



# Automated Calphad Optimization Workflow

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## Motivation:

Automate optimization of simple binary metallic systems

- systems with intermetallics and/or
- systems with liquid miscibility gaps
- no systems with solid solutions (yet)

in order to

- create “good enough” liquid descriptions in aiMP with minimum effort
- deepen our understanding of inaccuracies in aiMP
- learn what is necessary to create liquid and solid solutions in aiMP

## Strategy:

systems with intermetallics

AlCa, AlSr, CaNi, CaPb, LiSi, MgSi, NiSr, PbSr, ZnSr, PbLi (unsuccessful)

systems with liquid miscibility gaps:

CaK, CrK, CrNa, CrPb, CuK, PbAl, PbCu, PbFe, PbMn, PbNi, PbSi, PbZn, VNa

Create starting data file

- SGTE unaries pure elements
- SLIQ GTOx starting parameters
- aiMP intermetallics

Generate .exp files of different CO recipes using Chemapp for python

Generate parameters .json file using python code

Create .opt file

1. .dat file
2. .exp files
3. .json parameter file
4. set hyperparameters

Run .opt file

Adjust boundary conditions repeat x5

Create new .opt file

Adjust parameter selection

Run .opt file

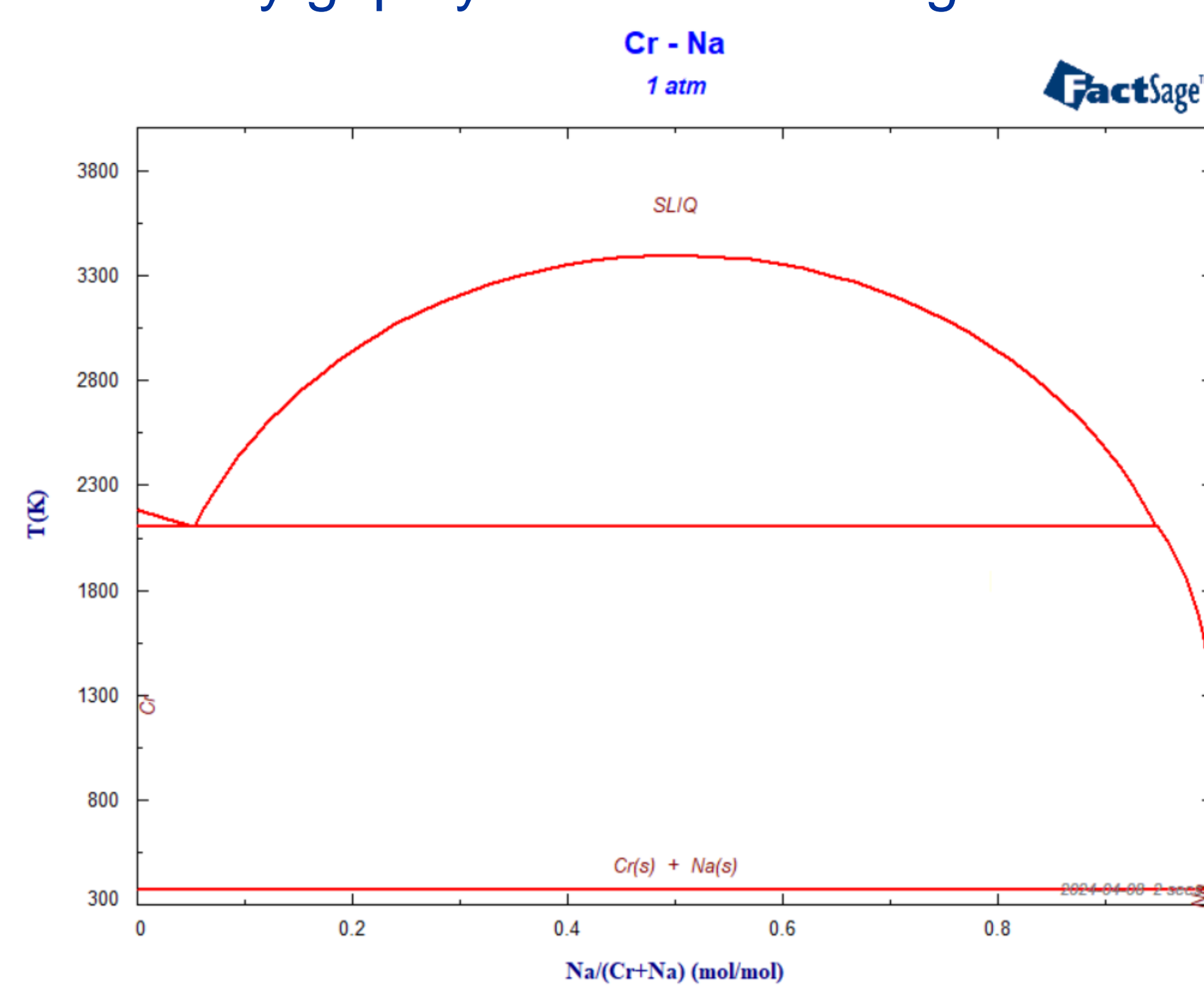
Check final .opt file

## Results:

Black: automated optimization results

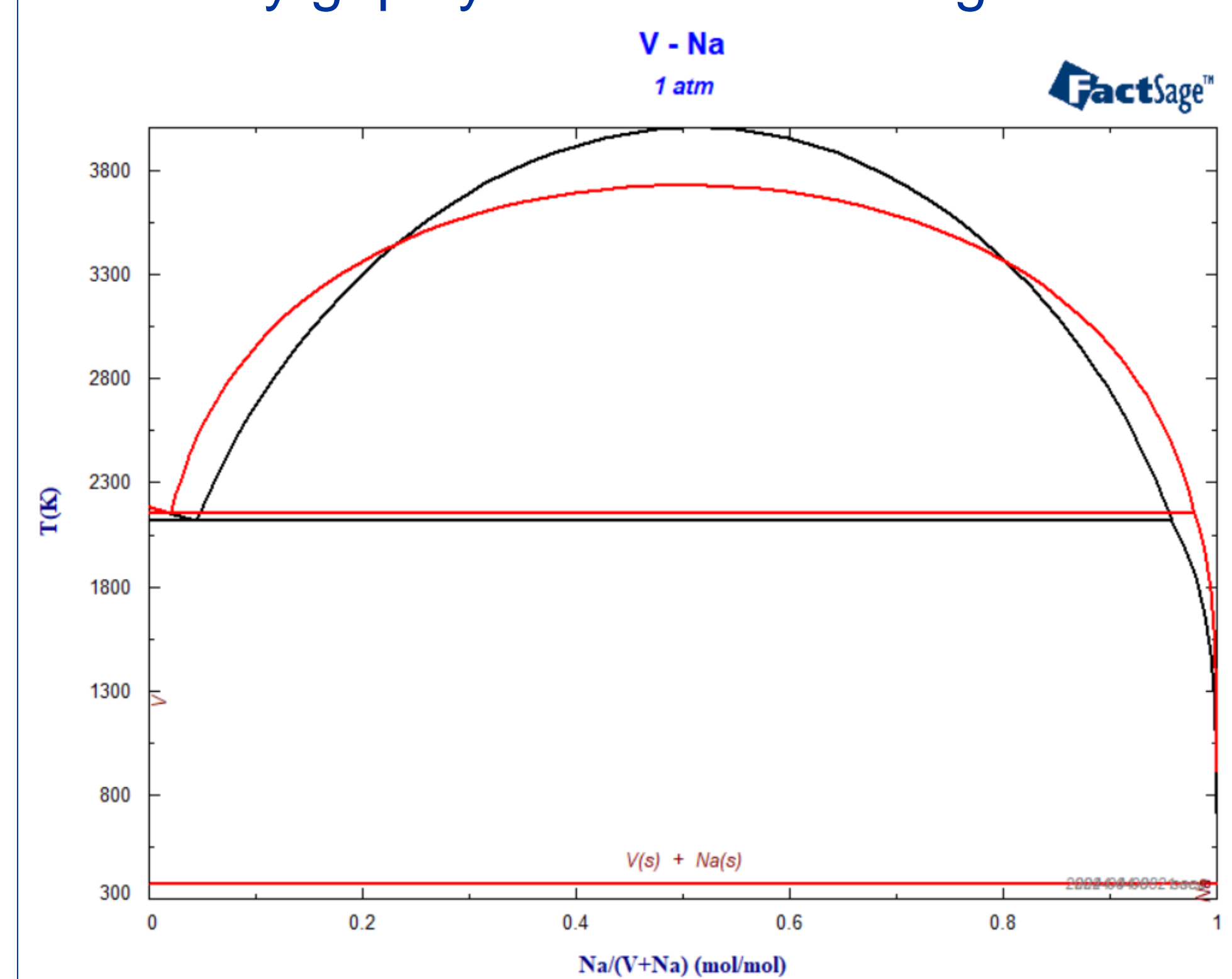
Red: normal calphad results in FactSage

Miscibility gap system with best agreement:



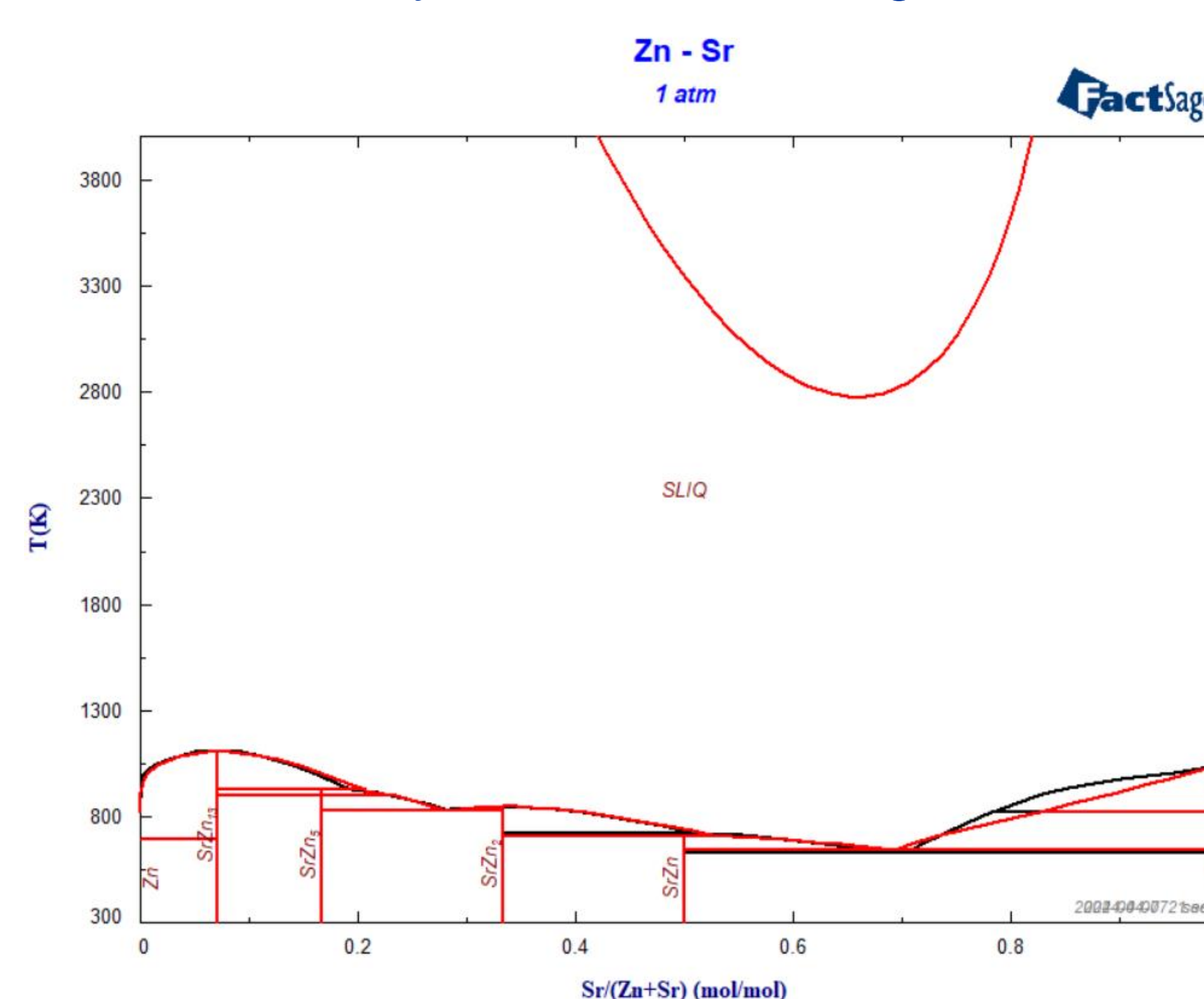
Best miscibility gap result

Miscibility gap system with worst agreement:



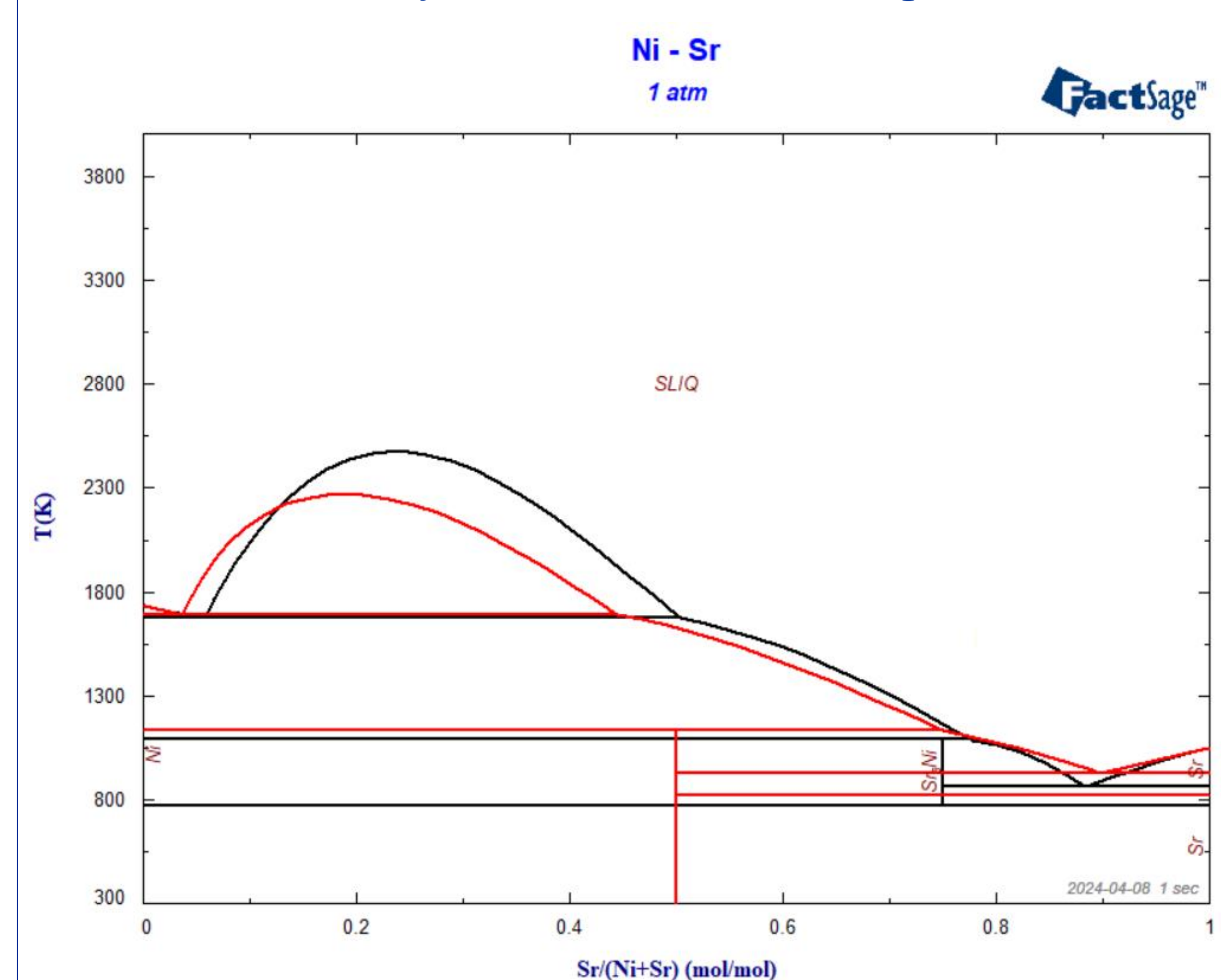
Not enough experimental data for accurate L2 parameter fit, worsens the fit

Intermetallic system with best agreement:



- Stabilized and fit all intermetallics
- Avoided the high temperature inverse miscibility gap

Intermetallic system with least agreement:



- Missing the NiSr intermetallic
- Automated optimization stabilized a different intermetallic to fit the solidus temperatures

- Data formats used in Calphad Optimizer enable development of workflows
- Successfully optimized 22 systems with 78 intermetallics in a single workflow
- Run time for all 22 optimizations 150 min on desktop PC (run in parallel)

## Next Steps:

1. Increase experimental data sources
2. Study Error Sum contributions from Calphad Optimizer
3. Check whether changes in  $\Delta H_f^{298}$  and  $S^{298}$  for aiMP intermetallics point towards systematic errors
4. Automate a method to introduce mixed associates when necessary
5. Optimize 60 miscibility gap and intermetallic containing systems
6. Start optimizing 11 systems containing the fcc solid solution phase

