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## Appendix A. Definition of XTDB tags

## Appendix B. Examples of XTDB files

## Appendix C. A tentative ModelDescriptions tag

This defines the physical models and their model parameter identifiers (MPID) used in the XTDB file. Each software can have its own version.

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<ModelDescriptions Software="OpenCalphad" >
<!-- This is a short explanation of XTDB model tags and their attributes in OC. -->
<Magnetic Id="IHJBCC" MPID1="BMAGN" MPID2="TC" Aff=" -1.00" Bibref="82Her" >
  <!-- f_below_TC= +1-0.905299383*TA0**(-1)-0.153008346*TA0**3-.00680037095*TA0**9
    -.00153008346*TA0**15; and
    f_above_TC= -.0641731208*TA0**(-5)-.00203724193*TA0**(-15)-.000427820805*TA0**(-25);
    in Gmagn=f(TA0)*LN(BMAGN+1) where TA0=T/TC. Aff is the antiferromagnetic factor.
    For BCC phase. TC is a combined Curie/Neel T and BMAGN the Bohr magneton number. -->
</Magnetic>
<Magnetic Id="IHJREST" MPID1="BMAGN" MPID2="TC" Aff=" -3.00" Bibref="82Her" >
  <!-- f_below_TC= +1-0.860338755*TA0**(-1)-0.17449124*TA0**3-.00775516624*TA0**9
    -.0017449124*TA0**15; and
    f_above_TC= -.0426902268*TA0**(-5)-.0013552453*TA0**(-15)-.000284601512*TA0**(-25);
    in Gmagn=f(TA0)*LN(BMAGN+1) where TA0=T/TC. For non-bcc phases. -->
</Magnetic>
<Magnetic Id="IHJQX" MPID1="BMAGN" MPID2="CT" MPID3="NT" Aff="0" Bibref="01Che 12Xio" >
  <!-- f_below_TC= +1-0.842849633*TA0**(-1)-0.174242226*TA0**3-.00774409892*TA0**9
    -.00174242226*TA0**15-.000646538871*TA0**21; and
    f_above_TC= -.0261039233*TA0**(-7)-.000870130777*TA0**(-21)-.000184262988*TA0**(-35)
    -6.65916411E-05*TA0**(-49);
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in  $G_{\text{magn}} = f(TAO) * \ln(BMAGN + 1)$  where  $TAO = T/CT$  or  $T/NT$ . Aff is redundant.  
CT is the Curie T and NT the Neel T and BMAGN the average Bohr magneton number. -->  
</Magnetic>

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<Einstein Id="GEIN" MPID1="LNTH" Bibref="01Che 21He" >
  <!-- The Gibbs energy due to the Einstein low T vibrational model,
    
$$G = 1.5 \cdot R \cdot \text{THETA} + 3 \cdot R \cdot T \cdot \ln(1 - \exp(-\text{THETA}/T))$$

    The value used for LNTH should be  $\ln(\text{THETA})$  as this varies with composition
    in a more physically reasonable way. When there are multiple THETA the argument
    of the GEIN functions should be THETA itself as it is a constant. -->
</Einstein>
<Liquid2state Id="LIQ2STATE" MPID1="GD" MPID2="LNTH" Bibref="88Agr 13Bec" >
  <!-- Unified model for the liquid and the amorphous state treated as an Einstein solid
    The GD parameter describes the stable liquid and the transition to the amorphous
    state. LNTH is the logarithm of the Einstein THETA of the amorphous phase. -->
</Liquid2state>
<DisorderedPart Disordered=" " Sum=" " Subtract=" " Bibref="97Ans 07Hal" >
  <!-- This tag is nested inside the ordered phase tag. The disordered fractions are
    averaged over the number of ordered sublattices indicated by Sum. The Gibbs energy
    is calculated separately for the ordered and disordered model parameters and added
    but the configurational Gibbs energy is calculated only for the ordered phase. If
    the Subtract="Y" is included the Gibbs energy of the ordered phase is calculated
    a second time as disordered and subtracted -->
</DisorderedPart>
<Permutations Id="FCC4Perm" Bibref="09Sun" >
  <!-- An FCC phase with 4 sublattices for the ordered tetrahedron use this model to
    indicate that parameters with permutations of the same set of constituents on
    identical sublattices are included only once in the database. -->
</Permutations>
<Permutations Id="BCC4Perm" Bibref="09Sun" >
  <!-- A BCC phase with 4 sublattices for the ordered asymmetric tetrahedron use this

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        model to indicate that parameters with permutations of the same set of constituents
        on identical sublattices are included only once in the database. -->
</Permutations>
<EEC Id="EEC" Bibref="20Sun" >
    <!-- The Equi-Entropy Criterion means that the software must ensure that solid phases
        with higher entropy than the liquid phase must not be stable. -->
</EEC>
<TernaryXpol Phase=" " Constituents=" " Xpol=" " Bibref="01Pel" >
    <!-- The ternary extrapolation of the binary parameters is specified. -->
</TernaryXpol>
<EBEF Id="EBEF" Bibref="18Dup" >
    <!-- The Effective Bond Energy Formalism for phases with multiple sublattices using
        wildcards, "*". It also requires the DisorderedPart tag. -->
</EBEF>
<Bibliography> <!-- for the models -->
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        Fe-Cr system,' Calphad, Vol 6 (1982) pp 67-80" />
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        glass transition, Phys Chem Liq, Vol 18 (1988) pp 123-139" />
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        assessment of the Al-Ni system, J All and Comp, Vol 247 (1997) pp 20-30" />
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        for BCC, FCC, Liquid and Amorphous Iron, J Phase Eq, Vol 22 (2001) pp 631-644" />
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        Multicomponent solutions, Calphad, Vol 25 (2001) pp 319-328" />
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Calphad description of Al-C including revision of pure Al and C, Calphad,  
Vol 72 (2021) 102250" />

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</ModelDescriptions>