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# **“Phase Equilibria *in* Materials”**

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- **Binary System** mixture/ solution / compound
- **Gibbs Free Energy in Binary System**

$$G_1 = X_A G_A + X_B G_B \quad J/mol$$

$$G_2 = G_1 + \Delta G_{mix} \quad J/mol$$

**Ideal solution ( $\Delta H_{mix}=0$ )**  $\Delta G^{mix} = RT(X_A \ln X_A + X_B \ln X_B)$

$$G = X_A G_A + X_B G_B + RT(X_A \ln X_A + X_B \ln X_B)$$

**Regular solution**  $\Delta H_{mix} = P_{AB} \varepsilon$  where  $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_{AB} - \frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon_{AA} + \varepsilon_{BB})$

$$G = X_A G_A + X_B G_B + \Omega X_A X_B + RT(X_A \ln X_A + X_B \ln X_B)$$

- **Chemical potential and Activity**

$$\mu_A = \left( \frac{\partial G'}{\partial n_A} \right)_{T, P, n_B}$$

- $\mu_A = G_A + RT \ln a_A$   $\ln \left( \frac{a_A}{X_A} \right) = \frac{\Omega}{RT} (1 - X_A)^2$

$$\frac{a_A}{X_A} = \gamma_A = \text{activity coefficient}$$

$\mu$ 는 조성에 의해 결정되기 때문에  $dn_A$ 가 매우 작아서 조성변화 없어야

- **Chemical equilibrium  $\rightarrow$  Gibbs phase rule**

# Regular Solutions

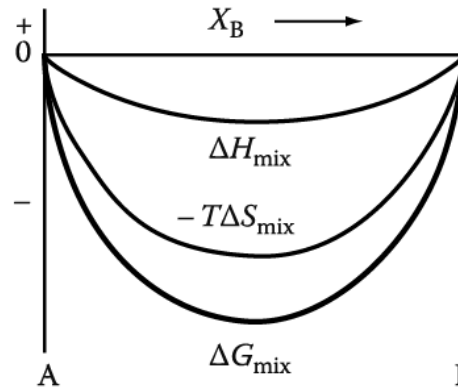
$$G_2 = G_1 + \Delta G_{mix}$$

$$G = X_A G_A + X_B G_B + \Omega X_A X_B + RT (X_A \ln X_A + X_B \ln X_B)$$

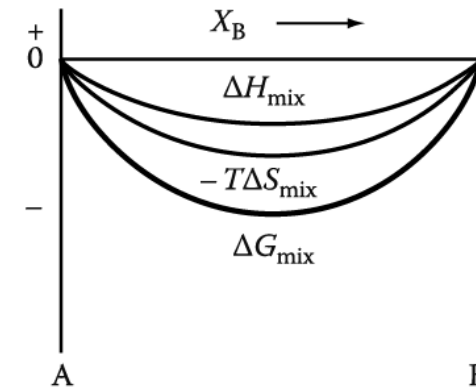
Reference state

$$\text{Pure metal } G_A^0 = G_B^0 = 0$$

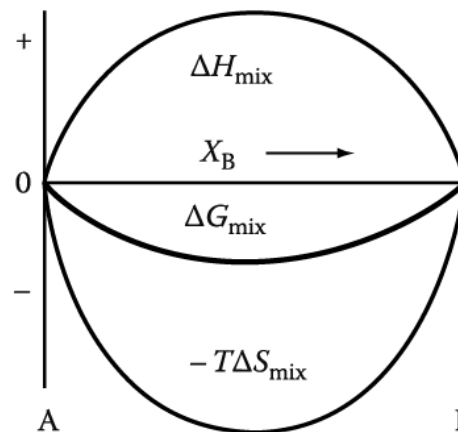
$$\Delta G_{mix} = \Delta H_{mix} - T\Delta S_{mix}$$



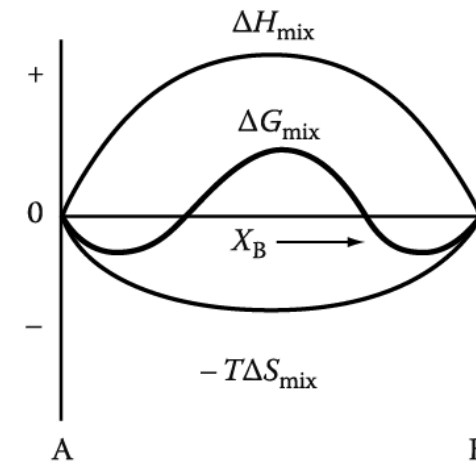
(a)  $\Omega < 0$ , high  $T$



(b)  $\Omega < 0$ , low  $T$



(c)  $\Omega > 0$ , high  $T$



(d)  $\Omega > 0$ , low  $T$

At  $T_c$  the term  $d^2(\Delta G_m)/d(X_A)^2$  will be zero.

Since

$$\frac{d^2(\Delta G_m)}{d(X_A)^2} = -2NC + NkT_c \left( \frac{1}{X_A} + \frac{1}{1-X_A} \right) = 0$$

then

$$2C = \frac{kT_c}{X_A(1-X_A)} \quad \text{or} \quad T_c = \frac{2CX_A(1-X_A)}{k}$$

The term  $T_c$  will be a maximum when  $X_A = (1-X_A) = 0.5$ . It follows that

$$T_c = \frac{C}{2k}. \tag{101}$$

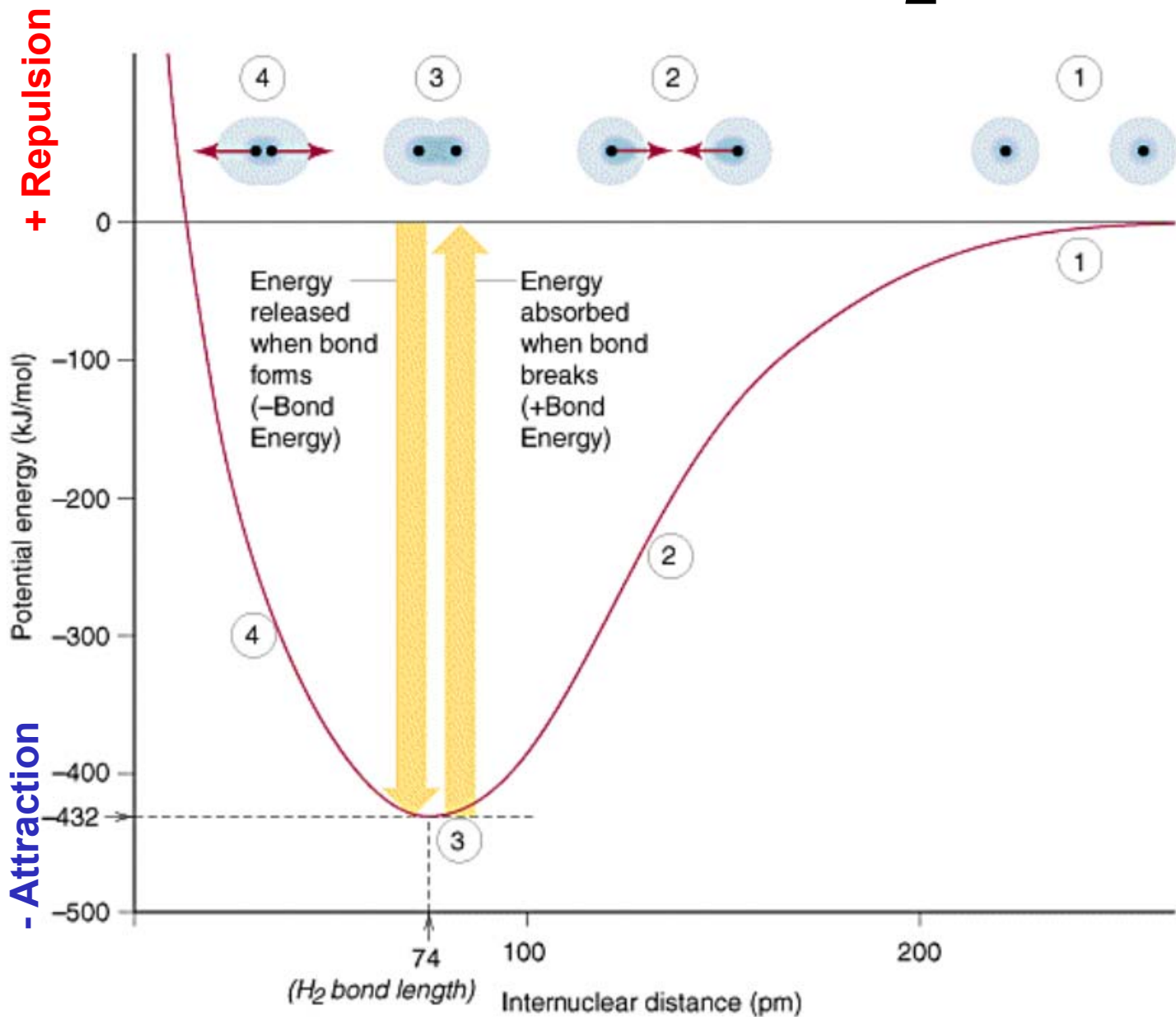
A high value of the critical temperature is associated with a high positive value for  $C$  ( $= z[H_{AB} - \frac{1}{2}(H_{AA} + H_{BB})]$ ).

The stronger the attraction between similar atoms, the higher  $T_c$ . In those binary phase diagrams with a miscibility gap in the solid state the gap has not the symmetrical form shown in Fig. 21. This is primarily because the initial simplifying assumption that the energy is the sum of interaction between pairs of atoms is never absolutely valid. The systems Pd–Ir\*, Pt–Ir\*\* and Pt–Au\*\*\* all have miscibility gaps in the solid state with varying degrees of asymmetry. Most binary phase diagrams with a positive value of  $\Delta H_m$  do not show a miscibility gap with a closure at temperature  $T_c$  since melting occurs before  $T_c$  is reached (for example the Ag–Cu system).



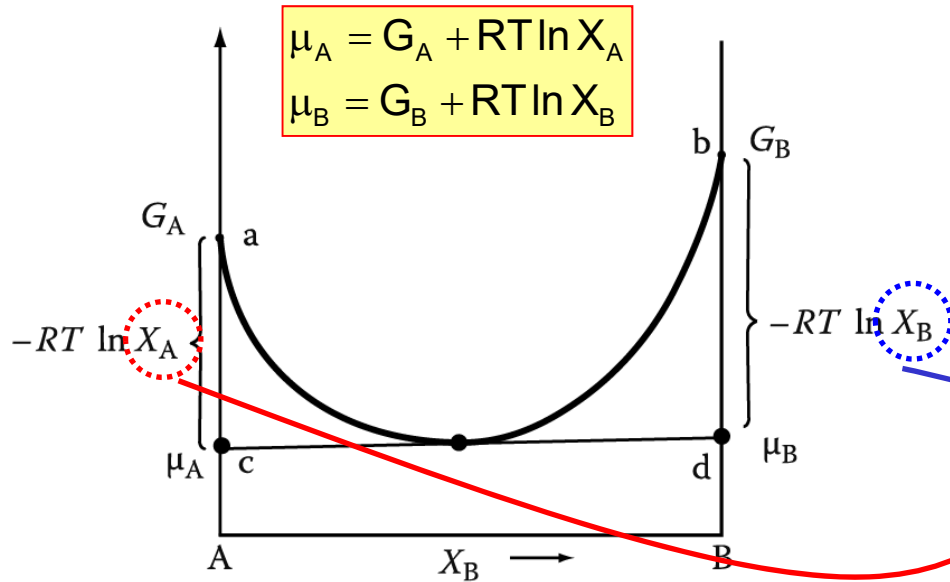
$$\Delta H_{\text{mix}} = P_{AB} \epsilon$$

where  $\epsilon = \epsilon_{AB} - \frac{1}{2}(\epsilon_{AA} + \epsilon_{BB})$

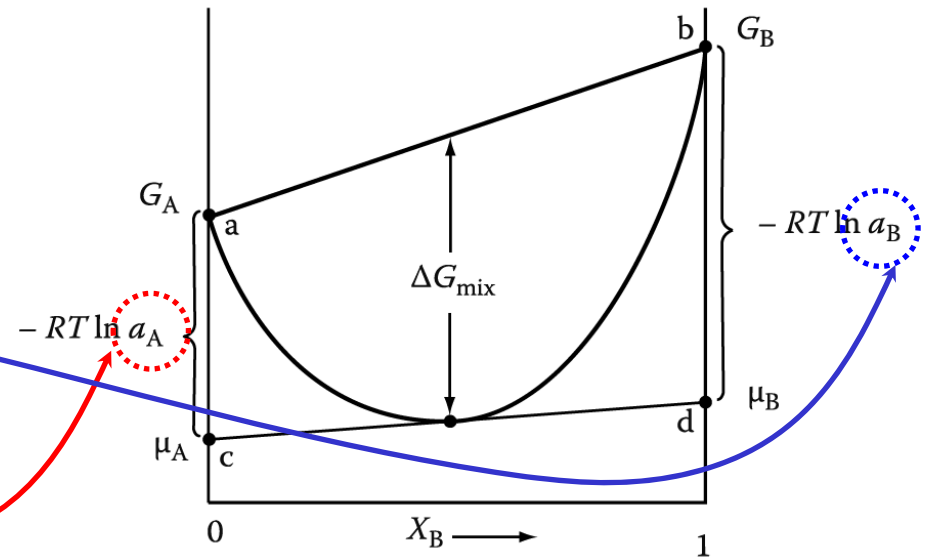


# Activity, a : effective concentration for mass action

ideal solution



regular solution



$$\mu_A = G_A + RT \ln a_A$$

$$\mu_B = G_B + RT \ln a_B$$

$$\mu_A = G_A + \Omega (1 - X_A)^2 + RT \ln X_A$$

$$\mu_B = G_B + \Omega (1 - X_B)^2 + RT \ln X_B$$

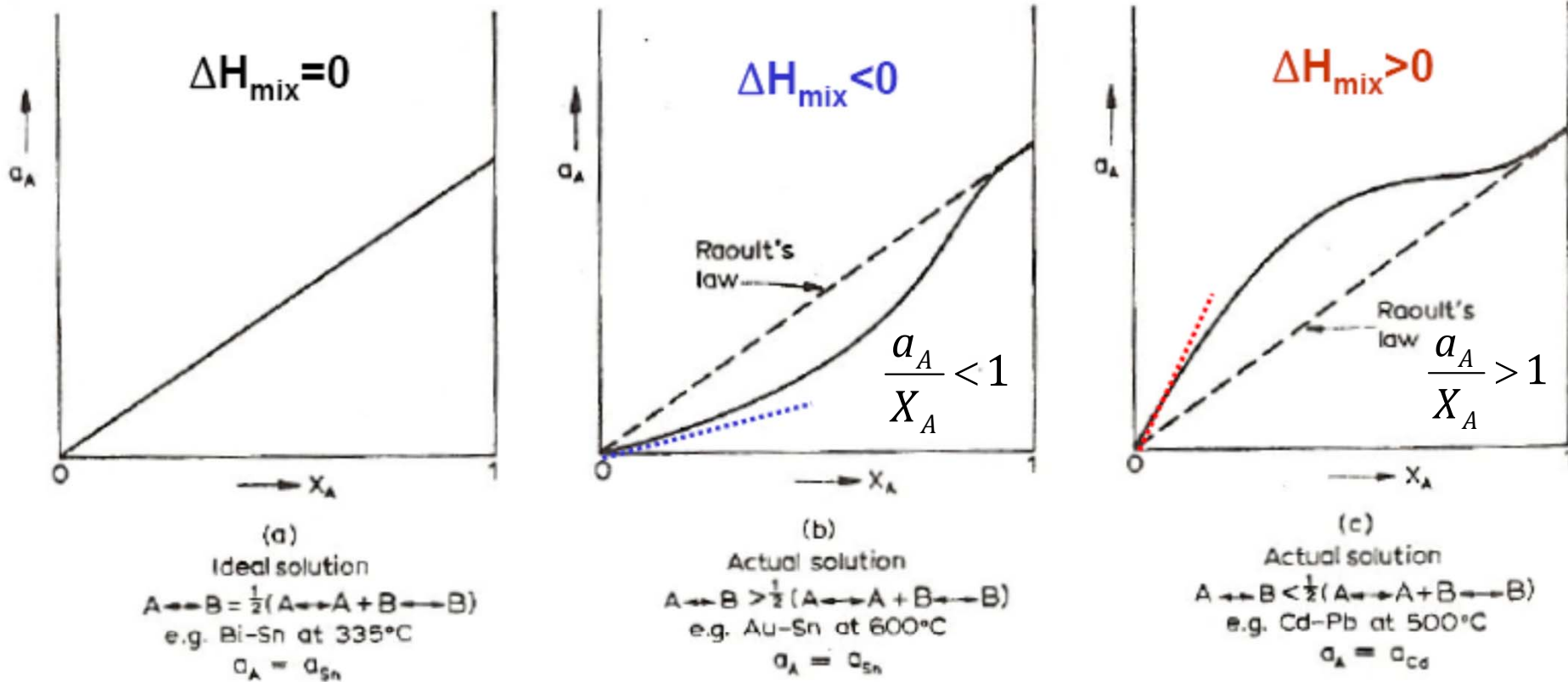
$$\ln \left( \frac{a_A}{X_A} \right) = \frac{\Omega}{RT} (1 - X_A)^2$$

$$\ln \left( \frac{a_B}{X_B} \right) = \frac{\Omega}{RT} (1 - X_B)^2$$

$$\frac{a_A}{X_A} = \gamma_A = \text{activity coefficient}$$

$$\gamma_B = \frac{a_B}{X_B}$$

## Activity-composition curves for solutions



### Degree of non-ideality

- For a dilute solution of B in A ( $X_B \rightarrow 0$ )

$$\gamma_B = \frac{a_B}{X_B} \cong \text{constant} \quad (\text{Henry's Law})$$

$$\gamma_A = \frac{a_A}{X_A} \cong 1 \quad (\text{Raoult's Law})$$

# The Gibbs Phase Rule

**Degree of freedom** (number of variables that can be varied independently)

**= the number of variables – the number of constraints**

- Number of phases :  $p$ , number of components :  $c$ ,
- # of controllable variable : composition  $(c-1)p$ , temperature :  $p$ , pressure :  $p$
- # of restrictions :

$(p-1)c$ from chemical equilibrium	$\mu_i^\alpha = \mu_i^\beta = \mu_i^\gamma = \dots = \mu_i^p$
$p-1$ from thermal equilibrium	$T^\alpha = T^\beta = T^\gamma = \dots = T^p$
$p-1$ from mechanical equilibrium	$P^\alpha = P^\beta = P^\gamma = \dots = P^p$

- Number of variable can be controlled with maintaining equilibrium

$$f = (c-1)p + p + p - (p-1)c - (p-1) - (p-1) = c - p + 2$$

$$f = c - p + 2$$

- If pressure is constant :  $f = (c-1)p + p - (p-1)c - (p-1) = c - p + 1$

**Q1: What is “Real Solution”?**

# 1.3 Binary Solutions

$$\Delta G_{mix} = \Delta H_{mix} - T\Delta S_{mix}$$

**Real solution: sufficient disorder + lowest internal E**

**Ideal or Regular solution: over simplification of reality**

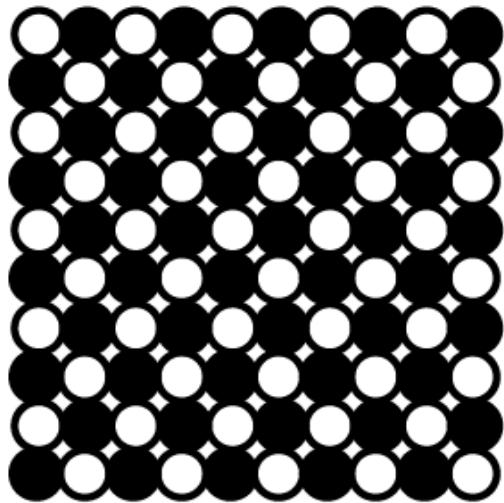
Config. Entropy  $S = k \ln w$

$$S_{thermal} = 0$$

+ mixing enthalpy

$$\Delta H_{mix} = \Omega X_A X_B \text{ where } \Omega = N_a z \epsilon$$

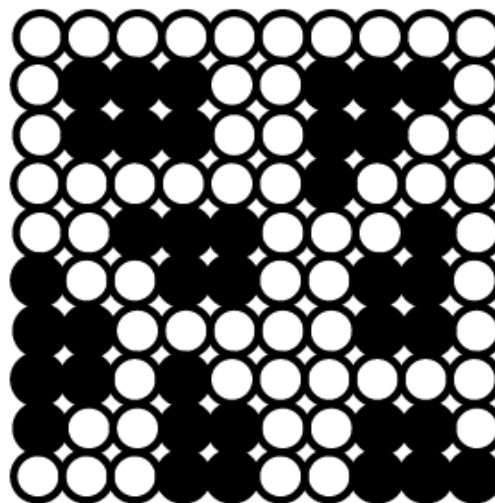
$$\epsilon \approx 0$$



(a)  $\epsilon < 0, \Delta H_{mix} < 0$

**Ordered alloys**

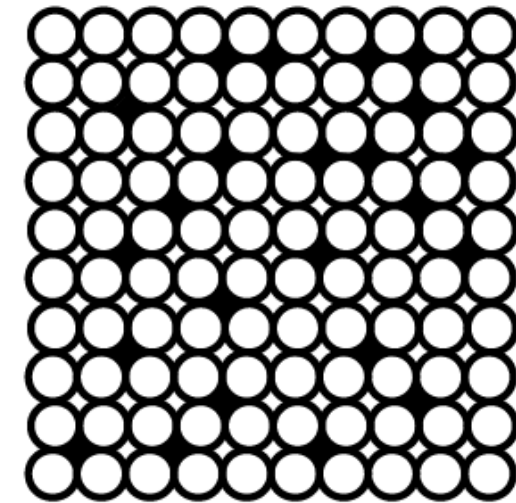
$P_{AB} \uparrow \rightarrow \text{Internal } E \downarrow$



(b)  $\epsilon > 0, \Delta H_{mix} > 0$

**Clustering**

$P_{AA}, P_{BB} \uparrow$



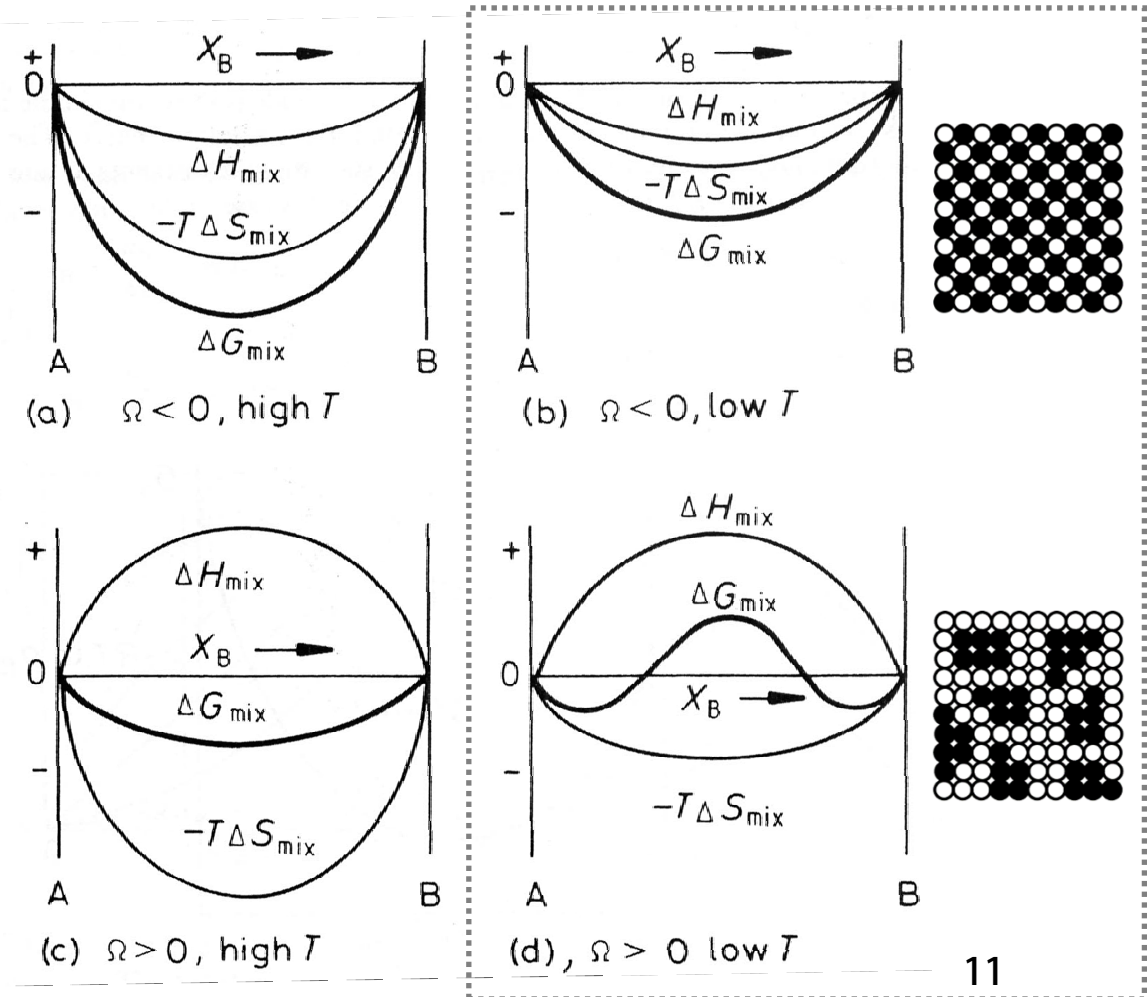
(c) *when the size difference is large*  
**strain effect**

**Interstitial solution**

\* The degree of **ordering or clustering** will decrease as temp. **increases** due to the increasing importance of **entropy**.

High temp.  $\longrightarrow$  Entropy effect  $\uparrow$   $\longrightarrow$  Solution stability  $\uparrow$

$$\Delta G_{mix} = \Delta H_{mix} - T\Delta S_{mix}$$



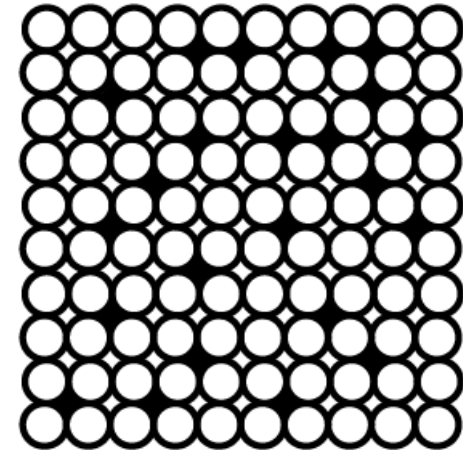
## 1.3 Binary Solutions

**Real solution: sufficient disorder + lowest internal E**

2) In systems where there is a size difference between the atom  
e.g. interstitial solid solutions,

→  $\Delta E = \Delta H_{\text{mix}} + \text{elastic strain}$

→ quasi-chemical model ~ underestimate  $\Delta E$   
due to no consideration of elastic strain field



→ **New mathematical models are needed to describe these solutions.**



**Q2: Short range order in solid solution?**

### 1.3 Binary Solutions

**Ordered phase**  $\varepsilon < 0, \Delta H_{\text{mix}} < 0$

**SRO** (Short Range Ordering) or **LRO** (Long Range Ordering)

- $\Omega < 0 \Rightarrow$  contain short-range order (SRO)

$\Delta\Omega = N_a z \varepsilon$  **SRO parameter = s** \_ degree of ordering

$$s = \frac{P_{AB} - P_{AB}(\text{random})}{P_{AB}(\text{max}) - P_{AB}(\text{random})}$$

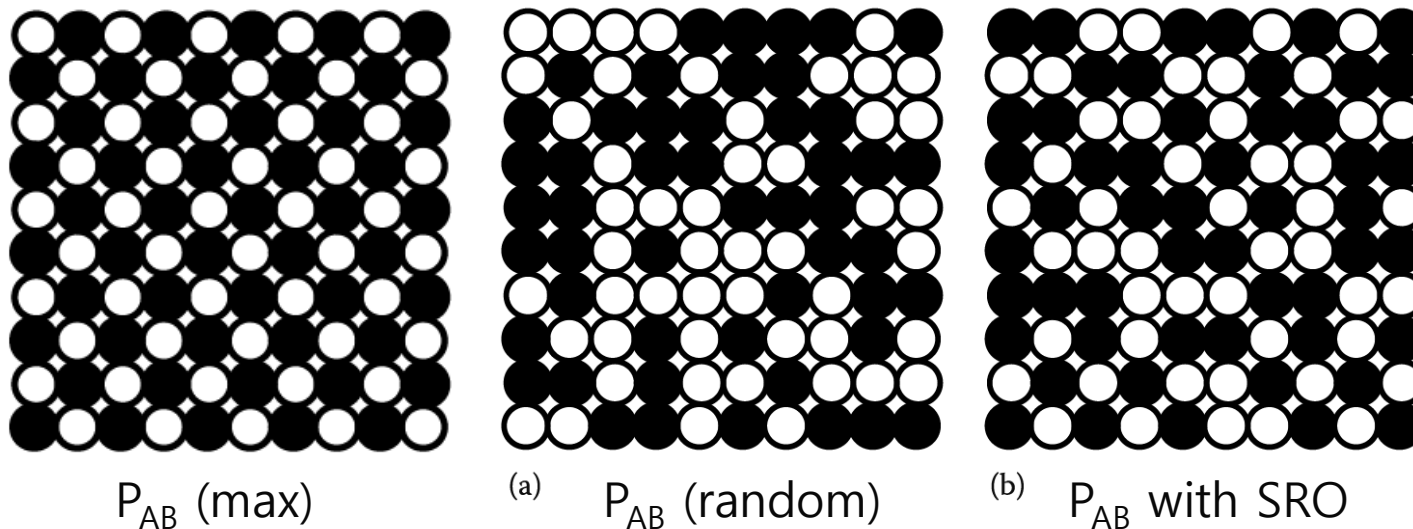
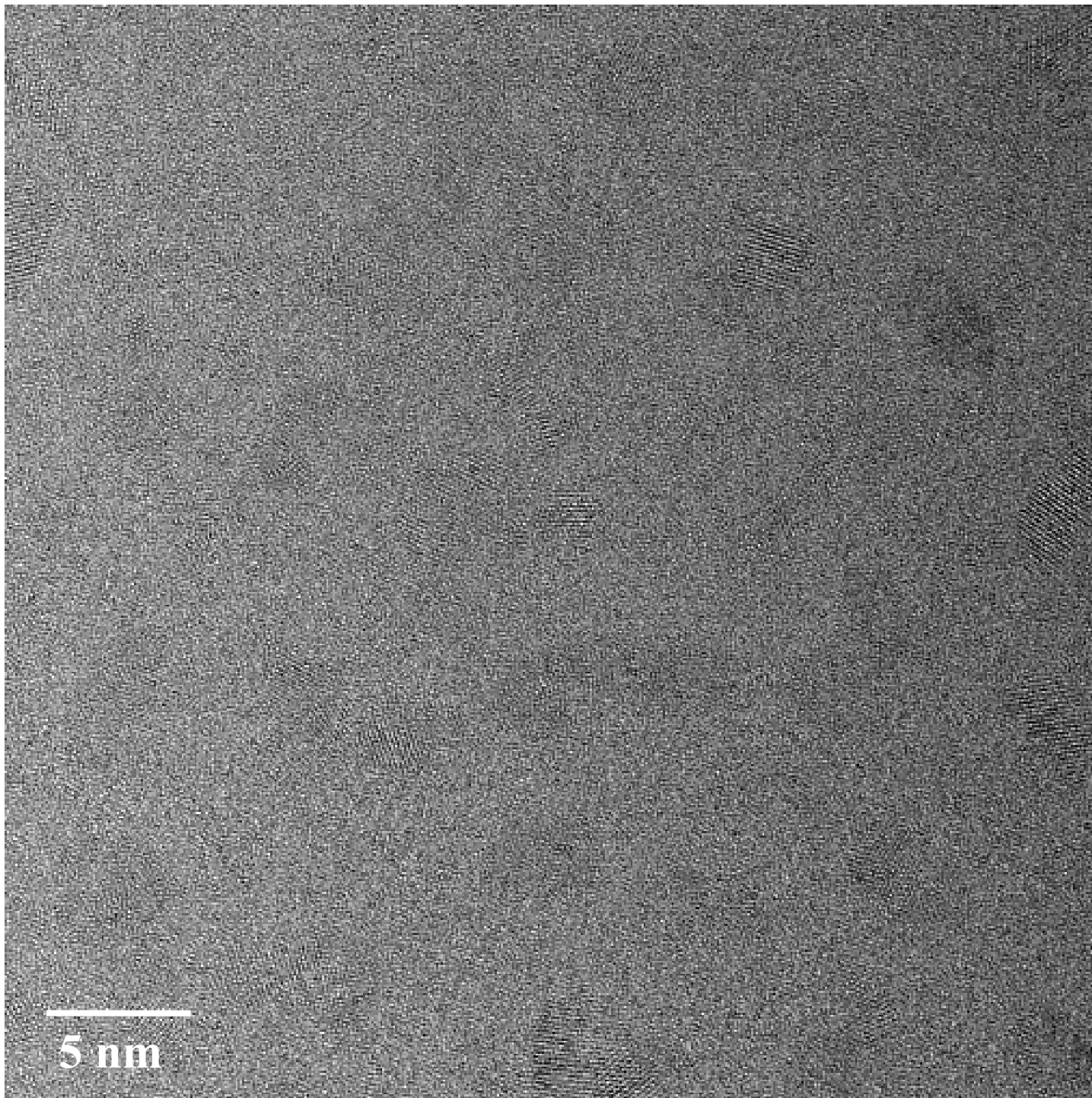
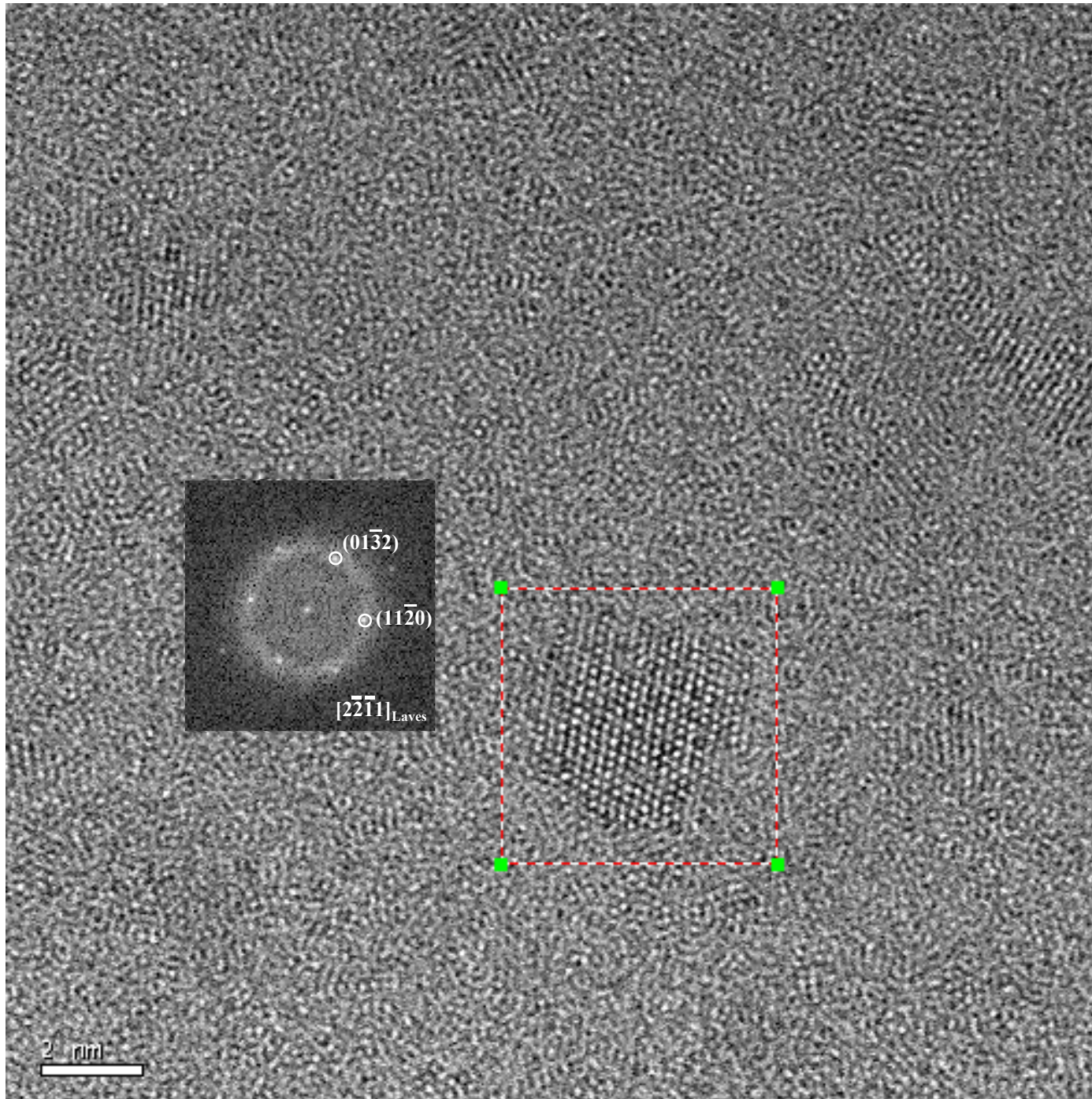


Fig. 1.19 (a) Random A-B solution with a total of 100 atoms and  $X_A = X_B = 0.5$ ,  $P_{AB} \sim 100$ ,  $S = 0$ .  
(b) Same alloy with short-range order  $P_{AB} = 132$ ,  $P_{AB}(\text{max}) \sim 200$ ,  $S = (132 - 100) / (200 - 100) = 0.32$ .





# Ordered phase: “Long range order (LRO)”

(①superlattice, ②intermediate phase, ③intermetallic compound)

$\Delta H_{mix}^S < 0$ : Solid solution  $\rightarrow$  ordered phase

$\Delta H_{mix}^S \ll 0$ : Compound : AB, A<sub>2</sub>B...

\* Solid solution  $\rightarrow$  ordered phase

$\rightarrow$  random mixing

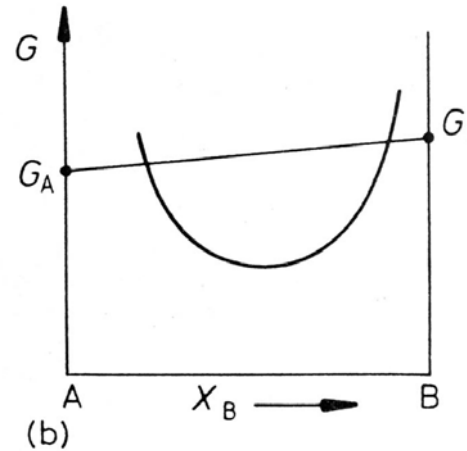
$\rightarrow$  entropy  $\uparrow$

negative enthalpy  $\downarrow$

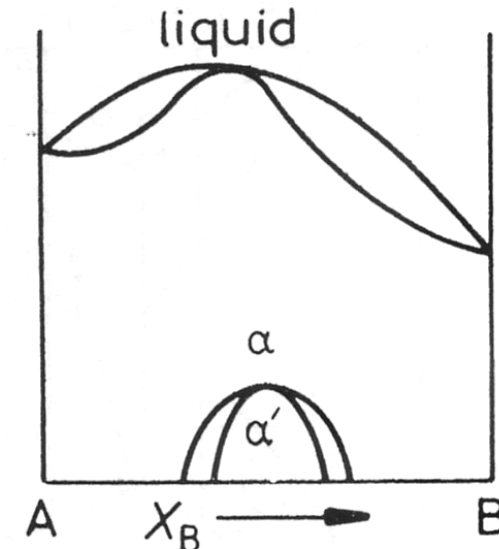
$\Delta H_{mix}^S < 0$

Large composition range

$\rightarrow G \downarrow$



diate phases: (a) for an intermetallic compound with a very narrow stability range, (b) for an intermediate phase with a wide



\* Compound : AB, A<sub>2</sub>B...

$\rightarrow$  entropy  $\downarrow$

$\rightarrow$  covalent, ionic contribution.

$\rightarrow$  enthalpy more negative  $\downarrow$

$\Delta H_{mix}^S \ll 0$

Small composition range

$\rightarrow G \downarrow$

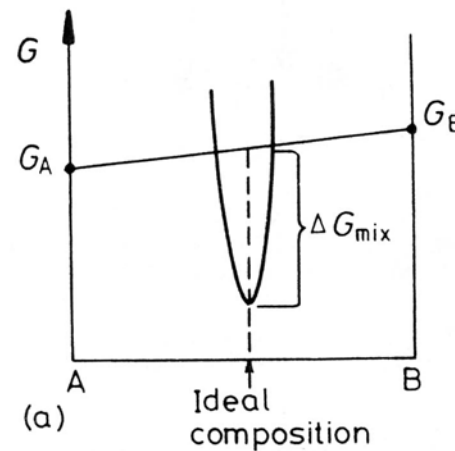
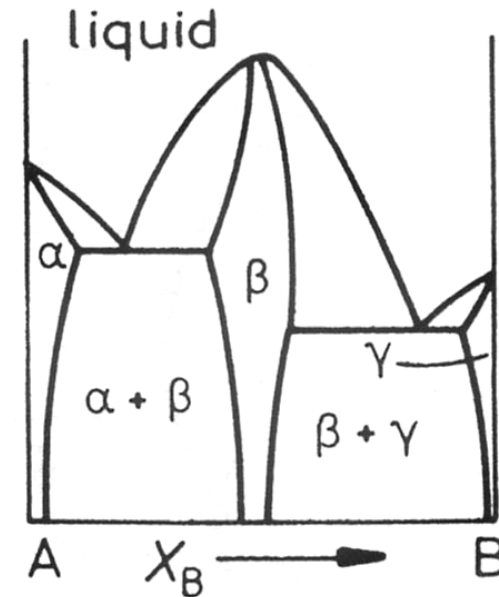


Fig. 1.23 Free energy curves for intermetallic compound with a very narrow stability range, (a) stability range.



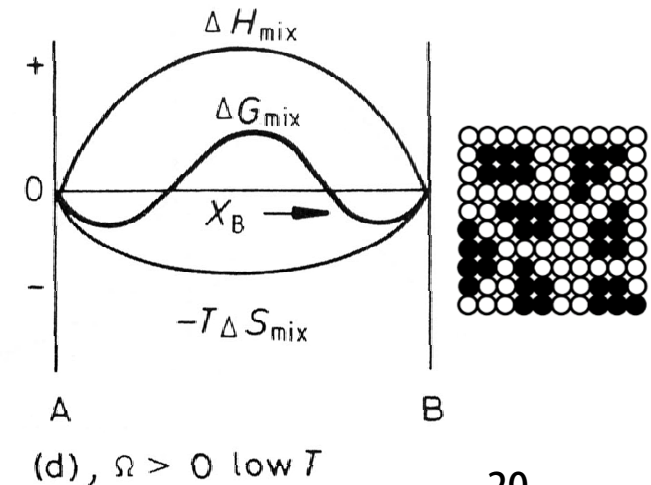
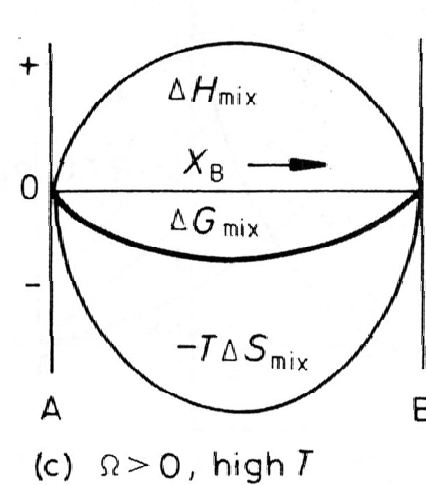
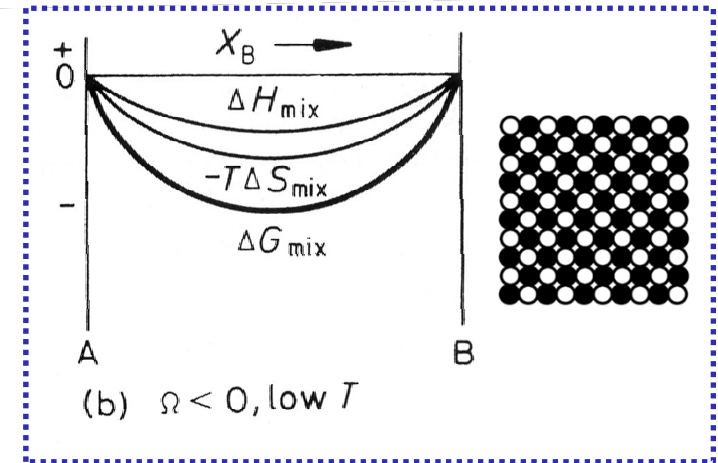
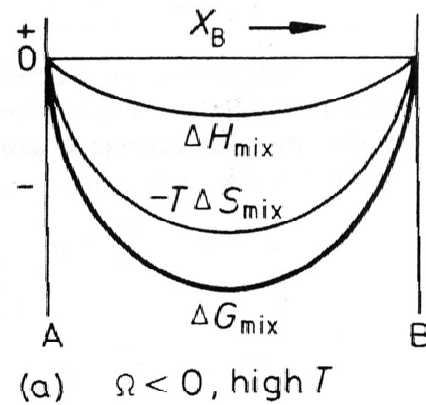
## Q3: Superlattice



\* The degree of **ordering or clustering** will decrease as temp. **increases** due to the increasing importance of **entropy**.

High temp.  $\longrightarrow$  Entropy effect  $\uparrow$   $\longrightarrow$  Solution stability  $\uparrow$

$$\Delta G_{mix} = \Delta H_{mix} - T\Delta S_{mix}$$



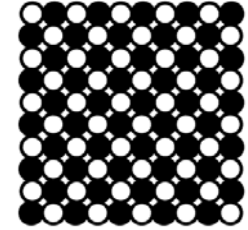


### 1.3 Binary Solutions

**Ordered phase**  $\epsilon < 0, \Delta H_{\text{mix}} < 0$

\* In solutions with compositions that are close to a simple **ratio of A:B atoms** another type of order can be found.

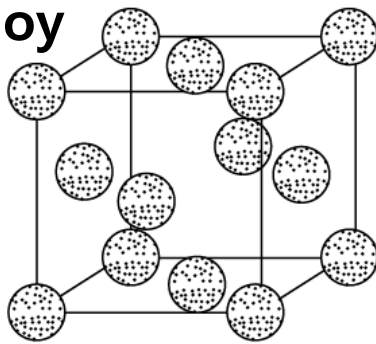
\* This is known as **long-range order (LRO)** CuAu, Cu<sub>3</sub>Au and many other intermetallics show LRO.



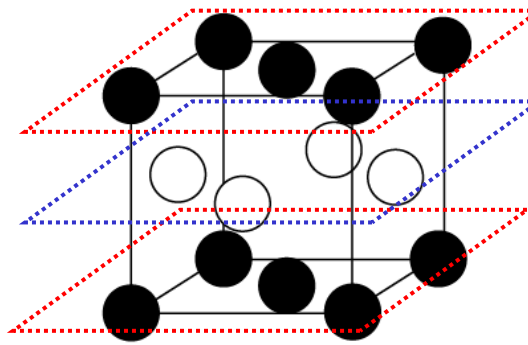
(The atom sites are no longer equivalent but can be labelled as A-sites and B-sites.)

\* **A superlattice** forms in materials with LRO

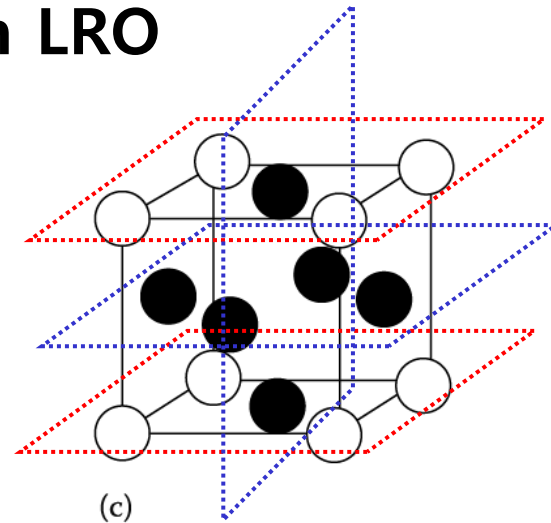
Cu–Au alloy



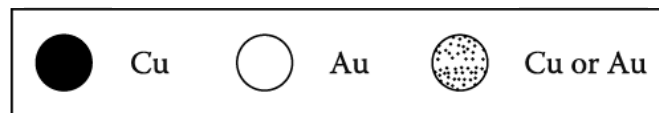
(a)



(b)



(c)



High temp.

Disordered Structure

Low temp.

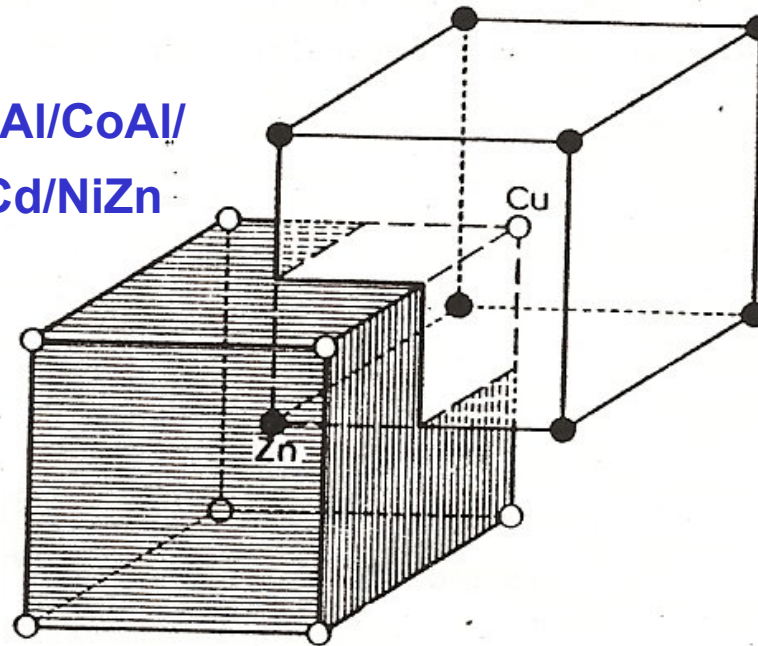
CuAu superlattice

Cu<sub>3</sub>Au superlattice

# Superlattice formation: order-disorder transformation

- $\epsilon < 0$ ,  $\Delta H_{\text{mix}} < 0$
- **between dissimilar atoms** than between similar atoms
- **Large electrochemical factor**: tendency for the solute atoms to avoid each other and to associate with the solvent atoms
- **Size factor just within the favorable limit**: lead to atomic rearrangement so as to relieve the lattice distortion imposed by the solute atoms

(a)  $L2_0$ :  
CuZn/FeCo/NiAl/CoAl/  
FeAl/AgMg/AuCd/NiZn



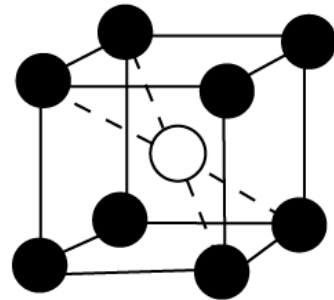
$\beta$  brass superlattice viewed as two inter-penetrating cubic lattices

# 1.3 Binary Solutions

## Five common ordered lattices

(a)  $L2_0$ :

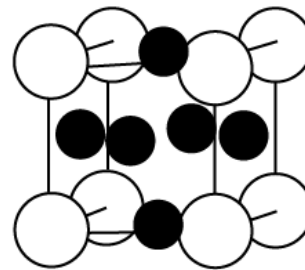
CuZn/FeCo/NiAl/CoAl/  
FeAl/AgMg/AuCd/NiZn



(a) ● Cu ○ Zn

(b)  $L1_2$ :

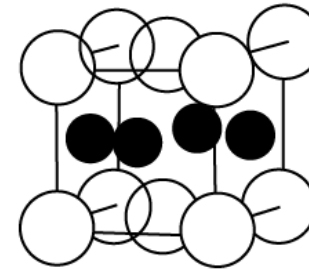
Cu<sub>3</sub>Au/Ni<sub>3</sub>Mn/Ni<sub>3</sub>Fe/Ni<sub>3</sub>Al/  
Pt<sub>3</sub>Fe/Au<sub>3</sub>Cd/Co<sub>3</sub>V/TiZn<sub>3</sub>



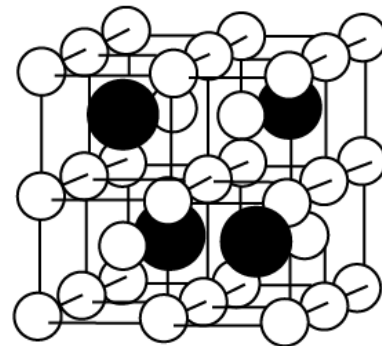
(b) ● Cu ○ Au

(c)  $L1_0$ :

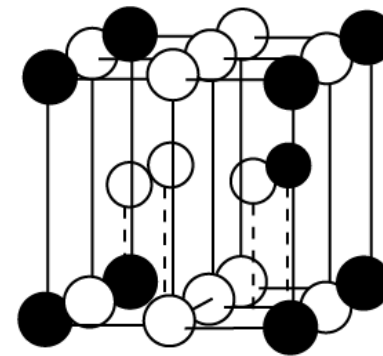
CuAu/CoPt/FePt



(c) ● Cu ○ Au



(d) ● Al ○ Fe



(e) ● Cd ○ Mg

(d)  $D0_3$ :

Fe<sub>3</sub>Al/Cu<sub>3</sub>Sb/Mg<sub>3</sub>Li/Fe<sub>3</sub>Al/  
Fe<sub>3</sub>Si/Fe<sub>3</sub>Be/Cu<sub>3</sub>Al

(e)  $D0_{19}$ :

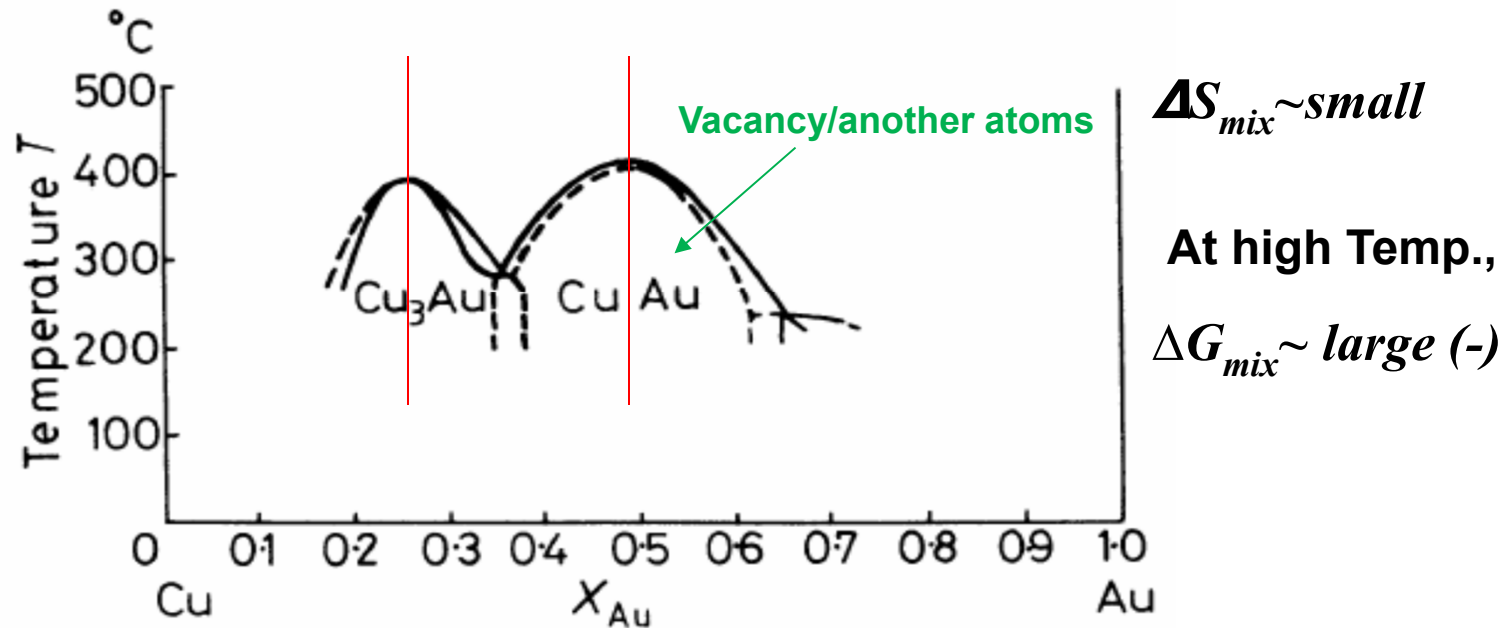
Mg<sub>3</sub>Cd/Cd<sub>3</sub>Mg/Ti<sub>3</sub>Al/Ni<sub>3</sub>Sn/Ag<sub>3</sub>In/  
Co<sub>3</sub>Mo/Co<sub>3</sub>W/Fe<sub>3</sub>Sn/Ni<sub>3</sub>In/Ti<sub>3</sub>Sn

$$\Delta G_{mix} = \Delta H_{mix} - T\Delta S_{mix}$$

## Ordered phase

$$\varepsilon < 0, \Delta H_{mix} < 0$$

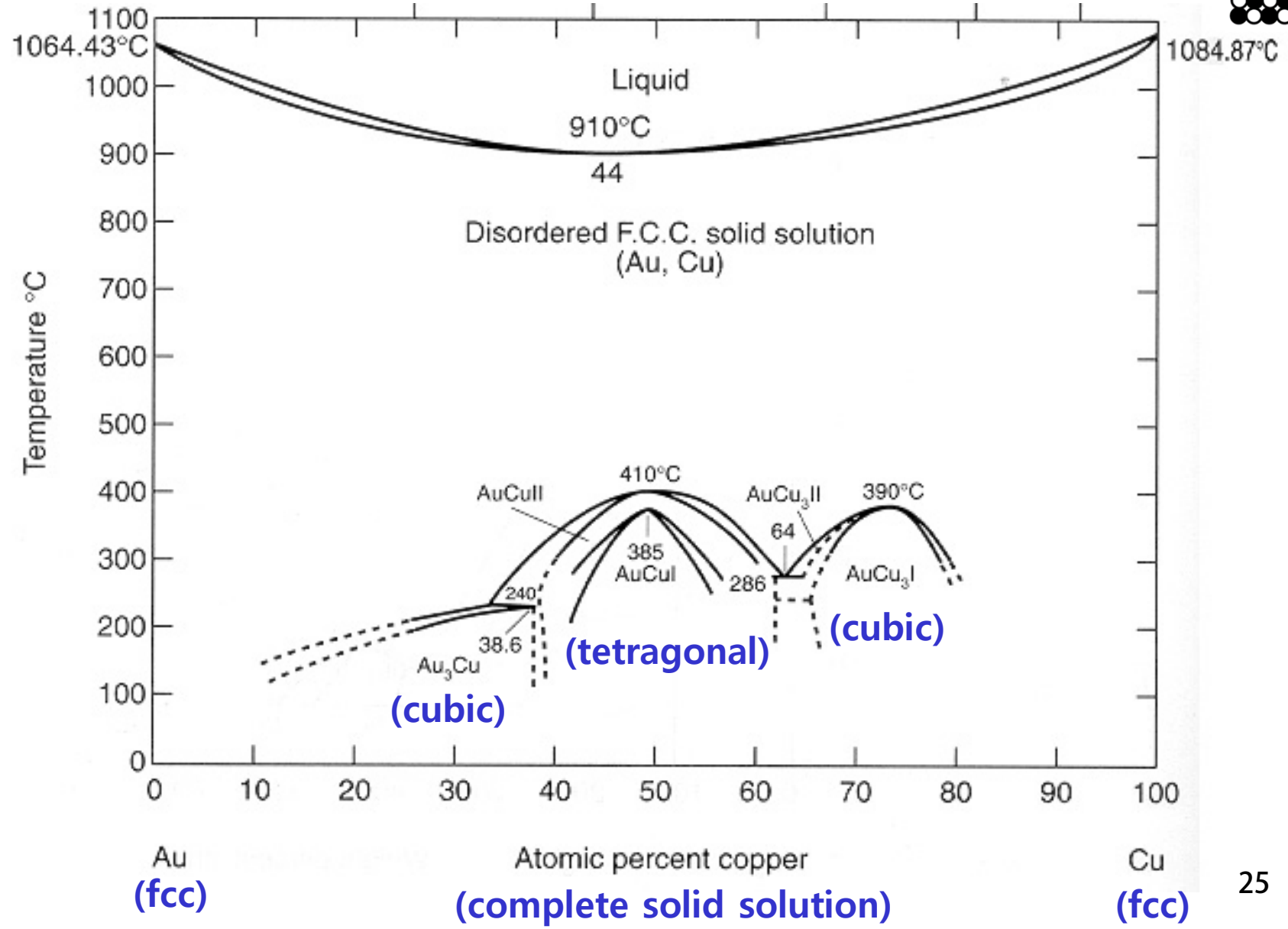
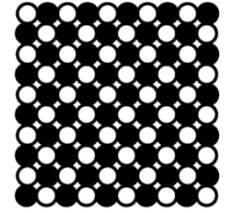
Fig. 1.21. Part of the Cu-Au phase diagram showing the regions where the  $\text{Cu}_3\text{Au}$  and  $\text{CuAu}$  superlattices are stable.



- The **entropy** of mixing of structure with LRO is **extremely small** and **the degree of order decrease** with **increasing temperature** until above some **critical temperature** there is no LRO at all.
- This temperature is a maximum when the composition is the ideal required for the superlattice.
- The critical temperature for loss of LRO increases with increasing  $\Omega$  or  $\Delta H_{mix}$ , and in many systems the ordered phase is stable up to the melting point.

# Ordered Phase

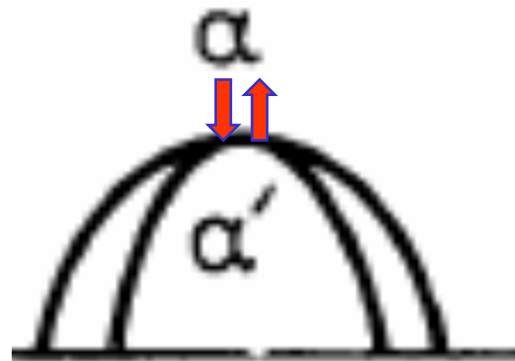
$$\epsilon < 0, \Delta H_{\text{mix}} < 0 / \Delta H_{\text{mix}} \sim -20 \text{ kJ/mol}$$



## **Q4: Order-disorder transition**

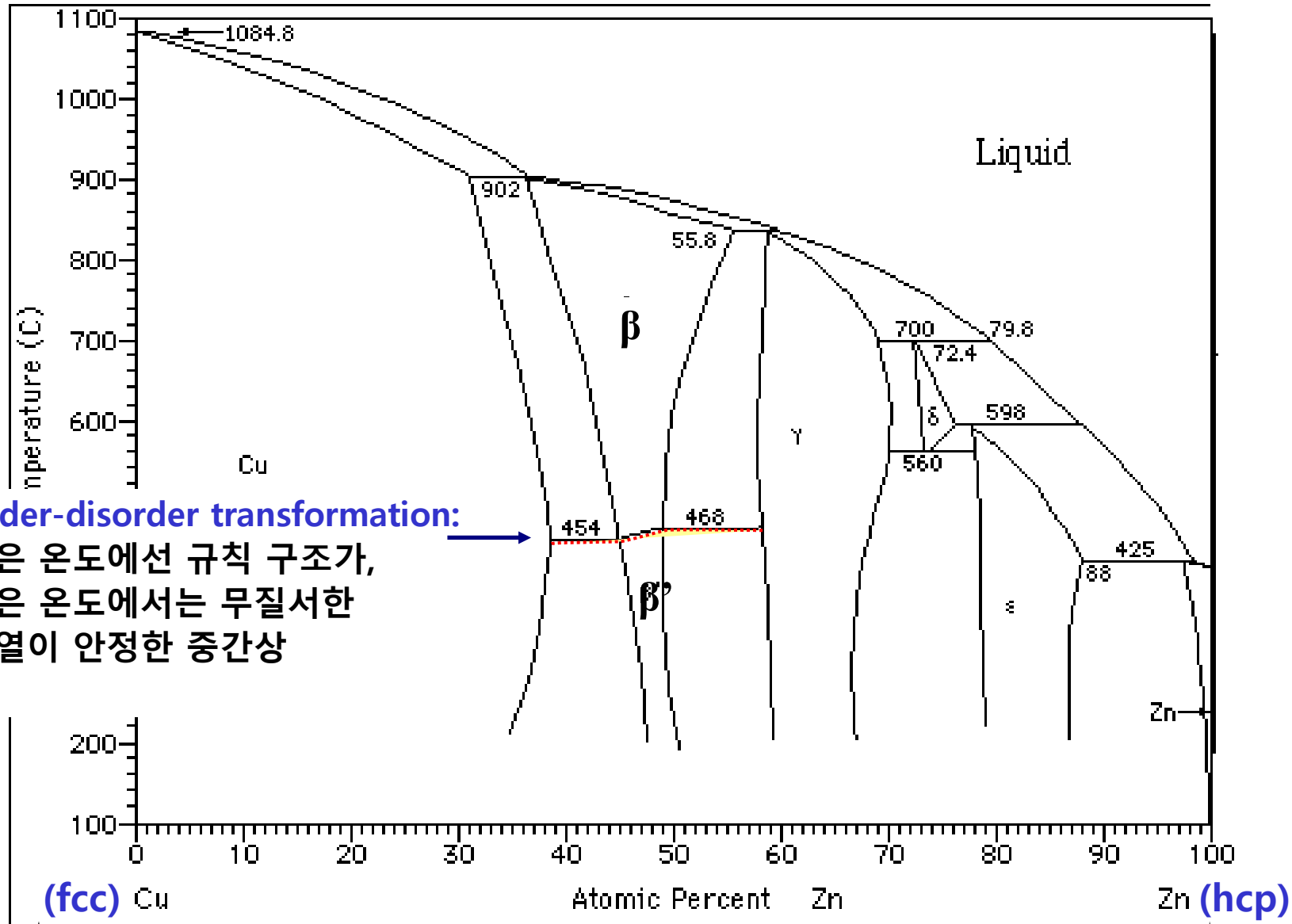
# Order-disorder phase transformation

- Not classical phase change = ~not depend on diffusion process
- **change of temperature allowed a continuous re-arrangement of atoms without changing the phase = "2<sup>nd</sup> order transition"**
- **boundary: ordered lattice & disordered lattice/phase rule could not applied**  
there are cases in which an ordered phase of one composition exists in equilibrium with a disordered phase of a different composition.
- Simple composition of the type AB or AB<sub>3</sub> can the transformation (i.e. at the temperature maximum) be considered diffusionless.



# Intermediate Phase

$$\epsilon < 0, \Delta H_{\text{mix}} < 0 / \Delta H_{\text{mix}} \sim -21 \text{ kJ/mol}$$



Order-disorder transformation:

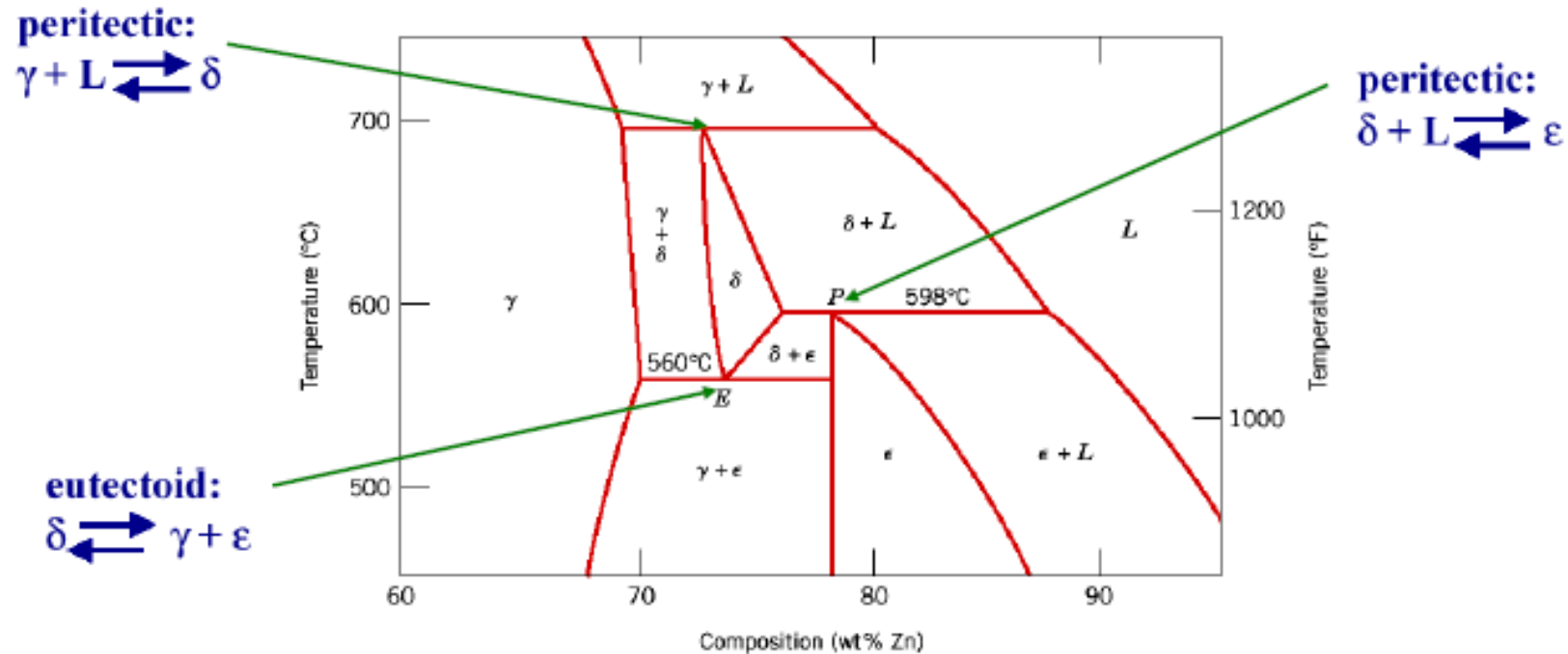
낮은 온도에선 규칙 구조가,  
높은 온도에서는 무질서한  
배열이 안정한 중간상

- $\alpha$  and  $\eta$  are terminal solid solutions
- $\beta$ ,  $\beta'$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $\delta$  and  $\epsilon$  are intermediate solid solutions.



# Cu-Zn Phase Diagram

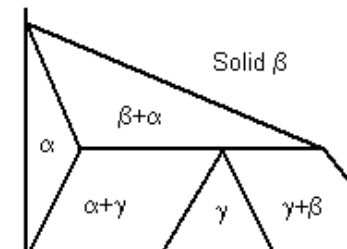
## Eutectoid and Peritectic Reactions



**Eutectoid:** one solid phase transforms into two other solid phases upon cooling

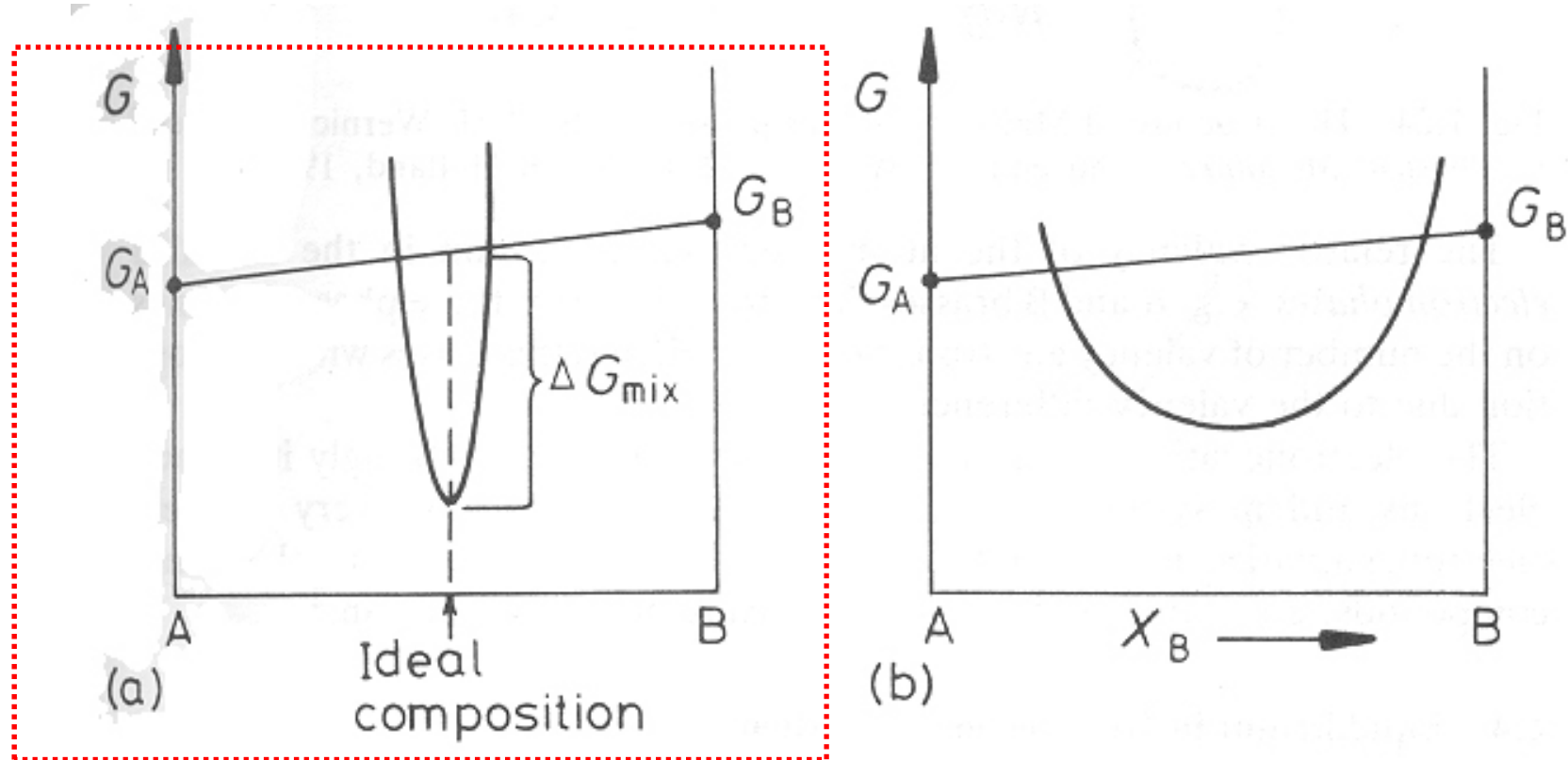
**Peritectic:** one solid and one liquid phase transform into another solid phase upon cooling

**Peritectoid:** two other solid phases transform into another solid phase upon cooling



## **Q5: Intermediate phase vs Intermetallic compound**

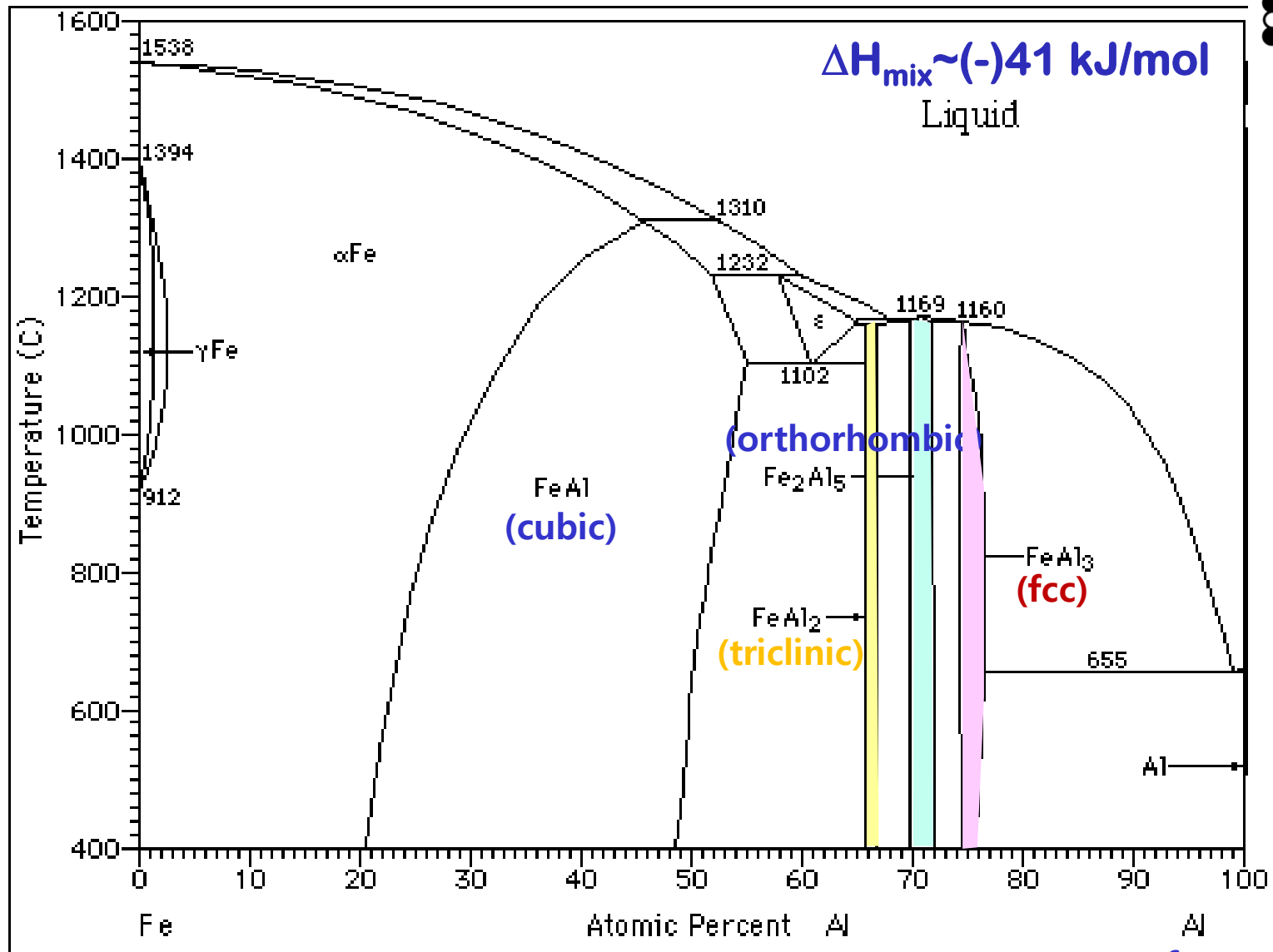
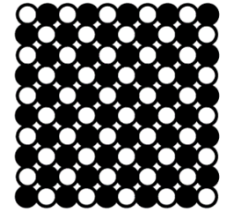
## Intermediate Phase



- \* **Many intermetallic compounds** have **stoichiometric composition**  $A_mB_n$  and a characteristic free energy curve as shown in Fig (a).
- \* In other structure, fluctuations in composition can be tolerated by **some atoms occupying 'wrong' position** or by **atom sites being left vacant**, and in these cases the **curvature** of the  $G$  curve is much less, Fig (b).

# Intermediate Phase

$$\epsilon < 0, \Delta H_{\text{mix}} < 0$$

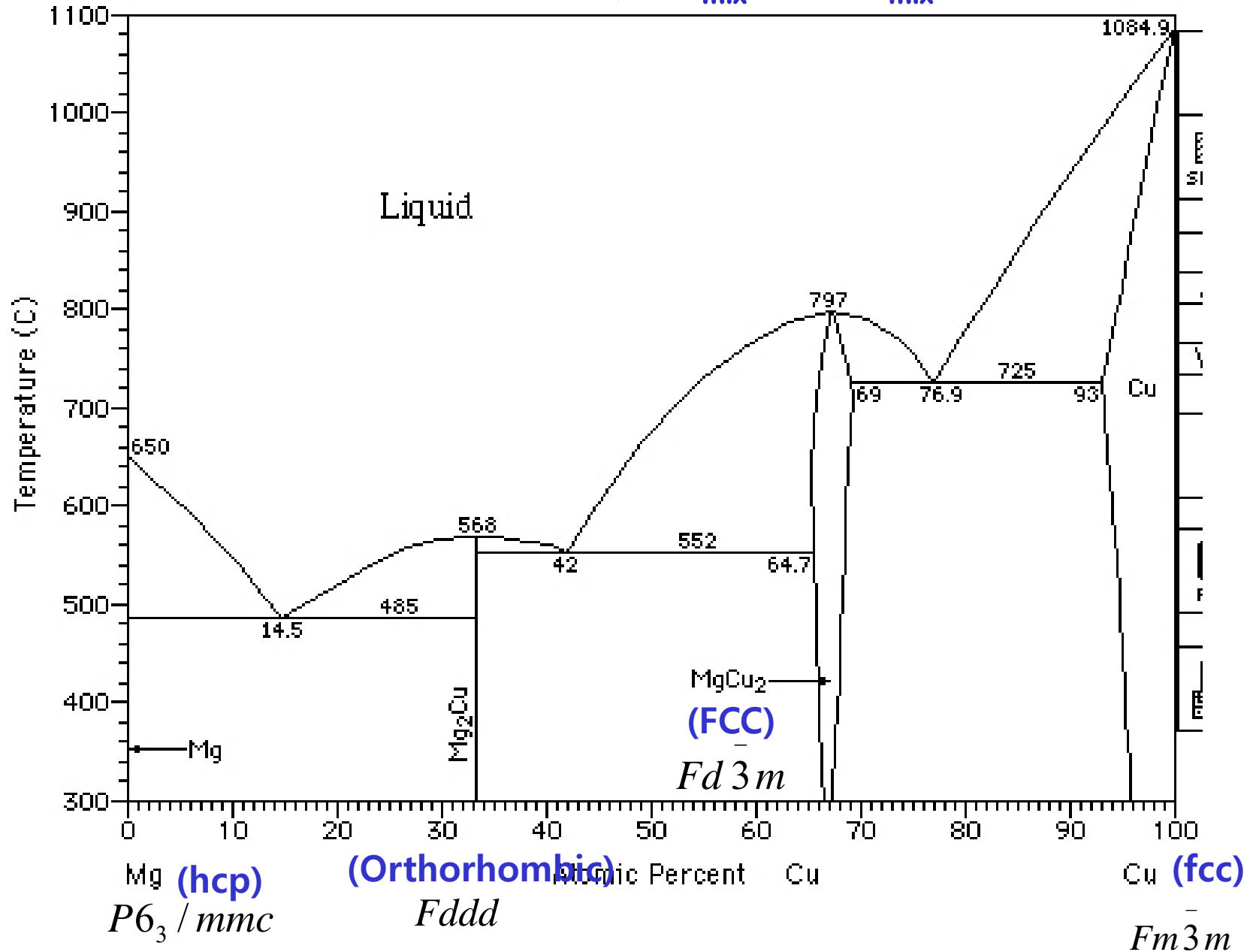


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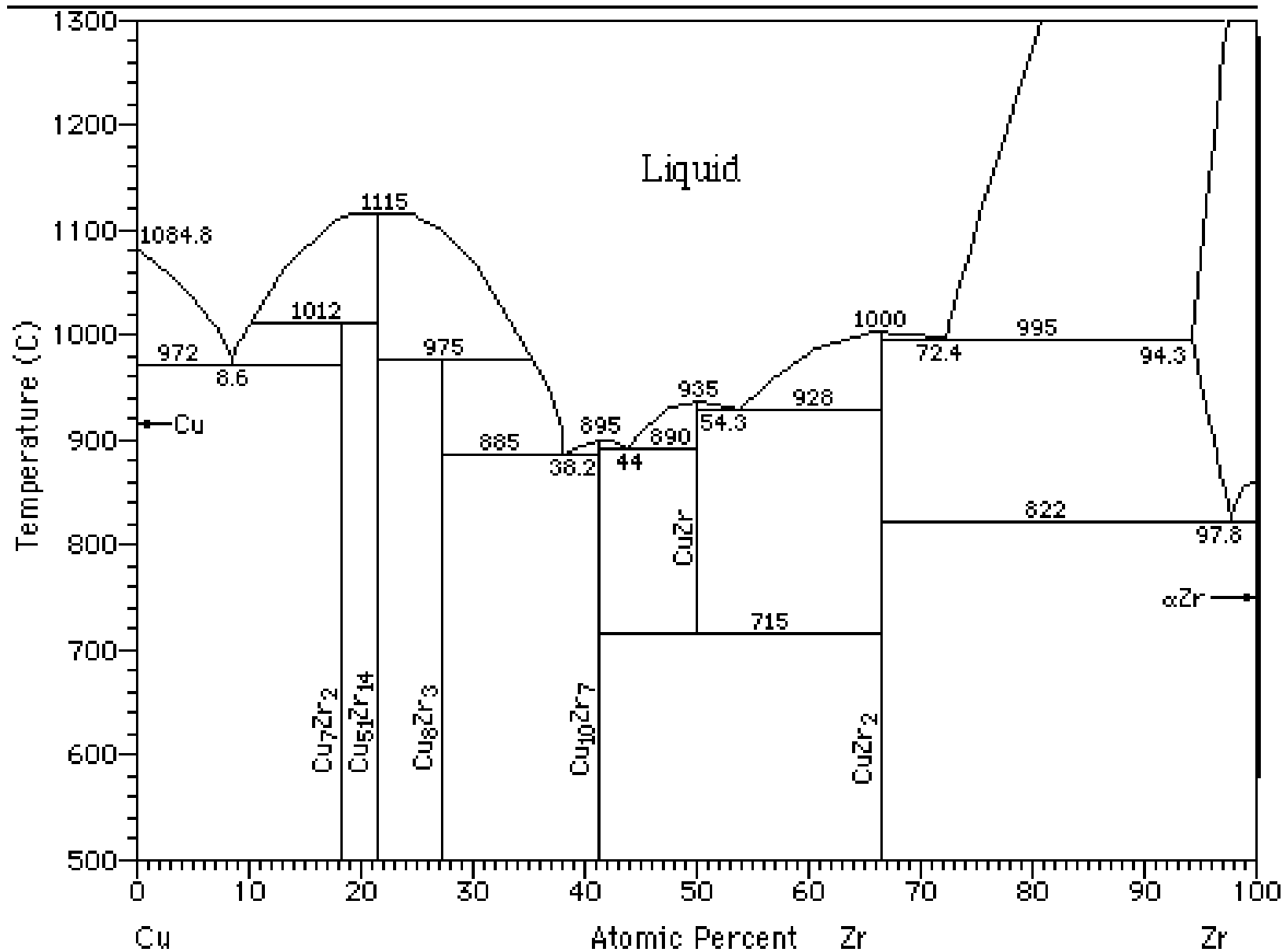
# Intermediate Phase

$$\epsilon < 0, \Delta H_{\text{mix}} < 0 / \Delta H_{\text{mix}} \sim -38 \text{ kJ/mol}$$



# Intermediate Phase

$$\epsilon \ll 0, \Delta H_{\text{mix}} \ll 0 / \Delta H_{\text{mix}} \sim -142 \text{ kJ/mol}$$



**Q6: Main factors determining the structure of intermediate phase**

## 1.3 Binary Solutions

# Intermediate Phase

\_"different crystal structure as either of the pure component"

## 3 main factors

determining the structure of Intermediate phase ?

### 1) Relative atomic size

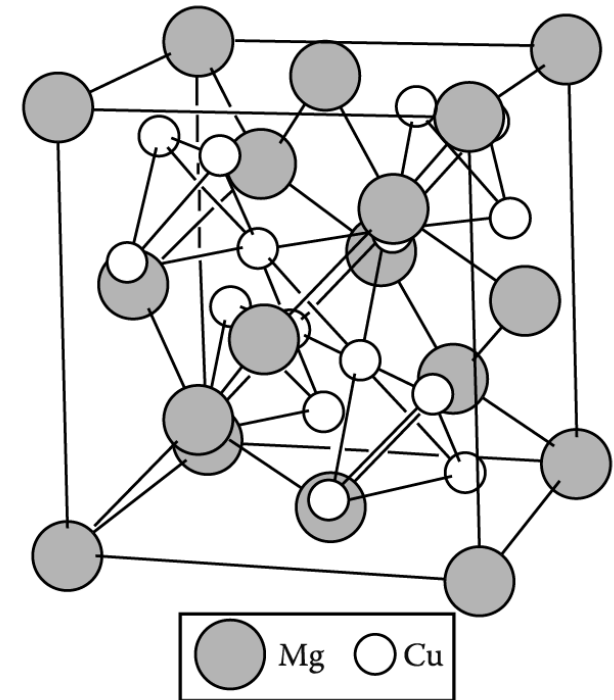
- **Laves phase** (size difference: 1.1~1.6 ex:  $\text{MgCu}_2$ )  
fill space most efficiently ~ stable
- **Interstitial compound**:  $\text{MX}$ ,  $\text{M}_2\text{X}$ ,  $\text{MX}_2$ ,  $\text{M}_6\text{X}$   
M= Cubic or HCP ex: Zr, Ti, V, Cr, etc, X= H, B, C, and N

### 2) Relative valency electron

- **electron phases** ex\_  $\alpha$  &  $\beta$  brass  
# of valency electrons per unit cell  
→ depending on compositional change

### 3) Electronegativity

- very different electronegativities → ionic **bond** normal valency compounds  
ex  $\text{Mg}_2\text{Sn}$



$\text{MgCu}_2$  (A Laves phase)



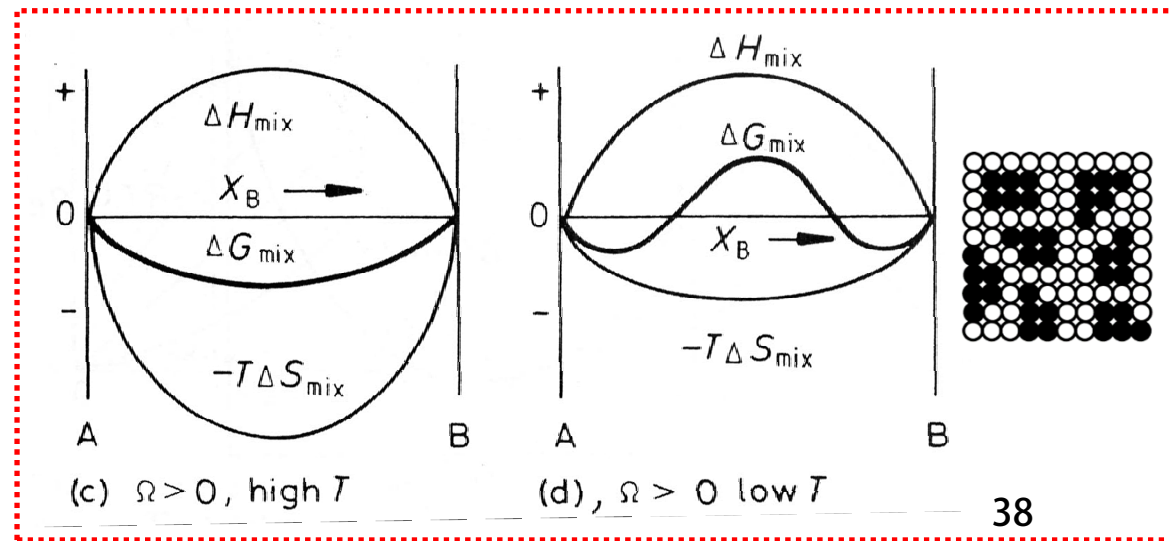
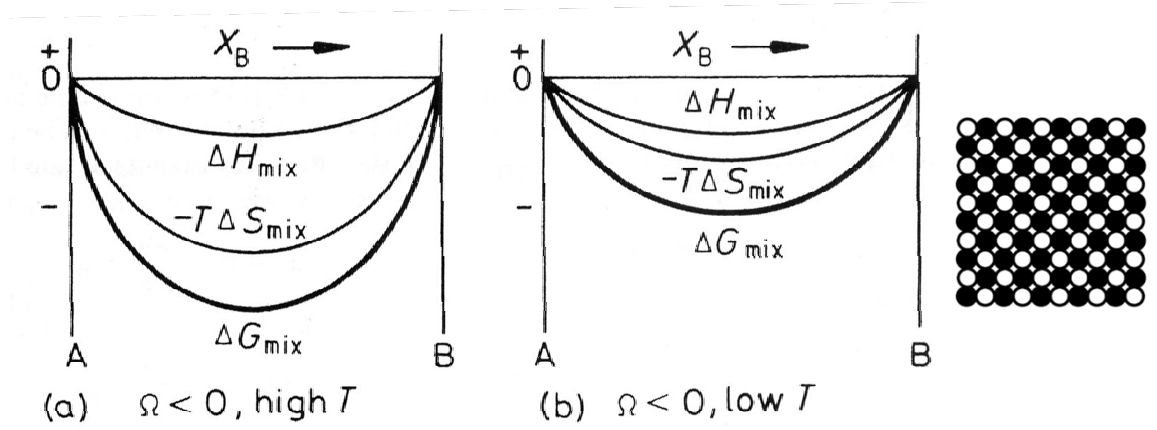
**“Clustering”? → Phase separation**

**Q7: Metastable vs Stable miscibility gap**

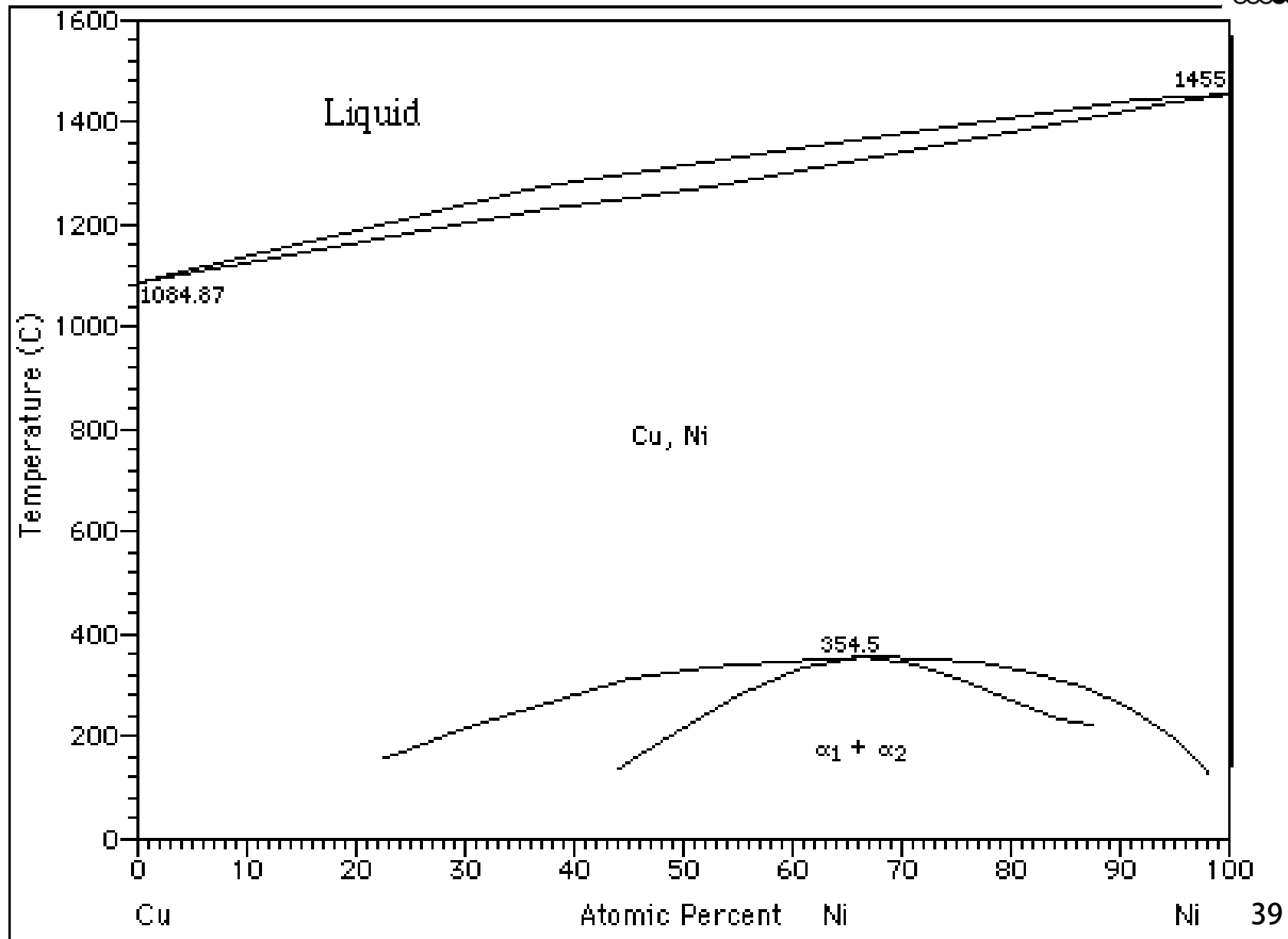
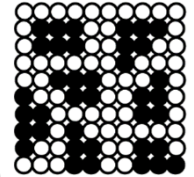
\* The degree of **ordering or clustering** will decrease as temp. **increases** due to the increasing importance of **entropy**.

High temp.  $\longrightarrow$  Entropy effect  $\uparrow$   $\longrightarrow$  Solution stability  $\uparrow$

$$\Delta G_{mix} = \Delta H_{mix} - T\Delta S_{mix}$$

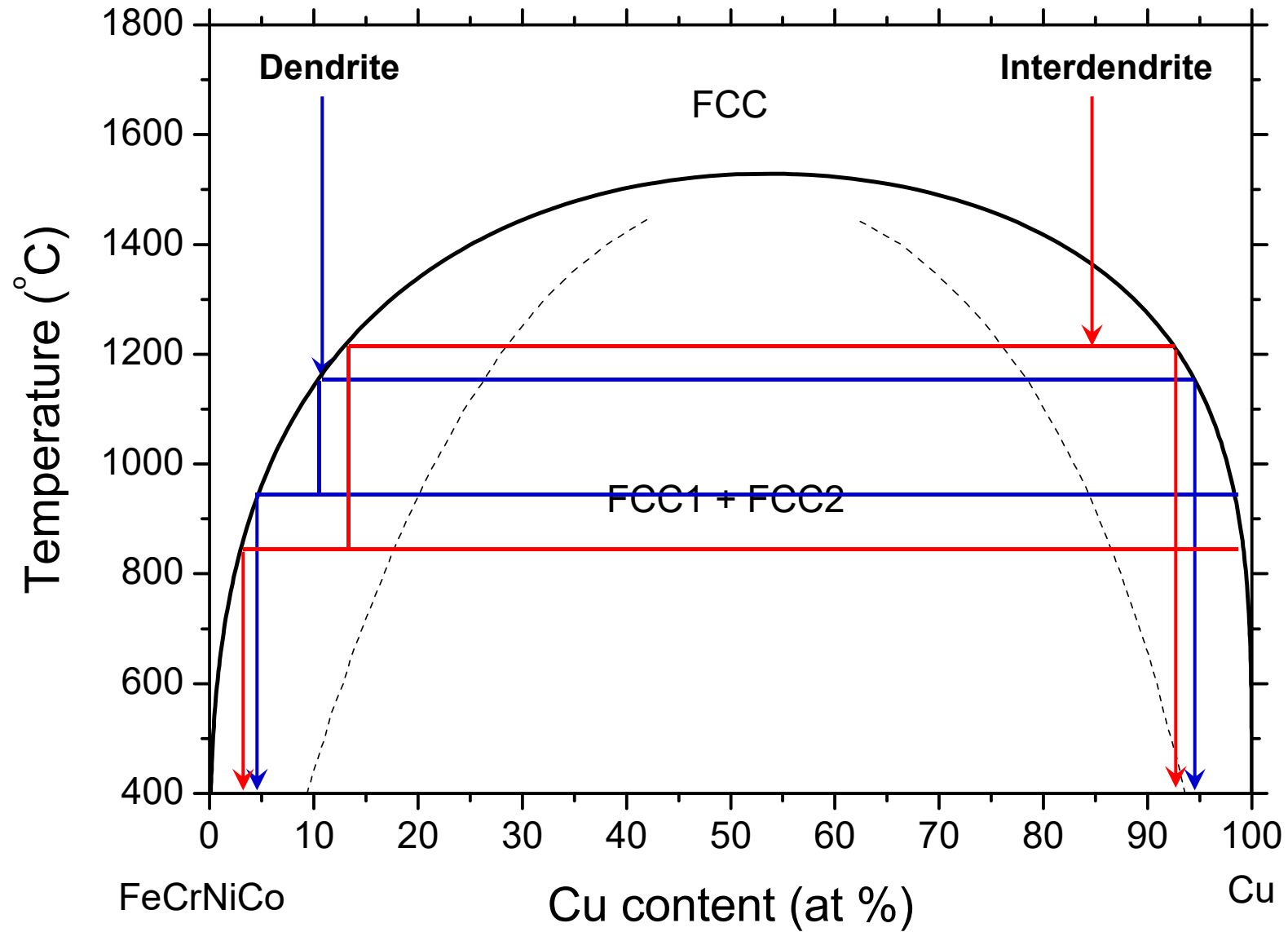


$\epsilon > 0, \Delta H_{\text{mix}} > 0 / \Delta H_{\text{mix}} \sim +26 \text{ kJ/mol}$

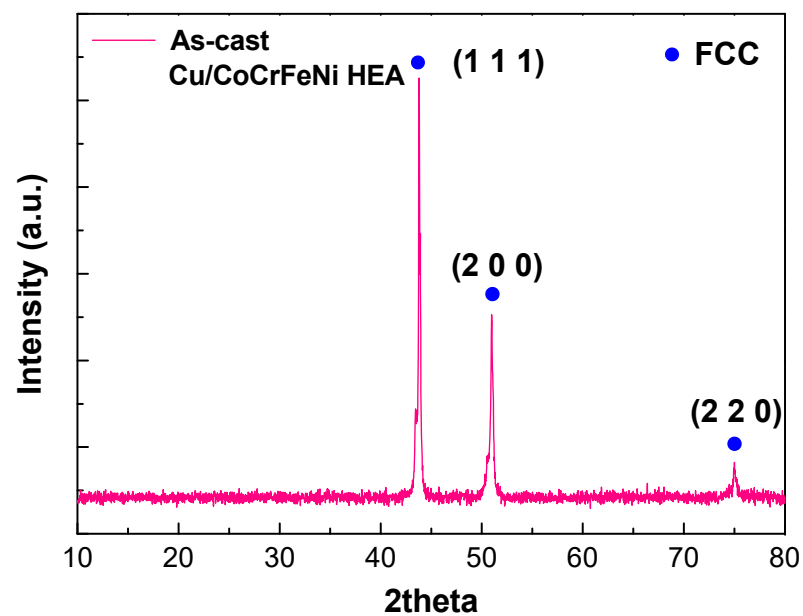
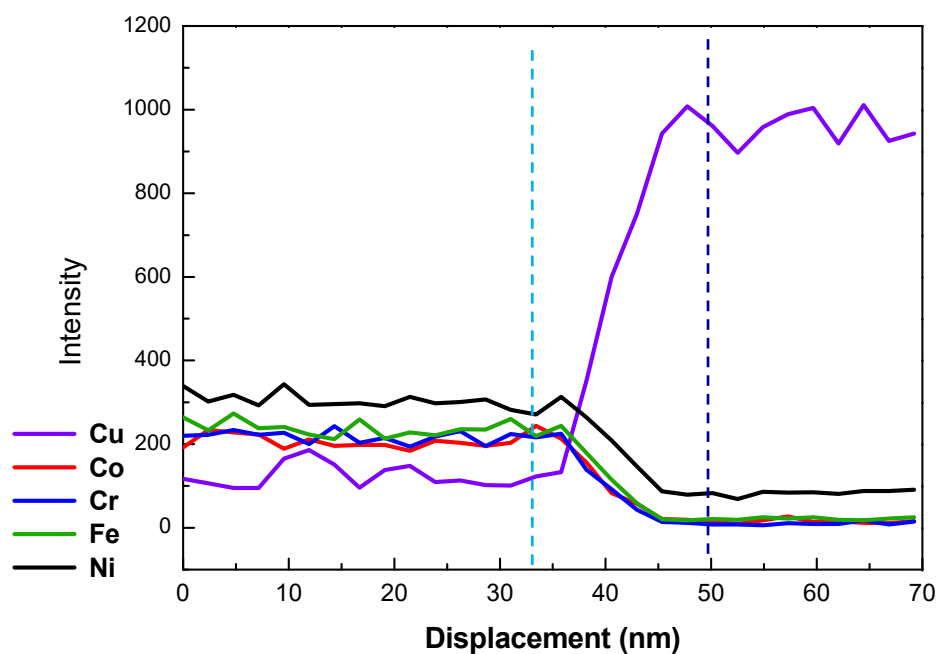
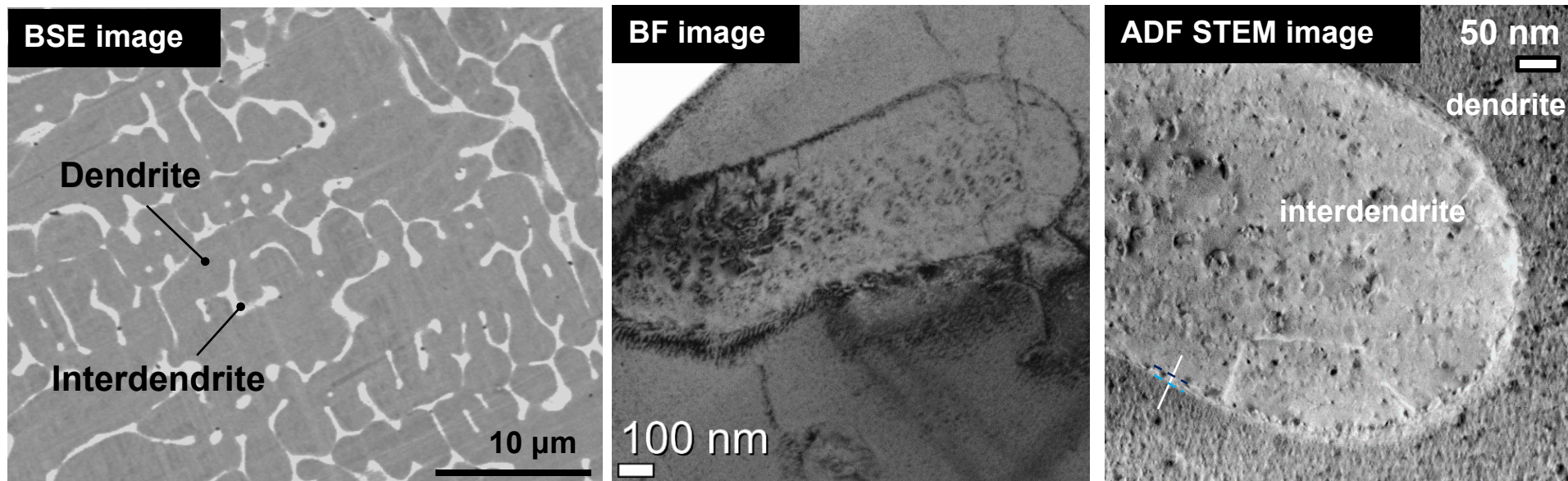


# Cooling process in the miscibility gap

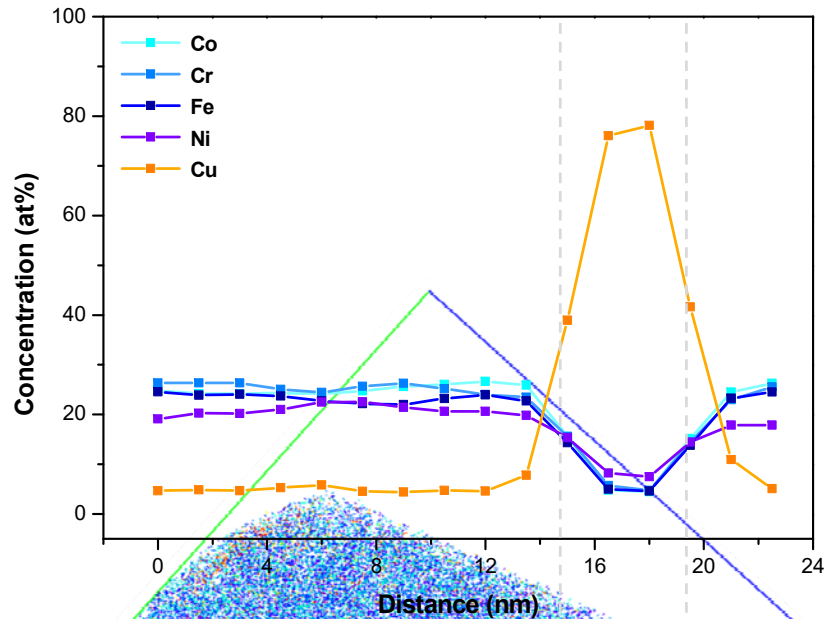
## Dendrite / interdendrite formation



# Microstructure of as-cast CoCrFeNiCu HEA



# Compositional analysis of as-cast CoCrFeNi/Cu HEA (dendrite)



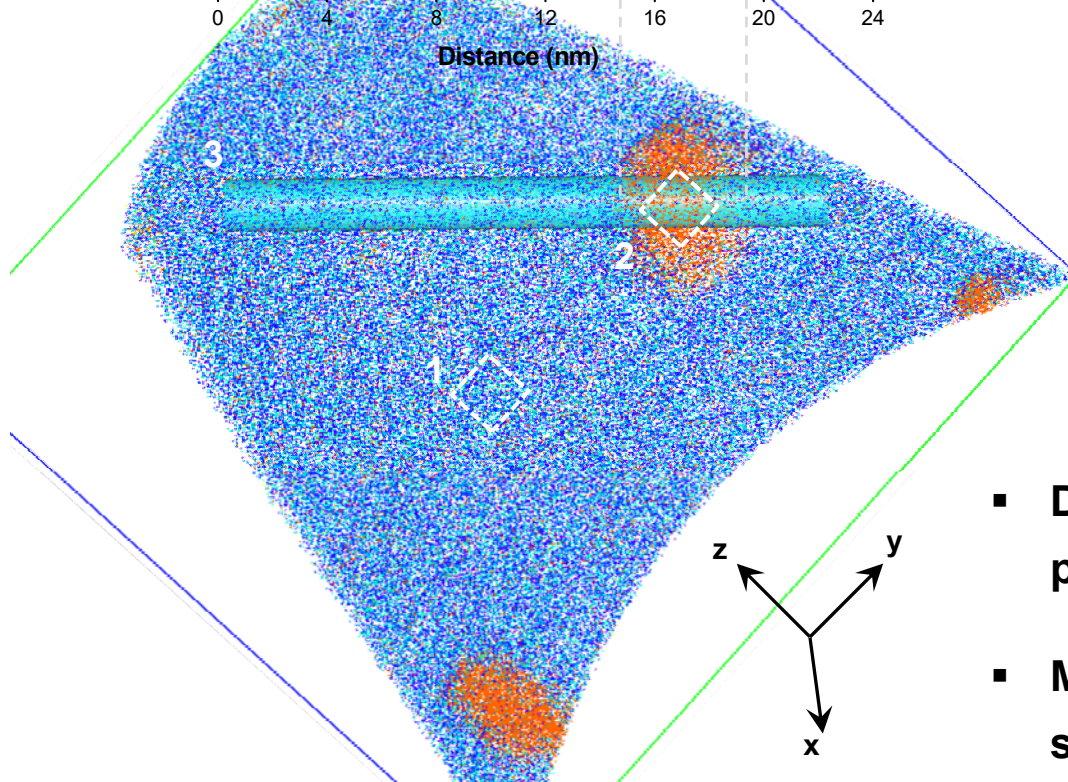
ROI 1, 2 : 1.4 nm x 2 nm x 2 nm

ROI 3 : 1.2 nm x 2 nm x 23 nm

(1D concentration profile)

1	at%	2	at%
Co	26.19	Co	0.33
Cr	24.15	Cr	0.46
Fe	24.59	Fe	0.39
Ni	19.59	Ni	5.00
Cu	4.74	Cu	93.56

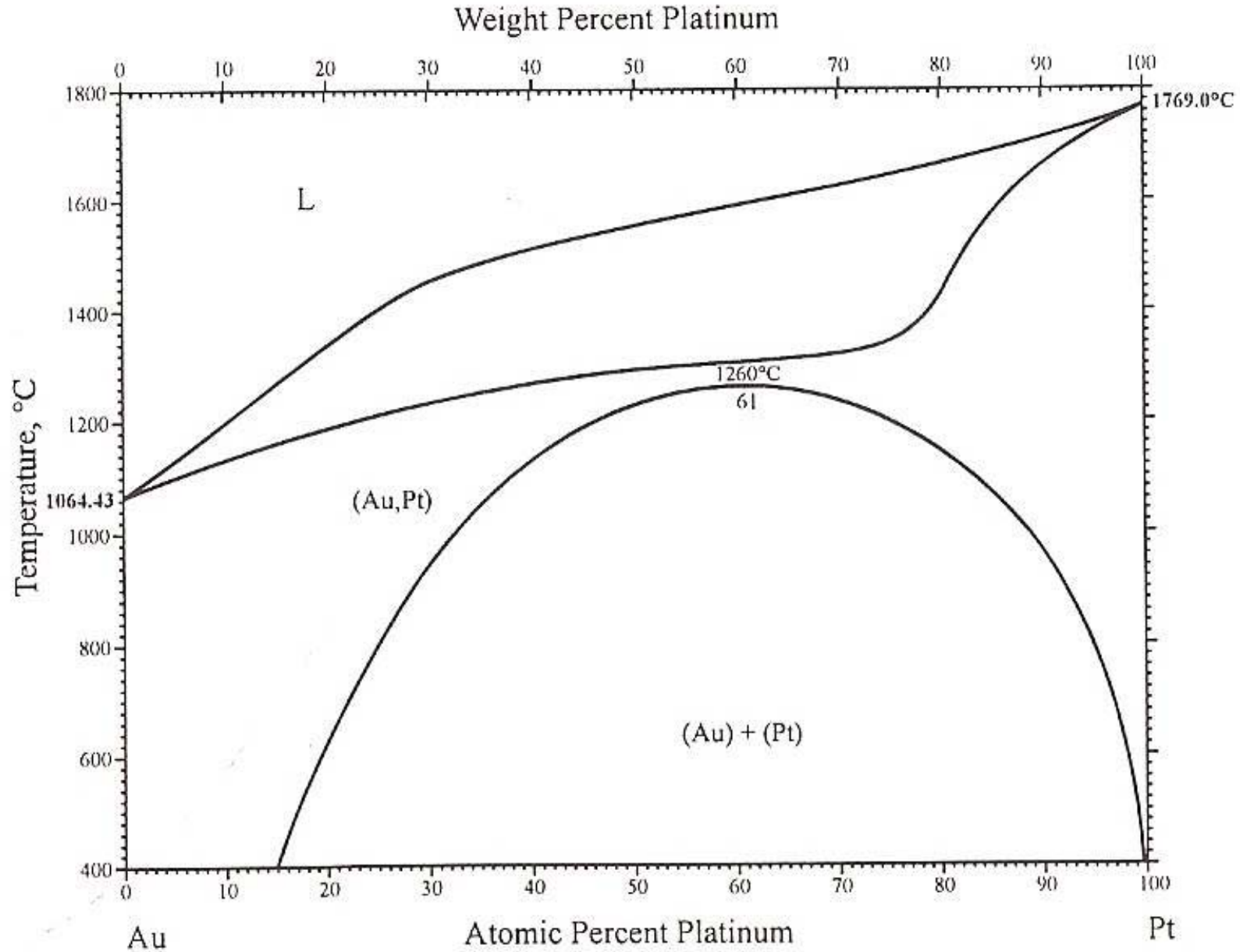
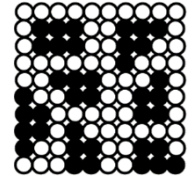
3-1'	at%	3-2'	at%
Co	25.29	Co	2.01
Cr	25.63	Cr	3.35
Fe	23.63	Fe	2.56
Ni	20.66	Ni	6.90
Cu	4.42	Cu	84.92

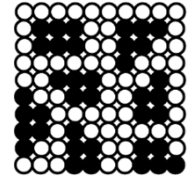


- Dendrite 는 matrix (4.74 at%Cu) 와 2nd phase (93.56 at%Cu)로 구성됨
- Matrix 와 2nd phase 계면에서의 segregation 없음

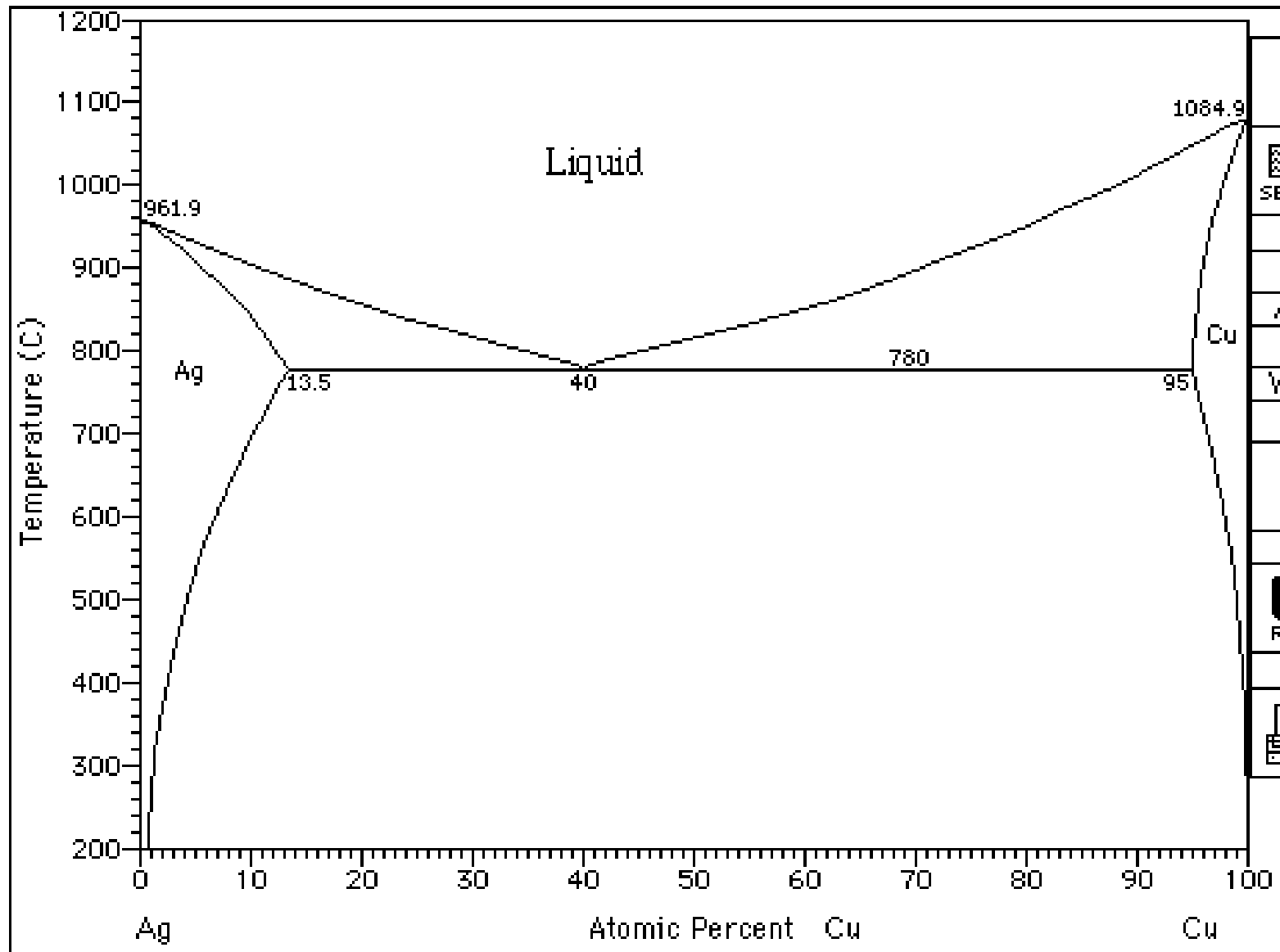


$\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\Delta H_{\text{mix}} > 0$  /  $\Delta H_{\text{mix}} \sim +17 \text{ kJ/mol}$

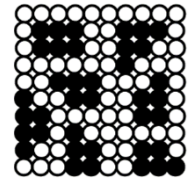




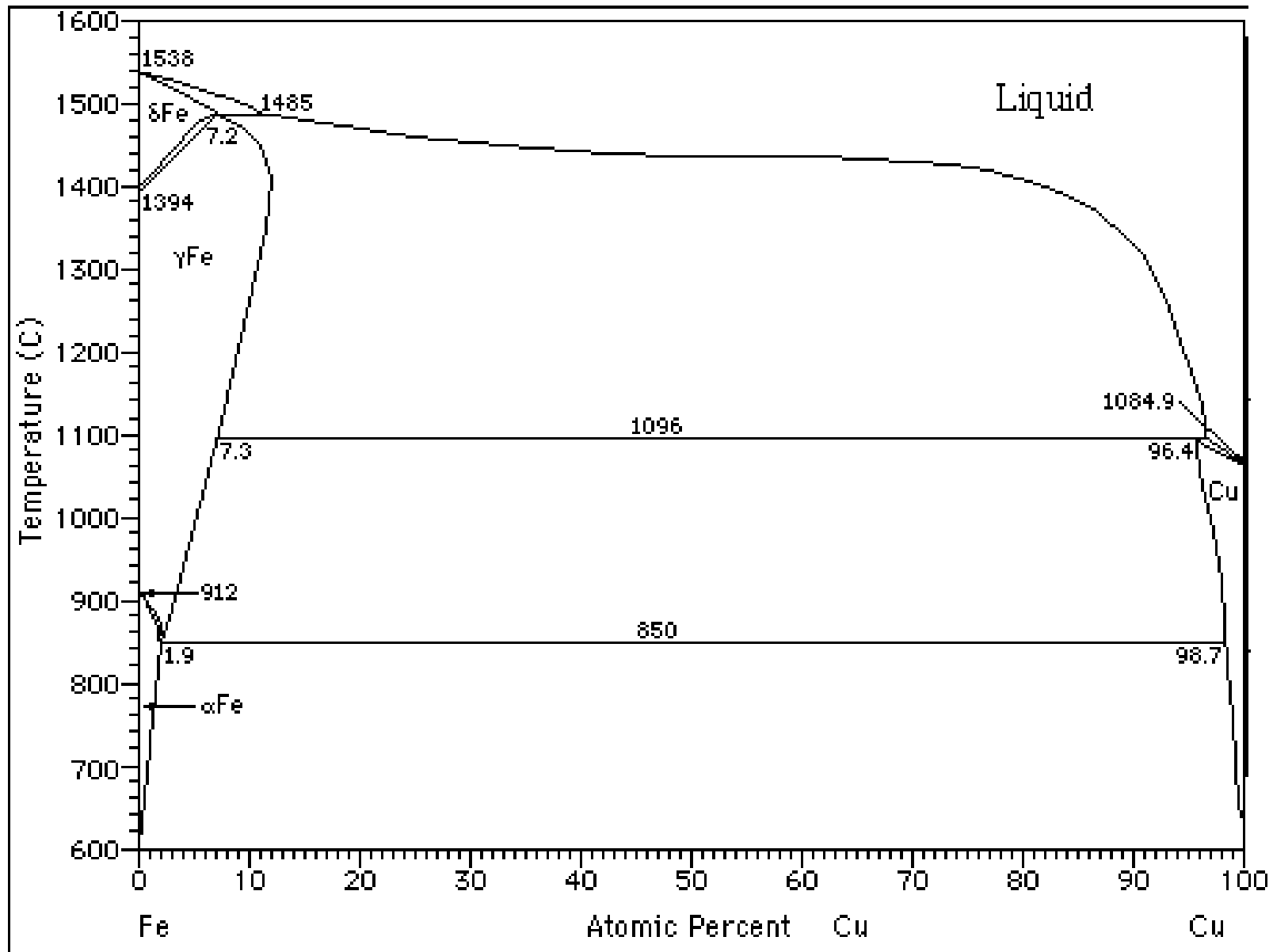
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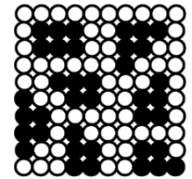




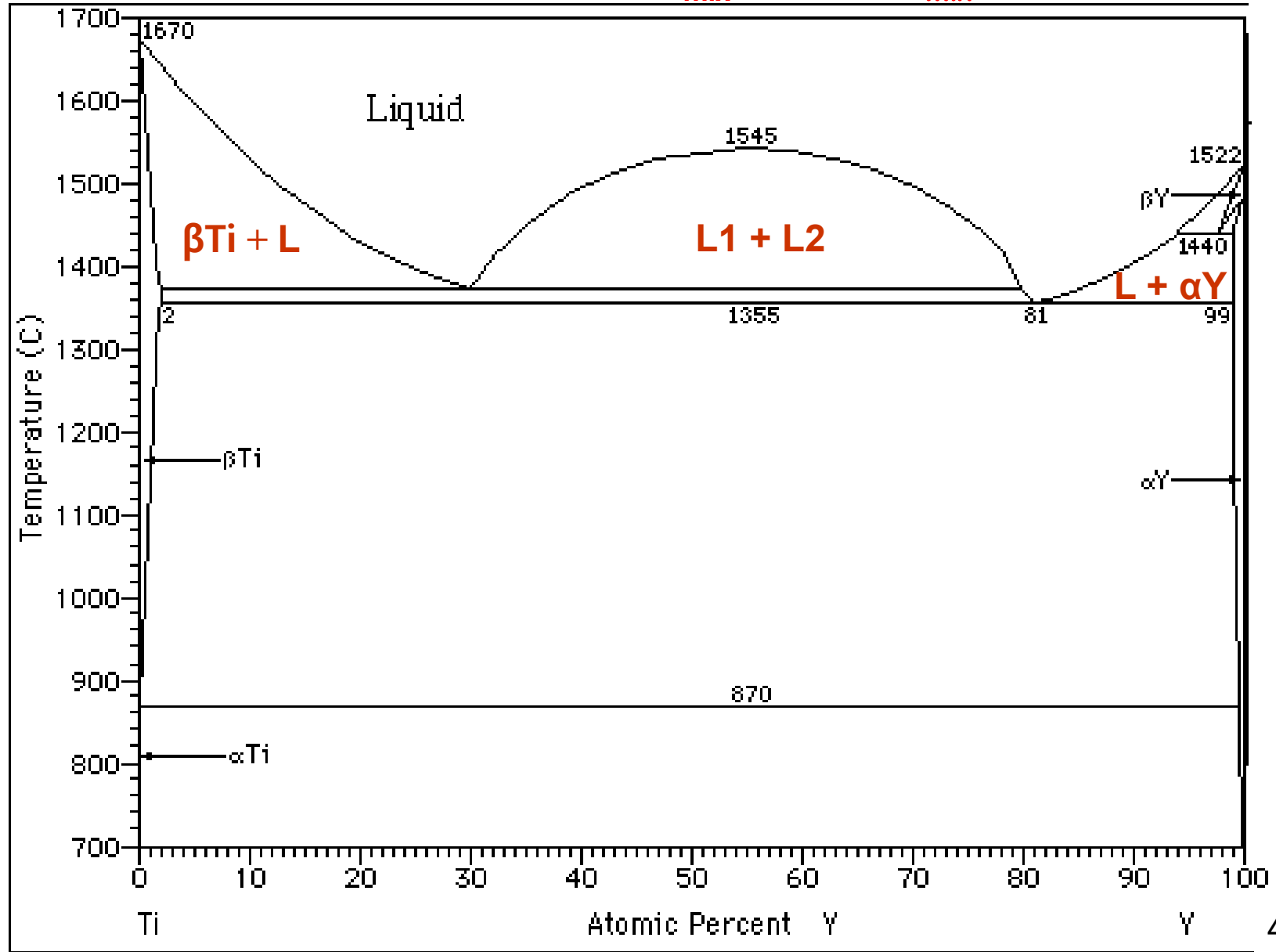


$\epsilon \gg 0, \Delta H_{\text{mix}} \gg 0 / \Delta H_{\text{mix}} \sim +60 \text{ kJ/mol}$





$\epsilon \gg 0, \Delta H_{mix} \gg 0 / \Delta H_{mix} \sim +58 \text{ kJ/mol}$



**“Clustering”? → Phase separation**

**Q8: Spinodal decomposition**

## 5.5.5 Spinodal Decomposition

### Spinodal mode of transformation has no barrier to nucleation

: describing the transformation of a system of two or more components in a metastable phase into two stable phases

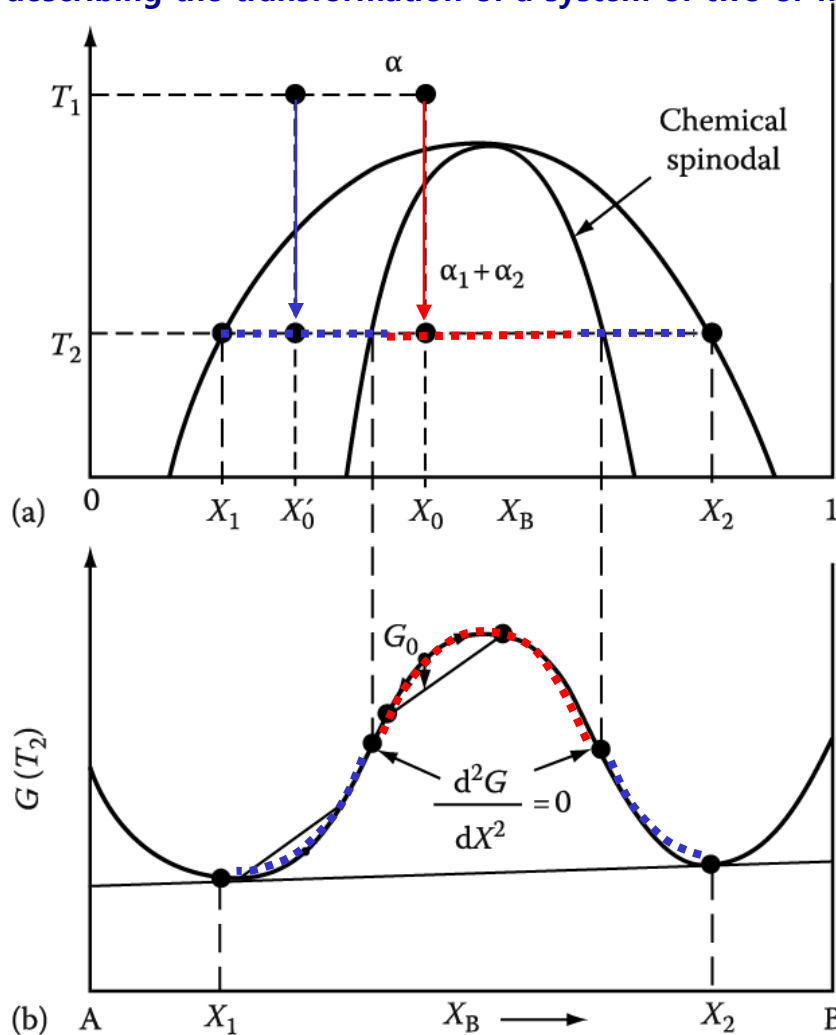


Fig. 5.38 Alloys between the spinodal points are unstable and can decompose into two coherent phases  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$  without overcoming an activation energy barrier. Alloys between the coherent miscibility gaps and the spinodal are metastable and can decompose only after nucleation of the other phase.

How does it differ between **inside** and **outside the inflection point** of Gibbs free energy curve?

1) **Within the spinodal**  $\frac{d^2G}{dX^2} < 0$

: phase separation by small fluctuations in composition/  
"up-hill diffusion"

2) If the alloy lies **outside the spinodal**, small variation in composition leads to an increase in free energy and the alloy is therefore **metastable**.

The free energy can only be decreased if nuclei are formed with a composition very different from the matrix.

→ **nucleation and growth**

: "down-hill diffusion"

**a) Composition fluctuations within the spinodal**

**b) Normal down-hill diffusion outside the spinodal**

**up-hill diffusion**

**down-hill diffusion**

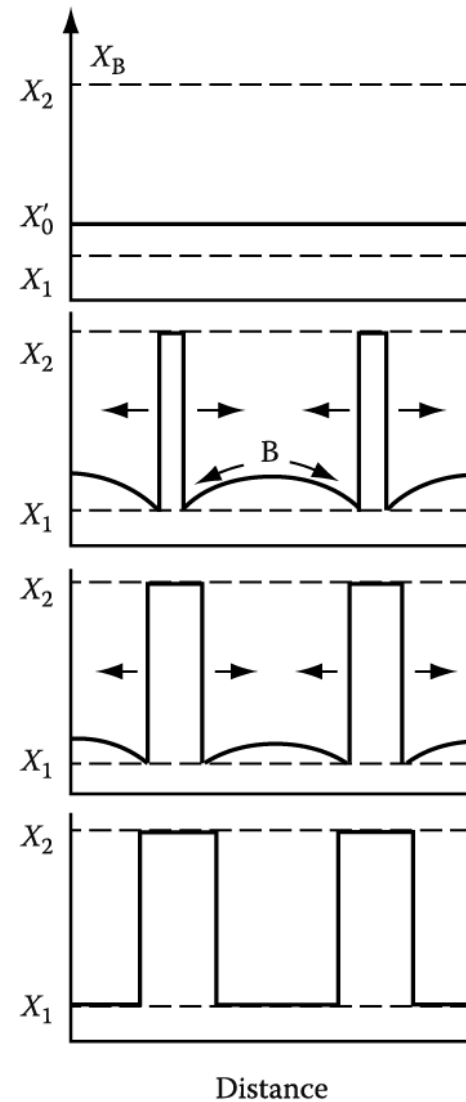
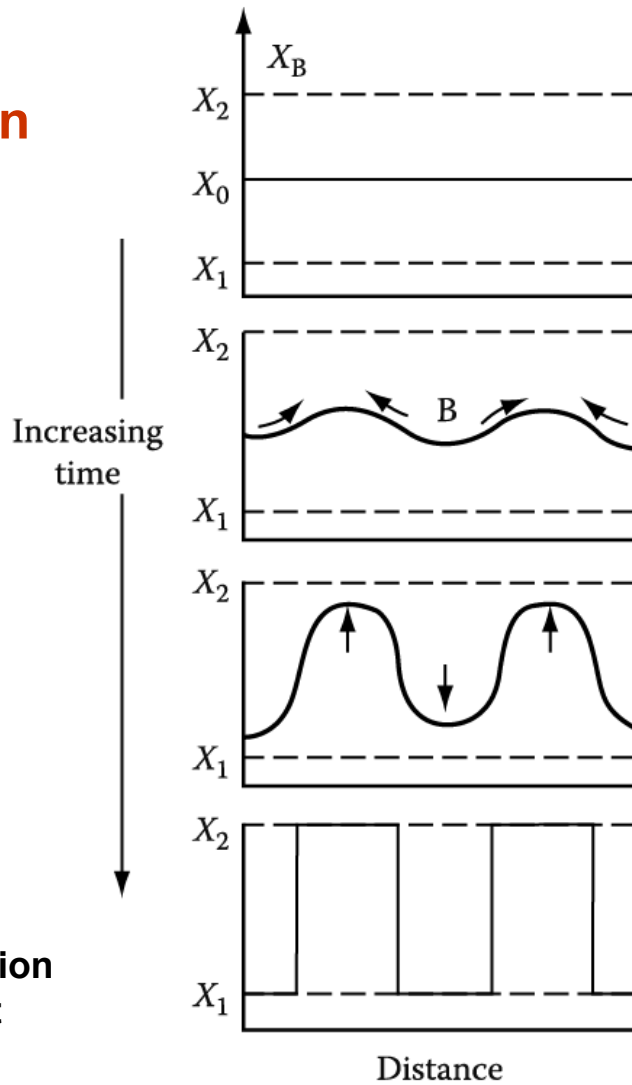


Fig. 5.39 & 5.40 schematic composition profiles at increasing times in (a) an alloy quenched into the spinodal region ( $X_0$  in Figure 5.38) and (b) an alloy outside the spinodal points ( $X'_0$  in Figure 5.38)

## Q9: Phase separation

# Positive heat of mixing relation among constituent elements

- ▶ Alloy design considering heat of mixing relation among constituent elements

$$\Delta H_{\text{mix}} \gg 0 \text{ between A \& B}$$

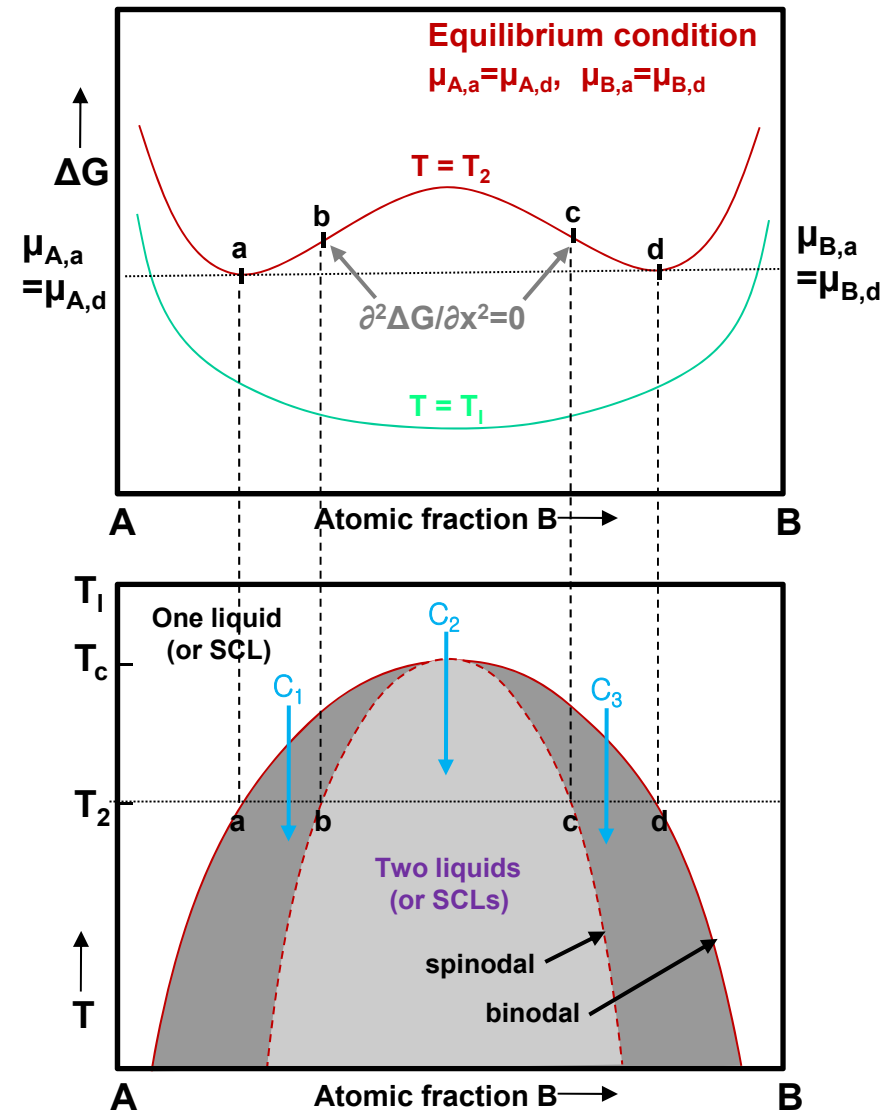
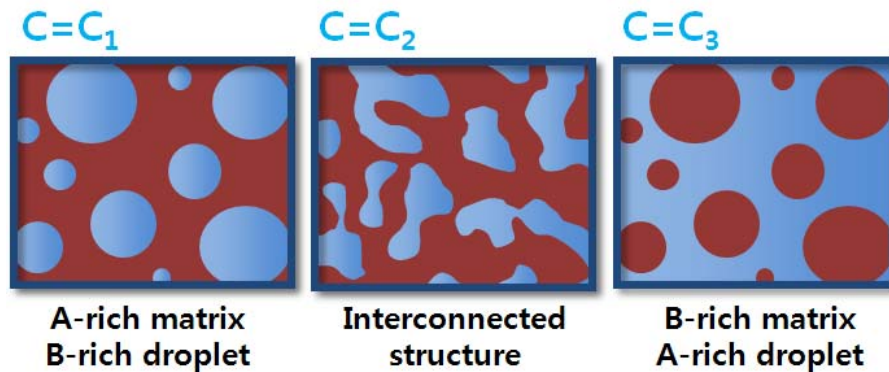


creates (meta)stable miscibility gap in limited composition range



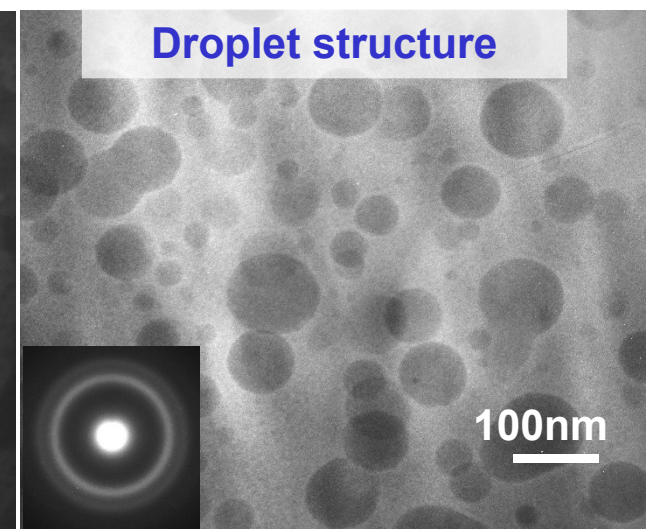
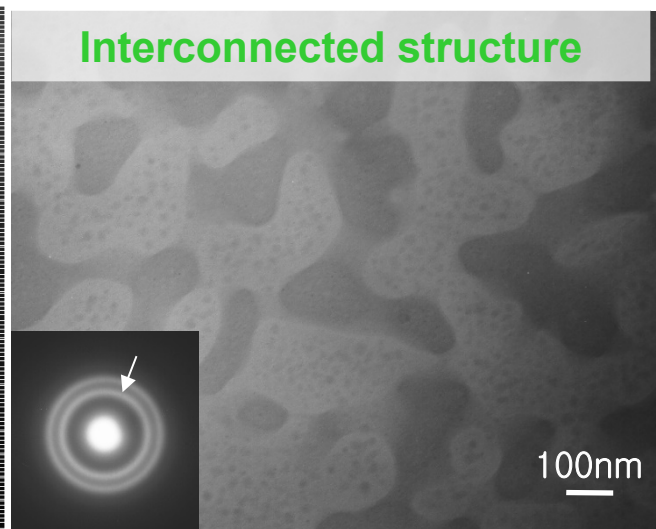
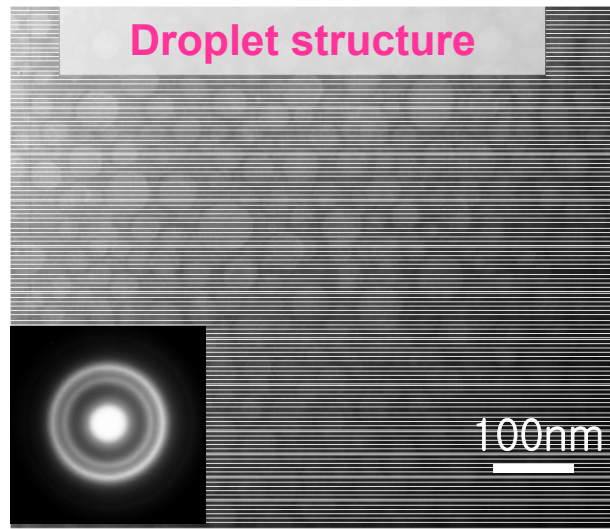
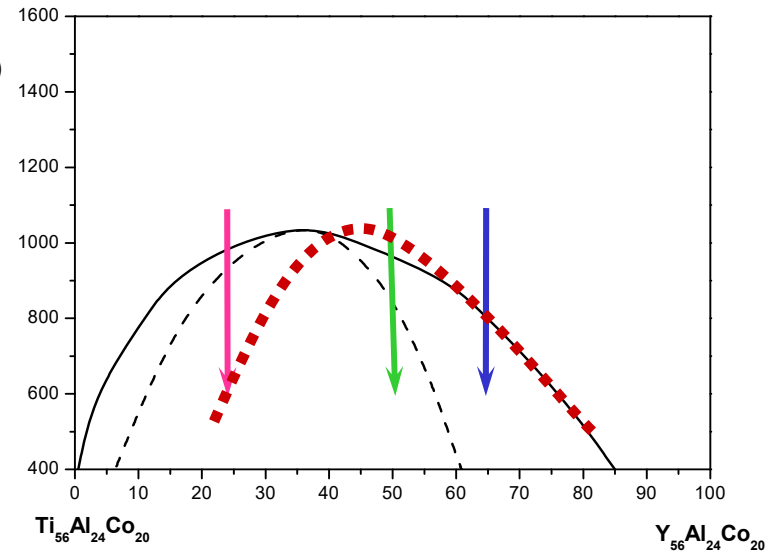
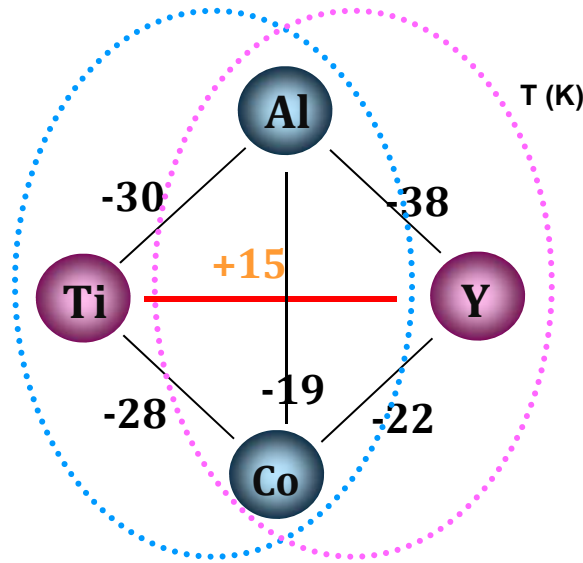
Phase separation to A-rich & B-rich phase

- ▶ Different two-phase structure by initial composition before phase separation



**Nucleation and growth ↔ Spinodal decomposition without any barrier to the nucleation process**

# \* Ti-Y-Al-Co system



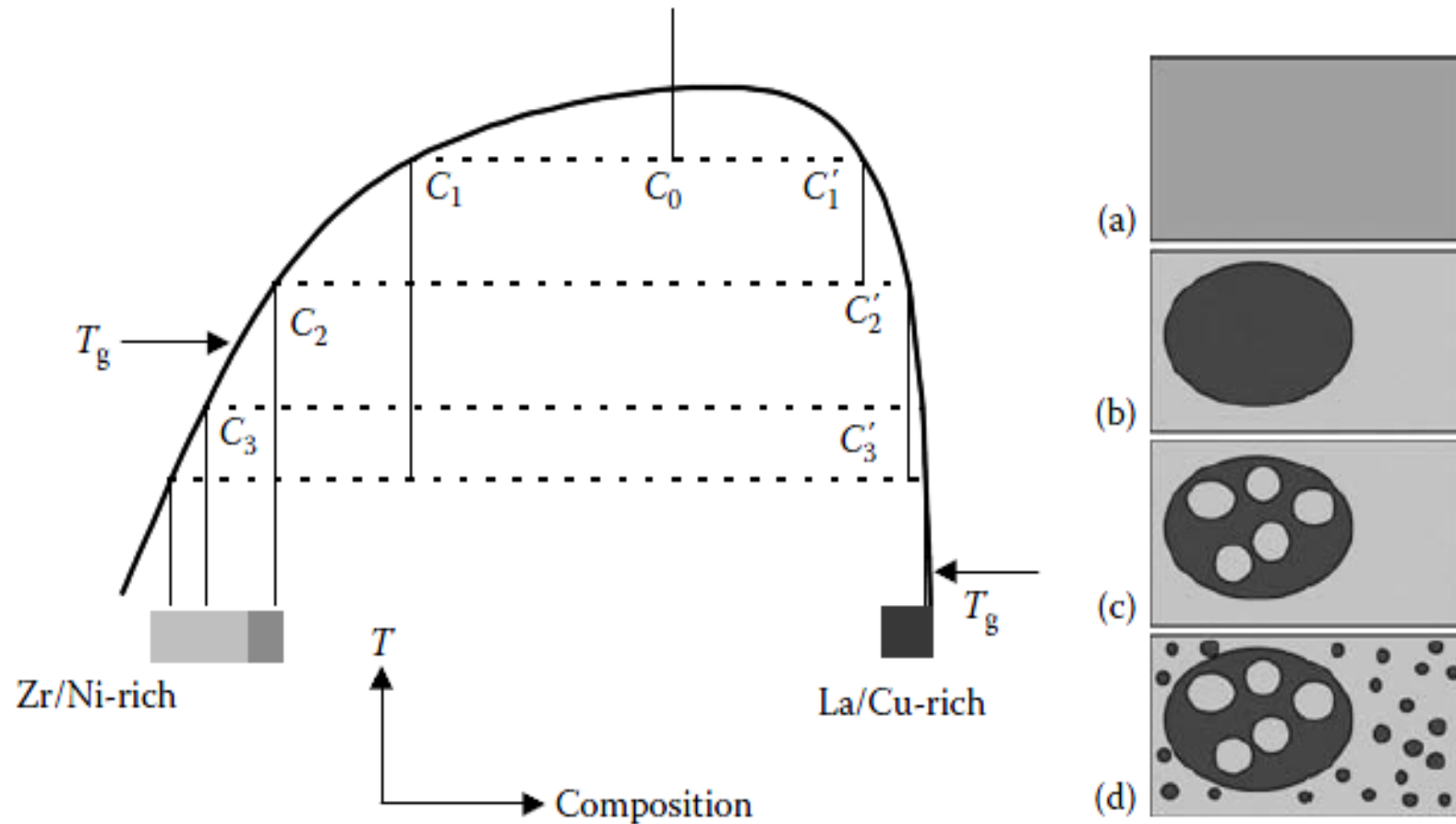
$(Y_{56}Al_{24}Co_{20})_{25}(Ti_{56}Al_{24}Co_{20})_{75}$

$(Y_{56}Al_{24}Co_{20})_{50}(Ti_{56}Al_{24}Co_{20})_{50}$

$(Y_{56}Al_{24}Co_{20})_{65}(Ti_{56}Al_{24}Co_{20})_{35}$



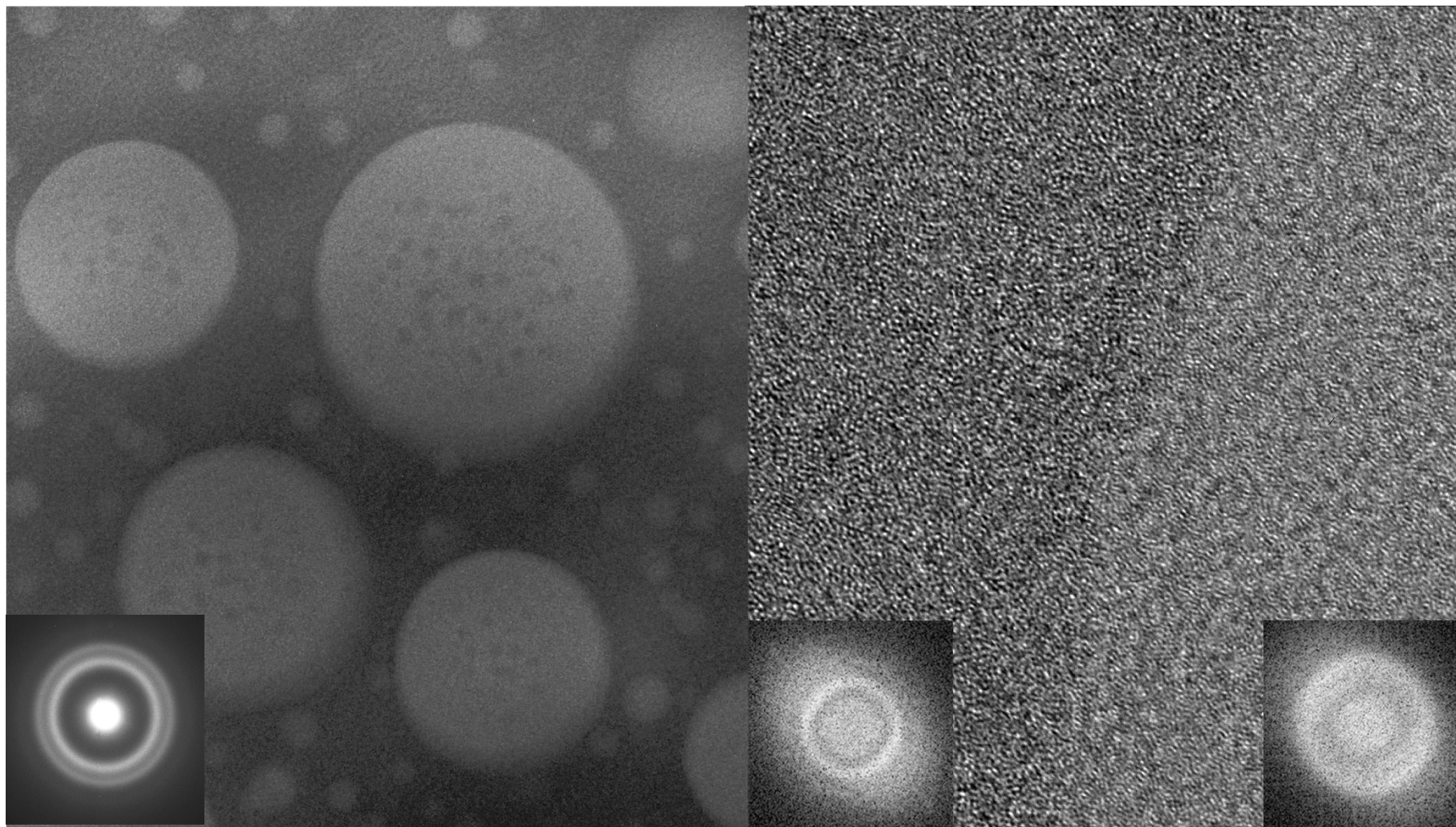
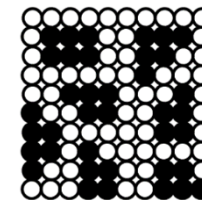
**\* La-Zr-Al-Cu-Ni system**



**FIGURE 5.17**

Schematic of the miscibility gap and the sequence of phase formation during cooling in the La-Zr-Al-Cu-Ni system. The positions of letters (a) to (d) in the diagram on the left correspond to the schematic microstructures (a) to (d) on the right. (Reprinted from Kündig, A.A. et al., *Acta Mater.*, 52, 2441, 2004. With permission.)

# Phase separation in metallic glasses



## **Q10: Microstructure determining parameters of phase separation in metallic glasses**

**(a) Composition**

**(b) Critical temperature,  $T_c$**

**(c) Asymmetry of the spinodal curve/decomposition range**

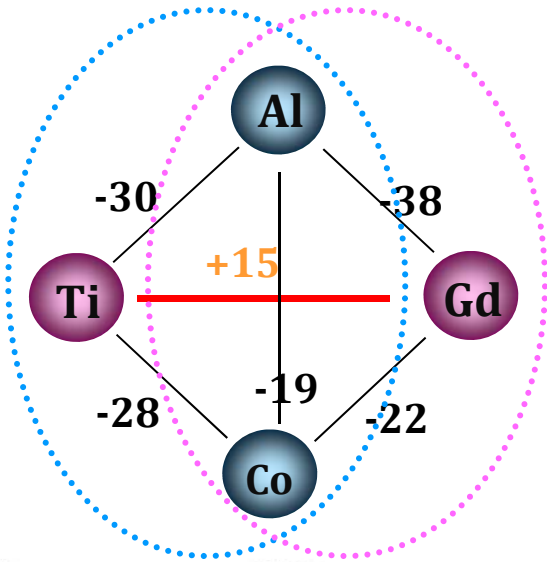
**(d) Glass-forming ability of the separated liquid**



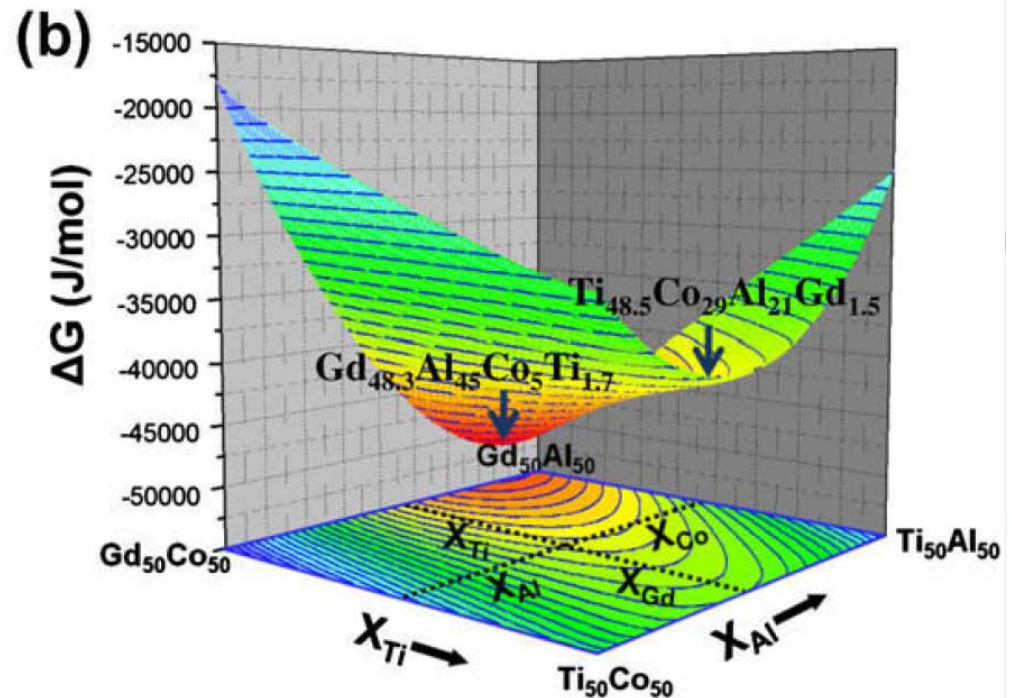
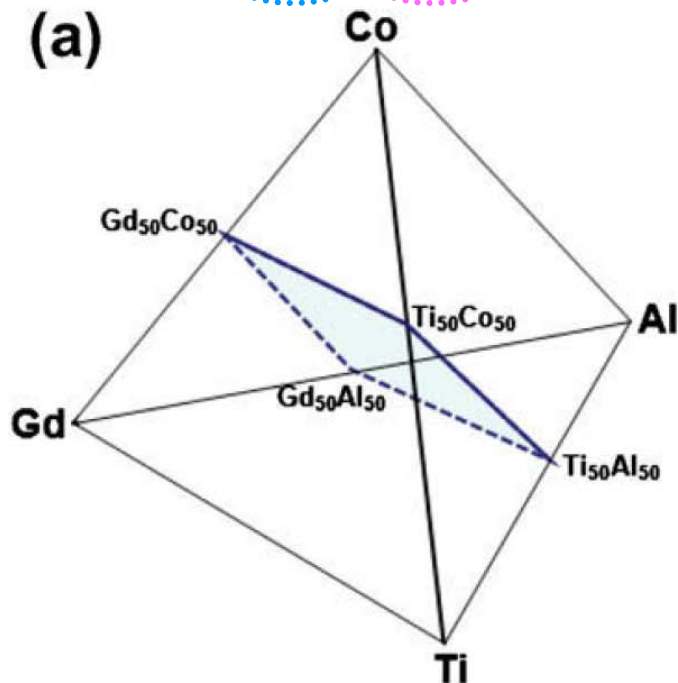
# Synthesis of metallic glass composites using phase separation phenomenon

Possibility of two phase !!!

→ Ti-Al-Co, Gd-Al-Co

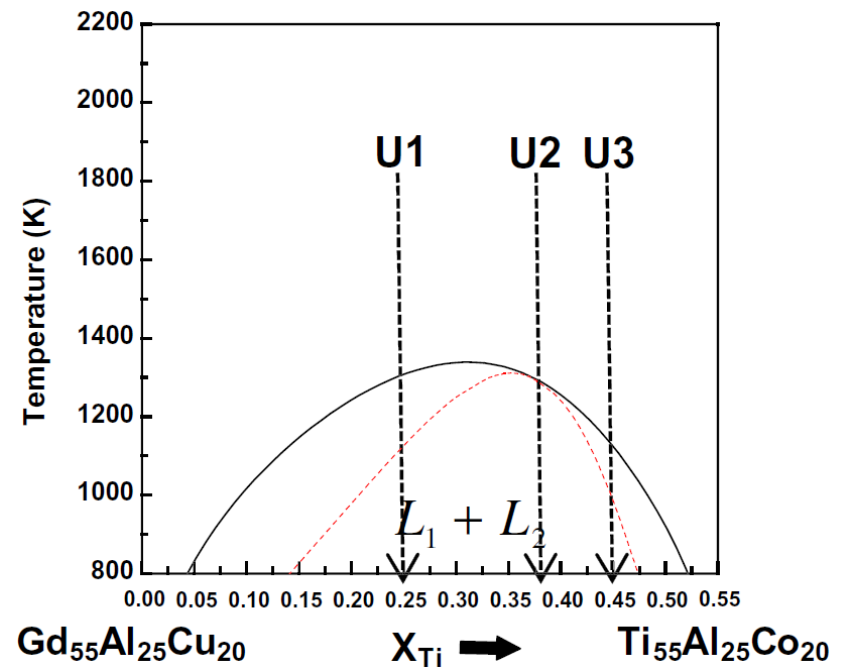
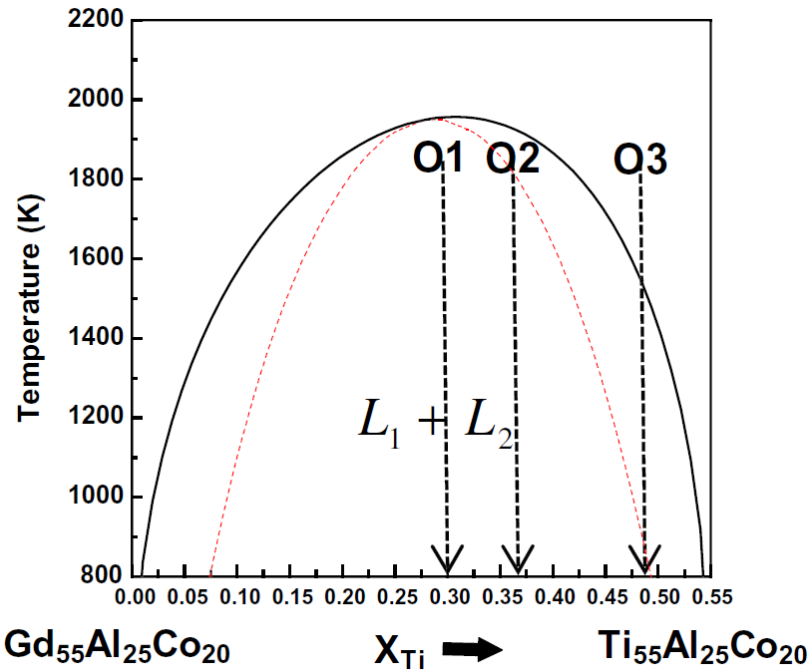
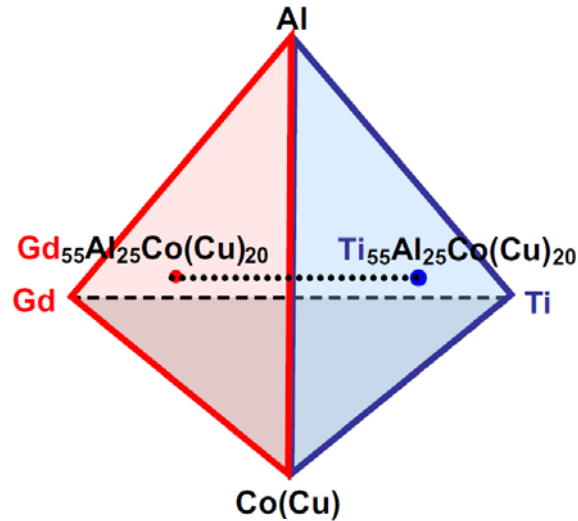


(a) Composition section selected by rectangular plane intersection in quaternary Gd-Ti-Al-Co composition tetrahedron. (b) Gibbs free energy surface of liquid phase at 1000 K for the composition section given in (a). This Gibbs free energy surface shows two minima (arrows), implying that the phase separation can occur in that region.



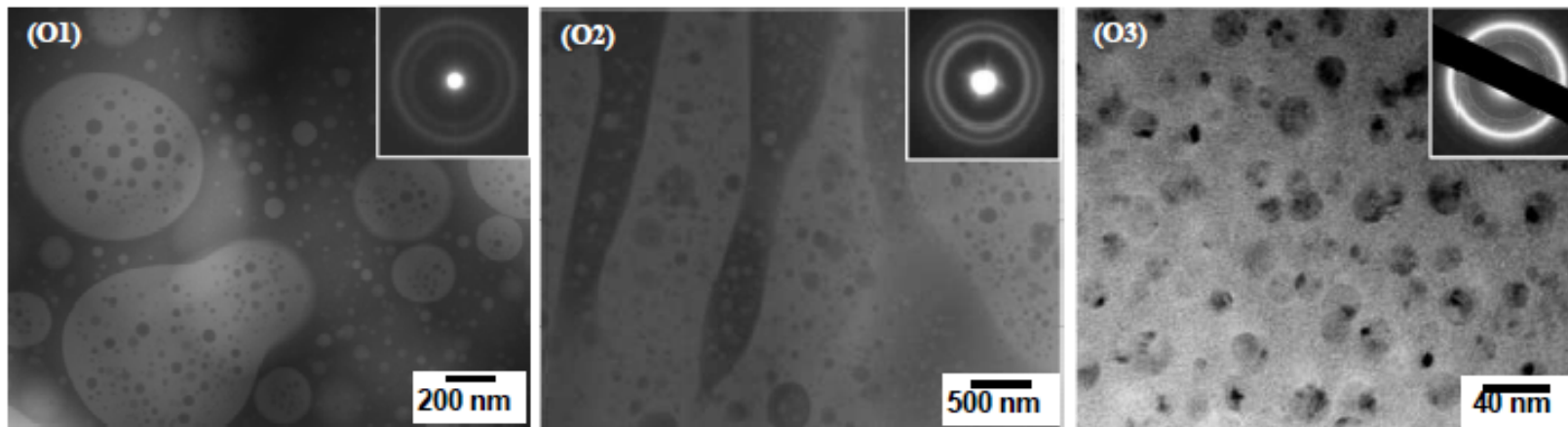
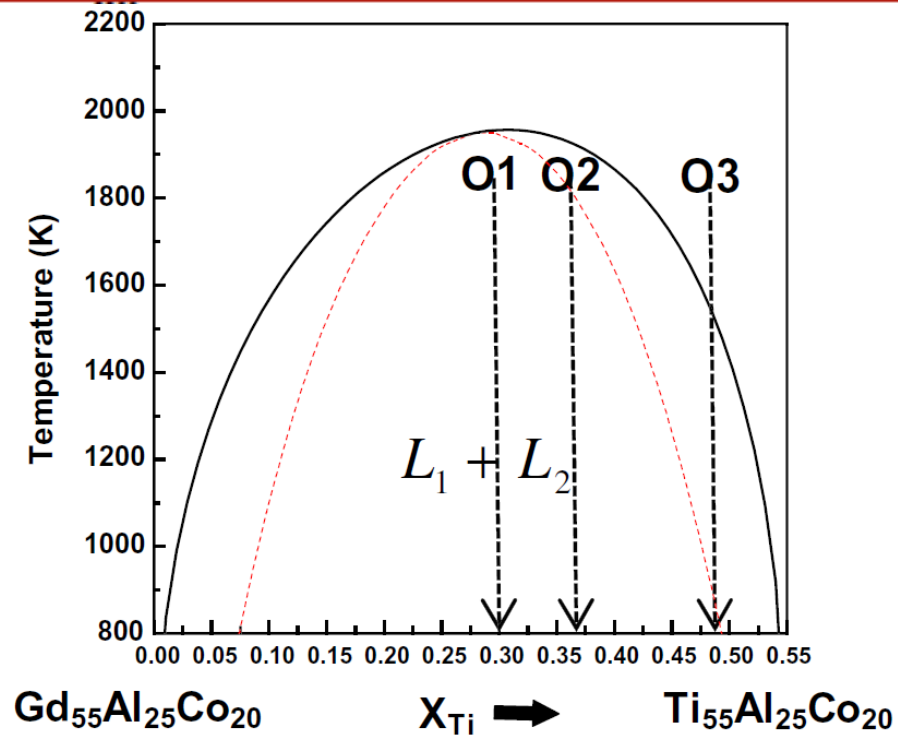
# (a) Composition

## Thermodynamic calculation using CALPHAD



# (a) Composition

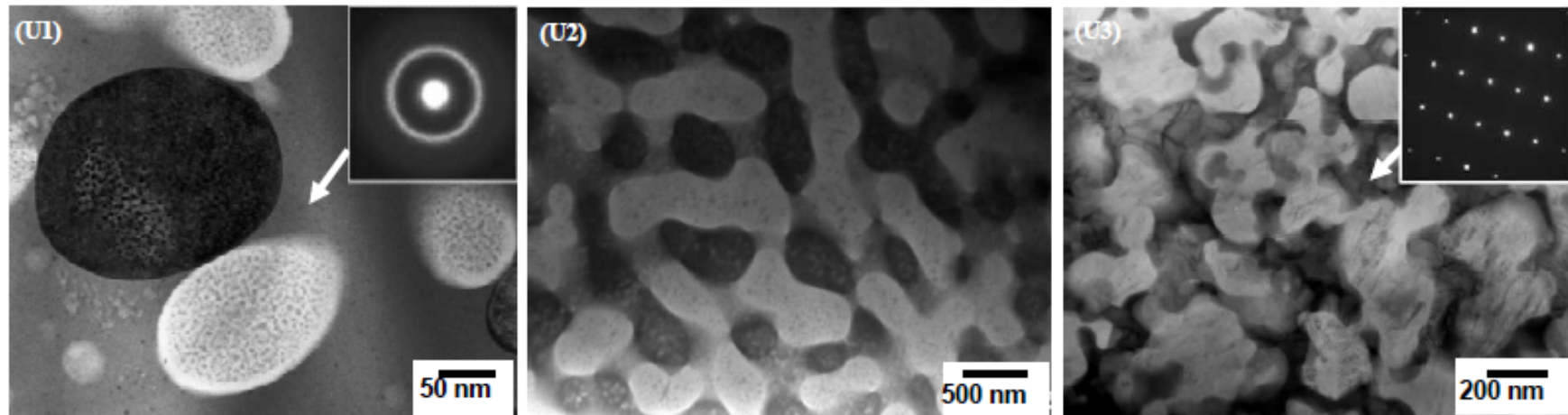
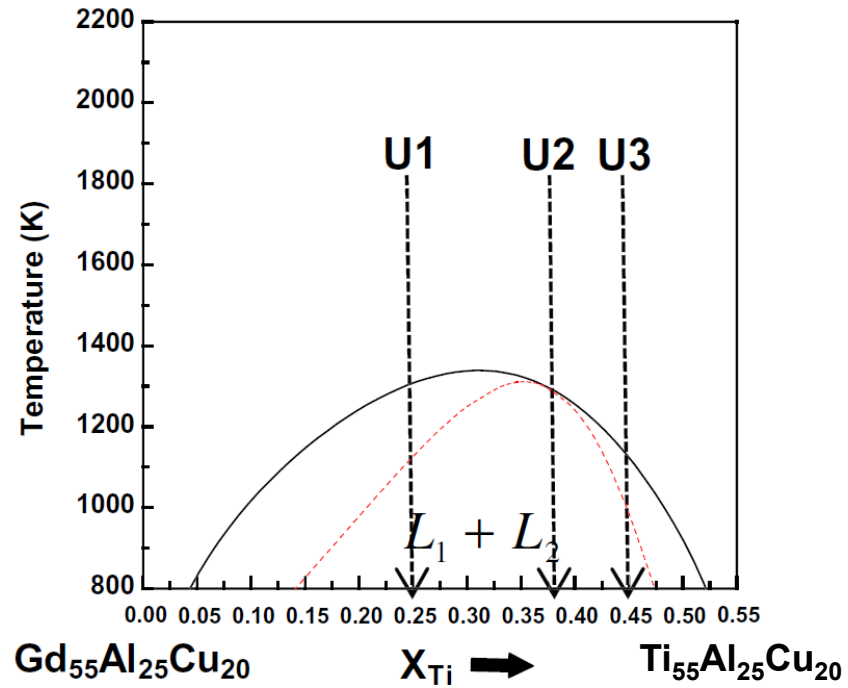
## Microstructure evolution (GdTiAlCo)



Chang et al., Acta Mater (2010)

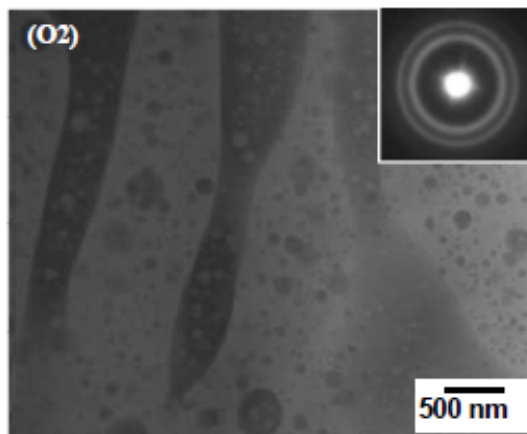
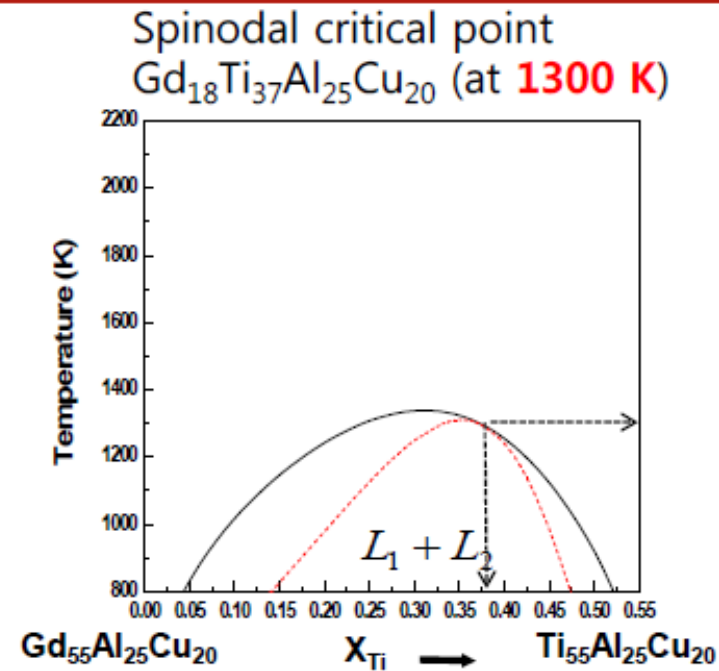
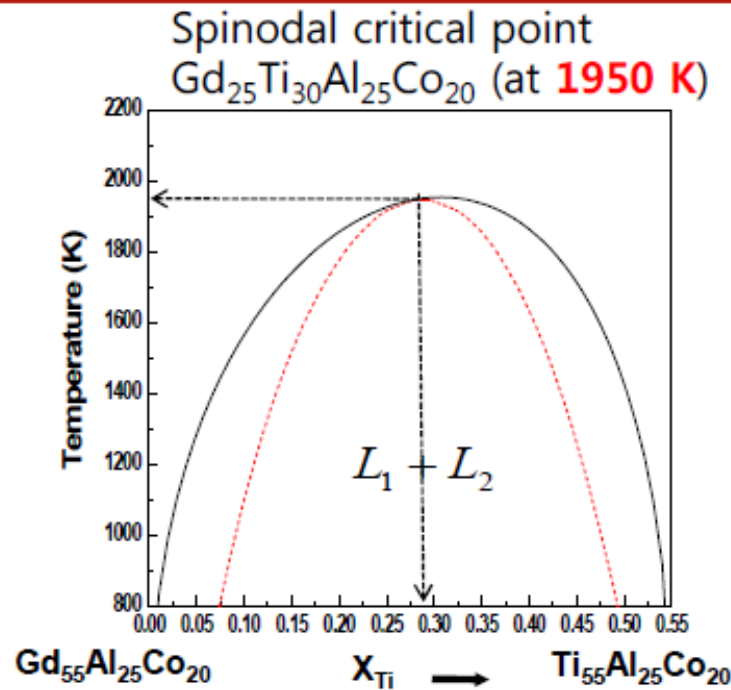
# (a) Composition

## Microstructure evolution (GdTiAlCu)



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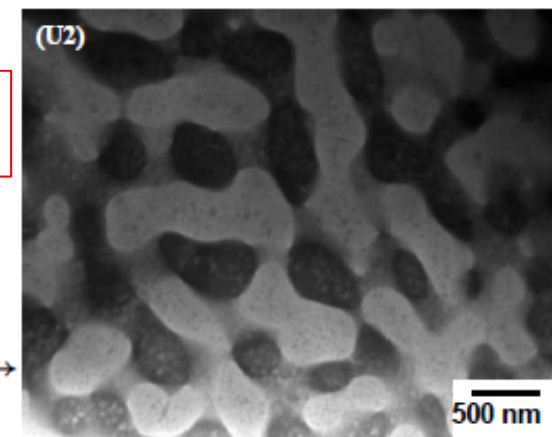
## (b) Critical temperature



Scale of interconnected structure

← Several  $\mu\text{m}$

200~300 nm →

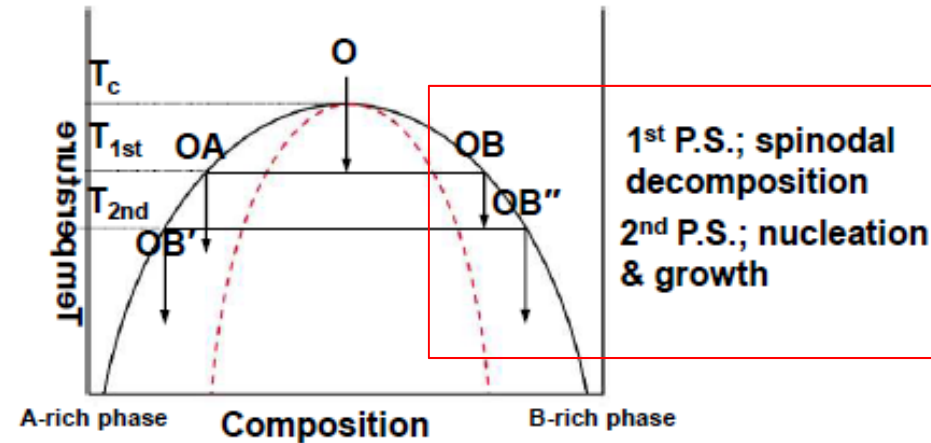
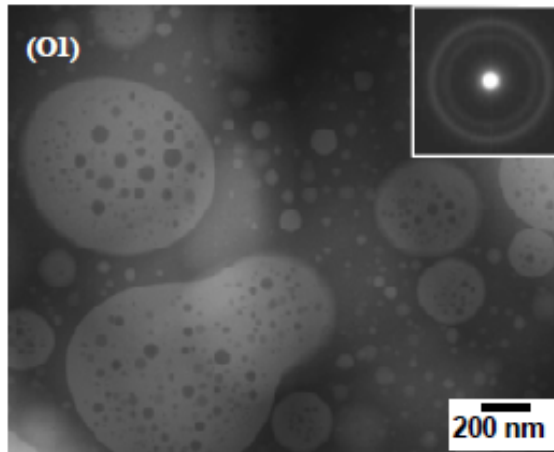




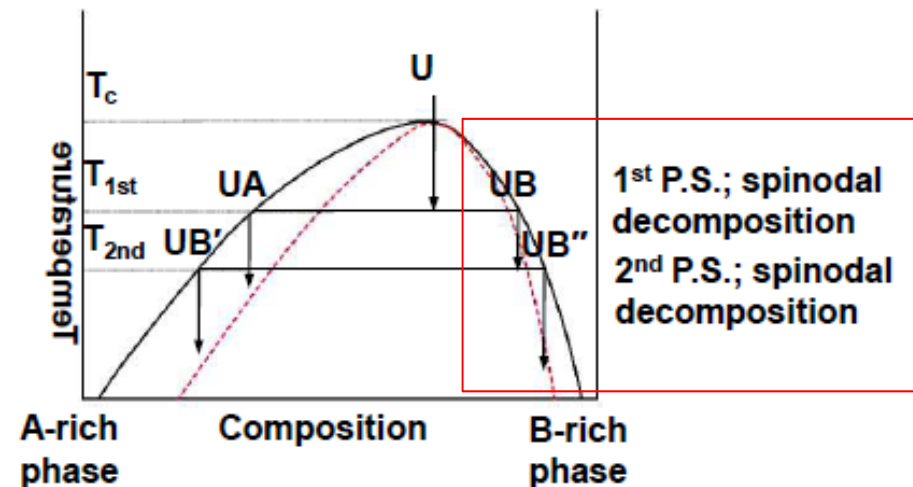
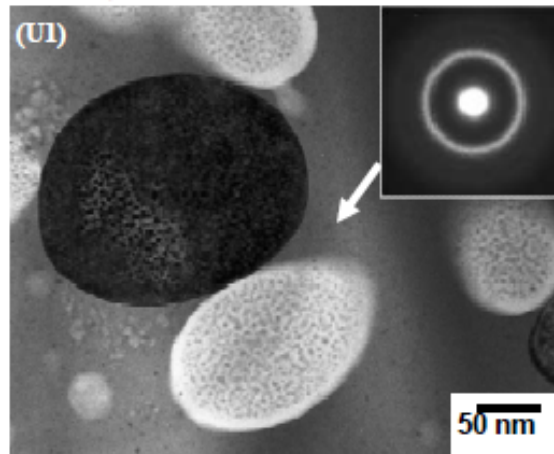
## (c) Asymmetry of spinodal curve / Decomposition range



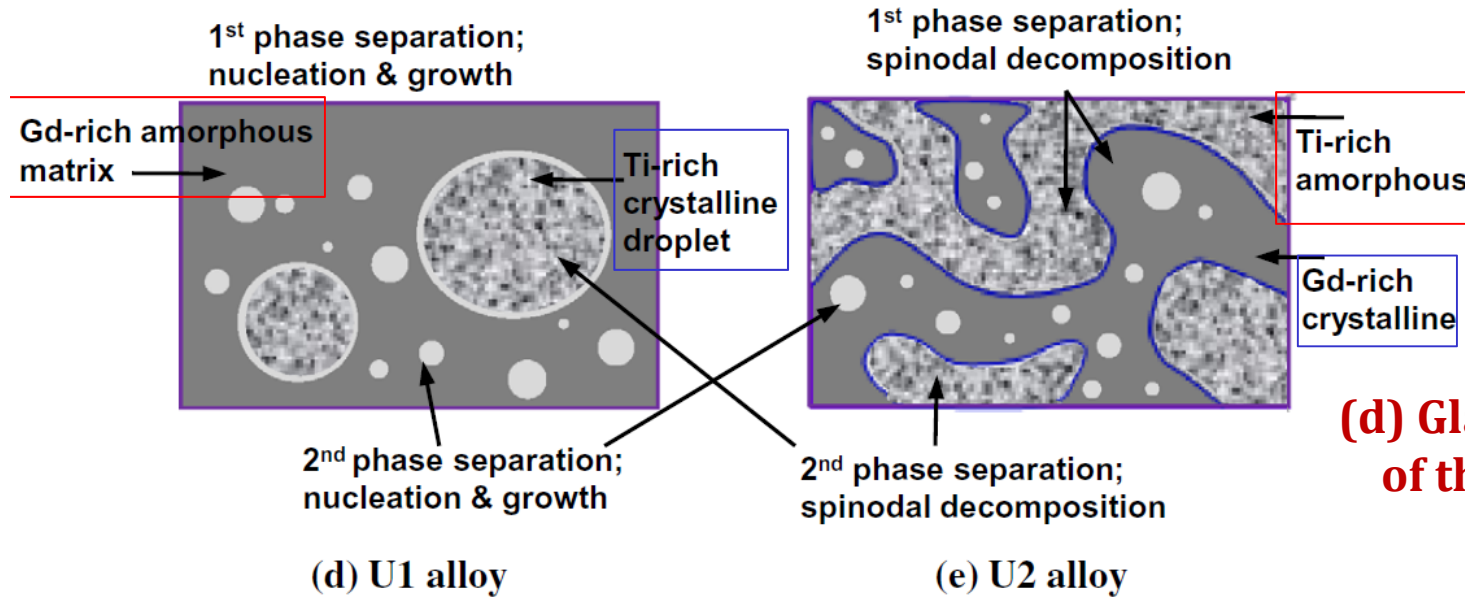
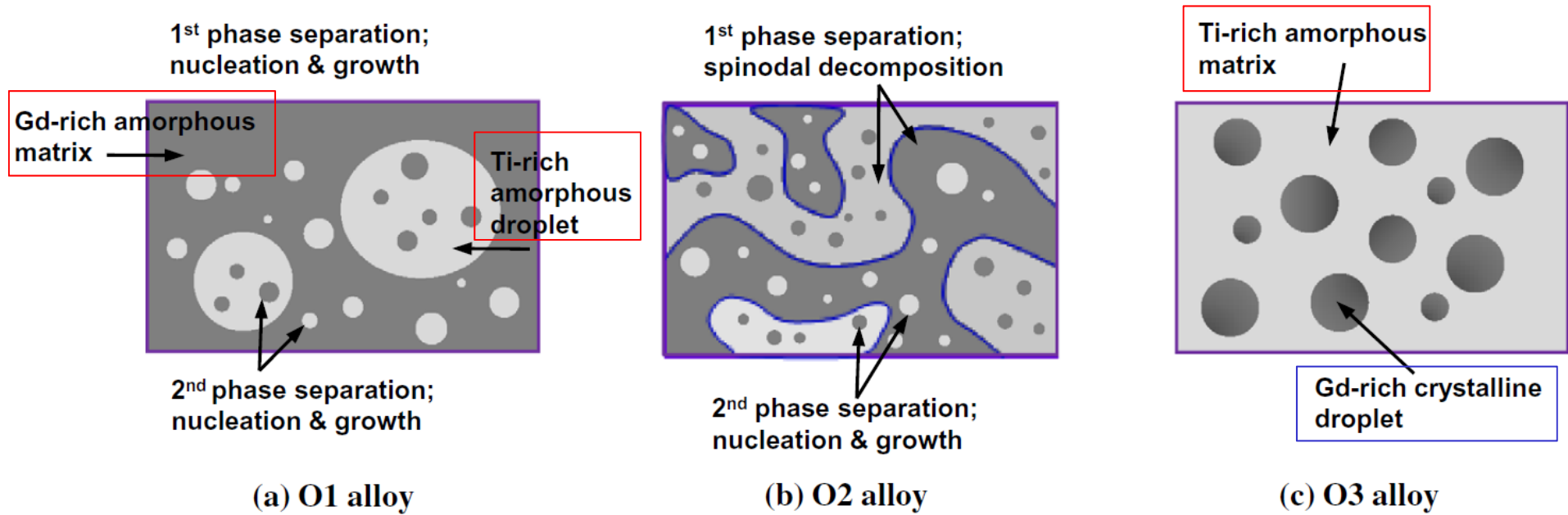
### ❖ Symmetric spinodal curve / smaller decomposition range



### ❖ Asymmetric spinodal curve / larger decomposition range



**\* Schematic drawings of the microstructures showing variation of microstructure depending on alloy composition and second phase separation mechanism.**



**(d) Glass-forming ability of the separated liquid**

# Contents for today's class

- **Binary System** mixture/ solution / compound

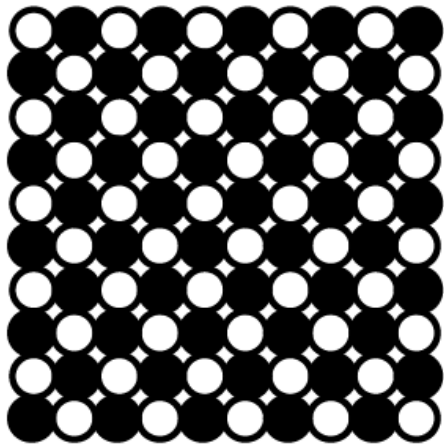
**Ideal solution** ( $\Delta H_{\text{mix}} = 0$ ) **Random distribution**

**Regular solution**  $\Delta H_{\text{mix}} = P_{AB}\epsilon$  where  $\epsilon = \epsilon_{AB} - \frac{1}{2}(\epsilon_{AA} + \epsilon_{BB})$   $\epsilon \approx 0$

$\Delta H_{\text{mix}} > 0$  or  $\Delta H_{\text{mix}} < 0$

**Real solution**

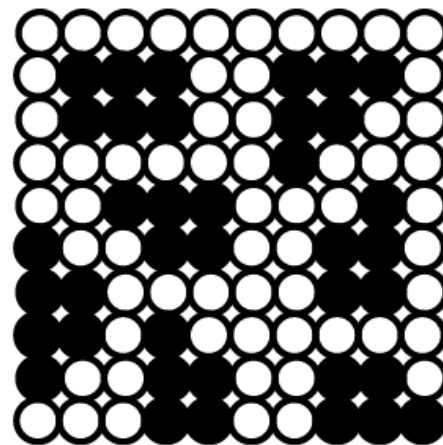
**Ordered structure**



(a)  $\epsilon < 0, \Delta H_{\text{mix}} < 0$

**Ordered alloys**

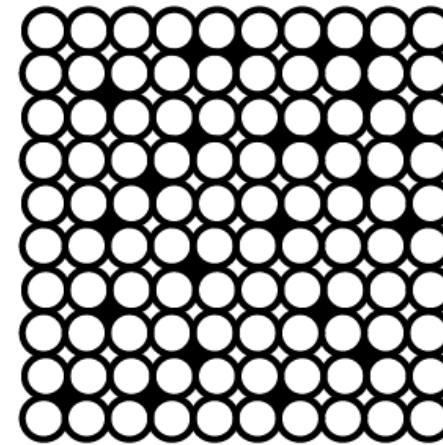
$P_{AB} \uparrow \longrightarrow \text{Internal } E \downarrow$



(b)  $\epsilon > 0, \Delta H_{\text{mix}} > 0$

**Clustering**

$P_{AA}, P_{BB} \uparrow$

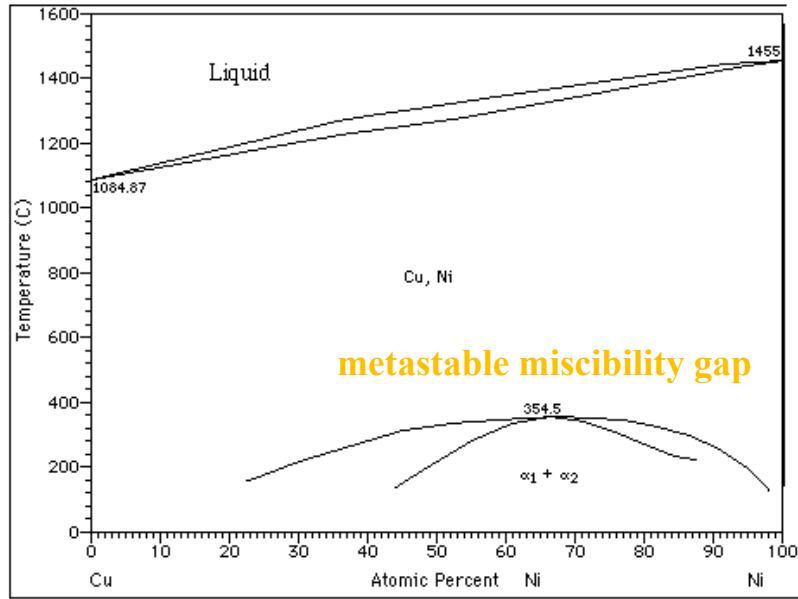


(c) **when the size difference is large**

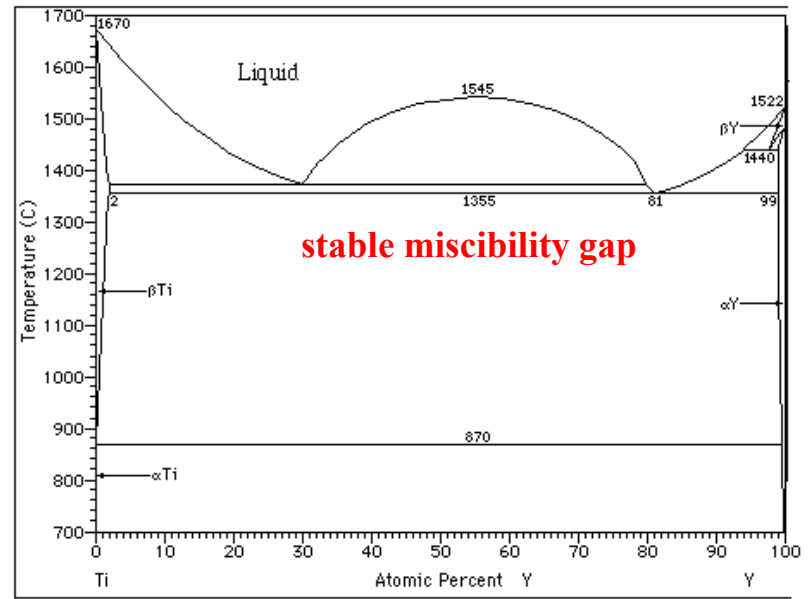
**strain effect**

**Interstitial solution**

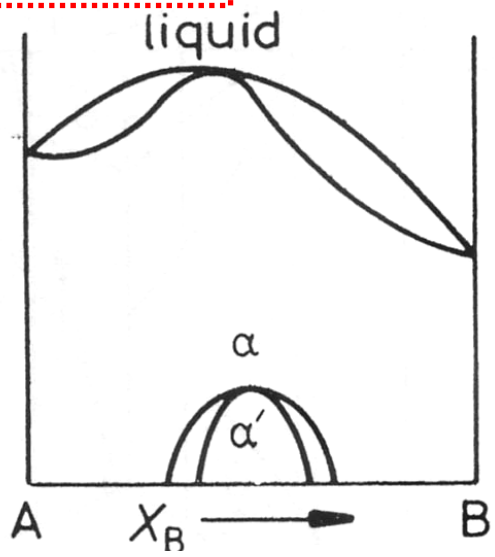
$\Delta H_{mix}^S > 0$  : Solid solution  $\rightarrow$  solid state phase separation (two solid solutions)



$\Delta H_{mix}^S \gg 0$  : liquid state phase separation (up to two liquid solutions)



$\Delta H_{mix}^S < 0$  : Solid solution  $\rightarrow$  ordered phase



$\Delta H_{mix}^S \ll 0$  : Compound : AB, A<sub>2</sub>B...

