

Ni-Alloy IN718 / 2.4668 ^[1]

General

IN718 is a precipitation-hardenable nickel-chromium alloy with a density of circa 8.2 g/cm³. Developed in the early 1960's, this alloy is still considered the material of choice for the majority of aircraft engine components with service temperatures below 700 °C. IN718 combines a very good corrosion resistance at high and low temperatures and a good corrosion resistance at temperatures to 1000 °C with outstanding weldability including resistance to postweld cracking. Furthermore, the alloy has excellent tensile, fatigue, creep, and rupture strength at temperatures up to 700 °C. Besides components for (gas) turbines, IN718 can be used for engine components, rocket parts, and in high temperature environments in general.

Material Structure

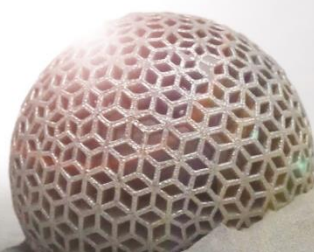
SLM[®]-processed components out of IN718 show a homogenous, nearly non-porous structure. The mechanical properties are in the range of material specifications. Through subsequent processing such as heat treatment (e.g. precipitation hardening), material properties can be adjusted to the individual required conditions.

Chemical composition [Mass fraction in %]^[2]

Ni	Cr	Fe	Ta + Nb	Mo	Ti	Al	Cu	C	Si	Mn	B
50.00 – 55.00	17.00 – 21.00	Balance	4.75 – 5.50	2.80 – 3.30	0.65 – 1.15	0.20 – 0.80	0.30	0.08	0.35	0.35	0.006
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1.00	0.015	0.015									

Powder properties

Particle size ^[2]	10 – 45 µm	Particle shape ^[3]	Spherical
Mass density ^[4]	8.2 g/cm ³	Thermal conductivity ^[5]	11.2 W/(m·K)



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Layer thickness 30 μm ^[6]		As-built	Heat-treated ^[14]
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Build-up rate ^[8]	[cm^3/h]	16.85 cm^3/h	
Component density ^[9]	[%]	>99.5 %	

Tensile test ^[10]			M	SD	M	SD
Tensile strength	R _m [MPa]	H	1098	10	1507	15
		V	1027	10	1412	86
Offset yield strength	R _{p0.2} [MPa]	H	764	14	1281	32
		V	684	6	1225	68
Elongation at break	A [%]	H	27	5	9	5
		V	29	5	11	5
Reduction of area	Z [%]	H	39	3	17	2
		V	40	5	25	6
Young's modulus	E [GPa]	H	183	24	230	33
		V	168	10	186	15

Hardness test ^[11]			M	SD	M	SD
Vickers hardness	HV10		303	7	470	4

Tenacity test ^[12]			M	SD	M	SD
Impact energy	KV [J]	H	70	5	23	2
		V	80	8	28	3

Roughness measurement ^[13]			As-built	
			M	SD
Roughness average	Ra [μm]		6	2
Mean roughness depth	Rz [μm]		47	5

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Layer thickness 60 µm ^[7]			As-built		Heat-treated ^[14]	
Build-up rate ^[8]	[cm ³ /h]		25.92 cm ³ /h			
Component density ^[9]	[%]		>99.5 %			
Tensile test ^[10]			M	SD	M	SD
Tensile strength	R _m [MPa]	H	1037	20	1467	22
		V	942	15	1369	20
Offset yield strength	R _{p0.2} [MPa]	H	665	29	1248	24
		V	606	8	1206	12
Elongation at break	A [%]	H	38	5	13	5
		V	31	5	15	5
Reduction of area	Z [%]	H	35	3	18	4
		V	36	6	22	4
Young's modulus	E [GPa]	H	172	48	182	10
		V	154	13	194	7
Hardness test ^[11]			M	SD	M	SD
Vickers hardness	HV10		292	6	458	9
Tenacity test ^[12]			M	SD	M	SD
Impact energy	KV [J]	H	74	3	22	2
		V	80	12	25	2
Roughness measurement ^[13]			As-built			
			M	SD		
Roughness average	Ra [µm]		8	2		
Mean roughness depth	Rz [µm]		50	8		

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^[1] Material according to DIN 17744:2002, ASTM B637.

^[2] With respect to powder material.

^[3] According to DIN EN ISO 3252:2001.

^[4] Material density varies within the range of possible chemical composition variations.

^[5] Literature value for conventionally manufactured material at 20 °C.

^[6] Material data file: IN 718_SLM_MBP3.0_30_CE2_400W_Stripes_V2.0

^[7] Material data file: IN 718_SLM_MBP3.0_60_CE2_400W_Stripes_V2.0

^[8] Optical density determination at test specimens by light microscopy.

^[9] Theoretical build-up rate for each laser = layer thickness x scan speed x track distance.

^[10] Tensile test according to DIN EN ISO 6892-1:2017 B (DIN 50125:2016 – D6x30); orientation: 0° and 90°; heat treatment: none; testing machine: Zwick 1484; load range: 200 kN; testing speed: 0,008 1/s; testing temperature: room temperature; test laboratory: EWIS GmbH. Test samples were turned before tensile test.

^[11] Hardness testing according to DIN EN ISO 6507-1:2018.

^[12] Tenacity testing according to DIN EN ISO 148-1:2017-05.

^[13] Roughness measurement according to DIN EN ISO 4288:1998; $\lambda_c = 2,5$ mm.

^[14] Specimens were heated up to 980 °C in a furnace, held for 1 h, followed by air-cooling. Then anew heating up to 720 °C, hold for 8h, then cool down to 620 °C in furnace with 50 °C/h. Hold at 620 °C for 8 h, then air-cooling.

