

Supplemental Literature Review of Binary Phase Diagrams: Ag-Ni, Ag-Zr, Au-Bi, B-Ni, Co-Sb, Cu-Mn, Cu-Si, Cu-Zn, Fe-Zr, Li-Sb, Mg-Pu, and Si-Zr

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Introduction

Binary Alloy Phase Diagrams, 2nd edition, a comprehensive collection of alloy phase diagrams for 2159 binary systems, was published in 1990 (T.B. Massalski, H. Okamoto, P.R. Subramanian, and L. Kacprzak., ASM International, Materials Park, OH [Massalski2]). This review intends to provide more recent information on the binary phase diagrams for the Ag-Ni, Ag-Zr, Au-Bi, B-Ni, Co-Sb, Cu-Mn, Cu-Si, Cu-Zn, Fe-Zr, Li-Sb, Mg-Pu, and Si-Zr systems that have become available after 1990. The criteria for selecting such information for inclusion in this review are (1) systems for which no phase diagram was given in [Massalski2], (2) complete diagrams that are substantially different from the earlier version, and (3) partial diagrams that alter or clarify the earlier version. Thermodynamic consistency of the new phase diagrams was checked based on phase rules and the diagrams were modified if necessary. However, each updated phase diagram has not gone through the ordinary evaluation process. Accordingly, a newer phase diagram is not always a better diagram, especially when there is too little published data on a system. For convenience, reaction tables and crystal structure data have been added when new information was available.

Ag-Ni (Silver-Nickel)

The Ag-Ni system was reviewed by [1991Sin] and the assessed phase diagram was adopted by [1990Mas]. This phase diagram was thermodynamically optimized by [2008Liu]. The result is shown in Fig. 1. The Ag-rich corner of this phase diagram is enlarged in Fig. 2.

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Fig. 2 Ag-rich corner of the Ag-Ni phase diagram [2008Liu]



Ag-Zr (Silver-Zirconium)

The Ag-Zr system was reviewed by [1992Kar]. The assessed phase diagram was accepted by [1990Mas]. According to [1997Oka], data from two key papers ([1978Lob], [1988Zha]) published earlier were not cited by [1992Kar].

Thermodynamic modeling of this system was attempted by [2010Kan] and [2016Hsi].

Figure 3 shows the result of the most recent work of [2016Hsi].

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Au-Bi (Gold-Bismuth)

The Au-Bi system was reviewed by [1983Oka]. The assessed phase diagram was adopted by [1990Mas]. Additional information introduced by [1990Mas] was

consistent with [1983Oka]. Figure 4 shows the Au-Bi phase diagram thermodynamically optimized by [2007Wan]. The retrograde (Au) solidus is enlarged in Fig. 5. These results are in good agreement with [1990Mas].



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B-Ni (Boron-Nickel)

The B-Ni system was reviewed by [1991Lia] and the assessed phase diagram was adopted by [1990Mas]. This phase diagram was thermodynamically optimized by [2009Sun]. The result is shown in Fig. 6.

Fig. 6 B-Ni phase diagram [2009Sun]

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Co-Sb (Cobalt-Antimony)

Information on the Co-Sb system was summarized by [1990Mas] based on [1990Ish]. It was supplemented by [1991Oka] based on [1990Han] and then by [2005Oka] based on [2004Li].

Figure 7 shows the Co-Sb phase diagram calculate by [2008Zha] in comparison with that calculated by [2004Li].







The latter agrees much better with [1990Ish] or [1990Han] along the liquidus on the Sb side where disagreement between [2004Li] and [2008Zha] is significant. Therefore, the diagram of [2004Li] may be better. See earlier reviews for other controversial features found among various versions of the phase diagram.

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Cu-Mn (Copper-Manganese)

The Cu-Mn phase diagram in [1990Mas] was redrawn from [1969Shu]. This phase diagram was characterized by the existence of two ordered phases with approximate compositions of Cu₅Mn and Cu₃Mn, which were based on [1962Sok]. [1994Gok] reviewed this system and proposed an assessed phase diagram with the ordered phases combined into one phase named ε . [1998Oka] introduced another Cu-Mn phase diagram proposed by [1993Lew]. The ordered phases were out of the range of this phase diagram.

Taking into account the existence of γ_3 , γ_1 (Cu₅Mn), and γ_2 (Cu₃Mn) reported by [1962Sok] and [1990God], [2006Tur] optimized boundaries of these phases by thermodynamic modeling, as shown in Fig. 8

Table 1 shows Cu-Mn crystal structure data. No information is available for the three ordered phases.

According to [2007Vil], the existence of an In-type phase on the Mn-rich side (80-90 at.% Mn) of this





Table 1 Cu-Mn crystal structure data

Phase	Composition, at.% Mn	Pearson symbol	Space group	Strukturbericht designation	Prototype
(Cu, yMn)	0-100	cF4	Fm 3m	<i>A</i> 1	Cu
γ ₃	?-31				
$\gamma_1(Cu_5Mn)$?-19.8				
$\gamma_2(Cu_3Mn)$	22.5-27				
(δMn)	87.8-100	cI2	Im 3m	A2	W
(βMn)	99.1-100	<i>cP</i> 20	P4132	A13	βMn
(aMn)	100	<i>cI</i> 58	I 43m	A12	αMn

system was reported in five references. There are many reports on metastable transitions observed in this composition range [1994Gok], but the In-type phase was not referred to in the discussion. Major revisions may be needed in the phase diagram if a stable phase exists in this range.

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Cu-Si (Copper-Silicon)

[2016Hal] (0-40 at.% Si),

The thermodynamic model used for calculation of the Cu-Si phase diagram by [2000Yan] may have been too simplified [2002Oka]. For example, the η phase was treated as one phase by [2000Yan], but the existence of η' and η'' phases, as in [1990Mas], was confirmed by [2007Mat] and [2011Suf] experimentally, as reviewed by [2012Oka]. Figure 9 shows the Cu-Si phase diagram thermodynamically optimized by [2016Hal] for 0 to J. Phase Equilib. Diffus. (2018) 39:87-100

Cu-Si crystal structure data in Table 2 have been updated according to [2016Hal].

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Table 2 Cu-Si crystal structure data

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Phase	Composition, at.% Si	Pearson symbol	Space group	Strukturbericht designation	Prototype
(Cu)	0-11.25	cF4	Fm $\bar{3}m$	A1	Cu
κ	9.5-13.6	hP2	P6 ₃ /mmc	A3	Mg
β	11.6-16	cI2	Im $\bar{3}m$	A2	W
γ	17.5	<i>cP</i> 20	P4 ₁ 32	A13	βMn
δ	17.5	hP2	P6 ₃ /mmc	A3	Mg
3	21.1	<i>cI</i> 76	I 43d		
η	23	hR^*	R 3m		
η′	23.5	hR9	$R \bar{3}$		
η″	24	oC^*			
(Si)	100	cF8	$Fd \ \bar{3}m$	<i>A</i> 4	C (diamond)

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Cu-Zn (Copper-Zinc)

The Cu-Zn system was reviewed by [1994Mio]. The assessed phase diagram was shown in [1990Mas] (solid lines in Fig. 10). This phase diagram was thermodynamically optimized by [2008Gie] (broken lines in Fig. 10). Compositions and temperatures of invariant reactions marked in Fig. 10 are for [1994Mio]. The calculated results of [2008Gie] are in good agreement.

Fig. 10 Cu-Zn phase diagram



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Fe-Zr (Iron-Zirconium)

[2006Oka] introduced the Fe-Zr phase diagram experimentally determined by [2002Ste]. [2008Guo] optimized this phase diagram by thermodynamic modeling. The result is shown in Fig. 11.

The liquidus of the (βZr) phase in the phase diagram of [2002Ste] appeared too flat at the Zr end according to one of the guidelines given in [1993Oka]. This problem has been alleviated in Fig. 11.

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Li-Sb (Lithium-Antimony)

[1996Oka] introduced the Li-Sb phase diagram determined by [1995Fed]. In comparison with the diagram of [1990Mas], this new phase diagram differed substantially, including three additional phases, Li₃Sb₂ (dimorphic) and LiSb₂. However, [1995Fed] noted that his phase diagram should be treated as nonequilibrium phase diagram. Recently, [2015Kan] confirmed that these phases are unstable phases based on EMF measurements. [2017Zha] also confirmed the absence of these phases in the



[2008Guo]





Table 3 Li-Sb crystal structurre data

Phase	Composition, at.% Sb	Pearson symbol	Space group	Strukturbericht designation	Prototype
(ßLi)	0	cI2	Im 3m	A2	W
βLi ₃ Sb	25	hP8	P6 ₃ /mmc	$D0_{18}$	Na ₃ As
αLi ₃ Sb	25	<i>cF</i> 16	Fm $\bar{3}m$	$D0_3$	BiF ₃
Li ₂ Sb	33.3	hP18	$P \ \bar{6}2c$		
(Sb)	100	hR2	$R \ \bar{3}m$	Α7	αAs

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Mg-Pu (Magnesium-Plutonium)

The Mg-Pu system was reviewed by [1988Nay]. The phase diagram was speculative due to lack of conclusive experimental data. Only two intermediate phases were shown.

[1990Mas] accepted the complete Mg-Pu phase diagram reported later by [1989Axl]. [2009Wan] optimized this phase diagram by thermodynamic modeling. The result is shown in Fig. 13. The low-temperature part of this phase diagram is enlarged in Fig. 14.

Mg-Pu crystal structure data given in [1988Nay] and [1990Mas] are summarized in Table 4. Intermediate phases may have to be re-examined because crystal structures have not been well established.



Table 4 Mg-Pu crystal structure data

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Phase	Composition, at.% Pu	Pearson symbol	Space group	Strukturbericht designation	Prototype
(Mg)	0-3.7	hP2	P6 ₃ /mmc	A3	Mg
Mg ₆ Pu	14.3	cF^*			
Mg ₄ Pu	20	hP*			
Mg ₂ Pu	33.3	<i>cF</i> 12	Fm $\bar{3}m$	<i>C</i> 1	CaF_2
(EPu)	100	cI2	Im $\bar{3}m$	A2	W
(d'Pu)	100	tI2	I4/mmm	A6	In
(dPu)	100	cF4	Fm $\bar{3}m$	<i>A</i> 1	Cu
(yPu)	100	oF8	Fddd		γPu
(BPu)	100	<i>mC</i> 34	C2/m		βPu
(aPu)	100	<i>mP</i> 16	$P2_1/m$		αPu

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Si-Zr (Silicon-Zirconium)

The Si-Zr system was reviewed by [1990Oka]. The assessed phase diagram was adopted by [1990Mas].

Figure 15 shows the Si-Zr phase diagram optimized by [2009Che2] (the same diagram in [2009Che1] also). This phase diagram is in good agreement with [1990Oka]. The thermodynamic model was consistent with the thermodynamic data provided by [1985Sun] and [2002Wit].



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