

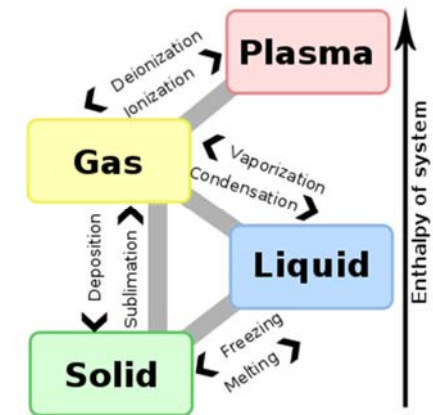
Physical bases of dental material science

phase transitions, properties of interfaces

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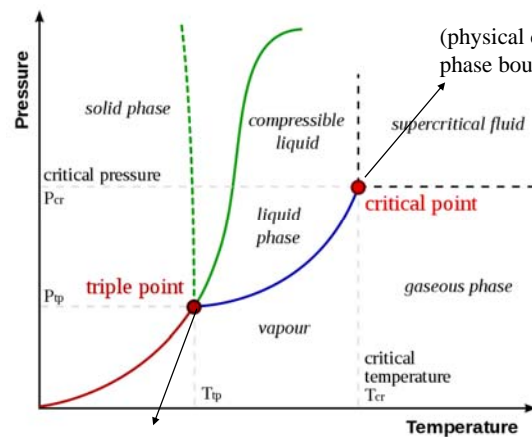
General phase transitions

phase: physically and chemically homogeneous part of the material



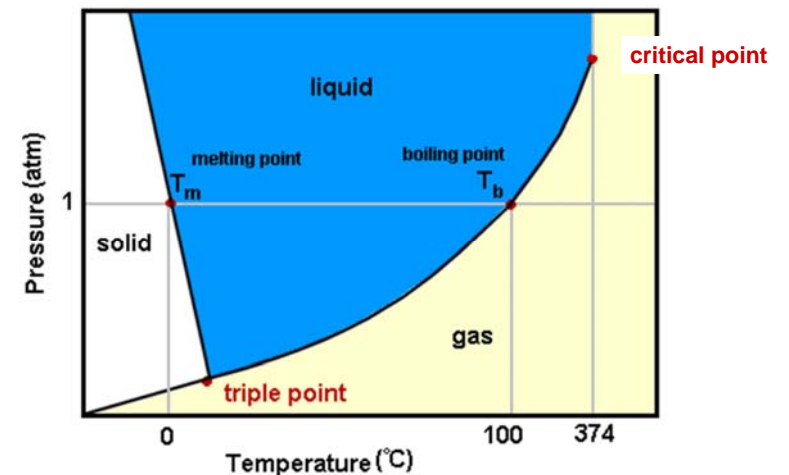
A typical phase diagram

phase diagram: graphical presentation of stable phases as a function of different parameters



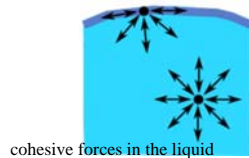
simultaneous transition of Ar from solid to liquid and to gas

Phase diagram of water



Properties of interfaces

Fluid-gas interfaces – *surface tension*



energy ΔE is required to increase the surface by an area ΔA

$$\sigma = \frac{\Delta E}{\Delta A} \quad \left(\frac{\text{J}}{\text{m}^2} = \frac{\text{N}}{\text{m}} \right)$$

surface tension

Surface tension of materials in air

material	σ (J/m ²)
liquid water	0,073
blood	0,06
saliva	0,05
paraffin	0,025
alcohol	0,023
dentine	0,092
enamel	0,087
Hg	0,484
PMMA	0,037

Liquid-solid interfaces - *Adhesion*



solid-solid contacts



solid-liquid

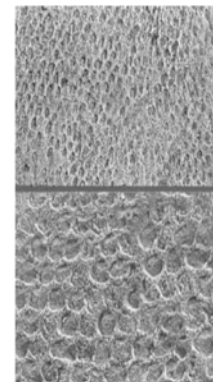


poor wetting

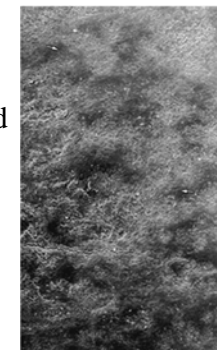


wetting

Liquid-solid interfaces - *Adhesion*



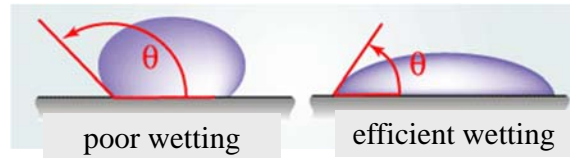
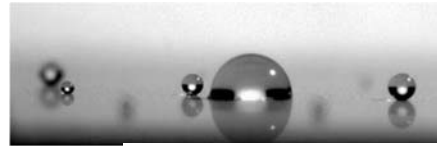
chemically purified surface of enamel



wetted surface of enamel

Figure 1. Morphological aspect of the surface of enamel conditioned with 36% phosphoric acid for 20 s. The formation of micropores with type I pattern of conditioning can be observed. (Original magnification: top, 750X; bottom, 1500X).

Conditions of wetting



θ : wetting angle

Young-equation:

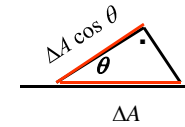
$$\theta \uparrow \cos \theta \downarrow$$

if $\theta \leq 180^\circ$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\sigma_{\text{solid-air}} - \sigma_{\text{solid-liquid}}}{\sigma_{\text{liquid-air}}}$$

Basic issue: what is energetically more favourable?

To form a solid-liquid or a solid-gas interface?



$$\Delta E = \Delta A \cdot \sigma_{s-l} - \Delta A \cdot \sigma_{s-air} + \Delta A \cos \theta \cdot \sigma_{l-air} = 0$$

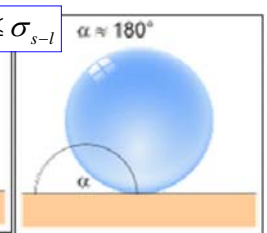
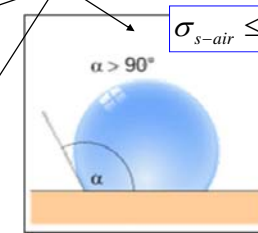
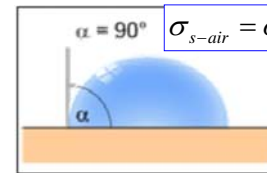
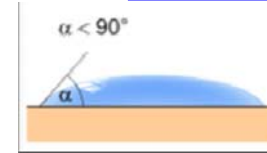
Young - equation

for the case of
energy-minimum

$\theta = \alpha!!$

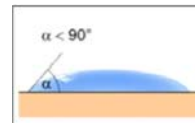
$$\sigma_{s-air} \geq \sigma_{s-liquid}$$

Cases of wetting

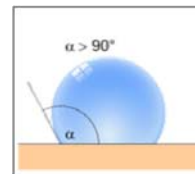


$$\cos \theta = \frac{\sigma_{\text{solid-air}} - \sigma_{\text{solid-liquid}}}{\sigma_{\text{liquid-air}}}$$

e.g. liquid=water : 73 mJ/m²
solid=glass: 130 mJ/m²
glass-water: 60 mJ/m² } $\theta = 16,5$

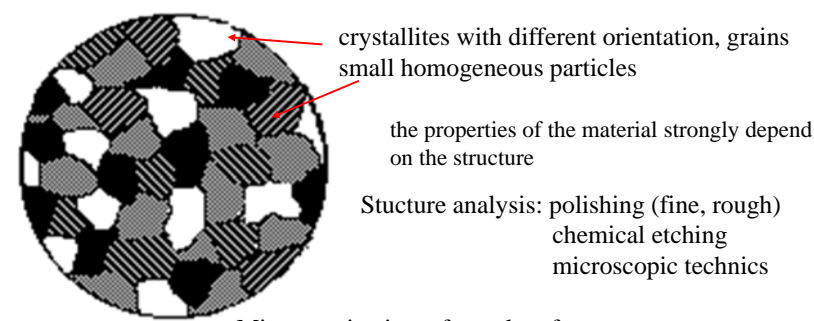


e.g. liquid=Hg: 500 mJ/m²
solid=glass: 130 mJ/m²
glass-Hg: 430 mJ/m² } $\theta = 127$

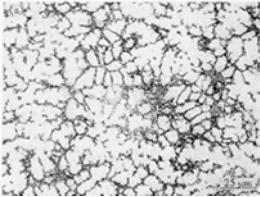


Crystallization, metals, alloys
(metals applied in the dentistry)

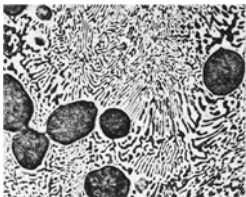
Microscopic structure of metals



Microscopic view of metal surfaces

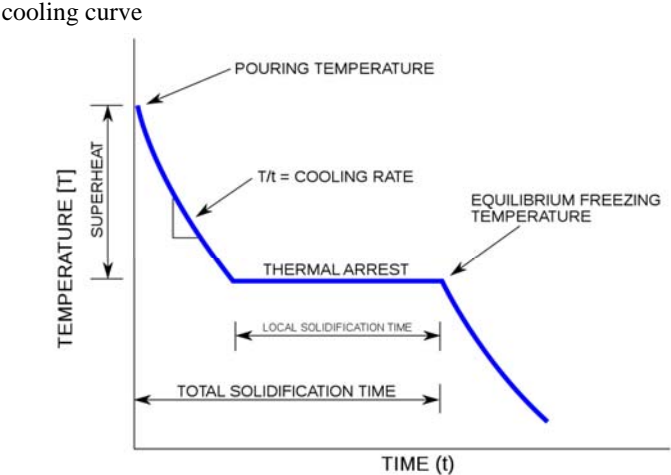


homogeneous

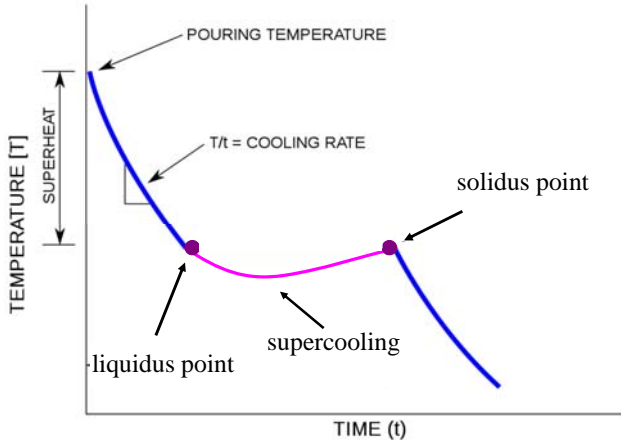


heterogeneous

Crystallization (phase transition from liquid to solid phase)



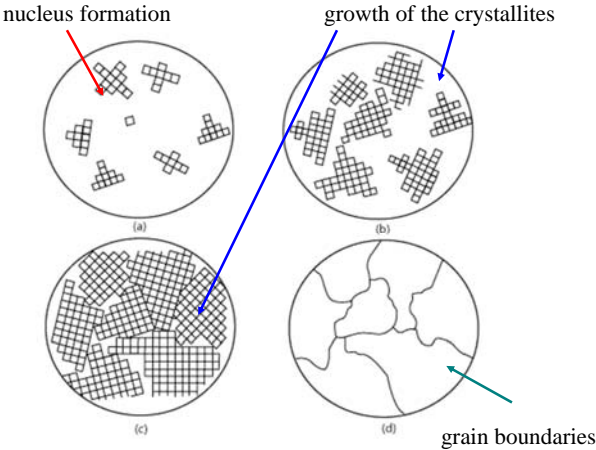
Supercooling (phase transition from liquid to solid phase)



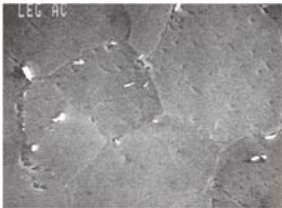
Transition from the liquid to the solid state

two stages: a./ nucleus (seed crystal) formation

b./ crystal growth



dendritic (tree) increase



isotrope increase

The role of the size and the shape of the grains !!



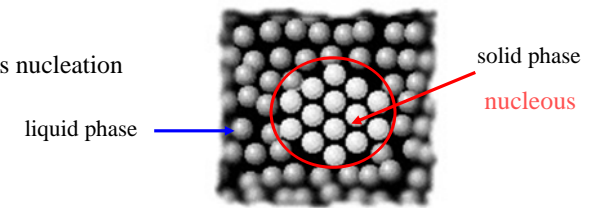
manganese dendrites on a limestone



snow crystal

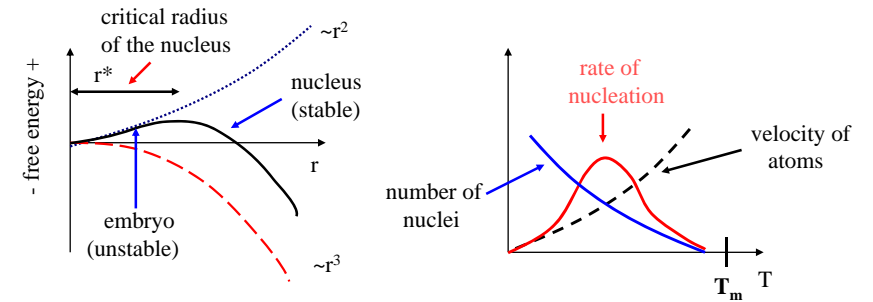
Nucleus formation

a./ homogeneous nucleation



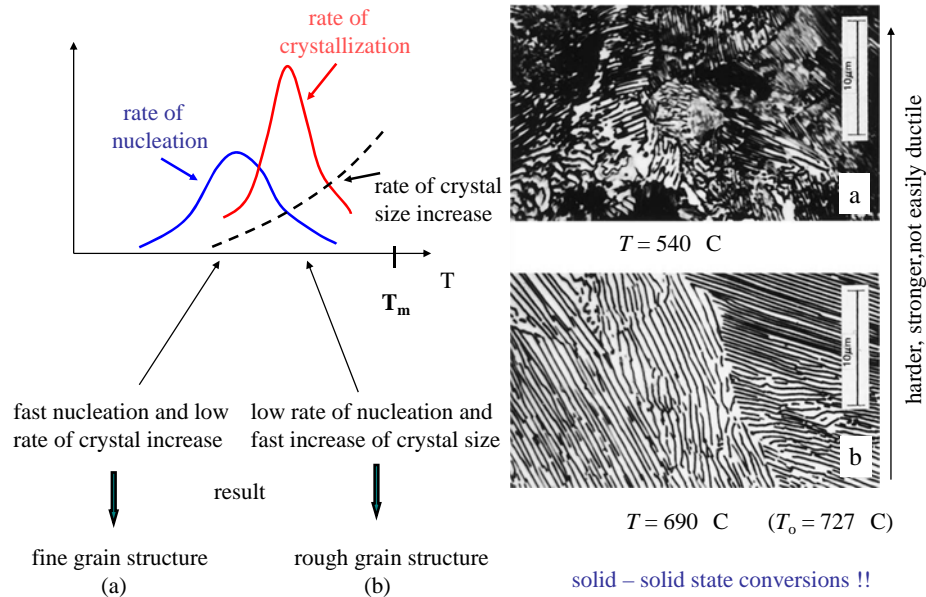
important parameters:

the size of the nucleus
the rate of nucleus formation

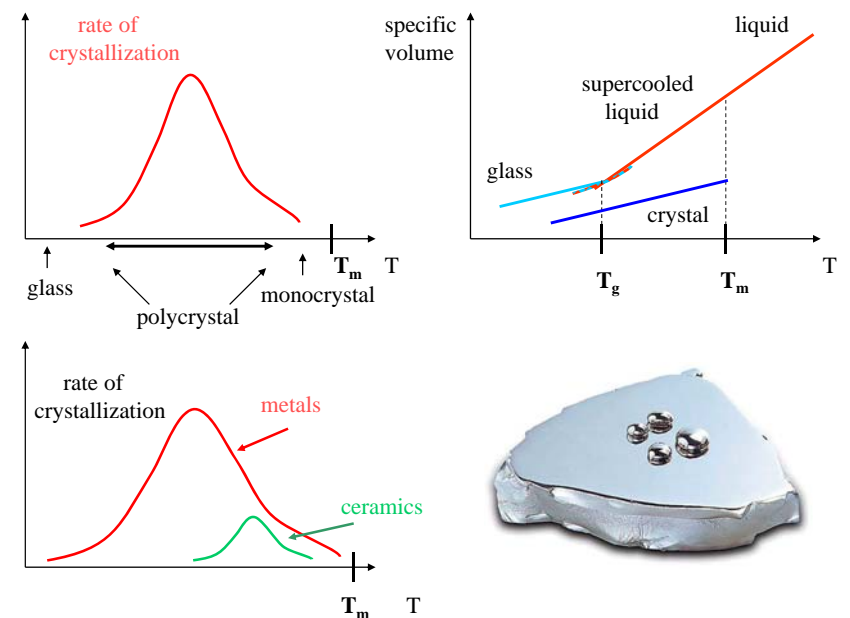


b./ heterogeneous nucleation (on the wall of the dish, impurities, dislocations mainly earlier and faster crystallization)

Effect of the rate of crystal growth



Crystallization ↔ glass formation



Alloyes

partial or complete solid solutions of one or more elements in a metallic matrix

metal + metal (Fe+Cr+Ni, Au+Cu)

metal + non metal (Fe+C)



The aim: to modify (to improve) the properties

- hardness and rigidity (Au + Cu)
- tensile strength
- shear strength
- to avoid or reduce the corrosion (Fe, Co, Ni, + Cr)
- to increase the adhesion on metal-ceramic surfaces (precious metal+Fe, Sn, In)



Determination of composition

weight % :
$$c_1 = \frac{m_1}{m_1 + m_2} \cdot 100(\%)$$

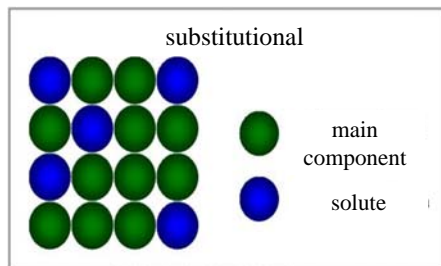
properties!!

molar % :
$$x_1 = \frac{v_1}{v_1 + v_2} \cdot 100(\%)$$

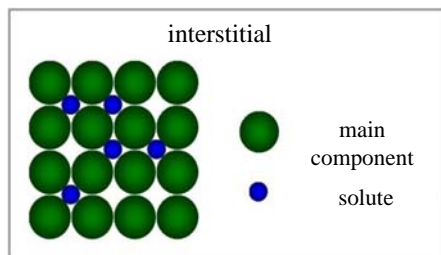
Classification:

- according the application (inlay, corona of teeth)
- on the base of the main component (Au, Pd, Pt, Fe)
- on the base of the number of components (biner, terner, quaterner)
- on the base of the main 3 components (Au-Pd-Ag, Ni-Cr-Be)
- on the base of the phase diagram (solid solution, eutectic alloy, peritectic alloy, metal compound)

Solid solutions



examples: Cu-Ni, Pd-Ag, Au-Cu, ...



examples: Fe-C, CP Ti (O, C, N, H), ...

homogeneous structure

critieries of formation

- similar atomic radii (less then 15% diff.)
- same crystal structure
- similar electronegativities
- similar valency

the atomic radius of the solute is smaller
the amount of the solute is less than 10%

properties of solid solutions

flexibility changes

strength increases

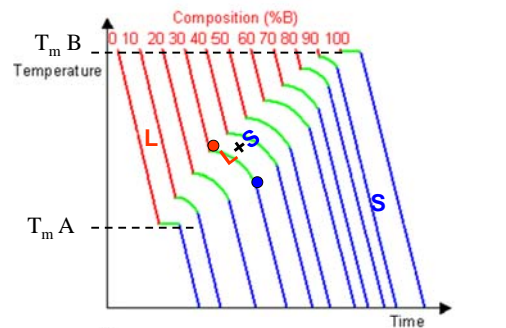
hardness increases

ductility changes

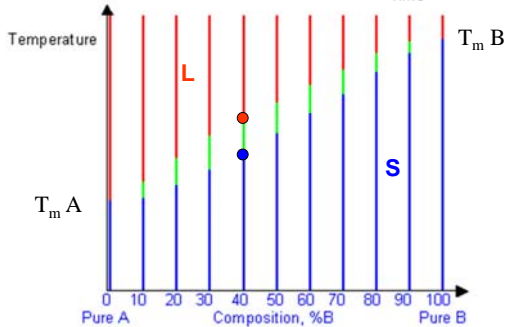
plasticity decreases

metal	atomic radius (nm)	lattice	electro-negativity
Au	0,2882	fcc	2,4
Pt	0,2775	fcc	2,2
Pd	0,2750	fcc	2,2
Ag	0,2888	fcc	1,9
Cu	0,2556	fcc	1,9
Ni	0,25	fcc	1,8
Sn	0,3016	tetragonal	1,8

cooling curve of solid solutions

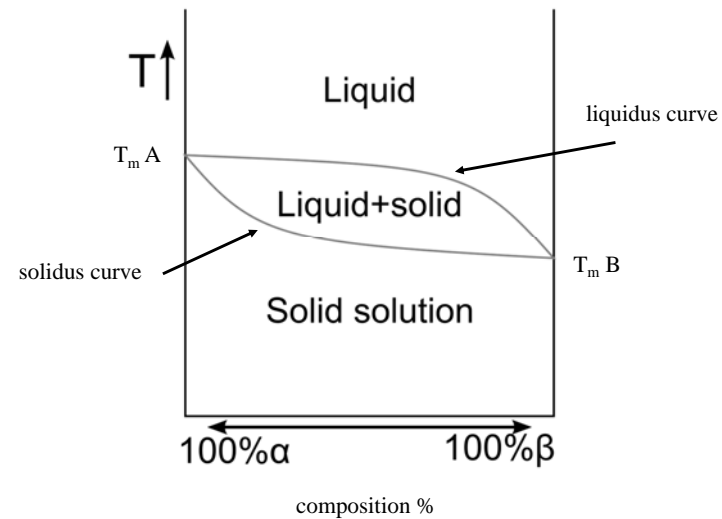


phase diagram of solid solutions

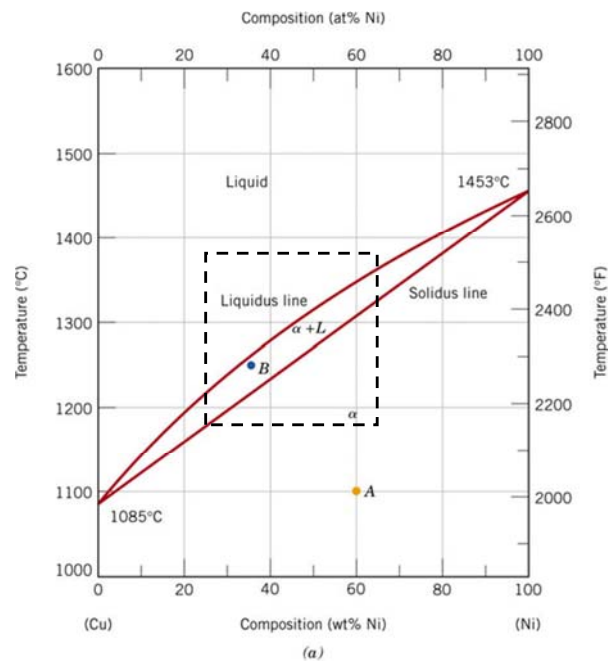


equilibrium !!

equilibrium

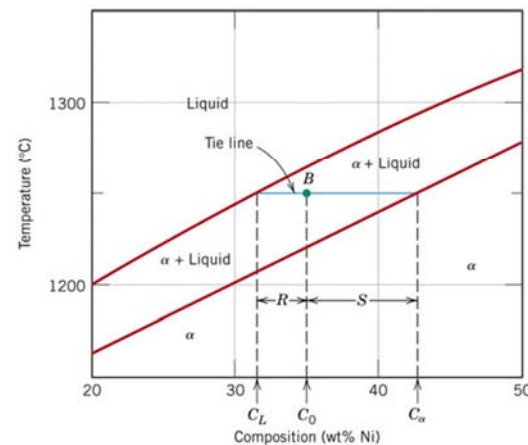


example:
Cu + Ni



Calculation of the composition and the ratio of the different phases

what is the composition at the B point



Liquid phase composition:

31,5 wt % Ni + 68,5 wt % Cu

Solid phase composition:

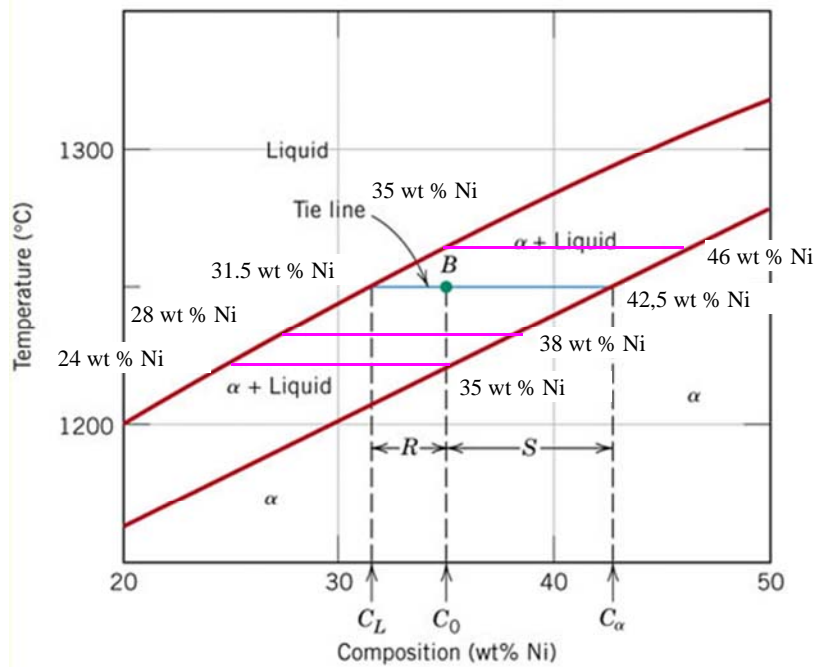
42,5 wt % Ni + 57,5 wt % Cu

Liquid phase ratio:

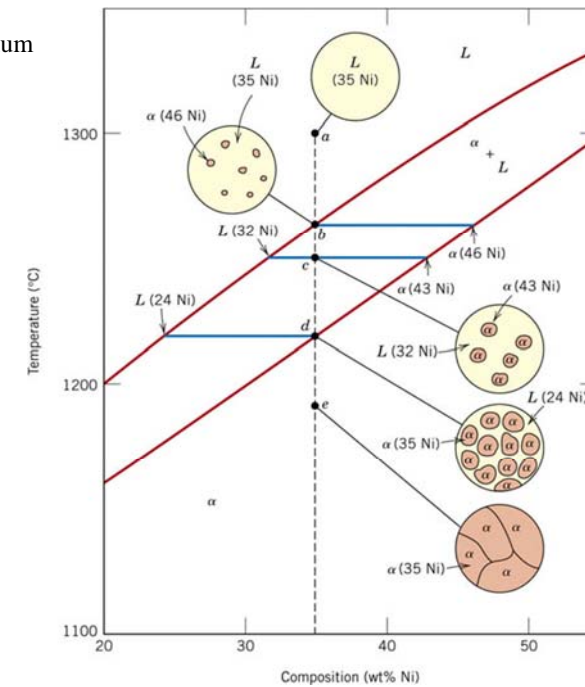
$$\frac{S}{R + S} = 68\%$$

Solid phase ratio:

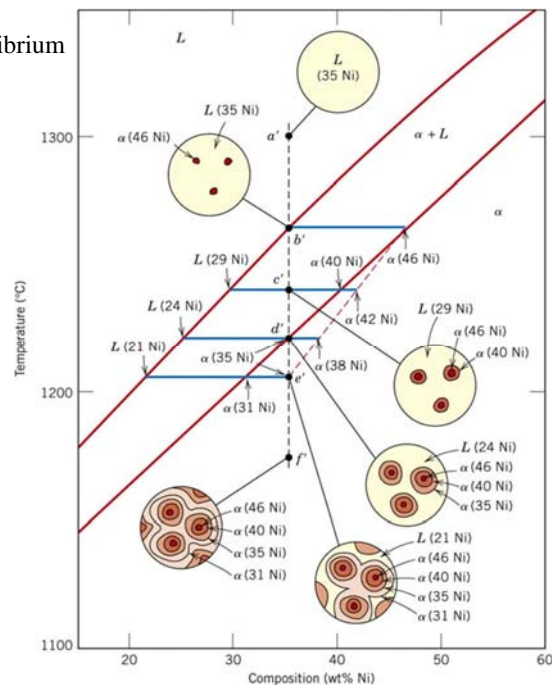
$$\frac{R}{R + S} = 32\%$$



equilibrium



non equilibrium cooling



segregation

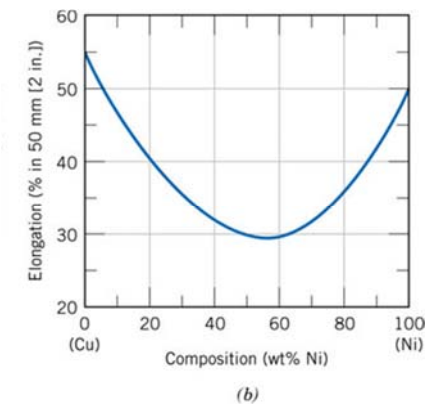
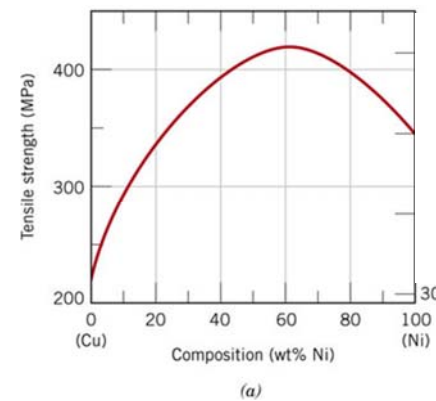
seedy structure

heterogeneous



homogenization

Influence of the solute material on different physical properties of alloys



Metal compounds

Definite stoichiometry

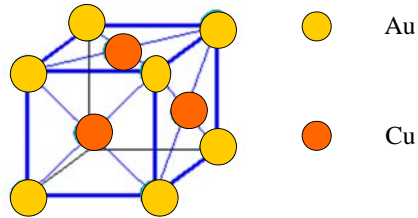
example: Au-Cu

50 wt % Au-50 wt % Cu

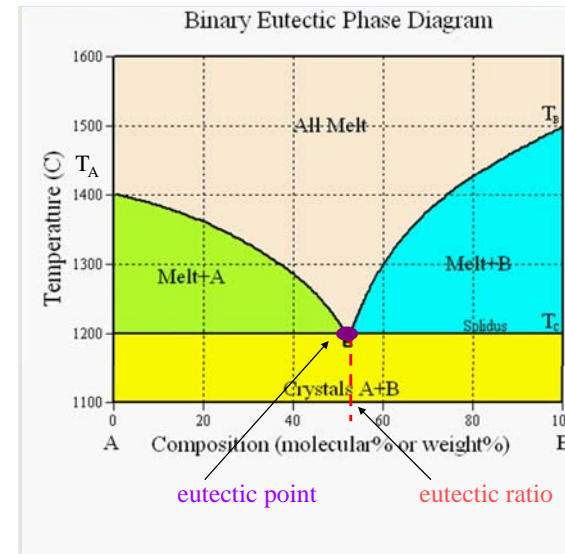
< 400 °C



in the amalgam: Ag_3Sn
 Cu_6Sn_5



Eutectic alloys



insolubility in the solid phase

↓
pure metal crystallites

↓
heterogeneous structure

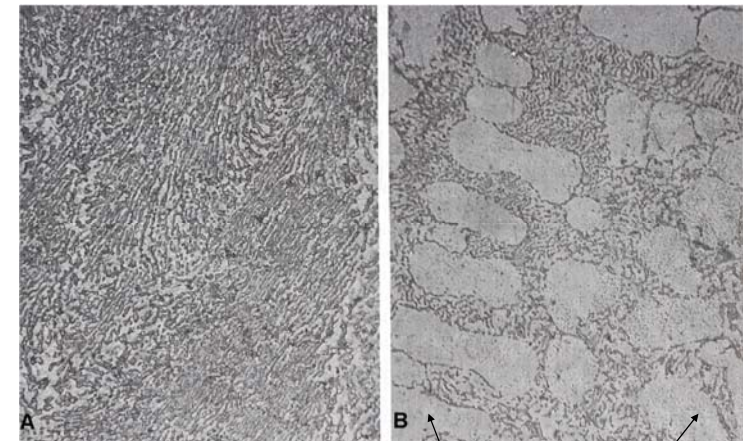
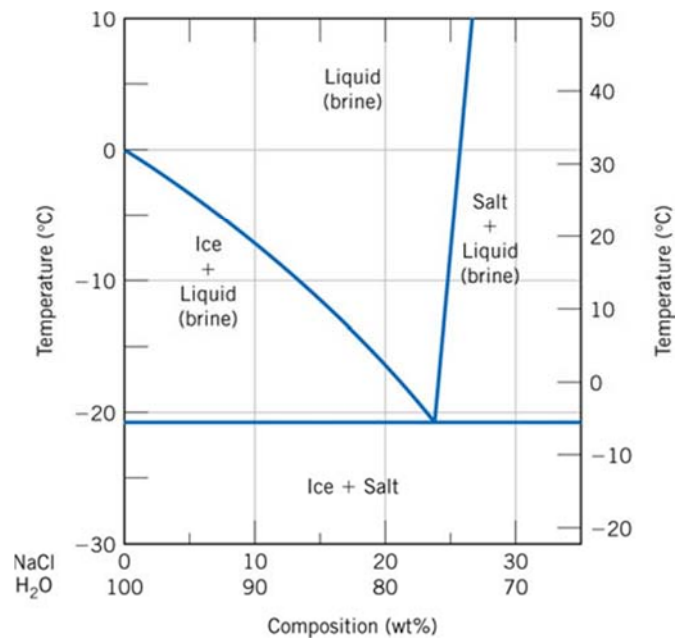
examples

77% H_2O +23 % NaCl

$T_E = -21^\circ\text{C}$

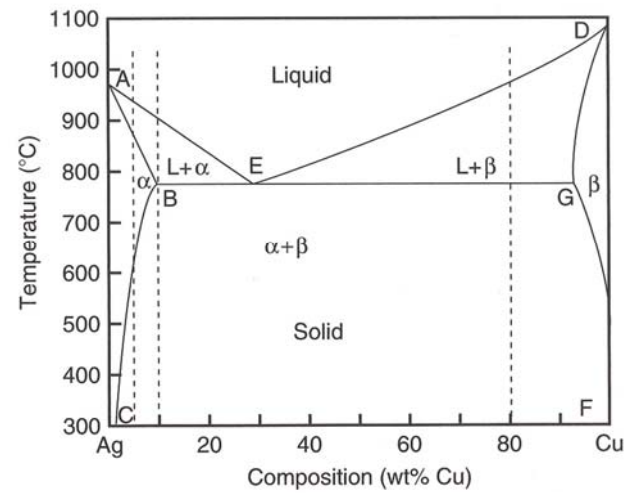
Wood-metal (Bi-Pb-Cd-Sn)

$T_E = 68^\circ\text{C}$



62% Sn-38% Pb
eutectic alloy

75% Sn-25% Pb
(Sn rich islands)

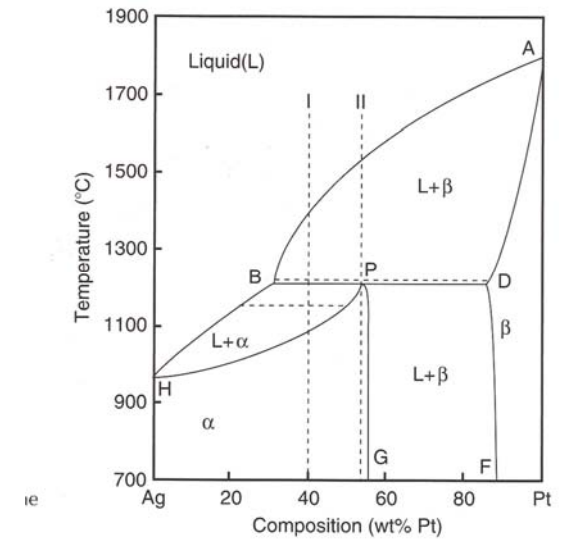


Peritectic alloys

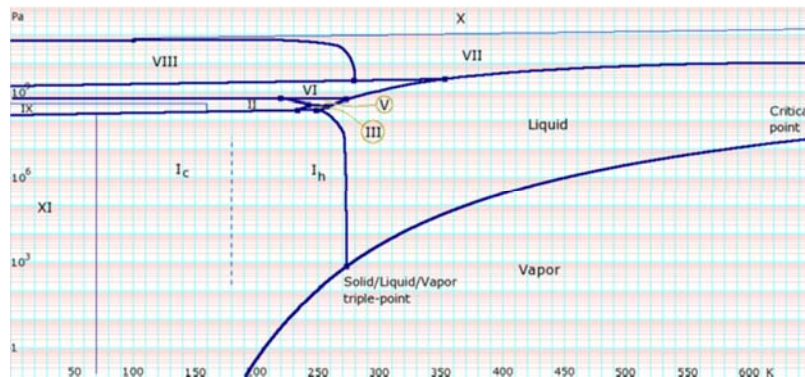
examples:

Ag-Sn

Ag-Pt



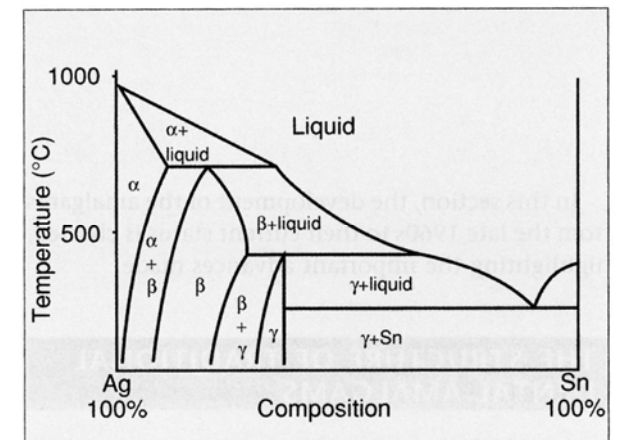
Phase diagram of polymorphic and polyamorphic systems



Phase diagram of water

dental amalgam

composition	
metal	% (wt/wt)
Hg	50
Ag	34
Sn	13
Cu	2
Zn	1



γ phase: Ag_3Sn

