

#### PHASE DIAGRAMS

LECTURE NOTES

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#### What is Phase

- <u>A definite interface with</u> <u>its surroundings</u>
- Homogeneous in crystal structure and atomic arrangement
- Same physical and chemical properties
- Mechanically separable



#### PHASE EQUILIBRIUM DIAGRAMS

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1	18-02-25	20-02-25	Introduction to phase diagrams, general descriptions	
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3	04-03-25	06-03-25	Binary phase diagrams, formation of solid solution, Recitation	
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12	06-05-25	08-05-25	Ternary phase diagrams	
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14	20-05-25	22-05-25	Ternary phase diagrams	
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Hummel, F.A., "Introduction to Phase Equilibria in Ceramic Systems", New York Marcel Dekker Inc., 1984				
Bergeron, C.G. Risbud, S.H. "Introduction to Phase Equilibria in Ceramics" Wiley, 2006				
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### What is System & Components

- Any portion of the material universe which can be isolated completely and arbitrary from the rest for consideration of the changes which may occur within it under varying conditions. For example: Reaction between Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and SiO<sub>2</sub>. They constitute a <u>system</u> which called the system Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and SiO<sub>2</sub>.
- Components of a system are the smallest number of independently variable chemical constituents, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and SiO<sub>2</sub> are the <u>components</u>.
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#### Phase



- A mixture of salt and pepper has two phases
- Solid salt
- Solid pepper



- Homogeneous in crystal structure and atomic arrangement
- Same physical and chemical properties
- A definite interface with its surroundings
- Mechanically separable

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Allotropy



- We usually think of matter as having 3 phases, but..
- It's possible to have more than one solid phase, SOLID STATE PHASE TRANSITION!
- For example at atmospheric pressure
  - when iron first freezes it is BCC
  - As it cools it changes to FCC
  - Upon further cooling it changes to BCC

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#### Materials and Packing

Crystalline materials...

- atoms pack in periodic, 3D arrays
- typical of: -metals

-many ceramics -some polymers



crystalline SiO<sub>2</sub>

Noncrystalline materials...

- atoms have no periodic packing
- occurs for: -complex structures
   -rapid cooling

"Amorphous" = Noncrystalline







<sup>a</sup>The lattice parameters a, b, and c are unit-cell edge lengths. The lattice parameters  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , and  $\gamma$  are angles between adjacent unit-cell axes, where  $\alpha$  is the angle viewed along the a axis (i.e., the angle between the b and c axes). The inequality sign ( $\neq$ ) means that equality is not required. Accidental equality occasionally occurs in some structures.



#### The 14 Crystal (Bravais) Lattices



#### Equilibrium



- Equilibrium in a system represents a condition:
  - the properties of a system do not change with the passage of time
  - The same state can be obtained by approaching this condition in more than one manner with respect to the variables of the system.

#### – Phase Equilibria / Phase Equilibrium

## **Phase DiagramSirij** A phase diagram shows the conditions at which the distinct phases of matter can occur at equilibrium.





# Phase Diagram Srü



The **triple point** of a substance is the temperature and pressure at which gas, liquid, and solid coexist in thermodynamic equilibrium.

# Phase Diagram Srü



For water, the combination of pressure and temperature are exactly 0.010000 °C and 0.0060373 atm.

At that point, the liquid can boil and freeze at the same time.

#### Phase Diagram

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Gas

Above the critical pressure and temperature, there is no distinction between the liquid phase and the gas phase. Basically, they merge into one phase that is called the super critical fluid phase (SCF).

Liquid



Supercritical carbon dioxide has a density like that of a liquid, but its viscosity and diffusivity are similar to those of a gas. **Super Critical** HOMEWORK Fluid critical It is used on a large scale for the decaffeination of green coffee beans, the extraction of hops for beer production, and the production of essential oils and pharmaceutical products from plants. t. Metallurgical & Materials Eng.

## Clausius–Clapeyron Relatioh







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#### The Phase Rule

#### $\mathsf{P} + \mathsf{V} = \mathsf{C} + 2$

#### **P** = Number of **P**hases in Eq.

#### V = Number of Variables in Eq.

#### **C** = Number of **C**omponents

Monovariant, Divariant, Invariant





At 0 °C the pressure inside a CO<sub>2</sub> fire extinguisher is about 500 psi. At 30 °C it is about 1000 psi. Dr. Nuri SOLAK | 2025 Spring | Phase Diagrams | ITU Dept. Metallurgical & Materials Eng. |









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#### Iron





#### Solutions



- We usually <u>think of liquid solutions</u>
- Pour alcohol into water and it dissolves
- Alcohol and water are completely <u>miscible</u>
- Miscible means completely soluble







- Salt is a solid, but it dissolves in water too.
- Eventually though, you can't add any more salt, and you get a two phase system
- (What are the two phases?)
- Solid and Liquid
- But its not pure water and solid salt

   its salt water and solid salt



#### **Insoluble Species**

Oil and water don't mix



- Does that mean there is absolutely no oil in the water, or that there's no water in the oil?
- Absolutely not!!
- It just means that not very much dissolved.
- This is a two phase system too they are both liquid phases



## Solids have varying solubility just like liquids

- Copper and nickel are completely soluble (miscible) in each other
- Copper and Zinc display limited solubility
- Lead and copper are considered insoluble

#### WHY?



### Consider liquid solubility

- dissolves like
  - Water and Alcohol are miscible because they are similar chemically (polar molecules)
  - Water and Oil are immiscible because they are different (polar vs non-polar)



#### Solid Phases



• You can dissolve one solid in another



- One way we've looked at dissolving one solid in another in the past is through diffusion
- Now we'll look at forming a solid solution as the metals solidify







#### Distorts the Matrix








### Distorts the Matrix







Single Phase Solid Solution

Cu Zn Solid solution of Zn in Cu Compound of Cu and Zn

Two solid phases – each of which are solutions

Melt



# Phase Equilibria: Solubility Limit

- Solution solid, liquid, or gas solutions, single phase
- Mixture more than one phase

Adapted from Fig. 9.1, Callister & Rethwisch 8e.

(liquid)

S

(solid

sugar)

100

40

Sugar

80



#### Sugar/Water Phase Diagram

#### Effect of Temperature & Composition • Altering T can change # of phases: path A to B. Altering C can change # of phases: path B to D. $B(100^{\circ}C,C=70)$ $D (100^{\circ}C, C = 90)$ 1 phase 2 phases 100 80 Femperature (°C) (liquid) water-60 S sugar (liquid solution system 40 (solid i.e., syrup) sugar) A $(20^{\circ}C, C = 70)$ 20 2 phases 0 Adapted from Fig. 9.1, 20 60 100 40 70 80 0 Callister & Rethwisch 8e. C = Composition (wt% sugar)









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### Solidification





Grain Refiner - added to make smaller, more uniform, equiaxed grains.



### **Optical Microscopy**

- Useful up to 2000X magnification.
- Polishing removes surface features (e.g., scratches)
- Etching changes reflectance, depending on crystal orientation.





### **Optical Microscopy**

Grain boundaries...

- are imperfections,
- are more susceptible to etching,
- may be revealed as dark lines,
- change in crystal orientation across boundary.

ASTM grain size number  $N = 2^{n-1}$ number of grains/in<sup>2</sup> at 100x magnification





Fig. 2.13 Microstructure of ferrite in a 0.02% C steel. Marshall's etch.  $500\times$ 

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Fig. 6.2 Micrograph of AISI/SAE 1020 steel shown on the video monitor in Fig. 6.1. Pearlite is the gray-appearing constituent, and ferrite is the white-appearing constituent. Marshall's reagent was specifically used to delineate the ferrite grain boundaries for image analysis. The pearlite is etched brown by Marshall's reagent as opposed to a picral or nital etch, which produces a darker pearlite.  $400 \times$ 



# Components and Phases

#### • Components:

The elements or compounds which are present in the alloy (e.g., Al and Cu)

• Phases:

The physically and chemically distinct material regions that form (e.g.,  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ ).

Aluminum-Copper Alloy

Adapted from chapteropening photograph, Chapter 9, Callister, Materials Science & Engineering: An Introduction, 3e.











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# ✓ Size – up to a 15% difference in radius

- ✓ Crystal Structure the same
- ✓ Valence the same
- Electronegativity Approximately the same
- If these conditions are met, the two metals are usually completely soluble
- These rules also apply to ceramics



- Size up to a 15% difference in radius
- Radius Cu = 1.278 A
   Radius Ni = 1.243 A

- Crystal Structure
- Valence
- Electronegativity

- FCC vs FCC
- Cu -- +1 or +2 Ni -- +2
- 1.9 vs 1.9







• Size – up to a 15% difference in radius

 Radius Cu = 1.278 A Radius Zn = 1.332 A

- Crystal Structure
- Valence
- Electronegativity

- FCC vs HCP
- Cu -- +1 or +2 Zn -- +2
- 1.9 vs 1.6

#### Therefore not TOTALLY miscible



• Size – up to a 15% difference in radius

 Radius Cu = 1.278 A Radius Pb = 1.75 A

- Crystal Structure
- Valence
- Electronegativity

- FCC vs FCC
- Cu -- +1 or +2 Pb -- +4
- 1.9 vs 1.9

Copper and Lead are essentially insoluble

#### Example 9.4 SOLUTION



The atomic radii and percent size difference are shown below:

Metal	Atomic Radius (Å)	$\left[\frac{r-r_{\rm Cu}}{r_{\rm Cu}}\right] \times 100\%$	
Cu	1.278	0	
Zn	1.332	+4.2	
Al	1.432	+12.1	
Sn	1.509	+18.1	
Ni	1.243	-2.7	
Si	1.176	-8.0	
Be	1.143	-10.6	

For atoms larger than copper—namely, zinc, aluminum, and tin— increasing the size difference increases the strengthening effect. Likewise for smaller atoms, increasing the size difference increases strengthening.



Simple system (e.g., Ni-Cu solution)

	Crystal Structure	electroneg	<i>r</i> (nm)
Ni	FCC	1.9	0.1246
Cu	FCC	1.8	0.1278

- Both have the same crystal structure (FCC) and have similar electronegativities and atomic radii (W. Hume – Rothery rules) suggesting high mutual solubility.
- Ni and Cu are totally soluble in one another for all proportions.



- Indicate phases as a function of T, C, and P.
- For this course:
  - binary systems: just 2 components.
  - independent variables: T and C (P = 1 atm is almost always used).



## **Isomorphous** Binary Phase Diagra**mij**

- Phase diagram: Cu-Ni system.
- System is:

#### -- binary i.e., 2 components: Cu and Ni.

#### -- isomorphous

i.e., <u>complete (unlimited)</u> <u>solubility of one</u> <u>component in</u> <u>another</u>; α phase field extends from 0 to 100 wt% Ni.



Adapted from Fig. 9.3(a), Callister & Rethwisch 8e. (Fig. 9.3(a) is adapted from Phase Diagrams of Binary Nickel Alloys, P. Nash (Ed.), ASM International, Materials Park, OH (1991).







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Figure 10.4 (a) In an ordered structure, the substituting atoms occupy specific lattice points,(b) while in normal structure, the constituent atoms are randomly located at different lattice points.





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#### Figure 10.5 The unit cells of two intermetallic compounds: (a) TiAl has an ordered tetragonal structure, and (b) Ni<sub>3</sub>Al has an ordered cubic structure.

## Phase Diagrams:



# Determination of phase(s) present Rule 1: If we know T and Co, then we know:

-- which phase(s) is (are) present.



### Phase Diagrams:

Determination of phase compositions

- Rule 2: If we know T and C<sub>0</sub>, then we can determine:
   -- the composition of each phase.
   Cu-Ni
- Examples:

Consider  $C_0 = 35$  wt% Ni At  $T_A = 1320^{\circ}C$ : Only Liquid (L) present  $C_{L} = C_{0}$  (= 35 wt% Ni) At  $T_D = 1190^{\circ}C$ : Only Solid ( $\alpha$ ) present  $C_{\alpha} = C_0$  ( = 35 wt% Ni) At  $T_{B} = 1250^{\circ}C$ : Both  $\alpha$  and L present  $C_L = C_{liquidus}$  (= 32 wt% Ni)  $C_{\alpha} = C_{solidus}$  (= 43 wt% Ni)



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# Phase Diagrams:



Determination of phase weight fractions

- Rule 3: If we know T and  $C_0$ , then can determine:
  - -- the weight fraction of each phase.
- Examples:

Consider C<sub>0</sub> = 35 wt% Ni

At T<sub>A</sub> : Only Liquid (L) present  $W_L = 1.00, W_\alpha = 0$ At T<sub>D</sub> : Only Solid ( $\alpha$ ) present

$$W_{L} = 0, W_{\alpha} = 1.00$$

At  $T_B$ : Both  $\alpha$  and L present

$$W_{L} = \frac{S}{R + S} = \frac{43 - 35}{43 - 32} = 0.73$$
$$W_{\alpha} = \frac{R}{R + S} = 0.27$$

Cu-Ni system T(°C) T<sub>A</sub> tie line liquidus L (liquid) 1300 \* Q solidus  $\mathsf{T}_\mathsf{B}$ + 0L α (solid) 1200  $\mathsf{T}_\mathsf{D}$ 303235 4043 20 50  $C_{\alpha}$  wt% Ni

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### The Lever Rule

• **Tie line** – <u>connects the phases in equilibrium</u> with each other – also sometimes called an <u>isotherm</u>



What fraction of each phase? Think of the tie line as a lever (teeter-totter)



 $M_{\alpha} \times S = M_{L} \times R$ 



# Ex: Cooling of a Cu-Ni Alloy TÜ

- Phase diagram: Cu-Ni system.
- Consider microstuctural L changes that  $\alpha$ accompany the cooling of a  $C_0 = 35$  wt% Ni alloy





### **Cooling Curve**







# Cored vs Equilibrium Structures

- $C_{\alpha}$  changes as we solidify.
- Cu-Ni case:

- First  $\alpha$  to solidify has  $C_{\alpha} = 46$  wt% Ni. Last  $\alpha$  to solidify has  $C_{\alpha} = 35$  wt% Ni.
- Slow rate of cooling: Equilibrium structure

• Fast rate of cooling: Cored structure





Homework

For the 70% Pb and 30% Sn alloy, calculate:
(a) The weight percent of alpha and beta phases at 100°C
(b) The chemical composition of the α and β phases at 100°C
(c) Amount of α formed during the eutectic reaction












1500





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Variations to the isomorphous phase diagram

- A–B bonds stronger than A–A and B–B bonds
- Solid stabilized → Ordered solid formation



- A–A and B–B bonds stronger than A–B bonds
- Liquid stabilized → Phase separation in the solid state



Ordered solid $\alpha_1 \& \alpha_2$  are different only in latticeDr. Nuri SOLAK | 2025 Spring | Phase Diagramsparameter Metallurgical & Materials Eng. |









Temperature, °C







#### **Three Phase Reaction** İTİ Liquid Solidus Solidus Liquidus $\alpha + L$ α $\beta + L$ β Solvus Solvus $\alpha + \beta$

Temperature





Salt (sodium chloride or calcium chloride), wt%

**Fig. 2.1** Lowering of the <u>freezing temperature of water</u> with increasing salt (sodium chloride, calcium chloride) content versus the weight percent of two different salts dissolved in the water







### **2-C Eutectic Systems** Example: Diopside - Anorthite

#### No solid solution



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# Binary-Eutectic Systems iri





#### Lead - Tin Phase Diagram



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# **Cooling Curve**















#### Lead - Tin Phase Diagram



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Lead - Tin Phase Diagram





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#### Figure 10.11 Summary of calculations (for example 10.3).



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## Figure 10.12 Solidification and microstructure of the eutectic alloy Pb-61.9% Sn.



# Figure 10.13 The cooling curve for a eutectic alloy is a simple thermal arrest, since eutectics freeze or melt at a single temperature.



Pb Wt% Y Sn Dr. 1991 JOLAK | 2025 Spring | Phase Diagrams | ITU Dept. Metallurgical & Materiais Eng. |

Temperature





# Microstructural Developments in Eutectic Systems

- For alloy of composition  $C_0 = C_E$
- Result: Eutectic microstructure (lamellar structure)
  - -- alternating layers (lamellae) of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  phases.



# How Does the Eutectic Solid Forr



Eutectic Solids are strong but generally have little ductility

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#### Figure 10.14 (a) Atom redistribution during lamellar growth of a lead-tin eutectic. Tin atoms from the liquid preferentially diffuse to the $\beta$ plates, and lead atoms diffuse to the $\alpha$ plates. (b) Photomicrograph of the lead-tin eutectic microconstituent (x400).



# Cobalt-Carbon Eutectic



Scanning electron microscope image of cobalt-carbon eutectic. There is an irregular arrangement of graphite needles in a cobalt rich-phase matrix.

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Higher magnification of solder showing varying structure of the Pb within the two phase Pb-Sn eutectic, which surrounds the primary lead dendrites. Scale bar is 100 micrometers long. Used with permission of Ruth I. Schultz Kramer Scientist, Dept. of Materials Science and Engineering, Michigan Technological University | http://www.mse.mtu.edu/slides/slide\_2.htmlaterials Eng. |

# Now lets look at the solidification of a hypoeutectic system



#### Lead - Tin Phase Diagram



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Temperature
# What happens during the solidification of a hypereutectic system?





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## Figure 10.16 The solidification and microstructure of a hypoeutectic alloy (Pb-30% Sn).

## EX 1: Pb-Sn Eutectic System<sup>TU</sup>

For a 40 wt% Sn-60 wt% Pb alloy at 150°C, determine:
-- the phases present



### EX 2: Pb-Sn Eutectic System<sup>TU</sup> 40 wt% Sn-60 wt% Pb allov at 220°C determine:

For a 40 wt% Sn-60 wt% Pb alloy at 220°C, determine:
-- the phases present:

### Answer: $\alpha + L$

-- the phase compositions

Answer:  $C_{\alpha} = 17 \text{ wt\% Sn}$  $C_{1} = 46 \text{ wt\% Sn}$ 

-- the relative amount of each phase

#### Answer:

$$W_{\alpha} = \frac{C_{L} - C_{0}}{C_{L} - C_{\alpha}} = \frac{46 - 40}{46 - 17}$$
$$= \frac{6}{29} = 0.21$$

 $W_{L} = \frac{C_{0} - C_{\alpha}}{C_{0} - C} = \frac{23}{29} = 0.79$ 



Adapted from Fig. 9.8, Callister & Rethwisch 8e.

## Microstructural Developmen**teji** 👀 in Eutectic Systems IV

- For alloys for which 18.3 wt% Sn <  $C_0$  < 61.9 wt% Sn
- Result:  $\alpha$  phase particles and a eutectic microconstituent



# Hypoeutectic & Hypereutecte

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## Hypoeutectic & Hypereutecte 300

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Figure 10.17 (a) A hypoeutectic lead-tin alloy. (b) A hypereutectic lead-tin alloy. The dark constituent is the lead-rich solid a, the light constituent is the tin-rich solid  $\beta$ , and the fine plate structure is the eutectic (x400).



## Which is Best?

• It depends on your design requirements



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Figure 10.22 The effect of the composition and strengthening mechanism on the tensile strength of leadtin alloys.







- Purposely add an element into the crystal lattice
- It distorts the lattice, which causes strengthening
- The bigger the distortion, the bigger the improvement in strength
- Remember, really large atoms or really small atoms will not be completely soluble





Metal	Radius (A)	$(r-r_{Cu})/r_{Cu} *100$
Cu	1.278	
Zn	1.332	+4.2%
Al	1.432	+12.1%
Sn	1.509	+18.1%
Ni	1.243	-2.7%
Si	1.176	-8.0%
Be	1.143	-10.6%



Figure 9.8 The effects of several alloying elements on the yield strength of copper. Nickel and zinc atoms are about the same size as copper atoms, but beryllium and tin atoms are much different from copper atoms. Increasing both atomic size difference and amount of alloying element increases solidsolution strengthening.



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# Figure 9.9 The effect of additions of zinc to copper on the properties of the solid-solution-strengthened alloy. The increase in % elongation with increasing zinc content is *not* typical of solid-solution strengthening.

## Section 10.3 Phase Diagrams **İŢÜ** Containing Three-Phase Reactions

- Peritectic A three-phase reaction in which a solid and a liquid combine to produce a second solid on cooling.
- Monotectic A three-phase reaction in which one liquid transforms to a solid and a second liquid on cooling.
- Miscibility gap A region in a phase diagram in which two phases, with essentially the same structure, do not mix, or have no solubility in one another.
- Metastable miscibility gap A miscibility gap that extends below the liquidus or exists completely below the liquidus.

Eutectic	$L \rightarrow \alpha + \beta$	$\alpha \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad$
Peritectic	$\alpha + L \rightarrow \beta$	$\alpha \qquad \alpha + L \qquad L \qquad L$
Monotectic	$L_1 \rightarrow L_2 + \alpha$	$\begin{array}{c c} \text{Miscibility} & L_1 \\ L_2 & \alpha \\ & \alpha + L_2 \end{array} \qquad \qquad \alpha \end{array}$
Eutectoid	$\gamma \rightarrow \alpha + \beta$	$\alpha + \beta \beta$
Peritectoid	$\alpha + \beta \rightarrow \gamma$	$\begin{array}{c c} \alpha + \beta \\ \hline \\ \gamma \\ \end{array} \end{array} $

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## Figure 10.6 The five most important three-phase reactions in binary phase diagrams.







#### Example 10.2 SOLUTION



We find horizontal lines at 1150°C, 920°C, 750°C, 450°C, and 300°C: 1150°C: The in-betwen point is at 15% B.  $\delta$  + *L* are present above the point, **y** is present below. The reaction is:

 $\delta + L \rightarrow \mathbf{\gamma}$ , a peritectic

920°C: This reaction occurs at 40% B:

 $L_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{\gamma} + L_2$  a monotectic

750°C: This reaction occurs at 70% B:

 $L \rightarrow \gamma + \beta$ , a eutectic

450°C: This reaction occurs at 20% B:

 $\mathbf{\gamma} \rightarrow \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{\beta}$ , a eutectoid

300°C: This reaction occurs at 50% B:

 $\alpha + \beta \rightarrow \mu$  or a peritectoid



### The Eutectic Phase Diagram

- Solvus A solubility curve that separates a single-solid phase region from a two-solid phase region in the phase diagram.
- Isopleth A line on a phase diagram that shows constant chemical composition.
- Hypoeutectic alloy An alloy composition between that of the left-hand-side end of the tie line defining the eutectic reaction and the eutectic composition.
- Hypereutectic alloys An alloy composition between that of the right-hand-side end of the tie line defining the eutectic reaction and the eutectic composition.



### **Eutectic and Eutectoid Reactions**







### **Eutectoid transformation** $\delta \Leftrightarrow \gamma + \varepsilon$







#### Rapid Solidification in Peritectic System

- Surrounding or Encasement: During peritectic reaction, L+ α→ β, the beta phase created surrounds primary alpha.
- Beta creates diffusion barrier resulting in coring.











Bild (4–21) Die peritektische Umsetzung Schmelze +  $\beta \rightleftharpoons \alpha$ 

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### "Intermetallic" Compounds



Note: an intermetallic compound forms a line - not an area because stoichiometry (i.e. composition) is exact. Dr. Nuri SOLAK | 2025 Spring | Phase Diagrams | ITU Dept. Metallurgical & Materials Eng. |









## **Incongruent Melting**






















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Eutectic	$L \rightarrow \alpha + \beta$	$\alpha + \beta$
Peritectic	$\alpha + L \rightarrow \beta$	$\alpha + L$
Monotectic	$L_1 \rightarrow L_2 + \alpha$	Miscibility ap $L_2$ $\alpha + L_2$ $\alpha$
Eutectoid	$\gamma \rightarrow \alpha + \beta$	$\alpha + \beta \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad$
Peritectoid	$lpha+eta ightarrow\gamma$	$\begin{array}{c c} \alpha + \beta \\ \hline \gamma \\ \end{array} \end{array} $



# **3-Phase Reactions**

- Eutectic  $L \rightarrow S_1 + S_2$
- Eutectoid  $S_1 \rightarrow S_2 + S_3$
- Peritectic  $S_1 + L_1 \rightarrow S_2$
- Peritectoid  $S_1 + S_2 \rightarrow S_3$
- Monotectic  $L_1 \rightarrow S_1 + L_2$
- We will be primarily concerned with Eutectic and Eutectoid Reactions

# Other Phase Diagrams Containing B

- All we've looked at are phase diagrams with a eutectic
- Remember, a eutectic is a point where L->  $\alpha + \beta$
- There are lots of other possible 3 phase reactions, and lots of much more complicated phase diagrams
- Consider the following hypothetical phase diagram taken from Askeland (pg 270)







### $\succ$ $\alpha$ -ferrite - solid solution of C in BCC Fe

- Stable form of iron at room temperature.
- The maximum solubility of C is 0.022 wt%
- Transforms to FCC γ-austenite at 912 °C

#### γ-austenite - solid solution of C in FCC Fe

- The maximum solubility of C is 2.14 wt %.
- Transforms to BCC  $\delta$ -ferrite at 1395 °C
- Is not stable below the eutectoid temperature (727 ° C) unless cooled rapidly (Chapter 10)



#### δ-ferrite solid solution of C in BCC Fe

- The same structure as  $\alpha$ -ferrite
- Stable only at high T, above 1394 °C
- Melts at 1538 °C
- Fe<sub>3</sub>C (iron carbide or cementite)
  - This intermetallic compound is metastable, it remains as a compound indefinitely at room T, but decomposes (very slowly, within several years) into  $\alpha$ -Fe and C (graphite) at 650 700 °C

C is an interstitial impurity in Fe. It forms a solid solution with  $\alpha$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $\delta$  phases of iron



Maximum solubility in BCC  $\alpha$ -ferrite is limited (max. 0.022 wt% at 727 °C) - BCC has relatively small interstitial positions

Maximum solubility in FCC austenite is 2.14 wt% at 1147 °C - FCC has larger interstitial positions

Mechanical properties: Cementite is very hard and brittle can strengthen steels. Mechanical properties also depend on the microstructure, that is, how ferrite and cementite are mixed.

Magnetic properties:  $\alpha$  -ferrite is magnetic below 768 °C, austenite is non-magnetic



## > Iron: less than 0.008 wt % C in $\alpha$ -ferrite at room T

> Steels: 0.008 - 2.14 wt % C (usually < 1 wt %)  $\alpha$ -ferrite + Fe<sub>3</sub>C at room T Examples of tool steel (tools for cutting other metals): Fe + 1wt % C + 2 wt% CrFe + 1 wt% C + 5 wt% W + 6 wt% MoStainless steel (food processing equipment, knives, petrochemical equipment, etc.): 12-20 wt% Cr

# Cast iron: 2.14 - 6.7 wt % (usually < 4.5 wt %) heavy equipment casing

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#### **Microstructure of eutectoid steel (I)**





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## Iron-Carbon (Fe-C) Phase Diagram

- 2 important points
  - Eutectic (A):
    - $L \! \Rightarrow \! \gamma + Fe_3C$
  - Eutectoid (B):





alternating layers of  $\alpha$  and Fe<sub>3</sub>C phases



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 $\gamma \rightarrow \alpha + \gamma \rightarrow \alpha + Fe_3C$ 

# hypoeutectoid steel



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 $\gamma \rightarrow \gamma + Fe_3C \rightarrow \alpha + Fe_3C$ 



# hypereutectoid steel

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• Note that this diagram has both stable and metastable features. For example, the stable phase in equilibrium with iron is carbon, but since it is easier to nucleate Fe<sub>3</sub>C, it is the phase that is usually found in equilibrium with iron.

• The Fe<sub>2.2</sub>C phase, or Hagg carbide is found in purified iron which has been carburized below 350°C.




## Ga-Pb (Gallium-Lead)



# Ga-Tl (Gallium-Thallium)





#### **Syntectic Reactions**















#### **EXAMPLE**

















## Example



- Draw the phase diagram of binary A (1125°C) B (1100°C) using the given information.
- A has two polymorphs; low temperature form of A transforms to high temperature form at 400°C, while B has the same structure up to the melting point.
- In the liquid phase there is a complete solubility.
- There is no **A** solubility in solid **B**.
- Solid solubility of *B* in LT-A at room temperature is 3% and its max. value is 15%. The formed solid solution decomposes at 600°C giving a peritectoidic reaction.
- The max. solid solubility of *B* in **HT**-*A* is 10%.

## Example



- There exist 5 intermediate intermetallic compounds.
- The AB compound (with 30% B) melts congruently at 1250°C.
- The AB2 compound (with 45% B) melts congruently at 1150°C. The AB2 compounds dissolves, max 5%A (at room temperature 2%A) and max 3%B (at room temperature 1%B).
- The AB3 compound (60% B) melts congruently at 1125°C.
- The AB4 compound (65% B) is stable only up to 300°C, at higher temperatures it decomposes to two solids.
- The AB5 (70% B) compound melts incongruently at 1000°C. It is not stable below 500°C, at lower temperatures it decomposes to two different solids.



#### **Invariant Reactions**

Eutectic points are: 20%B, 825°; 35%B, 900°C; 55%B, 750°C; 80%B, 800°C.

• Peritectic point is: 75%B, 1000°C.

• Peritectoidic point is: 5%B, 600°C.

• Eutectoidic point : 70%, 500°C



### Example-2



- Draw the phase diagram of binary A (1000°C) B (250°C) using the given information.
- **A** and **B** have the same structure up to the melting point.
- In the liquid phase there is a complete solubility.
- There is no **B** solubility in solid **A**.
- Solid solubility of *A* in *B* at room temperature is 15%.
  Solubility increases with increasing temp and its max. value is 25%. The formed (β) solid solution decomposes at 450°C giving a peritectic reaction.

## Example-2



- There exist 3 intermediate intermetallic compounds.
- The AB compound (with 20% B) melts incongruently at 600°C.
- The AB2 compound (with 50% B) melts congruently at 1100°C. The AB2 compounds dissolves, max 3%A (at room temperature 2%A).
- The AB3 compound (60% B) melts incongruently at 700°C. This compound forms a solid solution solving max 4%B (at room temp 1%B).
- Eutectic point is: 35%B, 400°C.
- Peritectic points are: 30%B, 600°C;

72%B, 700°C; 90%B, 450°C





### Example-3



- Draw the phase diagram of binary A (1000°C) B (800°C) using the given information.
- A has three polymorphs; low temperature form of A transforms to mid-temperature form at 360°C and mid- to high-temp transformation takes place at 780°C.
- **B** has the same structure up to the melting point.
- In the liquid phase there is a complete solubility.
- There is no **A** solubility in solid **B**.
- Solid solubility of *B* in LT-*A* at room temperature is 2% and its max. value is 5%. The mid-temp phase dissolves max 22%B. The formed mid-temp solid solution decompes at 850°C giving peritectic reaction. B solubility in mid-temp A at 850°C is 16%. The high-temp A phase dissolves max 6%B.

### Example-3



- There exist 4 intermediate intermetallic compounds.
- The AB compound (with 35% B) melts incongruently at 500°C.
- The AB2 compound (55% B) is stable only up to 150°C, at higher temperatures it decomposes to two solids.
- The AB3 compound (with 65% B) melts congruently at 900°C. This compound is not stable below 350°C. The compound forms a solid solution by dissolving max 5%A and 3 %B.
- The AB4 compound (80% B) melts incongruently at 700°C.



#### **Invariant Reactions**

 Eutectic points are: 48%B, 450°; 90%B, 600°C

- Peritectic points are: 20%B, 850°C; 42%B, 500°C; 85%B, 700°C
- Eutectoidic point : 15%, 250°C



#### • Peritectoidic point is: 55%B, 150°C.

• Eutectoidic point : 65%, 350°C



#### Example-4



- Draw the phase diagram of binary A (800°C) B (700°C) using the given information.
- **A** has two polymorphs; low temperature form of **A** transforms to high temperature form at 500°C, while **B** has the same structure up to the melting point.
- In the liquid phase there is a complete solubility.
- There is no **A** solubility in solid **B**.
- Solid solubility of **B** in **LT**-**A** at room temperature is 2% and its max. value is 5%.
- The max. solid solubility of *B* in **HT**-*A* is 20%.

#### Example-4



- There exist 2 intermediate intermetallic compounds.
- The AB compound (with 50% B) melts congruently at 700°C. The AB compounds dissolves, max 8%A (at room temperature 2%A.
- The AB2 compound (65% B) melts incongruently at 500°C. The AB2 compound form a solid solution by dissolving max 5%B (at room temp 2%B).



#### **Invariant Reactions**

• Eutectic points are: 30%B, 550°;

88%B, 250°C.

• Peritectic point is: 75%B, 500°C.

• Eutectoidic point : 10%, 3 00°C







### EXAMPLE - 5

- Draw the phase diagram of binary A (1250°C) B (1000°C) using the given information.
- **A** has two polymorphs; room temperature (RT) form of **A** transforms to high temperature (*HT*) form at 450°C,
- Similarly, **B** has two polymorphs; room temperature (RT) form of **B** transforms to high temperature (*HT*) form at 500°C,
- In the liquid phase there is a complete solubility.
- Solid solubility of *B* in RT-*A* at room temperature is 5% and its max. value is 12%. The formed solid solution decomposes at 600°C giving a peritectoidic reaction. The *HT-A* dissolves max. 15%B.
- Solid solubility of **A** in **RT**-**B** at room temperature is 3% and its max. value is 5%. The **HT**-**B** dissolves max. 15%A.

### EXAMPLE - 5



- There exist 4 intermediate intermetallic compounds.
- The AB compound (with 35% B) melts incongruently at 1100°C.
- The AB2 compound (50% B) is stable above 800°C, and it melts incongruently at 1200°C.
- The AB3 compound melts congruently at 1300°C.
- The AB4 compound melts incongruently at 1050°C.

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#### EXAMPLE - 5

**Invariant Reactions** 

- Eutectic points are:
- Peritectic points are:

- Eutectoidic point:
- Peritectoidic point:

25%B, 950°C, 80%B, 650°C. 30%B, 1100°C, 40%B, 1200°C, 75%B, 1050°C.

90%B, 350°C.

7%B, 600°C

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### **EXAMPLE-6**



- Draw the phase diagram of binary A (1200°C) B (1100°C) using the given information.
- **A** has three polymorphs; room temperature (RT) form of **A** transforms to midtemp form at 400°C, the mid-temp phase transforms to high-temp phase at 1000°C.
- Similarly, *B* has three polymorphs; room temperature (RT) form of *B* transforms to mid-temp *B* at 400°C and mid-temp (MT) form transforms to high temperature (*HT*) form at 900°C,
- In the liquid phase there is a complete solubility.
- Solid solubility of *B* in RT-*A* at room temperature is 4% and its max. value is 14%. The formed solid solution decomposes at 550°C giving a peritectoidic reaction. The mid-temp phase dissolves max 14%B. The formed mid-temp solid solution decomposes at 1100°C giving a peritectic reaction. *B* solubility in the midtemp *A* at 1100°C is 8%. The *HT-A* dissolves max. 4%B.
- There is no **A** solid solubility in **B** (neither RT, MT nor HT).



- There exist 5 intermediate intermetallic compounds.
- The AB compound (with 30% B) melts congruently at 1250°C.
  This compound has a phase transition at 350°C.
- The AB2 compound (50% B) melts congruently at 1350°C. The AB2 compound dissolves max 6% A (at Room Temp 2%) and max 4% B (at Room Temp 1%).
- The AB3 compound (64% B) melts congruently at 1250°C.
- The AB4 compound (70%B) is stable only up to 250°C, at higher temperatures it decomposes to two solids.
- The AB5 (76% B) compound melts incongruently at 1000°C. It is not stable below 600°C, at lower temperatures it decomposes to two different solids.



- Eutectic points are: 20%B, 800°C, 36%B, 1000°C.
   60%B, 1100°C, 86%B, 750°C.
- Peritectic points are: 12%B, 1100°C, 80%B, 1000°C.
- Peritectoidic point: 6%B, 550°C.






## Tin Pest



At 13.2 C pure tin transforms from the silvery, ductile metallic allotrope of  $\beta$ form *white tin (tetragonal)* to brittle, nonmetallic,  $\alpha$ -form *grey tin* with a diamond structure.

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