# Properties of Materials

**Metal Processing** 

Phase Diagrams

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#### Preview

Intended Learning Outcomes	
Understanding	How phase diagrams reveal information about alloys of use during processing and
	treatment.
Skills	Predicting the phases present in alloys along with their compositions and fractions.
Values	Recognising the impact of phases on the properties of alloys.

#### Introduction

- This is a multicohort subject
- Think of yourselves as ENGINEERS, not SPECIALISTS

#### Today:

- Concept of phases, full/partial mixing
- Reading phase diagrams
- Intermediate phases

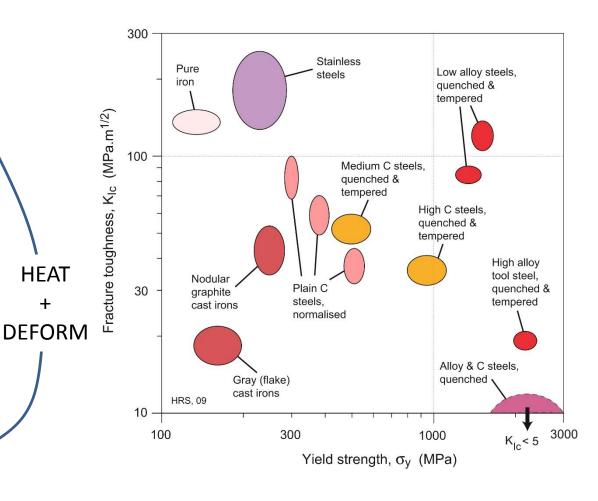
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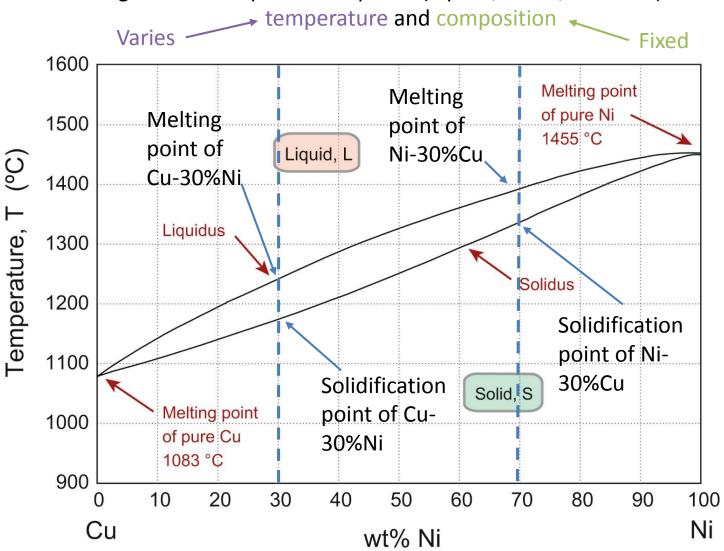




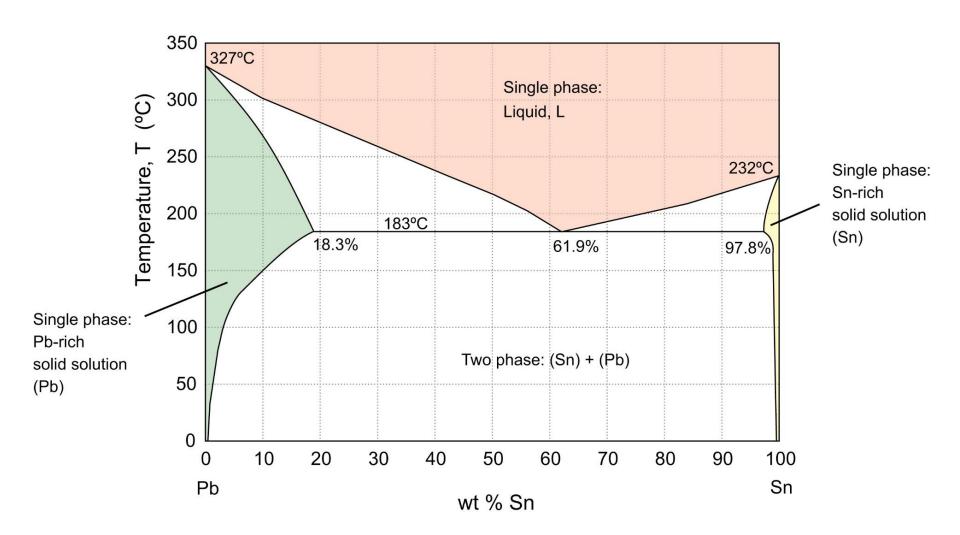
Understanding this diagram needs phase diagrams (thermodynamics) and transformation diagrams (kinetics)

## Full Mixing

Phase diagrams are maps of what phase (liquids, solids, mixtures) exist at some



## Partial Mixing (Solid)



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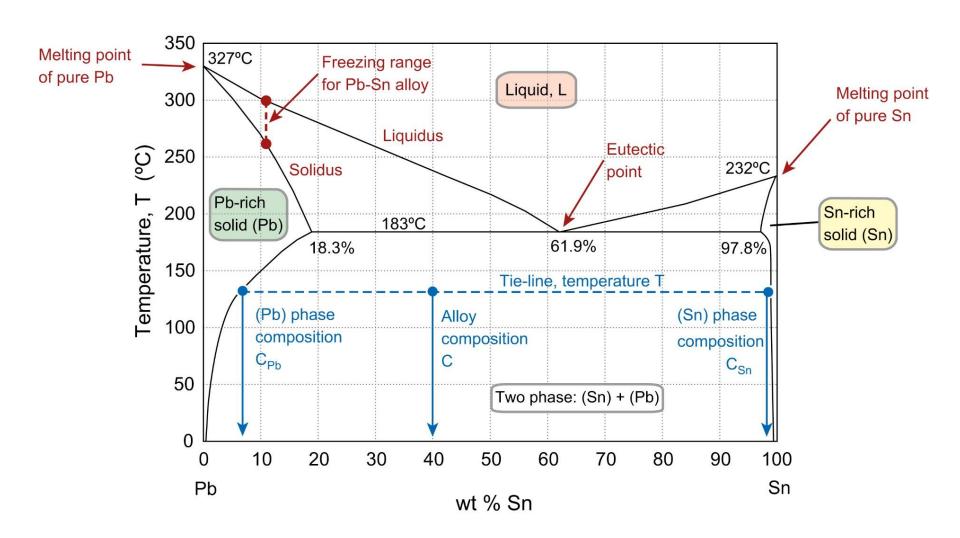
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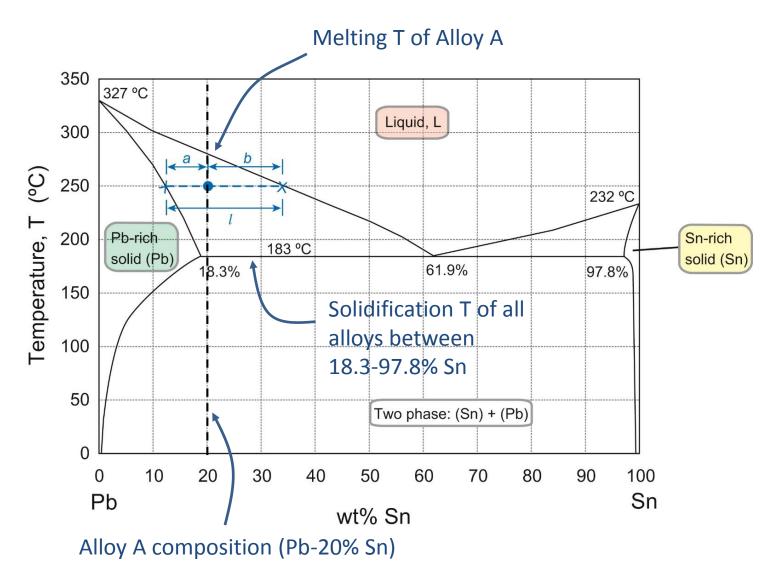
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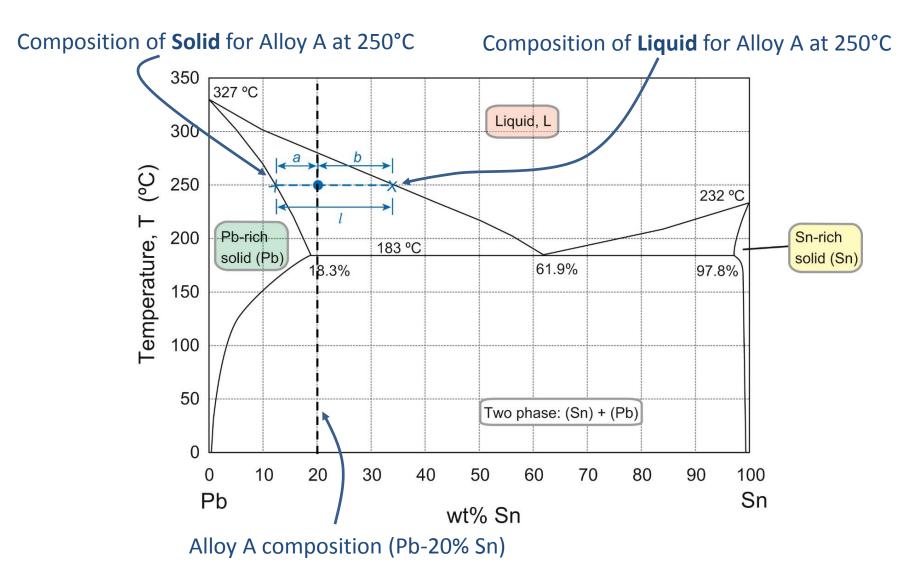
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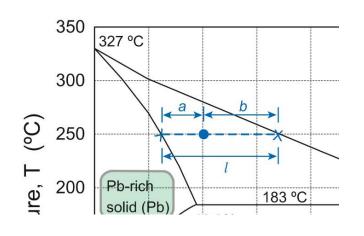
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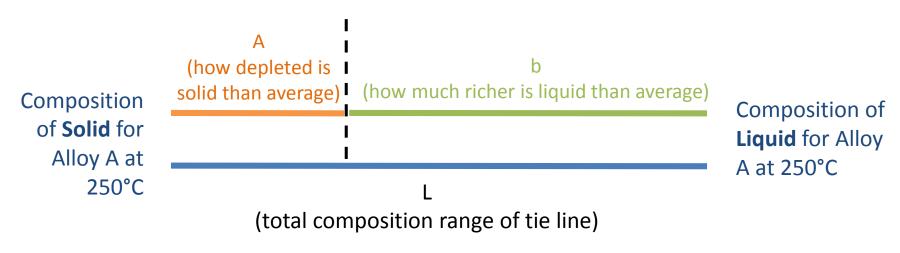
#### Arises from idea of mass balance

If you have more phase with less of element X

Amount of X in other phase **must** increase.

Average X = composition of alloy

Alloy composition e.g. Pb 20% Sn



a/l = fraction of liquid

b/l = fraction of solid

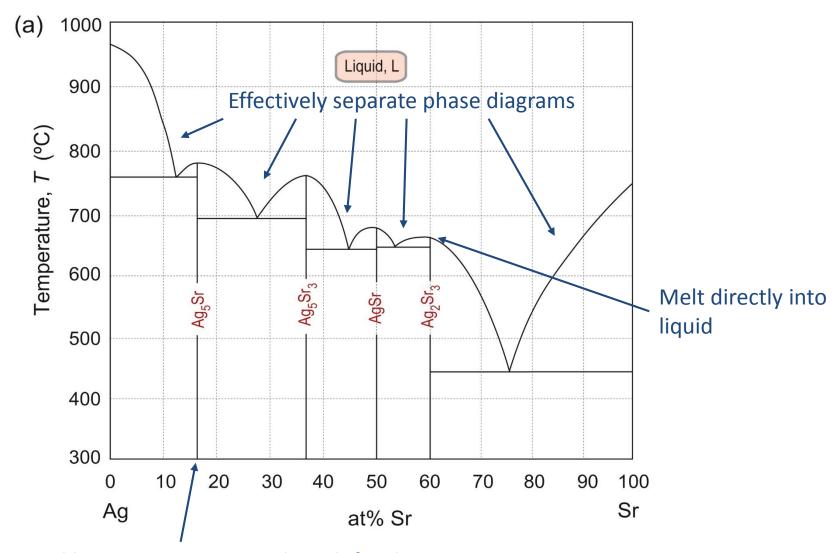
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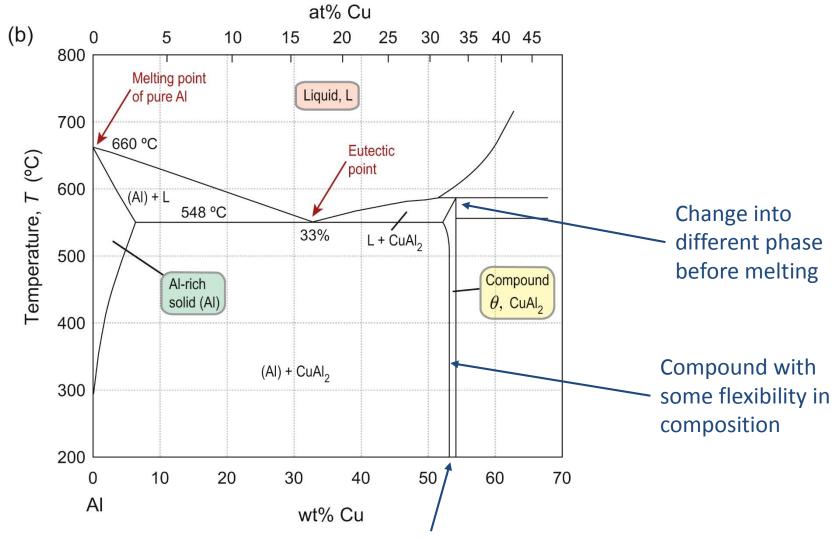
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#### Intermediate Phases



Vertical lines mean compounds with fixed composition

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Compound used to harden high-strength aluminium (age hardening)

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#### COMPLETE QUESTIONS 1-3 BY NEXT WEEK