

## Advanced Physical Metallurgy “Amorphous Materials”

Class # \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

### 1. GFA parameters can give us useful guideline for BMG-forming alloy design.

Define and compare  $\Delta T_x$  and  $K$  parameter. (3 points)

### 2. Fill in the blank. (4 points)

Glass formation is a ( competing ) process between liquid phases and the most ( stable ) crystalline phases. Both the liquid phase ( stability ) and the resistance to the ( formation ) of competing crystalline phases have to be considered when accessing the ( GFA ) for amorphous materials. The relative liquid phase stability for glass-forming liquids can be indicated by  $(1/2)(T_g+T_l)$  that coincidentally is the ( average position ) of the TTT curve along the temperature axis. The relative resistance to the formation of the competing crystalline phases can be reflected by the quantity of (  $T_x$  ) because it is an indication of the ( location ) of the TTT curve along the time scale. The ( gamma ) parameter derived based on the characteristic features of the TTT curves, can effectively reflect the relative GFA for ( various ) glass-forming materials.

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### 3. Explain the physical meaning of epsilon parameter with your own words. (3 points)

\* Suggestion for class or request for personal conversation: