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Chapter 10. Ternary phase Diagrams

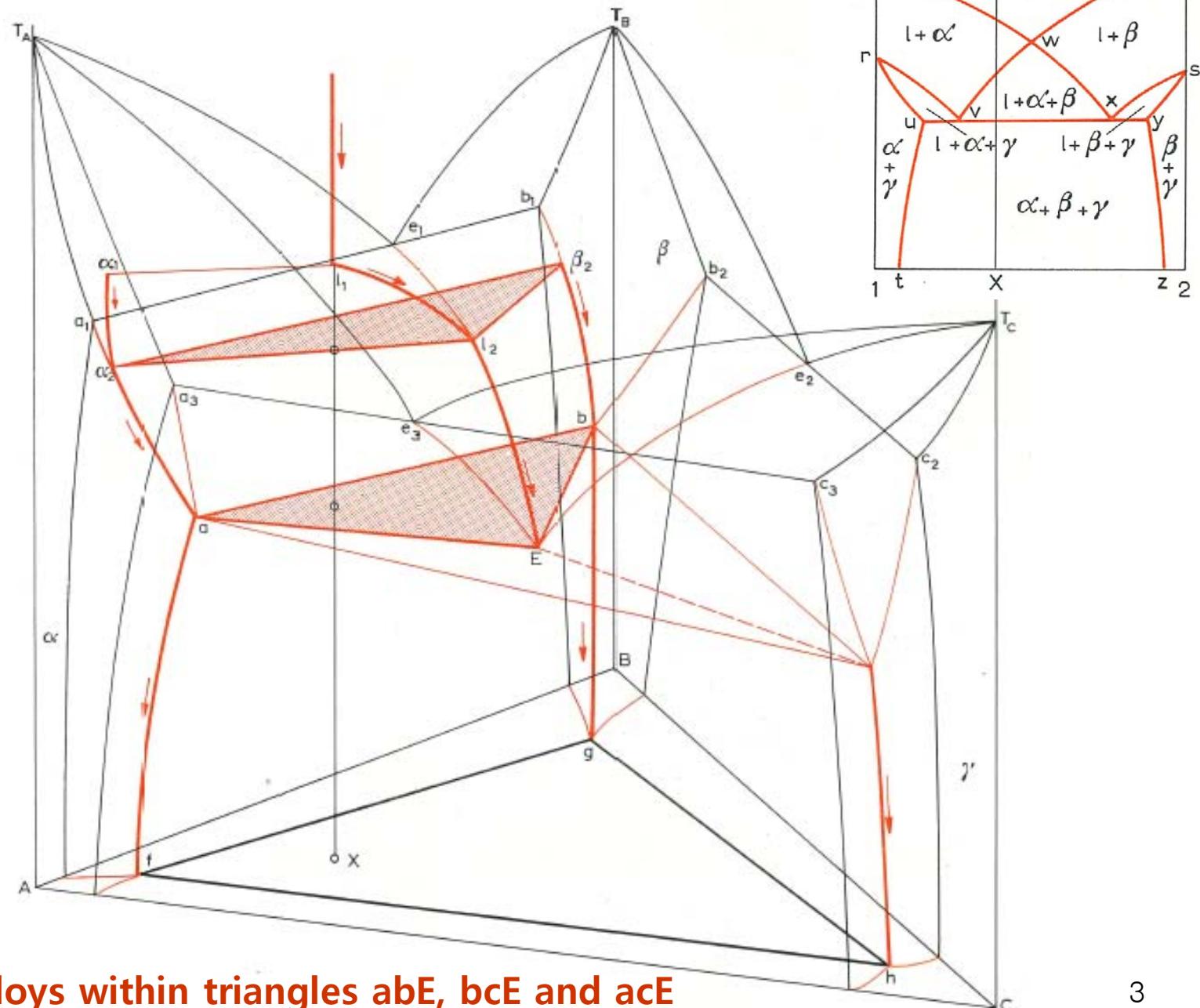
Four-Phase Equilibrium

- a. THE TERNARY EUTECTIC EQUILIBRIUM ($l = \alpha + \beta + \gamma$)**

- b. THE QUASI-PERITECTIC EQUILIBRIUM ($l + \alpha = \beta + \gamma$)**

- c. THE TERNARY PERIECTIC EQUILIBRIUM ($l + \alpha + \beta = \gamma$)**

Transformation during cooling

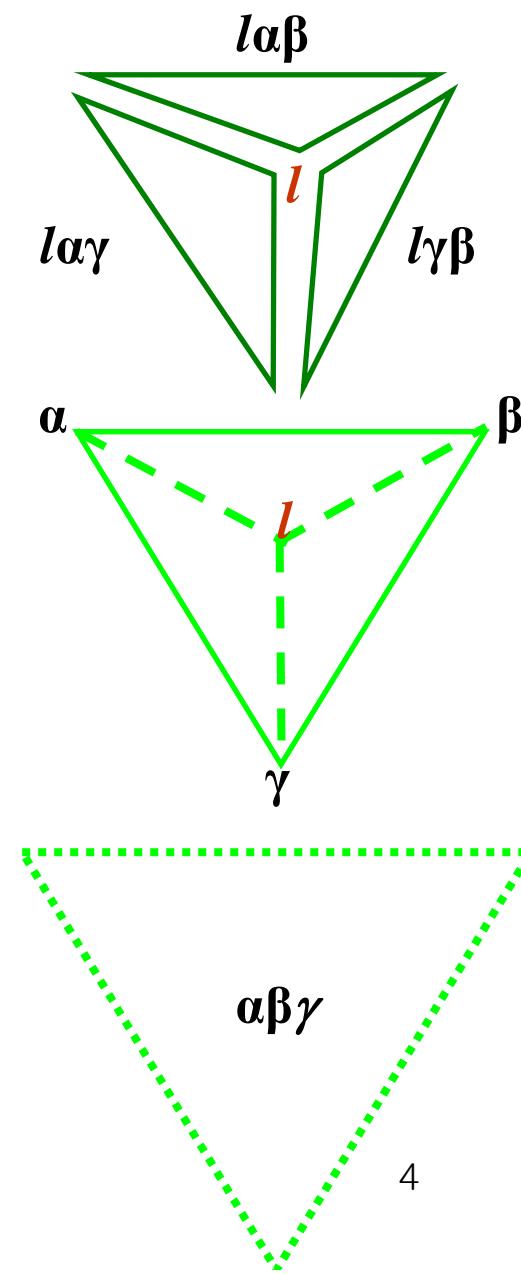
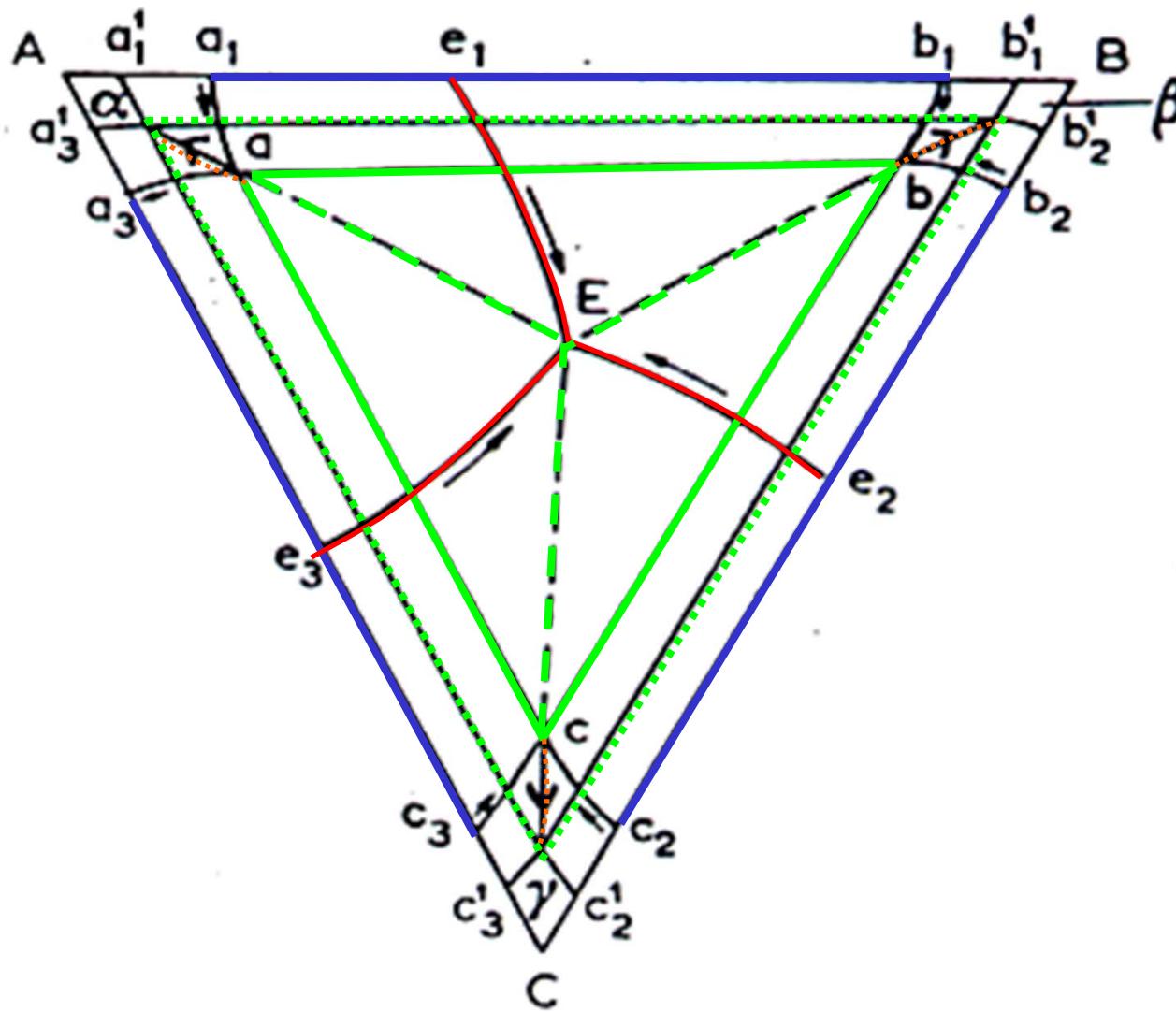


④ Alloys within triangles abE , bcE and acE

ex) abE : $l + \alpha$ (or β) $\rightarrow l + \alpha + \beta \rightarrow (l \rightarrow \alpha + \beta + \gamma \text{ at } T_E)$

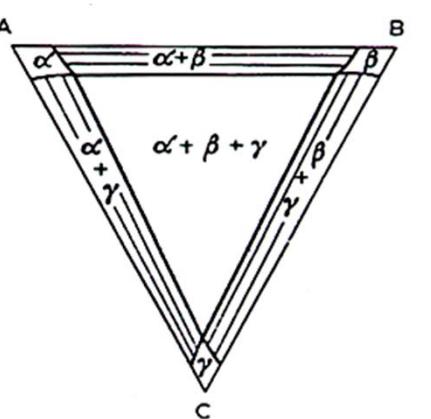
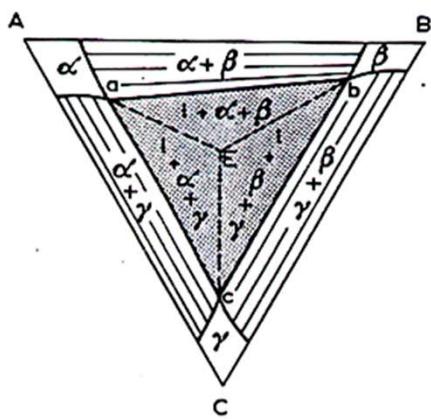
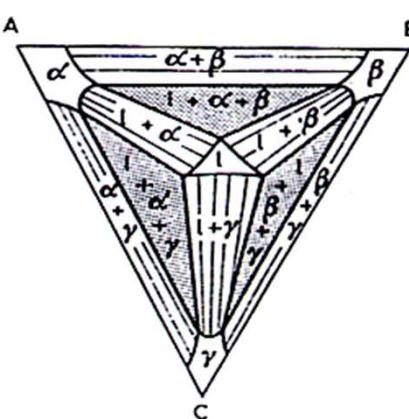
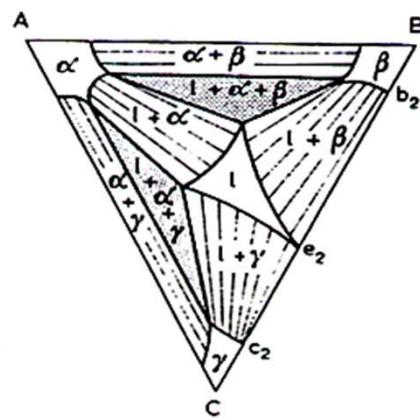
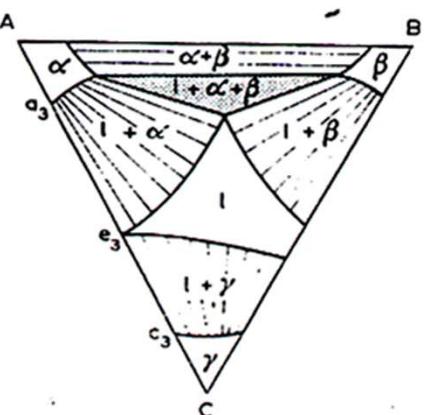
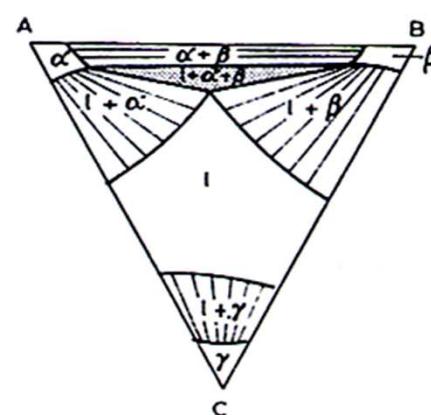
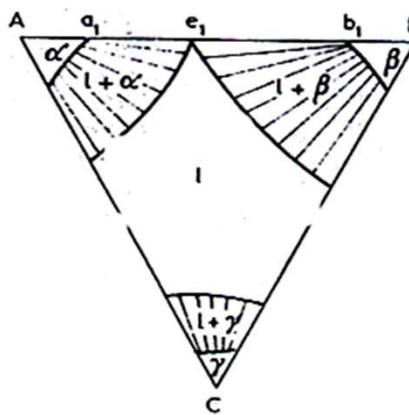
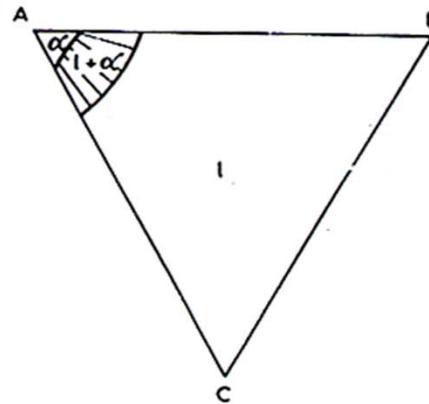
THE TERNARY EUTECTIC EQUILIBRIUM ($l = \alpha + \beta + \gamma$)

- **Projection** : solid solubility limit surface
: monovariant liquidus curve

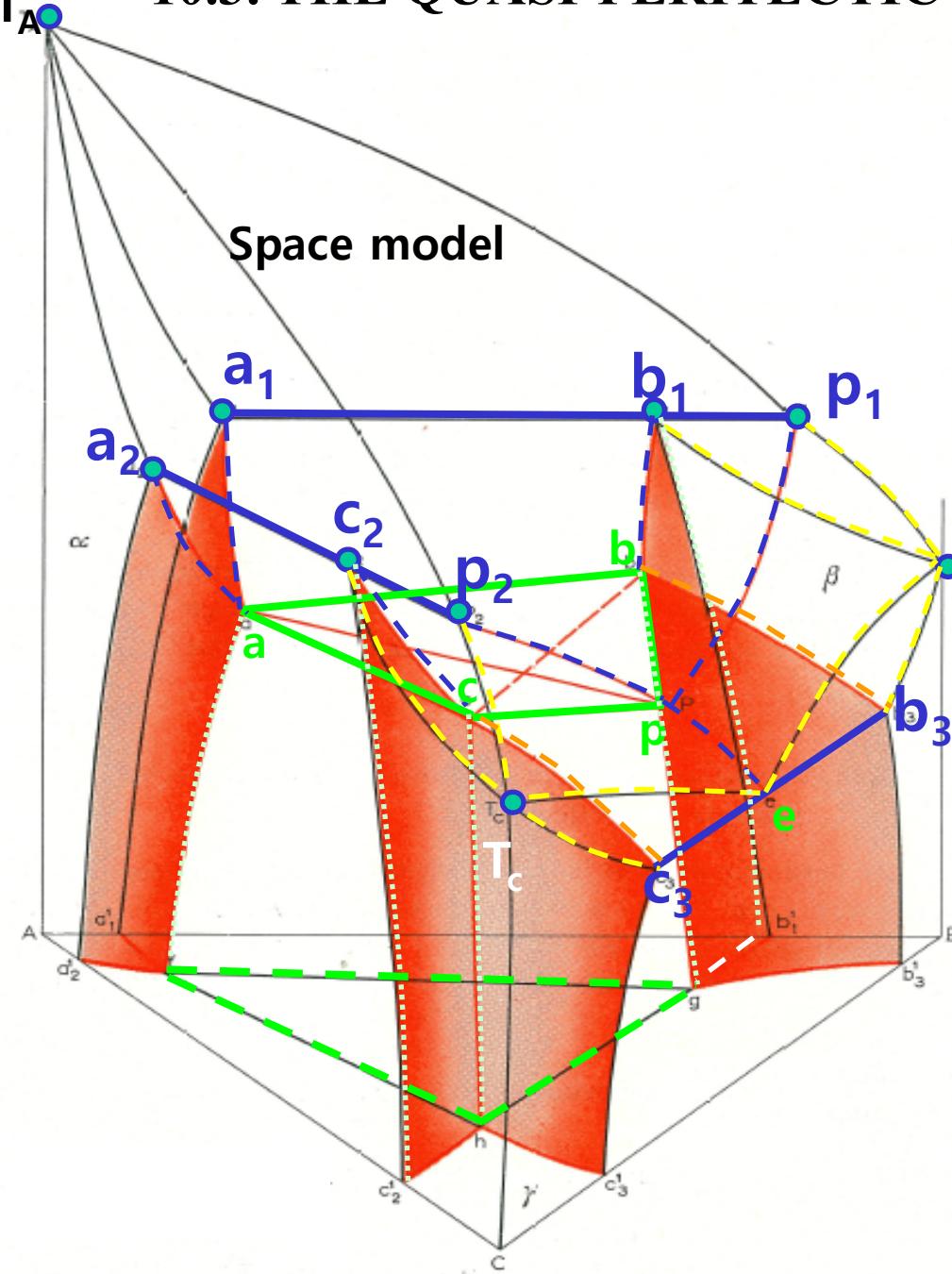


10.1. THE EUTECTIC EQUILIBRIUM ($l = \alpha + \beta + \gamma$)

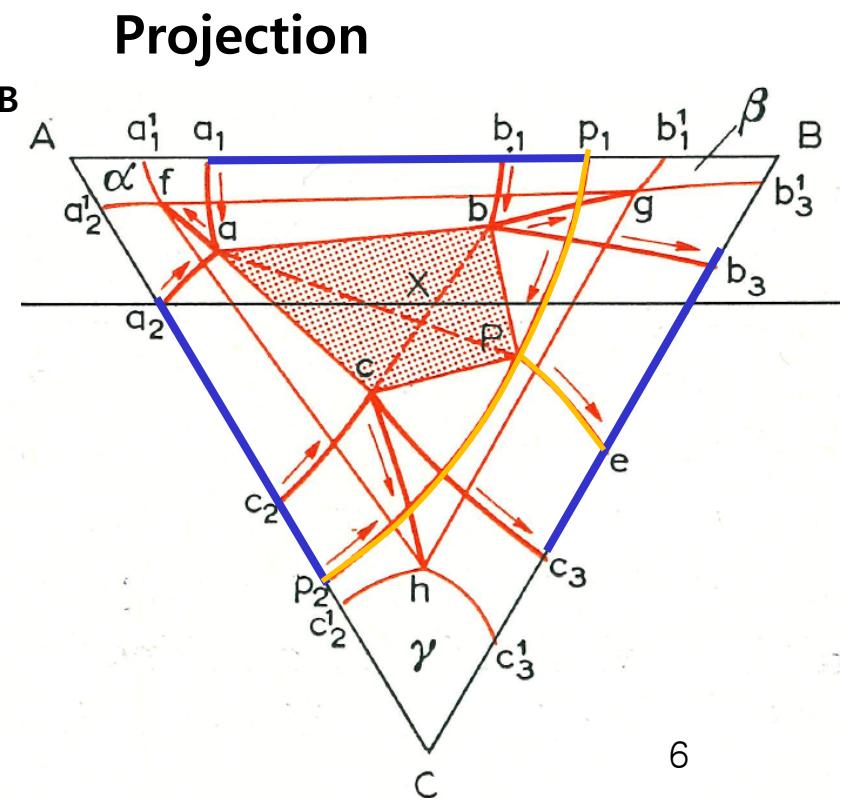
- Isothermal section ($T_A > T > T_B$)



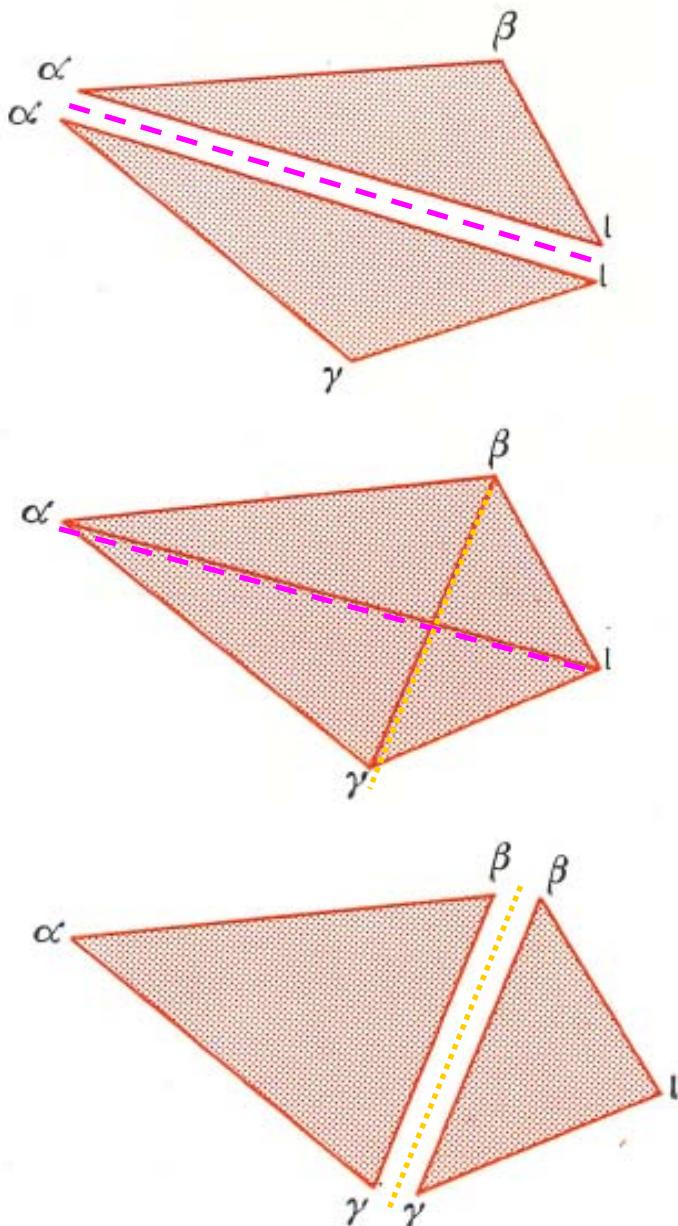
10.3. THE QUASI-PERITECTIC EQUILIBRIUM ($l + \alpha = \beta + \gamma$)



$$T_A > P_1 > P_2 > T_B > P > T_C > e$$



10.3. THE QUASI-PERITECTIC EQUILIBRIUM ($l + \alpha = \beta + \gamma$)



Both three phase monovariant equilibria preceding the quasi-peritectic reaction are peritectic

abP peritectic $l\alpha\beta$ equilibrium

acP peritectic $l\alpha\gamma$ equilibrium

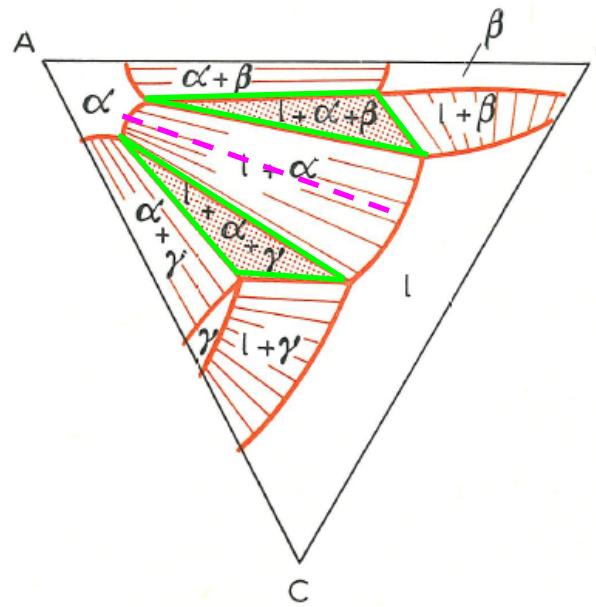
decreasing temperature

bcP eutectic $l\beta\gamma$ equilibrium

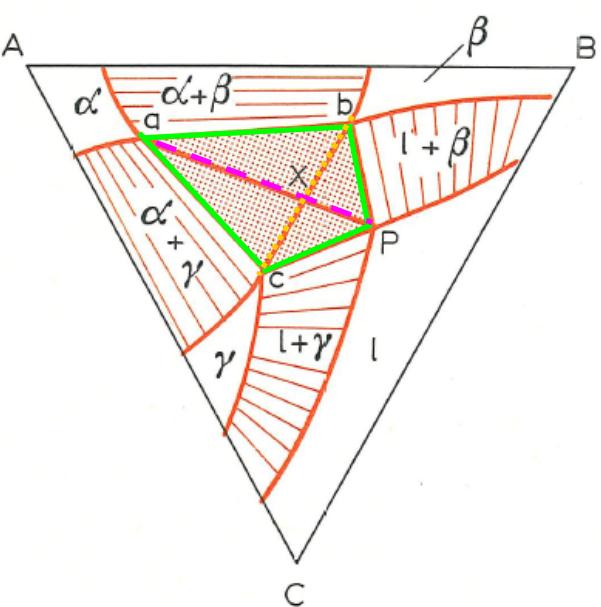
abc peritectic $\alpha\beta\gamma$ equilibrium

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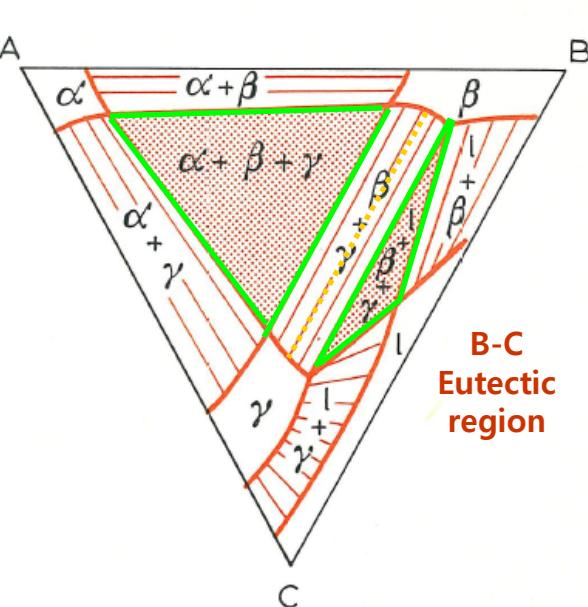
Isothermal section



$$T_B > T > P$$



$$T = P$$



$$P > T > T_C$$

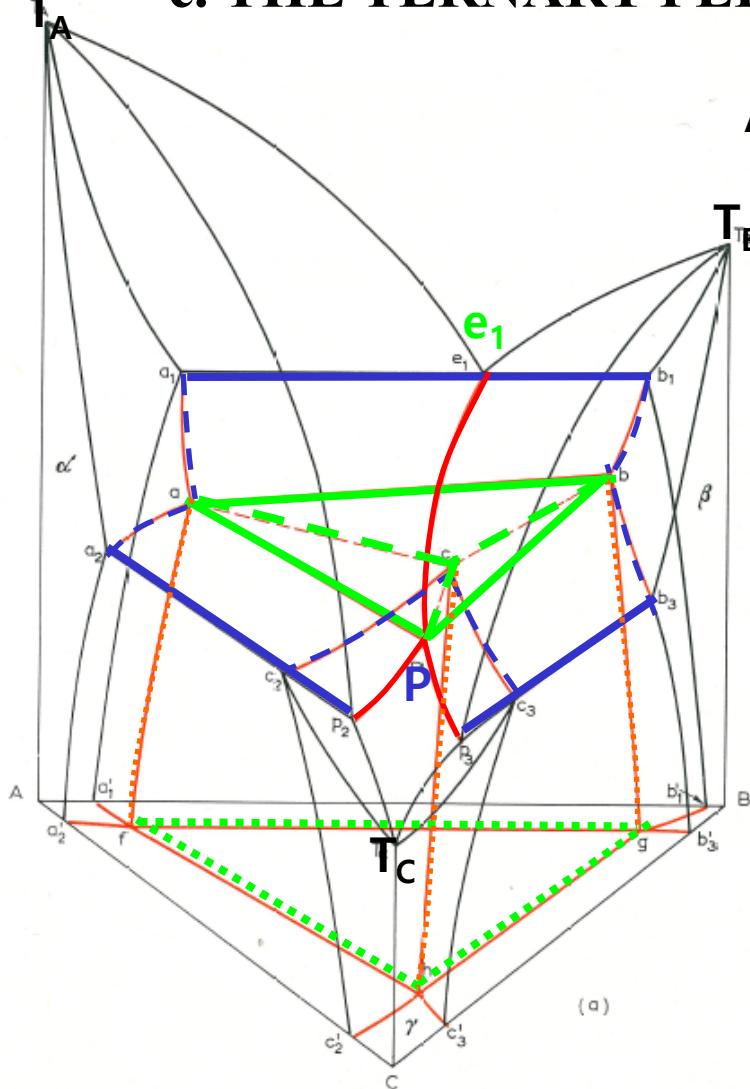
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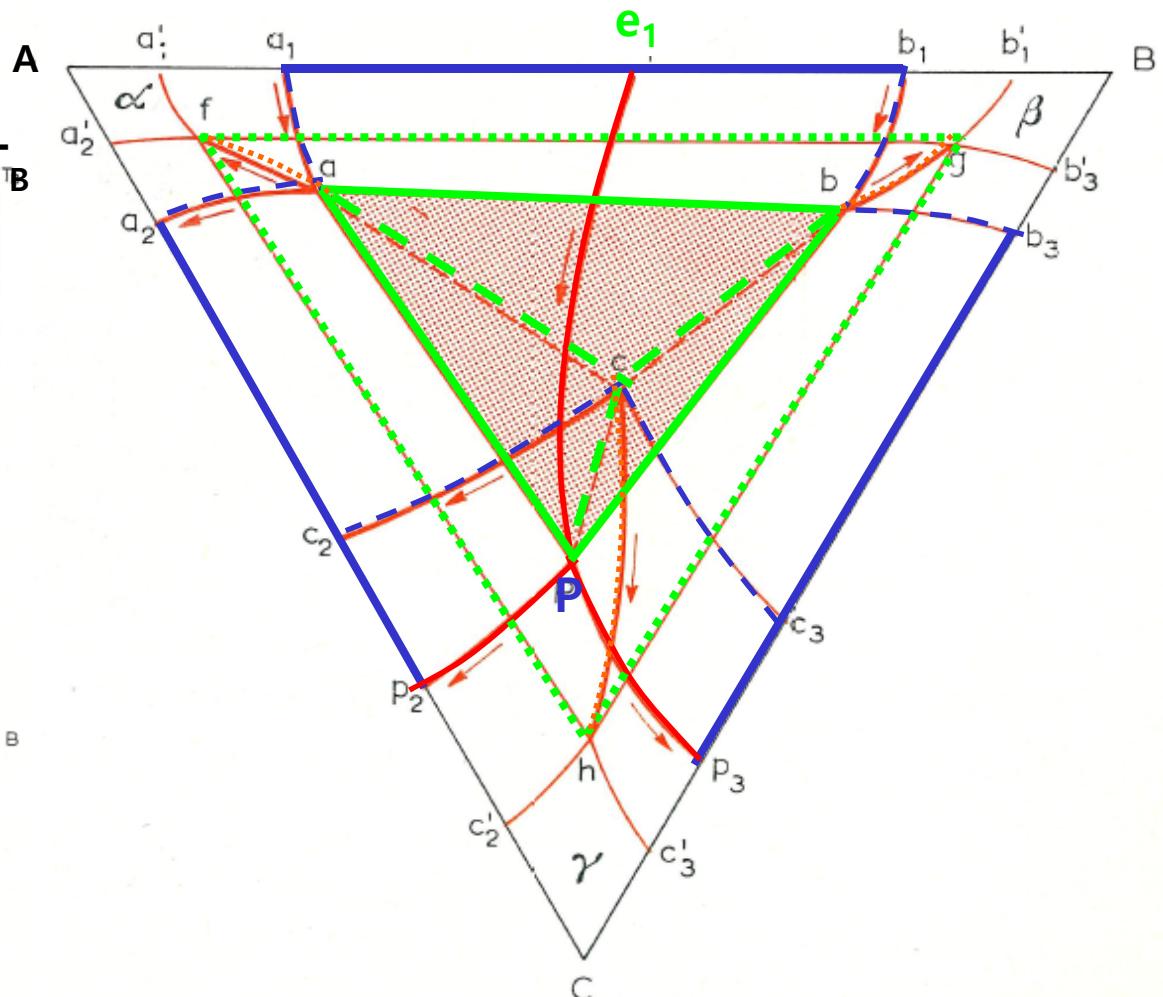
descending to the four-phase plane;

descending from the four-phase plane.

c. THE TERNARY PERIECTIC EQUILIBRIUM ($\text{l} + \alpha + \beta = \gamma$)



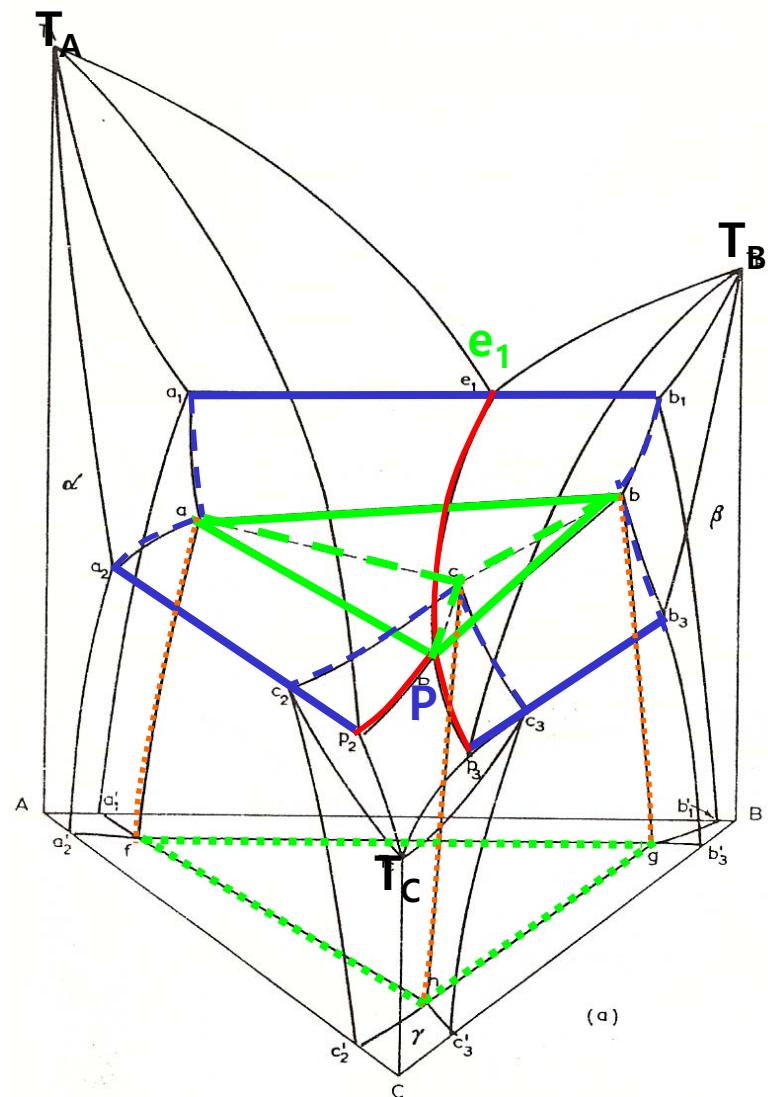
$T_A > T_B > e_1 > P > P_2 > P_3 > T_C$



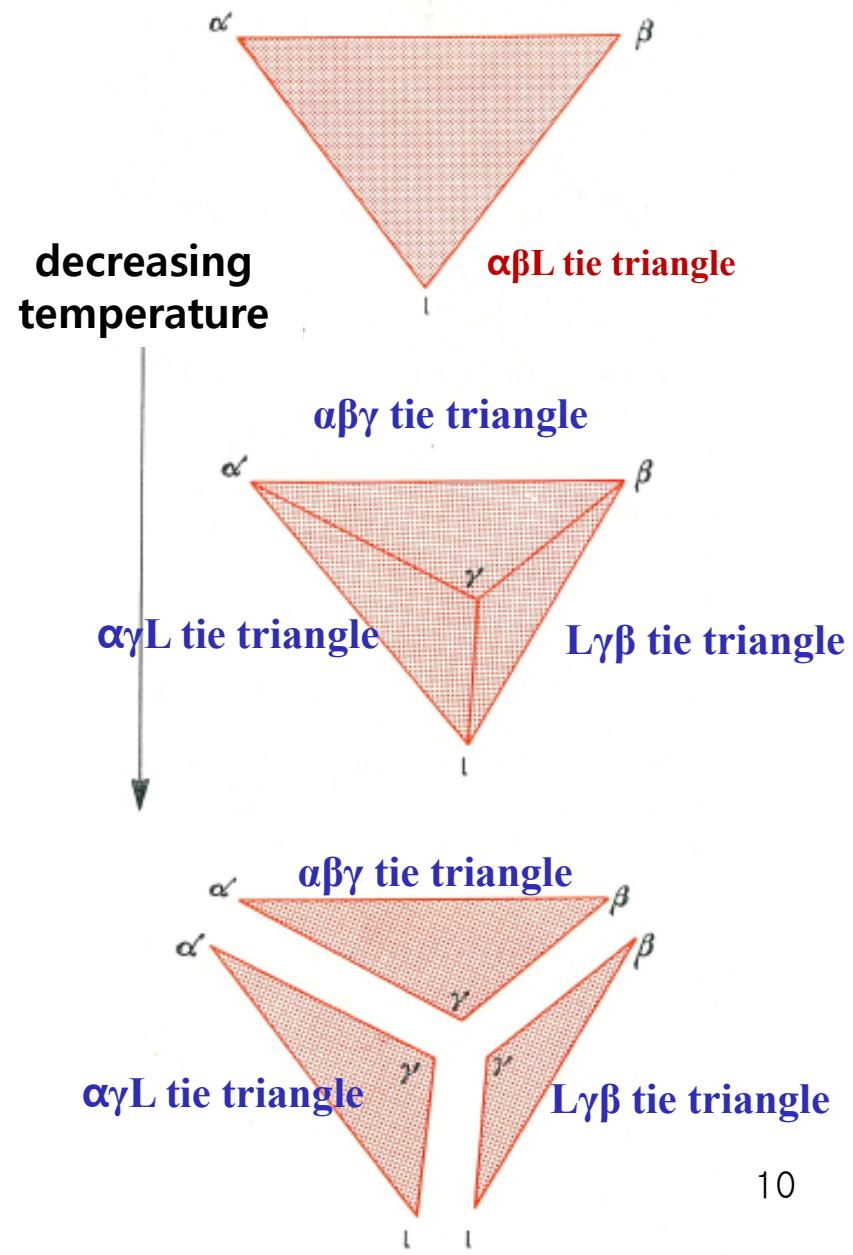
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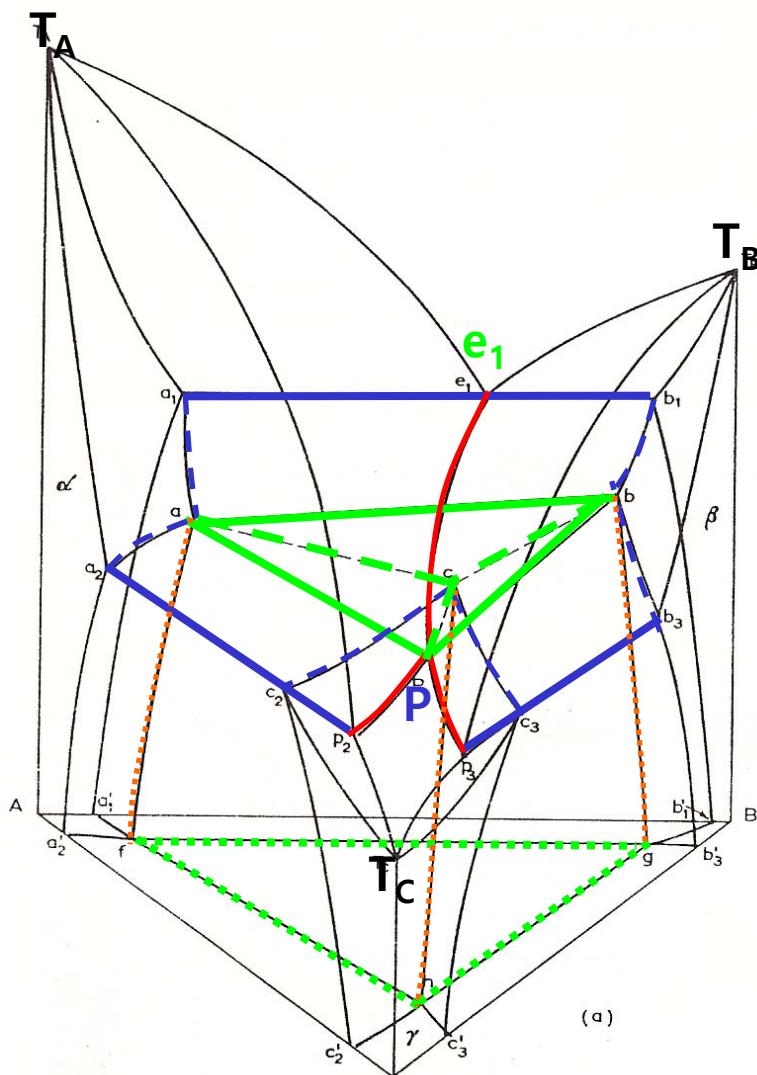
10.4. THE TERNARY PERIECTIC EQUILIBRIUM ($\alpha + \beta + \gamma = \gamma$)



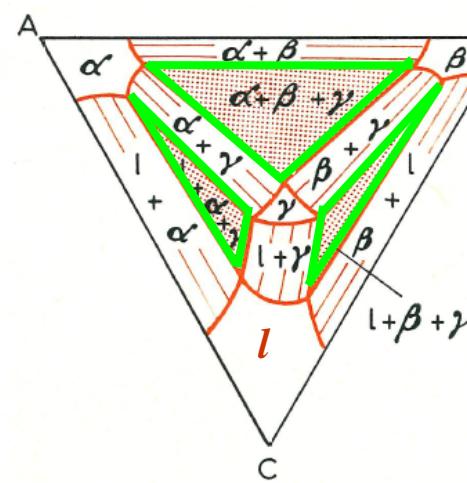
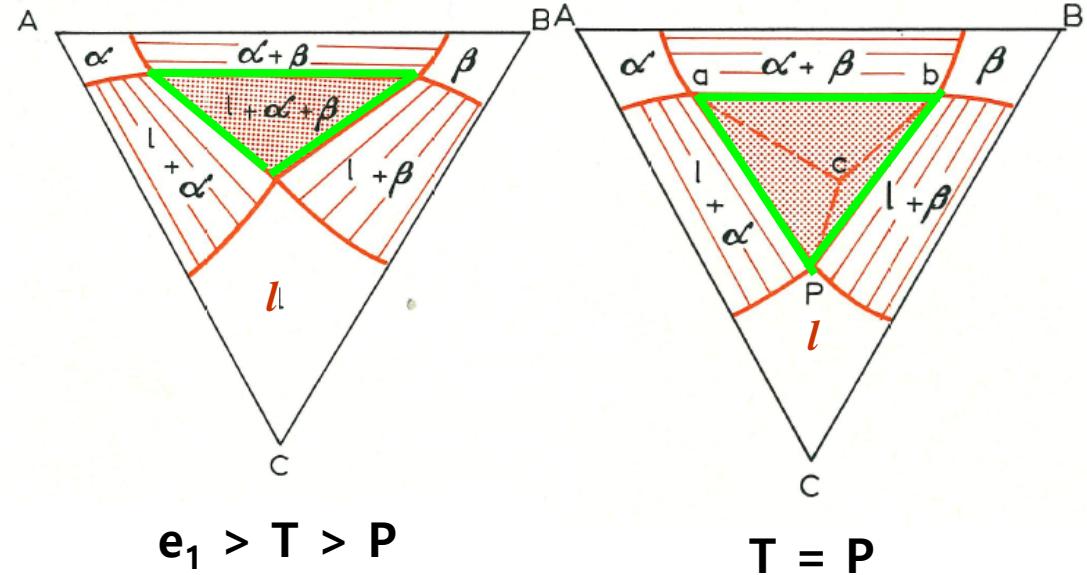
$$T_A > T_B > e_1 > P > P_2 > P_3 > T_C$$



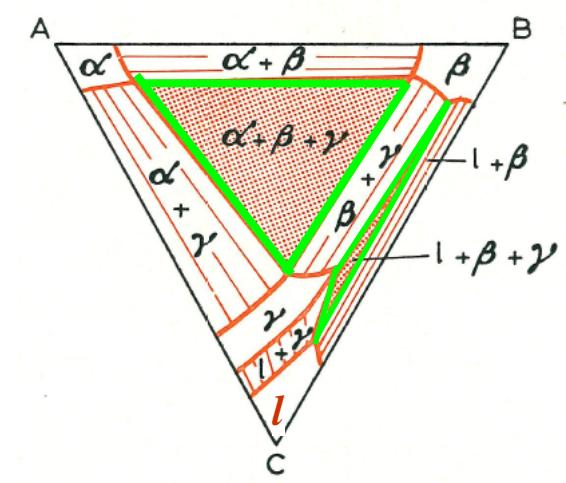
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Isothermal section



$P > T > P_2$



$P_2 > T > P_3^{11}$

$T_A > T_B > e_1 > P > P_2 > P_3 > T_C$

10.3.2. one of the three phase monovariant equilibria preceding the quasi-peritectic reaction is eutectic and one peritectic.

* Ternary system involving an incogruently-melting binary intermediate phase:

Quasi-peritectic diagram and ternary eutectic diagram

e.g. Au-Ge-Sb ternary in which the δ phase
is intermediate phase $AuSb_2$.

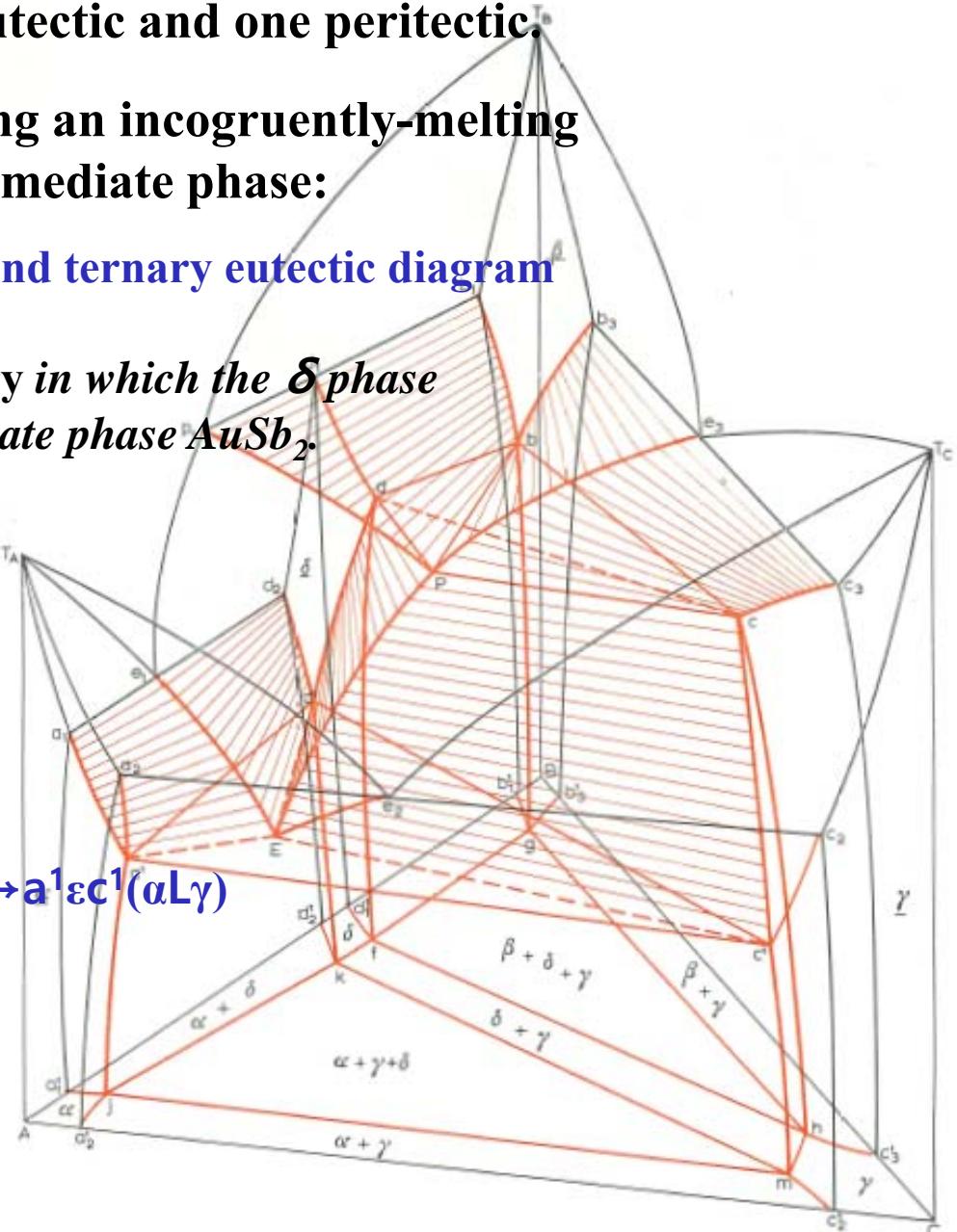
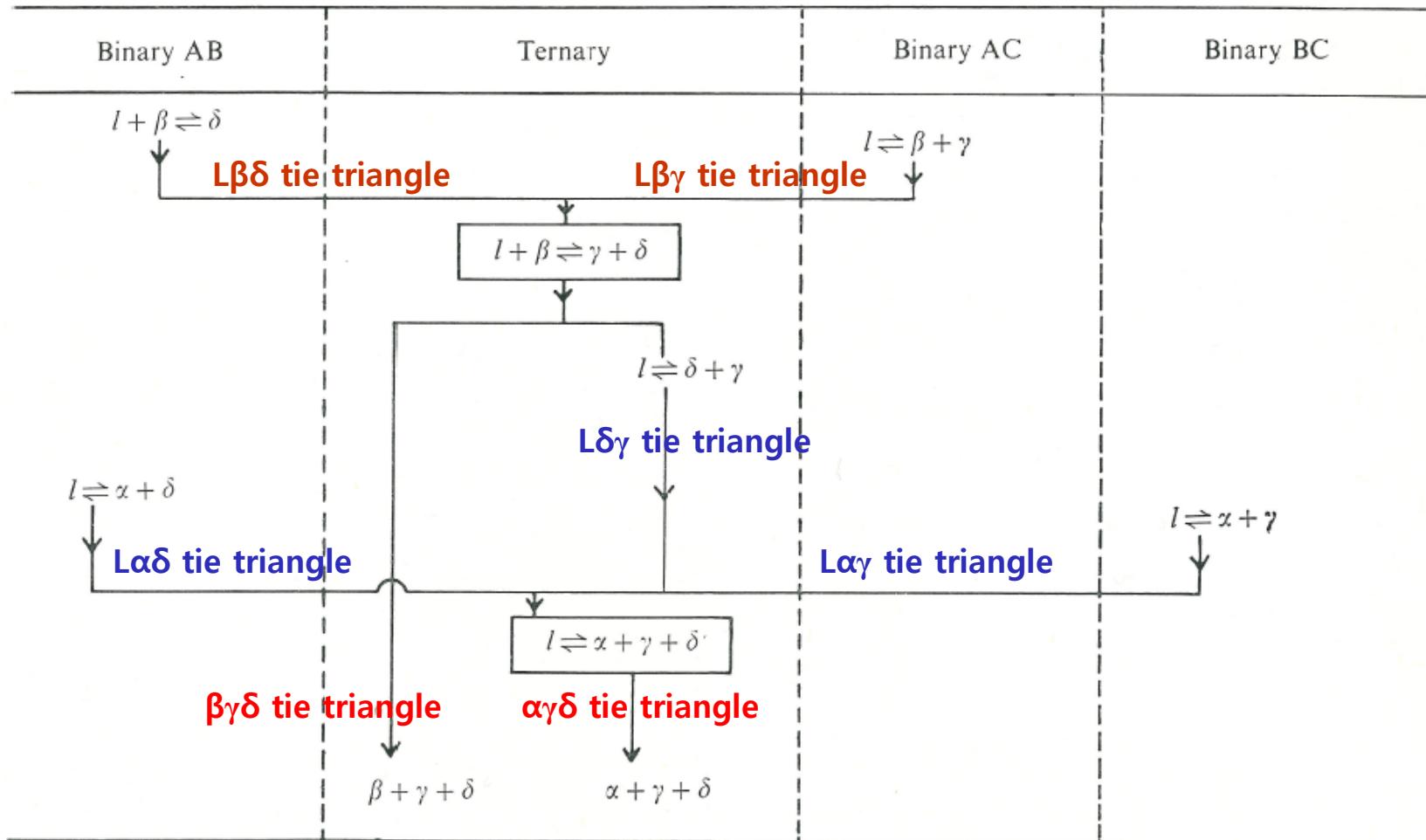


Fig. 189. Ternary system involving an incongruently-melting binary intermediate phase.

Tabular representation of ternary equilibria: interlinks the binary and ternary reactions in tabular form

Quasi-peritectic diagram and ternary eutectic diagram



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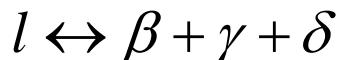
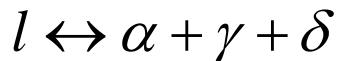
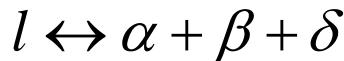
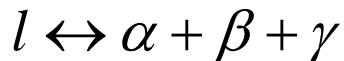
Intermediate Phases

Intermediate phases may melt congruently or incongruently.
They may occur as either binary or ternary phases.

11.1 Congruently melting intermediate phases

11.1. Binary intermediate phases

- Assume the AB system contains an **intermediate phase δ** .
- The ternary will contain the **five phases $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$ and liquid**.
- Since the maximum number of phases which can coexist is four, there must be more than one four-phase equilibrium in the ternary.



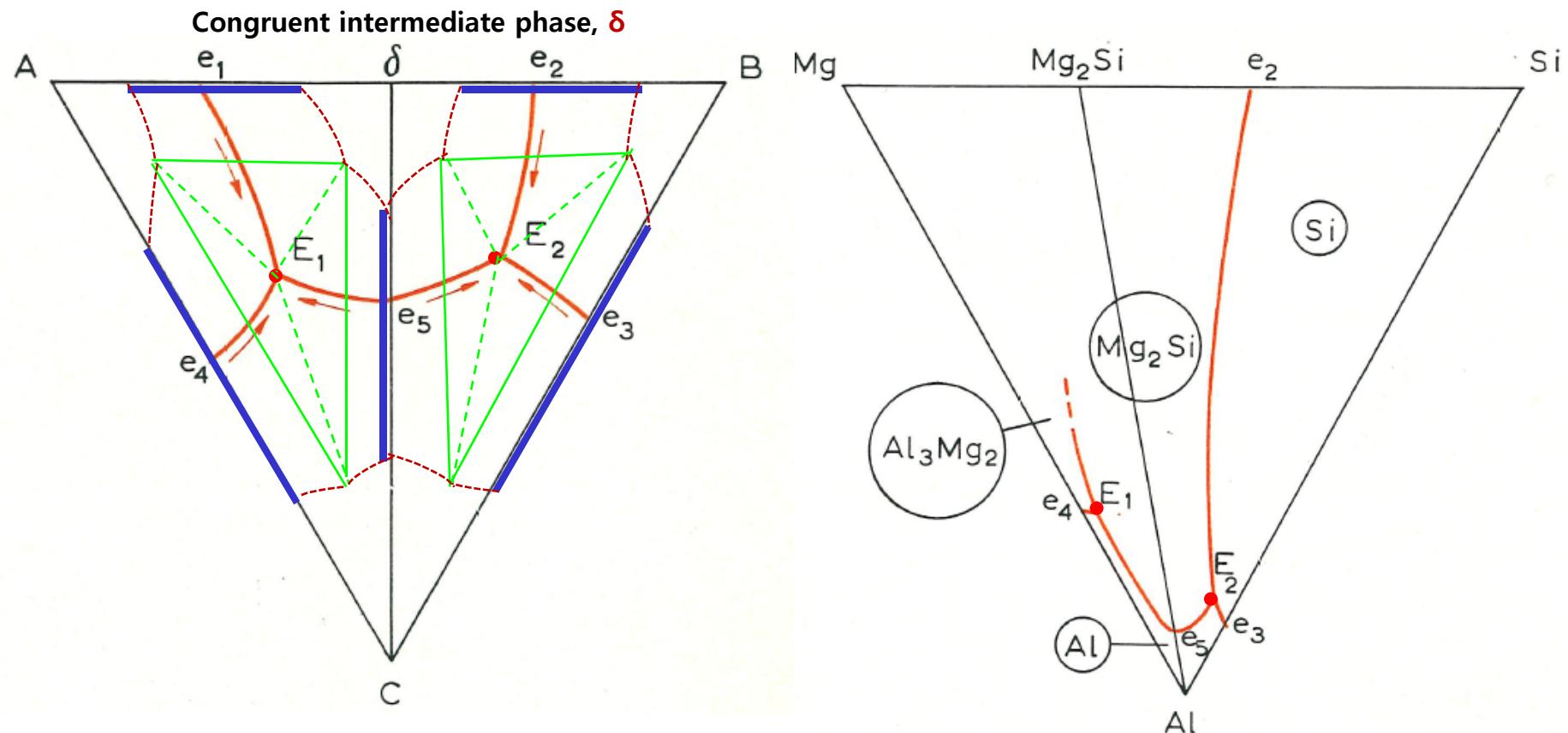
- The more usual combination is of the last two equilibria, implying **equilibrium in the solid state between $\alpha\gamma\delta$ and $\beta\gamma\delta$** .
- This can be envisaged if there is direct equilibrium between γ and δ , splitting the ternary system into **two partial system A δ C and B δ C**. It often happens **that the δ phase forms 1) a quasi-binary system with component C**.

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11.1. Binary intermediate phases

1) Quasi binary eutectic δC

$$\begin{aligned} l &\leftrightarrow \alpha + \beta + \gamma \\ l &\leftrightarrow \alpha + \beta + \delta \\ l &\leftrightarrow \alpha + \gamma + \delta \\ l &\leftrightarrow \beta + \gamma + \delta \end{aligned}$$



$E_1: L \rightarrow \alpha + \gamma + \delta$, $E_2: L \rightarrow \beta + \gamma + \delta$

Eutectic systems with a saddle point
on the quasi-binary section δC

Al-Mg-Si system

$E_1: L \rightarrow \alpha - Al + Si + Mg_2Si$

$E_2: L \rightarrow \alpha - Al + Al_3Mg_2 + Mg_2Si$ 16

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11.1. Binary intermediate phases

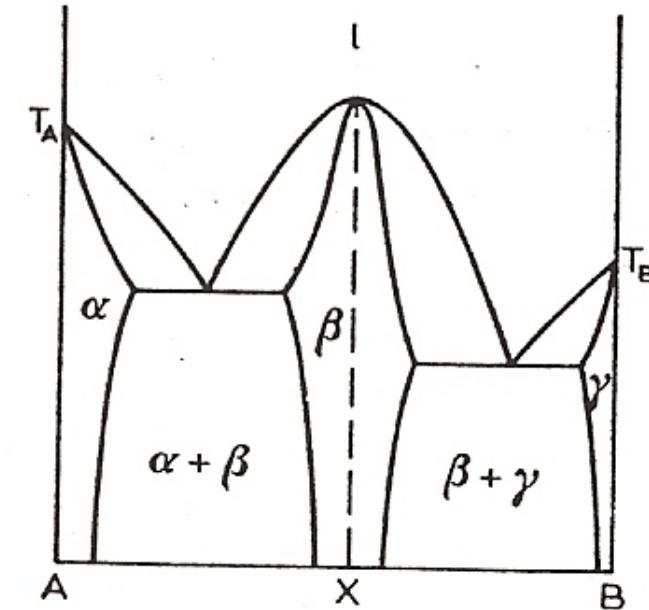
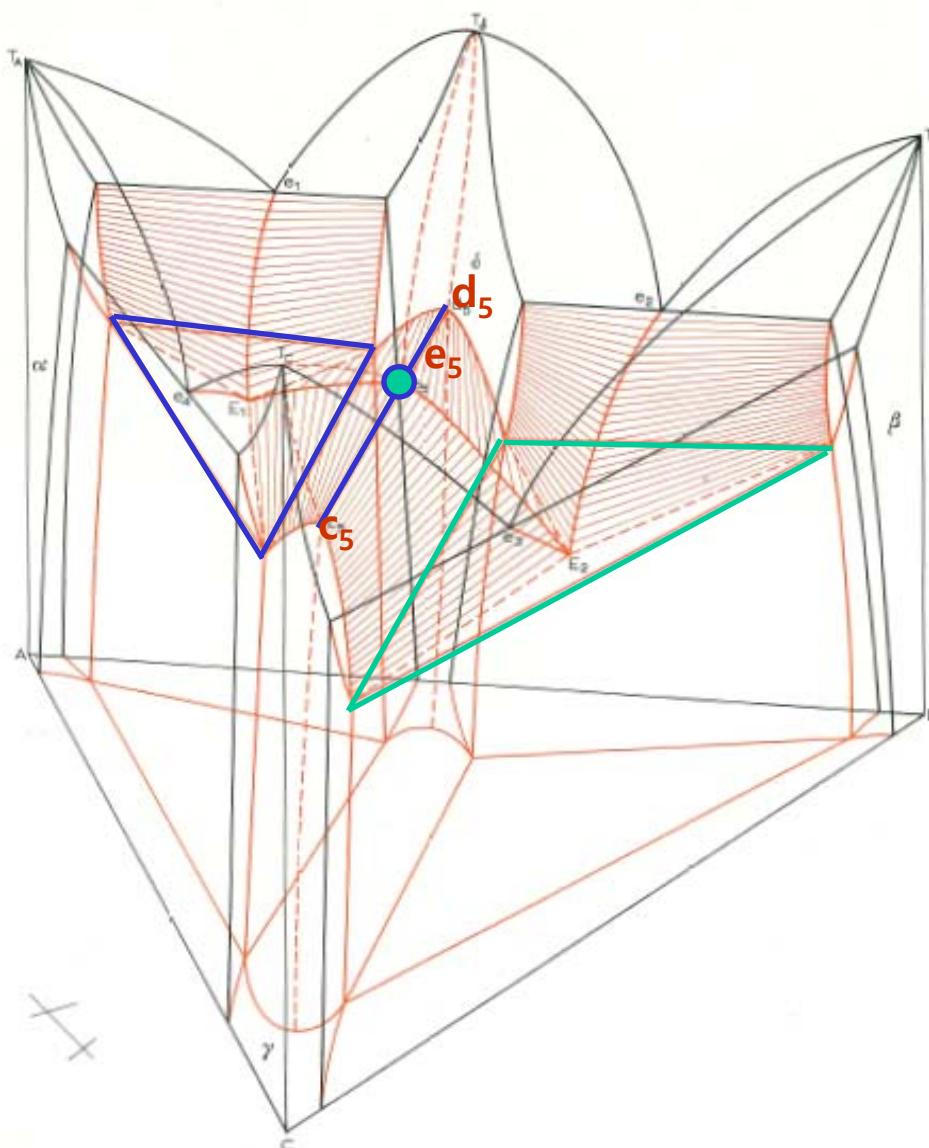


Fig. 78. Phase diagram with a congruent intermediate phase.

the **eutectic point e_5** on the quasi-binary section **δC** is **saddle point**.

the **straight line** is the **quasi-binary eutectic horizontal $c_5e_5d_5$** .

11.1. Binary intermediate phases

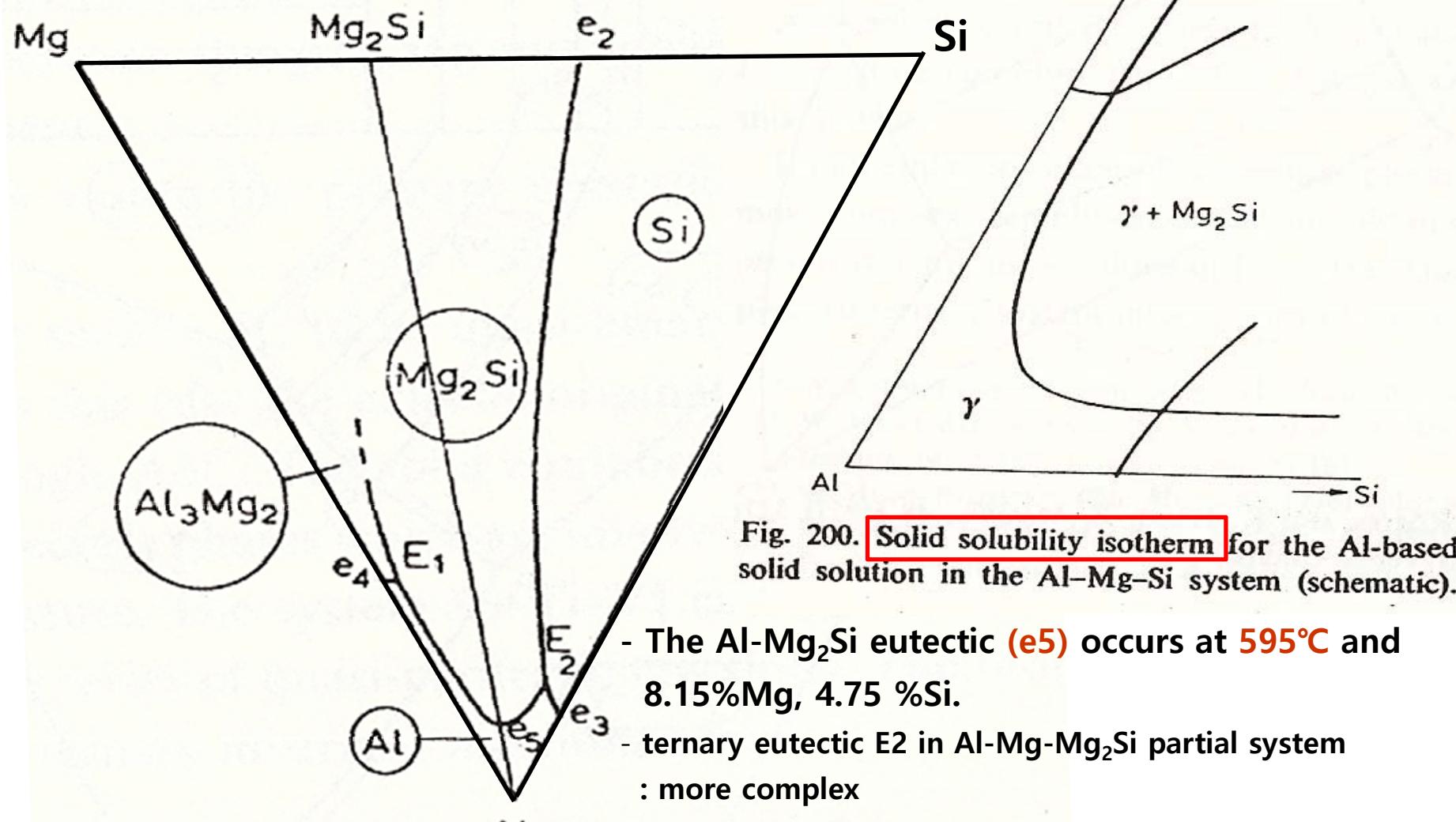
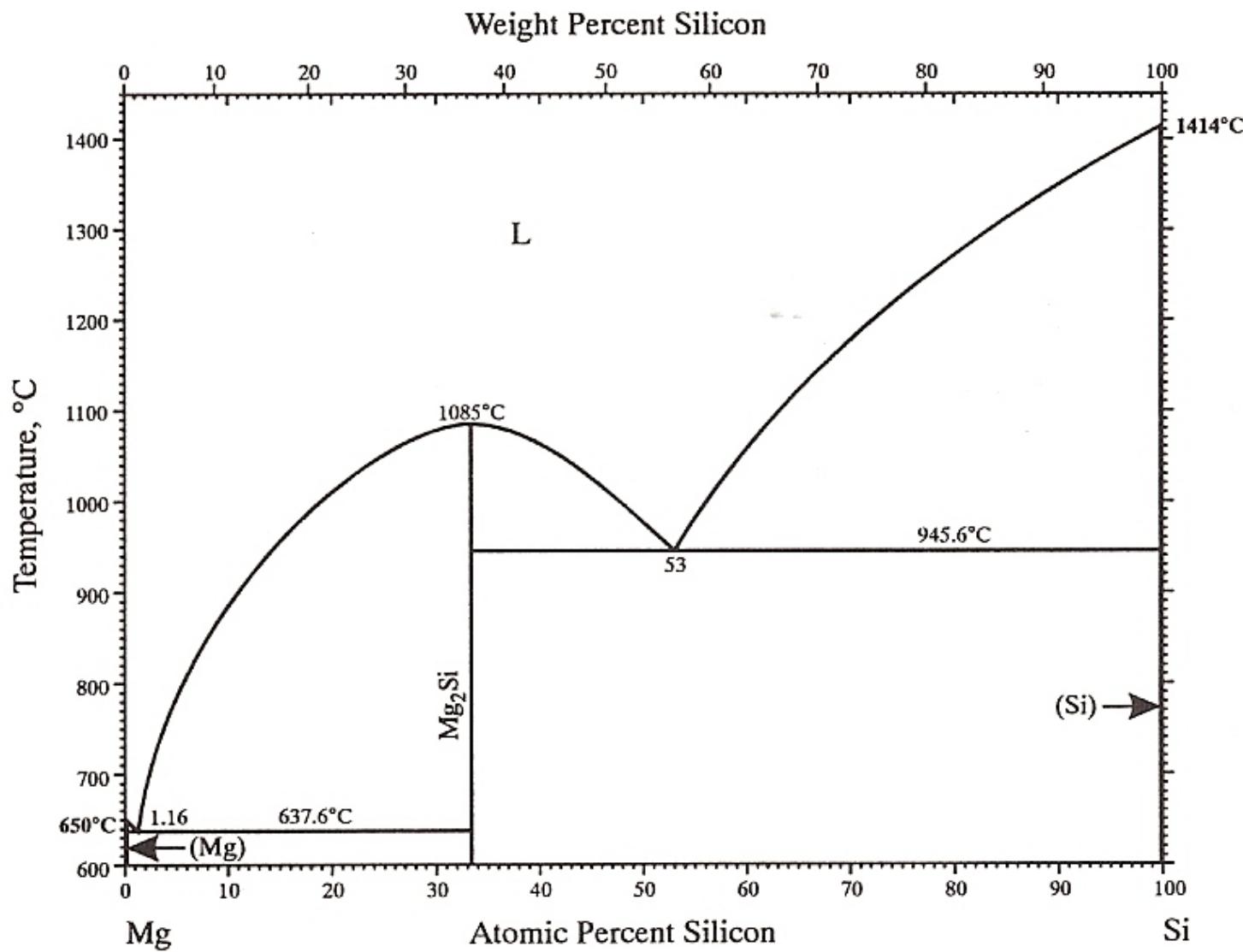


Fig. 200. Solid solubility isotherm for the Al-based solid solution in the Al-Mg-Si system (schematic).

- The Al-Mg₂Si eutectic (**e5**) occurs at **595°C** and 8.15%Mg, 4.75 %Si.
- ternary eutectic E2 in Al-Mg-Mg₂Si partial system : more complex
- ternary eutectic **E1** at **451°C** between Al, Mg₂Si and Al₃Mg₂ contains 33.2 %Mg and 0.37 %Si.

Fig. 199. The Al-Mg-Si system (schematic).

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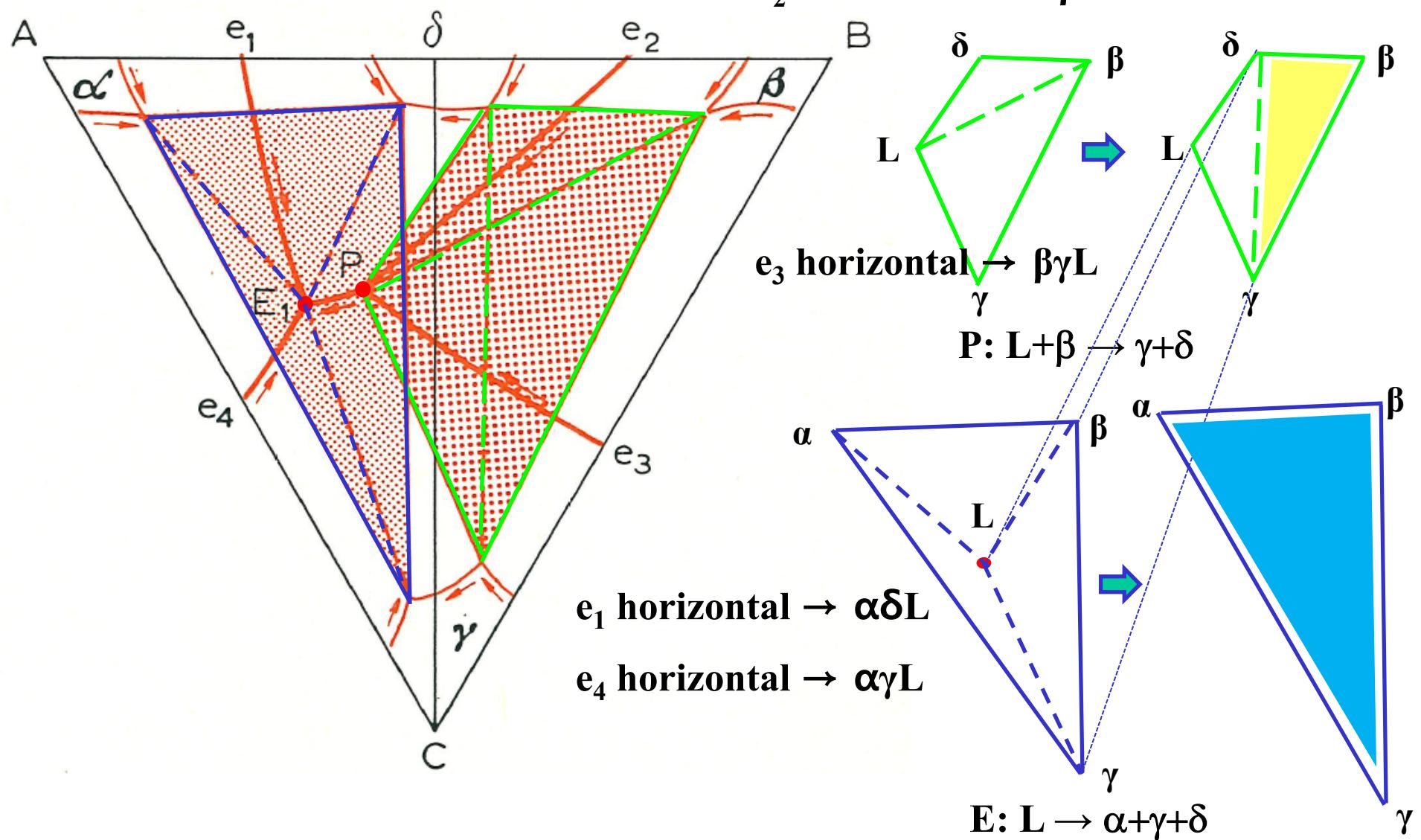


Mg-Si binary phase diagram

11.1 Congruently-melting intermediate phases

- Binary intermediate phases

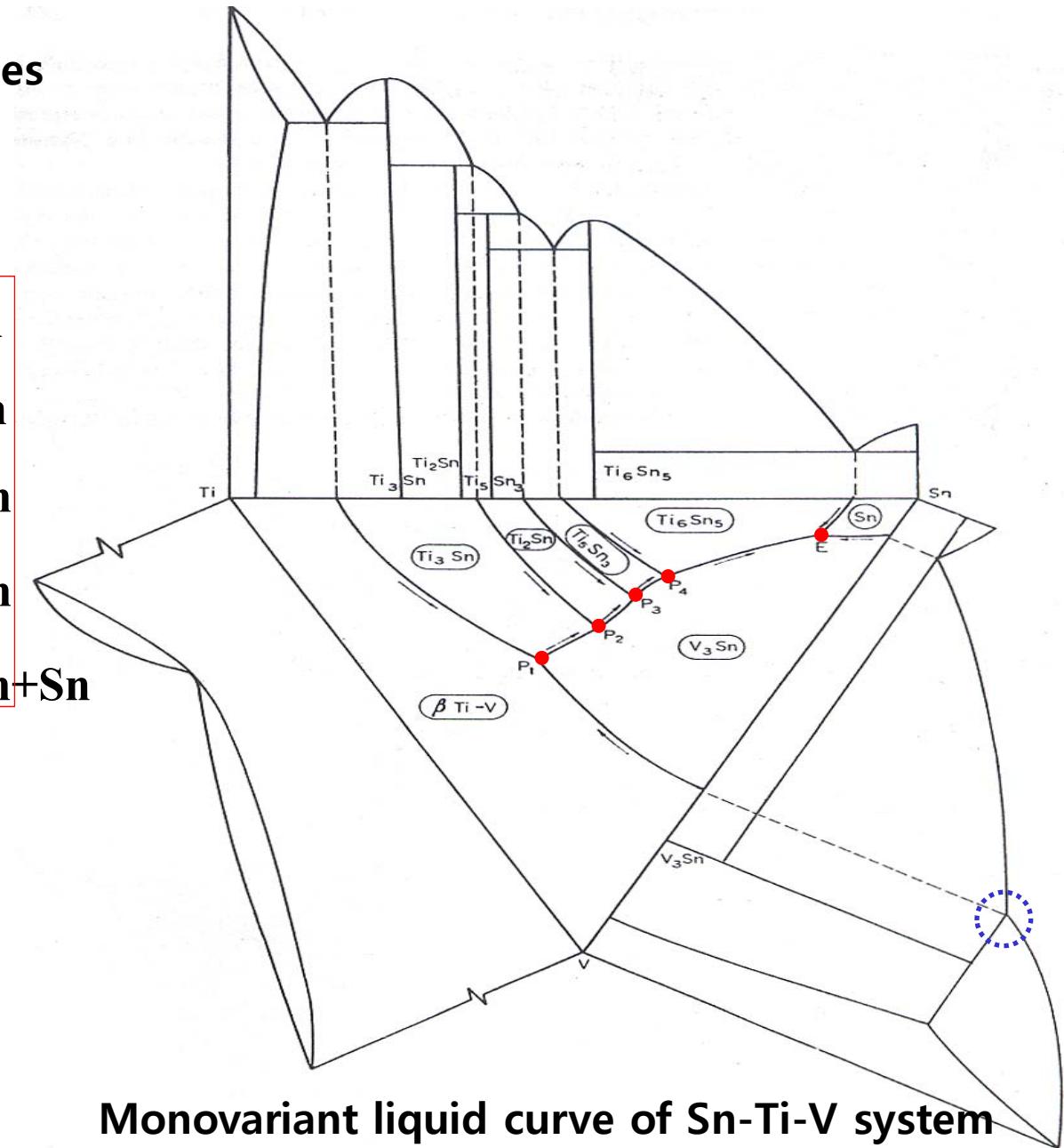
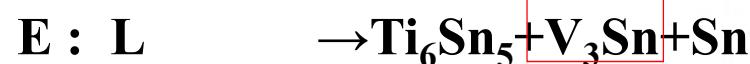
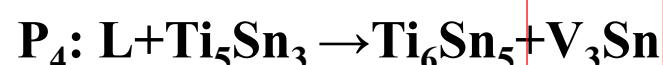
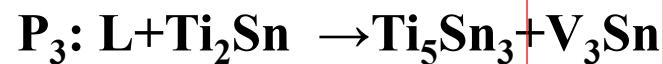
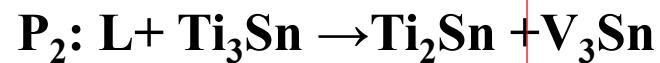
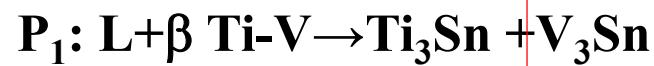
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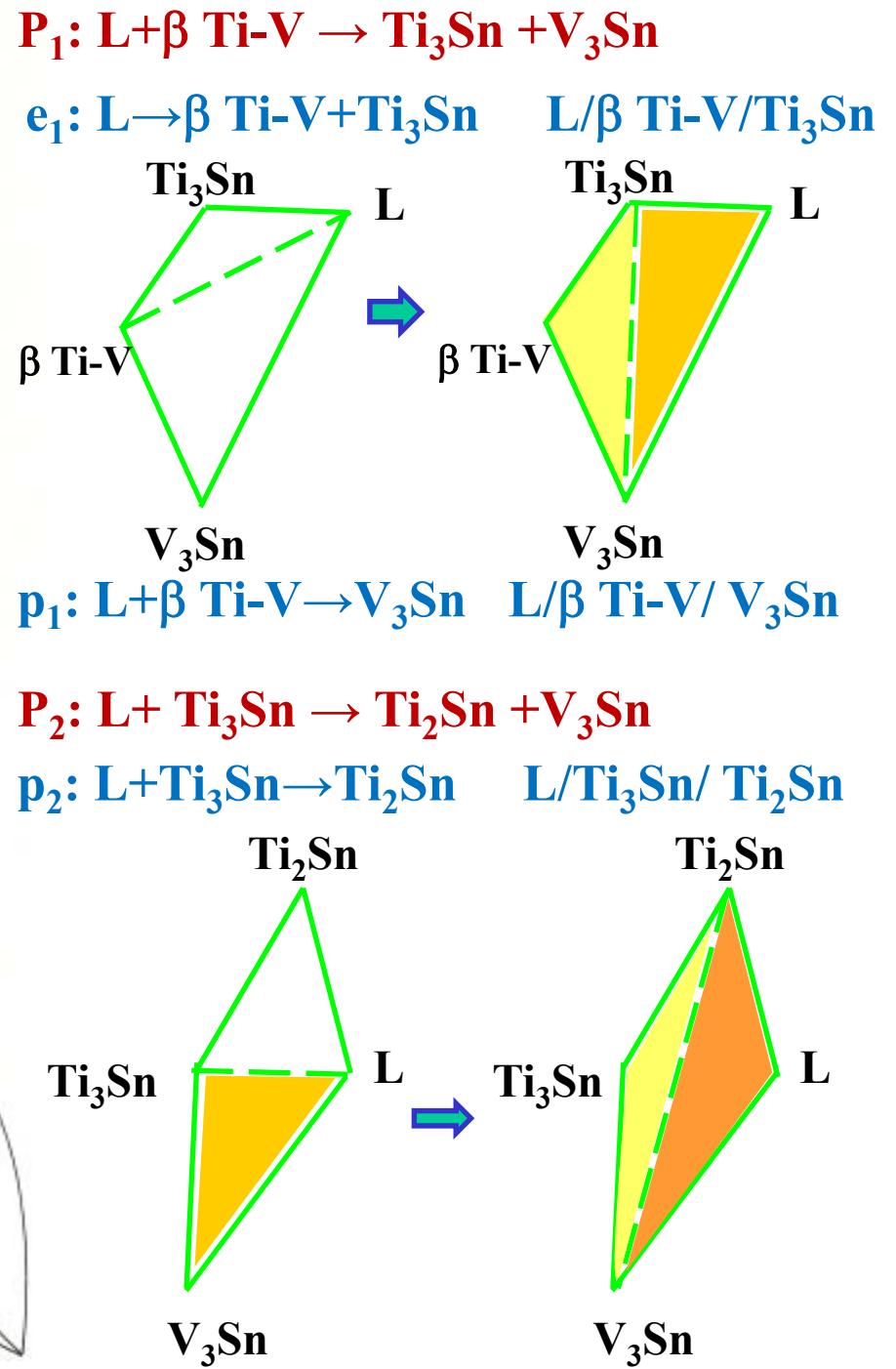
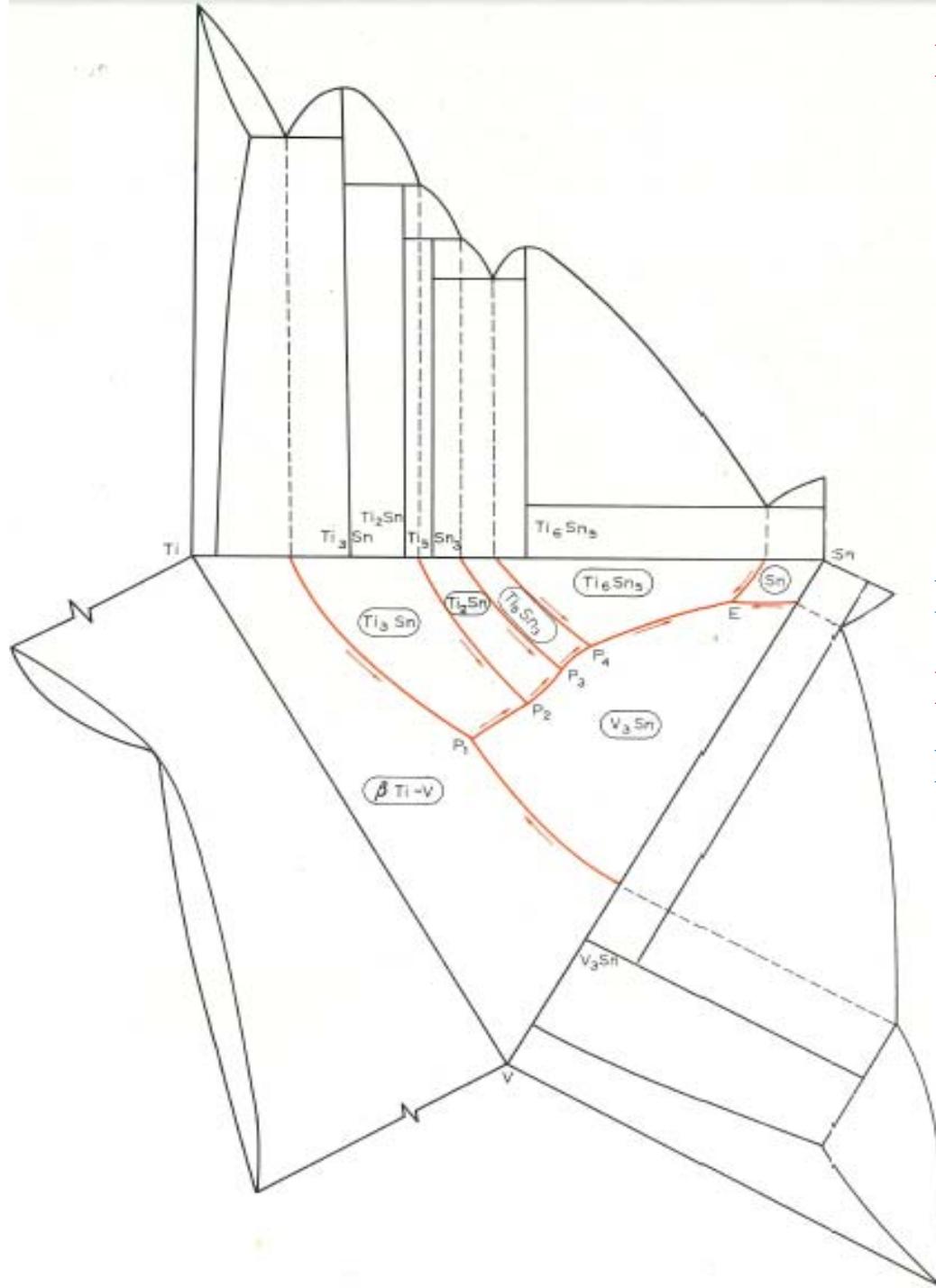


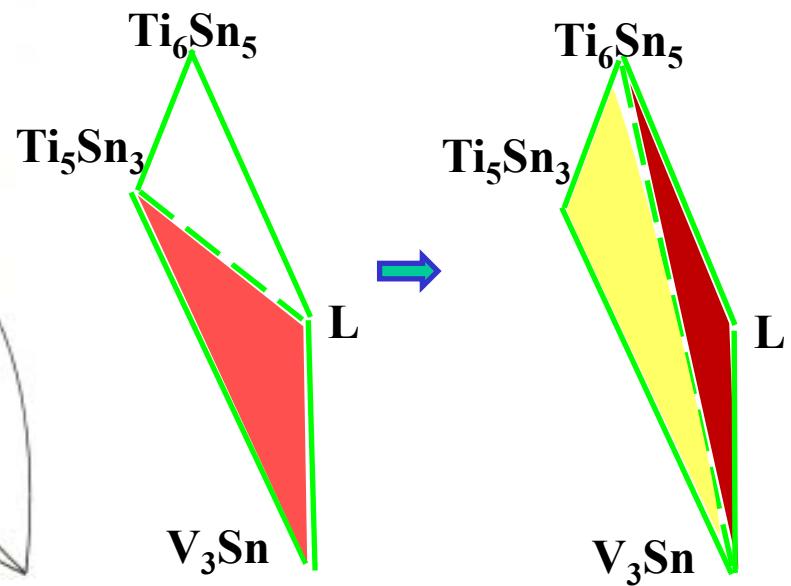
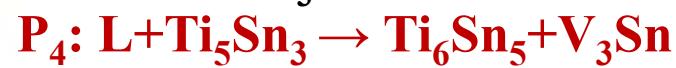
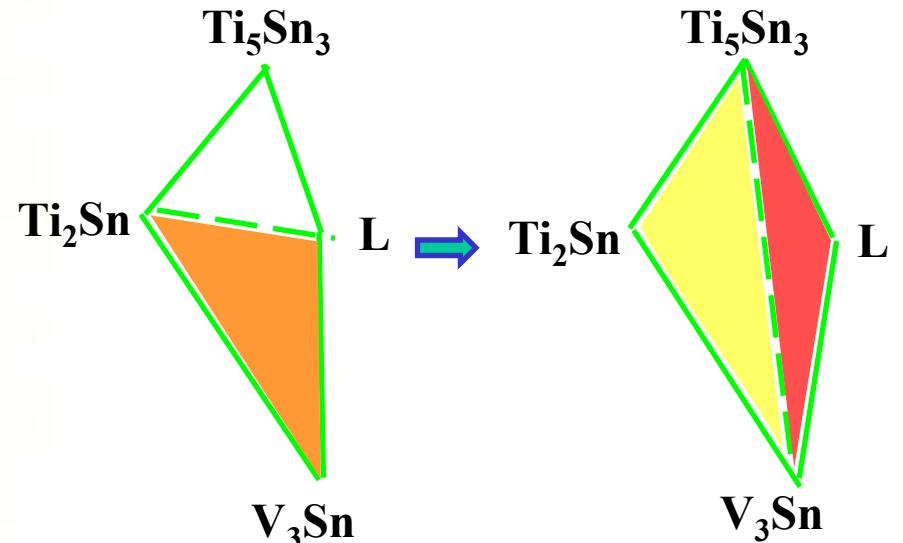
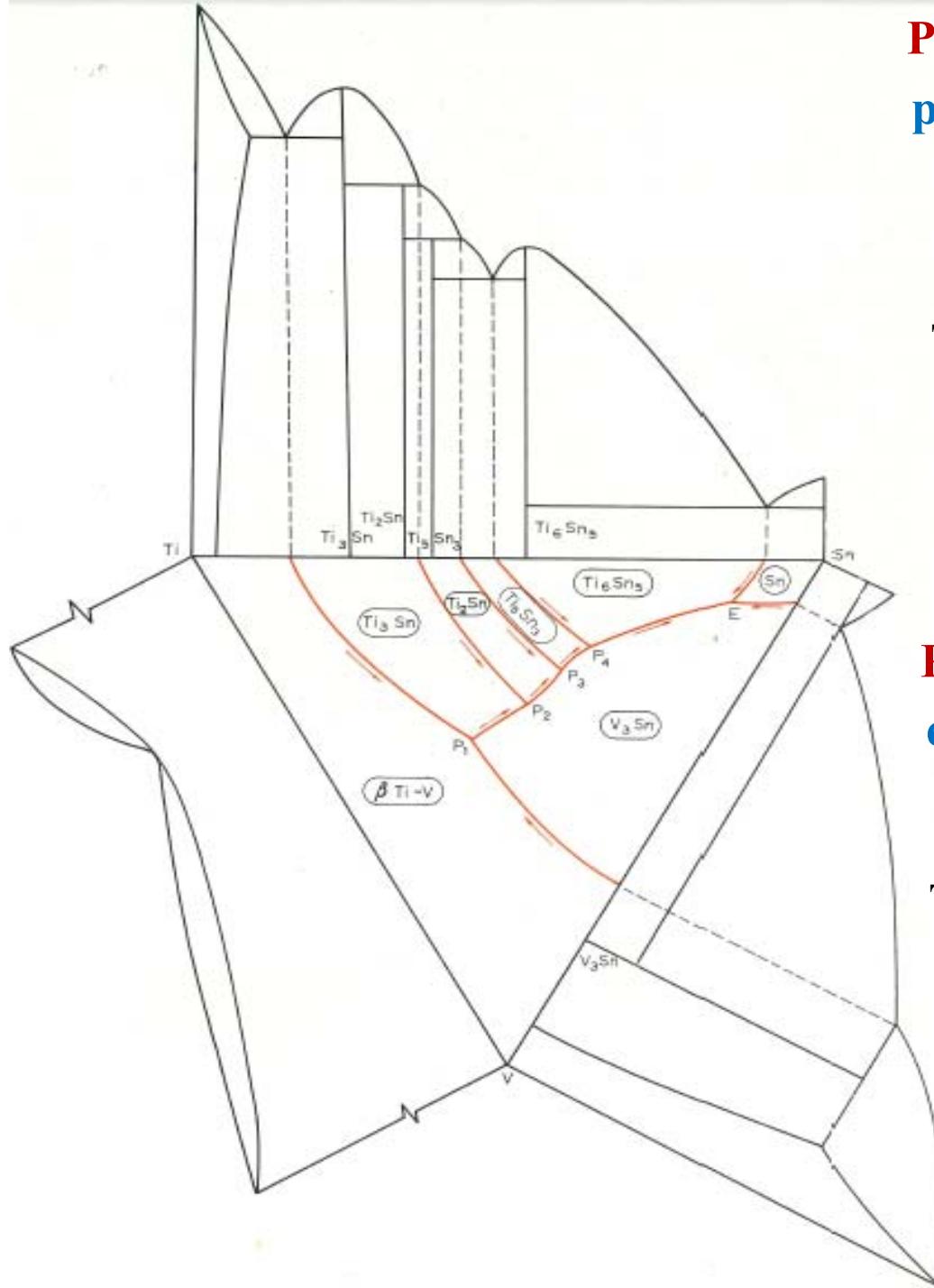
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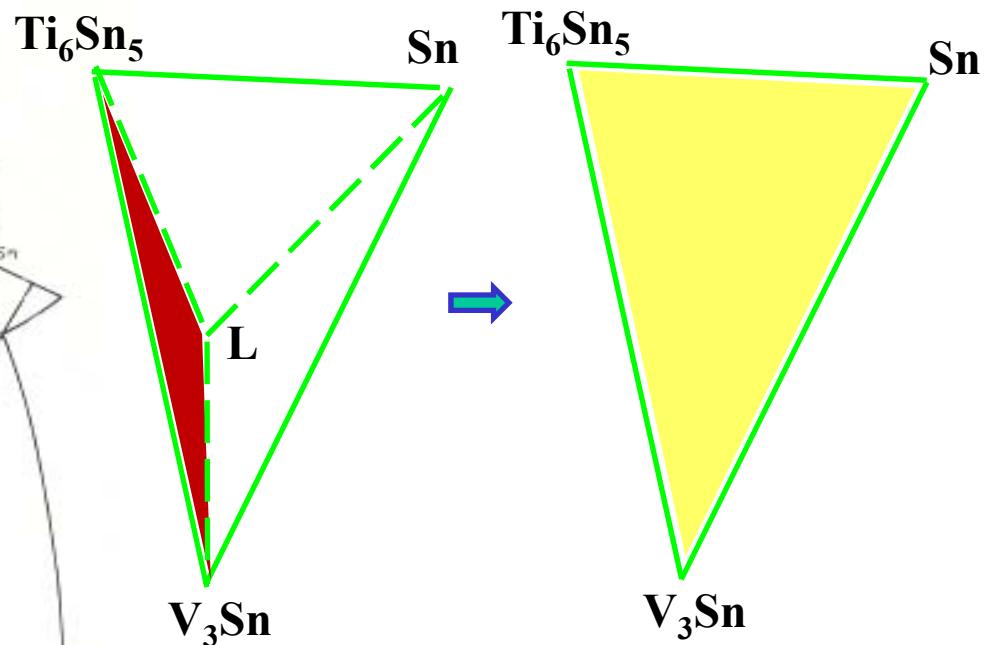
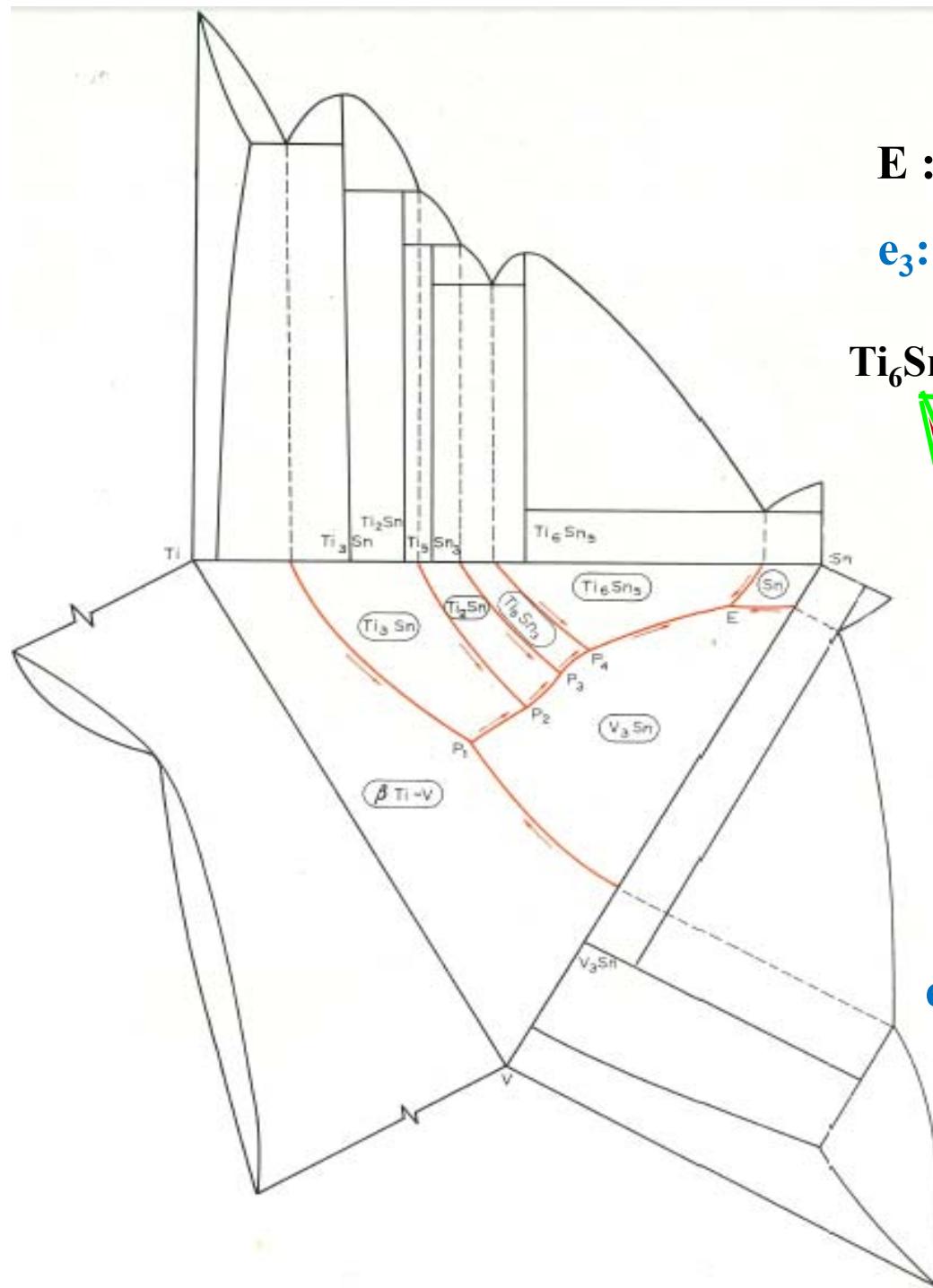
- Binary intermediate phases

Quasi peritectic reaction







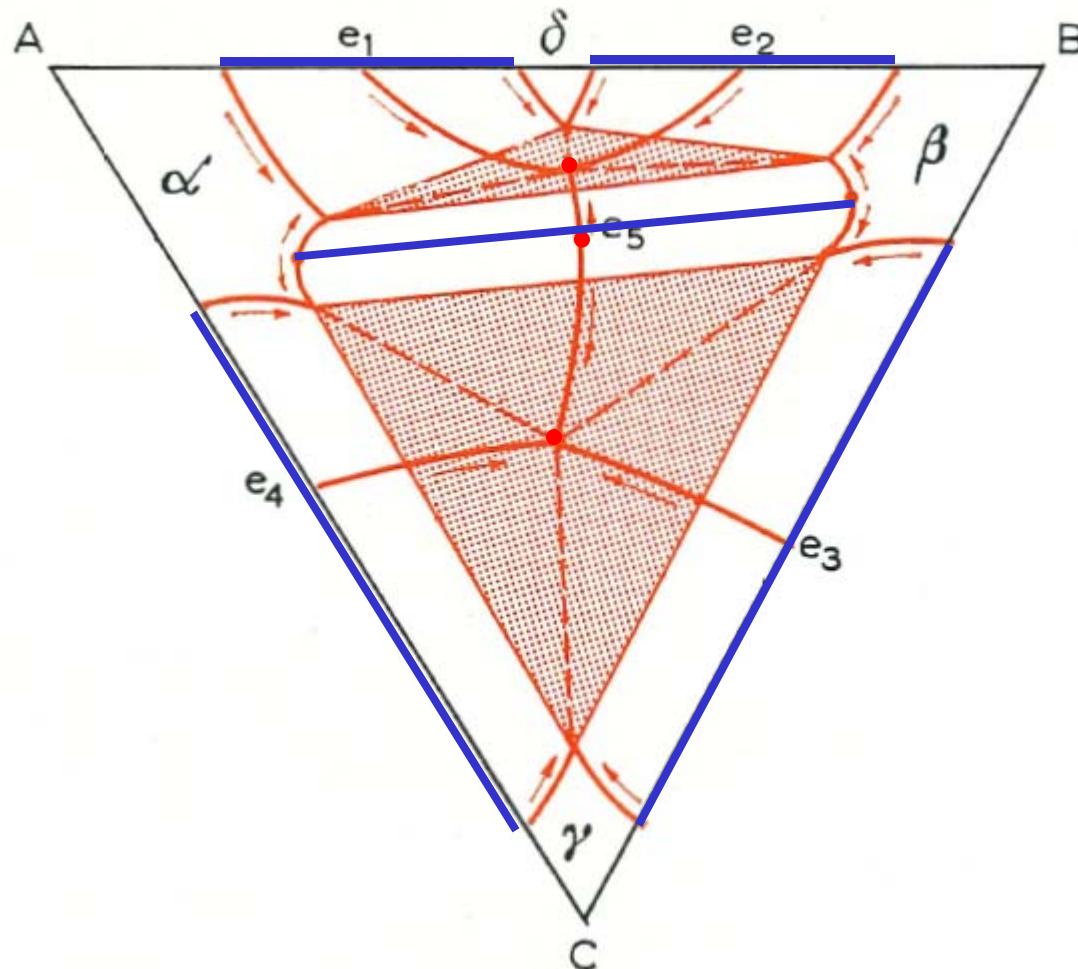


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- Binary intermediate phases

3) No quasi binary eutectic : two ternary eutectic

$$\begin{array}{l} l \leftrightarrow \alpha + \beta + \gamma \\ l \leftrightarrow \alpha + \beta + \delta \\ l \leftrightarrow \alpha + \gamma + \delta \\ l \leftrightarrow \beta + \gamma + \delta \end{array}$$



$L \rightarrow \alpha + \beta + \gamma$

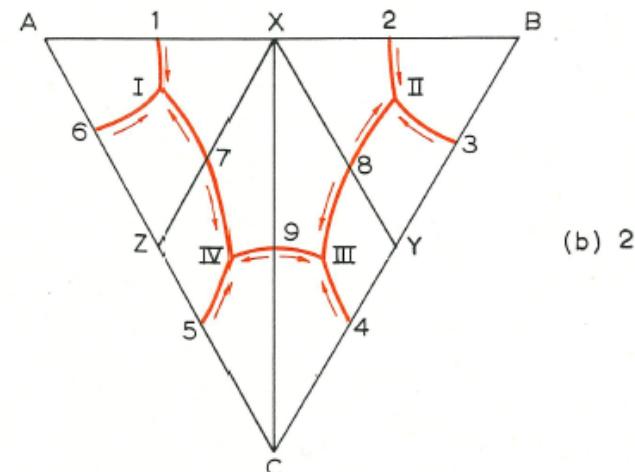
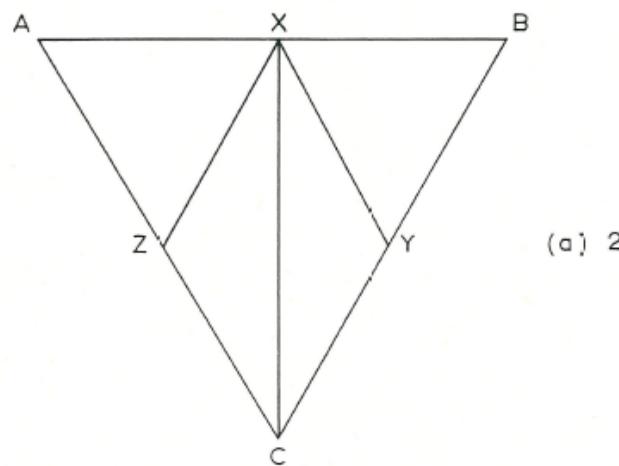
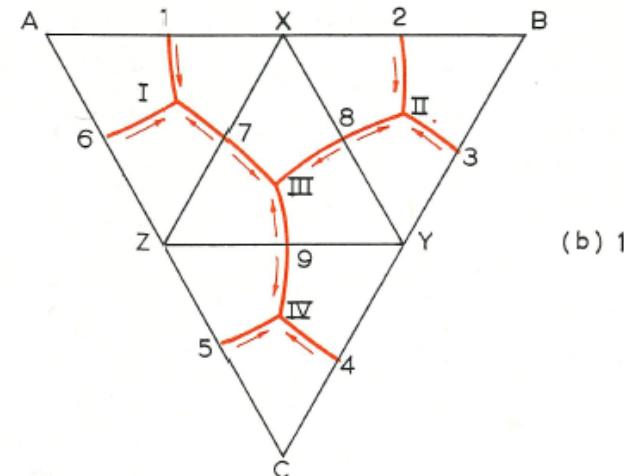
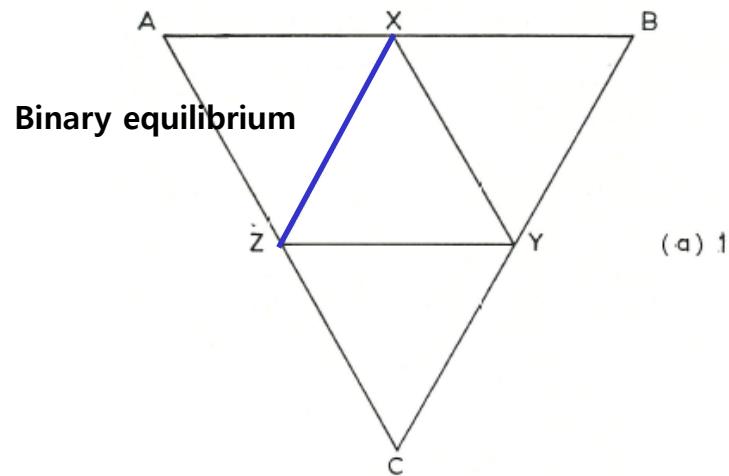
$L \rightarrow \alpha + \beta + \delta$

e_5 : saddle point

11.1 Congruently-melting intermediate phases

- Binary intermediate phases

- 4) (a) containing congruent intermediate phases on each binary system
(b) corresponding equilibria for eutectic reaction
binary eutectic points: 1, 2, 3, ... , 9/ternary eutectic points: I, II, III, IV



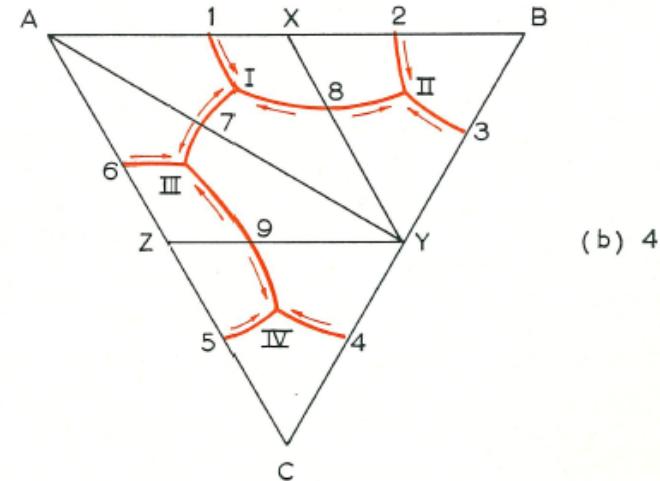
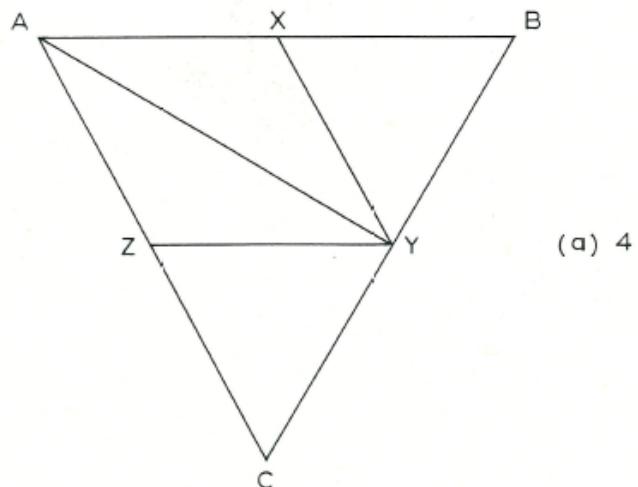
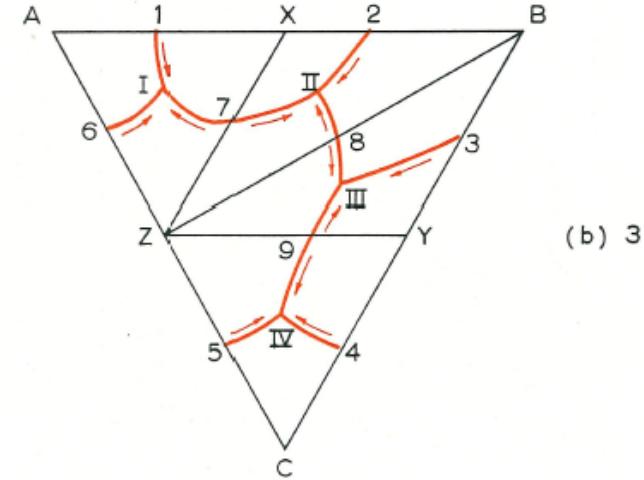
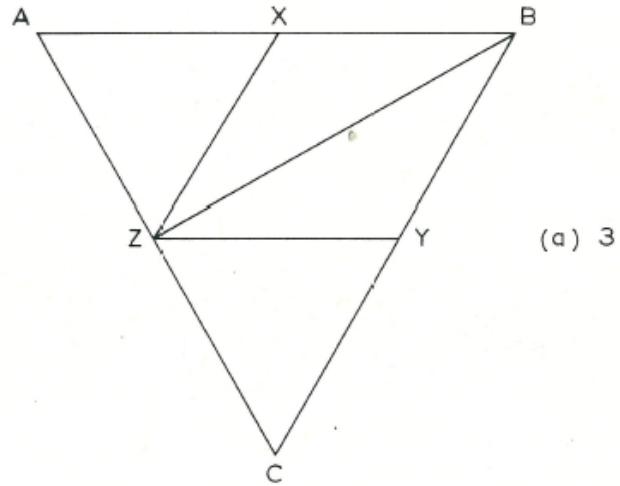
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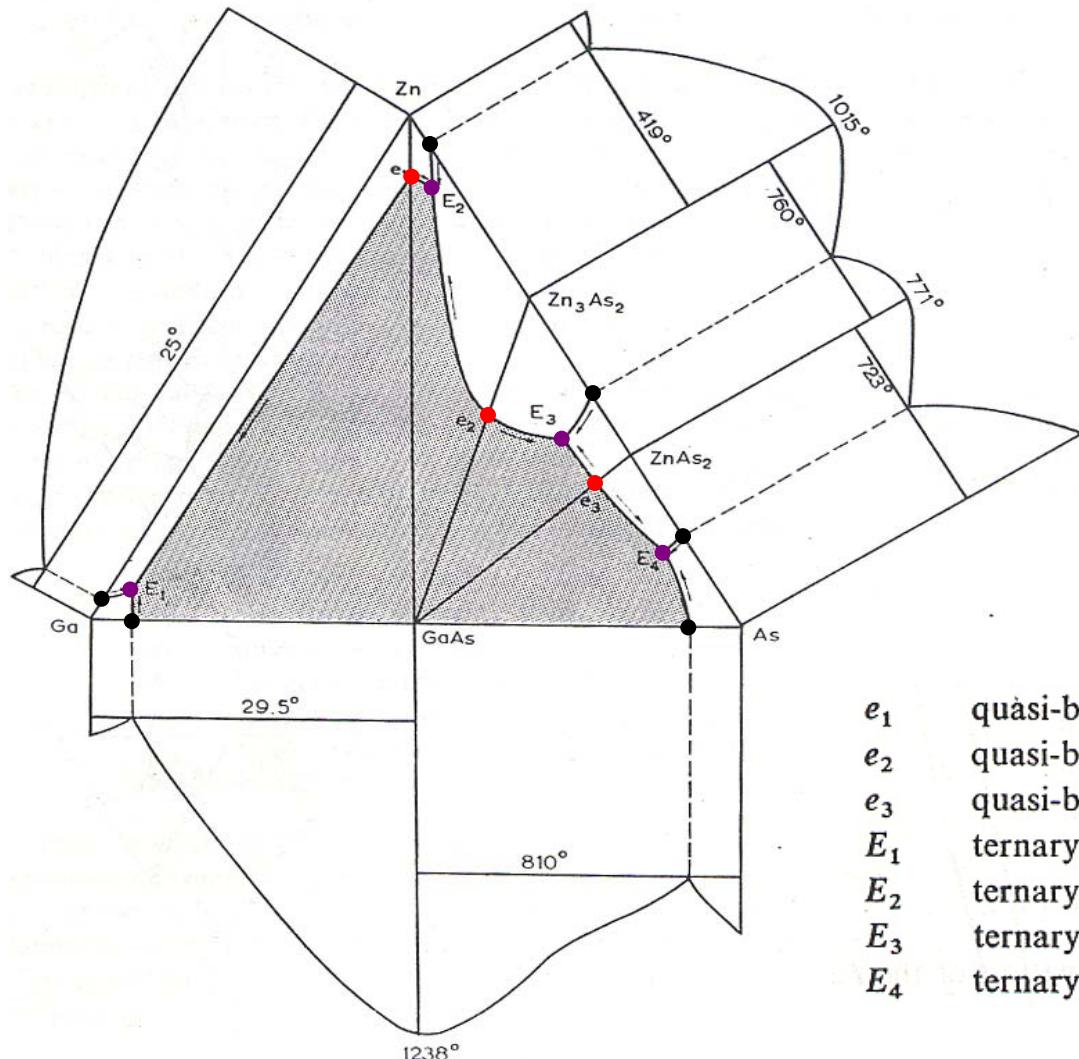
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a) Binary intermediate phases

: Quasi binary eutectic rxn. between Ga, As and Zn

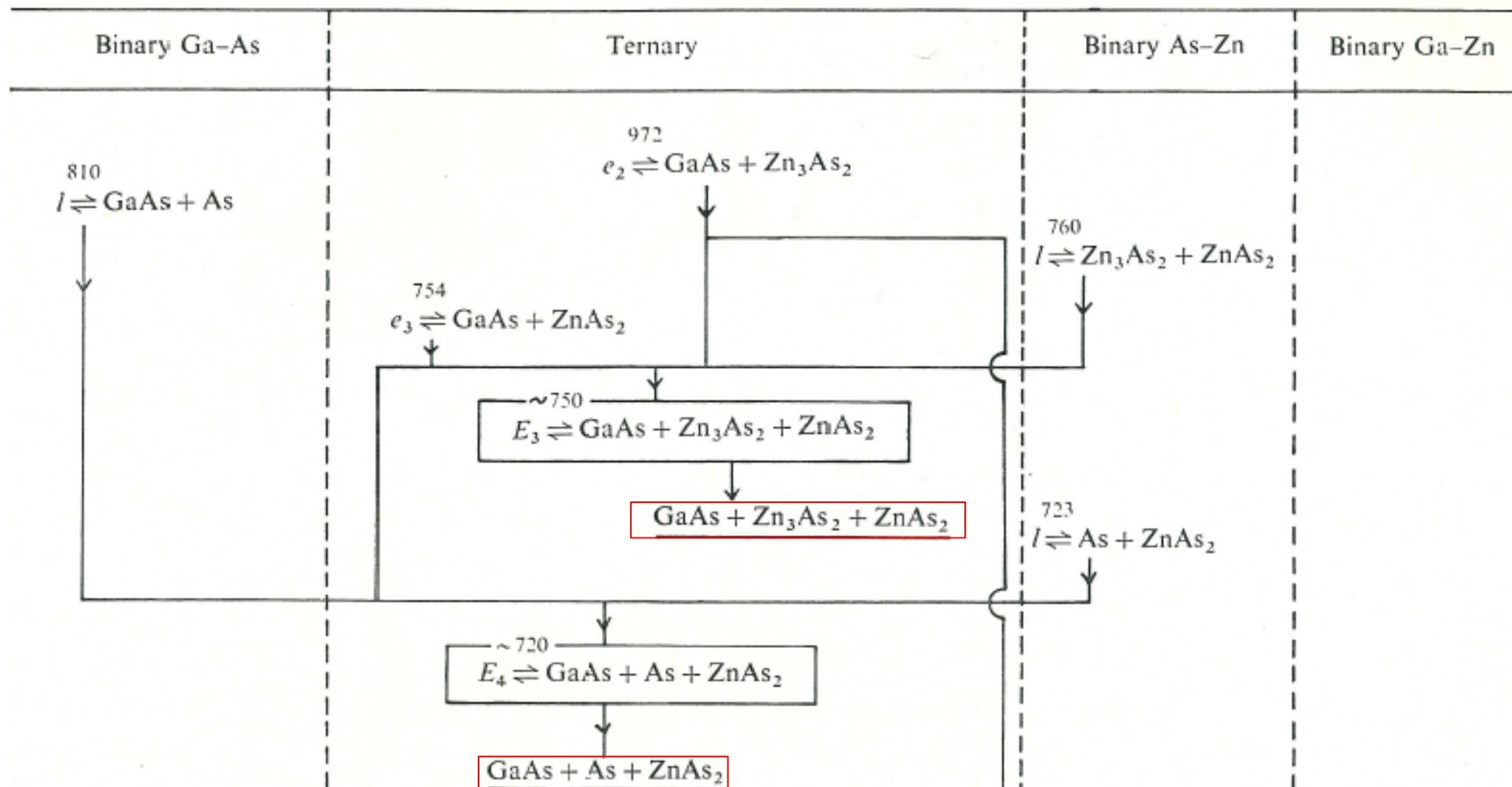


- The region in which GaAs is the primary phase to crystallize from the liquid is lightly shaded.
- It illustrates the dominating behavior of the **high melting phase GaAs** in this system
- For clarity, **no solid solubility** between any of the phases has been indicated.

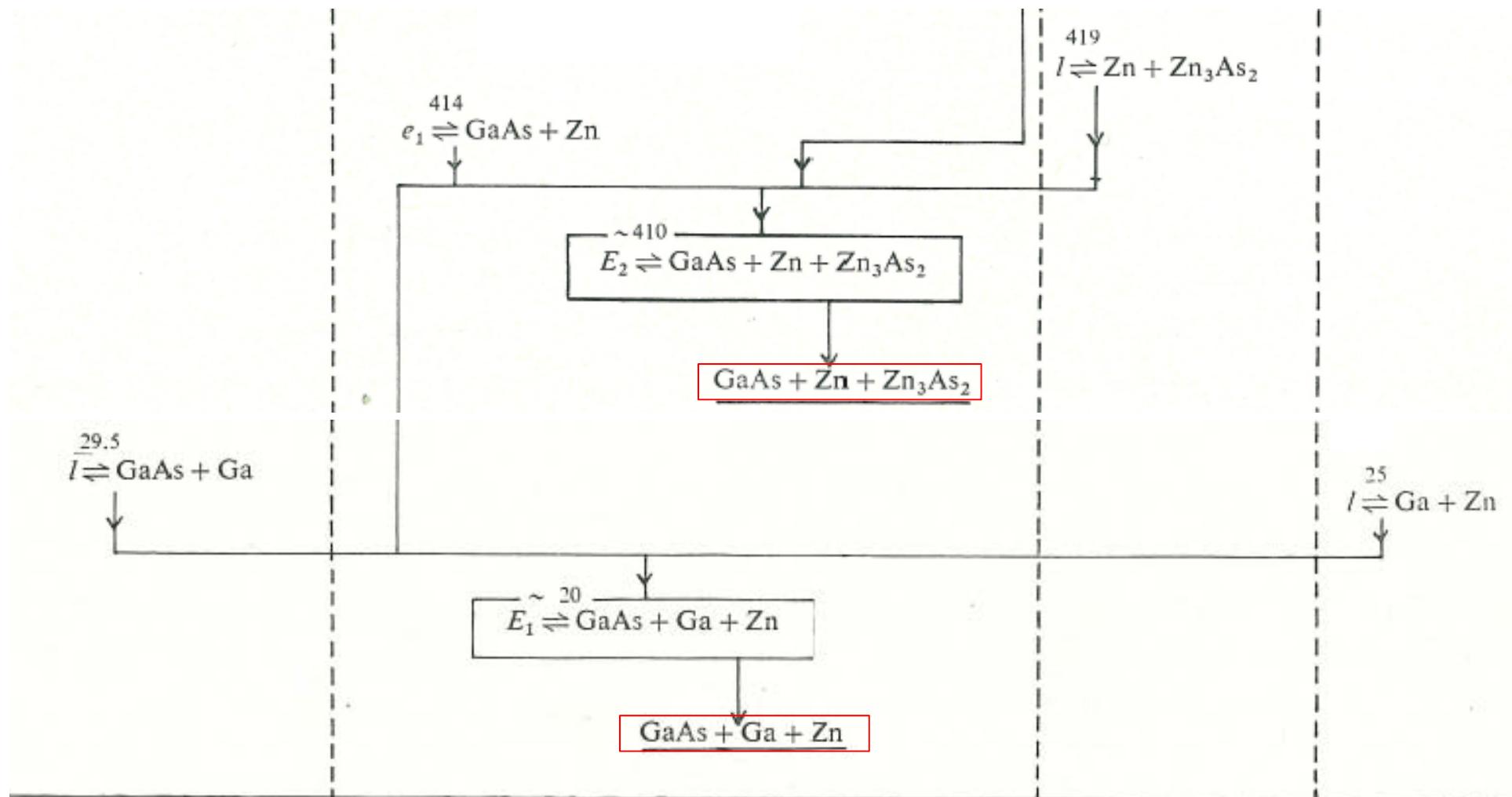
e_1	quasi-binary eutectic $l \rightleftharpoons GaAs + Zn$	at	414 °C,
e_2	quasi-binary eutectic $l \rightleftharpoons GaAs + Zn_3As_2$	at	972 °C,
e_3	quasi-binary eutectic $l \rightleftharpoons GaAs + ZnAs_2$	at	754 °C,
E_1	ternary eutectic $l \rightleftharpoons GaAs + Zn + Ga$	at	~ 20 °C,
E_2	ternary eutectic $l \rightleftharpoons GaAs + Zn + Zn_3As_2$	at	~410 °C,
E_3	ternary eutectic $l \rightleftharpoons GaAs + Zn_3As_2 + ZnAs_2$	at	~750 °C,
E_4	ternary eutectic $l \rightleftharpoons GaAs + ZnAs_2 + As$	at	~720 °C.

As-Ga-Zn system

Tabular representation of the ternary equilibria in the As-Ga-Zn system:



Tabular representation of the ternary equilibria in the As-Ga-Zn system:



The four three-phase equilibria underlined are stable down to room-temperature.

11.1 Congruently-melting intermediate phases

- Binary intermediate phases: **Kurnakov rule**

1) Case1: with only binary congruent intermediate phases

$$K = E = c_2 + 1 = q + 1 = m + 1$$

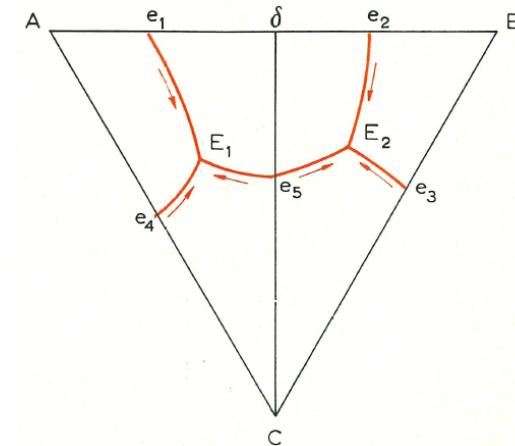
K = # of secondary triangles

E = # of ternary eutectic points

c_2 = binary congruent intermediate phases

q = quasi binary reaction

m = saddle point



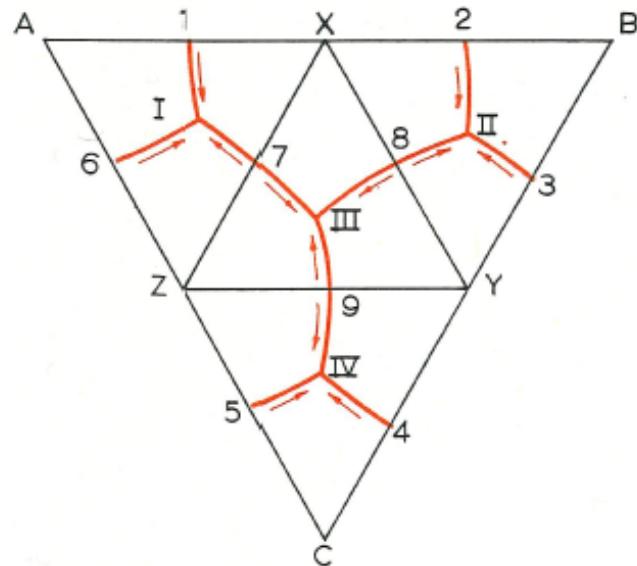
2) Case2: with only ternary congruent intermediate phases

$$K = E = 2c_3 + 1 = 2/3q + 1 = 2/3m + 1$$

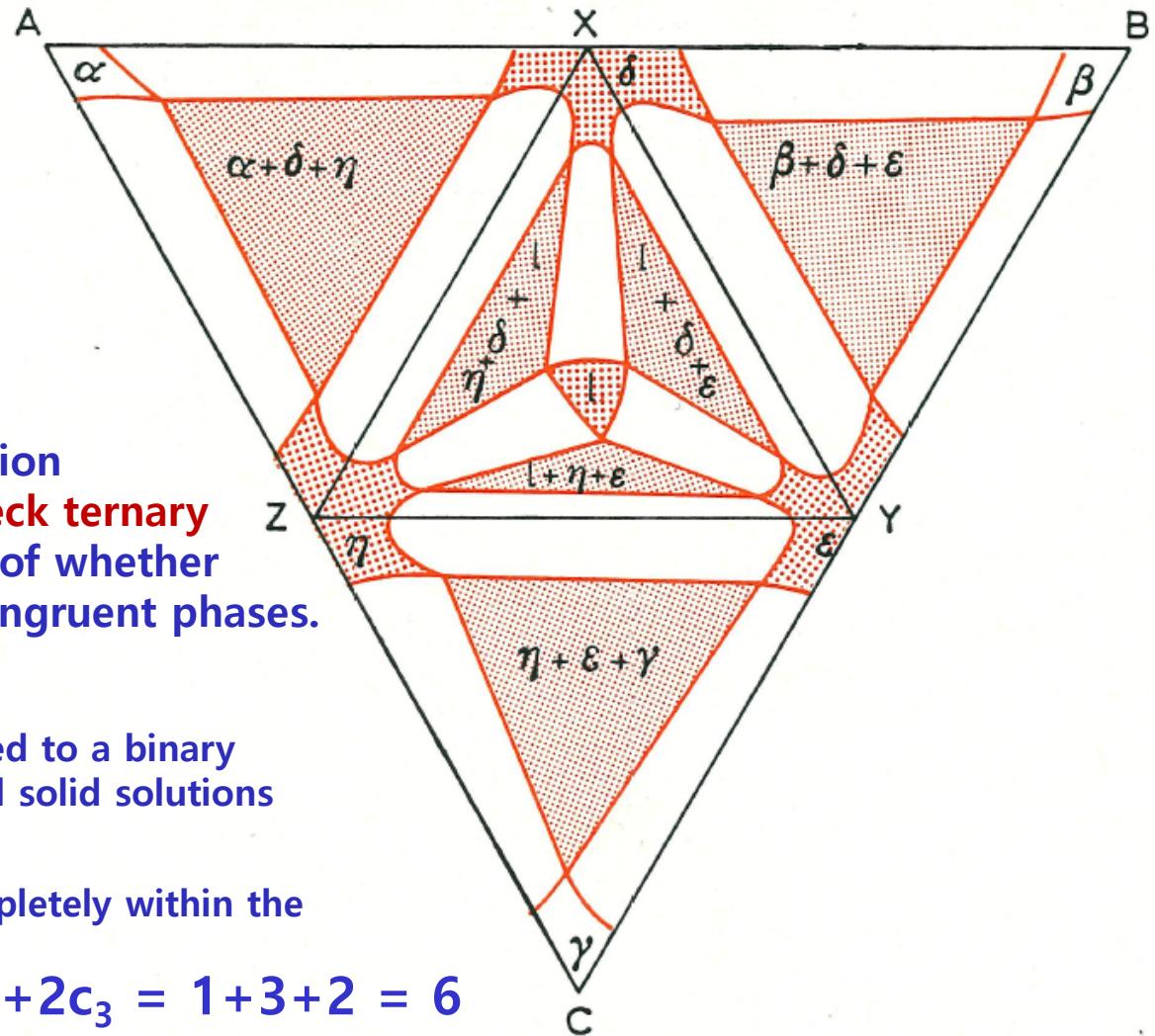
c_3 = ternary congruent intermediate phases

3) Case3: with both binary and ternary congruent intermediate phases

$$K = E = 1 + c_2 + 2c_3 = q + 1 - c_3 = m + 1 - c_3$$



- Isothermal section at a temperature just above the lowest melting ternary eutectic (III)



- Rhines has noted that the relation $k=1+c_2+2c_3$ can be used to check ternary isothermal section irrespective of whether they contain congruent or incongruent phases.
 - K : # of 3 phase tie triangles,
- - C_2 : # of single phase regions joined to a binary edge (excluding the α , β , γ terminal solid solutions based on components A, B and C),
- - C_3 : # of single phase regions completely within the ternary system.

$$K = E = 1 + c_2 + 2c_3 = 1 + 3 + 2 = 6$$

- The Kurnakove and Rhines' rules are useful in checking the construction of ternary systems and their isothermal sections when intermediate phases are involved.