

# **Introduction of Materials Science and Engineering**

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# Chapter 9: Phase Diagrams

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**Callister's Materials Science and Engineering, 10<sup>th</sup> edition,**  
Wiley

# Chapter 9: Phase Diagrams

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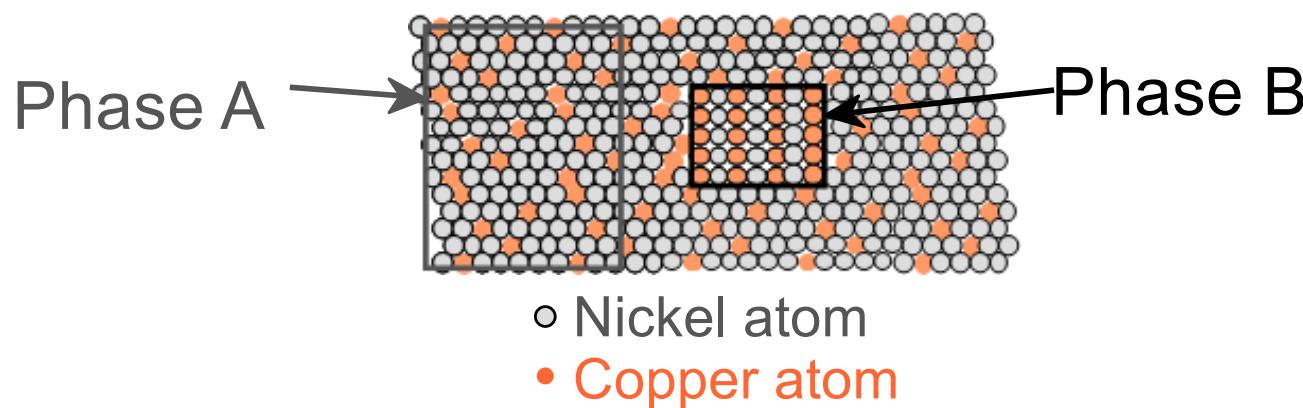
- When we combine two elements...  
what is the resulting equilibrium state?
- In particular, if we specify...
  - the composition (e.g., wt% Cu - wt% Ni), and
  - the temperature ( $T$ )

then...

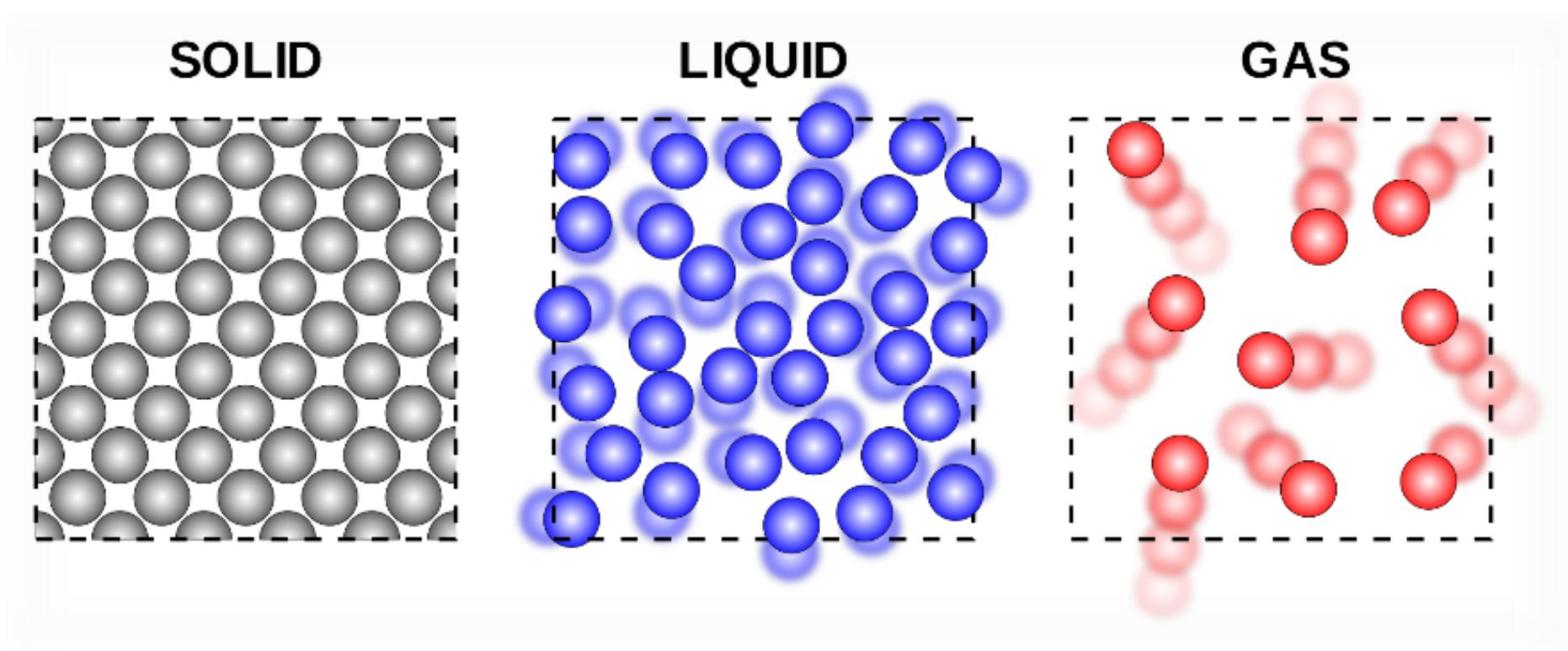
How many phases form?

What is the composition of each phase?

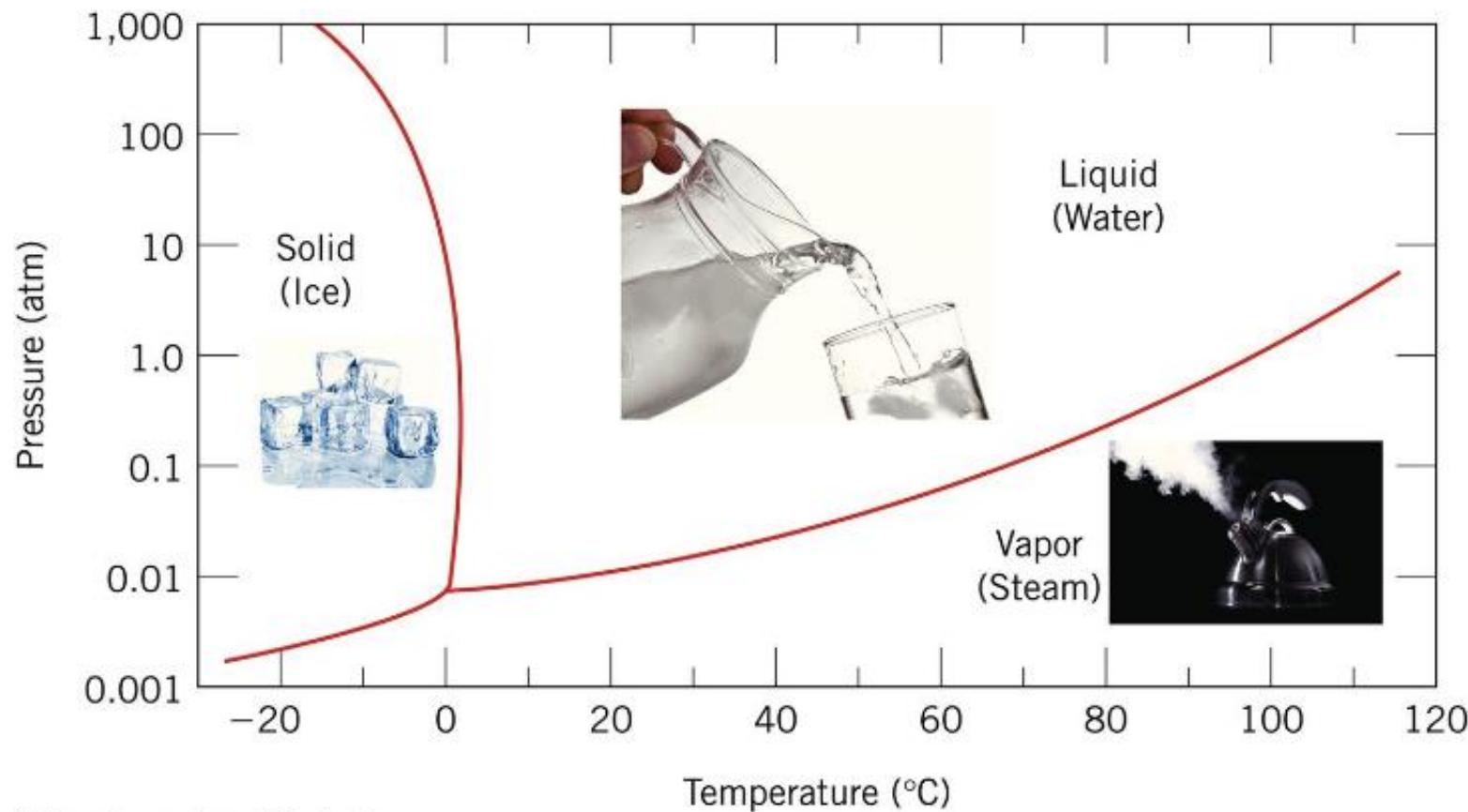
What is the amount of each phase?



# Phase



# Phases of water



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# What can phase diagram tell us?

Much of the information about the control of the phase structure of a particular system is conveniently and concisely displayed in what is called a **phase diagram**, also often termed an *equilibrium diagram*. Three externally controllable parameters that affect phase structure—temperature, pressure, and composition—and phase diagrams are constructed when various combinations of these parameters are plotted against one another.

*The equilibrium property of a System composed of a pure component or mixing components, as function of temperature, pressure and composition.*

# Definitions and basic concepts

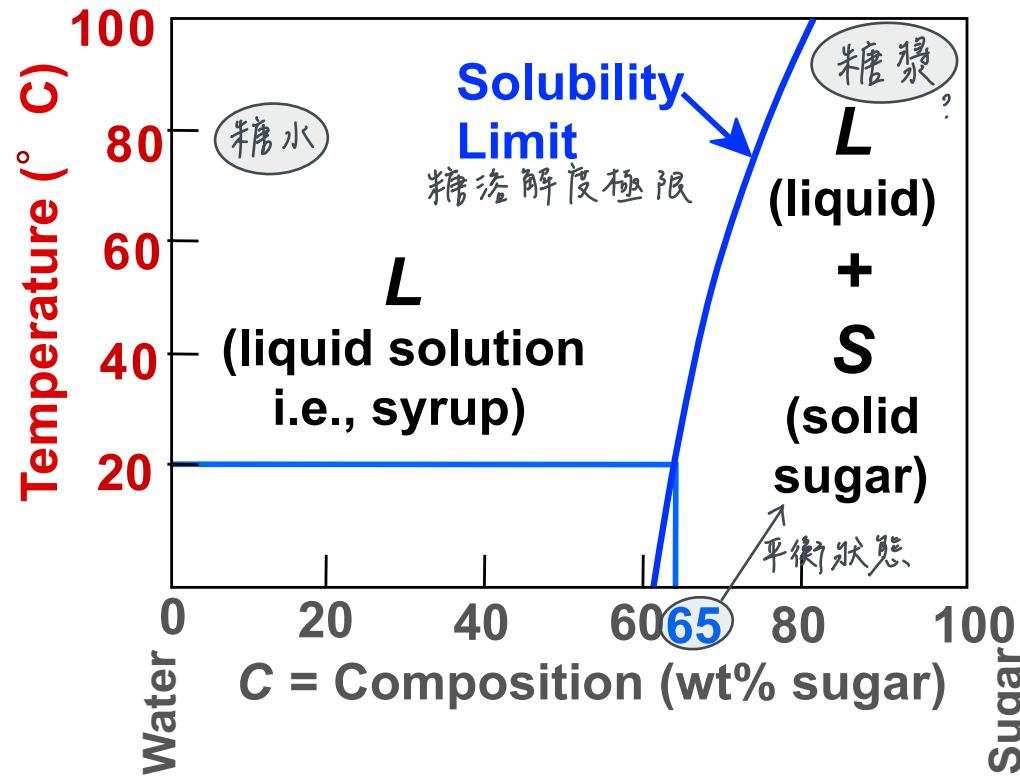
- **Component** : pure metals/compounds of which an alloy is composed.
- **System** : alloy or compound consisting of the same components but without regard to the composition.
- **Solid solution** : consisted of atoms at least two different types; the solute atoms occupy either substitutional or interstitial positions in the solvent lattice. The crystal structure of the solvent is maintained.

# Phase Equilibria: Solubility Limit

- **Solution** – solid, liquid, or gas solutions
- **Solubility Limit:**  
Maximum concentration of solute atoms that may dissolve in the solvent for form a solid solution. (**only a single phase solution exists.**)
- **excess of solute**  
formation of another solid solution or compound that has a different composition.

# Phase Equilibria: Solubility Limit

Sugar/Water Phase Diagram

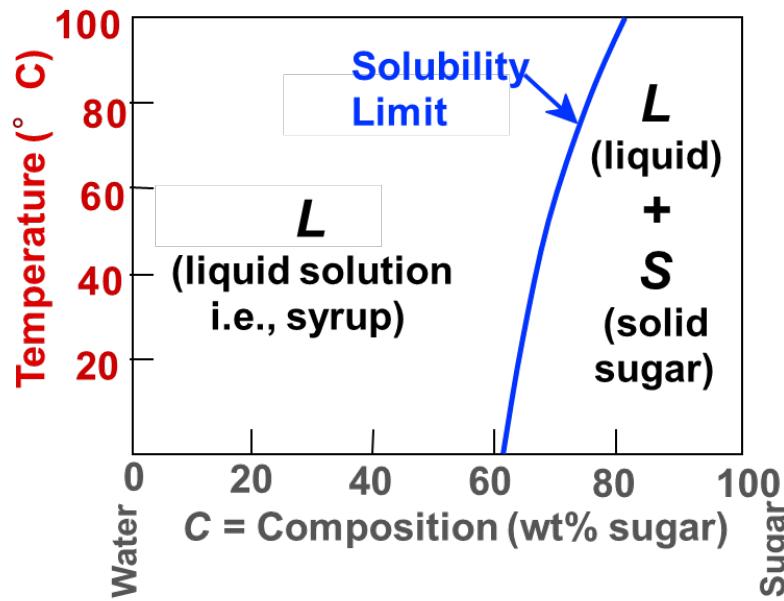


Question: What is the solubility limit for sugar in water at  $20^{\circ}\text{ C}$ ?

Answer: **65 wt% sugar.**  
At  $20^{\circ}\text{ C}$ , if  $C < 65 \text{ wt\% sugar}$ : syrup  
At  $20^{\circ}\text{ C}$ , if  $C > 65 \text{ wt\% sugar}$ :

# Components and Phases

Sugar/Water Phase Diagram



Syrup : one phase, (single physical and chemical property)

Water+sugar : two phases, mixture

# Components and Phases

- **Components:**  
The elements or compounds which are present in the alloy  
(e.g., Al and Cu)
- **Phases:**  
Homogeneous system that has uniform physical and chemical characteristics.  
e.g. every pure material; solid, liquid, and gaseous solution.
- **Mixture:** systems composed of two or more phases

# Components and Phases

- **Components:**

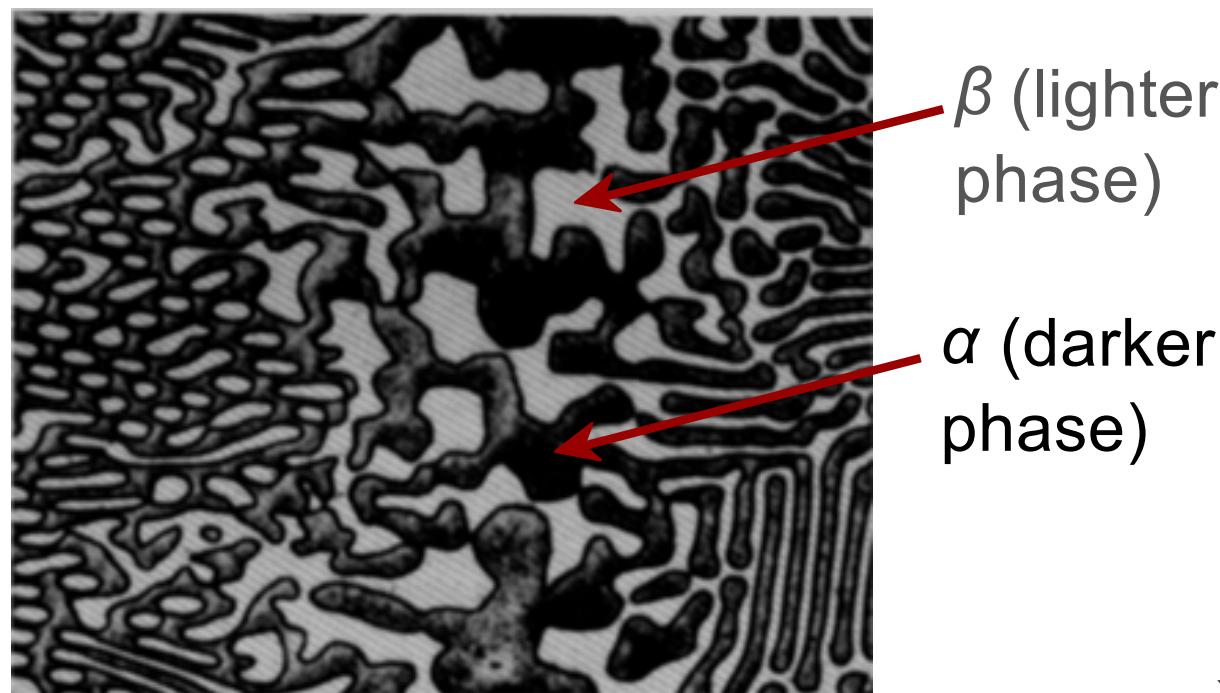
The elements or compounds which are present in the alloy  
(e.g., Al and Cu)

- **Phases:**

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

Aluminum-  
Copper  
Alloy

Adapted from chapter-opening photograph,  
Chapter 9, Callister,  
*Materials Science & Engineering: An Introduction*, 3e.



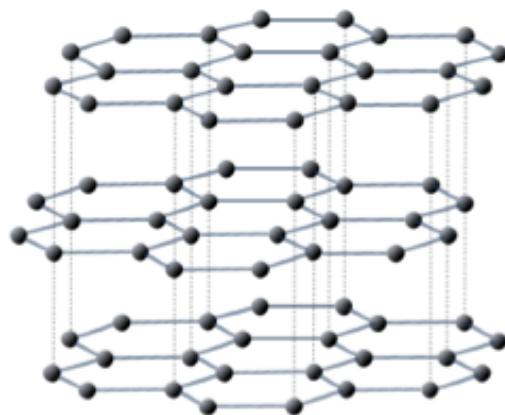
# Components and Phases

*Different phase: Not necessary that there are different in both physical and chemical properties.*

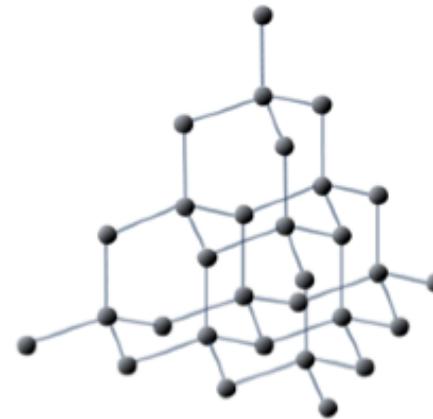
e.g.

*Water and ice*

*Graphite and diamond (hexagonal lattice and diamond lattice )*



Graphite (solid lines are strong covalent bonds,  
dotted lines are weak inter-layer bonds)



Diamond (all bonds are strong covalent bonds)

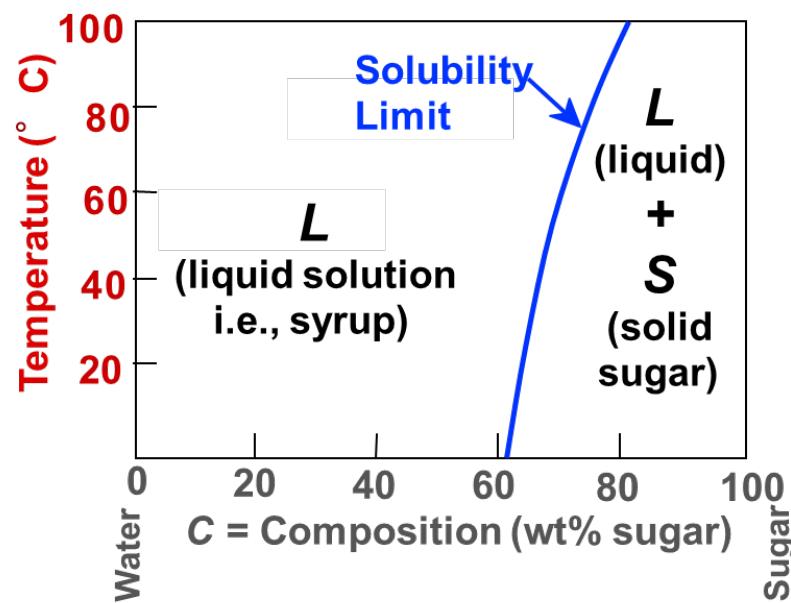
# Phase equilibria

- **Equilibrium** : stable
    - Macroscopic : characteristics of a system doesn't change with time.
    - Energetic : system has minimum free energy at the specified environment. (temperature, pressure, composition)  
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  - **Phase equilibrium** : stable system consisting of more than one phase.

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# Phase equilibria

Sugar/Water Phase Diagram



*Below solubility limit: syrup  
Beyond : mixture of sugar and syrup*

## Environment changes equilibrium phase

Ex.: in sugar/water mixture, at 20C, equilibrium phase is 65% sugar + 35% water  
At 100C, 80% sugar + 20% water

# Phase equilibria

- From a phase diagram, equilibrium characteristics of a system are provided.
- Phase diagram doesn't indicate the time period necessary for the attainment of a new equilibrium.
- In solid solution, due to low diffusion rate of components, equilibrium rate is slow.
- Sometimes it never achieve equilibrium and the state may persist indefinitely. The system is said in a **metastable** state .

*Equilibrium = 材料性質好？*

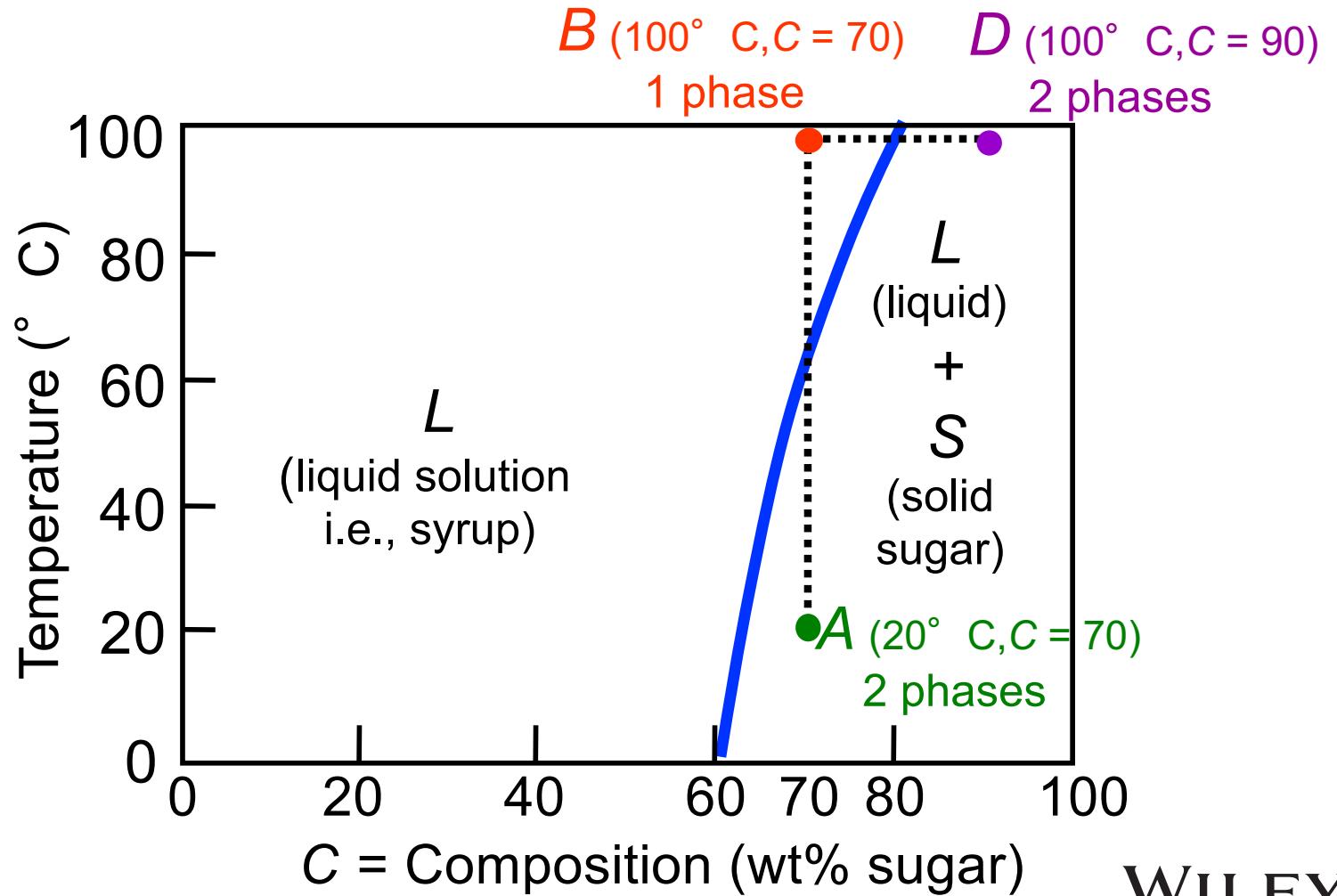
*Non-equilibrium = 材料性質不好？*

# Effect of Temperature & Composition

- Altering  $T$  can change # of phases: path  $A$  to  $B$ .
- Altering  $C$  can change # of phases: path  $B$  to  $D$ .

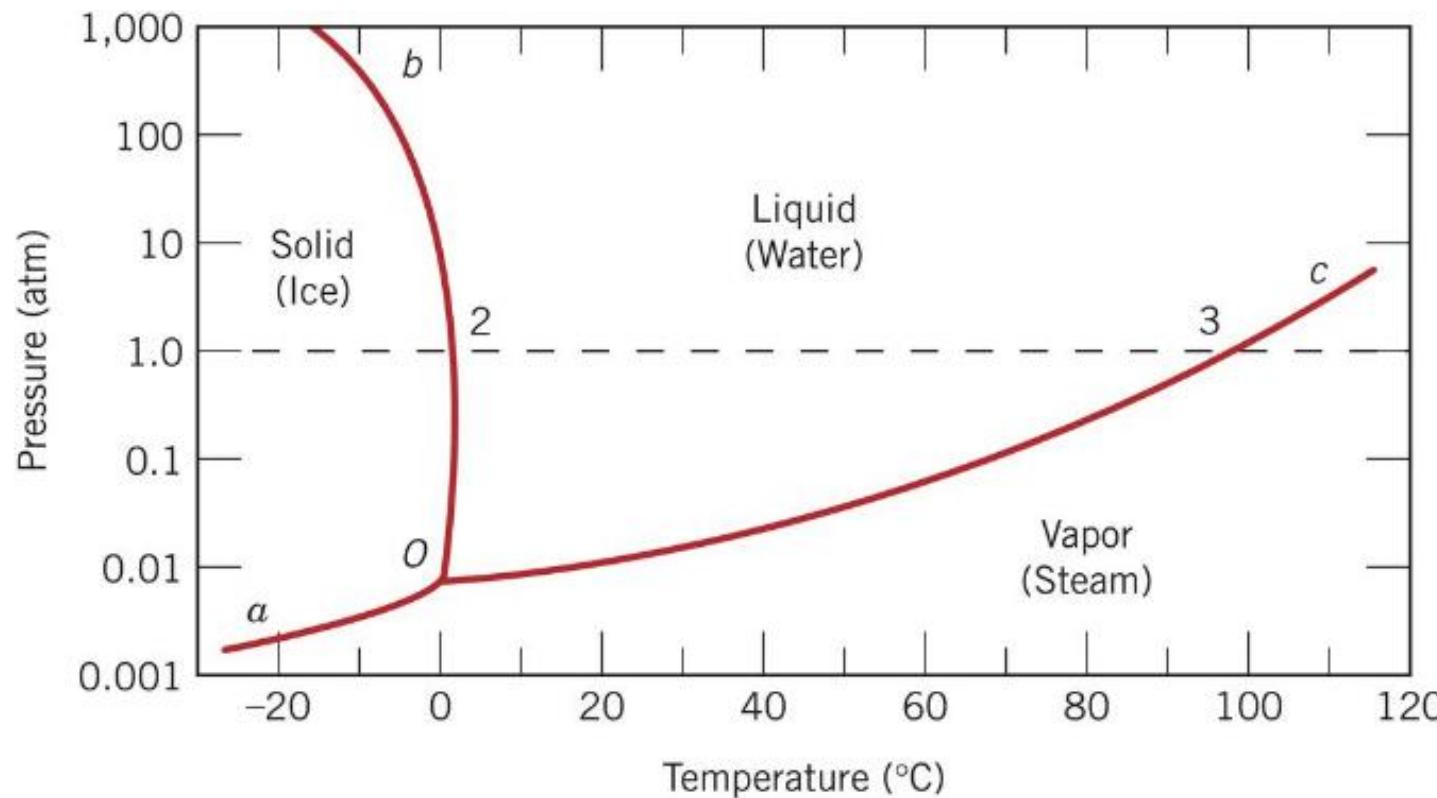
water-sugar system

Fig. 9.1, Callister & Rethwisch 10e.



# One-component phase diagram

- Pressure-temperature diagram.
- $aO$ ,  $bO$ ,  $cO$  are phase boundaries and  $O$  is triple point, at which phases are coexist.
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# Binary Phase Diagram: Criteria for Solid Solubility

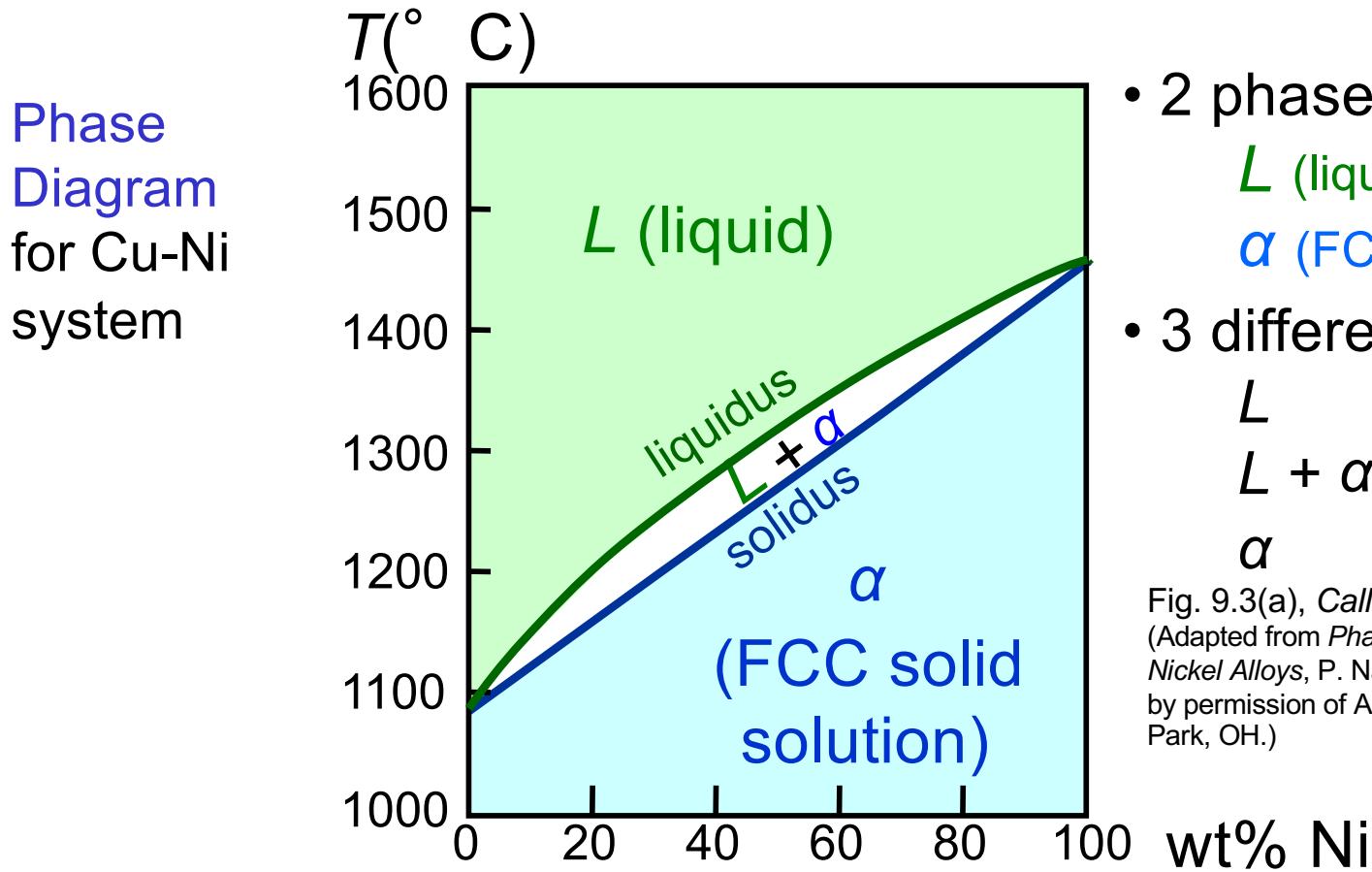
Simple system (e.g., Ni-Cu solution)

	Crystal Structure	Electronegativity	$r$ (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.

# Binary Phase Diagram

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



- 2 phases:
  - $L$  (liquid)
  - $\alpha$  (FCC solid solution)
- 3 different phase fields:
  - $L$
  - $L + \alpha$
  - $\alpha$

Fig. 9.3(a), Callister & Rethwisch 10e.  
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# Isomorphous Binary Phase Diagram

- Phase diagram: Cu-Ni system.
- System is:
  - **binary**  
*i.e.*, 2 components: Cu and Ni.
  - **isomorphous**  
*i.e.*, complete solubility of one component in another;  $\alpha$  phase field extends from 0 to 100 wt% Ni.

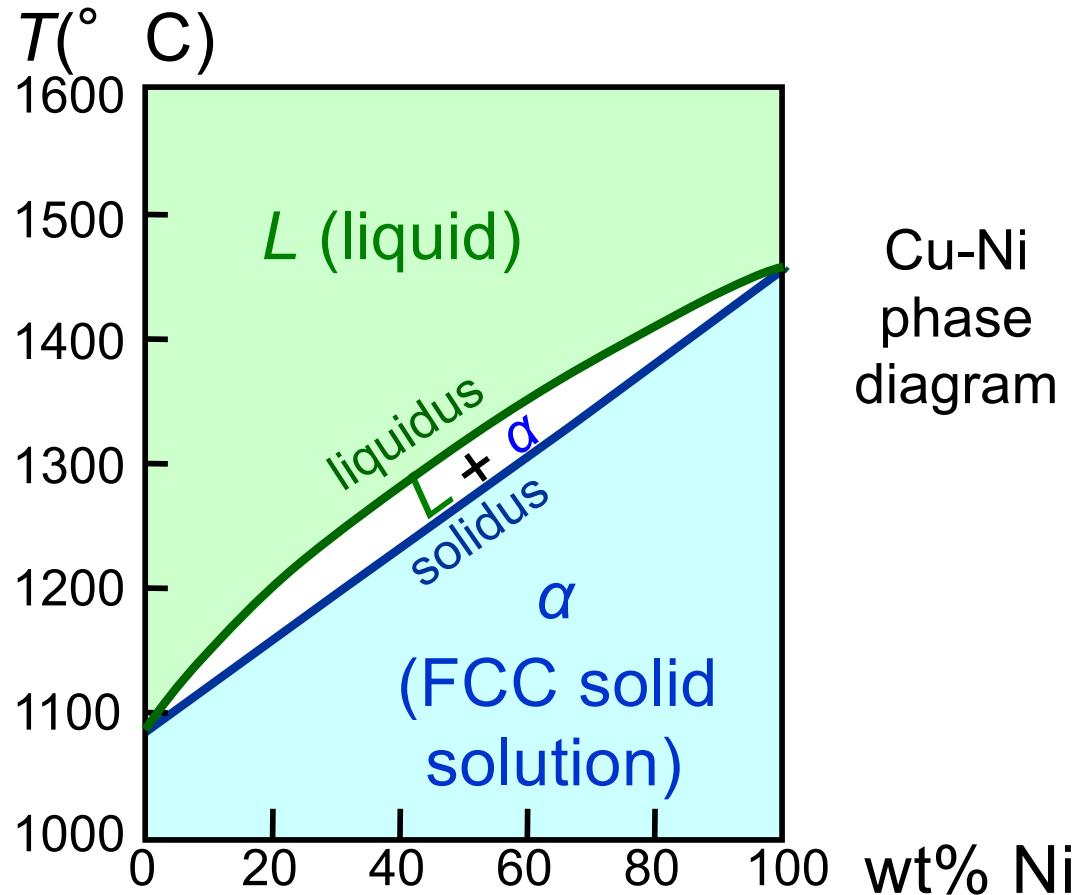
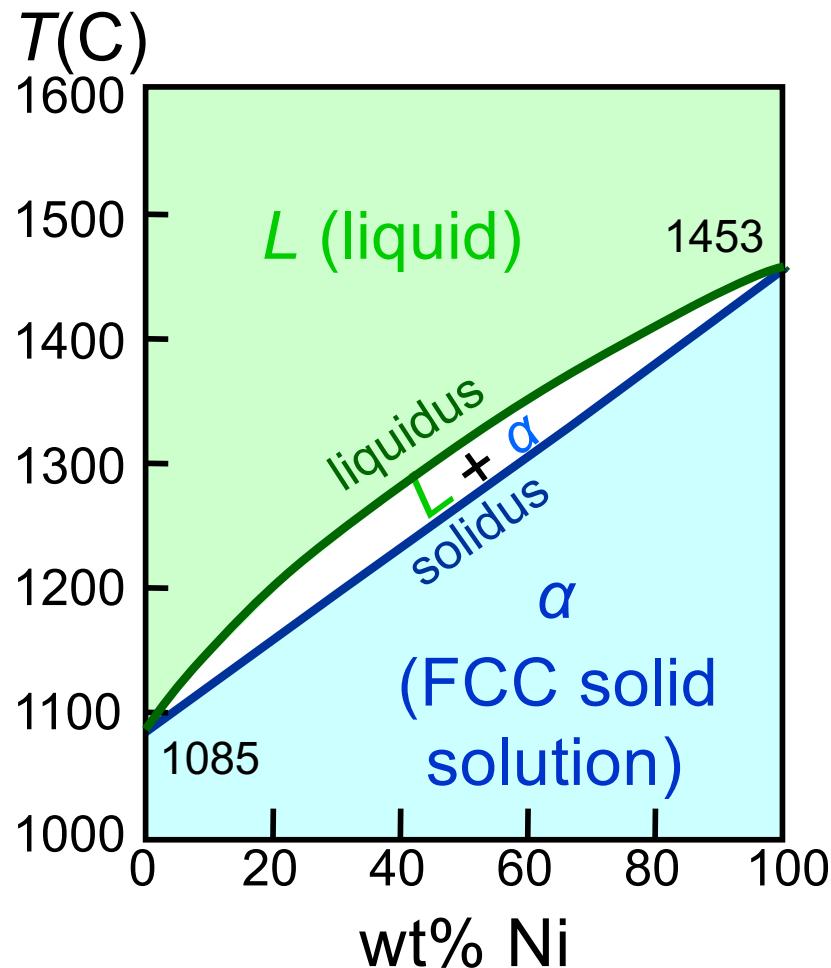


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# Phase Diagrams



## Information available

1. Phases that are present
2. Composition of phases
3. Percentage or fractions of the phases

# Phase Diagrams: Determination of phase(s) present

- Rule 1: If we know  $T$  and  $C_o$ , then we know:  
-- which phase(s) is (are) present.

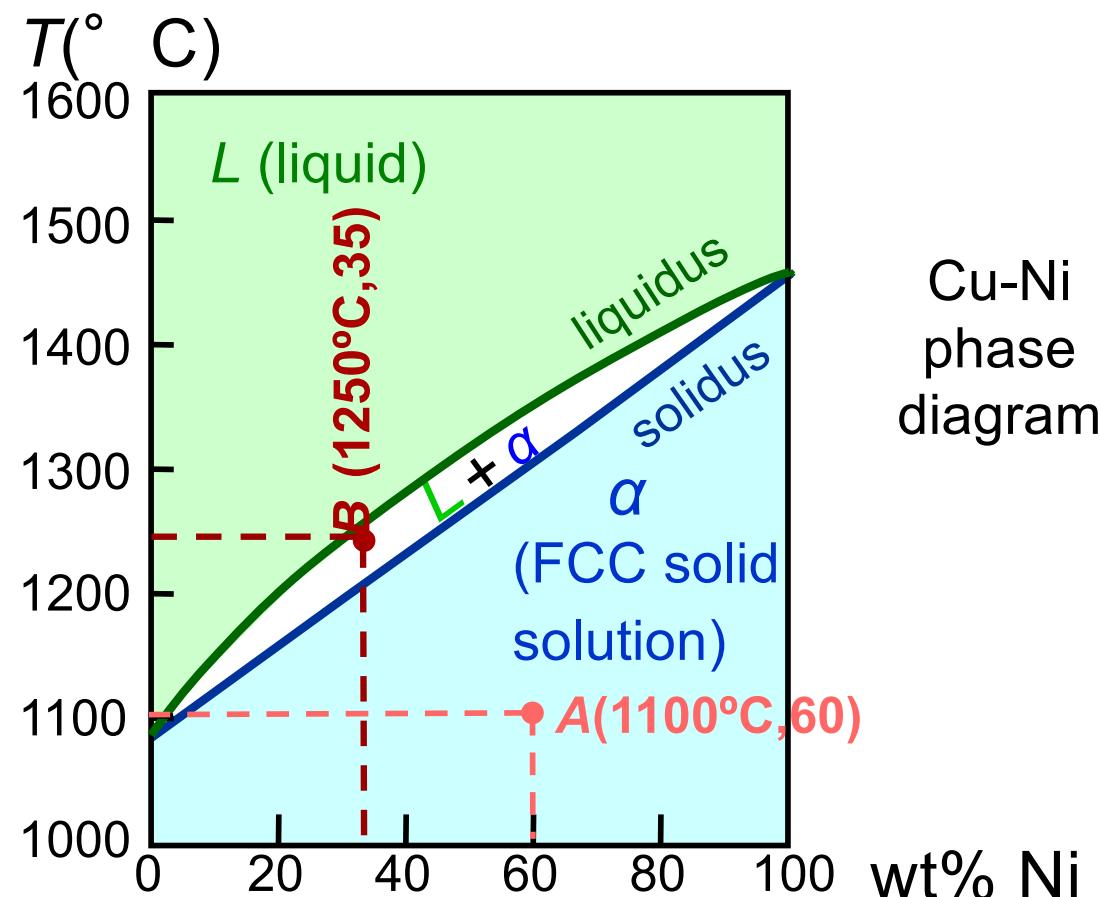
- Examples:

*A*(1100° C, 60 wt% Ni):

1 phase:  $\alpha$

*B*(1250° C, 35 wt% Ni):

2 phases:  $L + \alpha$



Cu-Ni  
phase  
diagram

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# Phase Diagrams: Determination of phase compositions

- Rule 2: If we know  $T$  and  $C_0$ , then we can determine:
  - the composition of each phase.
- Examples:

Consider  $C_0 = 35$  wt% Ni

At  $T_A = 1320^\circ \text{ C}$ :

Only Liquid ( $L$ ) present  
 $C_L = C_0$  ( $= 35$  wt% Ni)

At  $T_D = 1190^\circ \text{ C}$ :

Only Solid ( $\alpha$ ) present  
 $C_\alpha = C_0$  ( $= 35$  wt% Ni)

At  $T_B = 1250^\circ \text{ C}$ :

Both  $\alpha$  and  $L$  present

$C_L = C_{\text{liquidus}}$  ( $= 32$  wt% Ni)

$C_\alpha = C_{\text{solidus}}$  ( $= 43$  wt% Ni)

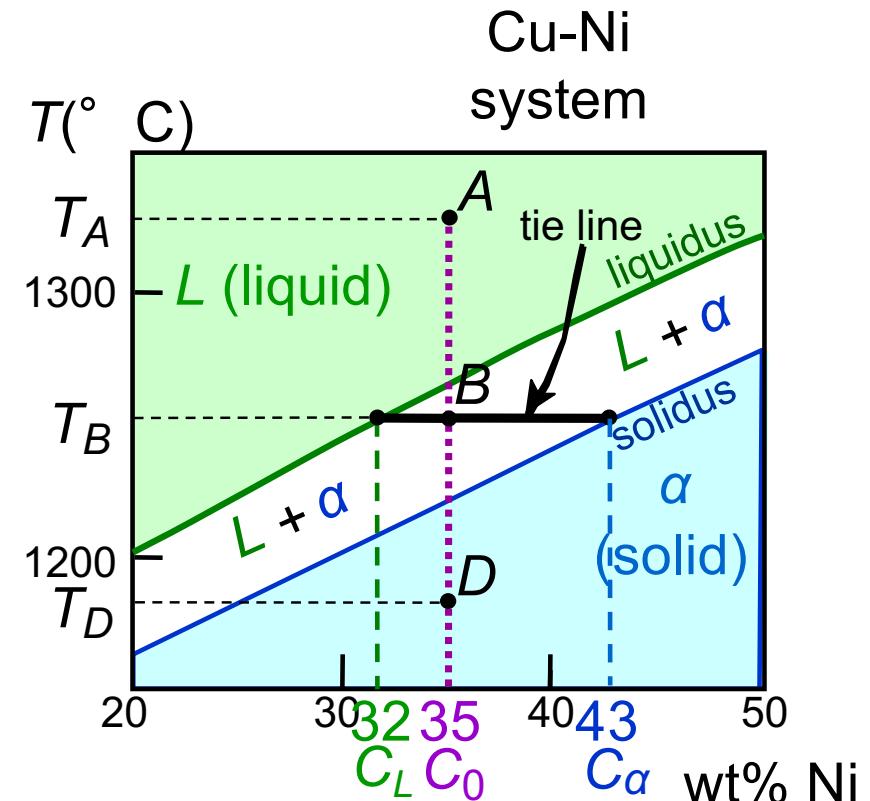


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# Phase Diagrams: Determination of phase weight fractions

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

Consider  $C_0 = 35$  wt% Ni

At  $T_A$ : Only Liquid ( $L$ ) present

$$W_L = 1.00, W_\alpha = 0$$

At  $T_D$ : Only Solid ( $\alpha$ ) present

$$W_L = 0, W_\alpha = 1.00$$

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

$$W_L = \frac{S}{R+S} = \frac{43 - 35}{43 - 32} = 0.73$$

$$W_\alpha = \frac{R}{R+S} = 0.27$$

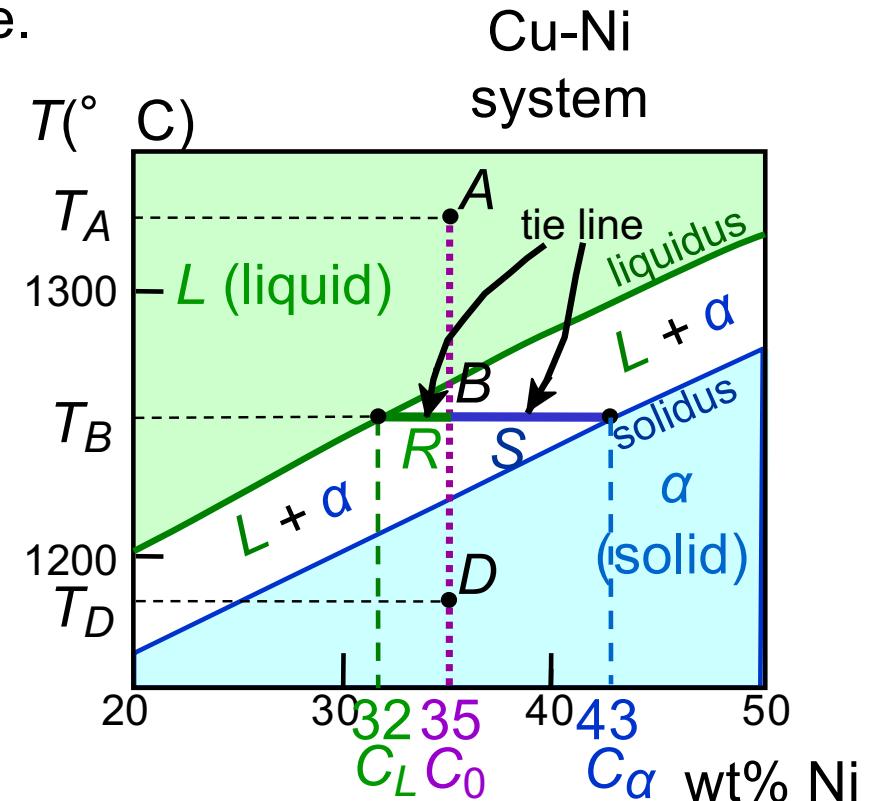
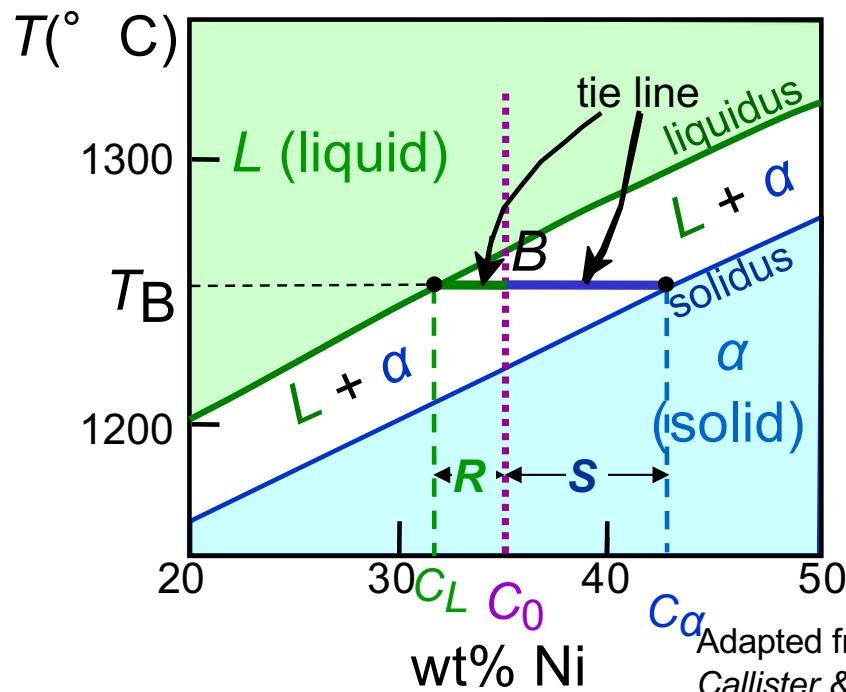


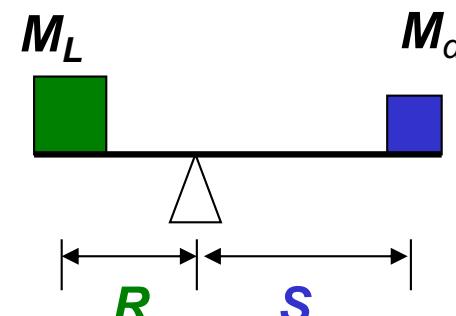
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# The Lever Rule

- Tie line – connects the phases in equilibrium with each other – also sometimes called an **isotherm**



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



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

$$W_L = \frac{M_L}{M_L + M_{\alpha}} = \frac{S}{R + S} = \frac{C_{\alpha} - C_0}{C_{\alpha} - C_L}$$

$$W_{\alpha} = \frac{R}{R + S} = \frac{C_0 - C_L}{C_{\alpha} - C_L}$$

# EXAMPLE PROBLEM 9.1

## Lever Rule Derivation

Derive the lever rule.

## *Solution*

# The Lever Rule: volume fraction

- It is often more convenient to specify relative phase amount in terms of volume fraction (rather than weight fraction)
- Because they may be determined from examination of the microstructure.
- The properties of a multiphase alloy may be estimated on the basis of volume fraction.

# The Lever Rule: volume fraction

$$V_\alpha = \frac{v_\alpha}{v_\alpha + v_\beta}$$

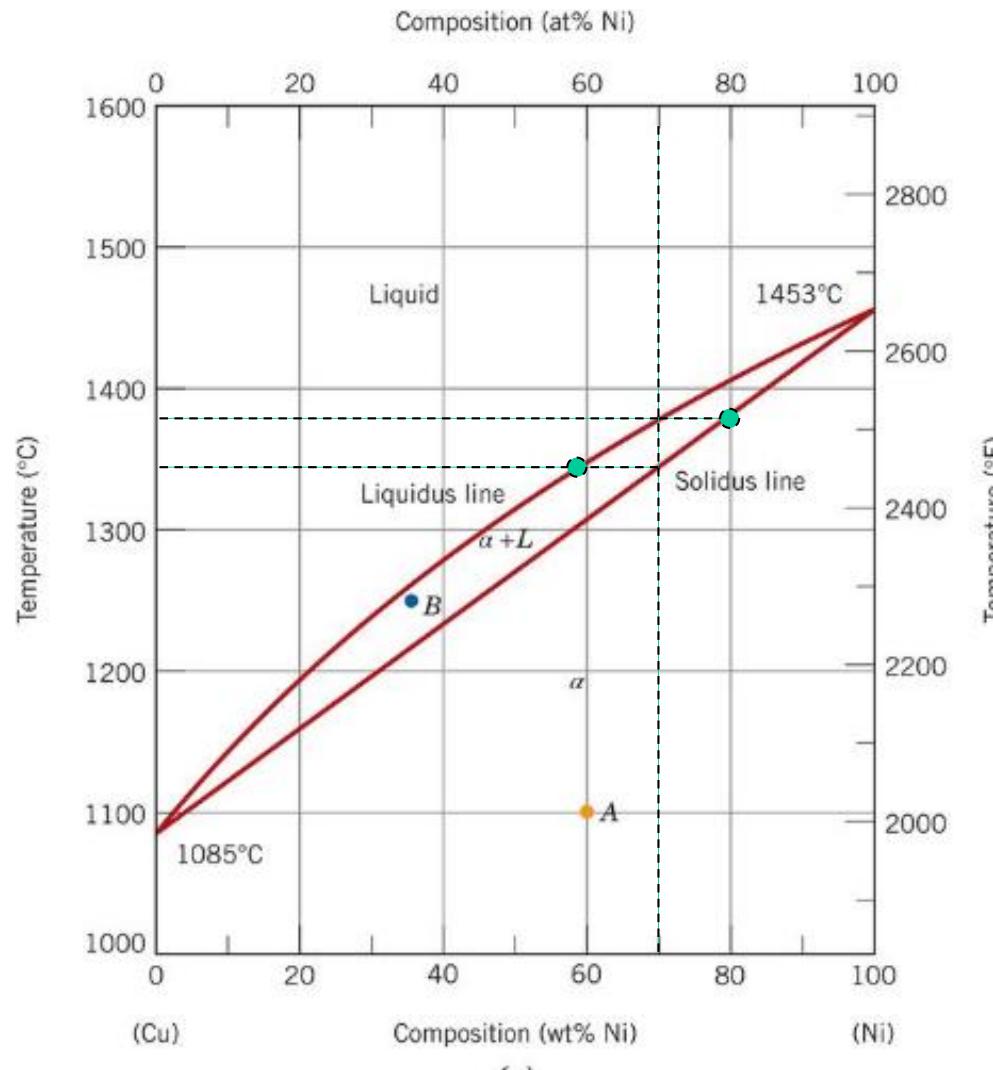
*Conversion between mass fraction and volume fraction*

$$V_\alpha = \frac{\frac{W_\alpha}{\rho_\alpha}}{\frac{W_\alpha}{\rho_\alpha} + \frac{W_\beta}{\rho_\beta}}$$

$$W_\alpha = \frac{V_\alpha \rho_\alpha}{V_\alpha \rho_\alpha + V_\beta \rho_\beta}$$

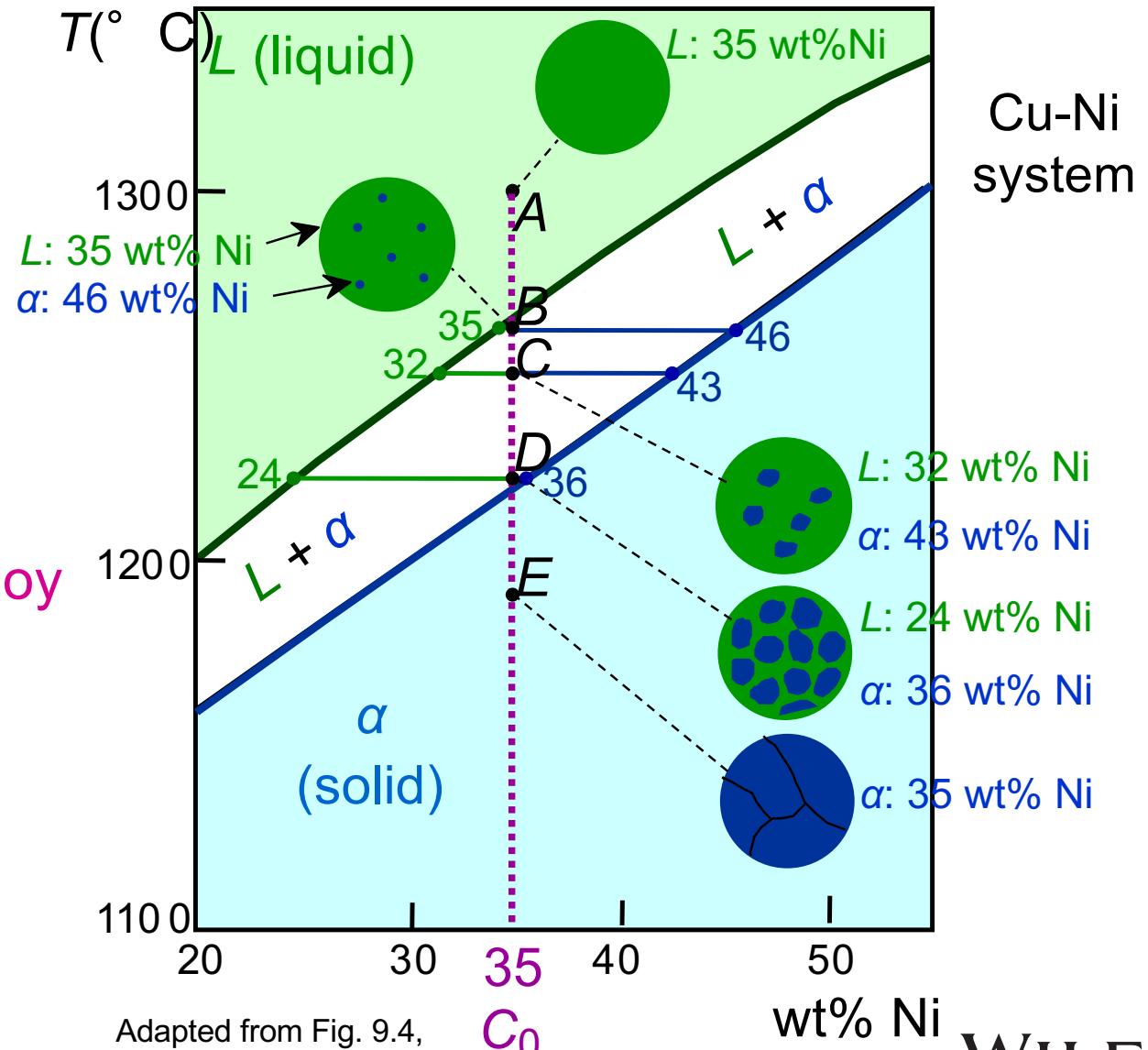
**Concept Check 9.3** A copper–nickel alloy of composition 70 wt% Ni–30 wt% Cu is slowly heated from a temperature of 1300°C (2370°F).

- (a) At what temperature does the first liquid phase form?
- (b) What is the composition of this liquid phase?
- (c) At what temperature does complete melting of the alloy occur?
- (d) What is the composition of the last solid remaining prior to complete melting?



# Ex: Cooling of a Cu-Ni Alloy

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

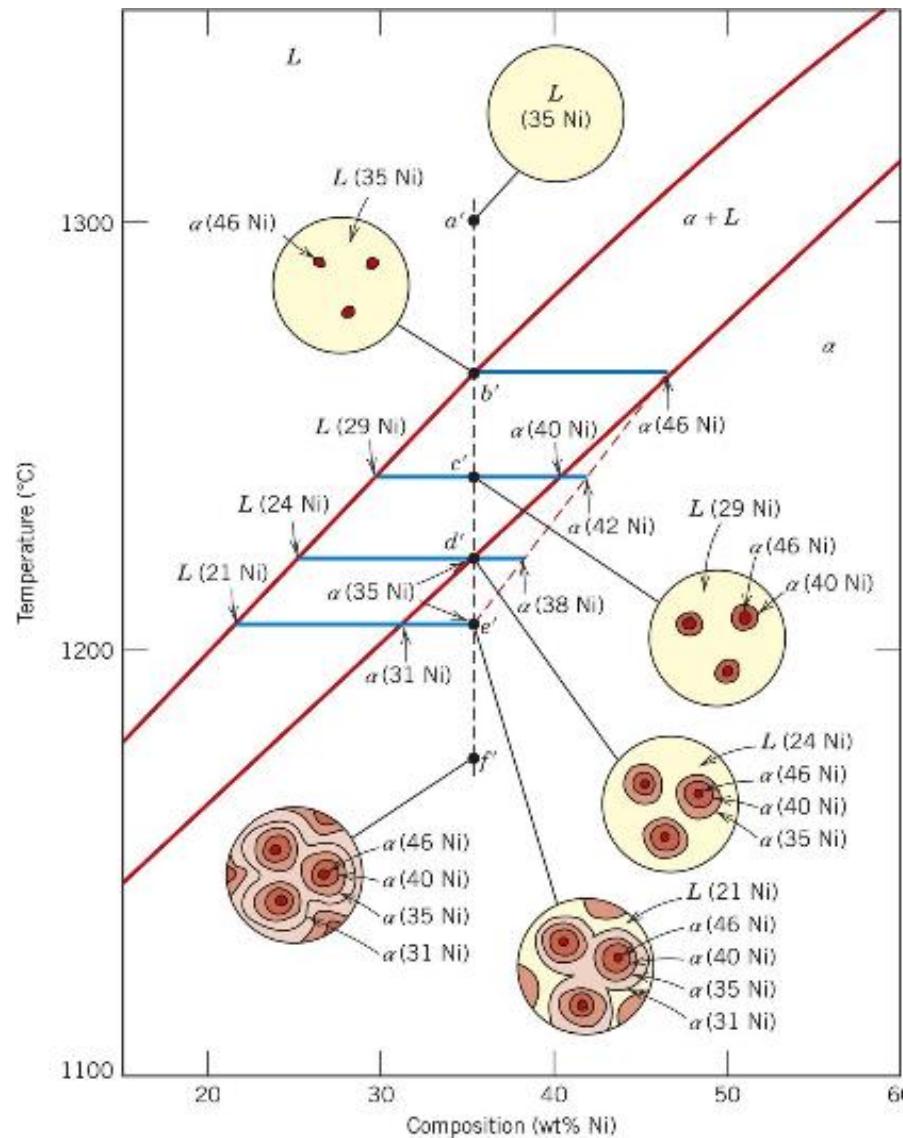


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# Non-equilibrium cooling process

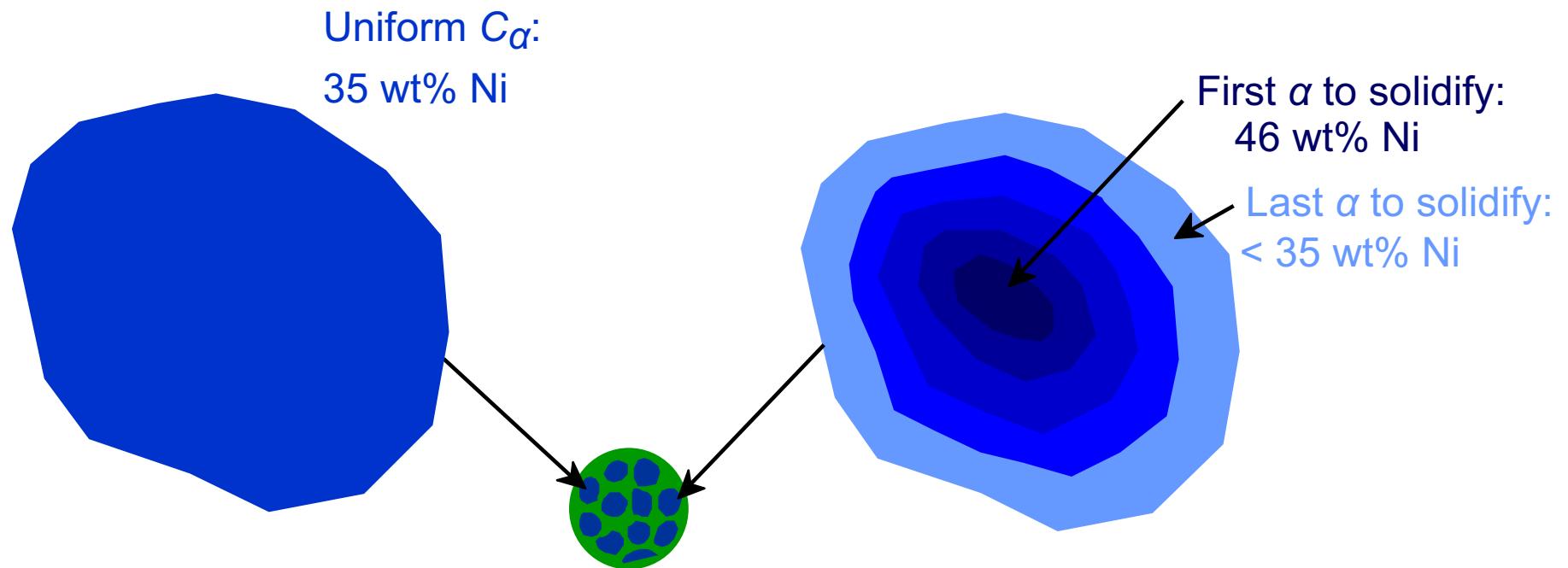
Fast diffusion in liquid,  
slow diffusion in solid.

- a': L(35Ni)
- b': L(35Ni),  $\alpha$ (46Ni)
- c': L(29Ni),  $\alpha$ (40Ni), average Ni=42  
*\*No composition change for previously formed solid phase*
- d': L(24Ni),  $\alpha$ (35Ni), average Ni=38
- e': L(21Ni),  $\alpha$ (31Ni), average Ni=35
- f':  $\alpha$ (35Ni)

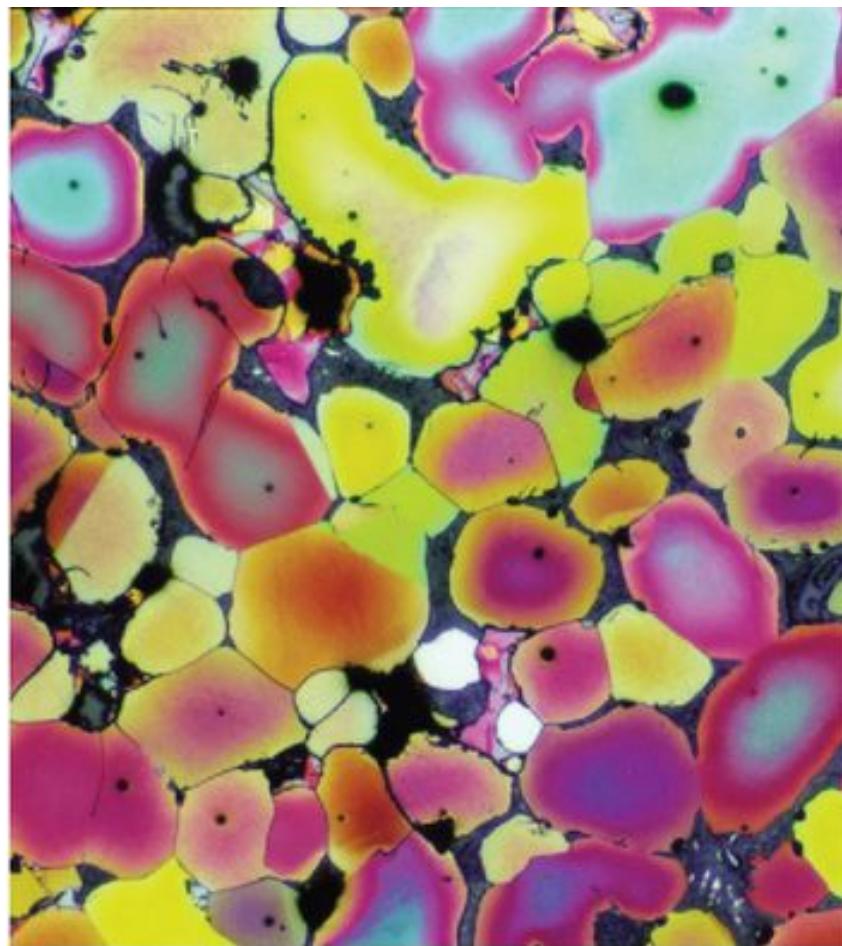


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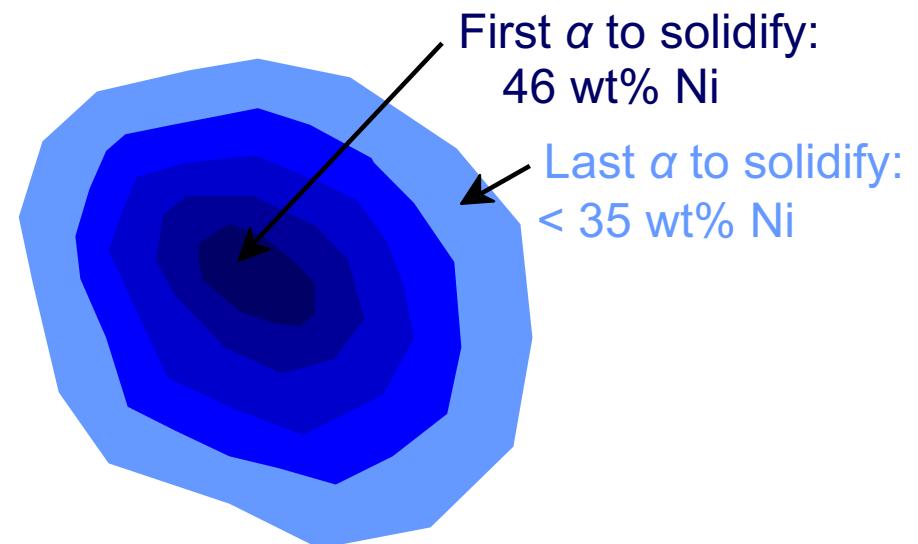
- $C_\alpha$  changes as we solidify.
- Cu-Ni case: First  $\alpha$  to solidify has  $C_\alpha = 46$  wt% Ni.  
Last  $\alpha$  to solidify has  $C_\alpha = 35$  wt% Ni.
- Slow rate of cooling:  
Equilibrium structure
- Fast rate of cooling:  
Cored structure



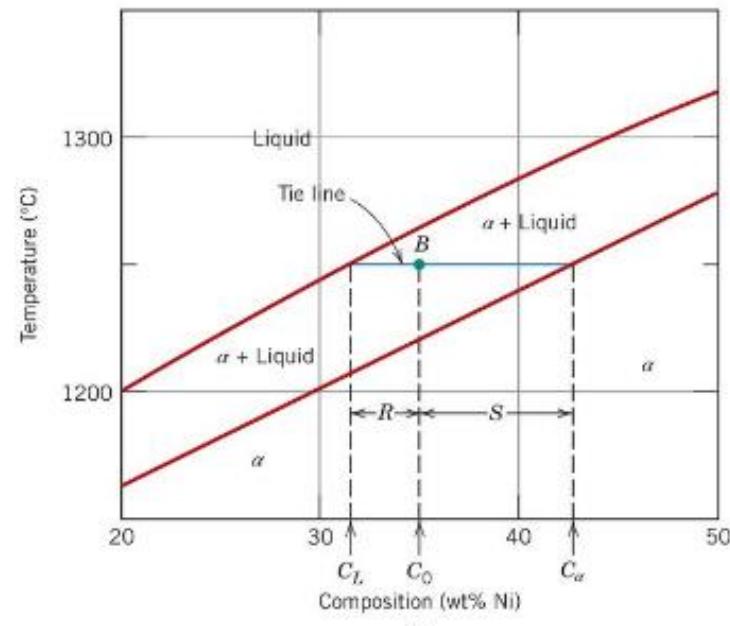
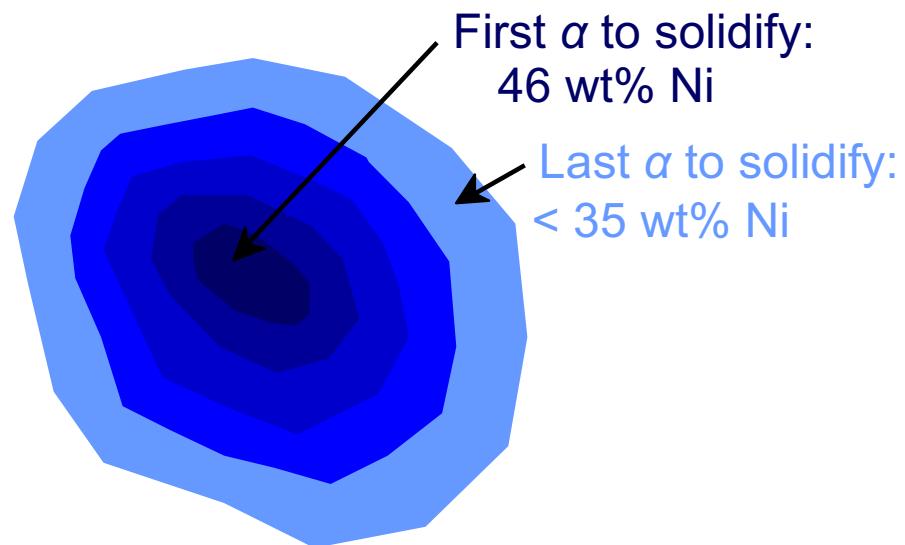
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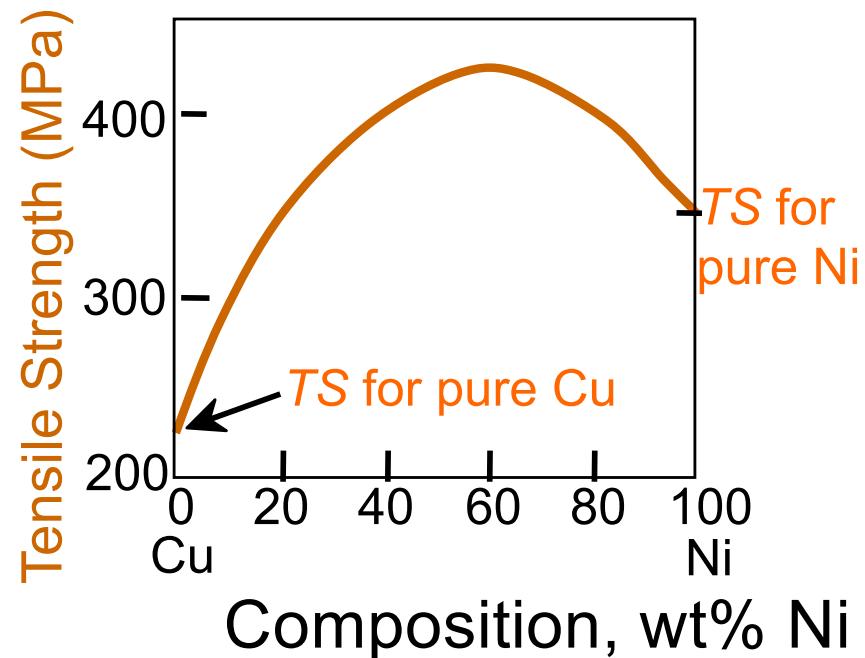


- For each grain, outer ring (grain boundary) has lower melting T, sudden loss of mechanical integrity when casting.
- Melting may begin at T below equilibrium solidus T of alloy.
- May be eliminated by heat treatment at T below solidus point. (homogenization)

# Mechanical Properties: Cu-Ni System

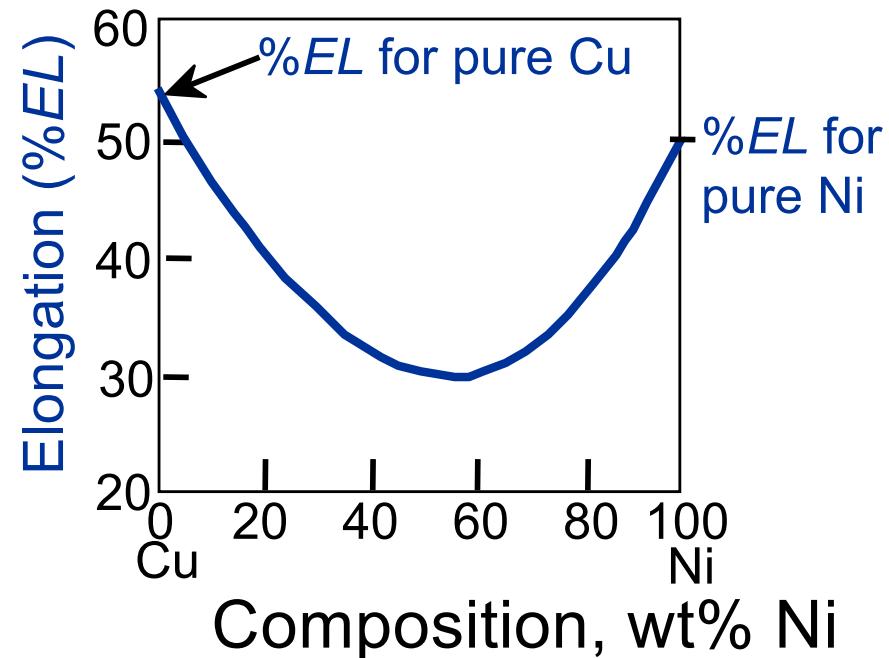
- Effect of solid solution strengthening on:

- Tensile strength ( $TS$ )



Adapted from Fig. 9.6(a),  
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- Ductility (% $EL$ )



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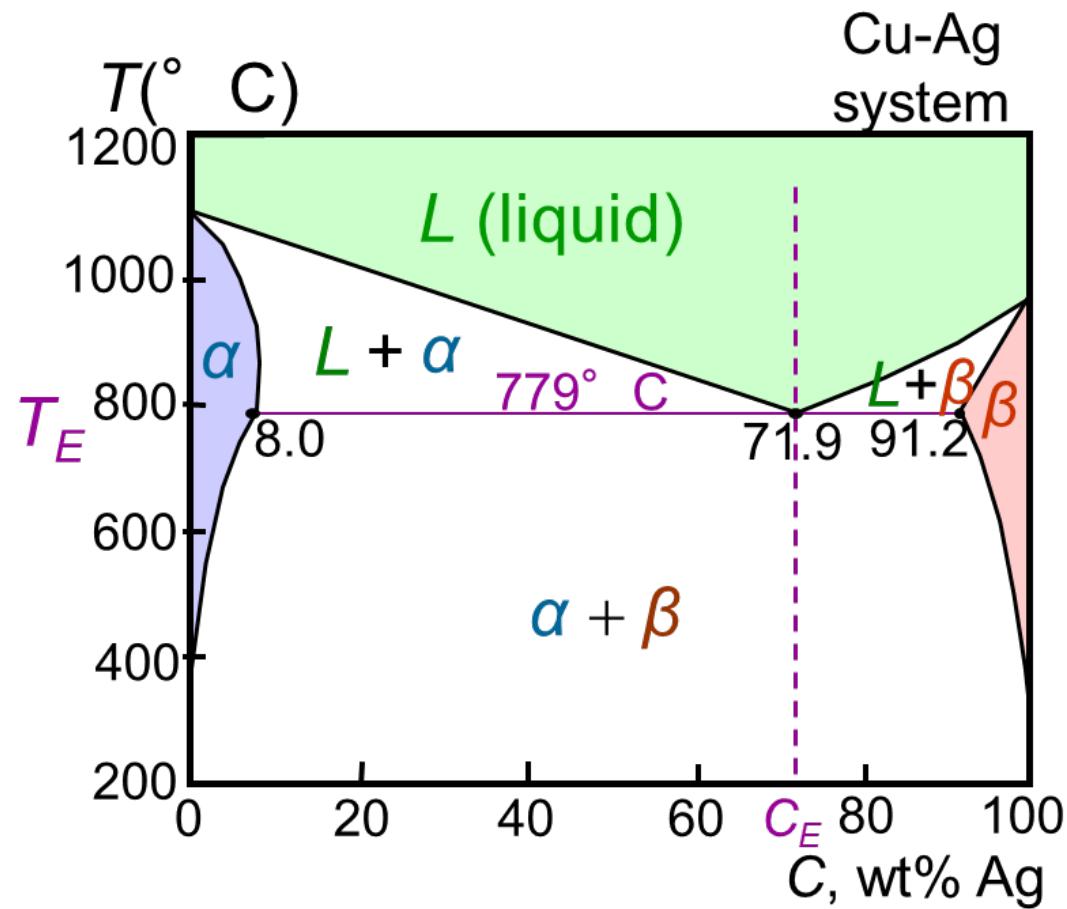
# Binary-Eutectic(共晶) Systems

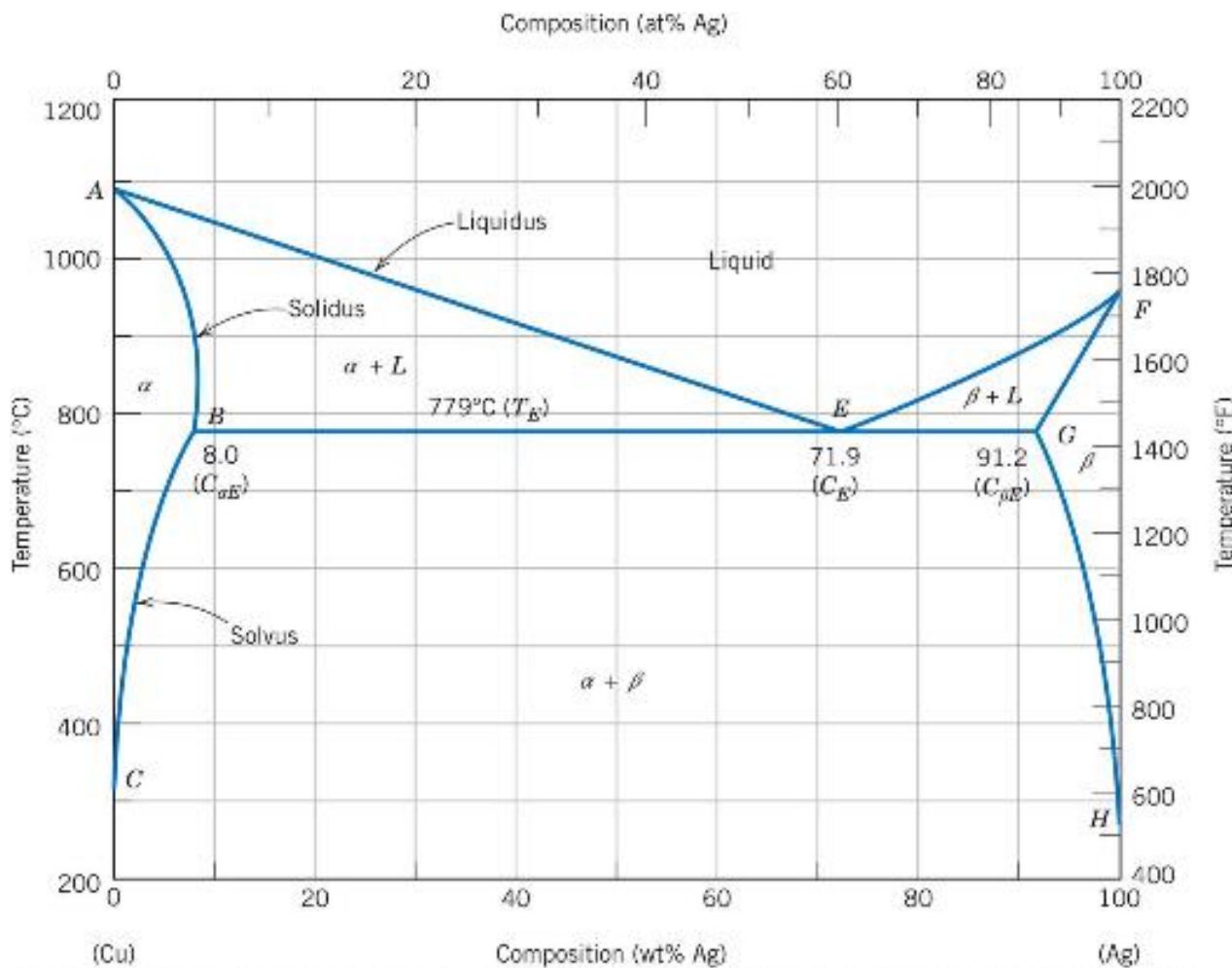
2 components

has a special composition  
with a min. melting  $T$ .

- 3 single phase regions ( $L$ ,  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ )
- Limited solubility:
  - $\alpha$ : mostly Cu
  - $\beta$ : mostly Ag
- 3 two-phase regions
- separated by *solvus line*, *solidus line* and *liquidus line*

$Cu$ : FCC,  $Ag$ : FCC

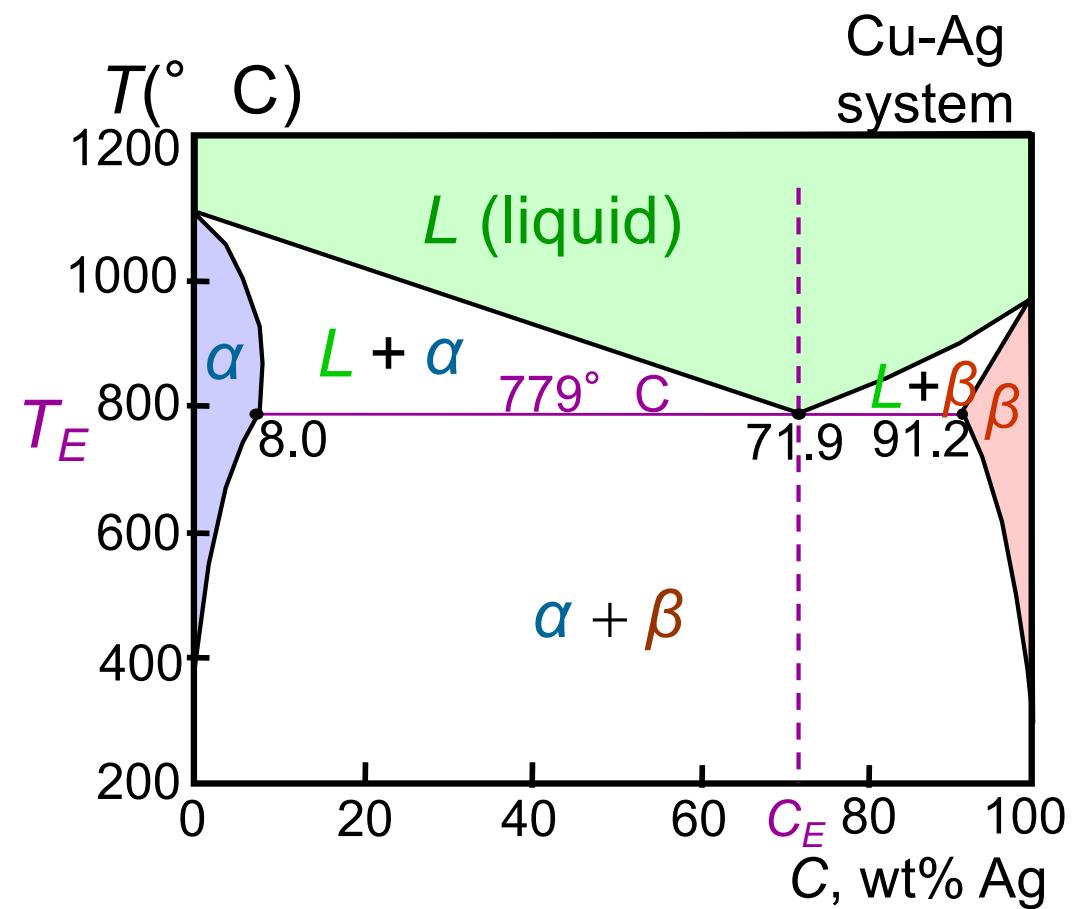




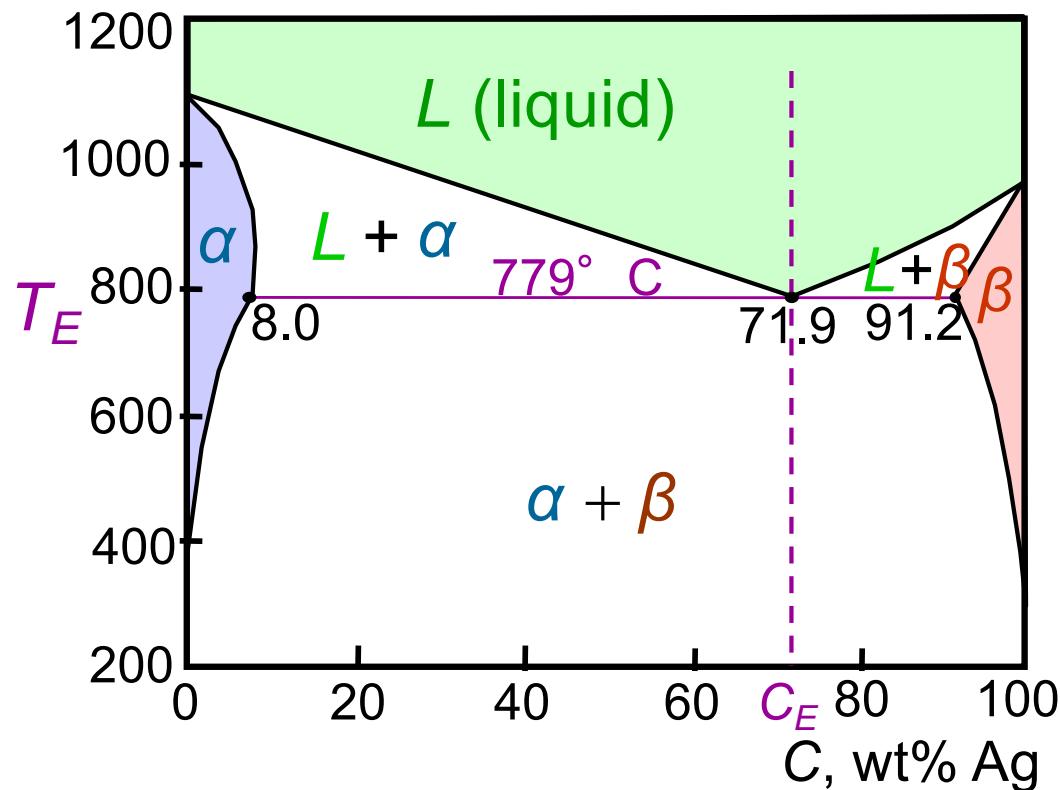
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# Binary-Eutectic Systems

- As Ag is added to Cu, melting T decrease.
- Same as Cu is added to Ag.
- $T_E$ : No liquid below  $T_E$
- $C_E$ : Composition at temperature  $T_E$   
(For Cu-Ag system, 71.9 wt% Ag at 779C)



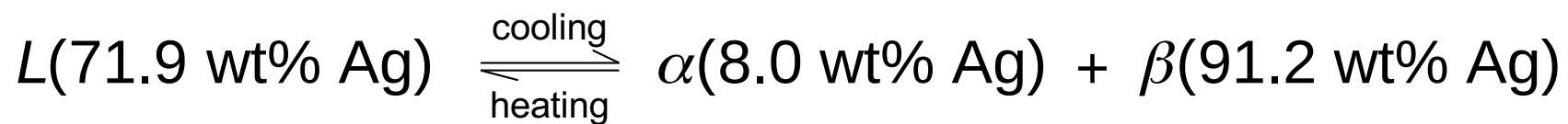
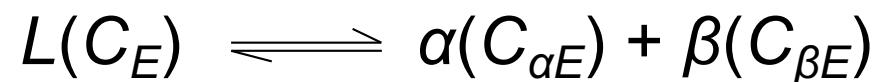
# Binary-Eutectic Systems



*Eutectic Systems*  
has a special composition  
with a min. melting  $T$ .

\*Eutectic : easily melted

- **Eutectic reaction**



# EXAMPLE PROBLEM 9.2

## Determination of Phases Present and Computation of Phase Compositions

For a 40 wt% Sn–60 wt% Pb alloy at 150°C (300°F),

- (a) what phase(s) is (are) present?
- (b) What is (are) the composition(s) of the phase(s)?

### ***Solution***

# EX 1: Pb-Sn Eutectic System

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

**Answer:**  $\alpha + \beta$

- the phase compositions

**Answer:**  $C_\alpha = 11$  wt% Sn

$C_\beta = 99$  wt% Sn

- the relative amount of each phase

**Answer:**

$$W_\alpha = \frac{S}{R+S} = \frac{C_\beta - C_0}{C_\beta - C_\alpha}$$

$$= \frac{99 - 40}{99 - 11} = \frac{59}{88} = 0.67$$

$$W_\beta = \frac{R}{R+S} = \frac{C_0 - C_\alpha}{C_\beta - C_\alpha}$$

$$= \frac{40 - 11}{99 - 11} = \frac{29}{88} = 0.33$$

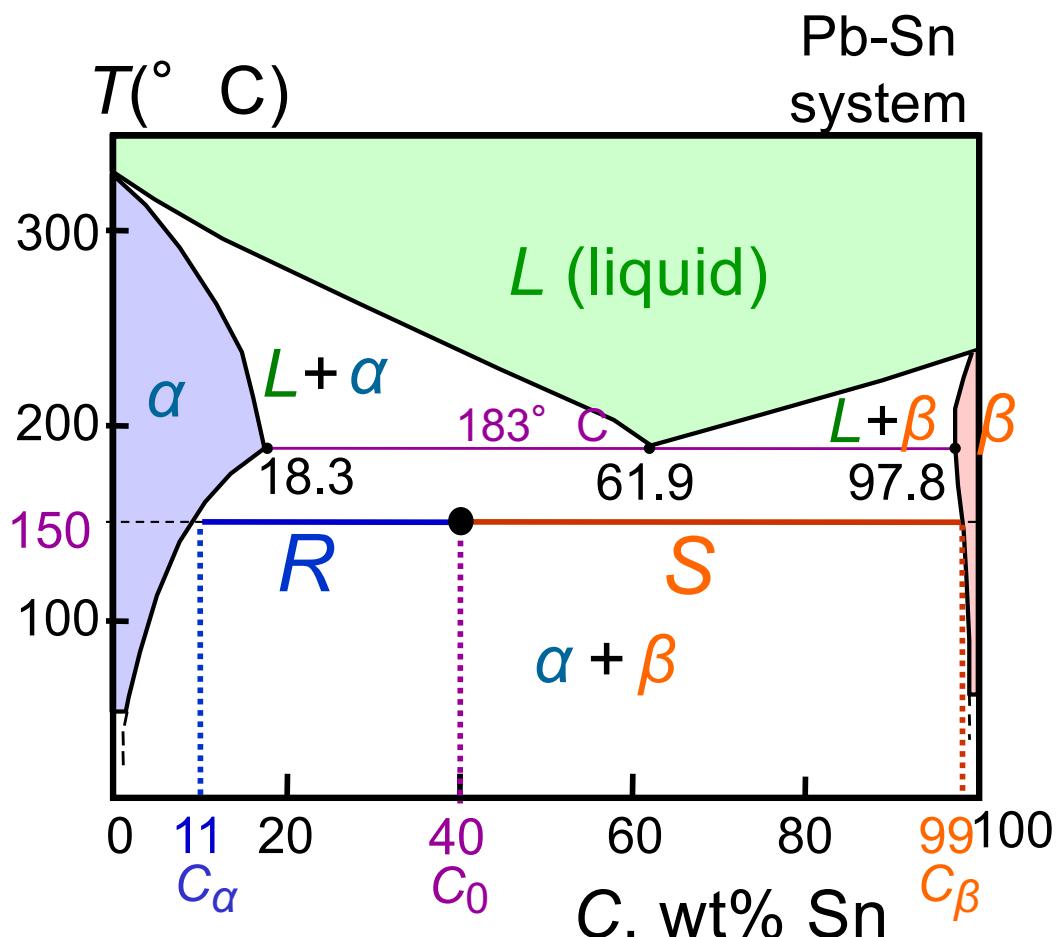


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# EXAMPLE PROBLEM 9.3

## Relative Phase Amount Determinations—Mass and Volume Fractions

For the lead–tin alloy in Example Problem [9.2](#), calculate the relative amount of each phase present in terms of **(a)** mass fraction and **(b)** volume fraction. At 150°C, take the densities of Pb and Sn to be 11.35 and 7.29 g/cm<sup>3</sup>, respectively.

### *Solution*

# EX 2: Pb-Sn Eutectic System

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

**Answer:**  $\alpha + L$

- the phase compositions

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

- the relative amount of each phase

**Answer:**

$$W_\alpha = \frac{C_L - C_0}{C_L - C_\alpha} = \frac{46 - 40}{46 - 17} = \frac{6}{29} = 0.21$$

$$W_L = \frac{C_0 - C_\alpha}{C_L - C_\alpha} = \frac{23}{29} = 0.79$$

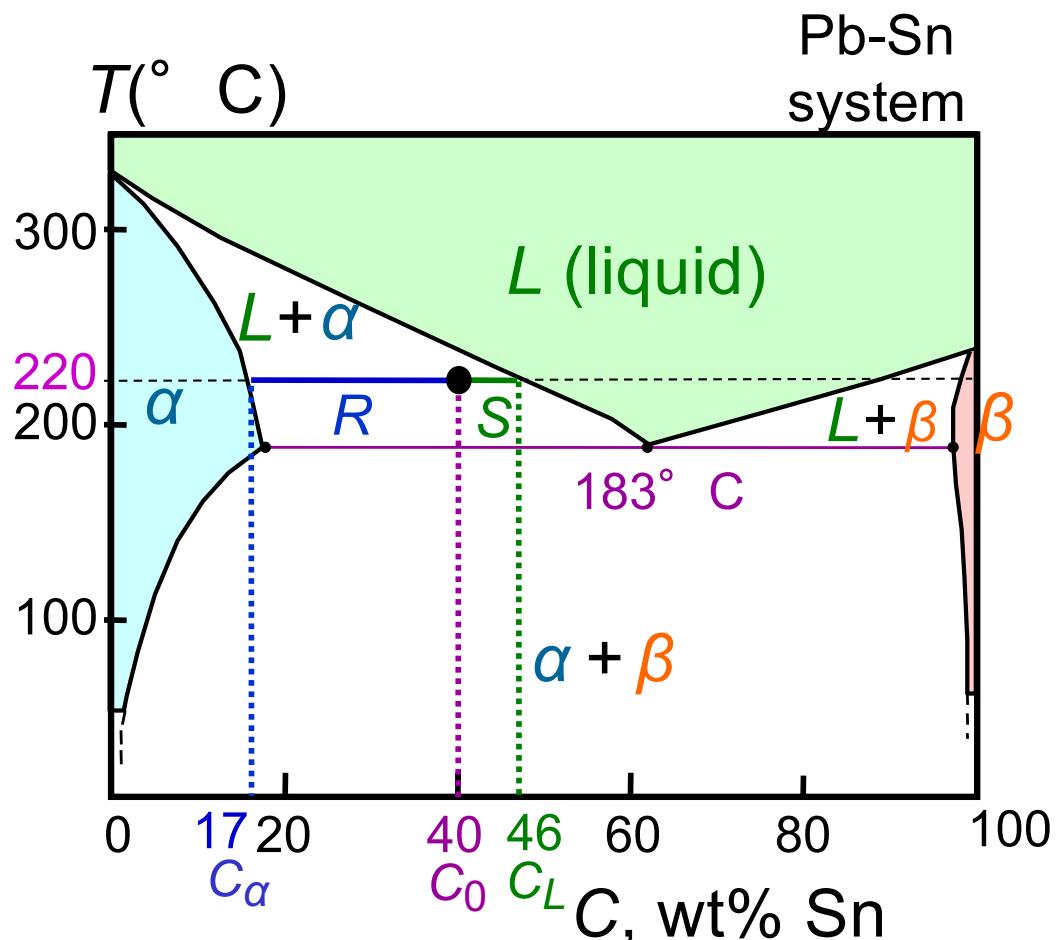
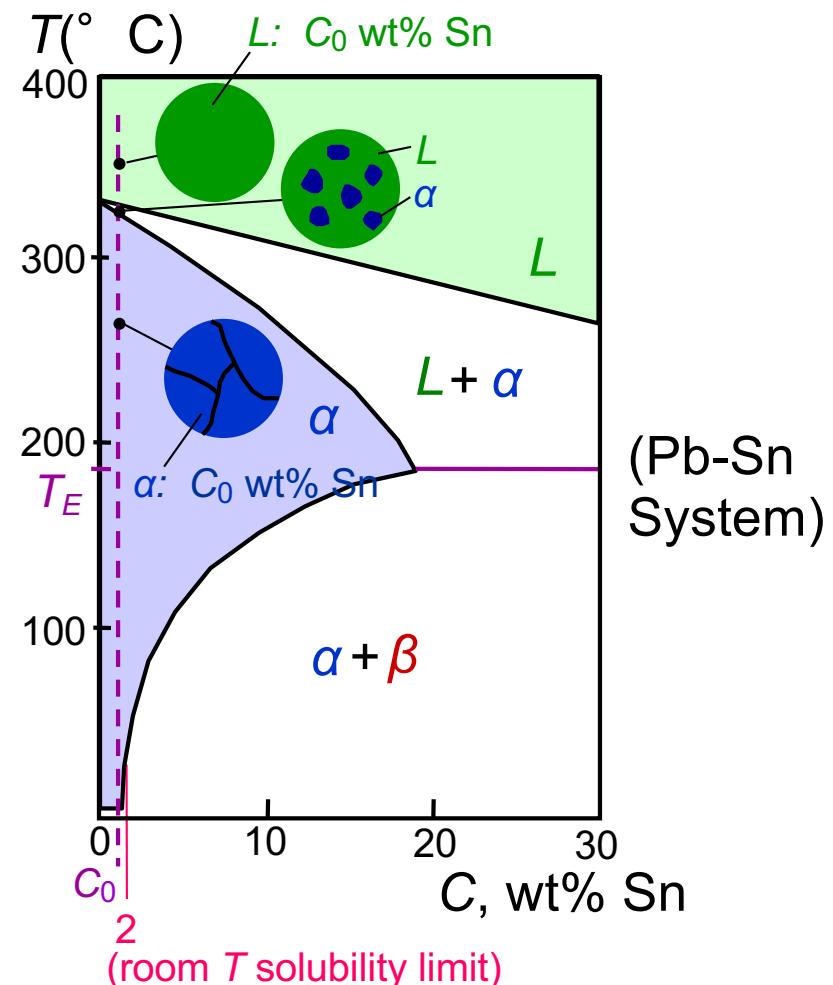


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# Microstructural Developments in Eutectic Systems I

- For alloys for which  $C_0 < 2 \text{ wt\% Sn}$
- Result: at room temperature -- polycrystalline with grains of  $\alpha$  phase having composition  $C_0$

Fig. 9.11, Callister &  
Rethwisch 10e.



# Microstructural Developments in Eutectic Systems II

- For alloys for which  $2 \text{ wt\% Sn} < C_0 < 18.3 \text{ wt\% Sn}$
- Result:
  - at temperatures in  $\alpha + \beta$  range -- polycrystalline with  $\alpha$  grains and small  $\beta$ -phase particles

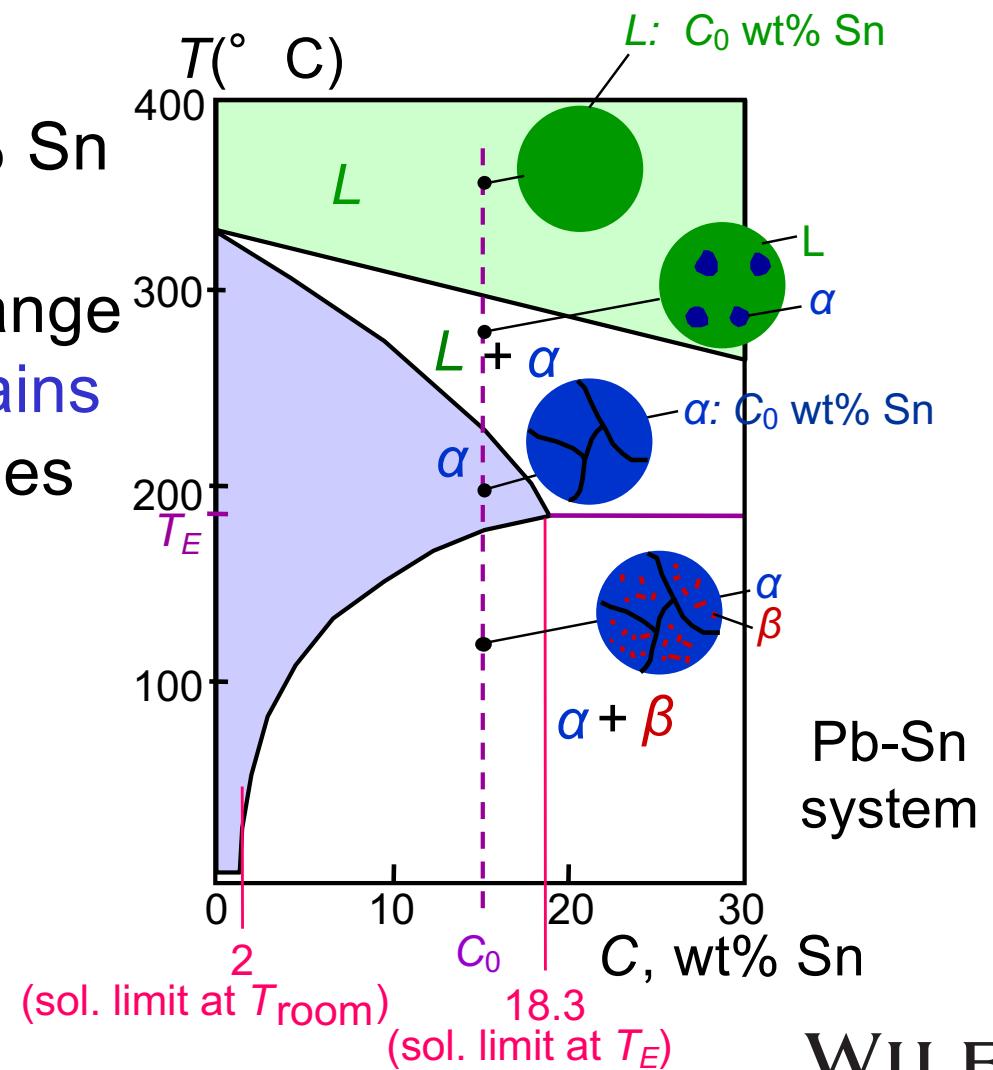


Fig. 9.12, Callister &  
Rethwisch 10e.

# Microstructural Developments in Eutectic Systems III

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

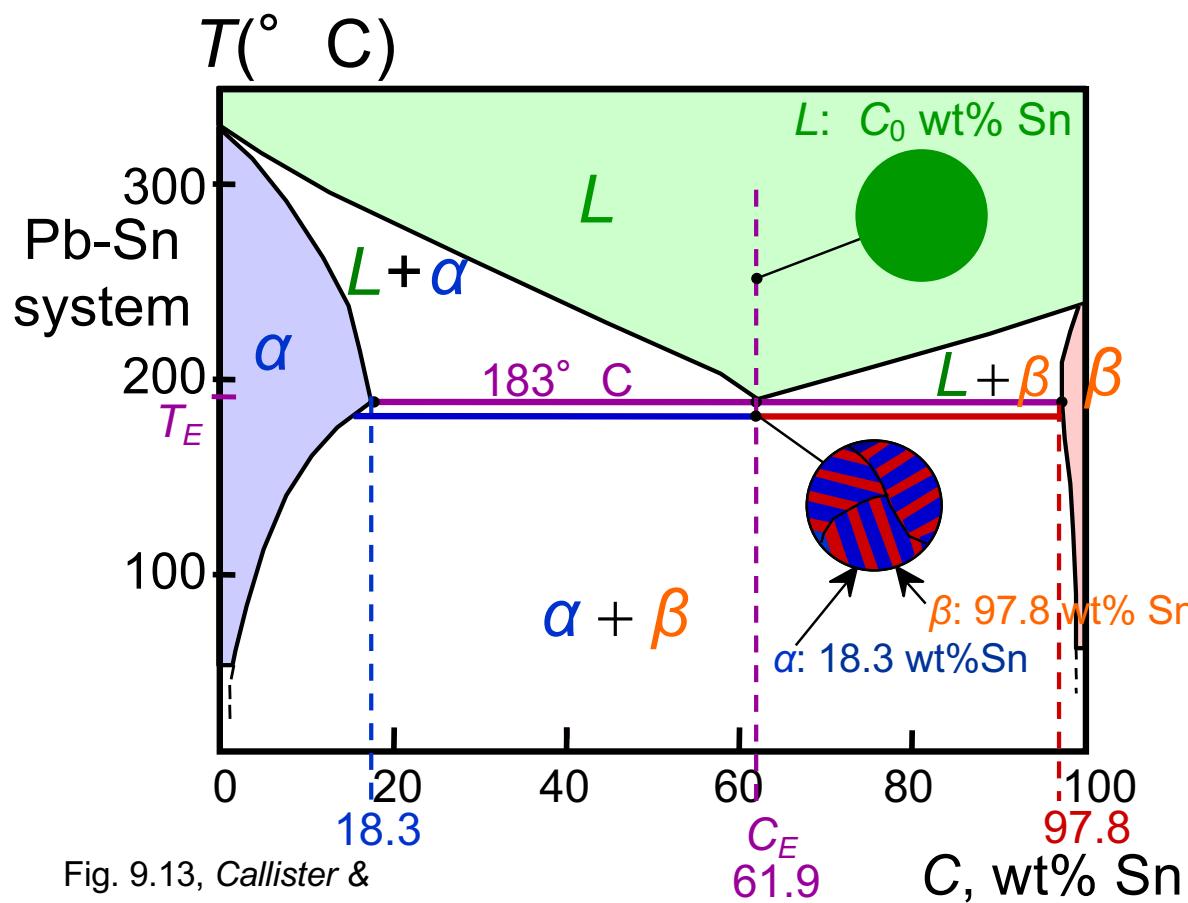


Fig. 9.13, Callister & Rethwisch 10e.

Micrograph of Pb-Sn eutectic microstructure

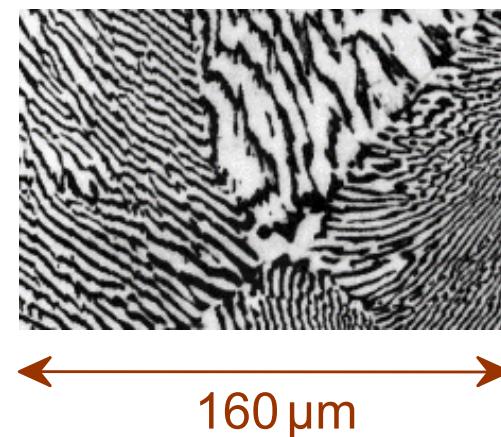
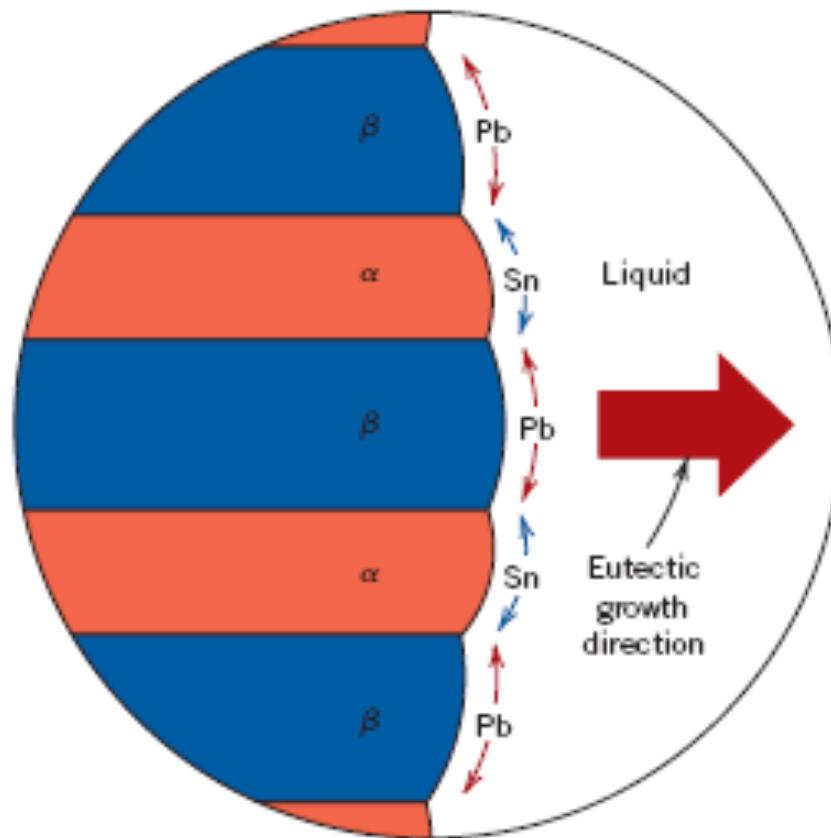
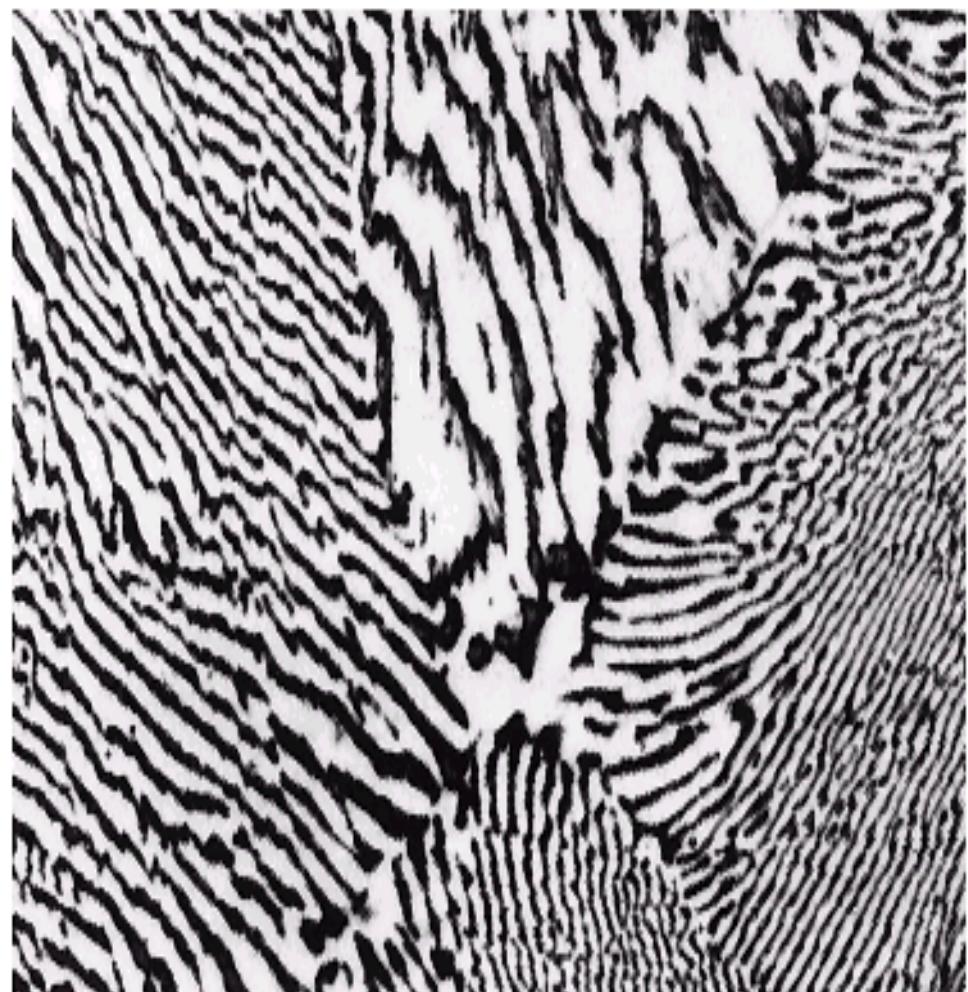


Fig. 9.14, Callister & Rethwisch 10e.  
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# Lamellar Eutectic Structure



Figs. 9.14 & 9.15, Callister & Rethwisch 10e.  
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# Microstructural Developments in Eutectic Systems IV

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

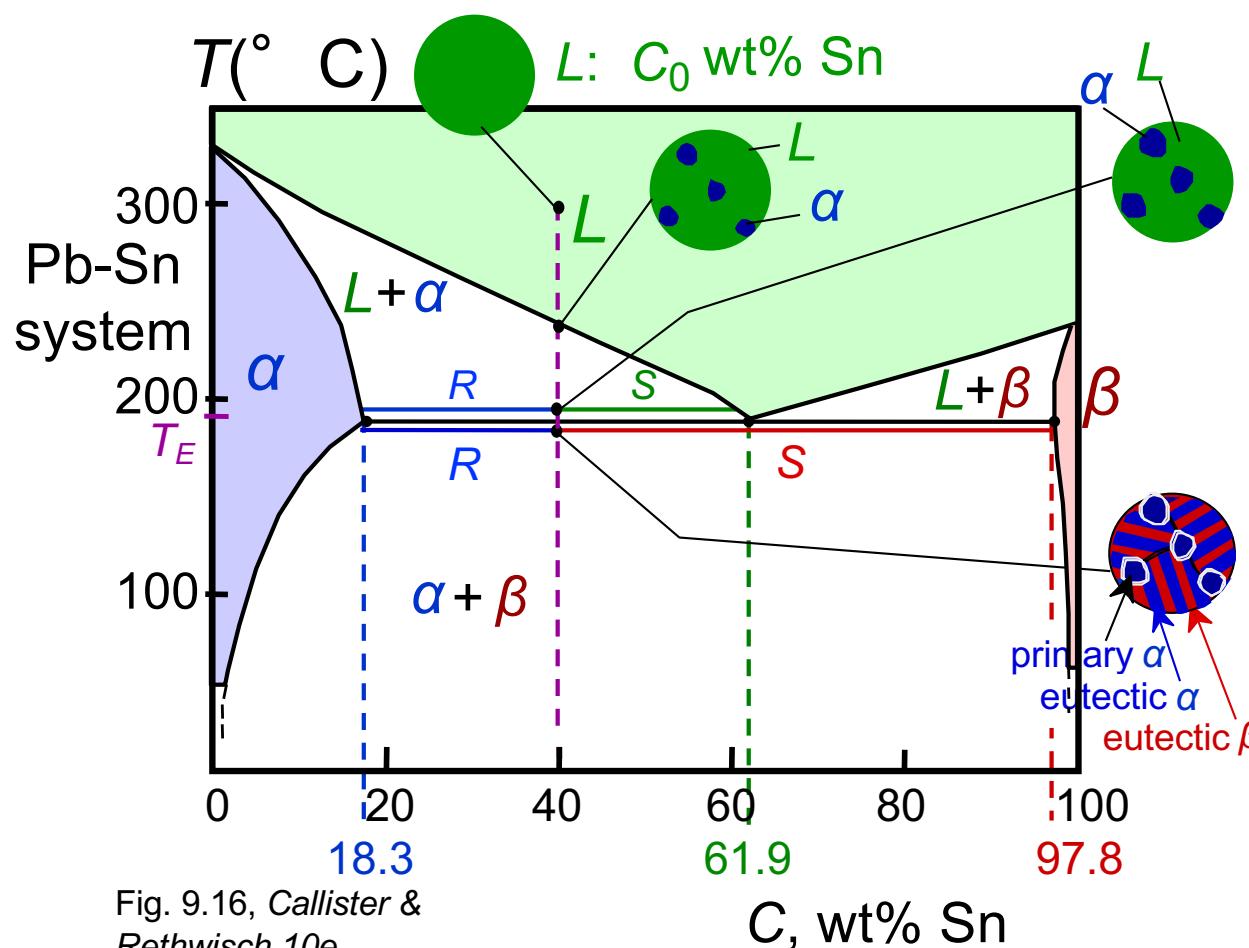


Fig. 9.16, Callister &  
Rethwisch 10e.

- Just above  $T_E$ :
 
$$C_\alpha = 18.3 \text{ wt\% Sn}$$

$$C_L = 61.9 \text{ wt\% Sn}$$

$$W_\alpha = \frac{S}{R+S} = 0.50$$

$$W_L = (1-W_\alpha) = 0.50$$
- Just below  $T_E$ :
 
$$C_\alpha = 18.3 \text{ wt\% Sn}$$

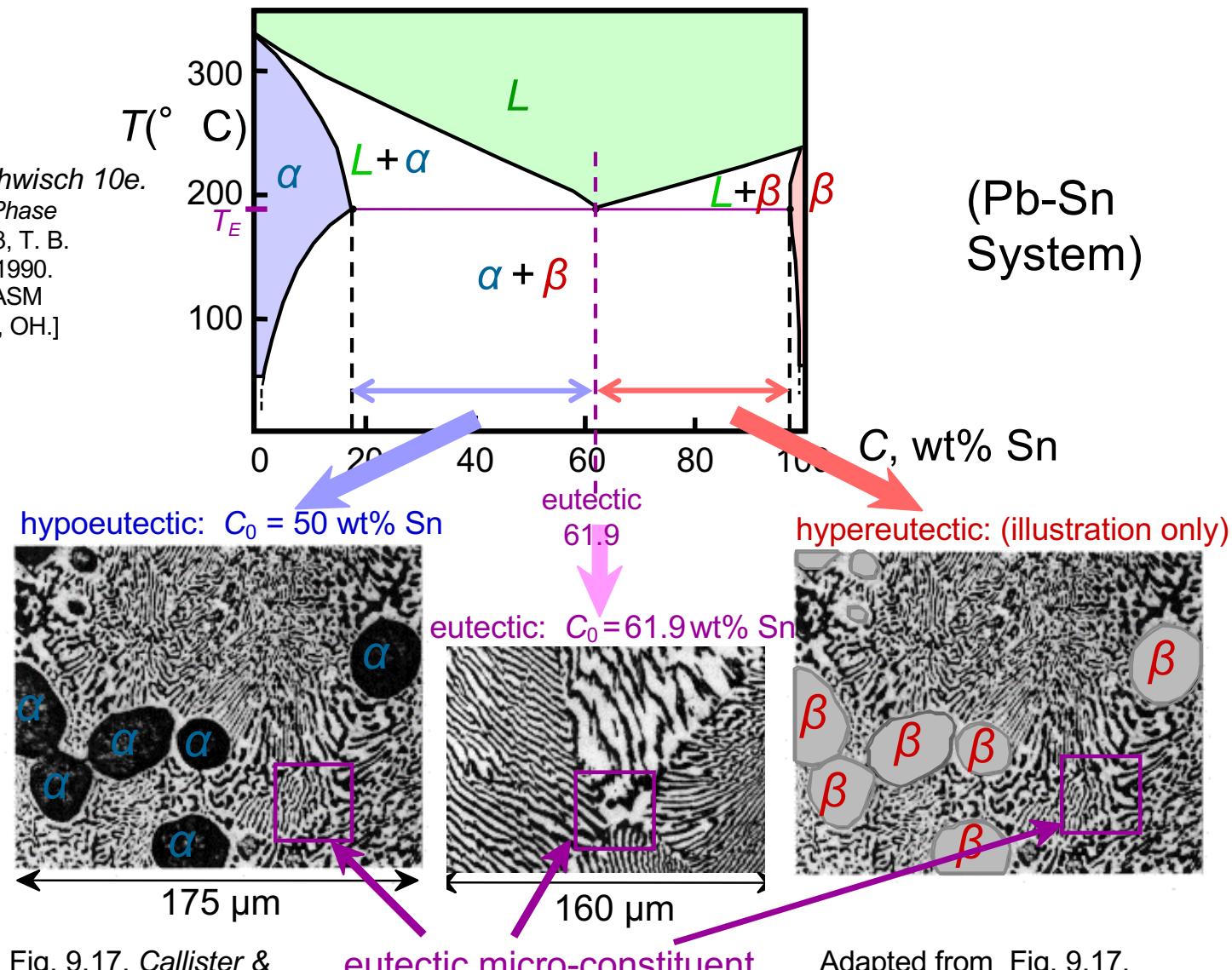
$$C_\beta = 97.8 \text{ wt\% Sn}$$

$$W_\alpha = \frac{S}{R+S} = 0.73$$

$$W_\beta = 0.27$$

# Hypoeutectic & Hypereutectic

Fig. 9.8, Callister & Rethwisch 10e.  
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Fig. 9.17, Callister & Rethwisch 10e.

Fig. 9.14, Callister & Rethwisch 10e.

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# Intermetallic Compounds

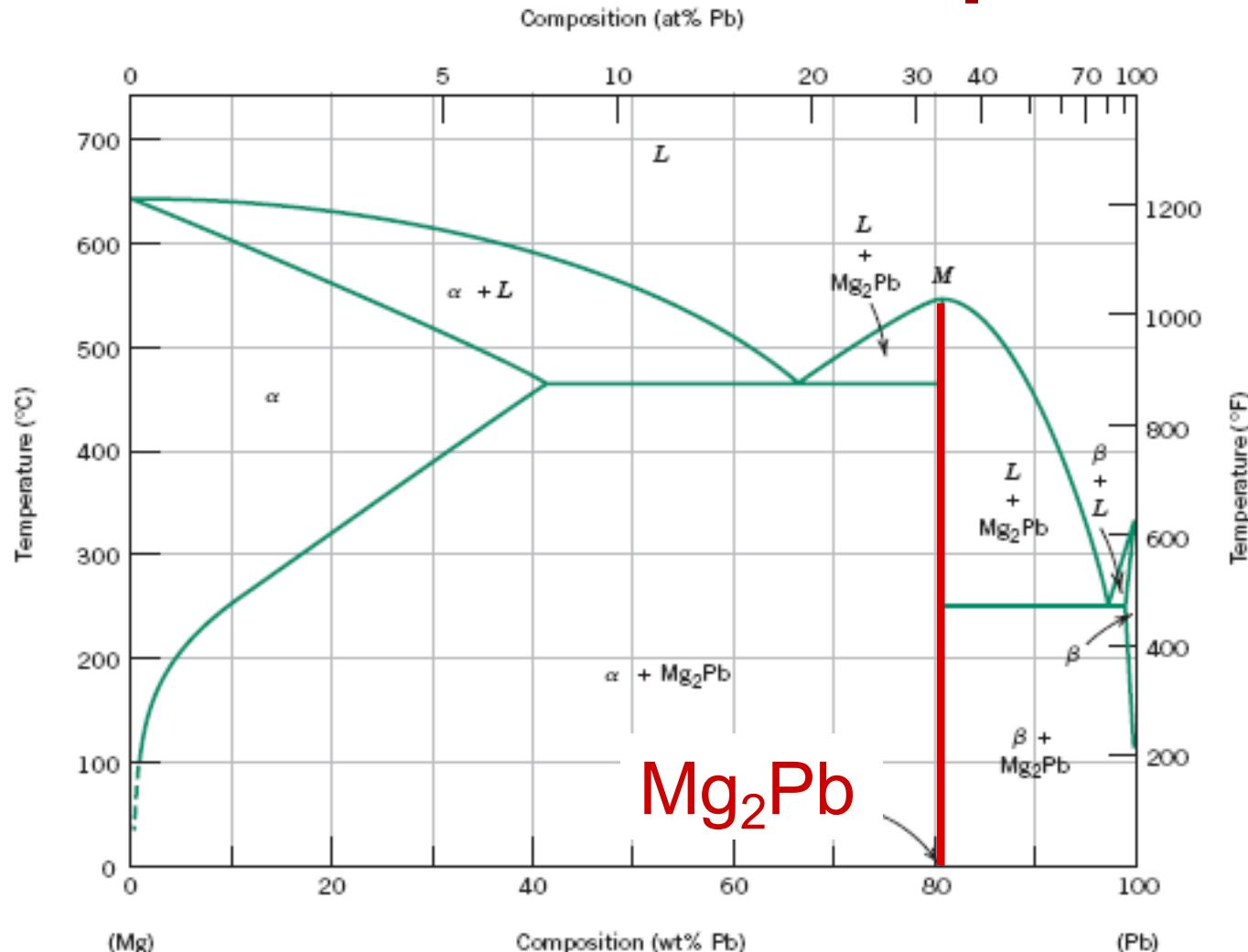


Fig. 9.20, Callister & Rethwisch 10e.  
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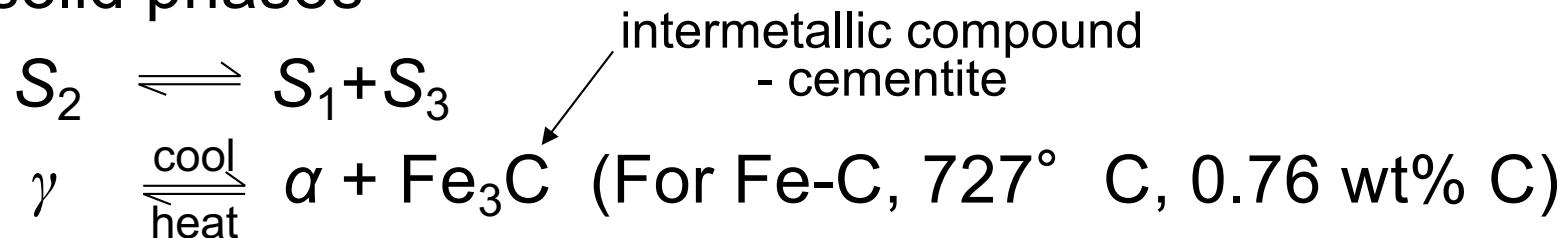
Note: intermetallic compound exists as a line on the diagram - not an area - because of stoichiometry (i.e. composition of a compound is a fixed value).

# Eutectic, Eutectoid, & Peritectic

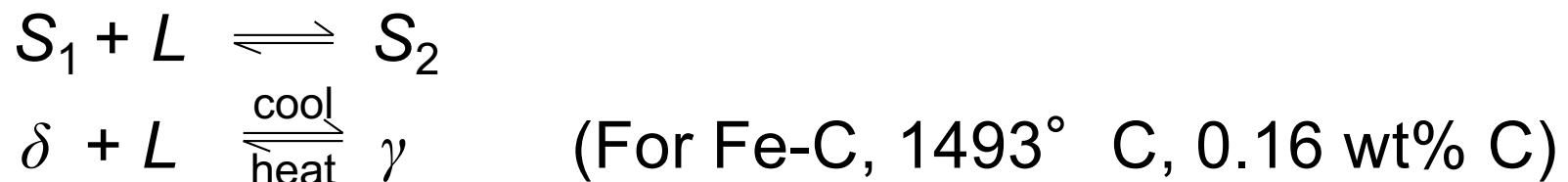
- **Eutectic** - liquid transforms to two solid phases



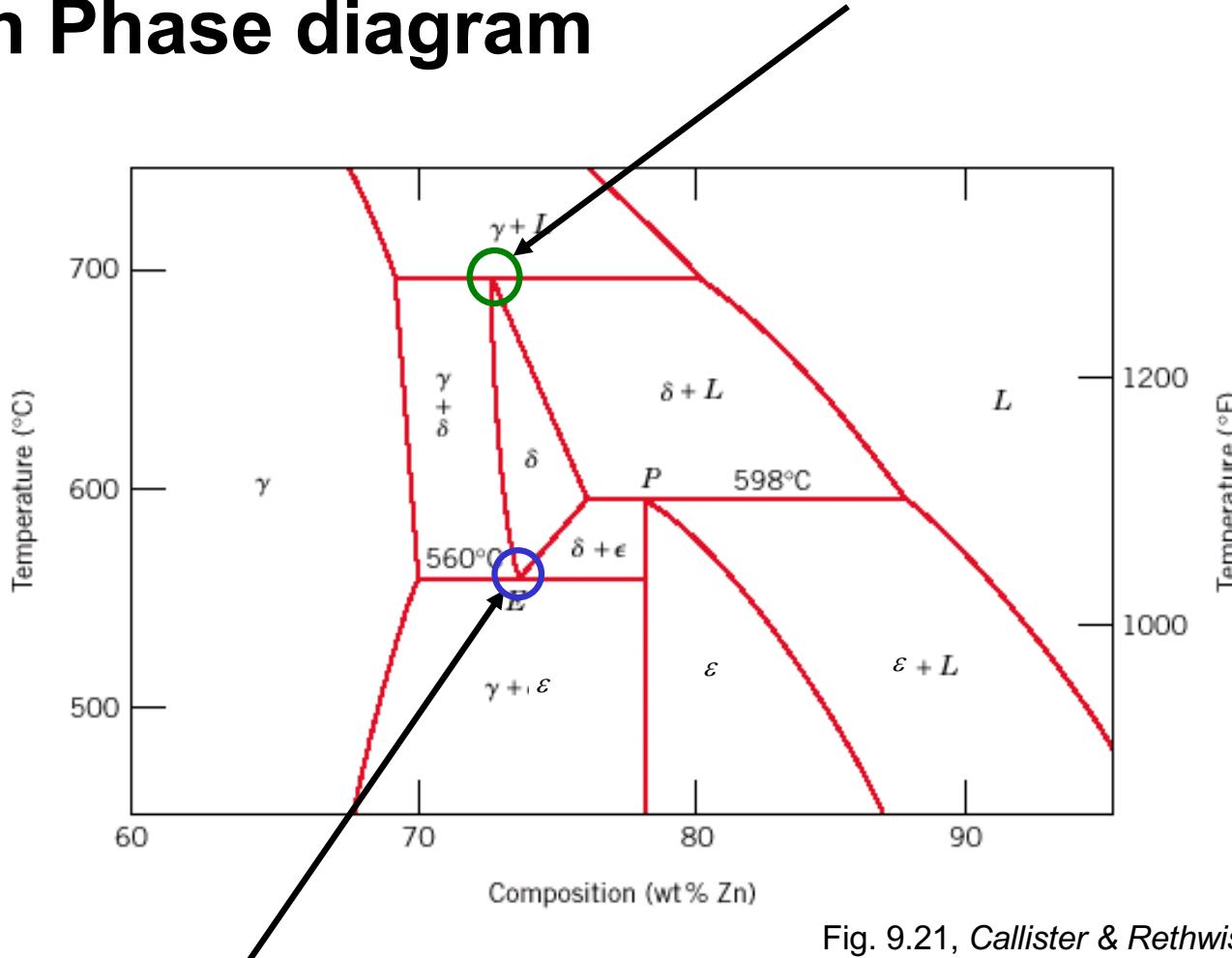
- **Eutectoid** – one solid phase transforms to two other solid phases



- **Peritectic** - liquid and one solid phase transform to a second solid phase



# Eutectoid & Peritectic Cu-Zn Phase diagram



Eutectoid transformation  $\delta \rightleftharpoons \gamma + \epsilon$

Fig. 9.21, Callister & Rethwisch 10e.  
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# Iron-Carbon (Fe-C) Phase Diagram

## 鐵—碳系統（The Iron-Carbon System）

- 所有二元合金中最重要的大概就是鐵—碳系統了，鋼和鑄鐵是每個技術先進的文明中首要的構造用材料，它們基本上是鐵—碳合金。本節在於學習這個系統的相圖以及幾種可能的顯微組織演變。熱處理、顯微組織和機械性質的關係將在十一章探究。

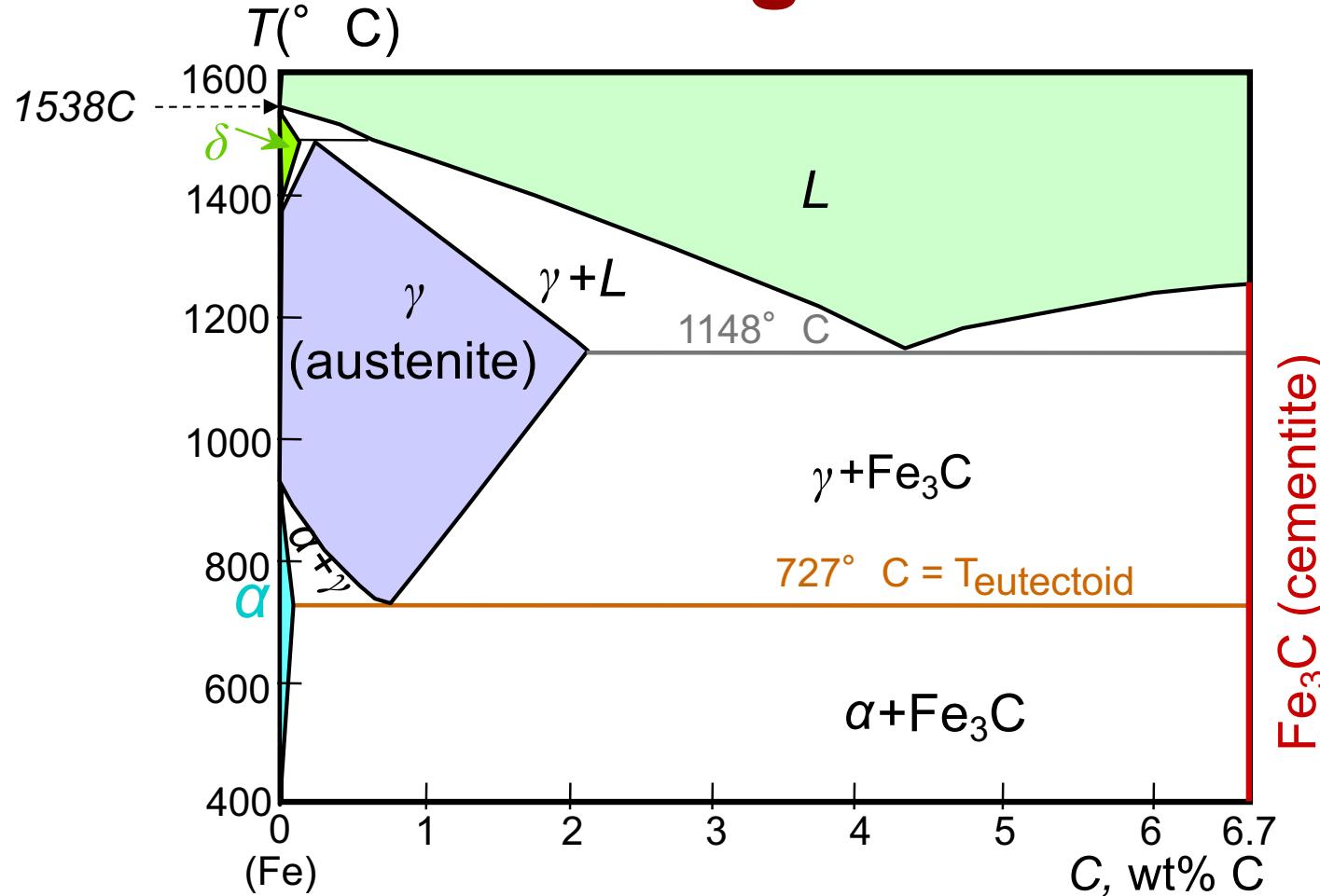
純鐵:  $C < 0.008\text{wt\%}$

鋼鐵:  $C < 0.008\% < C < 2.14\%$

鑄鐵:  $2.14\% < C < 6.7\%$

## *Iron-iron Carbide (Fe-Fe<sub>3</sub>C) Phase Diagram*

# Iron-iron Carbide ( $\text{Fe}-\text{Fe}_3\text{C}$ ) Phase Diagram



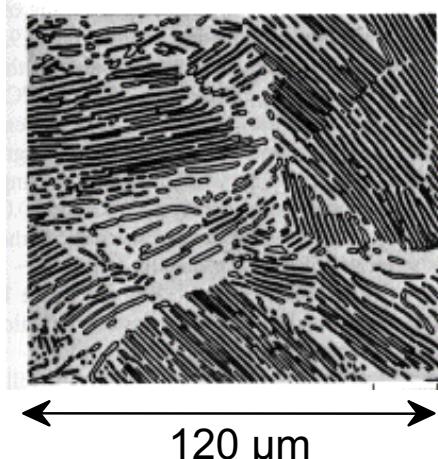
Pure iron :  $\alpha(\text{BCC})$ , ferrite,  $\rightarrow \gamma(\text{FCC})$ , austenite,  $\rightarrow \delta(\text{BCC})$ ,  $\delta$ -ferrite

# Iron-iron Carbide ( $\text{Fe}-\text{Fe}_3\text{C}$ ) Phase Diagram

- Carbon is an interstitial impurity in iron and form solid solution with  $\alpha$ ,  $\gamma$  and  $\delta$  single phase.
- $\alpha$  Ferrite (肥粒鐵): BCC, low solubility of C. Because interstitial site in BCC is small. Relatively soft, can be made magnetic.
- $\gamma$  Austenite (沃斯田鐵): FCC, max solubility is 2.4%. Non-magnetic,
- $\delta$  Ferrite: BCC, similar to  $\alpha$  Ferrite, but only stable at high temperature.
- Cementite  $\text{Fe}_3\text{C}$ (雪明碳鐵): hard and brittle, enhance the steel strength.

# Iron-Carbon (Fe-C) Phase Diagram

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



Result: Pearlite = alternating layers of  $\alpha$  and  $Fe_3C$  phases

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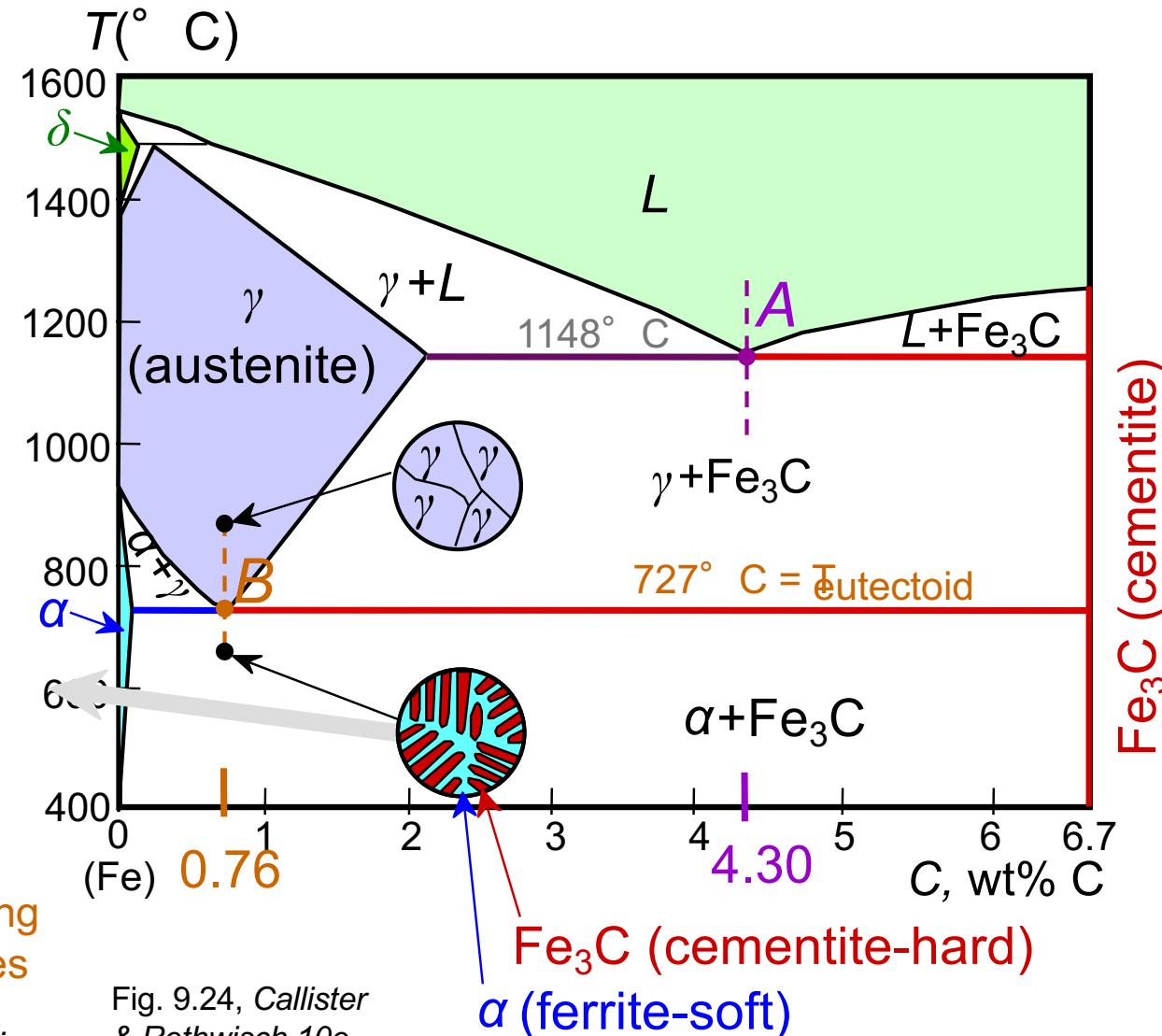
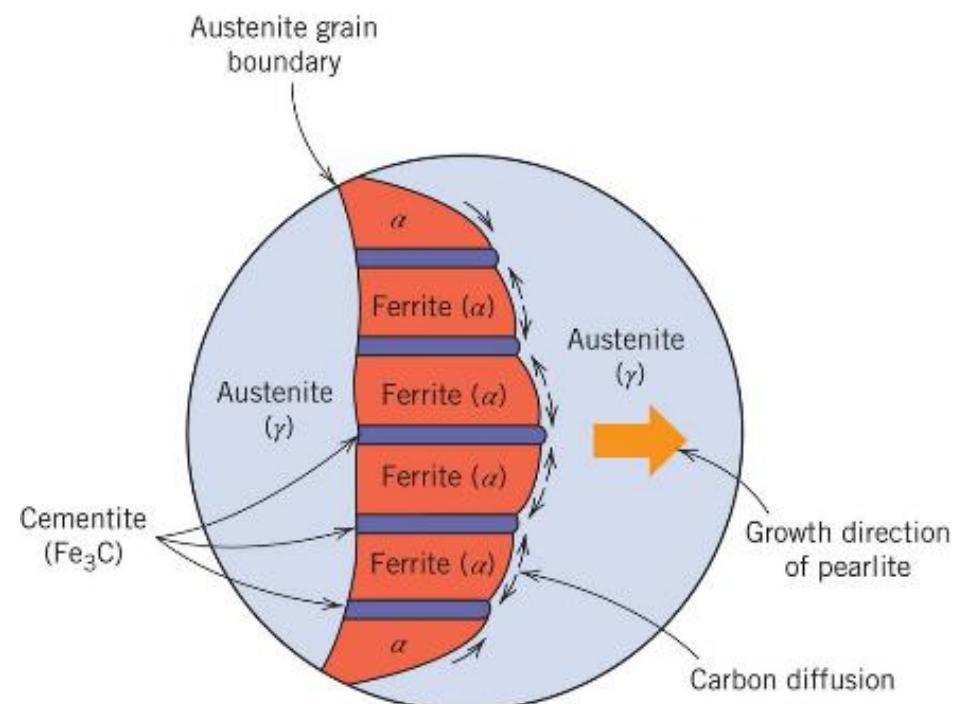
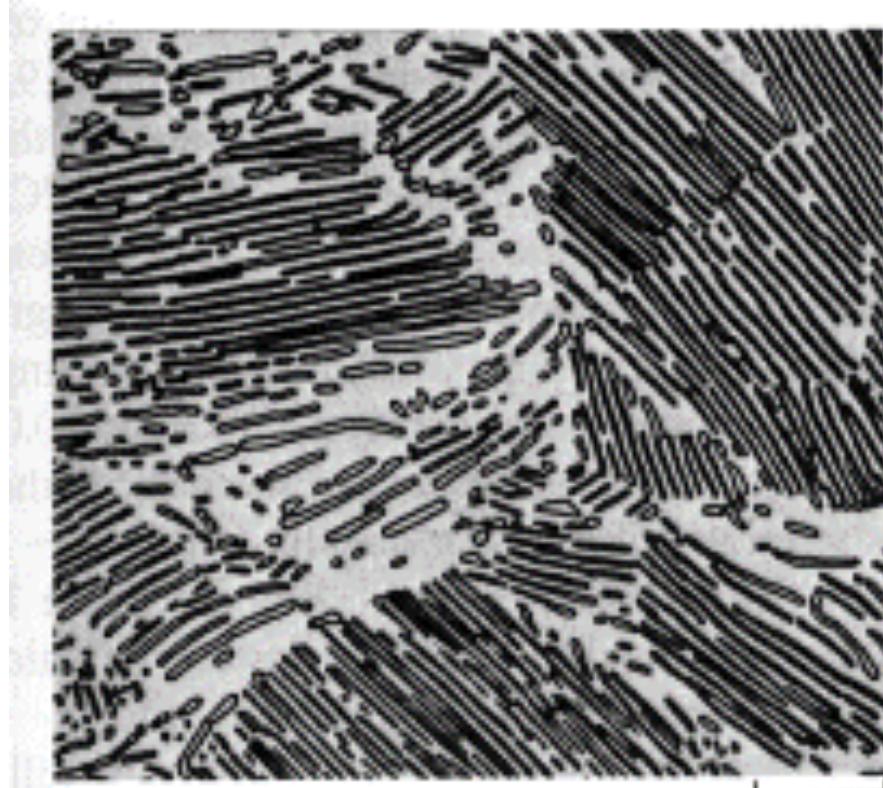


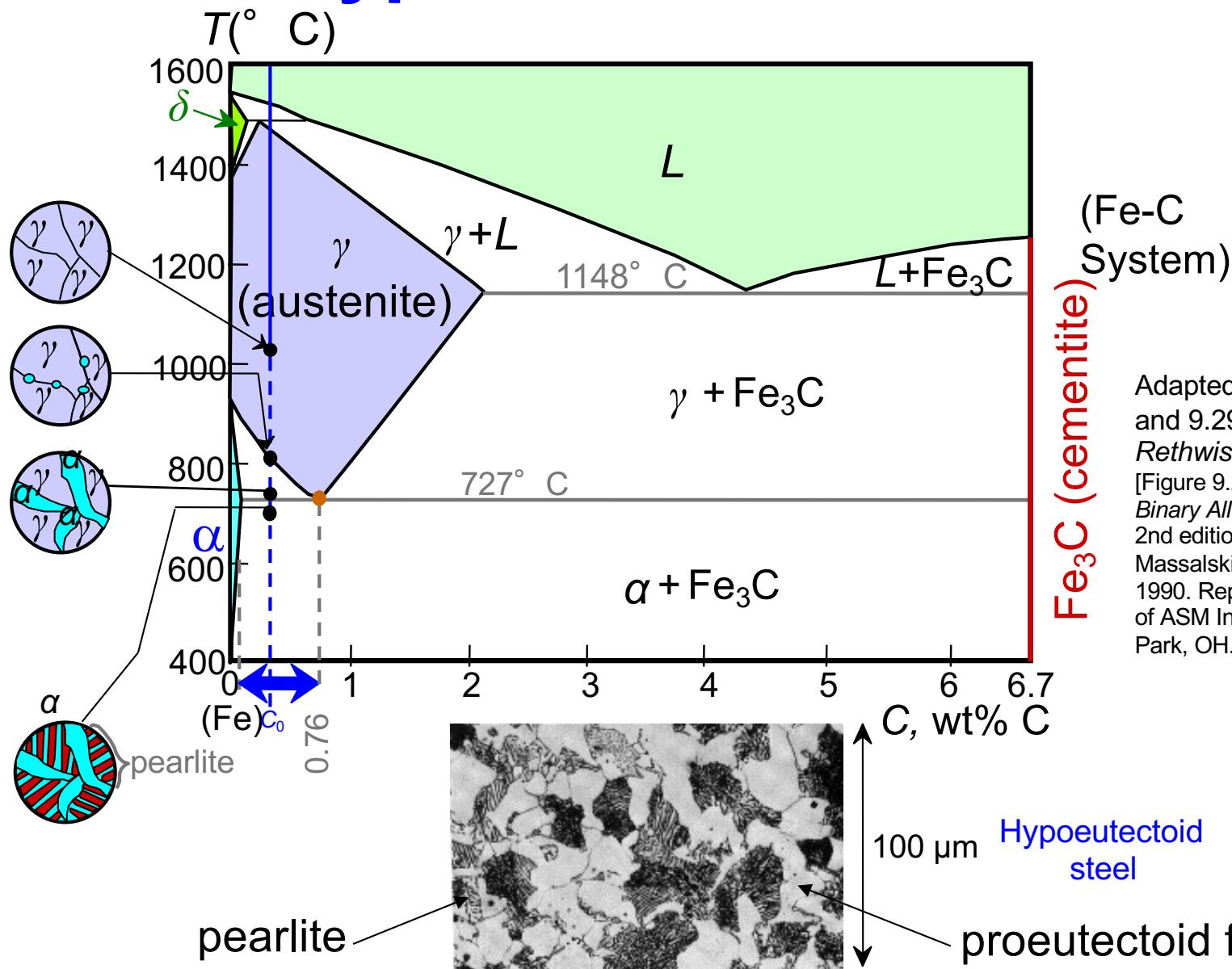
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# Pearlite



# Hypoeutectoid Steel

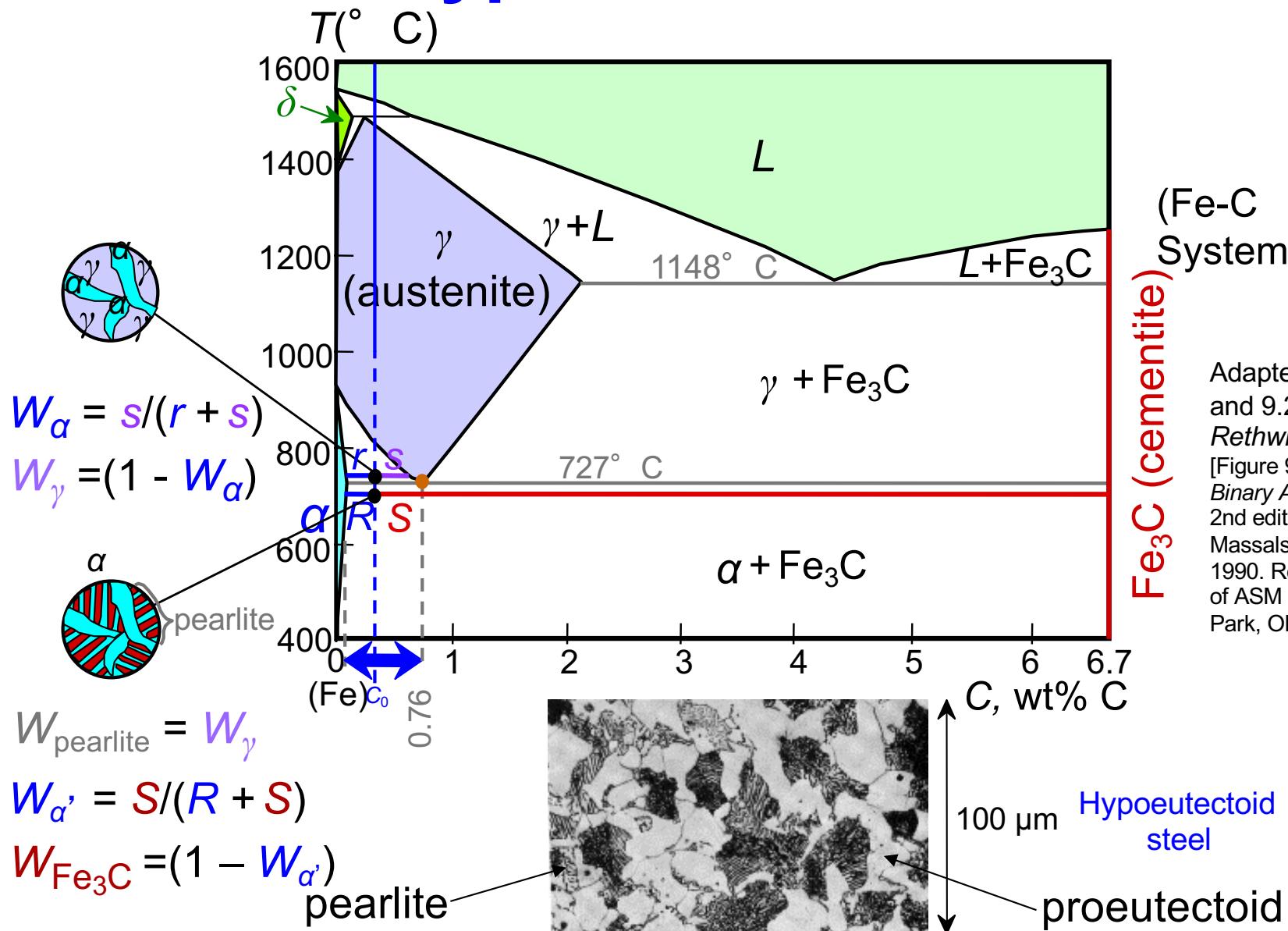


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# Hypoeutectoid Steel

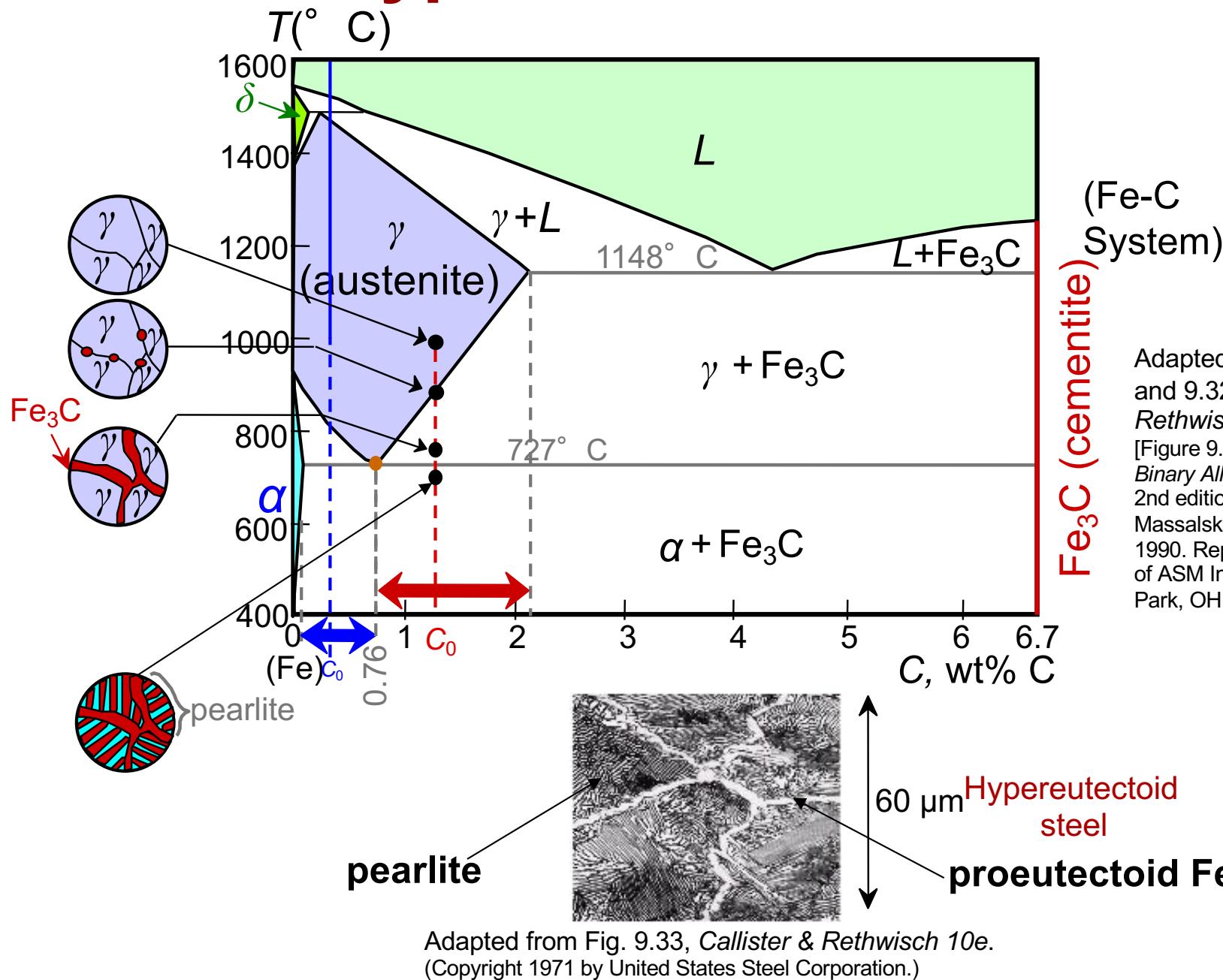


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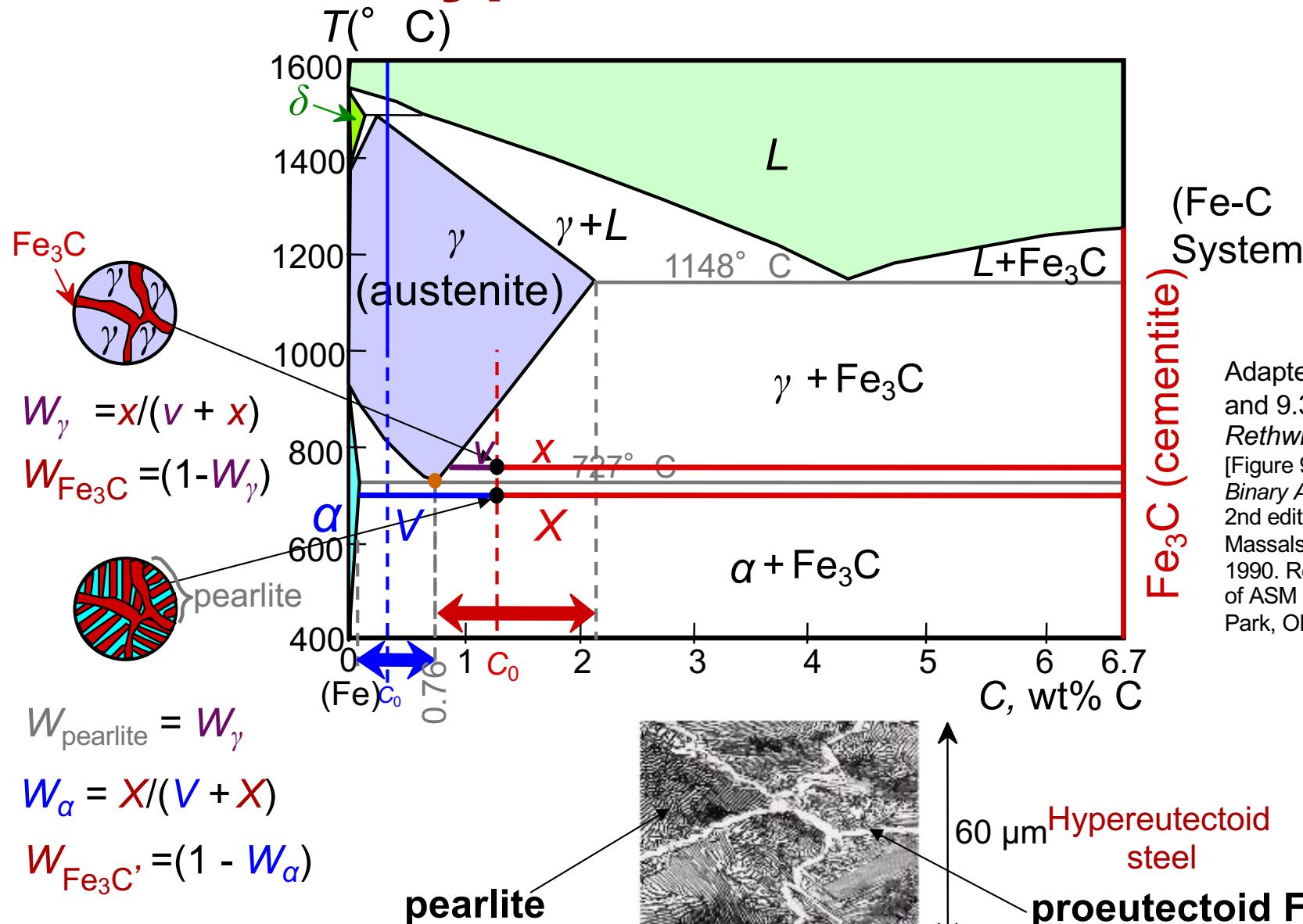
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# Hypereutectoid Steel



# Hypereutectoid Steel



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# Example Problem

For a 99.6 wt% Fe-0.40 wt% C steel at a temperature just below the eutectoid, determine the following:

- a) The compositions of  $\text{Fe}_3\text{C}$  and ferrite ( $\alpha$ ).
- b) The amount of cementite (in grams) that forms in 100 g of steel.
- c) The amounts of pearlite and proeutectoid ferrite ( $\alpha$ ) in the 100 g.

# Solution to Example Problem

a) Using the *RS* tie line just below the eutectoid

$$C_\alpha = 0.022 \text{ wt% C}$$

$$C_{\text{Fe}_3\text{C}} = 6.70 \text{ wt% C}$$

b) Using the lever rule with the tie line shown

$$W_{\text{Fe}_3\text{C}} = \frac{R}{R+S} = \frac{C_0 - C_\alpha}{C_{\text{Fe}_3\text{C}} - C_\alpha}$$

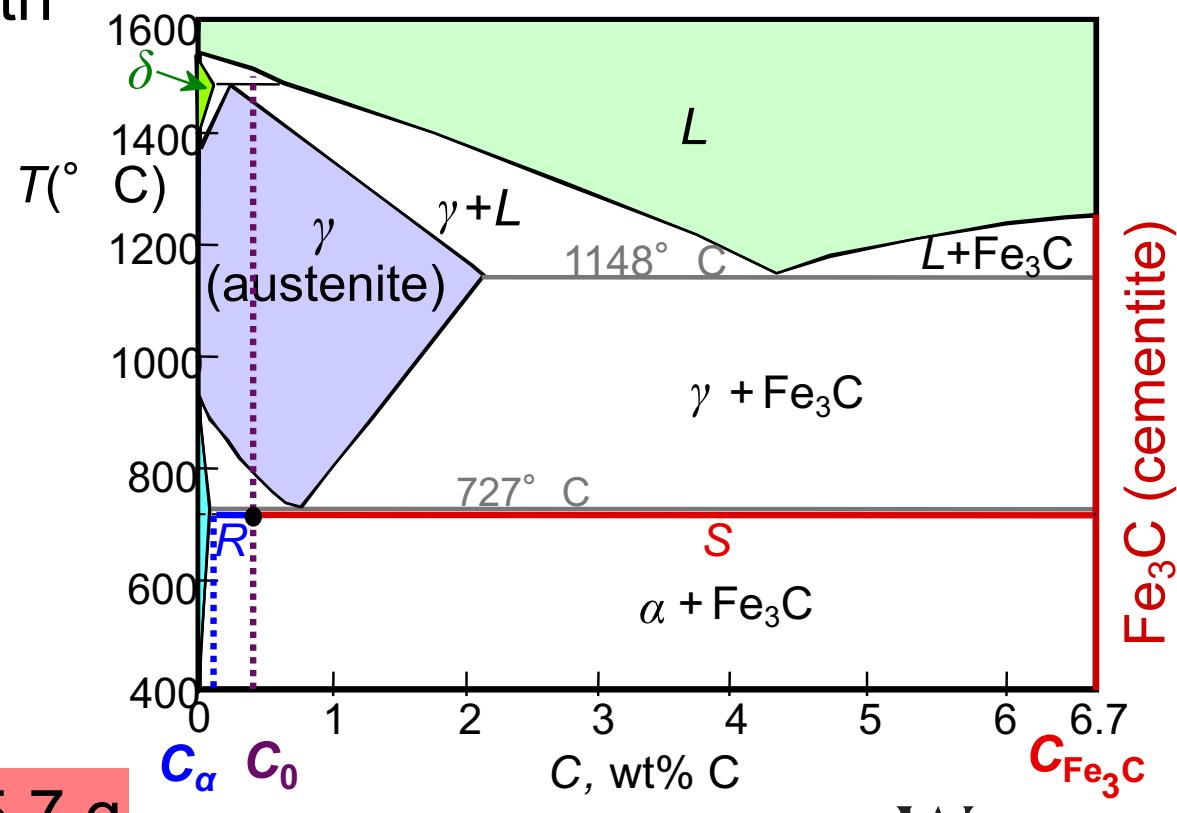
$$= \frac{0.40 - 0.022}{6.70 - 0.022} = 0.057$$

Amount of  $\text{Fe}_3\text{C}$  in 100 g

$$= (100 \text{ g}) W_{\text{Fe}_3\text{C}}$$

$$= (100 \text{ g})(0.057) = 5.7 \text{ g}$$

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# Solution to Example Problem (cont.)

- c) Using the  $VX$  tie line just above the eutectoid and realizing that

$$C_0 = 0.40 \text{ wt\% C}$$

$$C_\alpha = 0.022 \text{ wt\% C}$$

$$C_{\text{pearlite}} = C_\gamma = 0.76 \text{ wt\% C}$$

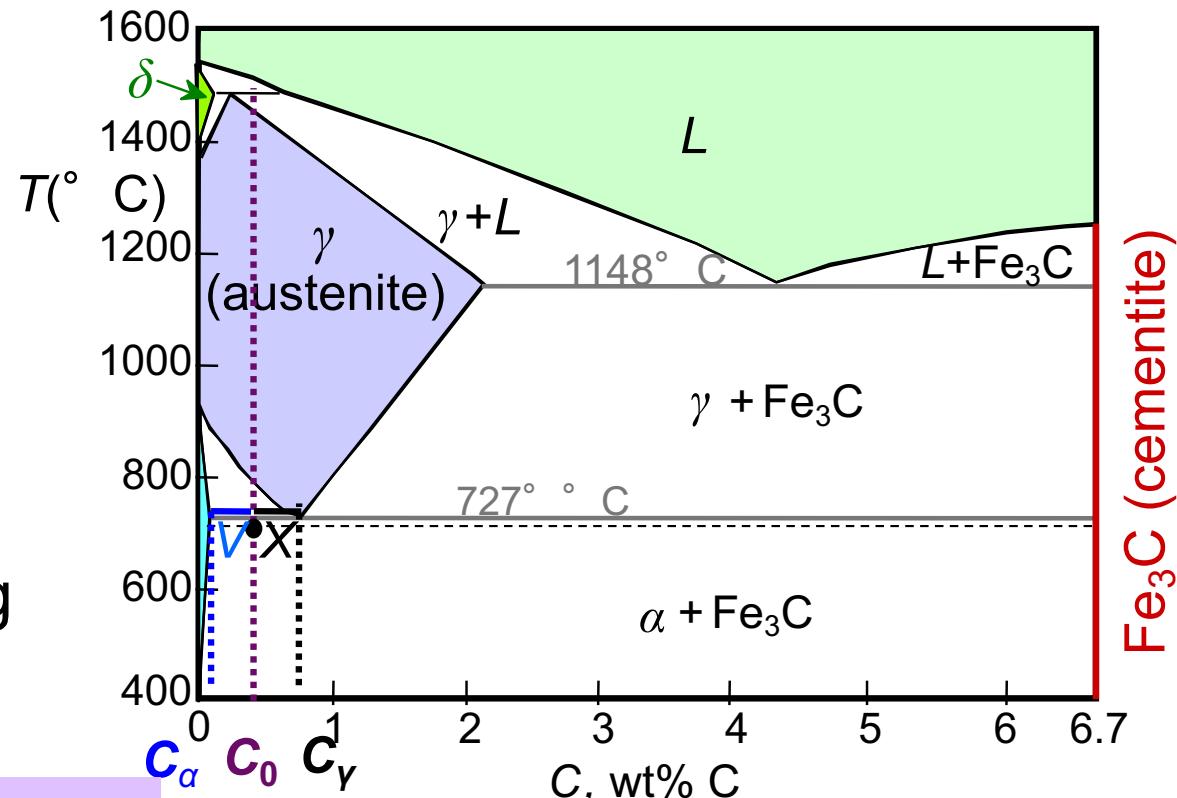
$$\begin{aligned} W_{\text{pearlite}} &= \frac{V}{V+X} = \frac{C_0 - C_\alpha}{C_\gamma - C_\alpha} \\ &= \frac{0.40 - 0.022}{0.76 - 0.022} = 0.512 \end{aligned}$$

Amount of pearlite in 100 g

$$= (100 \text{ g})W_{\text{pearlite}}$$

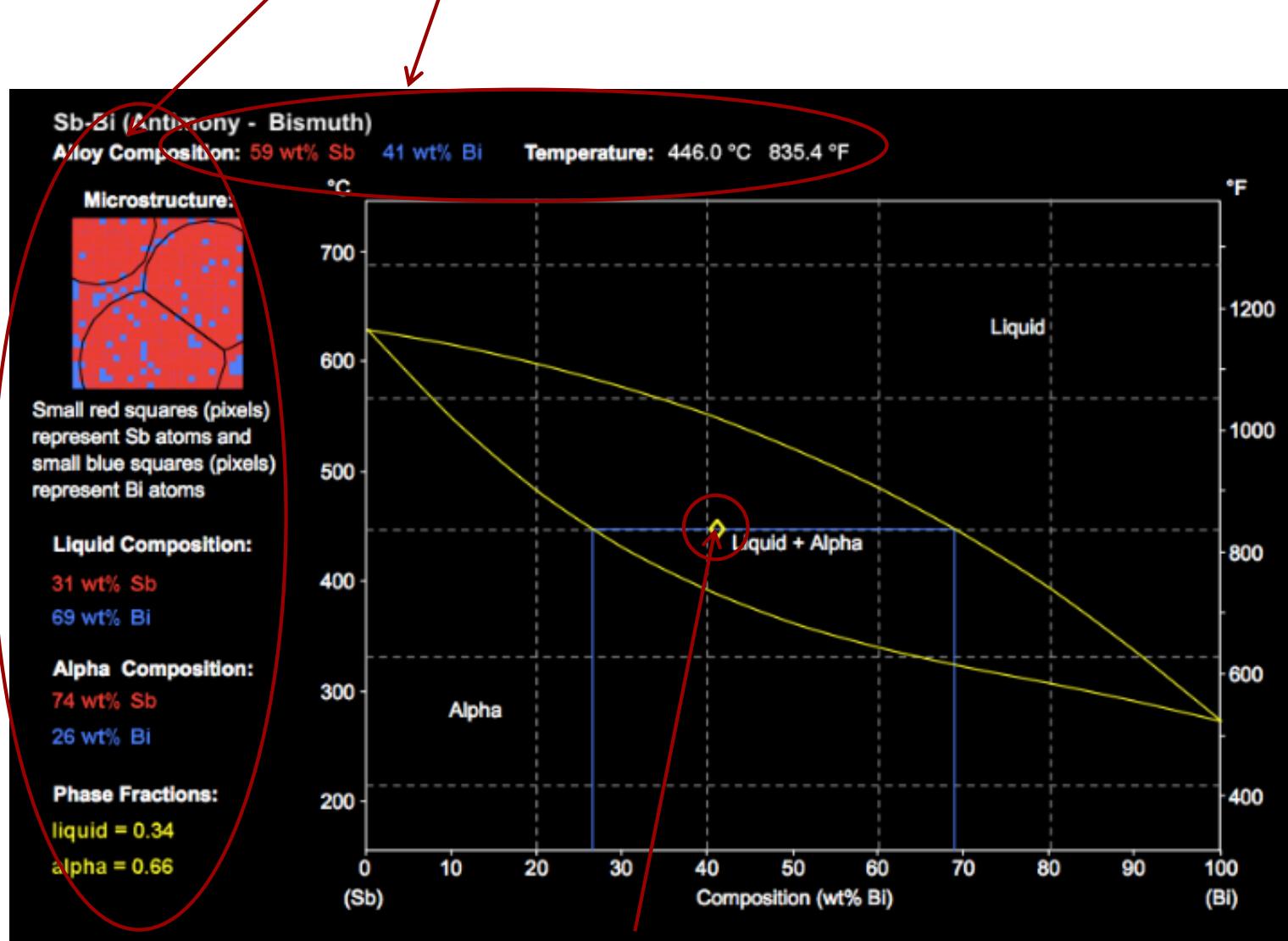
$$= (100 \text{ g})(0.512) = 51.2 \text{ g}$$

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# VMSE: Interactive Phase Diagrams

Microstructure, phase compositions, and phase fractions respond interactively



Change alloy composition

# EXAMPLE PROBLEM 9.4

## Determination of Relative Amounts of Ferrite, Cementite, and Pearlite Microconstituents

For a 99.65 wt% Fe–0.35 wt% C alloy at a temperature just below the eutectoid, determine the following:

- (a) The fractions of total ferrite and cementite phases
- (b) The fractions of the proeutectoid ferrite and pearlite
- (c) The fraction of eutectoid ferrite

### **Solution**

# Alloying with Other Elements

- Eutectoid changes:

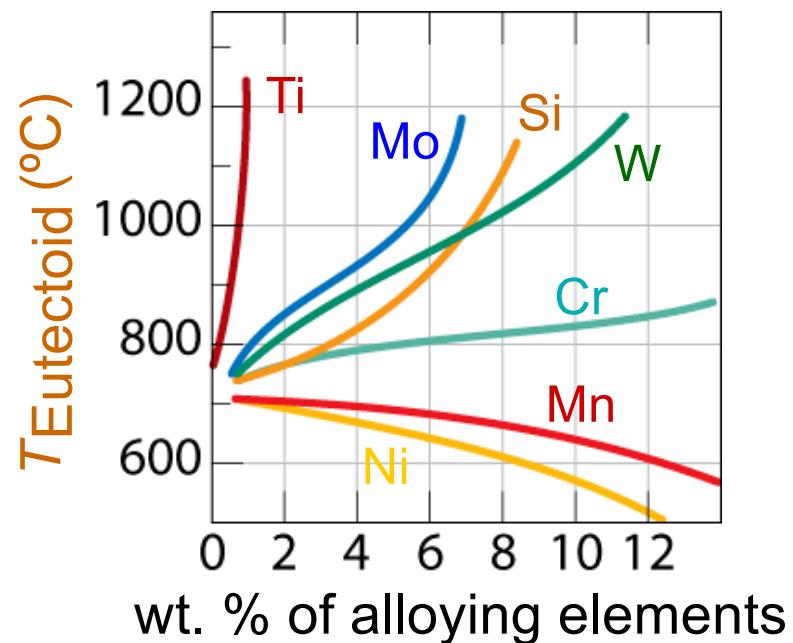


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- Ceutectoid changes:

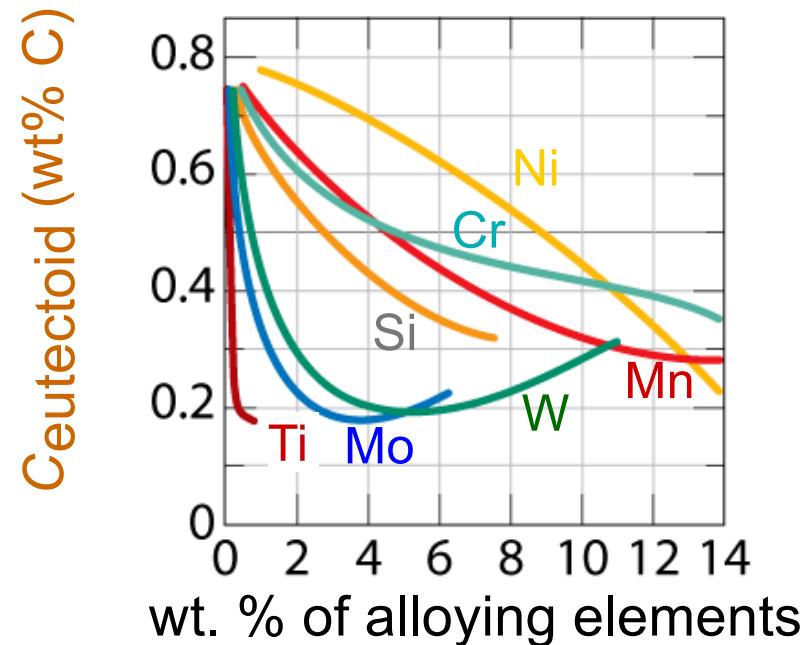


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# Summary

- Phase diagrams are useful tools to determine:
  - the number and types of phases present,
  - the composition of each phase,
  - and the weight fraction of each phase given the temperature and composition of the system.
- The microstructure of an alloy depends on
  - its composition, and
  - whether or not cooling rate allows for maintenance of equilibrium.
- Important phase diagram phase transformations include eutectic, eutectoid, and peritectic.