



GTT-Technologies' Annual Workshop,  
Herzogenrath, Germany, June 20 - 22 2007

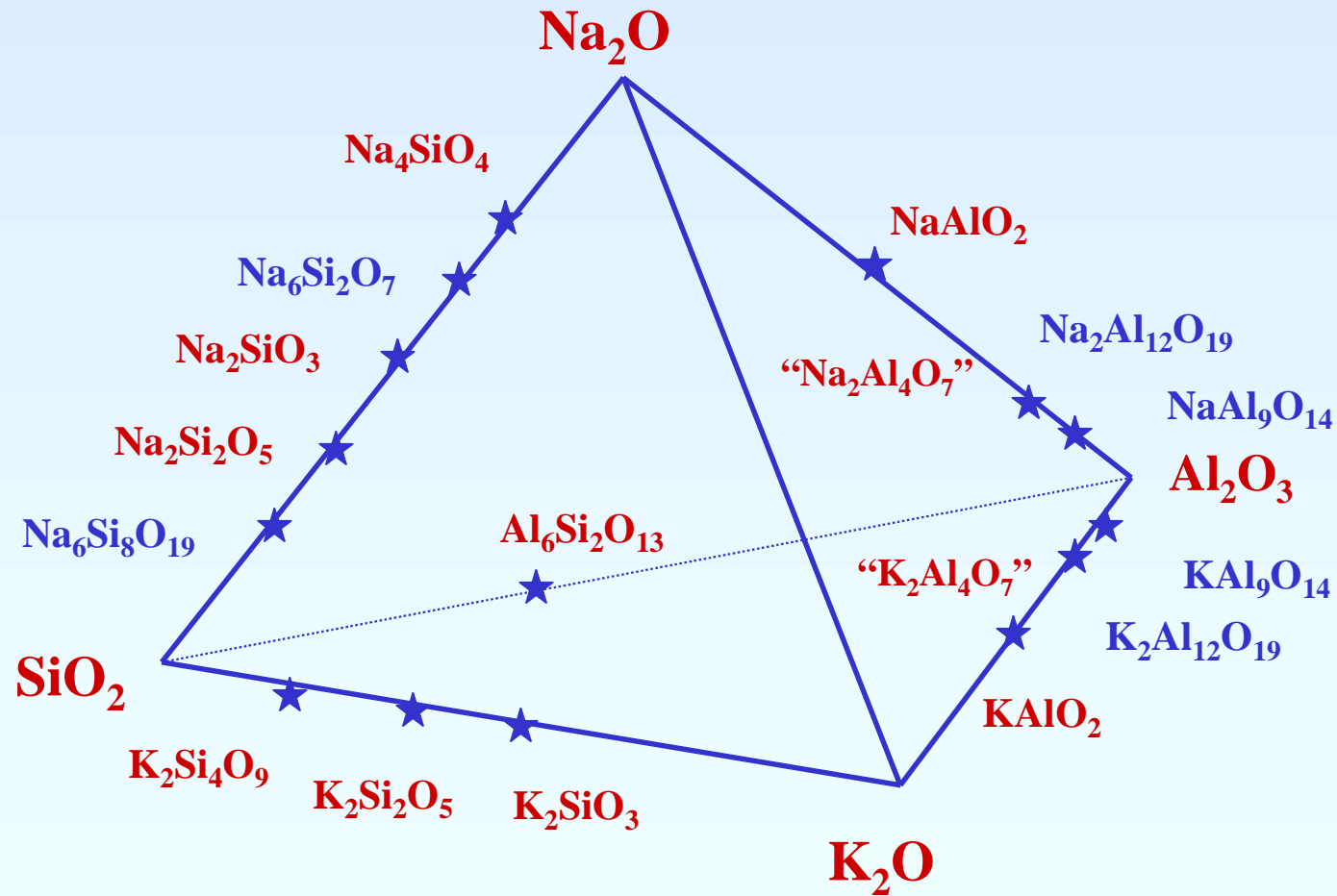
# Thermochemical assessments of alkali oxide - $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ - $\text{SiO}_2$ systems

E.Yazhenskikh, K. Hack\*, M. Mueller

Forschungszentrum Jülich, IEF-2, \*GTT-Technologies



# Na<sub>2</sub>O-K<sub>2</sub>O-Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>-SiO<sub>2</sub>





# Contents

- ✓ Model and optimisation
- ✓ Application of a new data base for binary subsystems
- ✓ Application of a new data base for ternary subsystems
- ✓ Conclusions and outlook



# Associate species model

## Liquid (slag), solid solutions, mullite

**Binary liquid**

Pure liquid  
oxide:  
 $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{K}_2\text{O}$ ,  
 $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ ,  
 $\text{SiO}_2 \cdot 2/5$

+

Congruent melting compounds	Associate species
$\text{Na}_4\text{SiO}_4$	$\text{Na}_4\text{SiO}_4 \cdot 2/5$
$\text{Na}_2\text{SiO}_3$	$\text{Na}_2\text{SiO}_3 \cdot 2/3$
$\text{Na}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_5$	$\text{Na}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_5 \cdot 1/2$
$\text{K}_2\text{SiO}_3$	$\text{K}_2\text{SiO}_3 \cdot 2/3$
$\text{K}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_5$	$\text{K}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_5 \cdot 1/2$
$\text{K}_2\text{Si}_4\text{O}_9$	$\text{K}_2\text{Si}_4\text{O}_9 \cdot 1/3$
$\text{NaAlO}_2$	$\text{NaAlO}_2$
	$\text{Na}_2\text{Al}_4\text{O}_7 \cdot 1/3$
$\text{KAlO}_2$	$\text{KAlO}_2$
	$\text{Na}_2\text{Al}_4\text{O}_7 \cdot 1/3$
$\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_2\text{O}_{13}$	$\text{Al}_6\text{Si}_2\text{O}_{13} \cdot 1/4$

+

**Interaction  
parameters  
between  
species**

**Solution  
components**  
(Spear et al.)

→



# Associate species model

Liquid (slag), solid solutions, mullite

**Solid solutions:**

**Nepheline**

NaAlSiO<sub>4</sub> (nepheline)  
NaAlSi<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6</sub> (jadeite)

**Carnegieite**

NaAlSiO<sub>4</sub> (carnegieite)  
NaAlSi<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6</sub> (jadeite)

**Solution components:**

Solid “boundary” compounds

**KAl<sub>1-x</sub>Si<sub>x</sub>O<sub>4</sub>**  
KAlO<sub>2</sub>  
KAlSiO<sub>4</sub>

+ **Interaction parameters between species (by request)**

**Mullite**

**Associate species model**

Al<sub>6</sub>Si<sub>2</sub>O<sub>13</sub> · 1/4, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, SiO<sub>2</sub> · 2

**four-sublattice model  
(Hillert, Mao et al.)**



Experimental data: phase diagram data, activity data (for binary systems)

Pure solid and liquid substances from the FACT database

Some solution species from database of Spear et al.



## Optimisation

**Adjustable parameters: ?  $H_f^{298}$  and  $S^{298}$  for the liquid and solid solution species,  $\Delta H_f^{298}$  and  $S^{298}$  for the pure solid compounds (part.), interaction parameters between species**

$$G_m = \sum x_i G_i^0 + RT \sum x_i \ln x_i + \sum_{i < j} \sum x_i x_j \sum_v L_{ij}^{(v)} (x_i - x_j)^v$$

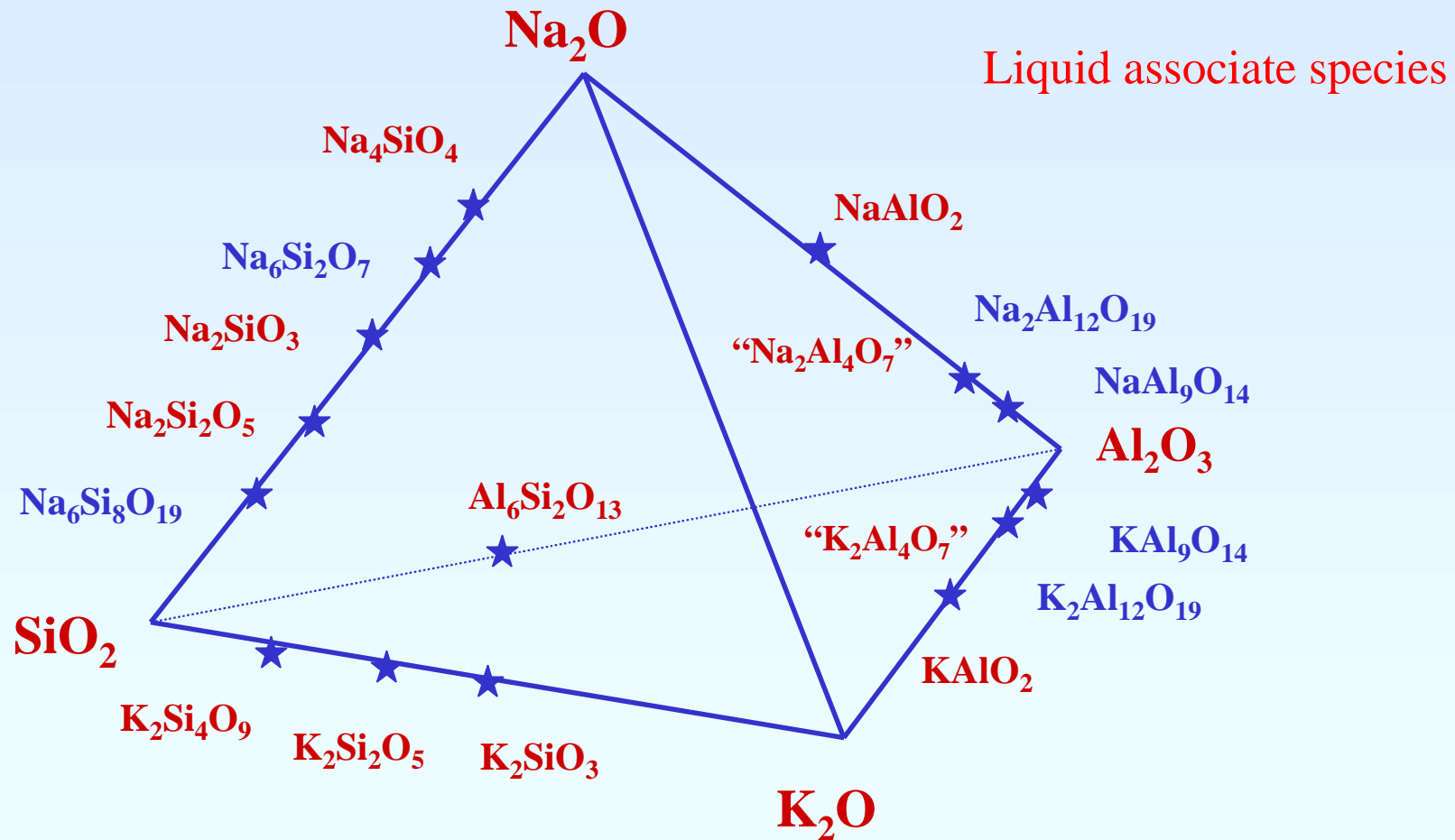
$$L_{ij}^{(v)} = A_{ij}^{(v)} + B_{ij}^{(v)} \cdot T + C_{ij}^{(v)} \cdot T \cdot \ln T + D_{ij}^{(v)} \cdot T^2 + \dots$$



**New database**

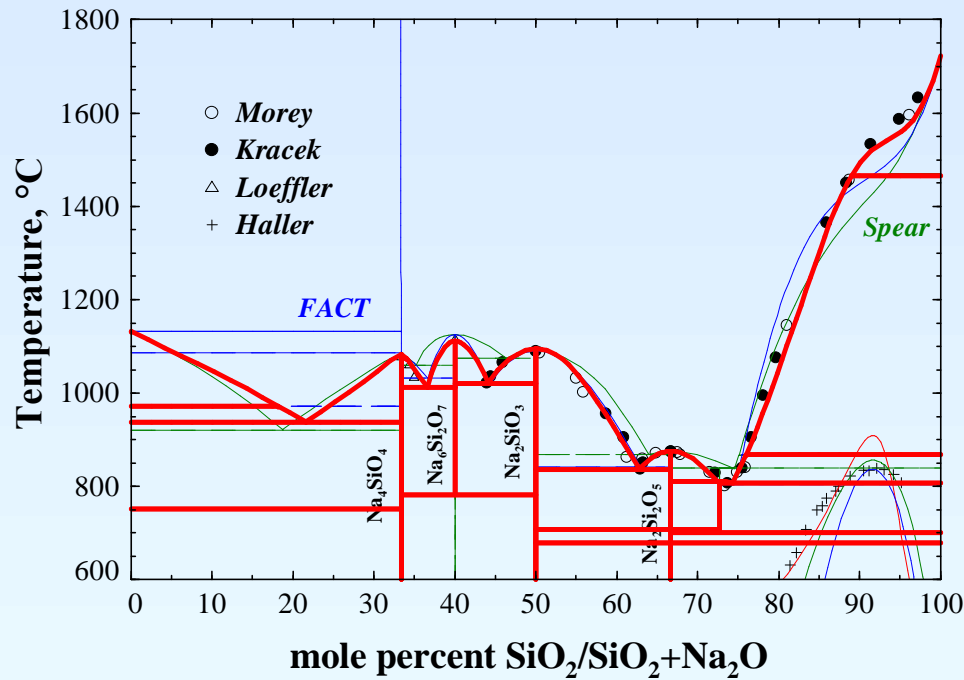


# Na<sub>2</sub>O-K<sub>2</sub>O-Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>-SiO<sub>2</sub> system

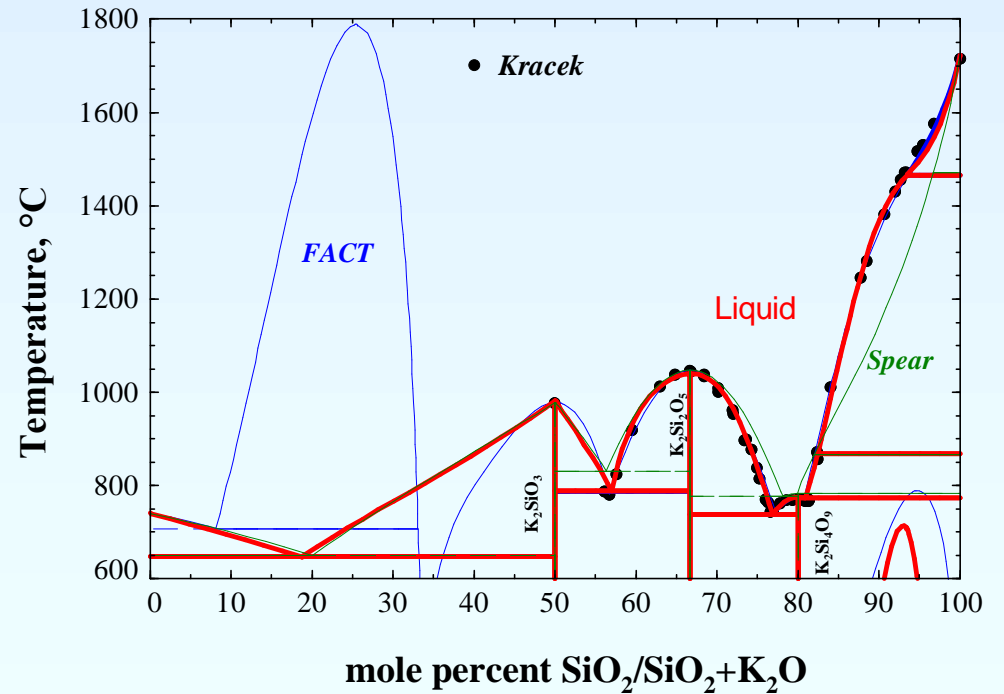




# New database for the $\text{Me}_2\text{O}-\text{SiO}_2$ systems (Me=Na, K)



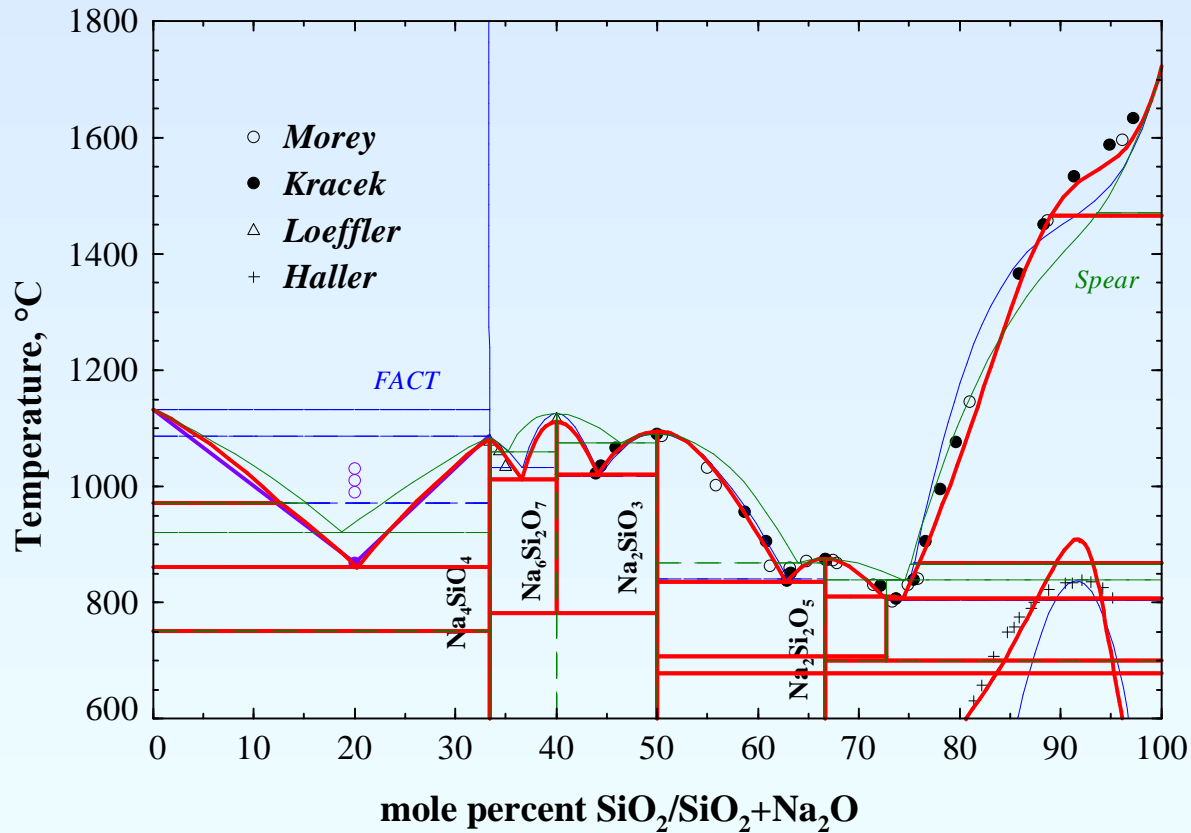
No solution using the FACT database in the  $\text{Me}_2\text{O}$ -rich region





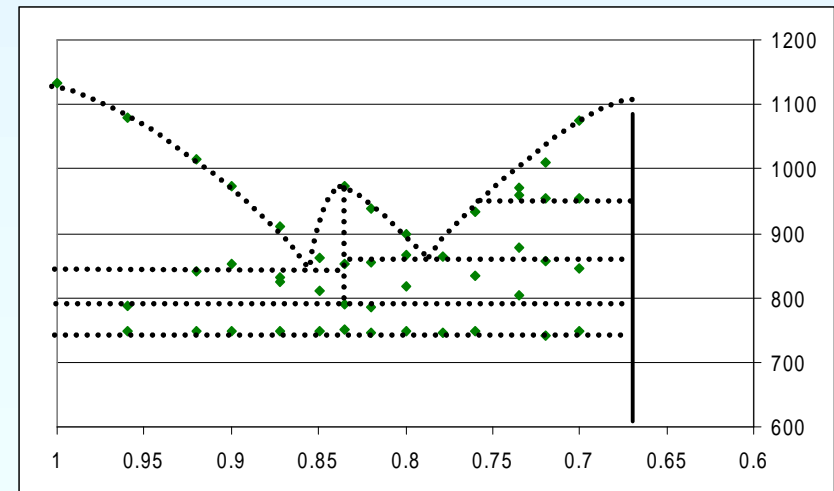


# DTA measurements in the $\text{Na}_2\text{O}-\text{SiO}_2$ system



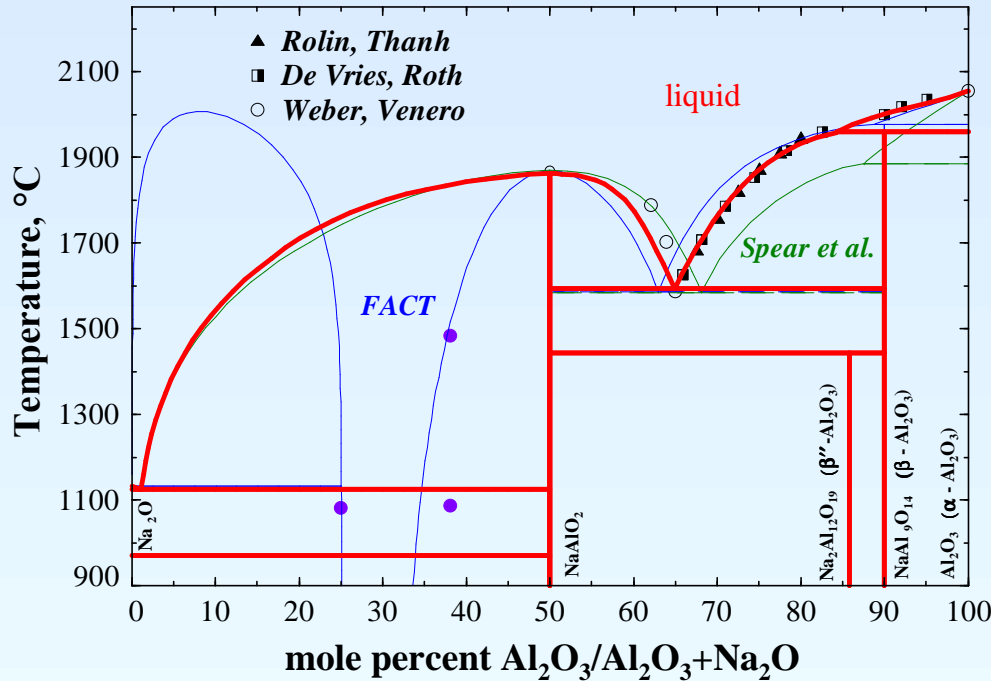
**New eutectic point at 867 °C**

*Experimental data  
of M. Rys, IEF-2*



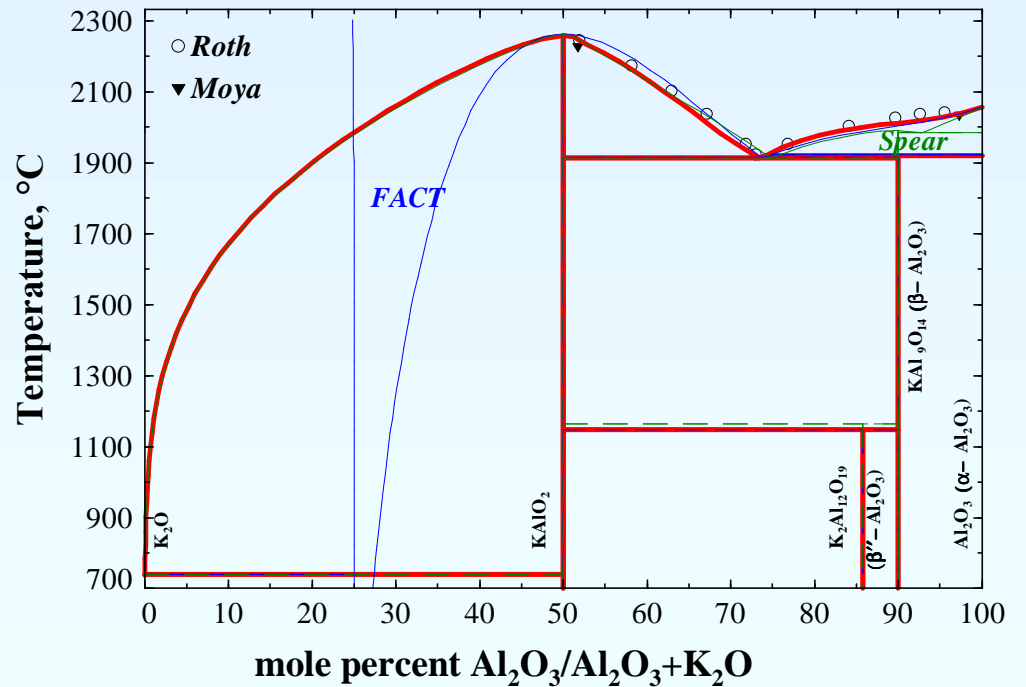


# New database for the $\text{Me}_2\text{O}-\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ systems (Me=Na, K)



Thermodynamic data for the Na aluminates ( $\text{Na}_2\text{Al}_{12}\text{O}_{19}$ ,  $\text{NaAl}_9\text{O}_{14}$ ) were re-optimised

No solution using the FACT database in the  $\text{Me}_2\text{O}$ -rich region

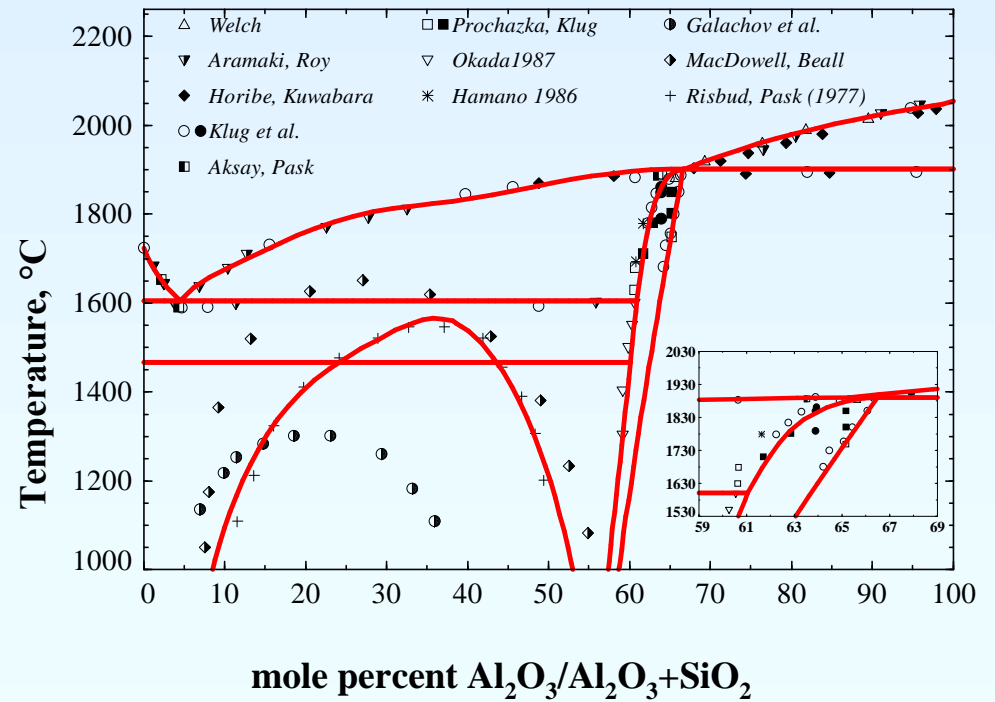
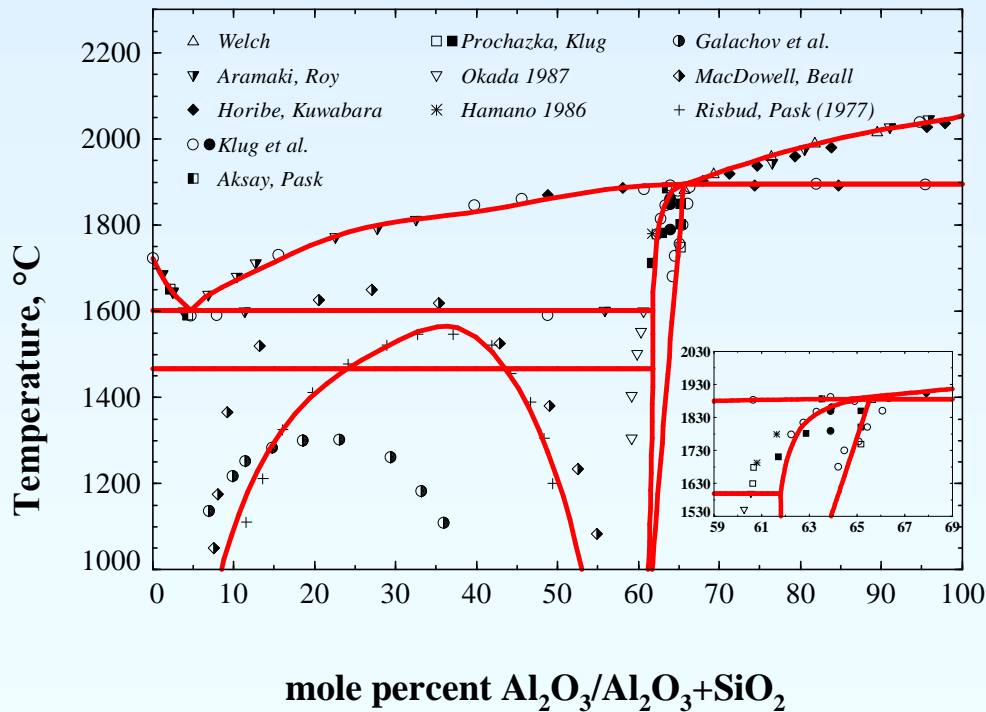




# Thermodynamic assessment of the $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3\text{-SiO}_2$ system

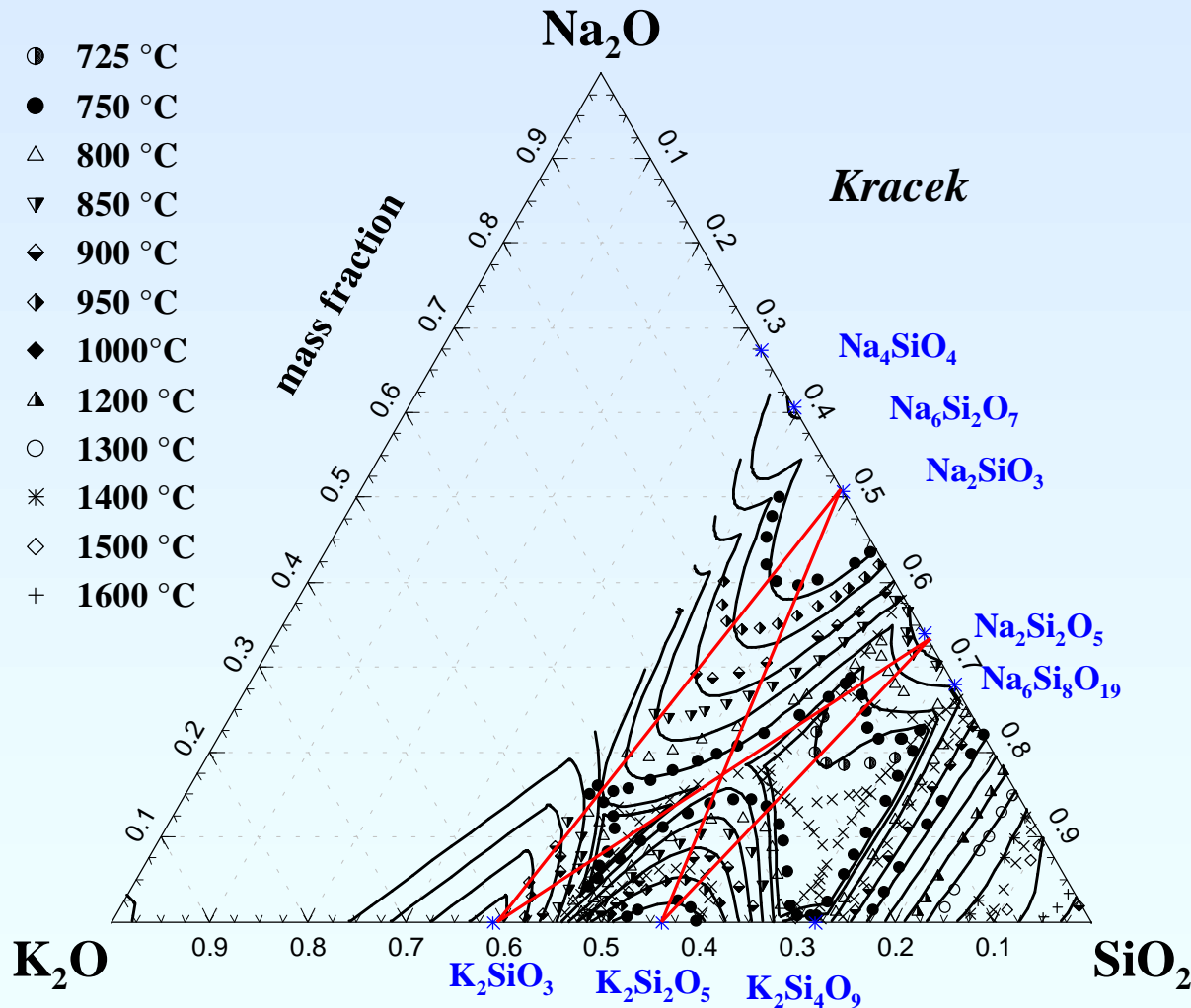
Associate model for mullite

Four-sublattice model for mullite





## K<sub>2</sub>O-Na<sub>2</sub>O-SiO<sub>2</sub> system: comparison of the calculated isotherms with the experimental points



### Solution species:

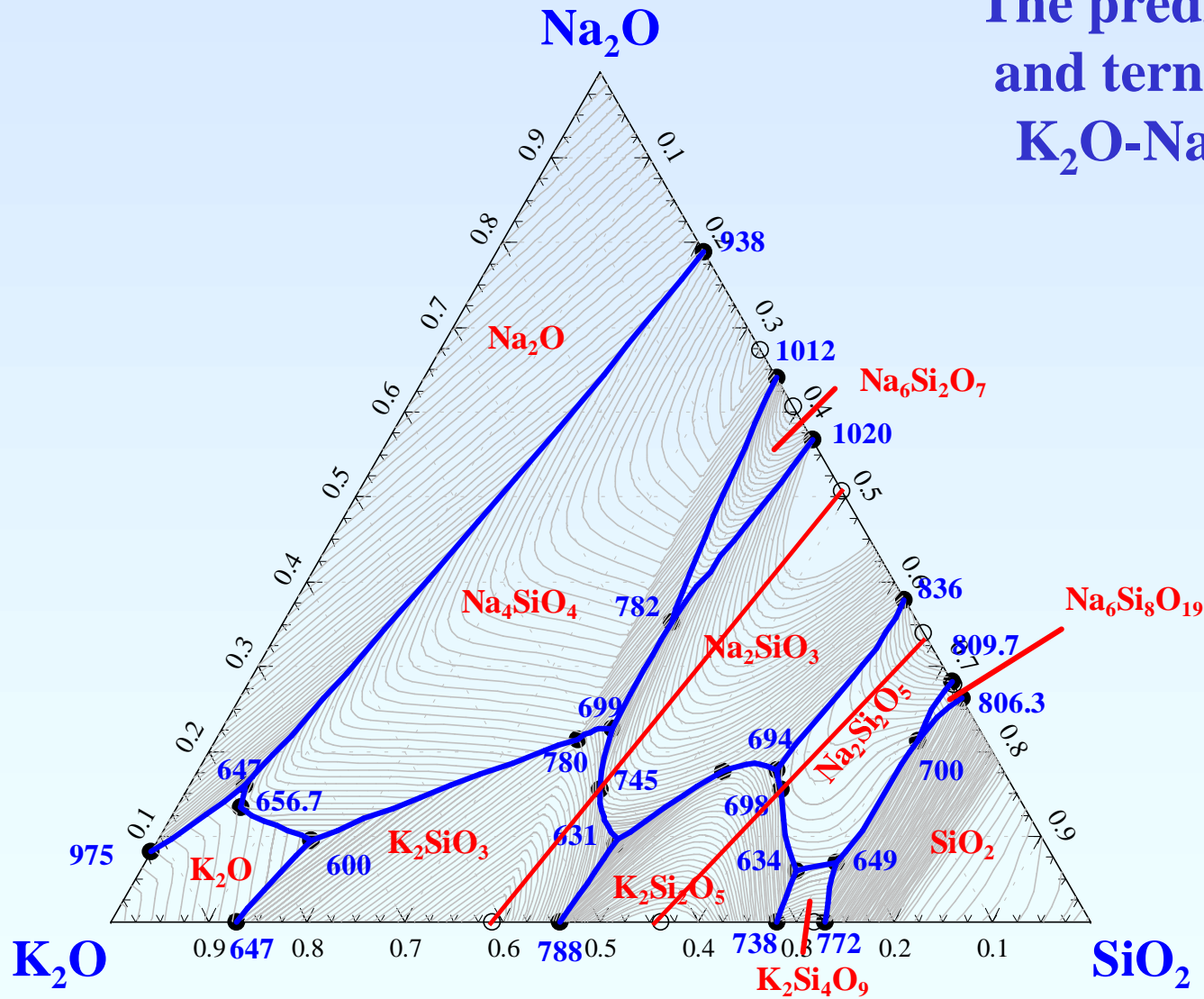
N414	Na <sub>4</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub> *2/5
N213	Na <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>3</sub> *2/3
N225	Na <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> *1/2
K213	K <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>3</sub> *2/3
K225	K <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> *1/2
K249	K <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>4</sub> O <sub>9</sub> *1/3

### Interaction parameters:

N213-K213  
 N225-K225  
 N213-K225  
 N225-K213

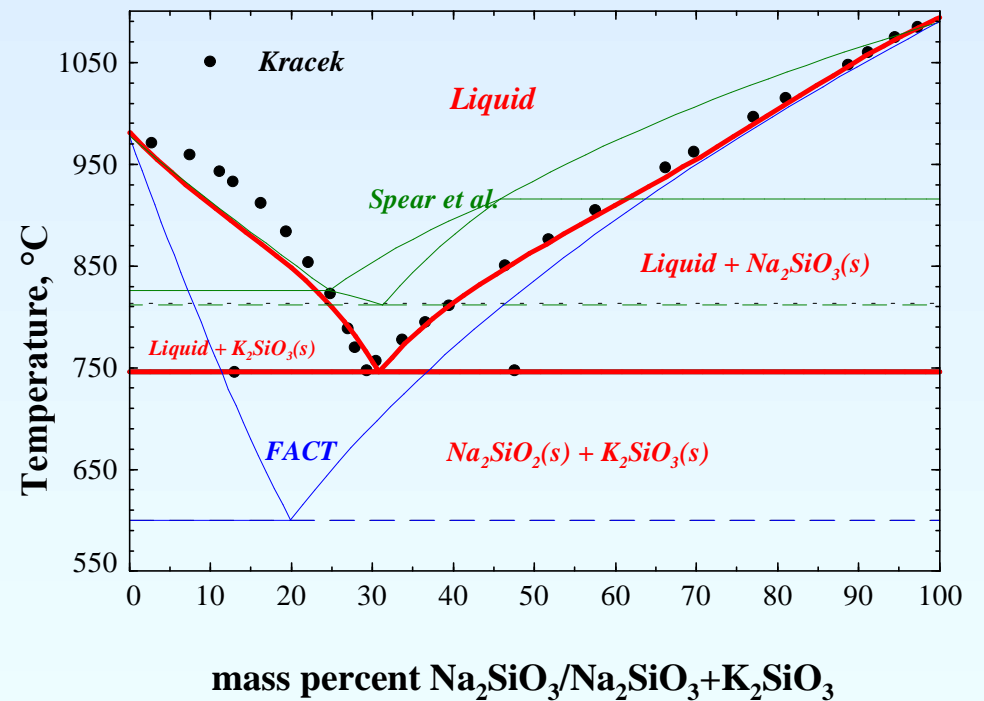
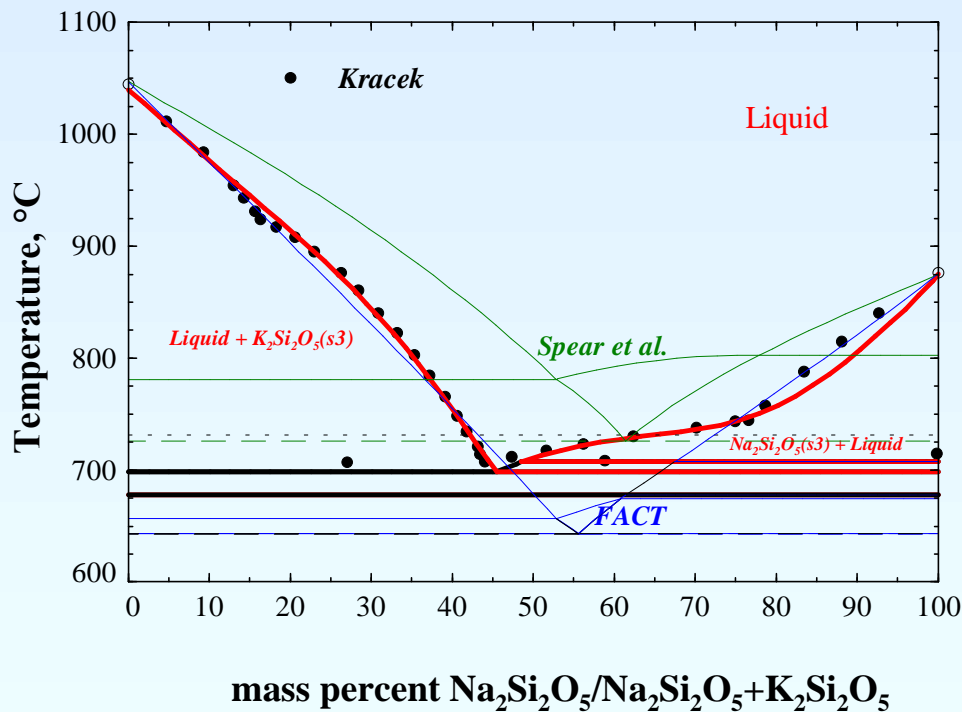


# The predicted phase fields and ternary points in the $K_2O$ - $Na_2O$ - $SiO_2$ system



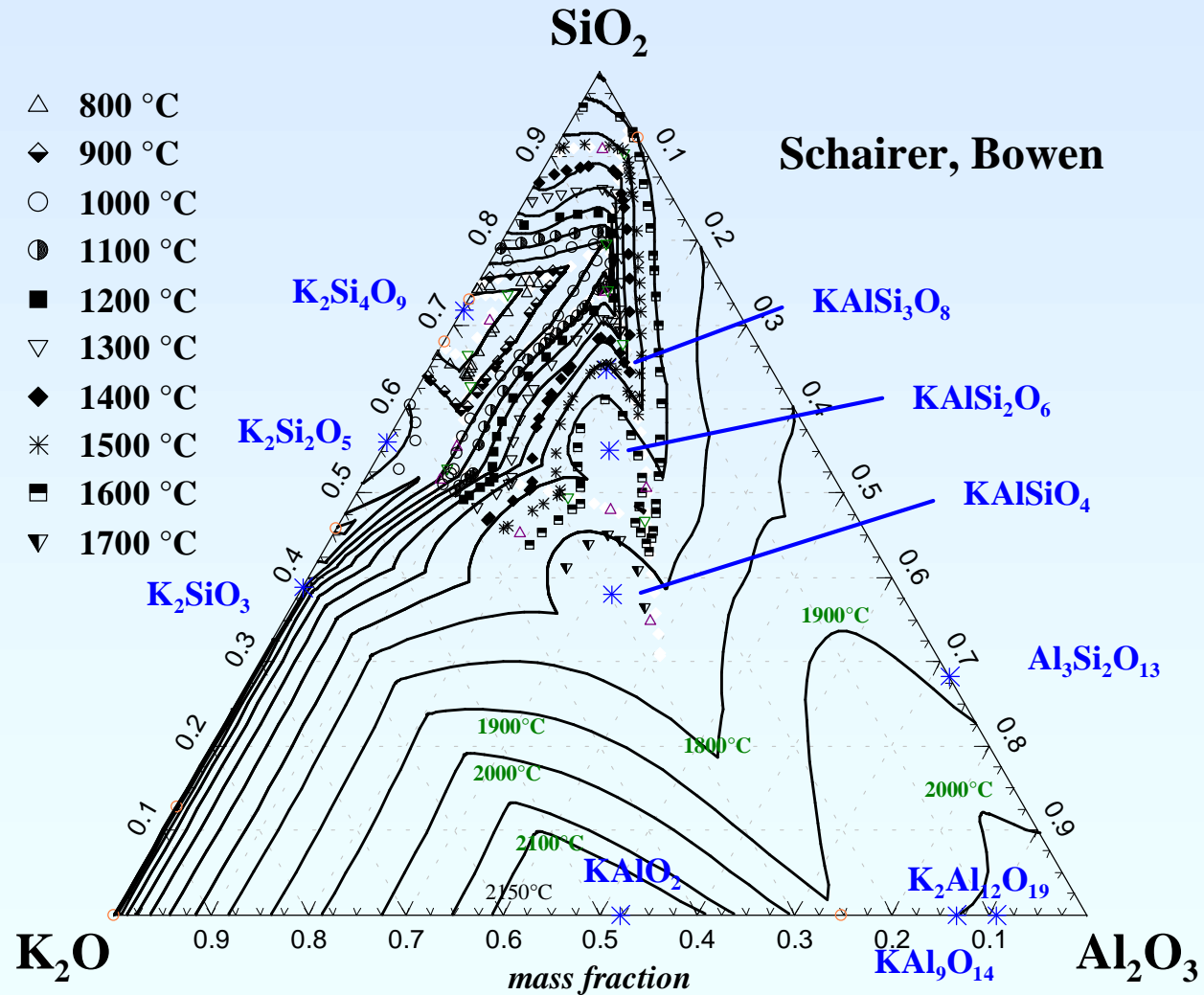


# Quasi-binary section $\text{Me}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_5$ and $\text{Me}_2\text{SiO}_3$ (Me=Na, K)





# K<sub>2</sub>O-Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>-SiO<sub>2</sub> system: comparison of the calculated equilibria with the experimental points



**Liquid**

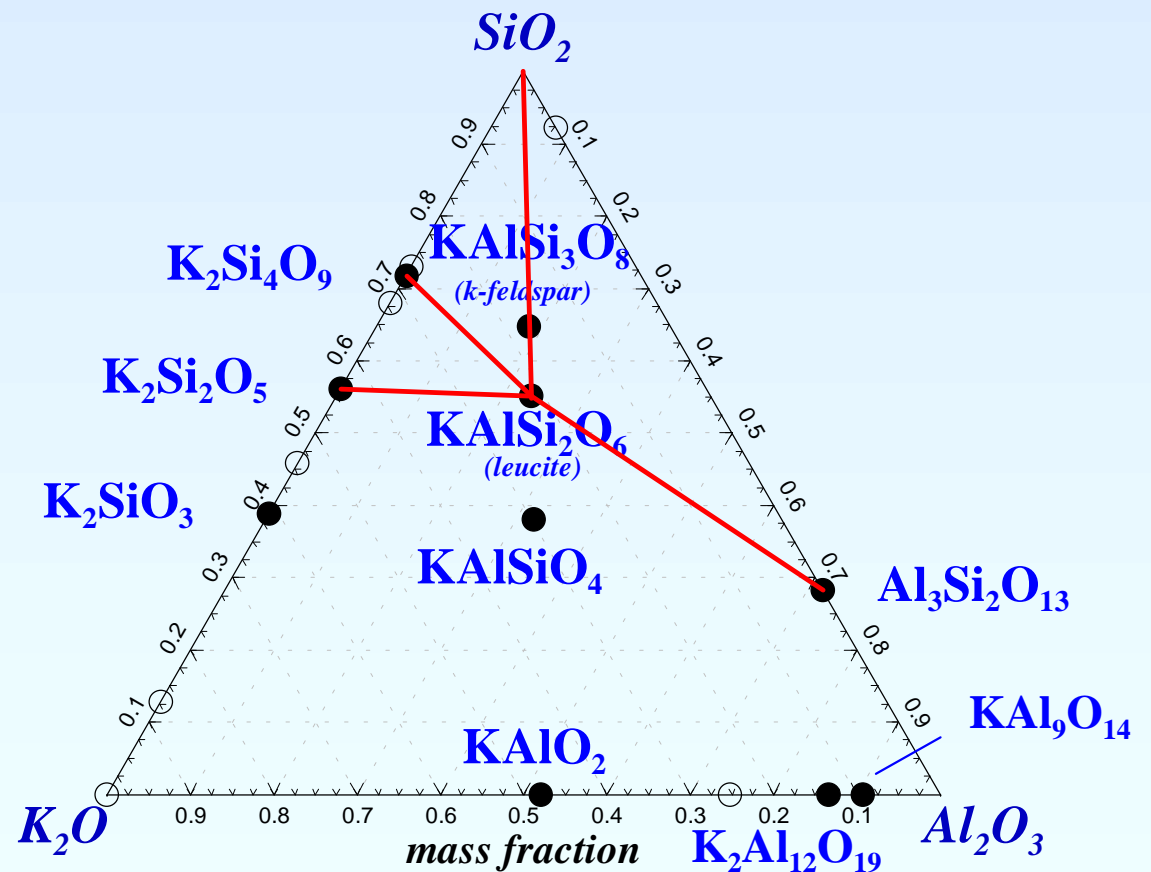
- binary associate species
- ternary species:  $KAlSi_2O_6 \cdot 1/2$  and  $KAlSiO_4 \cdot 2/3$



# Solution species in the ternary liquid in the $K_2O-Al_2O_3-SiO_2$ system

## Interaction parameter between:

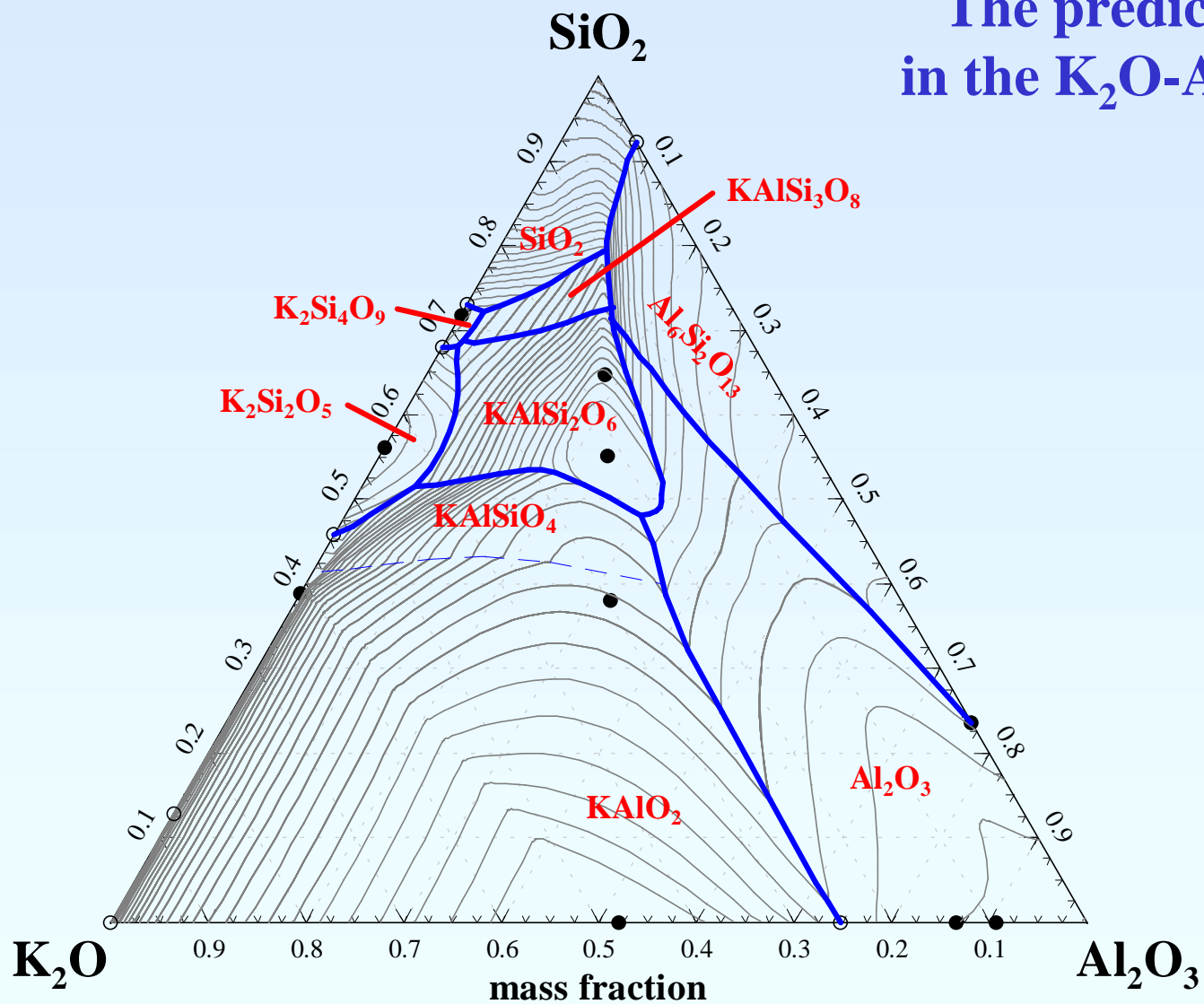
Binary species	Ternary species
$K_2Si_4O_9$	$KAlSi_2O_6 \cdot 1/2$
$SiO_2 \cdot 1/2$	$KAlSi_2O_6 \cdot 1/2$
$K_2Si_2O_5$	$KAlSi_2O_6 \cdot 1/2$
$Al_6Si_2O_{13} \cdot 1/4$	$KAlSi_2O_6 \cdot 1/2$





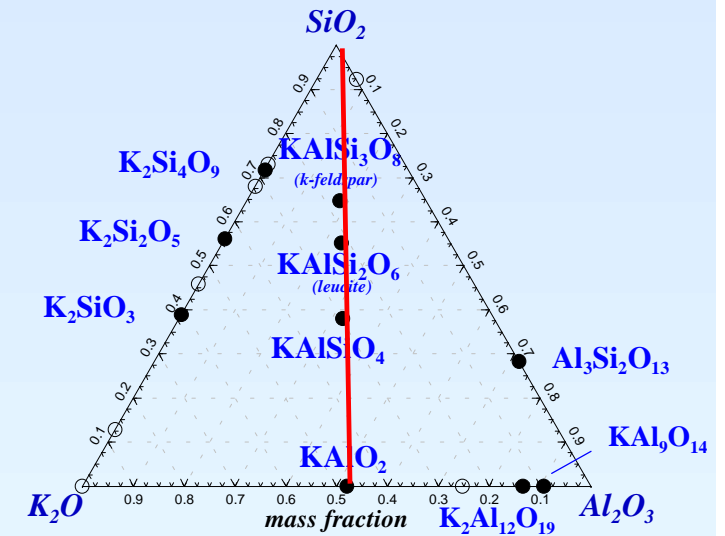
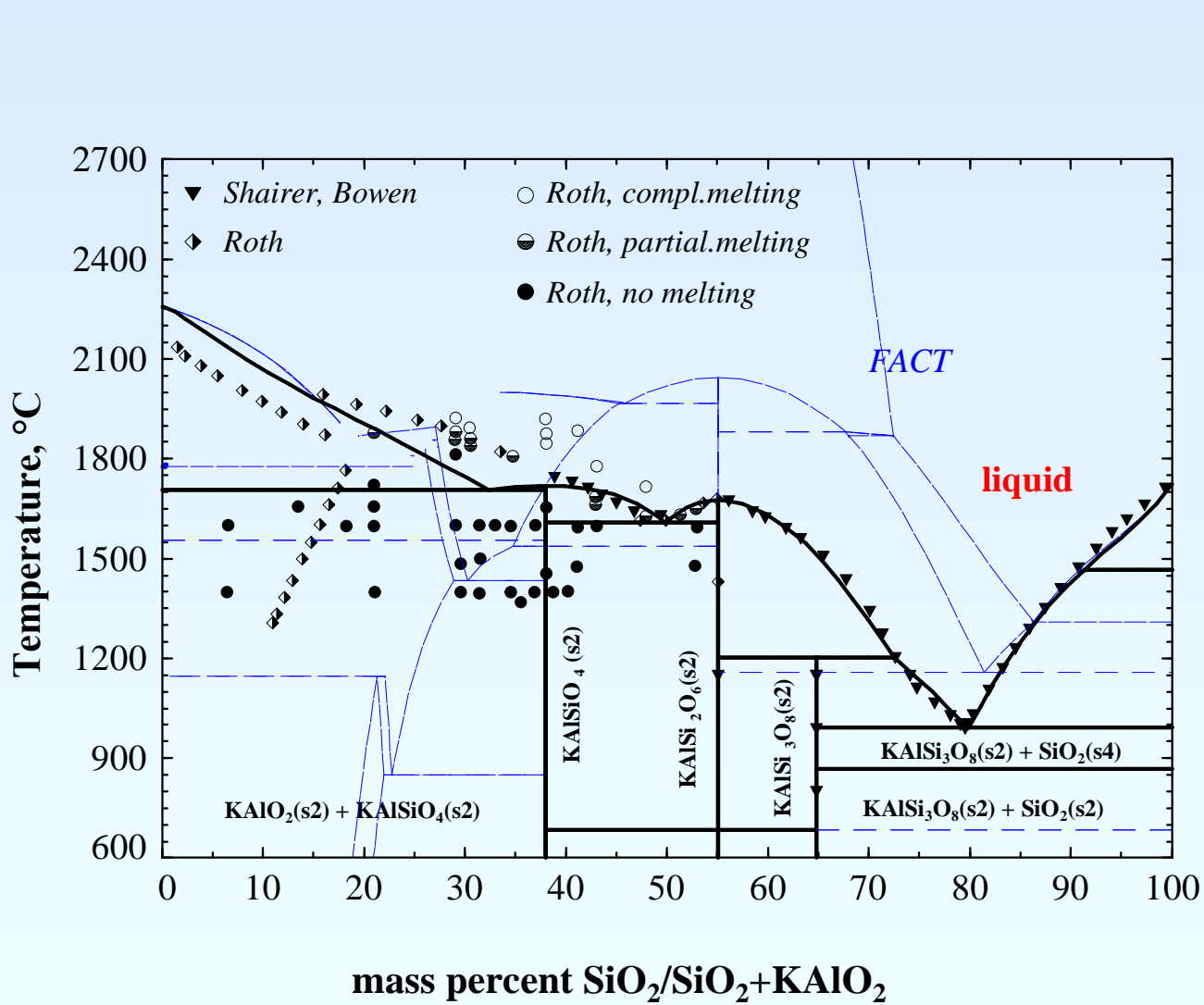


## The predicted phase fields in the $\text{K}_2\text{O}-\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3-\text{SiO}_2$ system





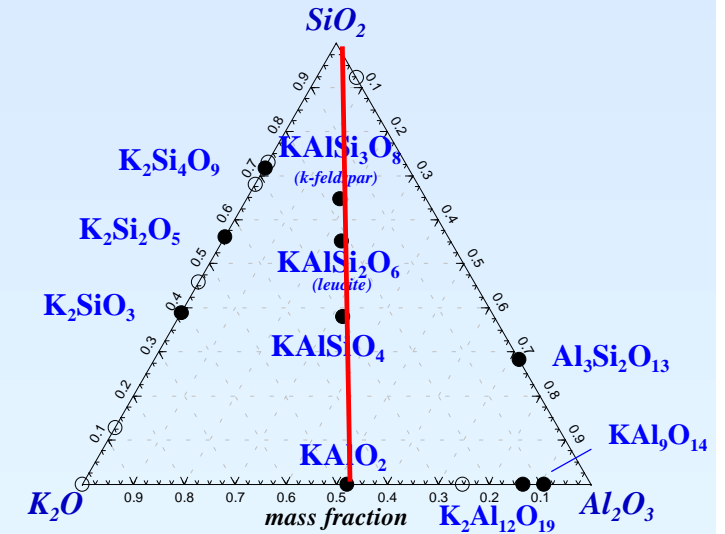
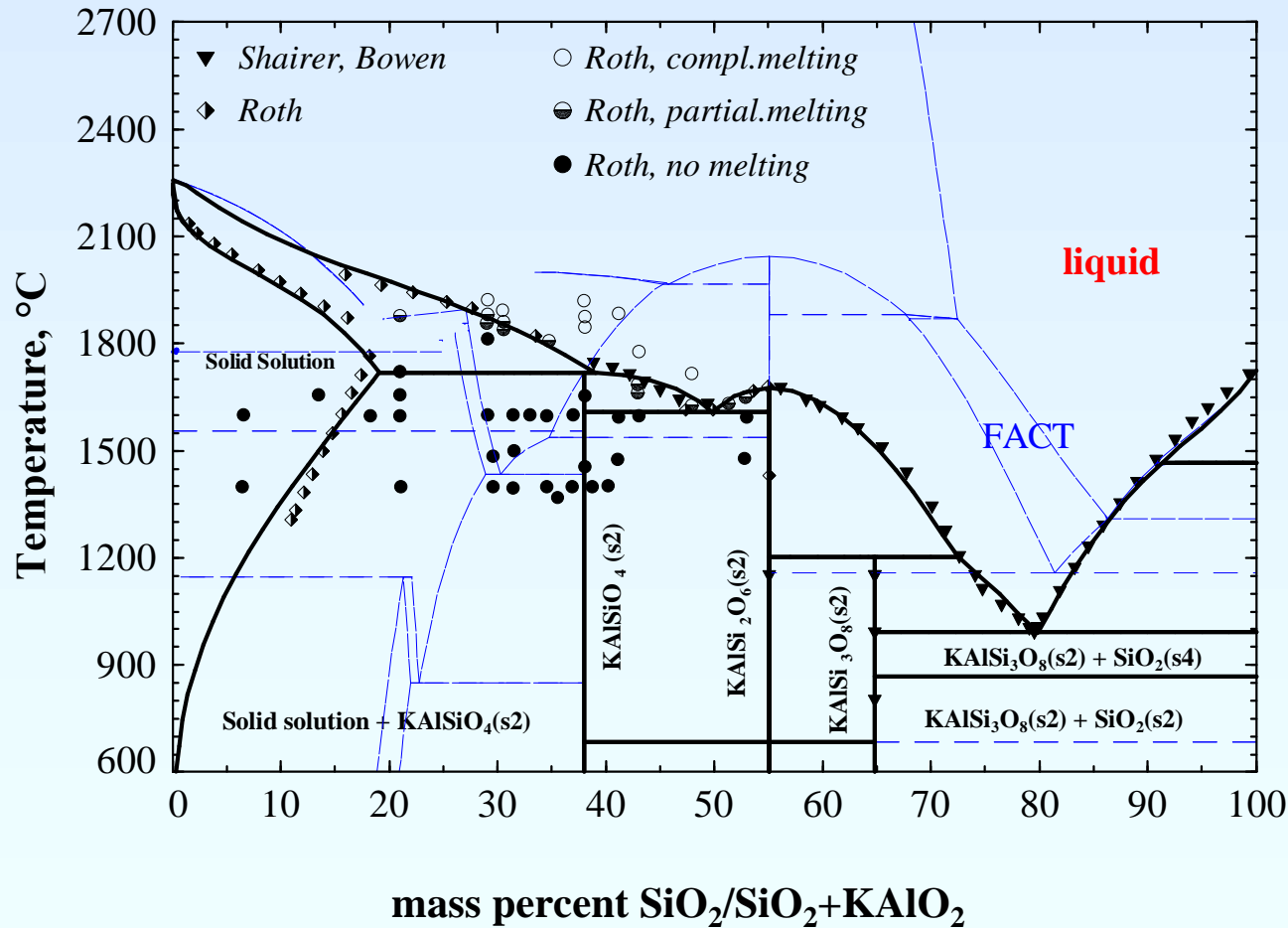
# Quasi-binary section $\text{KAlO}_2\text{-SiO}_2$ / version I



Thermodynamic data for  $\text{KAlSi}_3\text{O}_8$  (K-feldspar) were re-optimised



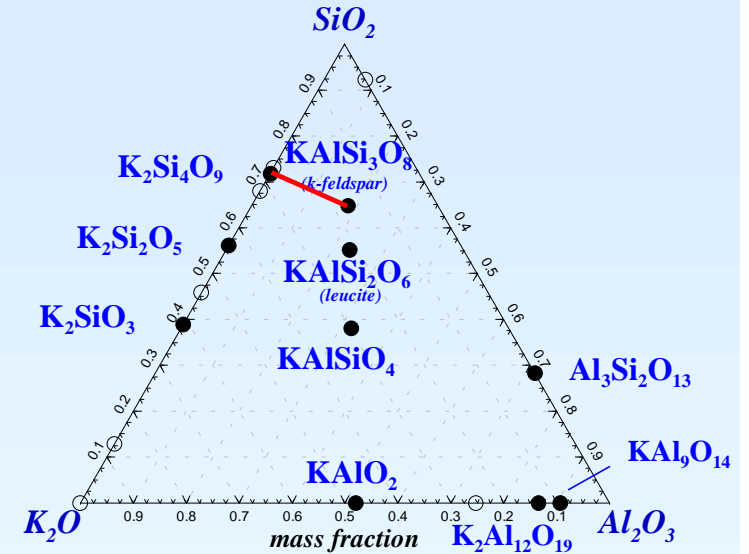
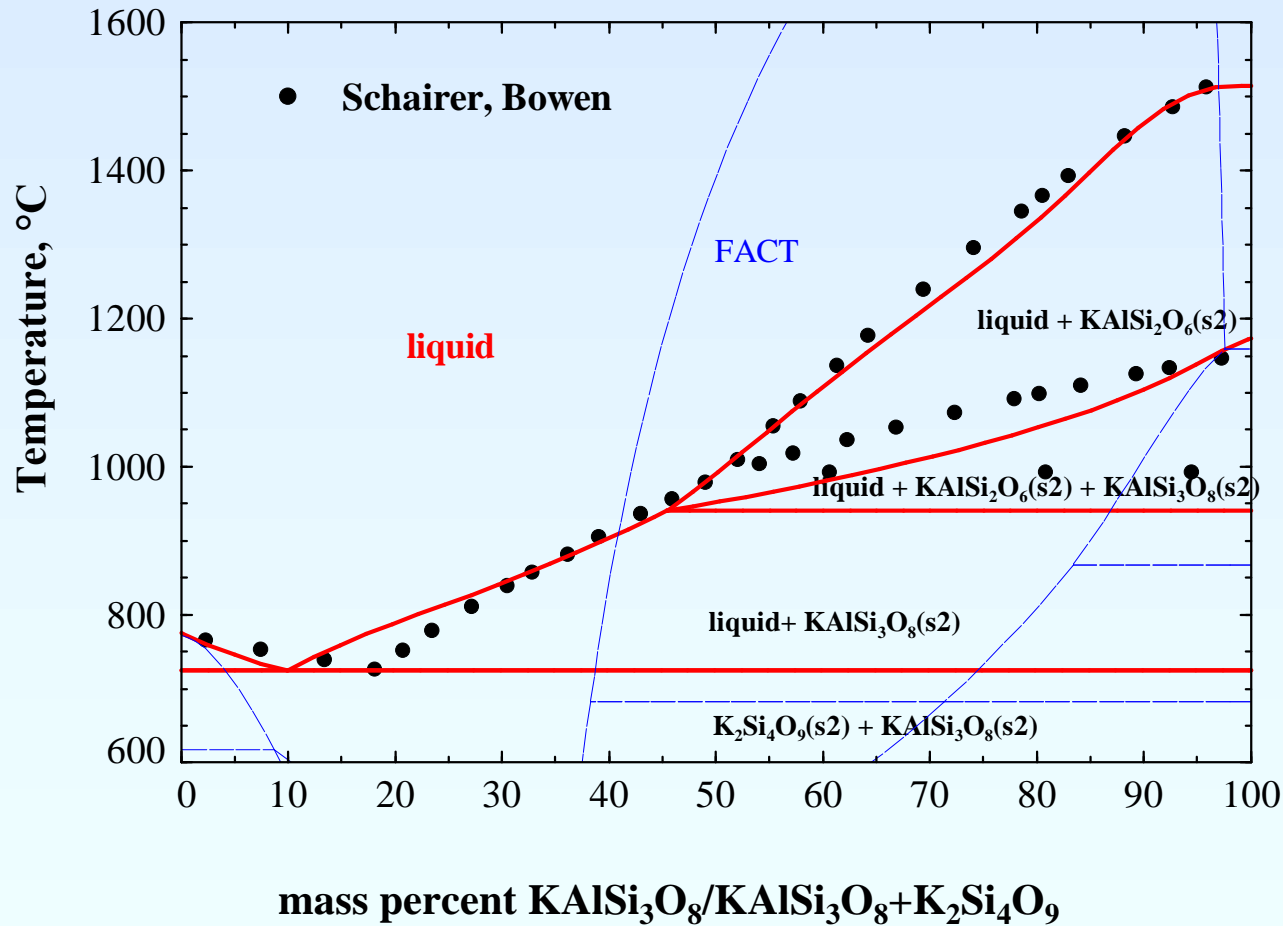
# Quasi-binary section $\text{KAlO}_2\text{-SiO}_2$ / version II



**Solid solution components:**  
**Associate species:**  
 **$\text{KAIO}_2$**   
 **$\text{KAlSiO}_4$**

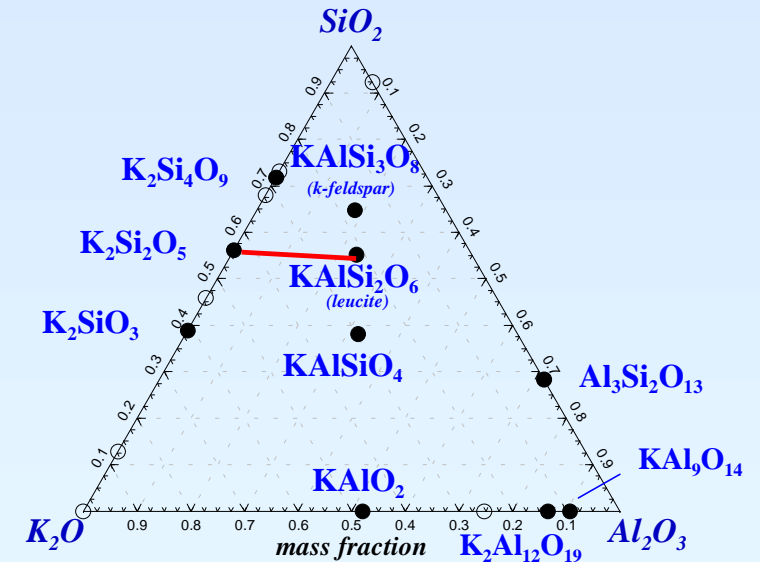
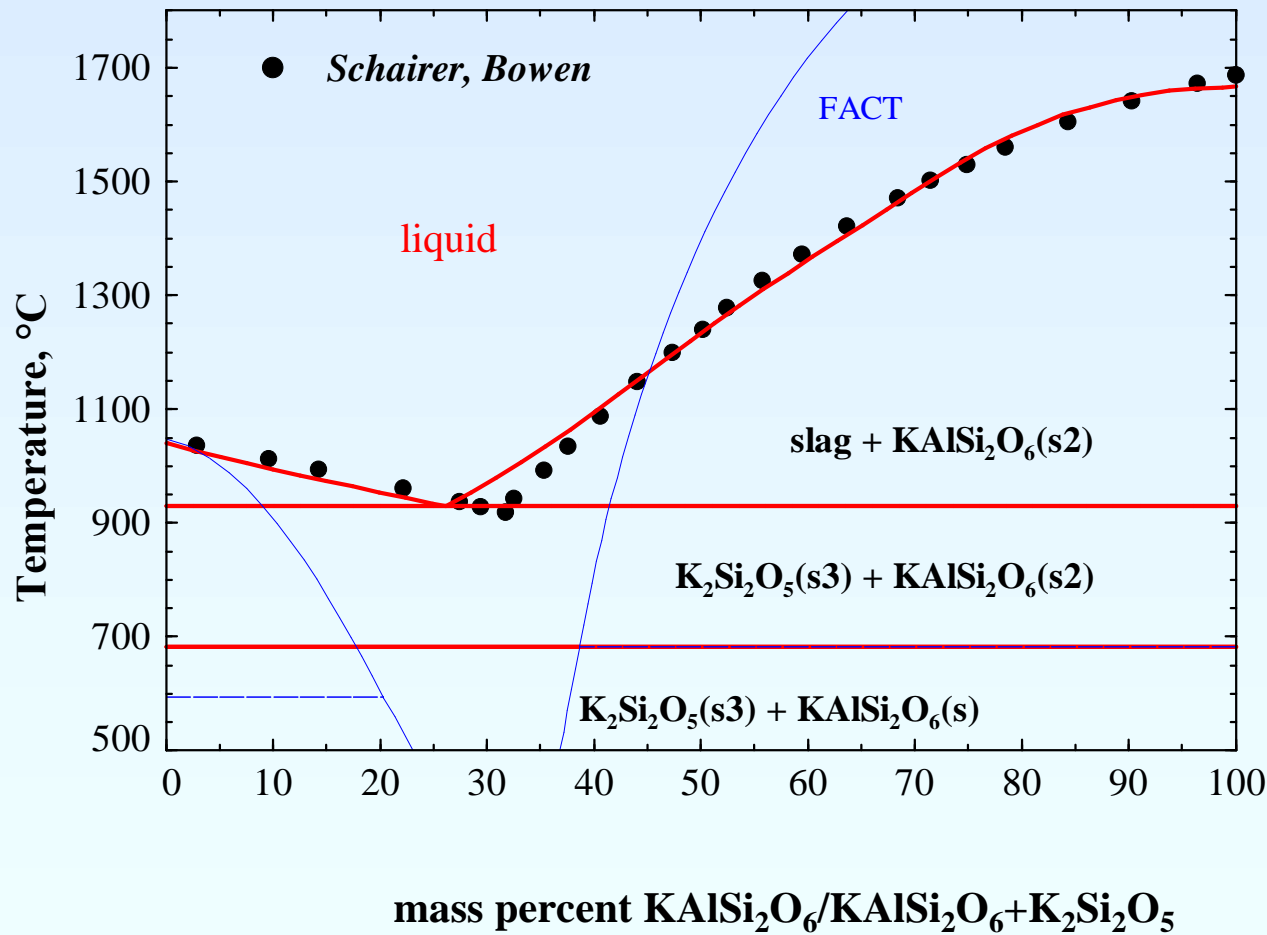


# Quasi-binary section $K_2Si_4O_9$ - $KAlSi_3O_8$ (k-feldspar)



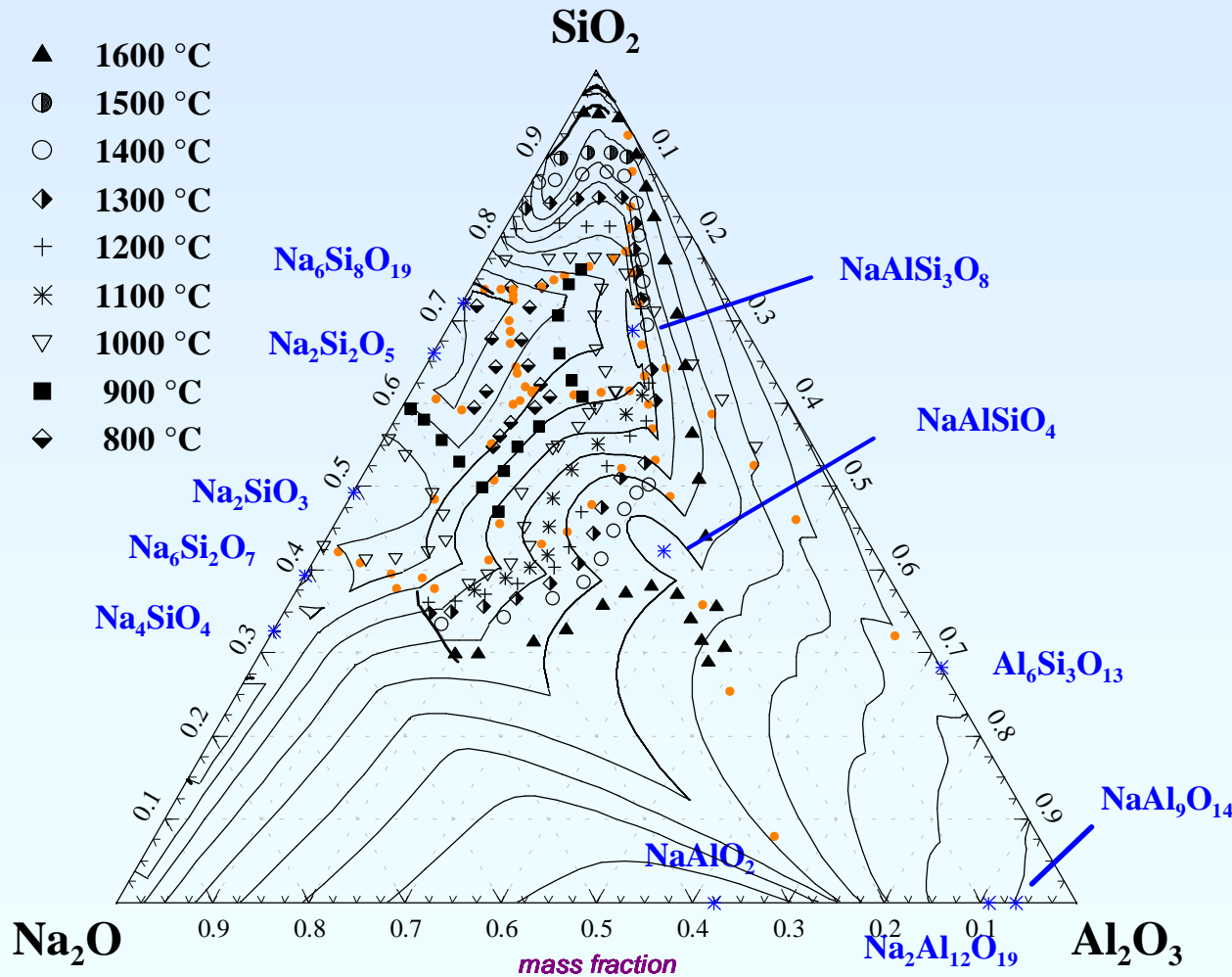


# Quasi-binary section $K_2Si_2O_5$ - $KAlSi_3O_8$ (leucite)





# Current results: predicted phase equilibria in the $\text{Na}_2\text{O}-\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3-\text{SiO}_2$ system



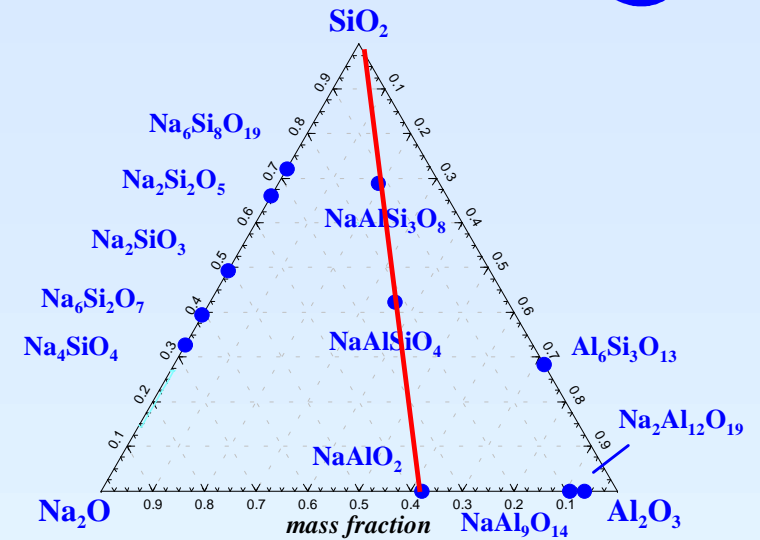
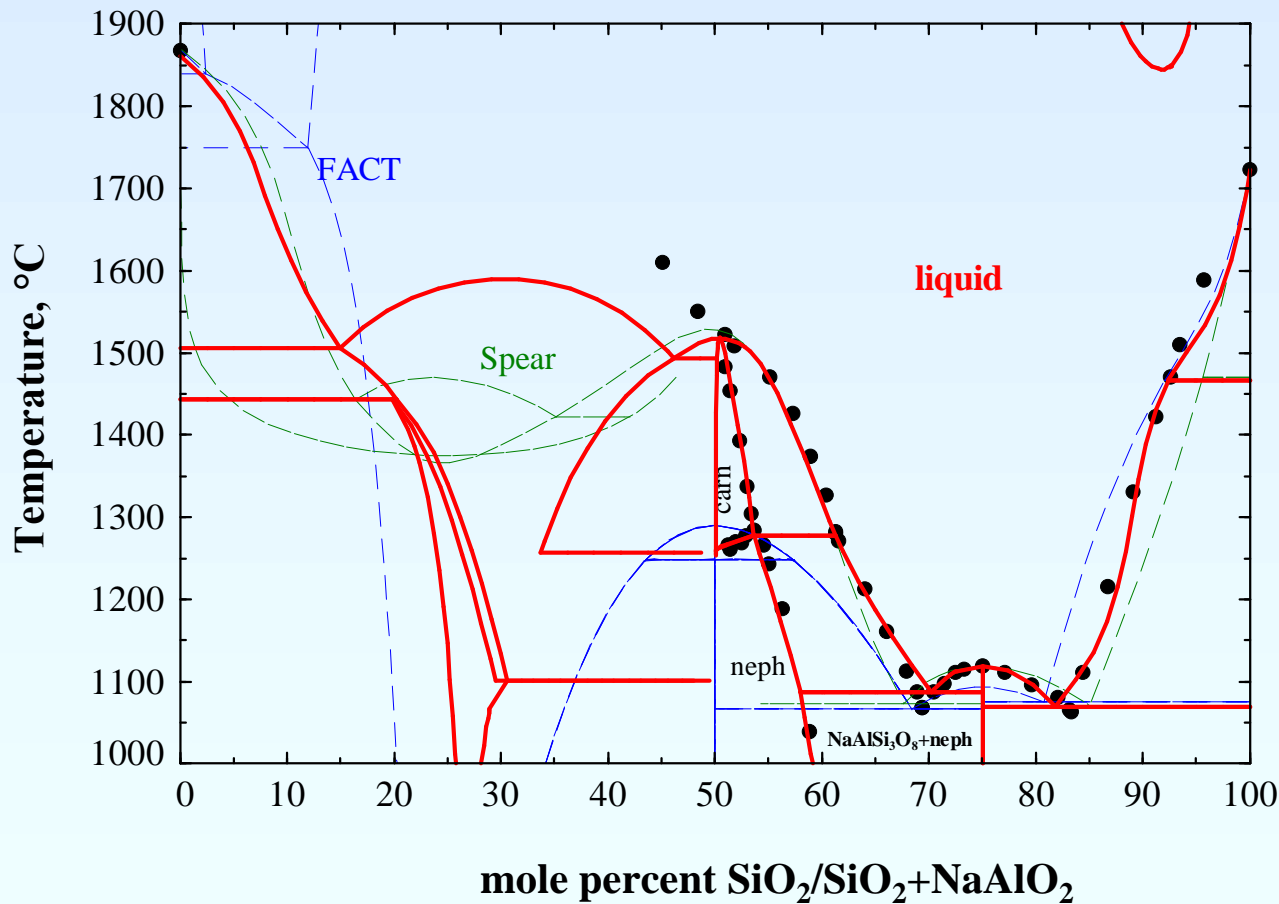
Thermodynamic data for  $\text{NaAlSi}_3\text{O}_8$  (albite) were re-optimised

**Liquid**

- binary associate species
- ternary species:  $\text{KAlSi}_3\text{O}_8 \cdot 2/5$  and  $\text{KAlSiO}_4 \cdot 2/3$



# Current results: quasi-binary section $\text{NaAlO}_2\text{-SiO}_2$



## Solid solutions

### Nepheline

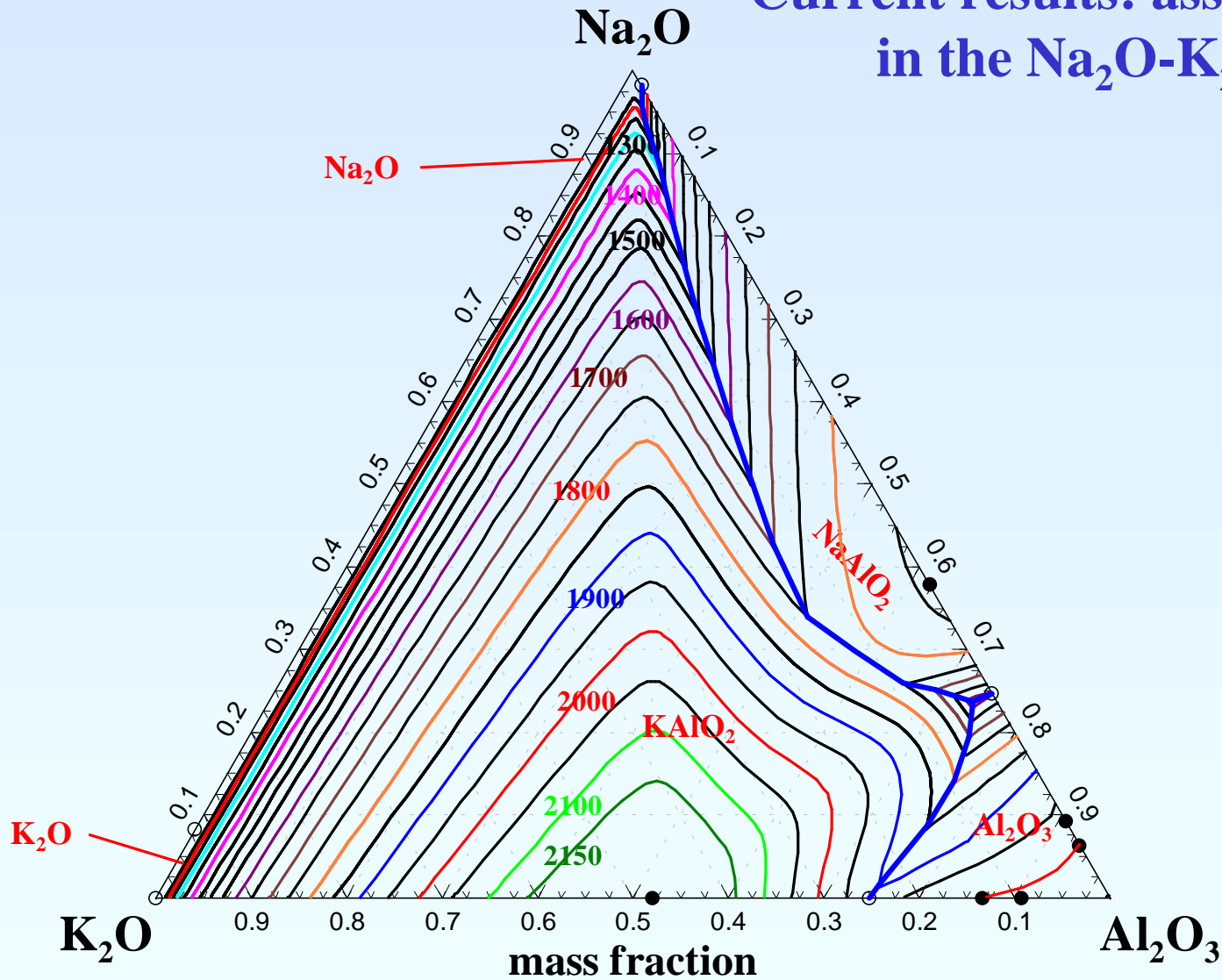
- NaAlSiO<sub>4</sub> (neph, s3)
- NaAlSi<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6</sub> (jadeite)

### Carnegieite

- NaAlSiO<sub>4</sub> (carn, s4)
- NaAlSi<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6</sub> (jadeite)



# Current results: assumed phase equilibria in the $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$ - $\text{K}_2\text{O}$ - $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ system







## Conclusions

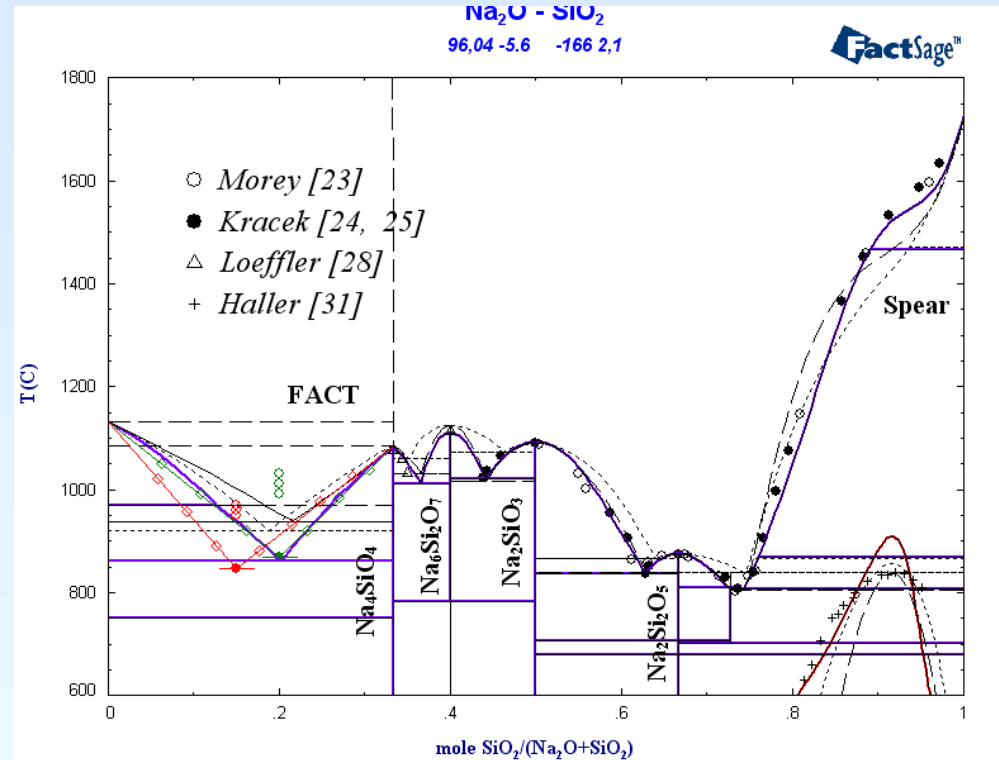
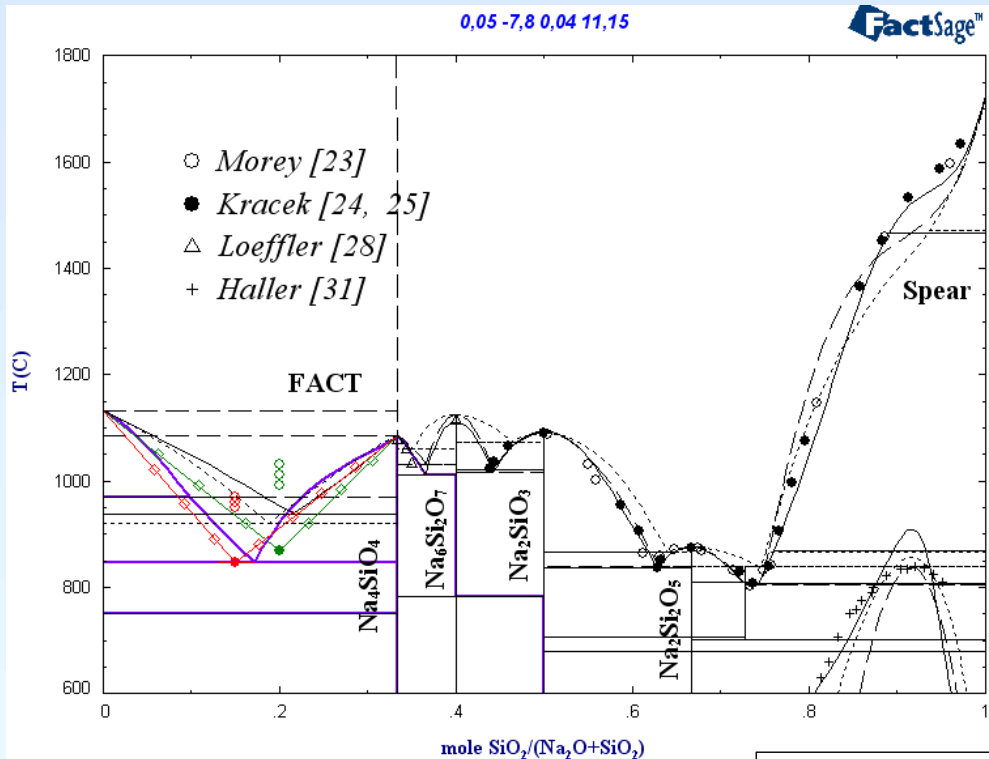
- **The solution data for the binary systems  $\text{Me}_2\text{O-SiO}_2$ ,  $\text{Me}_2\text{O-Al}_2\text{O}_3$  (Me=Na, K) and  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3\text{-SiO}_2$  were improved to accurate description of the phase diagrams of the slag system**
- **Solid and liquid solutions in the ternary systems  $\text{Na}_2\text{O-K}_2\text{O-SiO}_2$ ,  $\text{K}_2\text{O-Al}_2\text{O}_3\text{-SiO}_2$  and  $\text{Na}_2\text{O-Al}_2\text{O}_3\text{-SiO}_2$  (partly) were described using the new database**

## In the future:

- **Assessment the further solution parameters in the  $\text{Na}_2\text{O-Al}_2\text{O}_3\text{-SiO}_2$  system**
- **Consideration of the oxide systems containing CaO and MgO**

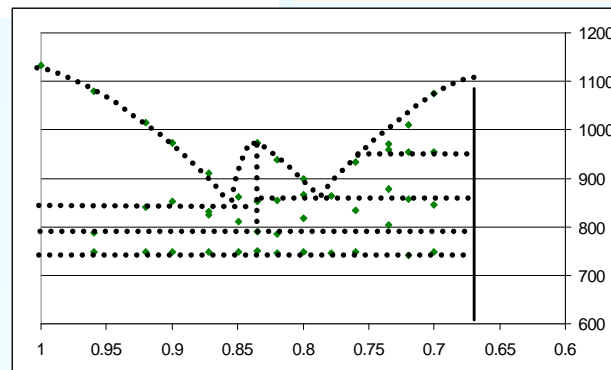


**Thank you for your attention**



New eutectic point at 845 °C

*Experimental data  
of M. Rys, IEF-2*



New eutectic point at 867 °C