iron and steel industry provides the base for developing other branches of the industry and not only producing capital goods. Some developing countries have attained a notable advance in the development of the iron and steel industry. India, Brazil, Hexic

Algeria and otner developing countries nave own large iron and eteel enterprises and provide a suostantial proportion of domestic demands by innerent production. In Iran, Libya, Indonesia tùe iron and steel enterprises have been constructed only in the last few years. Many developing countries have not yet had even small enterprises and only begin to constuct them using for this purpose financial and technical assistance of industrially developed countries.

The Soviet Union has rendered and is rendering technical assistance to developing countries witn setting-up and development of the iron and steel industry. India, Iran, Algeria, Turkey and other developing countries have created and are developing their national iron and steel industries with the USSR'é assistance. A distinguishing cnaracteristic of the economic and technical cooperation of the USSR with developing countries is the fact that the Soviet Union renders assistance in creating and enhancing the public sectors of their economies.

This is important for speeding up of the rates of economic development and strengthening of the economic state of these countries.

The USSR's economic cooperation with developing countries in creating their own base for the iron and steel industry and exploitation of their natural resources is built on a long-term, stable, mutually advantageous and equitable basis, on the conditions of respect of national sovereignty and legitimate rignts of cooperating nations.

The iron and steel works built with the USSR's assistance are full property of the states on the territory of which they are loca- -ted.

Credits for purpose of developing the metallurgical industry given by the Soviet Union to developing countries are long-term and have favourable conditions. The credit of the Soviet Union, as developing countries know well, has a low level of annual percentage of compensation, a long term of its use, payment. The agreements have no special conditions. Tne sum of a submitted credit i3 guaranteed.

8. $\overline{}$ **The Soviet assistance to foreign countries in creating their iron and steel industries is rendered with regard to making the most use of local resources end technical opportunities for manufacturing** the equipment, steel structures and supply with building materials. **This form of cooperation encourages drawing in of the country's indigenous resources, provides for a stable employment of the population, ensures accumulation of production experience in the construction of modern plants in respective countries, forms indigenous skilled personnel of builders, erectors, operating staff.**

At the precent time there is a production of iron, steel and rolled products in 15 developing countries. Besides, 10 developing countries are producing steel and rolled products, that is tl-jy have small enterprises for reprocessing scrap in small electric arc furnaces or mini-mills built in the last few years. There is a group of countries manufacturing rolled products from imported billets. By the beginning of eighties about one-third of the developing countries, and particularly the most underdeveloped countries of Africa, South-East Asia, Oceania and some countries of Latin America,have no iron and steel enterprises.

There are over 500 enterprises producing ferrous metals in developing countries and among them 25 integrated iron and steel works of **annual output of more than 1 min ton of steel, with 20 of them have been built after the second world war.**

The.share of latin-America accounts for about 50\$, Asia - about 47 %, Africa - 3% of the total steel output in the developing count**ries.**

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The creation of domestic iron and steel industry base or development of available capacities for production of ferrous metals are **associated with necessity of taking into account a number of conditions, such as :**

1 ; Transportation to eâlê markets and to raw materials suppliers;

2) **Market condition , including demand structure, expected shortage of single kinds of ferrous metals, future prices of iron and steel industry products, expected in perspective resources of metallurgical scrap and its prices;**

3) **Sources of raw materials and fuel, including iron ore resources, knowledge of reserves, their qualitative and quantitative characteristics and geographical distribution, conditions of iron ores mining and their preparation for smelting, resources of process fuel, the availability or possibil;cy of creating own mining establishments and evaluation of required for their creation capital investments and material resources;**

4) **Energy resources, including total water resources, power and power-generating resources, geographical distribution of resources and their main characteristics;**

5) The potentialities of financing, including credits, prices, capital investments, availability of currency;

6) **Employment and training of personnel, including concentration _of-labour force, actual and future possible labour force skills, its principal features, tendency and attitude to training, labour cost and associated with it policy of keeping the discipline and rising the qualification;**

7 *)* **Social and economical measures, Including labour resources, availability of houses and installations for social purposes, presence " of trading establishments, markets and institutions for rest and entertainments, availability of transportation and communication means, availability and costs of cxvil services, existing policy regarding social planning and methods of financing social and economical measures, responsibility and participation of governmental organizations.**

Taking into account indicated conditions associated with

the availability of raw materials. labour force, finance, infrast**ructure etc determines the selection of the optinnun for a particular country type of metallurgical enterprises.**

Ine favourable conditions are created for development of integ**rated iron and steel works when required for the iron and steel indus**try mineral resources are available. Large blast furnaces (with volume above 2000 m^2) are constructed in the developing countries. But many **ana11 obsolete unproductive blast furnaces still work in these coun**tries. The basic oxygen steel accounts for about 50% in the to al **steel output of developing countries.**

In the developing countries nearly wo-thirds of steel ais made in basic oxygen furnaces of 60-100 t capaci⁺ies.at the integrated iron and steel works. About 25% of steel is made in electric arc fur**naces (about 14 min ton). The charge for these furnaces is sponge iron,production of which amounts over 6 min ton in developing countries, and scrap (about 8 min ton). This is associated with construction of a considerable number of mini-mills having,as a rule, up to 500000 ton annual capacity. These works use scrap or sponge iron as raw materials, steel is made in high-output electric arc furnaces. The distinguishing feature of the mini-mills is production of a limited range of rolled products which are mainly used in the domestic market. These works mainly produce long products.**

The continuous casting of steel is finding ever increasing use in the developing countries. At the present time over one-third of steel made in these countries is continuously cast. All the constructing in greenfields steel works compose continuous casting plants. Some developing countries give a little way to industrially developed countries in this respect. To illustrate, Argentine continuously cast about one half of steel, Mexico - 30%, Brazil - 27.6%. Electric arc-furnace steelmaking grows with ever increasing rates in develo

ping countries. In the developing countries the technical level of rolling-mill practice increases. Despite the fact that the main pro**ducts of the metallurgical works of developing countries are long products , the developing tranches of these countries industry are faced with the demand in flats which are produced at the integrated iron and steel works.**

Starting from the above mentioned as the base, the purpose of present work is to determine the technological complexity of producing the most representative types of metal products required for production of capital goods in the developing countries.

1. INDICES CHARACTERIZING TECHNOLOGICAL COMPLEMITY OF LETAL PRODUCTS

The investigation being carried out by UNIDO concerning the evaluation of strategy of capital goods production in developing countries is closely connected with the strategy of the iron and steel industry development in these countries. Metal products made by the iron and steel industry provide manufacturing of capital goods with semiproducts which comprise one of the factors for evaluating production complexity of these goods, ... At the same time metal products are the base for the development of other branches of engineering, construction and transport in developing countries. Thus, the eveluation of iron and steel development strategy must result from economy requirements existing in developing countries while the character of its development must be determined by technological complexity of metal products necessary for economics.

Theoretically, technological complexity of metal products can be expressed through its costs, when increased costs lead to a higher complexity level of metal products, because the complexity accumulates large amounts of labour expenditures. This means that the establishment of more complex metal products in developing countries requires also higher socially necessitated expenditures. To conceive the amount of these expenditures, their direction _ and possibility of their realization depending on economic conditions of developing countries it is necessary to analyze the factors which determine the degree of metal products complexity. Factors comprising the complexity of metal products can be classified in the following ways :

- **1. Complexity of chemical composition of steel for metal products manufacturing. In order to obtain necessary chemical composition certain ferroalloys and alloying elements should be used.**
- **2. Complexity of metal products configurations which are determined 'ey their shape sizes and provided by different rolling facilities.**
- **3. iietal products quality level which is provided by ladle steel refining, heat treatment and finishing cf metal products.**

Concerning the first point, apart from complexity changes in chemical composition, the complexity will also change for a definite chemical composition of a certain steel grade depending on the metallurgical route of steel production. The following routes are meant here :

- **a. classical route: iron production in blast furnaces from pre**pared iron ore and BOF steel making ;
- **b. production of prereduced materials by cokeless direct-reduction processes (or the use of imported sponge iron) and their smelting in electric arc furnaces to produce steel}**
- **c. scrap remelting in electric arc furnaces for the production of required steel grades.**

In all these routes steel is continuously cast. The technological diagrams are given in Fig. 1,2 and 3»

The possibility of the realization in a developing country of some or another diagram of metallurgical route is dependent on availability cf necessary natural resources (iron ore of certain composition, coking coal, natural gas) and on the available scrap resources.

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Fig.2. Diagram of steel production with the use of process route : sponge iron production - EAF steelmaking with continuous casting $-$ rolling.

*) Natural gas and wl. otric

y are used in production of all kinds of products.

Pig.3.Diagram of steel production with the use of process route s Scrap preparation - BAP steelmaking with continuous casting - rolling

***) Natural gas, electrio and thermal energy are used in production of all kinds of products. *■*) Carbonaoeous waste can be used instead of iron.**

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At the same time of some importance are the possibility to involve investment of various level and for various schemes of use of foreign currency for import as well as availability of labour resources, of necessary skill in the country, taking into account various levels of direct labour expenditures for every diagram of metallurgical routes of steel making.

Therefore the complexity of steel making for metal products is evaluated equally with the complexity of their chemical compositions as well as with diagram of the metallurgical route which include various stages and are characterized by various features of the equipment and technology.

It should be stressed that the necessary chemical composition of steel in developing countries can be ensured depending on the availability of natural resources and stages of their economical progress due to the development of own ferroalloy production and due to imported ferroalloys and alloying elements. It is natural that more complex chemical composition will be connected with certain expenditures for the development of ferro--alloy industry or currency for import of ferro-alloys.

For determining the complexity of metallurgical routes it should be taken into consideration that the route size depending on its stages may be different because of the natural . resources of the country and possibilities of imports. For example, in the classical route "blast-furnace - basic oxygen-furnace" the " number of stages may be reduced through imported pellets, while the route with steelmaking in electric arc furnaces with the use of prereduced raw materials - through the elimination of the domestic production of prereduced raw materials and their import from other countries. The route with scrap smelting in electric

arc furnaces may also be connected with the import of raw materials when a country has small metal fund and poor scrap formation cannot ensure the appropriate output of steel resources and there is a demand in imported scrap.

Therefore every route from the point of view of its techno logical complexity is characterized not only by the number of operating stages demanding various expenditures of resources for their performance, but additionally by expenditures of currency for import of raw materials which are necessary for the realization of a metallurgical route. Otherwise "short" **routes with the import of raw materials may take undue precedence from the point of viev; of their technological complexity although they actually are connected with the necessity of economical development of the country in the direction of accumulating currency reserves for the functioning of metallurgical routes. But for the developing countries where the utilization of natural resources allows to accumulate and spend currency reserves the development of iron and steel industry in accordance with the routes of imported raw materials will make it possible to create domestic steelmaking in the shortest time and with the lowest expenditures of resources in the country.**

The formation of the technological complexity of metal products according to the second direction is evaluated on the basis of the preset complexity of the range of shape sizes which will be in demand in accordance with the country development. Steel produced according to different metallurgical routes nay be used for the production of the same types of metal products possessing various technological- complexity.

The possibility of producing metal products possessing various technological complexity of shape sizes depends on

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the equipment used for continuous casting and rolling. This is characterized by various labour expenditures for the realization of the technological process, its energy and capital expenditures for shop construction. The production of billets on continuous casting plants in combination with electric arc furnaces of various capacities and with high power transformers allows to construct required plants for the production of metal products practically without restrictions according to minimum capacities and economical values of metal production. All this promotes the possibilities of the organization in the developing countries of the production of metal products having various complexity ranges according to the section size form.

The range of rolled products which are spent for the production . of capital goods in the developing countries, applicably to the new branches cf industry, is distributed in the following way ; per cent (the numerator denotes sections, the denominator sheets and plates) ; the sum of these two types of rolled pro**ducts does not give** 100 **per cent because of the use of other types of rolled products, wire and rolled products from alloyed steel) : agricultural machinery -** $\frac{4C - 60}{4C}$ **, food industry -** $\frac{30 - 35}{60 - 55}$ **, 5° - 30 i5 . 45 60 ' 55 chemical and petrochemical industry -** 4 **^'** 1**' J**5 *** **civil engineering** and building materials industry - $\frac{55}{40} - \frac{61}{30}$, railroad building - $\frac{27}{68}$ - $\frac{50}{65}$, and so on. Thus, for developing countries of some inte**rest i3 the technological complexity of sections, sheets ^nd plates. Hence in present work the following types of rolled products have been chosen for the evaluation of technological production complexity : heavy sections, medium and light sections, hot relied sheets and plates, cold rolled sheets, section** structural alloyed steel, that is a rather wide range of rolled

product types has been, used by the Soviet experts.

In the USSR the following rolled products are included **in the above mentioned types :**

Heavy sections made from steel of ordinary grades :

round, diameter 32 **-** 250 **m m ;**

square, dimensions 30 **-** 120 **m m ;**

strip» width 60 **-** 200 **m m ;**

unequal angles 70 x 45 mm;

equal angles 50 **x** 50 **m m and more.**

Die-rclled steel rods - for reinforced concrete constructions from carbon and low carbon steels No.32 and more.

all shape special sections ;

Medium sections made from steel of ordinary grades :

round, diameter 20 **-** 30 **mm, square,** 20 **-** 30 **mm,**

strip, width 50 **-** 60 **mm;** $equal$ angles $36 \times 36 \times 4$ mm **40 x 40 x 4 mm 45 x 45 x (4-5) mm;**

unequal angles 45 x 25 - 63 x 40 mm;

Die-rolled steel rods for reinforced concrete constructions from carbon and low carbon steels, No 20-28.

Light sections made from steel of ordinary grades :

round, diameter upto 20 mm (including) ;

square, dimensions from 10 **to** 19 **m m ;**

strip, width from 12 to 45 mm ;

unequal angles upto 32 **x** 20 **mm ;**

equal angles upto ?2 **x** 52 **mm ;**

shape sections.

Die - rolled steel rods for reinforced concrete construction

from c.vrbon end lov» carbon steels, No. 10, 12, 14, 16, 18.

Plates made from steel or ordinary grades :steel plates having 4 mm and more in thickness, as well as checkered wide **steel strips of general purpose, steel for boilers, furnaces and for shipbuilding, three-layer steel.**

Hot rolled sheets made from steel of ordinary grades :

steel sheets, thickness 1 **-** 1 .8 **mm.**

Cold rolled sheets made from structural carbon steel ;

cold rolled sheets, thicicness uptc 3 **mm..**

Section structural alloyed steel

All sections made from alloyed steel.

"Through" character of the metal products complexity evaluation including the evaluation of metallurgical process complexity and the complexity of metal products forming will **allow developing countries to solve reasonably problems connected with the orientation in the development of iron and steel industry in conformity with demands of the economic structure of the country.**

Diagrams of the process routes described above which include rolling operations, provide conditions for achieving a definite level cf metal products equality sufficient for their usage in a wide range of applications, dome types of mechanical engineering products and some usage of metal in transport and **construction demand? increased reliability, long service life, which can be provided only by higher quality of metal products. The most urgent goal is in decreasing metal content of the products both in designing conditions and in lowering consumption of metal products. The latter goal is especially pressing unuer**

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labour of different qualities v.ith unequal complexity and tension with prime average labour used for producing metal products including **the development of equipment required for this purpose. The difficulties in determining the complete value of metal products also present here.**

Therefore the question arises what indices are required to **use which aa a whole could replace the costs expressed in the socially necessitated labour expenditures while evaluating the complexity degree of metal products.**

While choosing these indices it is essential to take into account the fact that they must first of all characterize the expenses of all resources for iron and steel industry on different diagrams of technological routes and not for its current functioning. Therefore on the basis of the index of costs three indices have been formed expressing complex labour and energy expenditures as well as complex capital expenditures 'which are the most important characteristics of the iron and steel industry to be developed. The first one reflects the labour expenditures or direct labour (men/heurs) .reguired for the functioning of the routes to be developed. The second one is energy expenditures for technological routes. The third one is capital expenditures or cost expenditures for producing metallurgical equipment and construction of iron and 3teel works unuer various routes.

All these indices characterize from different points of view the technological complexity of producing the chosen types of metal products. When developing non-integrated metallurgical routes the import requirements should be taken into consideration in addition ' to the received indices, The import serves for meeting a lack of semiproducts due to absence of the corresponding technological operations.

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It is also essential to note that there is a possibility to form, if needed, on the basis of the indicated technological **complexity one integral cost index. However, this is out of the scope of the present investigation.**

2. A Method of Quantitative Determination of Indices of Technological Complexity for Froduclng Metal Products

In the preceding chapter the necessity of using the indices of technological complexity for producing metal products which express labour, energy and capital intensities for intermediate and finished products, have been substantiated.

For this purpose it is essential to consider mutual relations arising within the boundaries of adopted technological routes of production, to take account of their structure and to determine appropriate inside proportions etc.

The technological complexity of producing metal products increases as the final stages of the technological route are approached. It can be imagined that accumulation of the value of the indices of complexity of foregoing stages occurs in ensuing stages of this route. As the most general version this can be explained using the exaa- ^le of "through" calculation of labour expenditures, energy expenditures with the use of fuel expenditures in coal equivalent and capital expenditures for production of heavy-section steel products on the following technological route :

blast-furnace ironmaking — BOF steelmaking with continuous casting of steel - production of heavy-section steel products.

This route starts with iron ore mining and production of iron ore concentrate . when achieving this stage,the laoour expenditures

account for 1.1 man.hour/t, fuel consumption in coal equivalent -**0.023 t/t, capital expenditures - 45 \$/t.**

Should the next stage is the pelletizing then to the expenditures on this stage (0.5 man.'hour/t, 0.039 t of fuel in coal equivalent and 20 \$/t, respectively *)* must be added the expenditures of **the foregoing stage multiplied by specific expenditures of the first** stage products for the second stage products (1.082 t/t). In this **case the expenditures with regard to the foregoing stage account for 1** .6 8 **man*hour/t, O.O**64 **t of fuel in coal equivalent and 68.7 5í/t. At the next stage (ironmaking) tc the expenditures on this stage (0.769 man.hcur/t, 0.68 t of fuel in ccal equivalent and 32 £/t) is added the expenditures of the foregoing stage of metal burden preparation multiplied by 1.7 l 2.86 man* hour/+., 0.109 t of fuel in coal equivalent and 116.8** *U/t)* **and expenditures of the cokemaking (without taking into account the energy expenditures in coal mining and benefication to ensure against double counting) multiplied by coke rat-i for ironmaking** *{* **0.255 man*hour/t, 0.05 t of fuel in coal equivalent and 44 \$/t).**

Then the expenditures in ironmaking with due regard for forego**ing stages account for 3.844 man*.¿óür/t, 0.849 t of fuel in coal equ ivalent and 192.8 \$/t. The "through" calculation of labour expenditures, expenditures of fuel in coal equivalent and capital expendítu res up to final products theavy-section rolled products) is realized in tne same manner. This calculation is depicted in tablr. 1.**

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The mentioned, "through" calculation; even though its simplicity and obviousness, features extremely appreciable disadvantage - incompleteness. According to tentative calculations it does not cover about 2Gyo of all the labour expenditures, expenditures of fuel in coal equivalent and capital expenditures. In this case performing that calculation does not take account of above mentioned expenditures for production of energy products *{* **oxygen, compressed air and blast-furnace blast** *)* **consumed in the production of intermediate and final products, refractories, ferroalloys etc as well as the expenditures for production of these materials.. It is quite understandable that so substantial unaccount of the expenditures can't help but affect adversely their integral values characterizing the tecnolo gical complexity of products made by investigated process routes.**

Proper allowance must be made for the whole vatiety of interproduct relations within the boundaries of technological routes, to ex**press these relations in terms of consumption coefficients of these products to each other (steel for rolled products, iron for steel, coke for iron], to determine the expenditures of raw materials, materials, energy etc for these products, labour intensity, energy intensity and capital intensity of these products.**

Table i

"Through" calculation of labour expenditures, expenditures of fuel in coal equivalent and capital

expenditures for production of heavy-section rolled products.

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For this purpose, it is expedient to get the indices which **should characterize the whole combination of natural expenditures of raw materials, materials, energy, semifinished products, intermediate products for the intermediate and final products, to obtain among these indices the components of energy intensity {. expenditures o:' fuel and electric energy) and on the basis of natural values of the indices ana, specific values of labour and capital expenditures - labour intensity and capital intensity of products within the boundaries of a technological route.**

As indicated by calculations of the experts, it is necessary to solve 75 simultaneous equations for determination only natural expenditures of raw materials, materials, energy, semiproducts and intermediate products for the intermediate and final products within the boundaries of the investigated technological routes. About 6000 specific values of expenditures (, direct expenditures) are used for solving these equations. Working such a problem is impossible without use of computers. As a consequence, the experts have developed the method of obtaining the natural expenditures for the investigated metallurgical routes with the use of theoretical principles and software of interproduct balances *{* **input - output balances).**

Basic initial data for realizing this method are the data on outputs of intermediate and final products made in the invesigated metallurgical routes, the expenditures of raw materials, materials, energy, semiproducts and intermediate products for each kind of products. Based on these data, the direct expenditures are determined through dividing the initial data by the corresponding outputs of each kind of products. The direct expenditures characterize the exper ditures of raw materials, materials, energy, semiproducts pie per J 1 of intermediate and final products (sinter, pellets, coke, iron, **steel, rolled products of different kinds etc j. At the same time,**

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the direct expenditures by themselves do not give an indication of **the expenditures in the technological route as a whole. To do this requires to transform a portion of these expenditures into indirect, ones, that is to say, recounted with due regard for coefficients of consumption for conjugated kinds of the intermediate products.**

Thus, BOF steelmaking requires considerable consumption of iron (direct expenditures *)* **and this in turn involves considerable consumption of fuel and energy going for production of iron, coke, blastfurnace blast, oxygen etc l indirect expenditures** *).* **£AF steelmaking requires the.mest substantial consumption of electric energy (direct expenditures** *)* **involving increased consumption of fuel for generation of electric energy at iron and steel enterprises (indirect expenditures** *)* **and increased consumption of electric energy obtained from outside.**

In such a manner, along with direct expenditures determined by the level of technological progress and elementary proportions between technologically interrelated stages of production (for instance **cokemaking and ironmaking** *)* **it is essential to have much more sophi**sticated interroute and interindustry proportions making it possible **to express correctly total expenditures of raw materials, materials, energy, semiproducts and intermediate products for intermediate and final products within the boundaries of the whole national economy. Theytake into account not only direct expenditures of specific resources per unit of products in a given stage of production but also indirect expenditures of these resources in other stages of a-technogical route and industries conjugated with a given stage of industry via ^he whole combination of inerroute proportions and interindustry relations. The total expenditures take account of expenditures of a given kind performed not only at the last routine stage of production but at the foregoing stages and routes of production in all the allied branches of industry. These expenditures make allowance**

thereby for the whole production vertical in making a given product considered as an intermediate or final product.

In addition to the total expenditures there is a possibility to use complex expenditures which are analogous by their nature to the total expenditures but form in the scope of more limited interrelationships (only in the boundaries of a predetermined complex of making products). This completely conforms to the problem worked by the experts.

The economic sense of the complex expenditures, as applied to the problem worked by the experts, consists in consecutive superposition of direct and indirect expenditures of raw materials, materials, energy, semiproducts for production of particular kinds of products in the boundaries of planned technological routes of produc tion. In the most generl view this is illustrated by the example of the "through" calculation of expenditures of fuel in coal equivalent in table 1.

Computation of the indirect expenditures is subdivided into a number of consecutive iterations. The indirect expenditures of eve iterations are generally designated by a proper number (order).

Should the expenditures of raw materials, materials, energy, se miproducts for production of steel going into making rolled products be computed;then this gives in result the indirect expenditures of the first order. The expenditures of the same resources for ironmaking in turn form the idirect expenditures of the second order and the analogous expenditures for production of 3inter - the indirect expenditures of the third order etc.

The starting position for computing the direct and complex expenditures is the formation of a square statistical table representing the combination of distribution of materials, fuel, energy, semiproducts, intermediate products for production both intermediate and final products of the iron and steel industry. The mathematical

of the mentioned table is given in table 2.

Table 2

The mathematical model of the initial statistical table for computing direct and complex expenditures for technological routes of iron and steel production.

The initial stage of forming this table consists in separating single elements defining designations of its rows and columns. Every row of this table forms a separate balance of distribution of one or another types of materials, fuel, energy, intermediate products etc. Even simple combination of many material balances in one model (rab le) fa ilitates the analysis of quantitative internal material

relations in the process of production of various metallurgical products.

The combination of horizontal rows of distribution forms vertical columns expressing the expenditures of the same materials, fuel, energy, semiproducts etc for production of distributed products. In this way as if two combined tables form: in rows - the table of distribution of raw materials, materials, fuel, energy, semiproducts, intermediate products for production of intermediate and final products, and in columns - the table of expenditures of the same types of resources for production of each specific type of products. The quantity of columns is equal to the quantity of rows, that is to say, the ^initial statistical table being essentially a matrix has nx n dimension (a square matrix). The above mentioned distinct **ive features are important benefits of the indicated initial table by comparison with a system of separated individual balances.**

The algebraic symbol of consumption of specific resources X has in the table two numbers at the bottom - the first one is determined by the numerical designation of the row, and the second - the column. When those two numbers are the same the consumption of one or another typec of fresources for its own production (for example, the consump**tion of electric energy for production of electric energy) takes plac**

The initial statistical table used by the experts for determining complex expenditures of raw materials, energy, semiproducts, intermediate products for production of intermediate and final pro- . ducts by appropriate technological routes from ore up to rolled products features rather considerable dimensions ^75 x 75). It made it possible to obtain a comprehensive pattern of the expenditures of the mentioned resources in investigated technological routes of iron and steel production. The table comprised fuel in coal equivalent x_i and 13 its constituents $X^2 - X^1 + 4$. Among them power-plant coal X^2 ,
fuel oil X_3 , natural gas X_8 , coke X_{10} etc. Electric energy is subdivided into own electric energy Σ_{16} and outside electric energy X_{17} . Thermal energy X_{19} included thermal energy produced by a heat and power plant X_{n} and an industrial boiler plant X_{21} , its total amount was taken excluding thermal energy produced by waste-heat plants as it can be conditionally adopted that fuel and electric energy don't consume for this need. Scrap X_{18} and iron ore X_{27} were adopted as raw materials. Semiproducts and intermediate products were presented by sinter $X_{\geq 0}$, pellets $X_{\leq 0}$, prereduced pellets or sponge iron $X_{\leq 1}$, pig iron λ_{33} , BOF steel X_{40} and x^2 steel X_{41} . Rolled products were depicted by their wide range with allocation of heavy section products X_{sq} , medium section products X_{qq} and light section products X_{60} , section structural rolled alleged steel X_{65} as well as plates X_{66} , sheets X_{67} and cold-rolled sheets X_{68} .

In general terms the initial statistical table can be expressed by the combination of equations which can be mathematically written $as:$

$$
X_{i} = \sum_{j=1}^{n} X_{i,j} + Y_{i} \quad (i=1,2, \ldots, n), \tag{1}
$$

where : X_i - total consumption of i-resource in iron and steel industry;

 $X_{i,j}$ - consumption of j-resource for production of j-product; Y_i - commercial output or outside distribution of i-resource. One of the equations described in general terms by the formula (1), viz. the equation of fuel in investigated technological routes, for example has the following form:

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x_{1} = x_{1,10} + x_{1,11} + x_{1,16} + x_{1,20} + x_{1,21} + x_{1,25} + x_{1,26} +
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x_{1,27} + x_{1,28} + x_{1,29} + x_{1,30} + x_{1,31} + x_{1,33} + x_{1,40} +
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x_{1,49} + x_{1,56} + x_{1,58} + x_{1,59} + x_{1,60} + x_{1,65} + x_{1,66} +
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In this equation the second number at X denotes consumption of fuel in coal equivalent for producing : coke (10), coke breeze (ii), **electric energy by a heat and power plant of iron and steel works (16;, thermal energy by a heat and power plant (20}, thermal energy by an industrial boiler plant ^21), blast-furnace blast (25), compressed air** (26), iron ore (27), manganese ore (28), sinter (29), pellets (30), μ **prereduced pellets or sponge iron (31), pig iron (33), BOP steel (40), LA? steel (41), fireclay brick (43), silica brick (44), magnesia refractories (45), magnesite powder (46), fired dolomite (47), lime (43)^ electric ferroalloys (49), continuously cast billet (56), heavy sections (58), medium sections (59), light sections '60), section structural rolled -allayed steel (65), plates (66), sheets** *[SI),* **cola-rolled sheets (68).**

In the formula (1) the component $\sum_{j=1}^{n} X_{i,j}$ being the total produc**tion consumption can be transformed as**

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X_{ij} = a_{ij} \cdot X_{ij} \tag{2}
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where : a^j- direct expenditures of i-material for making j-produc-; In this case the formula (1) takes the following form :

$$
X_{i} = \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{i,j} X_{j} + Y_{i} \qquad (i=1,2,\ldots,n)
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 (3)

Based on the formula (2) direct expenditures can be obtained by dividing consumption of i-resource arising from production.j-product by the output ofj-product

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a_{ij} = X_{ij} : X_j \tag{4}
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This rather simple formula was the basis of determining direct expenditures from the initial statistical table. Por this purpose, the statistical table (square matrix) was divided by a vector-row representing the outputs of iron and steel products (j-products). As a result, the matrix A of direct expenditures was obtained.

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A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & a_{1,3} & a_{1,4} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & a_{2,3} & a_{2,4} & \cdots & a_{2,n} \\ a_{3,1} & a_{3,2} & a_{3,3} & a_{3,4} & \cdots & a_{3,n} \\ a_{4,1} & a_{4,2} & a_{4,3} & a_{4,4} & \cdots & a_{4,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{n,2} & a_{n,3} & a_{n,4} & \cdots & a_{n,5} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{n,3} & a_{n,4} & \cdots & a_{n,4} & \cdots & a_{n,6} \end{bmatrix}
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On the basis of determined direct expenditures, the complex expenditures were computed as they were mathematically related to direct expenditures :

 $C_{ij} = a_{ij} + a_{ij}^{(1)} + a_{ij}^{(2)} + a_{ij}^{(2)} + a_{ij}^{(3)} + ... + a_{ij}^{(m)} +$ (6) Thus, the complex expenditures of i-products per unit of j-products (in our case this can be rolled products, steel, iron etc) is, according to the boundaries of the complex, the sum of appropriate direct expenditures and indirect expenditures of i-products in all the foregoing production stages stemming from production of the same unit of j-products.

The indirect expenditures in turn are expressed in terms of direct expenditures through the following formulae :

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a_{ij}^{(m)} = \sum_{k=1}^{n} \varepsilon_{ik}^{(-1)} \frac{m-1}{k!} \qquad \text{for the columns}
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a_{ij}^{(m)} = \sum_{k=1}^{n} a_{ik}^{(m-1)} a_{kj} \qquad \text{for the rows}
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 (7)

By this means the formala (6) as a whole can be written as $C = A + A^{(1)} + ... + A^{(m)} + ...$

where the matrix of indirect expenditures of the first order is the second power of the matrix of direct expenditures :

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\mathbf{A}^{(1)} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}^2
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To determine the complex labour, energy and capital expenditures defining the technological complexity of producing the investigated types of metal products with the use of determined technological routes, the obtained complex expenditures of raw materials, materials, energy and semiproducts are multiplied by direct labour or capital expenditures which are essential for their production (when d etermining complex labour and capital expenditures). These expenditures are directly used for determining the total complex-expenditures for intermediate and final products.

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3. Evaluation of Complex Labour Expenditures for Obtaining the 1st Process Complexity Index for Investigated Type3 of L.etal Products

The use of complex labour expenditures enables to evaluate the requirements in labour resources needed for constructing metal**lurgical plants in developing countries. The following values for** direct labour expenditures, man.heur/t (thou, m^3 , Gcal or thou. kWh) have been taken by experts for calculating complex labour expenditures **for producing the investigated types of metal products on the basis of Soviet research and design institutes : blast-furnace gas - 0.02C6, coke-oven gas -** 0 **.**0 0 9 **, natural gas -** 0 **.**0 9 5 **» coke - 0.581, coke breeze - 0.48, own electric energy - C.2, outside electric energy -** 1.555, scrap - 0.70, thermal energy - 0.136, oxygen - 0.322, blast**furnace blast -** 0 **.**1 9 8 **, iron ore - 1.1, sinter - O.**5 6 5 **, pellets - 0.5, pre-reduced pellets - 2.0, pig iron -** *C.769,* **fireclay brick - 2.05, silica brick - 2.45, magnesia refractories - 4.8, burnt dolomite - 2.8, lime - 1.5, electric-furnace ferroalloys - 3*5* These expenditures can be corrected depending on the actual conditions of the developing countries. Among above stated direct labour expenditures higher expenditures for blast-furnace gas in comparison with coke-oven gas draw attention. This is related to the labour intensive operation that i3 being carried out in cleaning the blastfurnace gas from dust. In comparison with outside electric energy supplied from external sources own electric power being generated la thermal-and-power plant Is considerably less labour intensive.** This can be explained by the fact that due to the considerable com**bination degree of energy products generation (blast-furnace blast, compressed air, thermal energy and electric energy) direct labour**

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expenditures for electric energy generation is lowered.

Complex labour expenditures for intermediate and final products in the ranges of investigated process routes have been obtained during calculations on EC - 1033 computer. This enables **to perform mere detailed evaluation of process complexity of any product taking into account carrying over certain process stages.**

Prior to the evaluation of complex labour expenditures for individual types of metal products it is advisable to consider the value of these indices for earlier process stages - pig iron and sponge iron production and steel-making by various method which represent the basic metallurgical stages of investigated process routes for making metal products. In addition to the labour expenditures needed for pure metallurgical production stages it is necessary to take into account the labour expenditures for associated nonmetallurgical stages for the production and transportation or natural gas and coking coal and electric power generation in allied industries.

It is advisable at the beginning to consider the calculation of complex labour expenditures values for the production of conversion pig iron and sponge iron (produced by Midrax process). These values are shown in Table 3.

The data of this table (5.006 and 5 **.145) show that complex** labour expenditures for both products are identical (the expendi**tures for sponge iron are only by 3% lower than that for pig iron) even when taking into account the labour expenditure in the gas industry and 1 metric power generation. If the latter cases are not taken into account then the complex labour expenditures for 1 t of sponge iron will be lc..er by 2?. than that for 1 t of pig iron.**

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Determination of complex labour expenditures (man.hour/t) for production of iron and sponge iron \sim \sim \mathbb{Z}^2

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Complex labour expenditures for the production of BOF steel and electric-furnace steel on the basic of using scrap and sponge iron (that is to say steel made by all of the three investigated metallurgical routes) and electric furnace steel nude from a charge containing 25**! sponge iron and 75***%* **scrap ^Table** 4 **).**

The summarized data show that less labour intensive and **hence less complicated regarding direct labour expenditures is 2AF steel made from scrap (5.5 man.hour/t). Complex labour expenditures for BOF steel (6.6 man.hour/t) is by 20^ more-than above stated value while that for electric furnace steel made from a charge containing** 25**I sponge iron and** 7 5**?. scrap it is more by 25*. The considerable complex labour expenditures for electricfurnace steel made from sponge iron (9.33 man.hour/t) can be decreased by 1.3 man.hour/t as compared with the similar expenditures for scrap based on electric-furnace steel if only the labour expenditure strictly in tha metallurgical route are taken into** account without the expenditure for allied industries (gas in**dustry and electric power generation).**

All above stated complex labour expenditures for steelmaking have been calculated on the basis that the steel is to be ca3t by aoncontinuous method. In casting steel into ingot3 and using blooming and slabbing mills additional complex labour expenditures will be bound as compared to similar expenditures when using billets - 1.5 man.hour/t.

Consideration of the obtained values for complex labour expenditures of steels being made by the various methods that can be carried out at newly built metallurgical plants of deve**loping countries simplifies tha understanding of values for complex labour- expenditures of the rolled products being made from these steols.**

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Determination of complex labour expenditures (man.hour/t) for production of BOF steel and EAF steel on the base of scrap, sponge iron, 25% of sponge iron and 75% of scrap

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Complex labour expenditures in the production of heavy, medium, and light sections, plates, sheets, cold-rolled sheets and structural section 3teel are determined in Tables 5 - 11.

Table 12 shows the summarised values of complex labour ex**penditures for all investigated process routes.**

Comparison of these data shows that the most labour intensive and the more complex regarding living labour expenditures types of products are cold-rolled sheets and alloyed structural section 3teal. The very high value for complex labour expenditures in the production of EAF steel with the use of sponge iron can be lowered by **making calculations only within the limits of the metallurgical route without taking into account the labour expenditures in the production of gas and generation of electric power in power systems (2-3 man.hour/h), and also b**7 **importing the spong9 iron (saving of 5-6 man.hour/t) or by replacing it by 3crap. The last action can be made only In the case of hard currency availability in one or another developing oountry.**

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Determination of complex labour expenditures (man.hour/t) for production of heavy-section rolled products

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Determination of complex labour expenditures (man.hour/t) for production of hot-rolled plates

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Determination of complex labour expenditures (man.hour/t) for production of hot-rolled sheets

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Determination of complex labour expenditures (man.hour/t) for production of section structural alloyed steel

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Total complex labour expenditures (man.hour/t)

Total complex labour expenditures can be also decreased by importing pellets which enables to do without the ore mining and **preparation stage and also pellets production and reduce complex expenditures by 2-2.5 man.hour/t. It i3 also possible to import** refractory materials and ferroalloys (saving of 0.25 man.hour/t).

To determine the requirement in industrial and production personnel for new', built iron and steel works the total complex **labour expenditures for the production of the required range of rolled products are multiplied by the given production capacities** and the result is divided by the annual time fund of a worker. **According to the data of the experts total number of industrial and production personnel of a plant producing 1 million ton of rolled products ranges between 5»000 - 10,000 men depending on the adopted** metallurgical route. In the whole metallurgical cycle, according to

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experts data, it is necessary to have $6\frac{4}{3}$ specialists with higher education and 12% technicians with secondary special education from the total number of industrial production personnel. For individual industries these figures amount to 8 and 14% in the production of section structural alloyed steel, 6.5 and 15.5% in ore mining and benefication, 4 and 15% in refractories production₂ 7 and 14% in ferroalloys production, 16 and 15% in thermal and power facilities, 5 and 105 in maintenance services and 11 and 19% in the coke and by-products industry.

According to the experience of Latin America's metallurgical companies the share of production workers should amount to **60**% from the whole number of workers, while workers involved in the repair and maintenance of equipment amount to about 40%. The share of skilled workers among production workers should amount to 50%, while for workers involved in equipment repair and mainenance amount to about **60% [5].**

The efficient utilization of equipment and machines in the iron and steel industry depends on the qualification and training of attending personnel. Workers attending metallurgical units should know in details the machines and equipment which are served by them, and also the specifics of the actual production processes and their relation to other processes involved in the metallurgical route.

The form of training workers, engineers and technicians required for ensuring the development of iron and steel industry in a developing country is determined by the conditions of education system dominating in the country. Without sufficiently developed training of pupils with incomplete secondary or secondary education it is possible to start training of skilled workers on the basis of primary education (6 forms). For this purpose it is expedient to establish vocational and technical schools with 3-4 years of educational period

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during which the pupils will finish incomplete secondary school. With increasing number of pupils with incomplete secondary education **the period of education for the vocational and technical schools could be reduced for this category to 1-2 years. It is important to envisage training of teachers for vocational and technical schools in higher educational establishments of a country by organizing special industrial and pedagogical departments for this purpose.**

At the first stage uf economic development of the country workers of required skills can be trained in the training centres for workers of the developed countries with the help of which the **iron ana steel industry is being developed. The above centres are also established by the United Nations Development Organisation.**

The Soviet Union renders cooperation to the developing countries in the field of training indigenous personnel of builders and metal**lurgists for the iron and steel industry, plants installed in those** countries with the USSR's technical assistance. Beginning from 1965 **six month instruction courses (seminar) have been held under the auspices of UNIDO in the city cf Saporozhie organized by the Government of the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republlo.**

The training of specialists of mean qualification - technicians including teachers of vocational and technical schools should be carried out in the medium technical educational establishments with education period of 3-4 years where pupils graduated from incomplete secondary schools. The educational plan of technicians' training for the iron and steel industry should cover general educational, general technical and professionally metallurgical cycles. With the development in the country of secondary education the graduates from secondary sch ools can be admitted to the technical schools with the reduced educational period covering 1-2 years.

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The training of engineers for the iron and steel industry of developing countries can be conducted in a murber of forms. Initially, it is centralized direction of the graduates of secondary schools for studying in higher educational establishments of developing countries for receiving concrete speciality. Simultaneously, it is essential to organise in the country the training of engineers for the iron and steel industry, in the national higher educational establishments. If university education is available in the country then in this case for training engineers - metallurgists the graduate3 of universities can be used for training them during 2 years in the established specialised technical higher educational institutes cn special metallurgical disciplines at the level of Kagister of Technology.

In case the university education is developed in the country it could be possible to organize in the universities metallurgical departments with 5-year educational period. Depending on industrial development scale of the country and with great requirements in engineers it is possible to organize many-prcfiled technical institutes with 5-year educational period included metallurgical departments •

These are general approaches to the organisation of training of workers, technicians and engineers for developing iron and steel industry the content of which could be the subject of independent study.

4. Determination of oomclex energy expendi tures for receiving second index of technological complexity of investigated types of metal products

The usage of complex energy expenditures allows to. determine the requirements in fuels and electric energy per 1 tonne of inter-

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mediate and finished metal products and define the energy intensity of the products.

The complex energy expenditures intermediate end finished products for the investigated technological cycles were obtained during the calculations. This allows to define with more details the distinguishing features of producing the metal products under investigation.

The complex energy expenditures for intermediate and finished products of the technological cycles under investigation is received by using complex values of single kinds of fuel and energy expenditures per 1 tonne. of product calculated as a result of direct inversion of matrix of direct expenditures mentioned in Chaper 2. The complex fuel expenditures were calculated as a whole including 14 kinds of fuel as well as expenditures of town and outside electric energy, thermal energy including thermal energy produced by thermal electric plants, industwial boiler-houses and waste-heat plants, expenditures of oxygen, furnace blast and compressed air.

For determining the technological complexity of iron and steel industry products it is necessary to use integral characteristic : summerising complex expenditures of primary fuel and electric energy obtained outside for producing different types of metal products. For this purpose the blast-furnace gas expenditures are deduced from the complex expenditure of fuel in coal equivalent in order to avoid double account and to the obtained result is added the complex expenditures of outside electric energy and multiplied by the specific consumption of fuel required for its production (350 kq of fuel in coal equivalent /1,000 kWh). This characteristic is the complex energy expenditures. The consumption (energy intensity) of other energies - for which primary fuel and electric energy are used - oxygen, blast-furnace blast, commpressed air, thermal energy,

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is taken into consideration by using the expenditures of primary fuel and electric energy for these products in analogy to the expenditures for the remaining types of intermediate and finished products.

Before determining the complex energy expenditures for various types of rolled products it is expedient to consider these characteristics for the previous technological stages - iron or sponge production and steel production by various methods which iron comprise the basis of the investigated technological routes for producing metal products.

The characteristics calculated per 1 tonne of iron and sponge iron are given in Table 13.

The data indicated in this table show that energy intensity of sponge iron is almost 25% below this characteristic for iron despite the fact that higher consumption of natural gas and electric energy in production of sponge iron.

Table 13

Determination of complex energy expenditures for the production of pig iron and sponge iron

In Table 14 the complex energy expenditures are determined for **the production Of EOF-steel and ZAF-steel made on the base of scrap ana sponge iron and also on the base of the charge containing 25% sponge** iron and 75% scrap.

The data in the Table illustrate high complex fuel expenditures required for the production of E0F-3teel because of high pig iron consumption for its production (850 kg/t). From the point of view of energyintensity they are considerably lower in the case of EAF-steel melted **on the base of scrap and they are the highest when ZAF-steel is melted on the base of sponge iron.**

If we do not take into account the fuel expenditures for the generation of electric energy in electric-energy complexes not included in the complex cf the steel works then energy-intensity of the EAF-steel made on the base of sponge iron within the works will be reduced nearly **by 35*.**

Determination of complex energy expenditures for the production of BOF-steel and ZoF-ste6l

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Complex energy expenditures required for the production of investigated steel types are determined on the assumption that all the steels are continuously cast. In case of ingot production and with the use of blooming and slabbing mills the complex energy expenditures will increase by 15-17%.

In Table 15 complex energy expenditures for the production of heavy sections are given.

These results show that the energy-intensity of heavy sections can vary from its minimum values (0.626 t of coal equiv.) in case of **EAF steel on the base of scrap to maximum values (1.557 to coal equiv.) when making thi**3 **steel on the base of sponge iron. At the same time from the point of view of fuel consumption for the produc**tion of heavy sections the use of EAF-steel made from sponge iron is **by 50% lower than that of BOF-steel. These trends also can be observed in the case of the production of medium and light sections. (Tables** 16 and 17).

Table 15

Determination of complex energy expenditures for the production of heavy sections and its energy-intensity

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medium sections

Lower energy intensity of medium sections in comparison with heavy sections is expl ined by a lower consumption of continuously cast billets for a given type of rolled produces / 1.044 versus 1.06 for heavy sections).

In Table 18 complex energy expenditures for the production of steel plates are given, and in Table 19 similar indices for steel sheets are shown.

A considerable power-intensive of steel plates is explained by an increased steel consumption for this kind of rolled products { 1.116 t/t instead of 1 .0 6 **for light steel sections).**

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Determination of complex energy **expenditures for the production of**

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Determination of complex energy expenditures for the production

of steel plates

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Expenditures Unit of measure-When using BOFsteel E A F steel on the base 0**. cent scrap sponge** 25*i* **sp. iron iron and 75*scrap Fuel t of coal equiv. 1.0667 0.5087 0.7325 0.4526 inc. coke t 0.416 0.0416 - 0.0318 natural gas thou,** *or* **0.258 0.111 0.559 0.254 Blast-furnace gas t of coal equiv, 0.176** 0 .0 5 2 **0.025 0.049 Electric energy thou. k\7 .h 0.746** 1 .2 1 **1.94 1.29 incl.outside energy — n -- 0.650 1.04 1.77 1.26** $Oxygen$ **thou.** m^3 **0.203 0.034 0.033 0.04 Blast-furnace blast thcu.tr.m^ 1.7592 0.153 - 0.1o4 Energy-intensity t of coal equiv. 1.119 0.621 1.327 0.825**

Determination of complex energy expenditures for the production of steel sheets

The energy intensity of steel sheets is lower than that of steel plates which is connected with a lower steel consumption (I .0 9 8 **instead of 1.116 t/t).**

The highest values of energy intensity characterize cold-rolled sheet and structural steel sections (Tables 20 and 21).

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For ccld-rolled sheets it cen be explained with energy expenditures for an additional intermediate stage - sheet rolling.

Determination of complex energy expenditures for the production of

cold-rolled sheets

Determination of complex energy expenditures for the production **of section structural alloyed steel**

laedium-alloyed steel grades were taken, as section structural alloyed steel. The total values of energy intensity in all technological routes which have been investigated are given in Table 2 2 *4*

Total value 3 **of energy intensity of metal products, t of coal equivalent/t**

The comparison of these values shows that the most energy- intensive and complex from the point of view of energy expenditures are steel plates, cold-rolled sheets and section structural, alloyed steel. The energy intensity of metal products used for the production of steel with the use of sponge iron can be reduced due to imported sponge iron (the energy intensity can be reduced by more than 40%). It should be **stressed that high values of electric complex energy expenditures for the indicated types of metal products when using EA? steel on the base of sponge iron which are 700 kW'.h higher than that of scrap. This can be explained by the necessity of additional electric energy consumption required for the beneiiciation of ore with medium Fe content and for remelting sponge iron containing gangue.**

5 **. Determination of complex capital expenditures for obtaining third process complexity Index of investigated type3 of metal products**

For calculating complex capital expenditures in producing the investigated types of metal products the following direct capital expenditures $\dot{\phi}/t$ (thou. m^3 , G cal or thou. kW..h) has been assumed :

power-plant ccal - 12, fuel oil - 80, blast-furnace gas - 3, coke**oven gas -** 1 5 **, natural gas -** 9 0 **, coke -** 1 0 0 **, coke nuts -** 8 0 **, coke breezo - 60, own electric energy - 30, outside energy - 25, scrap -28, thermal energy - 4.0, oxygen - 80.0, blast-furnace blast - 2,0, compressed air - 1.5, iron ore - 45.0, sinter - 25.0, pellets - 20.0, pre-reduced pellets (sponge iron) - 120.0, pig iron - 32,0, BOF steel** (including continuous casting) - 80, fireclay brick - 120, silica **briok -** 1 5 0 **, magnesia brick -** 3 6 0 **, dolomite refractories -** 2 0 0 **,** burnt lime - 35, electric-furnace ferroalloys - 260, heavy sections -8 2 **, medium sections -** 100 **(** 220 **with thermal treatment), light sections -** 85 **(140 with heat treatment), plates - 110 {230 with heat** treatment), sheets - 50, cold-rolled sheets - 200 and section structural steel - 190.

Mentioned unit capital expenditures have been taken on the basis of foreign practice and the praotice of design institutes in the Soviet Union to some degree are approximate. These costs require **correction when calculations are made for specific conditions of this or other developing country.**

Capital expenditures for the production of pig iron and sponge iron are shown in Table 23. Resulting calculation data show that capital expenditures for producing sponge iron are lower than that for producing pig iron by 9 **%.**

Complex capital costs for the production of BOF-steel and EAF-steel on the base of scrap, sponge iron and 25% sponge iron and 75% scrap are calculated in Table 24.

Total data of this Table show that the lowest value of complex capital costs are those for producing EAF steel from sorap and the highest values are those for EAF-steel made from sponge iron. The last value is by 20% higher than that for BOF-steel. All complex capital cost3 **values** 3**hown in Table 24 have been calculated on the**

basis that steel is cast in continuous casting plants.

In casting steel into ingots and using blooming and slabbing mills for billets reduction additional capital costs, amounting to 25% of shown in Table 24 values are required.

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On the base of the estimated values of complex capital expenditures for the production of various steel types which can be made in new works in developing countries the following complex capital expenditures were obtained for different types of rolled products (Tables $23 - 31$). Table 23

Determination of complex capital expenditures $(\frac{1}{2})$ for production of pig iron and sponge iron (prereduced pellets)

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Determination of complex capital expenditures (*/t) for production of BOF steel and EAF steel on the base of scrap, sponge iron, 25% of sponge iron and 75% of scrap

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Table 25 .

Determination of complex capital expenditures $(\sqrt[3]{t})$ for production of heavy-section rolled products

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Determination of complex expenditures (\$/t) for production of medium-section rolled products

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Determination of complex capital expenditures (\$/t) for production of hot-rolled plates

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Determination of complex capital expenditures $(\frac{1}{2})$ for production of cold-rolled sheets

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Determination of complex capital expenditures (\$/t) for production of section structural alloyed steel

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On the basis of the total data of Tables 25-31 a following overall Table of complex capital expenditures for the production of investigated metal products can he made.

7 **" Table 32 Total complex expenditures for the production of investigated metal products (\$/t }**

The values of complex expenditures indicated in the Table allow to conclude that the plates, cold-rolled sheets and section structural alloyed steel are of highest capital-intensity. This can

be explained by a high steel consumption for the production of these types of metal products (1.114, 1.161 and 1.12 correspondingly) which leads to additional considerable complex capital expenditures. A considerable ferro-alloy consumption has a great influence on complex capital expenditures for the production of section structural alloyed steel. Depending on the metallurgical route the complex capital expenditures are 40 $*/t$ higher in case of EAF-steel on the base of sponge iron.

There is a possibility to reduce the total capital intensity by half if to import sponge iron, but in this case it is necessary *i* **to search for currency reserves.**

6. Influence of metal quality on technological complexity of products in iron and steel and consuming industries.

The metal products quality improvement as a rule has an influence on increasing three discussed values of technological complexity indices of these products, but at the same time allows to .reduce considerable indices of technological complexity in the production of capital goods and in other industries consuming metal products.

The problem of metal quality improvement is of the greatest importance for any country, including developing countries because the use factor of metal products in different industries consuming the metal varies within great limits and equals on average to 0.8. **Prom the rest quantity of metals nearly 15% is intended for the insurance of safety factor which is necessary because of heterogeneity of steel. Taking account of steel consumption factor for the production of rolled products only some more than a half of the total volume of produced steel is used in the form of finished produot3.**

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 $\mathcal{P}^{\mathcal{A}}(b) = \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{P}^{\mathcal{A}}(b)$.

When evaluating the efficiency of metal quality improvement measures in any definite case it is necessary to determine the relationship between the metal performance changes and its service features (for example, between increase of pure and uniformity of the metal and increase of its strength and safety, between increase of metal strength characteristics and reduction of its products mass and increase their service life, between change of geometrical form of rolled products and reduction of metal working volume and so on).

The metal products of improved quality are equivalent from the point of view of their consuming characteristics to a greater volume of products featuring ordinary quality. Besides, the economy value depends on the process or utilization stage where the effect of improved quality is realized. This is connected with the fact that the value of the embodied labour in the metal mass unit is increased in the course of its development from the initial stage of production to the final stage of consumption.

If the effect from the improved quality is realized in the process of metal-working and utilization of the metal product then the economy of the direct labour, energy and capital investments in iron and steel industry as a whole is insured due to relative decrease of metal production, and in metal-working and machinery due to reduced volume of worked metal and dus to reduced number of produced machines and equipment.

In this connection along with redistribution of these resources within the industry one should take into consideration possibilities of searching additional resources due to the economy which would be received by industries consuming metal and metal. products of improved quality.

Lietal products quality is characterized by a number of properties and therefore has no unique measuring instrument. In

practice the moat important metal property which is considered to be most significant for a given purpose is distinguished as the main one. The comparative assessment of metal quality can be performed therefore on the basis of this main property (for example, according to the strength) provided that all other properties ^re within the permissible (for the given purpose) limits.

For steels of ordinary grades, carbon and low-carbon, as well as structural and alloyed steels used for the production of the investigated metal products, the main quality characteristics are yield point and ultimate strength at static test (or fatigue limit) and auxiliary ductility (elongation or impact strength).

In the Soviet Union today when assessing the quality of ferrous metals as a rule orientation is made on the characteristics stipulated by the standards. The standards for ferrous metals stiictly normalize the chemical composition of the metal, its me**chanical properties (yield point, ultimate strength, elongation or oompression, sometimes impact strength, bending test and others), as for quality metal norms for hardness, macrostructure, thermal treatment etc. are also established. Àt the same time there are more than 100 various increased requirements for the metal quality which can be united in 10 groups (TableJ3). All these requirements characterize the technological complexity of metal products and products of industries-consumers as well as in iron and steel industry end lead to the growth of complexity indices values.**

It is very important to determine the stage of production **where an improved quality effect is realized. This is connected with the fact that complex labour, energy and capital expenditures are being increased from the initial stage of its production to the final stage. For example, if Improved 3teel quality results in decreased volume of wastes in metallurgical processes, then the**

Table 33

Classification of additional teohnlcal requirements for the quality of ferrous metals and the nature of effect manifistation in their use

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1 2 3 4 5 6 *d* - phase Higher nickel content and lower chrome content should be used — — Due to sorting Increasing steel ducti out of the me tal, not meeting suring non-magnetic pr strict standard s ty in hot working and perties of $1t$ Boosting microstructure standards Improving technology with adequate heat treatment ditto Ensuring higher reliab 11 ty Depth of decarburization layer Precise observation of the production process. additional cont- $_{\rm{rol}}$ Expenditures for technological process complexity in heightening the requirements Due to sorting out of the me tal, not meeting strict $s.$ and a rd s The possibility of ap plying cheaper treat. ment and reduction in wastes at users premi ses owing to less all **wances** Additional requirements for physical properties Hardness penetration guaranty — Carefull development of the pro c e a s, narrowing the limits of carbon content — Due to sorting out of the metal, not meeting strict $$ Increase in the durat lity of products of a sumer enterprises Hardenability guaranty Strictly defined $chemical$ compo $_{\rm{stat}}$ — Due to sorting out of the metal in certain cases Increase in the dural lity of products of ϵ sumer enterprises Standardization of the tendency to intercrystalline corrosion Standardization of the tendency to graphitization Narrowing the limits of re sidual chrome content Observation of soaking time du ring annealing by decreasing the charge — Due to metal sorting out Ensuring steel resist ce to intercrystallin corrosion Ensuring high reliabi lity of the steel

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effect is summerized mainly from economy of expenditures in steel**making and rolling processes.**

The utilisation • in machine-building and construction of metals characterized by higher strength properties and more rational rolled metals ranges insures their reduced consumption, increased labour productivity and thus reduced manufacturing and construction costs. The utilization of machines manufactured from the metal of improved quality v;iii reduce operating costs and will allow to minimize the machine stock, energy capacities and so on. Thus if the effect from the improved quality is realized in the process of metal working and operating of the metal products, then the summarized economy in labour, energy and capital expenditures is insured as a whole in iron and steel industry as a result of relatively reduced metal production, and in metal working and machine building due to reduced volume of metal being worked and reduced number of machines and equipment being produced.

The efficiency of the utilization of the improved quality metal is generally resulted in increased yield in iron and steel industry and in efficiency of the use of ferrous metals due to their decreased losses with wastes as well as in reduced volume of metal-intensive products, in increased safety and extended period of their life, in other improved operating characteristics of th9 machines and products.

The character and stages of the efficiency evidence have their specific features.

1. If the effect i3 realized in the process of metal-working and the operating properties of the products made from the metal of improved quality do not change, then the result will be in re**duced metal consumption and volume of it3 working in metal working**

industries; For example, the application of rolled sections of additional intermediate sizes, steel sheets in coils instead of sheets and so on allows to reduce metal losses due to wastes. In **this connection the demand in metal and its working operations are reduced and hence required capital investments and current costs in metal working industries per unit of this produot are also reduced.**

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2, **The use of improved quality metals (low-alloy steels, thermally strengthened rolled products, enlightened beams and channels, formed sections and others) makes it possible to decrease the mass of 1 metre of reinforced steel rods, construction steel structures, pipelines, machines and others per unit productivity. In this case if decrease in weight of metal products does not affect their operational characteristics (e.g. whils producing fixed steel structures) the effect will be expressed in decrease in the metal demand and lower volume of its processing [6].**

Relative characteristics of metal products quality are the coefficients of metal saving. These coefficients show the quantity of conventional metal products intended for replacement to be saved with the use of]. tonne of improved quality instead of metal products. With the help of these coefficients the effect of the contemplated upgrading of quality on the intended outputs and consumption of ferrous metals.

The total saving of metal as a result of the extension in the range of rolled products and enhancing quality of metal products is determined as the product of particular saving coefficient on the **outstripped increment of the proper types of improved quality metal.**

In the USSR the mean value of coefficients for every item of improved quality products is determined on the basis of the saving

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coefficients and share of increment of demand in these products of **specific industry.**

For every item the saving coefficient is determined as a weighted mean,value according to formula :

 $k_3 = \sum K_{31} k_{12}$ + $k_{32} k_{22}$ + ... + $k_{3i} k_{1i}$ **C 9)** where \mathcal{L}_{3f} ; \mathcal{K}_{32} ; \mathcal{K}_{34} -coefficients of saving in various fields of the use

of definite type of improved quality metal,

 q_1 ; q_2 ; q_i - shares of increments of every field in the total **volume of demand in the given type of metal.**

The methods of coefficients calculation are differentiated depending on the trends of actual saving of metal :

1. Decreasing the weight of products ;

- 2. reduction in metal intensity of a product using high-quality **metal**
- **3. reduction in quantity of metal wastes when machining the articles**

4. increase in durability of articles as a result of

- **short-term use with service life less than one year ;**
- long-term use with service life more than one year.

Definition of metal saying in reducing the weight of an article on account of increase in strength properties of metal or use of more rational sections is based on the principle of equal strength replacement. For every concrete case the principles of equal strength are used in different ways : in some cases it it achieved by comparing metal consumption for an article, in others - per unit length of rolled product. In this case the coefficient of metal saving is determined according to formula :

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C_9 = \frac{Q_I}{Q_2} - f \tag{10}
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where Q_1 - weight of article made of metal of previous quality, t. \mathbb{Q}_2 - weight of article of improved quality, t.

The coefficients of saving as a result of using the metal of improved strength properties have substantial fluctuations due to different extent of use of properties depending on purpose and conditions of operation.

Hence, the actual saving of metal, as a rule, is less than the value obtained by the use of relationships between indices due to failure to coincide the calculated shape-sizes, e.g. section steel with the actually produced shape-sizes.

Besides, the actual value of metal saving i3 **influenced by the character of load of structure elements (tension, pressure, bending, mixed deformation as well as relationship of strained, compressed, bended and other elements in various structures).**

The calculated section area of tension elements (P) is determined, without regard to their length, as per load value (P) according to formula :

> $\mathbf{F} = \frac{\mathbf{P}}{\mathbf{R}}$ **p**

where B - calculated resistance, kg /cm .

When working for compression -

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\mathbf{F} = \frac{F}{\mathbf{U} - \mathbf{R}} \tag{12}
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where U is coefficient of decrease in permissible stress for compressed rods.

This coefficient is taken according to predetermined standards depending on the bendability of elements.

In case the elements work for bending, the metal saving is determined as per calculated resistance (H) :

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R = \frac{M}{R}
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 (13)

where M is bending moment, kg/sm

3 W is moment of resistance to bending, sm'.

In the tensiled elements of structures the metal saving, in comparison with the increase in yield limit, is less by 15-20%. In ' compressed and bended elements of structures the effect is decreased more. In compressed elements the effect Is approximately by 50% less than in tensile elements and in bended elements by 25**%.**

On the average, the increase in metal saving is less than the increase in yield strength by 40-50%.

The evaluation of metal saving when using higher-strength reinforcing rod steel is based on equal strength of 1 **m. of reinforced rods.**

The quantity of reinforced rods of various grades (T) can be expressed by the given quantity of steel of any grade of con**ventionally equivalent strength which i**3 **determined by formula :**

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T_{1} = K_{np} \times T \qquad (14)
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where K_{np} - is coefficient of transformation.

*R** **- is calculated resistance, kg/sor**

This coefficient is equal to
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K_{np} = \frac{R_a \times K_n \times K_n}{R_{a1} \cdot K_{n2} \cdot K_{m2}}
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\n(15)

where

 K_n - is coefficient of strength utilization.

 K_{M} -is coefficient of metal utilization

The saving of metal is determined as follows :

in tonnes $\partial_M = K_{np} - I$ in per cent $\theta_m = \left(1 - \frac{K_{np}}{K_{np}L}\right)$ (16)

If the use of metal with higher level of properties allows to increase equipment efficiency, then coefficient of saving should be calculated according to for ula :

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K_{\theta} = \frac{\rho_{m1} \cdot d_{\theta} - \rho_{m2}}{\rho_{m2}} = \frac{\rho_{m1} \cdot d_{\theta}}{\rho_{m2}} - 1 \qquad (17)
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where P_{m1} - is consumption of metal of former quality per an article P_{M2} = is consumption of metal of improved quality per an **article.**

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 d_3 = is coefficient of equivalence showing the quantity cf finished articles of former quality that is equiva**lent to the quantity of "finished articles" of new quality.**

The coefficient of equivalence is calculated as follows : $d_9 = \frac{Q_H}{Q_C}$ **(18) where** *Qu -* **is annual output of a "finished article" produced with the use of improved quality metal.**

> **CPc - is annual output of a "finished article" produced from the metal of ordinary quality.**

As a result of improvement of a range, shapes and sizes of products the quantity cf wastes and savings in metal processing is decreased without changing the weight of products. The metal saving in this case is determined according to the difference between rates of consumption of imported metal of conventional quality in accordance with formula ;

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K_{\theta} = \frac{\rho_{m_1} - \rho_{m_2}}{\rho_{m_2}} = \frac{\rho_{m_1}}{\rho_{m_2}} - 1
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 (19)

where

Pni- **is consumption of metal of conventional quality**

per article, t

P»2 **- is consumption of improved quality metal per article, t**

The evaluation of metal saving as a result of the increase in durability of an article has its own specific features. As a rule, the increase in durability does not lead to the change of specific rates of metal consumption per article or any other measure unit. The increase in durability generally results in the decrease of consumption of metal intended for repair and maintenance purposes.

With the durability of a part or an article being less than one year the economy coefficient of saving is determined by the following formula :

 $K_{a} = \frac{T_{2}}{T_{1}} - 1$

(20)

- where K_9 is a coefficient of saving, t/t ;
	- 7^\prime_2 is a durability of an article when using improved **quality metal, t/t ;**
	- \overline{V}_t is a durability of an article when using metal of **former quality, months. ;**

The peculiarity of evaluating metal saving with the increased durability of an article of long-term use with the durability of more than one year is that the achievement of this saving does not go in time with the use of improved quality metal.

The metal saving for every year can be determined as difference between :

a. metal production output needed in a particular year for changing articles if their durability does not change and

b. metal production output needed for the change of articles with higher durability that should be changed in a particular year.

The metal saving for every year is determined by equation :

 $A_{\tau-t} - A_{\tau-t}$, (21)

where A - is the output of improved quality metal ;

T - is the year for which metal saving i3 **determined.**

***£ - is durability of articlec made of traditional metal ;**

 t_f -is durability of articles mada of higher quality metal ; $7-t$; $7-t$ _{\overline{t}} are indices of years for which output is taken.

For evaluating the influence of improvement of metal product quality on the indices of its technological complexity it is necessary .o have the values of coefficients of metal saving.

It is expedient to dwell on some examples of quality improvement.

The use of rolled products of low-alloy steel insures considerable metal saving. Low-alloy 3**teels are characterized by higher**

strength properties as a rule good weldability, ability for bending and forging, higher corrosion-resistance strength. It is expedient to use it for more loaded elements of structures.

In the USSR the most widely used grades of low-alloy steel with the yield point of 33 and 40 kg/m^2 are C9f2C , $14 \text{ }72$, **1 0***r* **2C1, 15XC3J1, 10XCHB and others. These steel grades are generally used for main base structures and elements of constructions and buildings instead of normal grade steel CT3 insure the metal saving of about 17% (0.21 t/t). The saving of steels with yield point of 43 to 75 kg/nsn**2 **can make up in comparison with** 3 **teel CT , 35"*0% for the main bearing structures of buildings and constructions.**

The use of low-alloy steel rods for prefabricated and monolithic concrete structures gives saving of metal in comparison with steels of conventional quality by 0.275 t/t.

The use of low-alloy steels for hot-rolled sections for wagons makes up 0.126 t/t and for sheets - 0.18 - 0.22 t/t. The coefficient of saving on account of the use of these steels in the USSR accounts for 0.14 t/t in wagon building, 0.l6.t/t in diesel locomotive building, 0,224 t/t in metallurgical engineering, 0.231 t/t in hoist-transport machine-building, 0.110 t/t in mining machine-cuilding, 0.16 t/t in coal machine-building, 0.15 t/t **0.14 t/t in chemical and petrochemical machine-building, C.16 t/t** in construction and road machine-building, 0.20 t/t in automotive, tractor and agricultural industries, 0.16 t/t in ship-building, 0.18 t/t in energy machine-building, 0.1 t/t in other industries. **The complex labour, energy and capital expenditures are increasing while changing steels of conventional quality for low-alloy steels less than** 5**%.**

One more method of metal saving by consumers is thermal strengthening of rolled products that lies in intensive cooling

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of metal heated up to a hardening temperature. There are several **methods of thermal strengthening: tempering for flat and long products, strengthening of reinforcing rods with the use of rolling heating etc.**

Thermally strengthened rolled products are used for manufacture of building metal structures, rods for reinforced concrete and machine-building. The utilization of low-alloy and carbon p thermally strengthened steel with yield point of 29-40 kg/mm. saves 0.126 t/t of metal.

When using low-alloy thermally strengthened long and flat rolled products in the welded span structures of bridges the economy for the substituting parts will comprise 0.28 t/t.

However, according to the figures calculated by experts, 60-120 **dollars/t are required additionally in the complex capital expenditures of rolled products for carrying out thermal strengthening and other kinds of thermal treatment. But taking into account the obtained saving in the consuming industries and decrease in the total output of metal it fully proves its value.**

The average metal saving from the use of thermally strengthened rolled products amounts to 0.175 t/t of flats for the construction steel structures, 0.28 t/t for transport machine-building, 0.25 t/t **for automotive industry, 0.181 t/t for heavy and tractor machine**building and rods, 0.277 t/t for reinforcing steel and 0.207 t/t **of long products for machine-building.**

One of the most efficient ways of decreasing wastes is the usage of die-rolled sections made by helical rolling. The metal saving obtained from using these sections amounts on the average to 0.13 t/t including for heavy, energy and transport machinebuilding - 0.122 t/t, automotive industry - 1.10? t/t, tractor

and agricultural machine-building - 0.206 t/t, construction, road and community machine-building - 0.236 t/t, electrotechnical industry - 0.139 t/t.

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The metal saving from using cold-rolled sheets instead of hot-rolled sheets comprises saving on account of more rigid tolerances $(3-4\frac{d}{b})$ and possibility of using thinner sheets in place of hot-rolled sheets (15-17%). Hence, the average saving is evaluated at 20%, and the coefficient of saving is 0.25 t/t. Thus, the great complex labour, energy and capital expenditures for the production of this type of iron and steel industry products is justified from the point of view of reducing tctal expenditures for the whole economy of developing countries.

The coefficient of metal saving due to wider use of hotrolled sheets of 1.2 - 1.8mm and 2 mm thick in comparison with the use of sheets of wider range of thickness amounts to 0.25 t/t.

The use of coiled rolled products allows to reduce the consumption of metal on account of improvement of cutting out and related decrease in wastes.

In electrotechnical industry the use of coiled steel makes it possible to save $5 - 8$ % metal, and in automative industry $- 5$ %. On the average the coefficient of metal saving from the wider use of steel in coils is 0.05%. When using this metal the labour intensity of cutting works decreases by $35-40$, and a great number of cutting-out equipment is released. The use of coiled rolled products creates also favourable conditions for introducing automatic forging.

The largest demand in coiled steel is observed in automative industry, agricultural, tractor and electrotechnical machinebuilding.

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Conclusion

The conducted research allows to determine the technological complexity of the products of the iron and steel industry by 3 indices : complex labour, energy and capital expenditures required for this product which give the possibility to determine the strategy for setting up and progress of the iron and steel industry of developing countries, requirements in labour resources, various kinds of fuel and energy and capital investments. In the research . attention is attached to the influence of level of product quality on the complexity of its production in the iron and steel industry and utilization in other industries of economy of developing countries. The distinguishing feature of the study is the determination of labour, energy and capital expenditures for the production of important types of metal products with due regard to the most characteristic technological routes in the modern iron and steel industry.

It has been found in the work that the simplest route for introduction is the process one with melting ZAF steel on the base of scrap, but for this it is required to use sufficiently large quantity of scrap and that is difficult to carry out in the developing countries which have low volumes of the metal fund.

The import of scrap requires high expenditures in currency and this is not an effective solution of the problem of setting-up the iron and steel industry. Besides, the excessive import volumes could make the developing countries dependent . . economically on the developed countries and could not contribute to the achievement of their political independence. The use of at least $25\frac{1}{2}$ of sponge iron in electric furnace charge makes the position

easier. All three indices of technological complexity of this process route have comparatively low values and can be carried out in the developing countries with considerable saving in labour, energy and capital expenditures in comparison with the classical route (blast-furnace - basic $oxygen$ urnace) and the route based on the use of sponge iron for charge of electric arc furnaces. The realization of the later technological route leads to the highest values on the metal products under investigation. However, it should be mentioned that the calculations of experts are based on the teatative average values of direct labour, energy and capital expenditures. In practice, depending on the capacities of iron and steel works to be set up these values can be changed to one and the other side. The natural resources available in various developing countries also play a great role.

For instance, when considerable resources of rich iron ore and natural gas are available and their prices are relatively low the development of steel iron and steel industry on the basis of direct reduction process can score significant advantages.

The system of complex labour, energy and capital expenditures makes it possible to assess both totally and by stages the demand in manpower, to identify the requirement in the number of higher and secondary education specialists and the requirements in all kinds of fuel, energy and capital investments. Thus, for a works with a capacity of 1 mln t/year of steel sections operating with the use of the route "blast furnace - basic oxygen furnace" it will be necessary to have 5,000 workers, 300 engineers and 600 technicians, to consume 1.1 mln t of primary fuel in coal equivalent ; the construction of the works will demand 400-500 mln $\frac{1}{2}$.

In case with a works of the similar output producing coldrolled sheets in accordance with the same technological route the above mentioned figures will be increased correspondingly up to 8,000 workers, 450 engineers, about 1,000 technicians, 1.25 mln t of primary fuel and 600 mln \$.

When the technological route is based on the use of electric arc furnaces operating on the sponge iron the above figures will be increased by 25%.

The developing countries will benefit a great deal if they use the system proposed by the Soviet experts for the determination of complex expenditures for raw materials, energy and semi-finished products required for the production of intermediate and final products. This system allows to observe certain ratios when calculating the requirements of the indicated resources, to make calculations with the elimination of some technological stages and substitution of some kinds of fuel by others, to establish rational relationships between certain kinds of raw materials (pellets, sinter, prereduced pellets and so on.) Finally, this system allows to determine with the use of direct labour and capital expenditures proper ratios when calculating the requirements in these resources.

Taking into consideration concrete conditions of the developing countries the technological complexity of iron and steel industry products which is determined by three indices comprising complex labour, energy and capital expenditures can be varied within rather wide limits. The values of these indices obtained by the experts on the basis of average data are necessary for the orientation and approximate calculations, the final calculations must be perforred with due corrections of initial data.

While making these calculations it is essential to know the

technological complexity of the production methods used by metal product consumers including suppliers of equipment and machines for iron and steel industry. It is worthwhile to obtain hereafter the unified indices of technological complexity in all branches of the national economy. Total labour, energy and capital expenditures can be used as these indices. These expenditures are of the same nature as complex expenditures, but embrace a wider range of industries within the limits of the national economy.

The merit of these indices consists in their reality and high utilization significance.

The development of iron and steel industry is connected with a wide range of problems, concerning technique and production technologies, production organization and control, social problems and, finally, financing problems.

The priority of production costs and financing is of great 'mportance for the developing countries.

The development of iron and steel industry in the developing countries today is going on due to various financing forms : state, private and complex. The most reliable and objectively sound form is the state centralized financing which contributes main..y to the independence of the country.

The participation of the state in financing corresponding programs on plan basis provides for the proper orientation in the development of the national economy, and particularly of iron and steel industry, in developing countries with due consideration of the national interests.

It should be noted that as a rule in the developing countries there is not production base for the construction of necessary equipment and for this reason they have to address

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