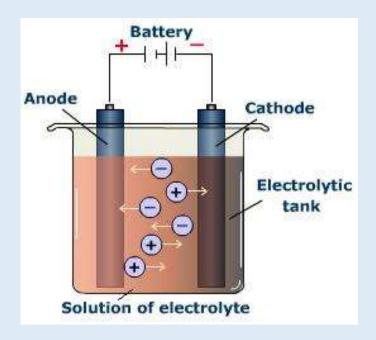
Aluminium Smelter an overview

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Electrolytic process



- DC to drive an otherwise non-spontaneous chemical reaction.
- Electrolysis is commercially important as a stage in the separation of elements from naturally occurring sources such as ores using an electrolytic cell.

Smelter

- Extraction of metals from its ore
- Production of silver, iron, copper, aluminium etc.
- Smelting uses
 - Heat
 - A chemical <u>reducing agent</u> to decompose the ore
- Driving off other elements as gases or <u>slag</u>
- Reducing agent is commonly a source of <u>carbon</u> such as <u>coke</u>
- The carbon (or carbon monoxide derived from it) removes <u>oxygen</u> from the ore, leaving behind the elemental metal

Aluminium smelter

Bauxite

Crushing milling

refinery

Bayer's process

Crushing milling

Alumina

Heat Power

Smelter

Hall-Heroult process







The real process

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Na}_{3}\text{AlF}_{6}\text{+AlF}_{3} \\ \text{2 Al}_{2}\text{O}_{3}(\text{dissolved}) + 3\text{ C(s)} \\ \text{Heat >900° C} \end{array} \\ 4\text{ Al}(\text{liq}) + 3\text{ O}_{2}(\text{gas})$$

Electrolytic reduction not aqueous electrolyte process

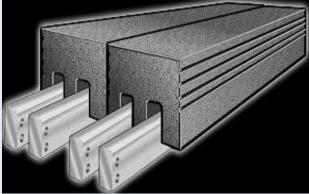
Requirement-

Electrolyte

Anode

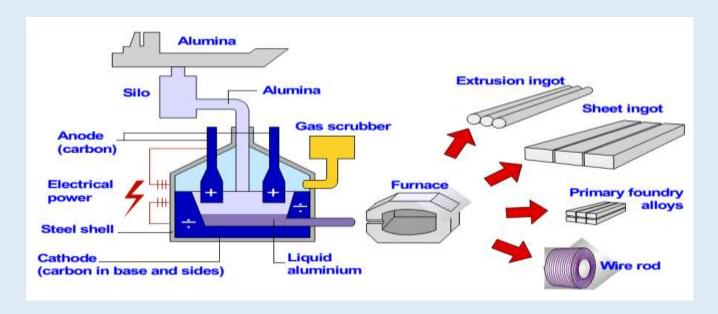
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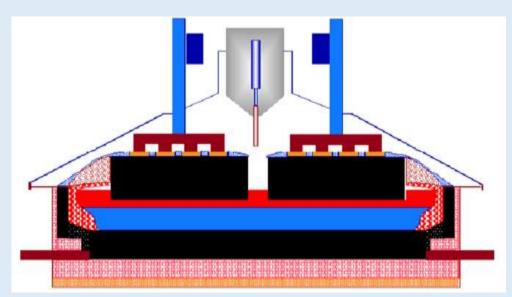




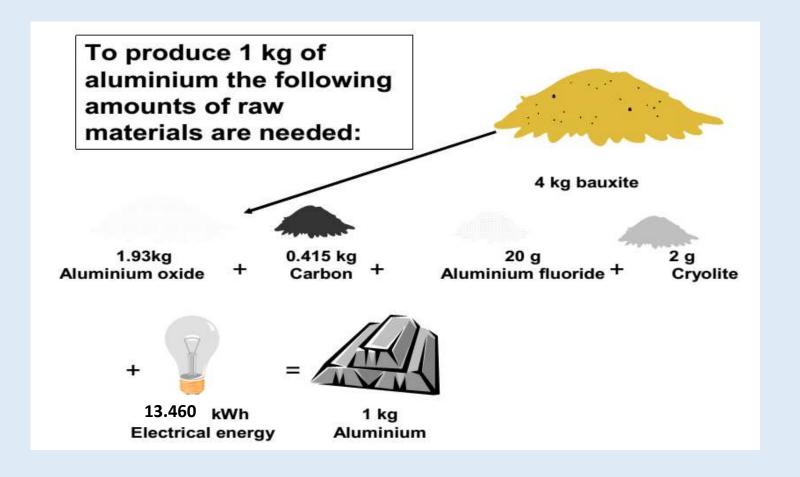


Graphical info.





Details of production



Real image













End product





