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# **Phase Transformation of Materials**

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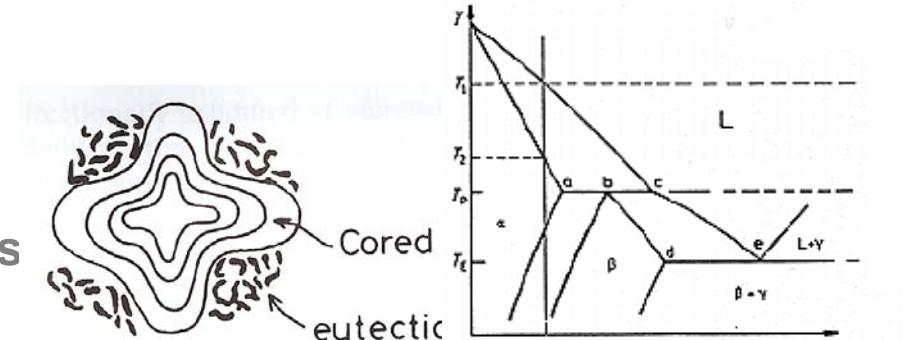
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# Contents for previous class

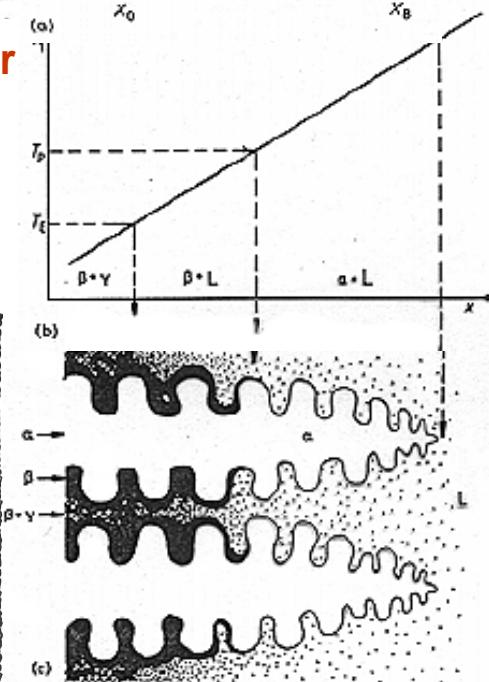
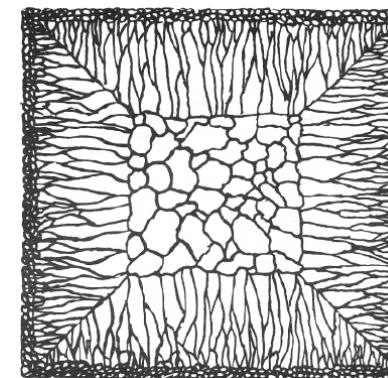
## 4.3 Alloy solidification

- Solidification of single-phase alloys
- Eutectic solidification
- Off-eutectic alloys    primary  $\alpha$  (coring) + eutectic lamellar
- Peritectic solidification -  $L + \alpha \rightarrow \beta$  , difficult to complete.



## 4.4 Solidification of ingots and castings

- Ingot structure
  - Chill Zone, Columnar Zone, Equiaxed Zone
- Segregation in ingot and castings
  - Composition changes over distances



## 4.6 Solidification during quenching from the melt

\*  $T_g$  depends on thermal history.- Kinetic nature of the glass transition

\* Glass formation: Liquid stability + Formation of crystalline phase  $\rightarrow$  BMG ?

\* Are amorphous metals useful?  $\rightarrow$  At the Cutting Edge of Metals Research

# Contents in Phase Transformation

상변태를  
이해하는데  
필요한 배경

(Ch1) 열역학과 상태도: Thermodynamics

(Ch2) 확산론: Kinetics

(Ch3) 결정계면과 미세조직

대표적인 상변태

(Ch4) 응고: Liquid  $\rightarrow$  Solid

(Ch5) 고체에서의 확산 변태: Solid  $\rightarrow$  Solid (Diffusional)

(Ch6) 고체에서의 무확산 변태: Solid  $\rightarrow$  Solid (Diffusionless)

# < Phase Transformation in Solids >

## 1) Diffusional Transformation

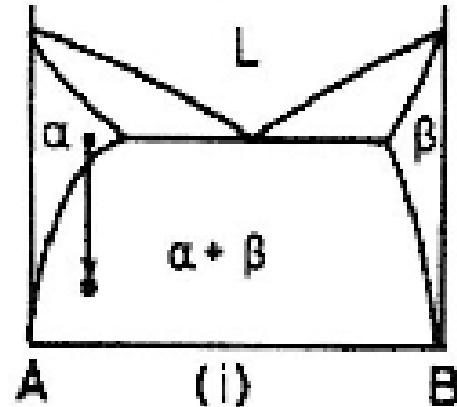
## 2) Non-diffusional Transformation (Athermal Transformation)

From what we've learned, what can we say roughly about diffusional transformation in solid?

- 1) Thermally-activated process: rate  $\propto \exp(-\Delta G^*/kT)$
- 2) Misfit strain energy  $\leftarrow$  lattice distortion
- 3) Kinetic path for low nucleation barrier
  - coherent or semi-coherent interfaces
  - heterogeneous nucleation
- 4) Local equilibrium for incoherent (rough) interfaces
  - diffusion-controlled growth

# 5. Diffusion Transformations in solid

## (a) Precipitation



### Homogeneous Nucleation

$$\Delta G = -V\Delta G_V + A\gamma + V\Delta G_S$$

$$\Delta G_{het} = -V(\Delta G_V - \Delta G_S) + A\gamma - \Delta G_d$$

$$N_{hom} = \omega C_0 \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta G_m}{kT}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta G^*}{kT}\right)$$

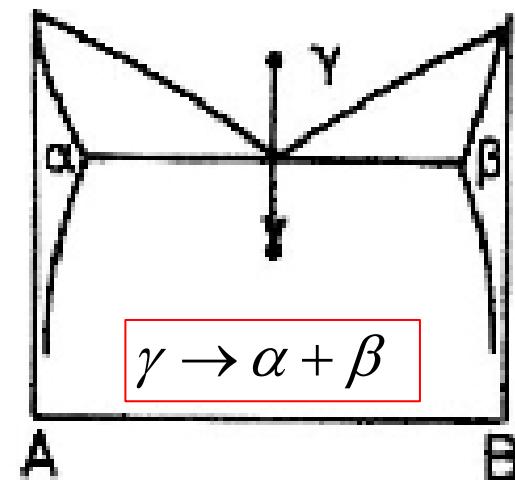
적합한 위치는 격자결함  
(핵생성이 격자결함 제거 역할)

## (b) Eutectoid Transformation

Composition of product phases  
differs from that of a parent phase.

→ long-range diffusion

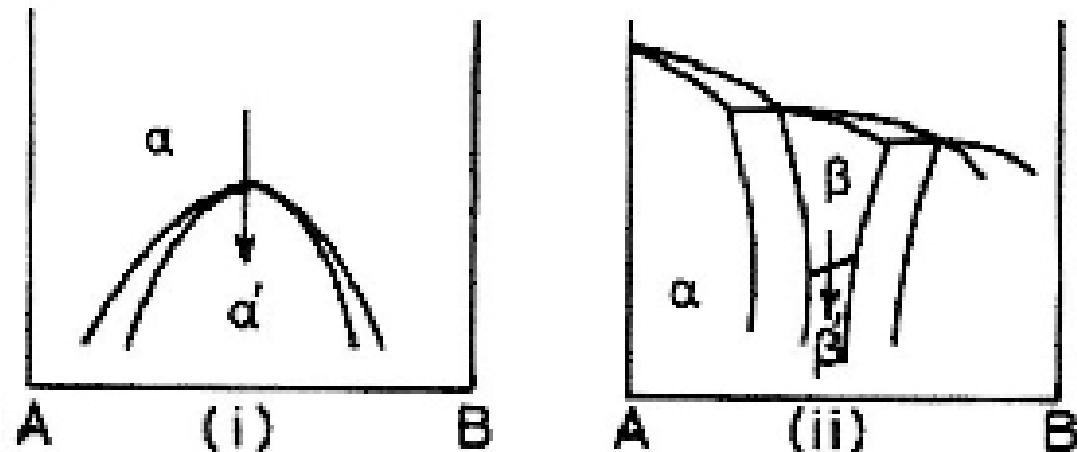
Which transformation proceeds  
by short-range diffusion?



# 5. Diffusion Transformations in solid

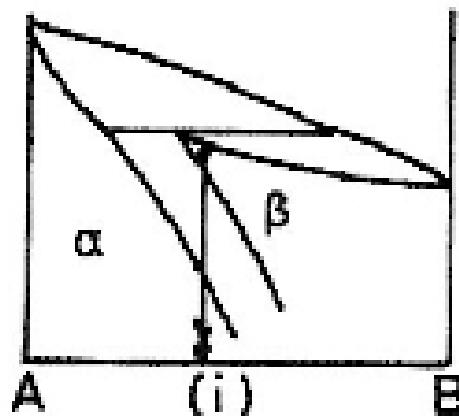
## (c) Order-Disorder Transformation

$$\alpha \rightarrow \alpha'$$

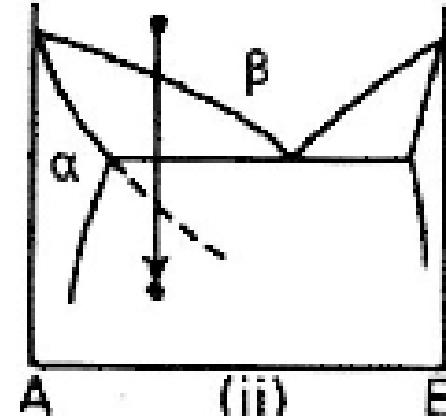


## (d) Massive Transformation

: 조성 변화 없이 결정구조가 다른 당상 또는 다상으로 분해



$$\beta \rightarrow \alpha$$



## (e) Polymorphic Transformation

: 온도 범위에 따라 서로다른 결정구조가 안정



# Homogeneous Nucleation in Solids

## Free Energy Change Associated with the Nucleation

Negative and Positive Contributions to  $\Delta G$ ?

1) Volume Free Energy :

$$-V\Delta G_V$$

2) Interface Energy :

$$A\gamma$$

3) Misfit Strain Energy :

$$V\Delta G_S$$

$$\Delta G = -V\Delta G_V + A\gamma + V\Delta G_S$$

for spherical nucleation

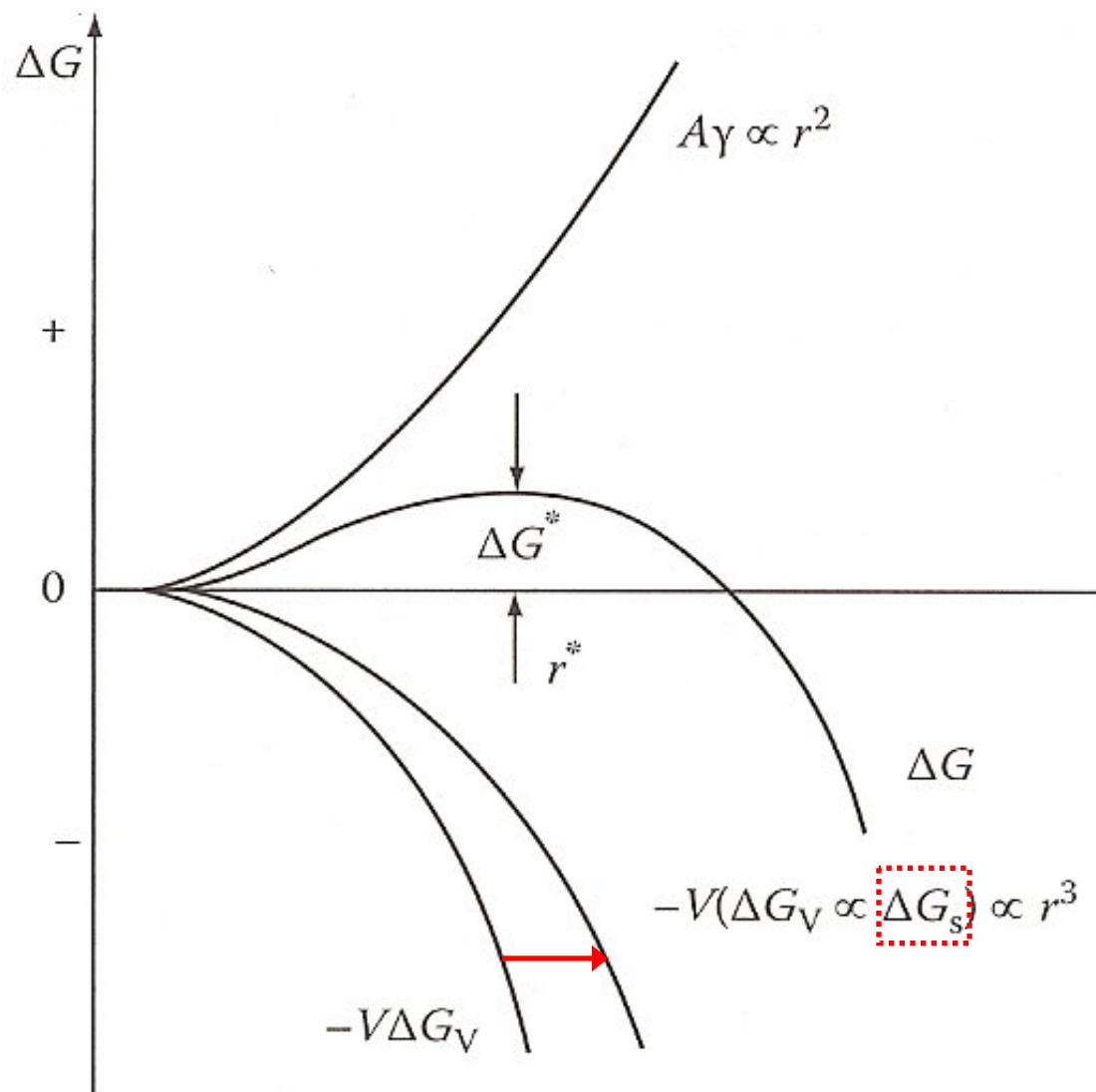
$$\Delta G = -\frac{4}{3}\pi r^3(\Delta G_V - \Delta G_S) + 4\pi r^2\gamma$$

Plot of  $\Delta G$  vs  $r$ ?

$$r^* = ?$$

$$\Delta G^* = ?$$

# Homogeneous Nucleation in Solids



$$r^* = \frac{2\gamma}{(\Delta G_V - \Delta G_S)}$$

$$\Delta G^* = \frac{16\pi\gamma^3}{3(\Delta G_V - \Delta G_S)^2}$$

: driving force for nucleation

Fig. 5.2 The variation of  $\Delta G$  with  $r$  for a homogeneous nucleus.  
There is a activation energy barrier  $\Delta G^*$ .

# Homogeneous Nucleation in Solids

**Concentration of Critical Size Nuclei** : 단위체적당 임계 크기를 갖는 핵의 수

$$C^* = C_0 \exp(-\Delta G^* / kT) \quad C_0 : \text{number of atoms per unit volume in the phase}$$

## Nucleation Rate

: 각각의 핵이 단위 시간당  $f$ 의 빈도로 임계크기 값 보다 커진다면,

$$N_{\text{hom}} = f C^* \quad f = \omega \exp(-\Delta G_m / kT)$$

:  $f$ 는 임계핵이 얼마나 빈번히 모상  $\alpha$ 로부터 원자를 공급받는가에 따라 변하는 함수

$\omega \propto \text{vibration frequency, area of critical nucleus}$

$\Delta G_m$  : activation energy for atomic migration

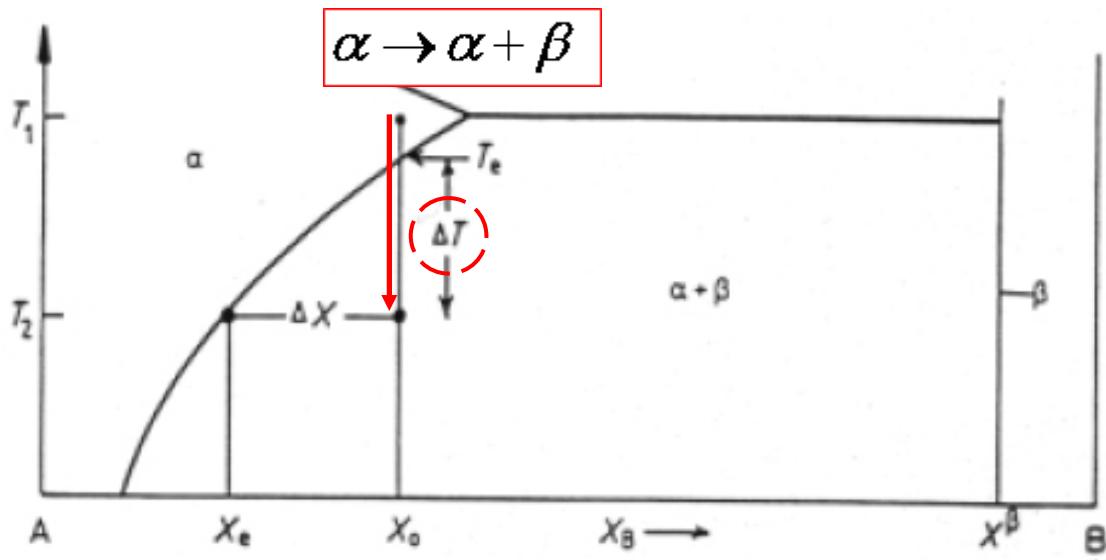
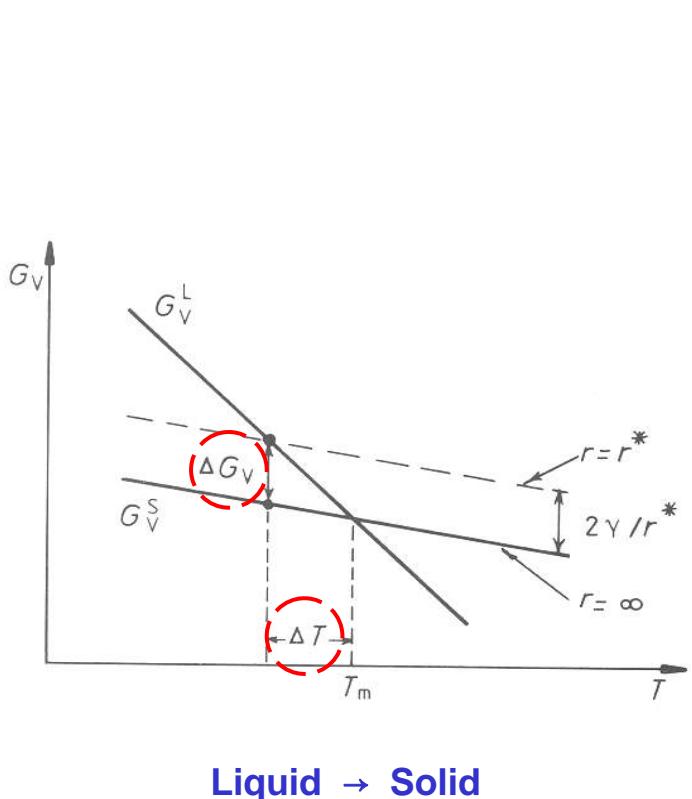
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: T에 민감하게 변함

$$\Delta G^* = \frac{16\pi\gamma^3}{3(\Delta G_V - \Delta G_S)^2}$$

$\Delta G^* \propto \Delta G_V$  (화학적 구동력)



1) For  $X_0$ , solution treatment at  $T_1$

2) For  $X_0$ , quenching down to  $T_2$

$\alpha \rightarrow \alpha + \beta$  : B 성분이 과포화되어  $\beta$  석출

$\Delta G_V$  (화학적 구동력)는 조성에 따라 변함

# Total Free Energy Decrease per Mole of Nuclei $\Delta G_0$

: 변태를 위한 전체 구동력/핵생성을 위한 구동력은 아님

## Driving Force for Precipitate Nucleation

$$\Delta G_1 = \mu_A^\alpha X_A^\beta + \mu_B^\alpha X_B^\beta$$

: 핵의 조성( $X_B^\beta$ )을 갖는 작은 양이 제거될 때  
단위 몰당 자유E 변화 (P point)

$$\Delta G_2 = \mu_A^\beta X_A^\beta + \mu_B^\beta X_B^\beta$$

:  $\beta$ 상 생성시 단위 몰당 자유E 변화 (Q point)

$$\boxed{\Delta G_n = \Delta G_2 - \Delta G_1}$$

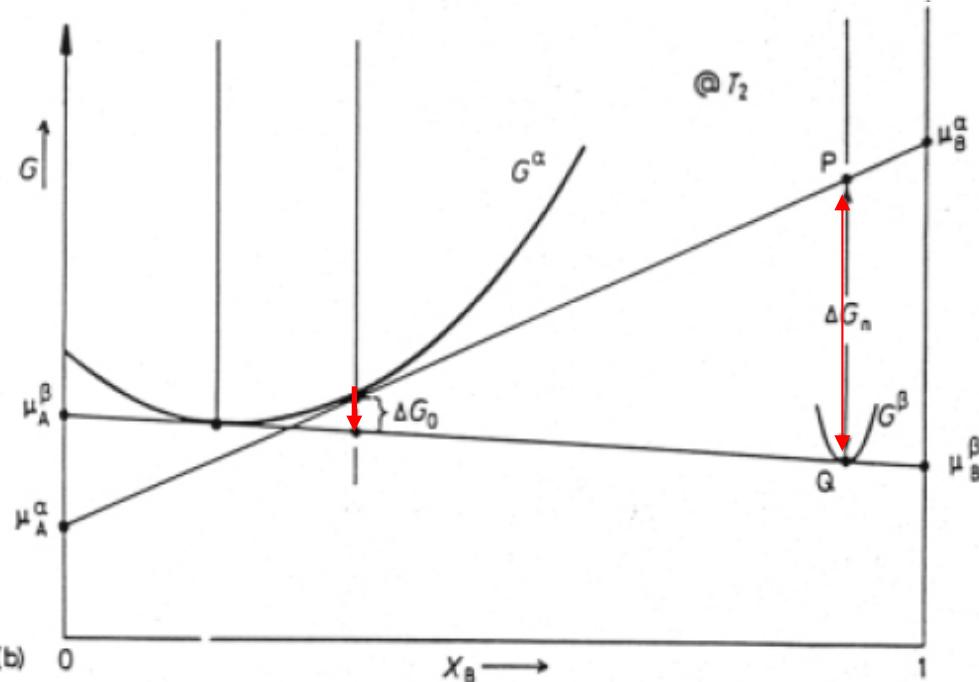
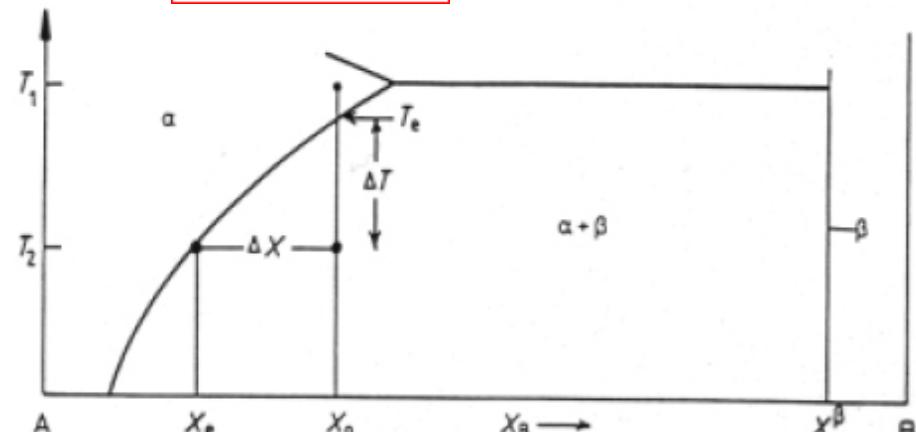
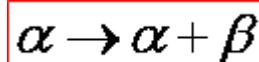
$$\boxed{\Delta G_V} = \frac{\Delta G_n}{V_m} \text{ per unit volume of } \beta \text{ : driving force for nucleation}$$

For dilute solutions,

$$\Delta G_V \propto \Delta X \text{ where } \Delta X = X_0 - X_e$$

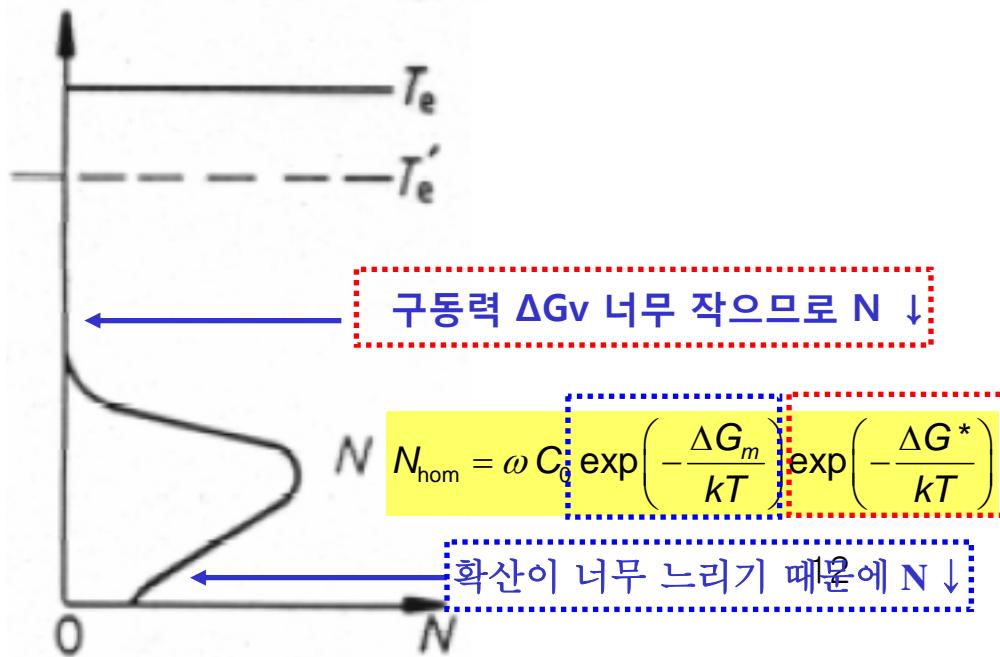
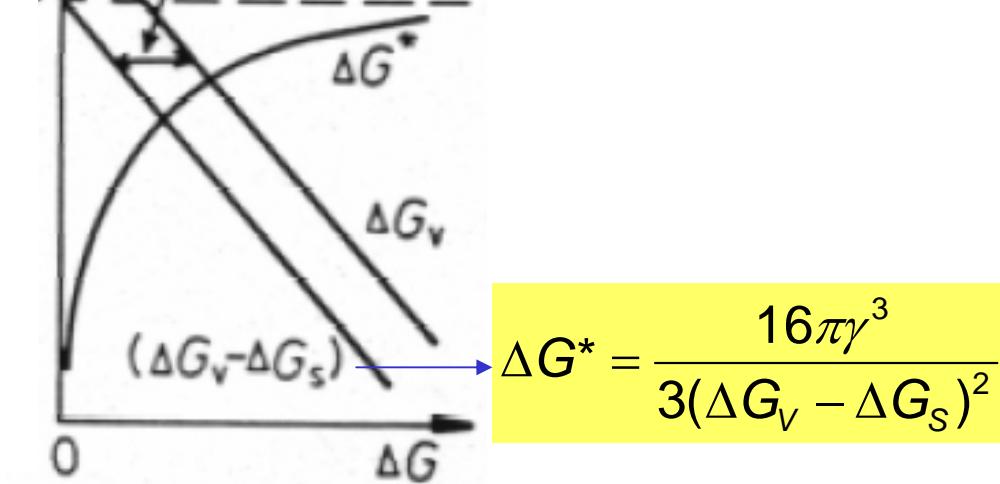
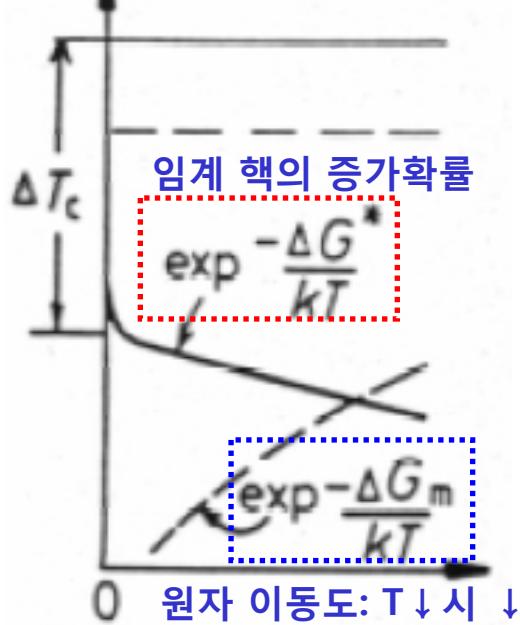
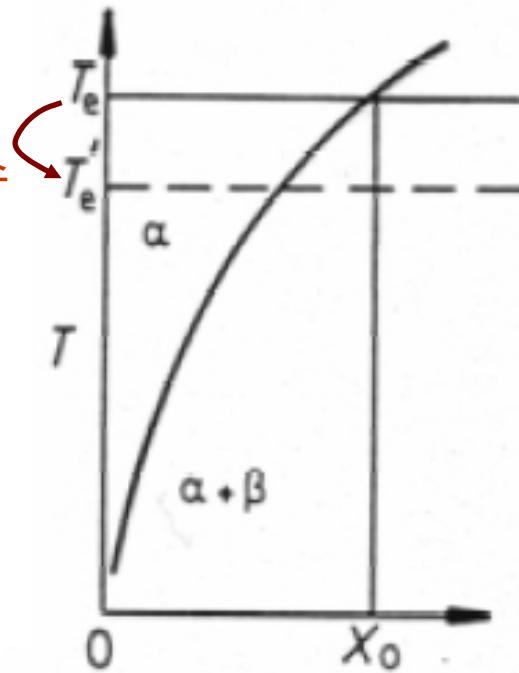
$$\boxed{\Delta G_V \propto \Delta X \propto (\Delta T)}$$

: driving force for nucleation



# Rate of Homogeneous Nucleation Varies with Undercooling

실제의 평형온도  
 $\Delta G_s$ 에 의해 감소



# The Effect of $\Delta T$ on $\Delta G^*_{\text{het}}$ & $\Delta G^*_{\text{hom}}$ ?

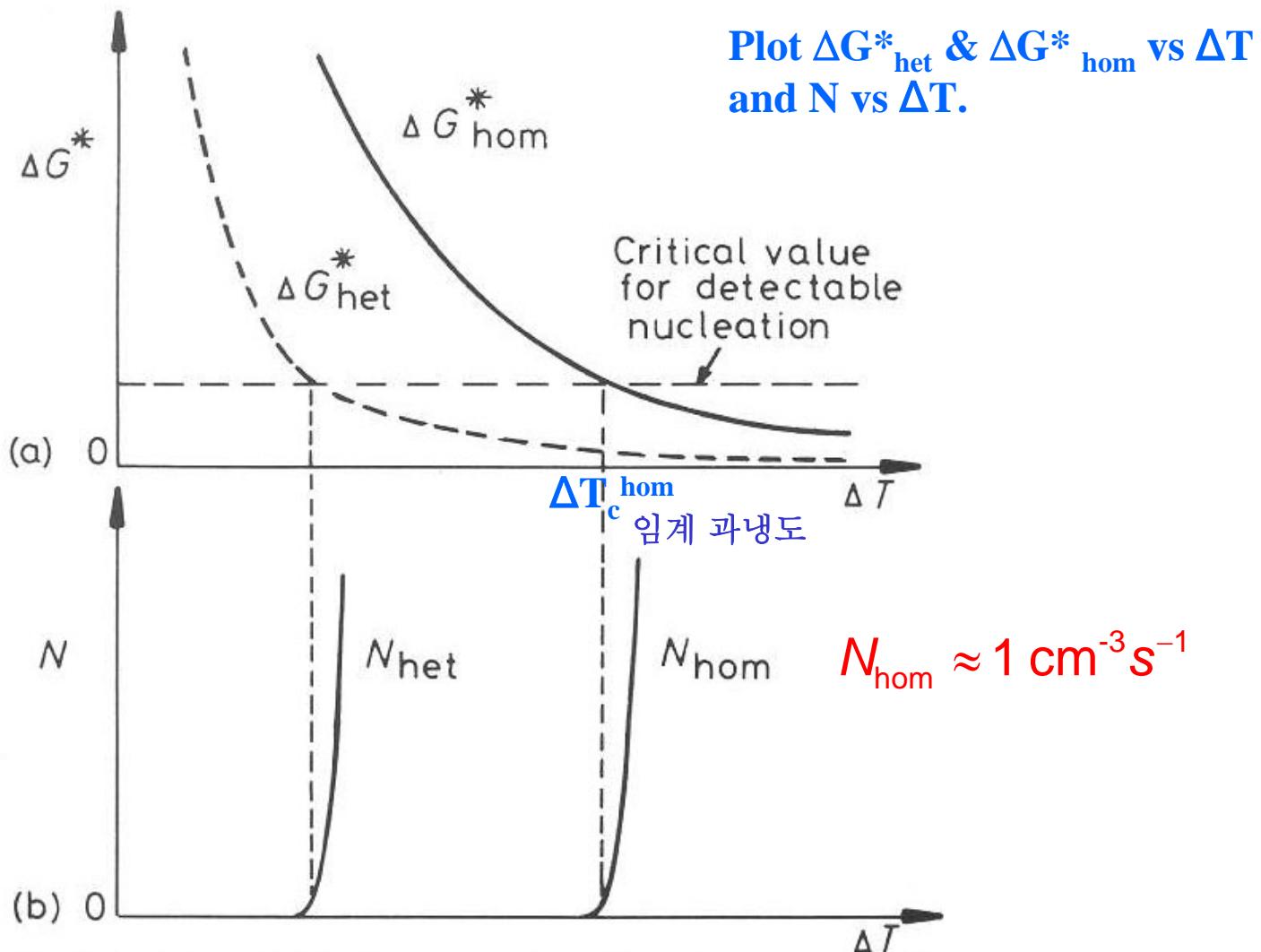
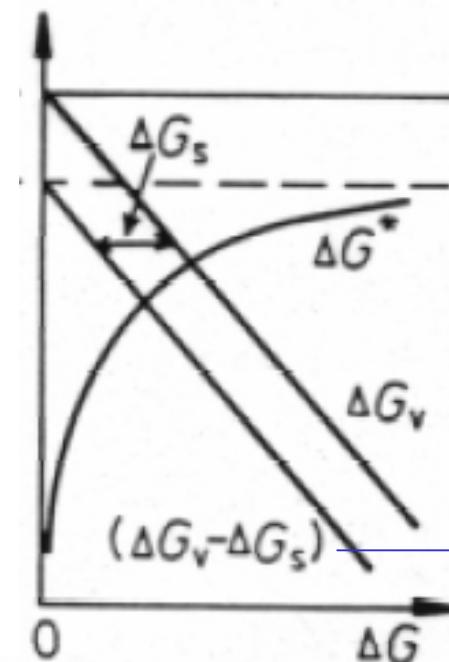
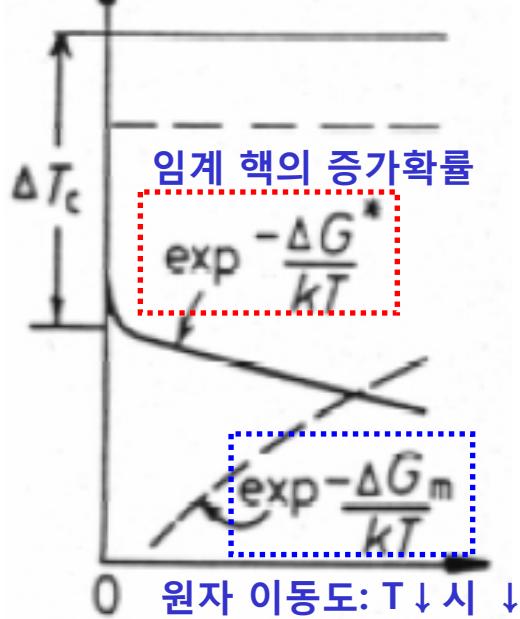
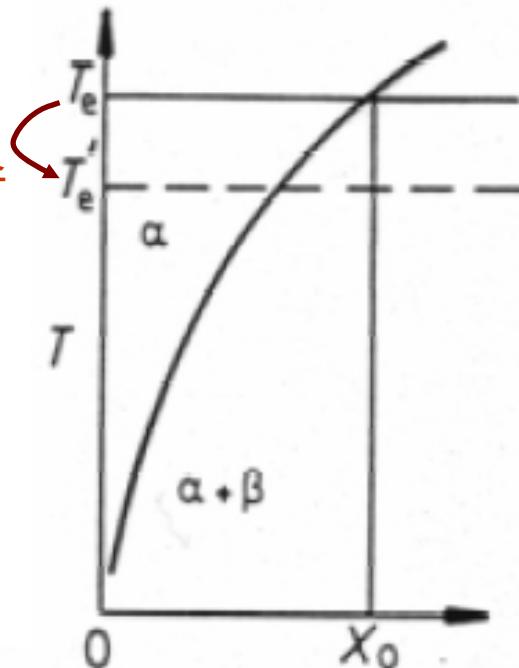


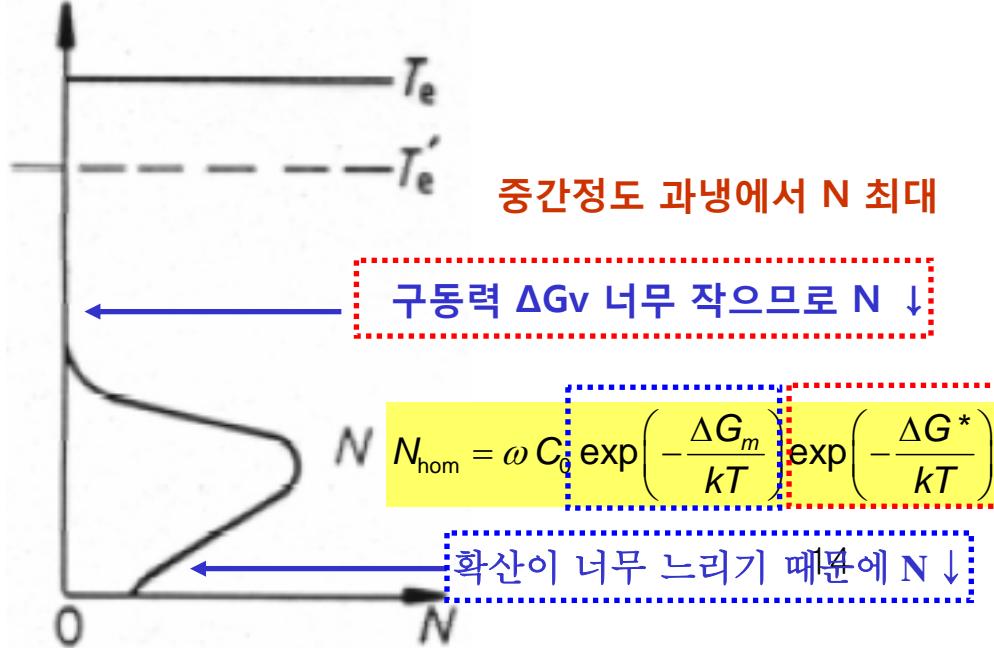
Fig. 4.9 (a) Variation of  $\Delta G^*$  with undercooling ( $\Delta T$ ) for homogeneous and heterogeneous nucleation.  
(b) The corresponding nucleation rates assuming the same critical value of  $\Delta G^*$

# Rate of Homogeneous Nucleation Varies with Undercooling

실제의 평형온도  
 $\Delta G_s$ 에 의해 감소



$$\Delta G_v \propto \Delta X \propto \Delta T$$



# Homogeneous Nucleation in Solids

The Effect of Alloy Composition on the Nucleation Rate

Compare the two plots of  $T$  vs  $N(1)$  and  $T$  vs  $N(2)$ .

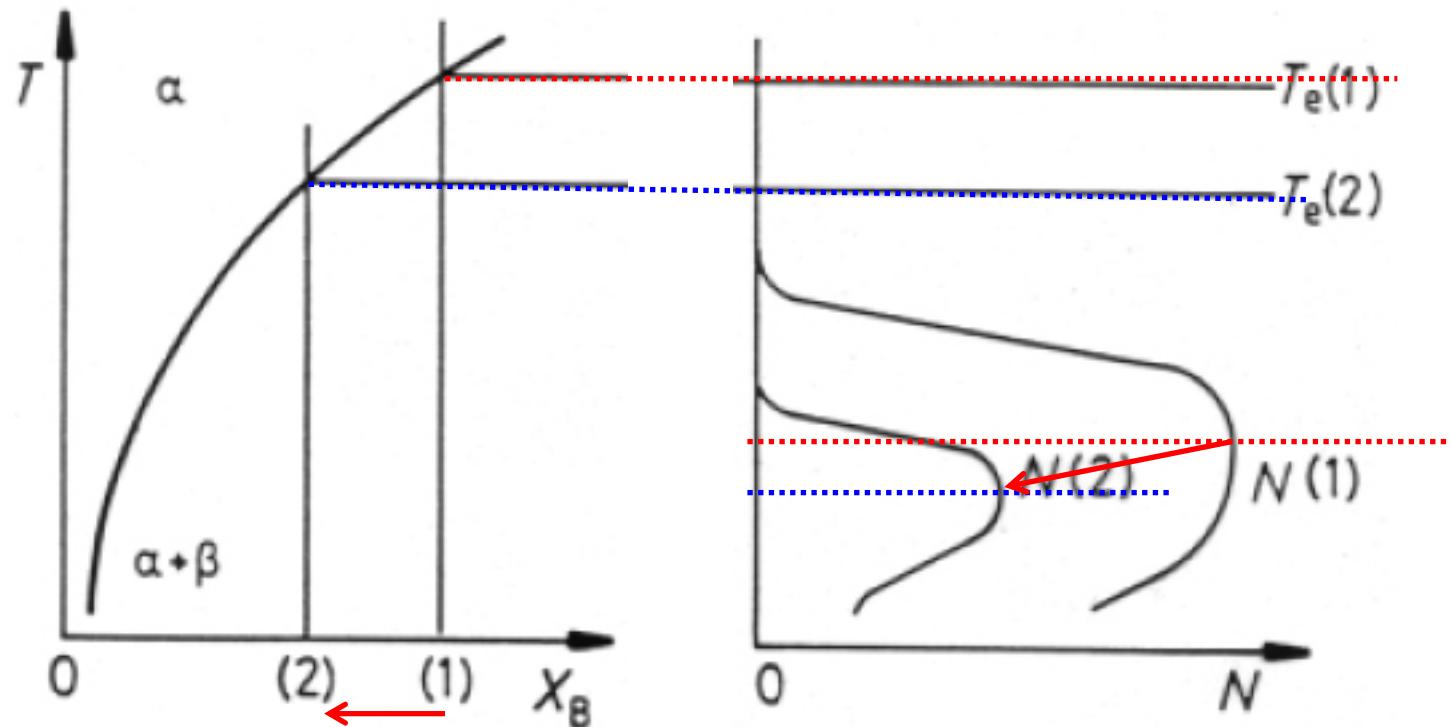


Fig. 5.5 The effect of alloy composition on the nucleation rate. The nucleation rate in alloy 2 is always less than in alloy 1.

# Heterogeneous Nucleation in Solids

→ 대부분의 핵생성이 해당, 적합한 위치는 격자결함 (핵생성이 격자결함 제거 역할)

$$\Delta G_{het} = -V(\Delta G_V - \Delta G_S) + A\gamma - \Delta G_d$$

## Nucleation on Grain Boundaries

가정:  $\Delta G_S$  (불일치 변형 에너지) = 0,

핵의 모양 전체 계면 자유에너지를 최소로 하는 상태

$$\cos \theta = \gamma_{\alpha\alpha}/2\gamma_{\alpha\beta}$$

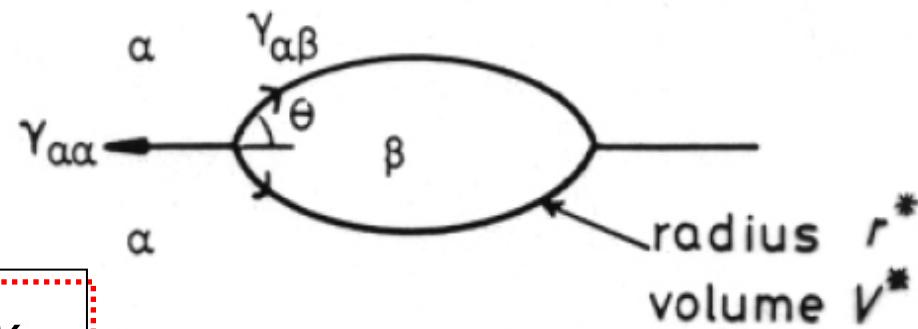
$$\Delta G = -V\Delta G_V + A_{\alpha\beta}\gamma_{\alpha\beta} - A_{\alpha\alpha}\gamma_{\alpha\alpha}$$

주형벽에서 불균일 핵생성에 의한 응고와 유사

구형 모자 형태 핵의 임계 반경

$$r^* = 2\gamma_{\alpha\beta} / \Delta G_V$$

입계에서 핵생성이 일어날 때 입계에서 핵생성의 크기



불균일 핵생성에 필요한 활성화에너지 장벽

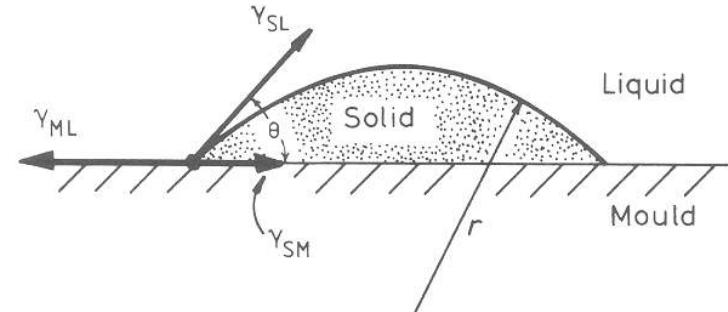
$$\frac{\Delta G^{*}_{het}}{\Delta G^{*}_{hom}} = \frac{V^{*}_{het}}{V^{*}_{hom}} = S(\theta)$$

$$S(\theta) = \frac{1}{2}(2 + \cos \theta)(1 - \cos \theta)^2$$

# Barrier of Heterogeneous Nucleation

$$\Delta G_{het} = -V_s \Delta G_v + A_{SL} \gamma_{SL} + A_{SM} \gamma_{SM} - A_{SM} \gamma_{ML}$$

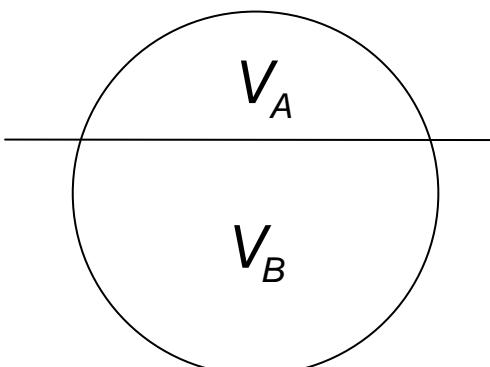
$$\Delta G^* = \frac{16\pi\gamma_{SL}^3}{3\Delta G_V^2} \cdot S(\theta) = \frac{16\pi\gamma_{SL}^3}{3\Delta G_V^2} \cdot \frac{(2 - 3\cos\theta + \cos^3\theta)}{4}$$



$S(\theta)$  has a numerical value  $\leq 1$  dependent only on  $\theta$  (the shape of the nucleus)

$$\Delta G_{het}^* = S(\theta) \Delta G_{hom}^*$$

$$\Rightarrow r^* = \frac{2\gamma_{SL}}{\Delta G_V} \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta G^* = \frac{16\pi\gamma_{SL}^3}{3\Delta G_V^2} \cdot S(\theta)$$



$$\Delta G_{sub}^* = \Delta G_{homo}^* \left( \frac{2 - 3\cos\theta + \cos^3\theta}{4} \right)$$

$$\frac{V_A}{V_A + V_B} = \frac{2 - 3\cos\theta + \cos^3\theta}{4} = S(\theta)$$

# Heterogeneous Nucleation in Solids

$$\Delta G_{het}^* \sim \cos \theta \sim \gamma_{\alpha\alpha} / \gamma_{\alpha\beta}$$

How can  $V^*$  and  $\Delta G^*$  be reduced even further?

→ By nucleation on a grain edge or a grain corner.

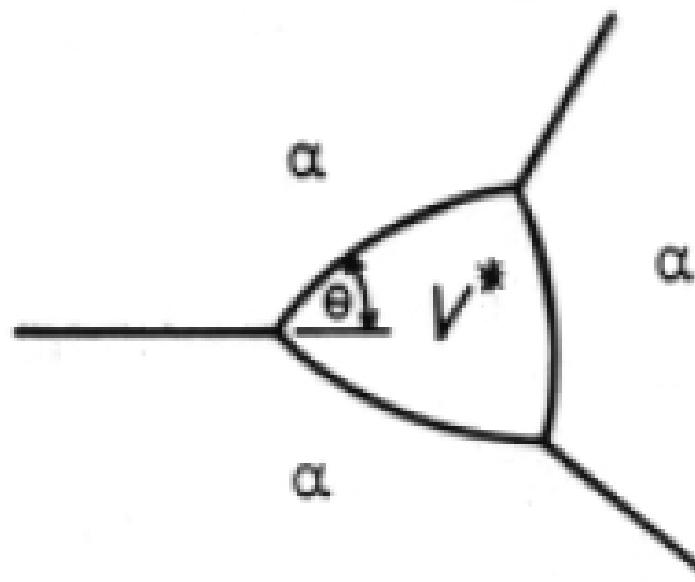


Fig. 5.7 Critical nucleus shape for nucleation on a grain edge.



Fig. 5.8 Critical nucleus shape for nucleation on a grain corner.

# Heterogeneous Nucleation in Solids

Compare the plots of  $\Delta G_{het}^* / \Delta G_{hom}^*$  vs  $\cos \theta$  for grain boundaries, edges and corners

$$S(\theta) = \frac{\Delta G_{het}^*}{\Delta G_{hom}^*}$$

Activation Energy Barrier

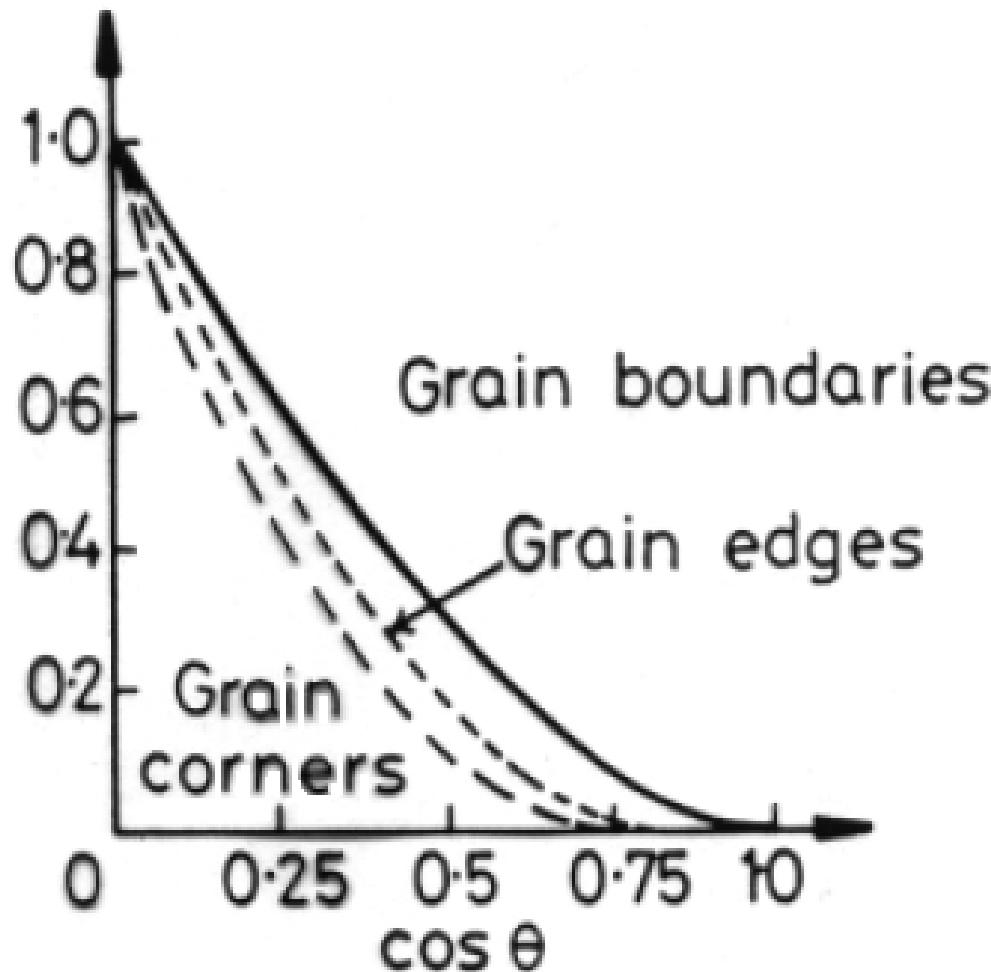


Fig. 5.9 The effect of  $\theta$  on the activation energy for grain boundary nucleation relative to homogeneous nucleation. (After J.W. Cahn, *Acta Metallurgica* 4 (1956) 449.)

# Heterogeneous Nucleation in Solids

High-angle grain boundaries are particularly effective nucleation sites for incoherent precipitates with high  $\gamma_{\alpha\beta}$ .

If the matrix and precipitate make a coherent interface,  $V^*$  and  $\Delta G^*$  can be further reduced.

## < Nucleus with Coherent Interface >

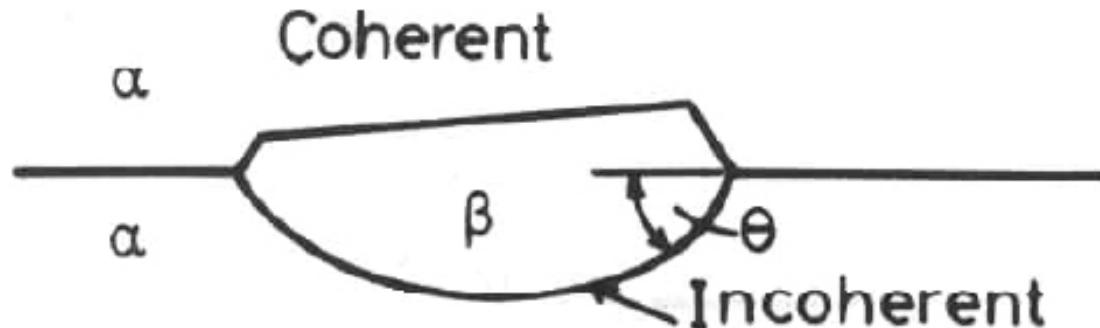


Fig. 5.10 The critical nucleus size can be reduced even further by forming a low-energy coherent interface with one grain.

- 전위 혹은 과잉공공은 핵생성시 불일치 변형에너지를 감소시킴으로써 핵생성을 도와준다.

# Heterogeneous Nucleation in Solids

## Rate of Heterogeneous Nucleation

Decreasing order of  $\Delta G^*$ (Activation Energy Barrier for nucleation)

- 1) homogeneous sites
- 2) vacancies
- 3) dislocations
- 4) stacking faults
- 5) grain boundaries and interphase boundaries
- 6) free surfaces

: 아래로 갈수록 핵생성이 빨리 일어난다.

$$N_{het} = \omega C_1 \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta G_m}{kT}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta G^*}{kT}\right) \text{ nuclei } m^{-3} s^{-1}$$

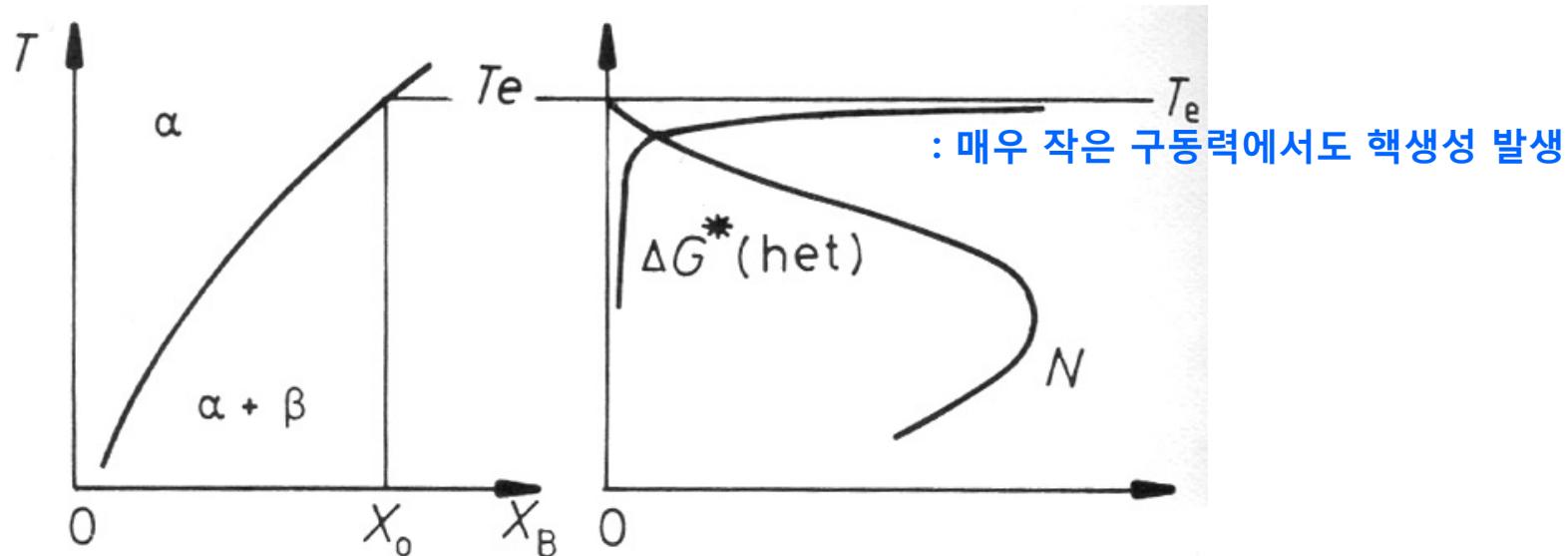
$C_1$  : concentration of heterogeneous nucleation sites per unit volume

$$N_{hom} = \omega C_0 \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta G_m}{kT}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta G^*}{kT}\right)$$

: 단위체적당 임계 크기를 갖는 핵의 수

# Heterogeneous Nucleation in Solids

## The Rate of Heterogeneous Nucleation during Precipitation



균일핵생성과 불균일 핵생성의 상대적인 크기

$$\frac{N_{het}}{N_{hom}} = \frac{C_1}{C_0} \exp\left(\frac{\Delta G^*_{hom} - \Delta G^*_{het}}{kT}\right) > 1$$

$C_1/C_0$  for GB nucleation?

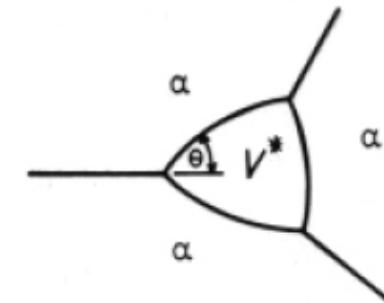
$$\frac{C_1}{C_0} = \frac{\delta(GB \text{ thickness})}{D(\text{grain size})}$$

For  $D = 50 \mu\text{m}$ ,  $\delta = 0.5 \text{ nm}$

$$\frac{C_1}{C_0} = \frac{\delta}{D} \approx 10^{-5}$$

# Heterogeneous Nucleation in Solids

$$\frac{C_1}{C_0} = \left( \frac{\delta}{D} \right)^2 \rightarrow \text{for nucleation on grain edge}$$



$$\frac{C_1}{C_0} = \left( \frac{\delta}{D} \right)^3 \rightarrow \text{for nucleation on grain corner}$$



## C<sub>1</sub>/C<sub>0</sub> for Various Heterogeneous Nucleation Sites

Grain boundary	Grain edge	Grain corner	Dislocations		Excess vacancies
$D = 50 \mu\text{m}$	$D = 50 \mu\text{m}$	$D = 50 \mu\text{m}$	$10^5 \text{ mm}^{-2}$	$10^8 \text{ mm}^{-2}$	$X_v = 10^{-6}$
$10^{-5}$	$10^{-10}$	$10^{-15}$	$10^{-8}$	$10^{-5}$	$10^{-6}$

불균일 핵생성이 상대적으로 우세해지려면 앞선 식에서 뒤의 exp 항의 영향이 위의 비보다 더 커져야만 함.

# Heterogeneous Nucleation in Solids

In order to make nucleation occur exclusively on the grain corner, how should the alloy be cooled?

**1) At small driving forces ( $\Delta G_v$ ), when activation energy barriers for nucleation are high, the highest nucleation rates will be produced by grain-corner nucleation.**

**2) Grain edge or Grain boundary**

**3) At very high cooling rate?**

At very high driving forces it may be possible for the  $(C_1/C_0)$  term to dominate and then **homogeneous nucleation** provides the highest nucleation rates.