

Notes

Entries are under the name of the system in question, or under one of the following:

Abbreviations

Ad(vertisemnt)

Classification (of parts etc.)

Club

Early 'bridges', etc. (all systems, patents prior to 1901)

Exhibition

EXTRA Pages (the EXTRA MCS Sheets)

Language

Matchbox sets

MCS Amendments (these are the ones noted prior to the MCS Amendment Lists. The latter are listed under 'EXTRA Pages')

Misc

Misc Systems

Mys XX (Mystery parts)

New Sys(tem), followed by the country **XX**, or **??** if the country is not known. (New here includes 'New', that is newly discovered old systems.

Non-metal system

Parts

Patent(s) (see also Parts, & Early 'bridges')

People

POLYLONG Sets sold under a number of brand names are covered here by this name. The parts in these sets include some originals but most look like Eitech's CONSTRUCTION (a few though have different hole pitches, 11mm for instance, & a few have square holes). Some of the sets were made by Polygon itself; the origin of the others, the 'POLYLONG' sets. is unknown but will be one of several other makers

Publication

Query XX

Threads (screw threads)

Website(s)

NB The entries marked as Snippets or Snips are not based on hard evidence - they usually come from Ebay photos, or similar.

Abbreviations

Al, ali	aluminium
alt	alternate
app	approximately n
arch('l)	architectural
b'd'g	building
b/g	blue/gold
bk	black
br, Br	braced, brass
brkt	bracket
choc	chocolate
circ	circular
cmts, com	comments
CNN	CONSTRUCTION
CNR	CONSTRUCTOR
col	colour
constr('n)	construction
corr	correction
cr handle	crank handle
cts	contents
dblc	double
diag	diagonal
diff	different, difference
dtls	details
el, elec	electric
eng	engine, engineering
fl	flat
Flem	Flemish
flgd	flanged
fr, Fr	from, French
Ger	German
gir	girder
h	hole
inc	including
Ill	illustrated
KNN	KONSTRUKTION
KNR	KONSTRUKTOR
lg, lge	long, large
lft	leaflet
M, MEC	preceding PN, etc, MECCANO
mag	magazine
man('l)	manual
mat'l	material
M'B'K	METALLBAUKASTEN
m/c	machine
mech	mechanical
min	minimum
mtnd	mentioned
mfr	manufacturer
mod	model, change
mot	motor
mys	mystery
Ni	nickel
pat	patent
per('d)	period
pic	picture, illustration, photo, etc.
pl	plate
P/L	Parts List
plas	plastic
ply	pulley
Pop Mech	Popular Mechanics
PN	Part No.
poss	possibly
prob	probably
pts	parts
rad	radius
rd	round
recond	reconditioned
rect	rectangular
ref	reference
reqd	required

r/g	red/green
rly	railway
sf	except
sim	similar
sm	small
sp	spaced
spec	special
sq	square
ss	without
st, St	steam, steel
std	standard
str	strip
triang	triangular
trun'n, tr'n	trunnion
w	with
whl	whl
w'shop	workshop
wt	weight

Countries (after New Sys etc)

AL	Australia
AR	Argentina
AS	Austria
BE	Belgium
BS	Belarus
BU	Bulgaria
BZ	Brazil
CA	Canada
CL	Chile
CN	China
CO	Colombia
CZ	Czechoslovakia or Czech Republic
DE	Denmark
EG	Egypt
ES	Estonia
FI	Finland
FR	France
GE	Germany (GEE or GD if made in GDR)
GR	Greece
HK	Hong Kong
HU	Hungary
IC	Iceland
IN	India
IS	Israel
IT	Italy
KO	Korea
JA	Japan
ME	Mexico
NE	Netherlands
NO	Norway
NZ	New Zealand
PO	Poland
RH	Rhodesia
RO	Romania
RS	Russia
SA	South Africa
SD	Sweden
SL	Slovenia
SP	Spain
SW	Switzerland
TA	Taiwan
TY	Turkey
UK	UK
UN	Ukraine
UR	Uruguay
US	USA
YU	Yugoslavia
VE	Venezuela