3-D Representation of Phase Diagrams and other Property Diagrams for Multi-component Systems

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Where will 3-D representation help?

- From Gibbs energy to phase diagram
- Thermodynamic properties in ternaries, e.g. isothermal activities
- Liquidus projections
- Quaternary phase diagrams



Phase diagrams as projections from Gibbs Energy plots



Binary system: projection in G-T-x diagram, p = const.



Phase diagrams as projections from Gibbs energy plots



Ternary system: projection in $G-x_1-x_2$ diagram, T = const and p = const



Perspective Representation of Isothermal Activity Plots for the System Ti-Si-C





1: Si+SiC + TiSi₂ 2: TiSi₂ + SiC + Ti₃SiC₂ 3: SiC + Ti₃SiC₂ + TiC_{1-x} 4: SiC + TiC_{1-x} + C

5: $TiC_{1-x} + Ti_3SiC_2 + Ti_5Si_3C_x$ 6: $Ti_{BCC} + TiC_{1-x} + Ti_5Si_3C_x$ 7: $TiSi + Ti_5Si_4 + Ti_5Si_3C_x$ 8: $TiSi + TiSi_2 + Ti_5Si_3C_x$

Carbon activity in system Ti-Si-C for T = 1200° C



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Silicon activity in system Ti-Si-C for $T = 1200^{\circ}$ C



Liquidus Projection for the System MgO-Al2O3-SiO2







Quaternary Phase Diagrams













Wire Models



Wire model for the system Al-Li-Si





(R.Schmid-Fetzer, TU-Clausthal)

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Wire model for the system Co-Fe-Mo-Ni, T=1373K



Intermediate Summary

The <u>routine</u> 3D-visualisation of phase diagrams and also property diagrams would contribute considerably to the understanding of multidimensional relationships in material systems.



Isothermal isobaric isopleth sections







Liquidus projections



MgO - CaO - ZrO₂

Polythermal projection 2200 - 3500





Binary composition-temperature-pressure cube





The Pb-Sn T-P-x Phase Diagram left: from low to high pressure right: from high to low pressure



Ternary composition-temperature prism











Quaternary composition tetrahedron











4D: Quaternary composition tetrahedron with variable temperature









Summary

- Gibbs Energy thermodynamics (Software and Databases) permit quantitative calculation of systems with "arbitrarily" high number of components.

- Regarding time (animation) as an additional parameter it is even possible to generate *four dimensional* representations.

- Up-to-date graphics soft- and hardware provides tools for real 3D-representation.



Thank you for your attention !

We would be happy to welcome You in the 3D cave of RWTH computer center, Aachen !!!

Polarisation glasses will be made available.

