

# Carbide Precipitation in Steel Weld Metals

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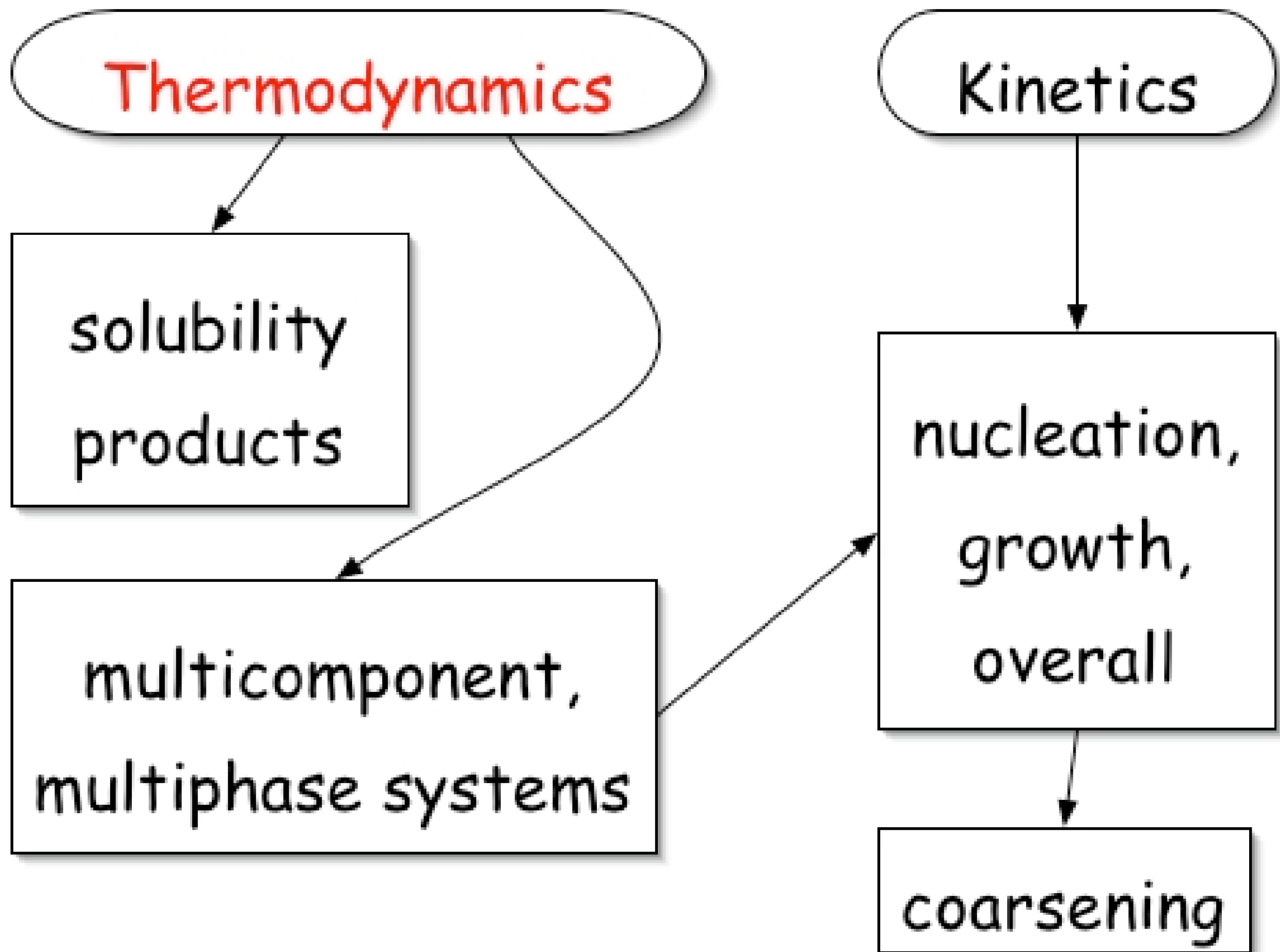
# Carbides in Welds

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graph TD; A([Carbides in Welds]) --> B[sensitisation]; A --> C[elimination of carbides]; A --> D[strengthening with carbides];
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**sensitisation**

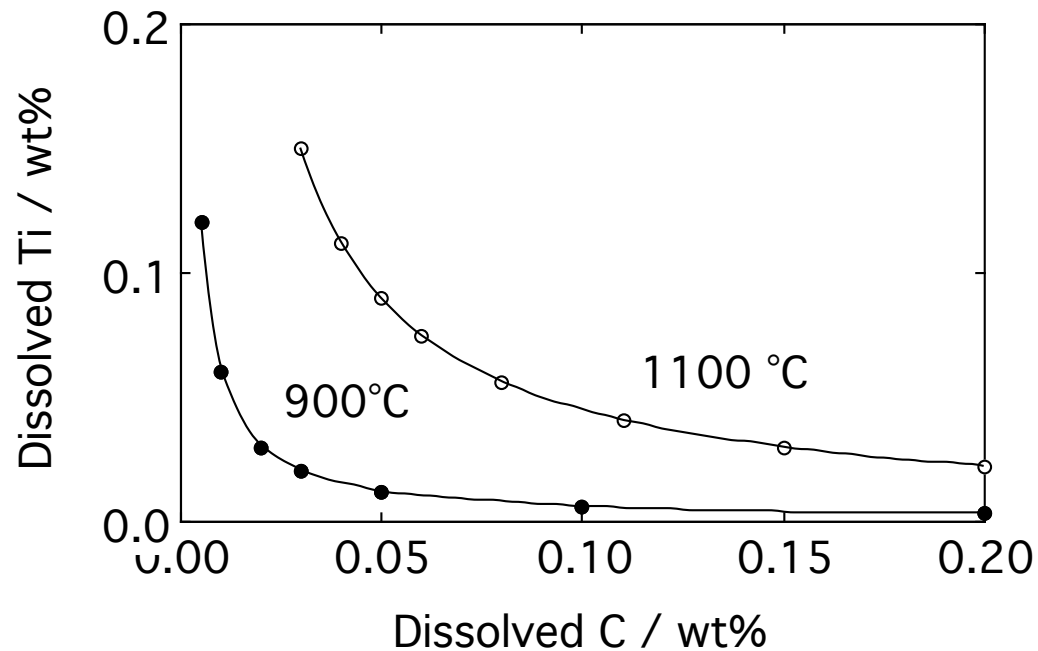
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carbides**

**strengthening  
with carbides**





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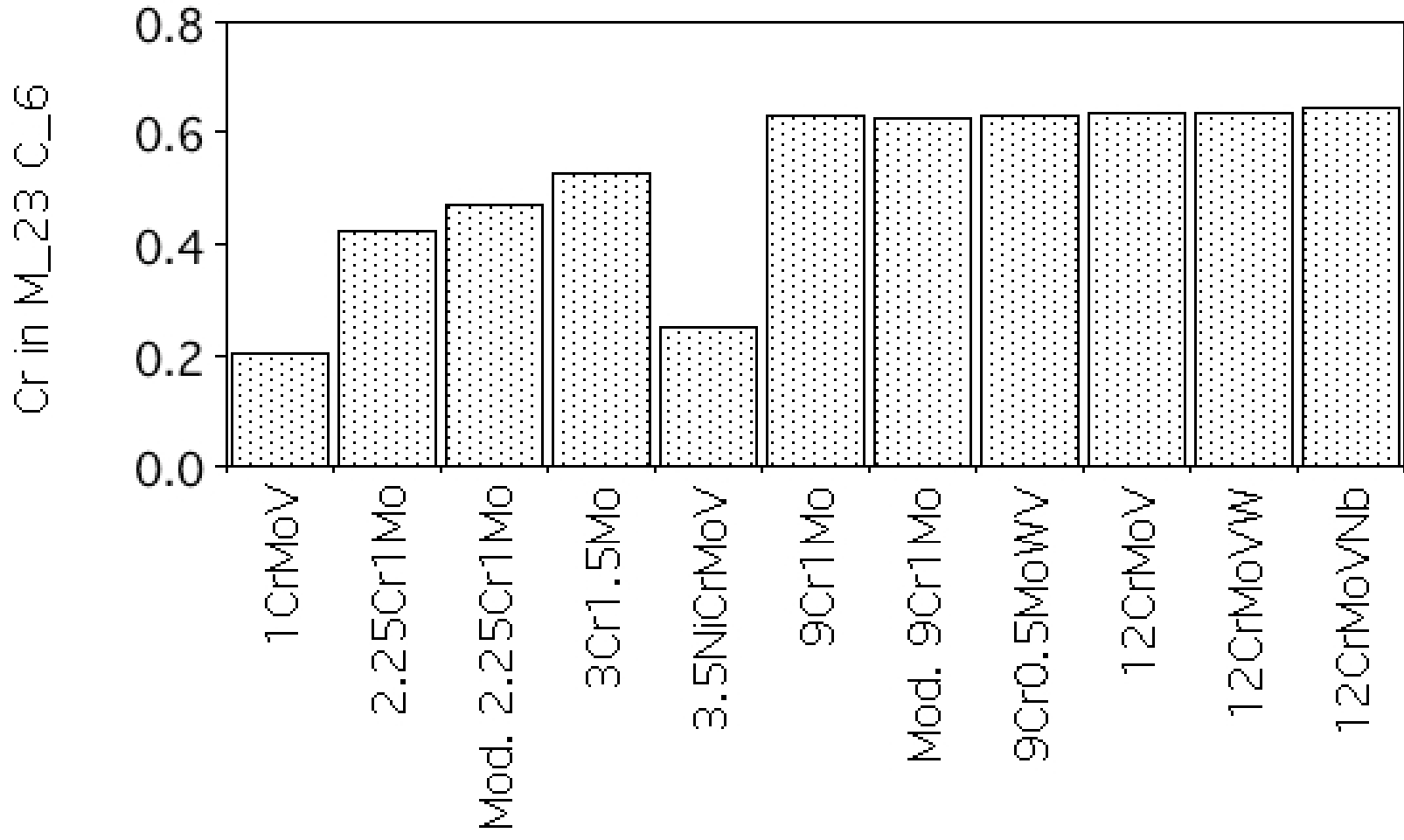


$$\Delta G = 0 = \Delta G^0 + RT \ln \left\{ \frac{a_{\text{TiC}}}{a_{\text{Ti}_\gamma} a_{\text{C}_\gamma}} \right\}$$

$$\Delta G^0 = \Delta H^0 - T \Delta S^0$$

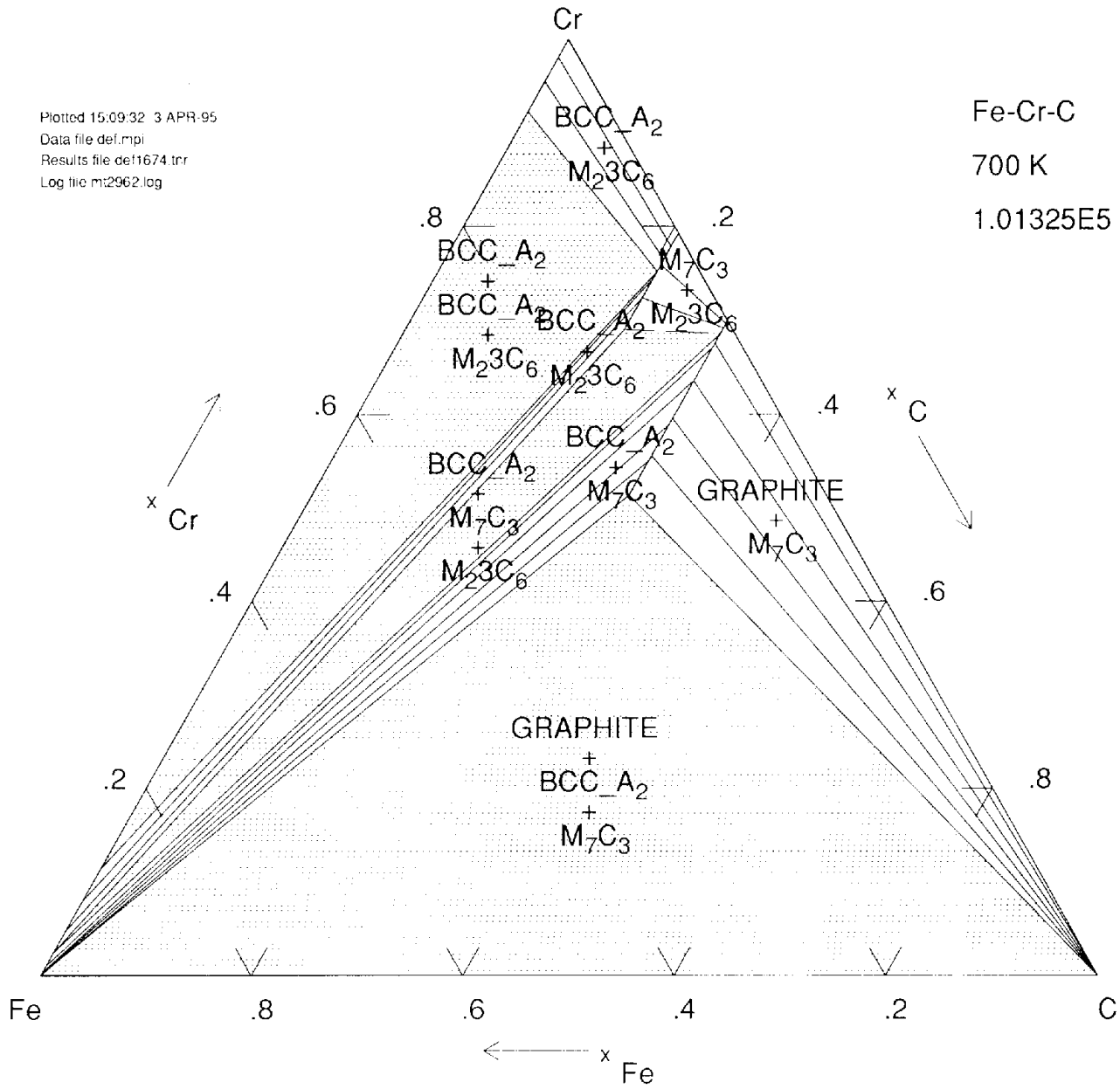
$$\ln \{ w_{\text{Ti}_\gamma} w_{\text{C}_\gamma} \} = \frac{-\Delta H^0}{RT} + \frac{\Delta S^0}{R}$$

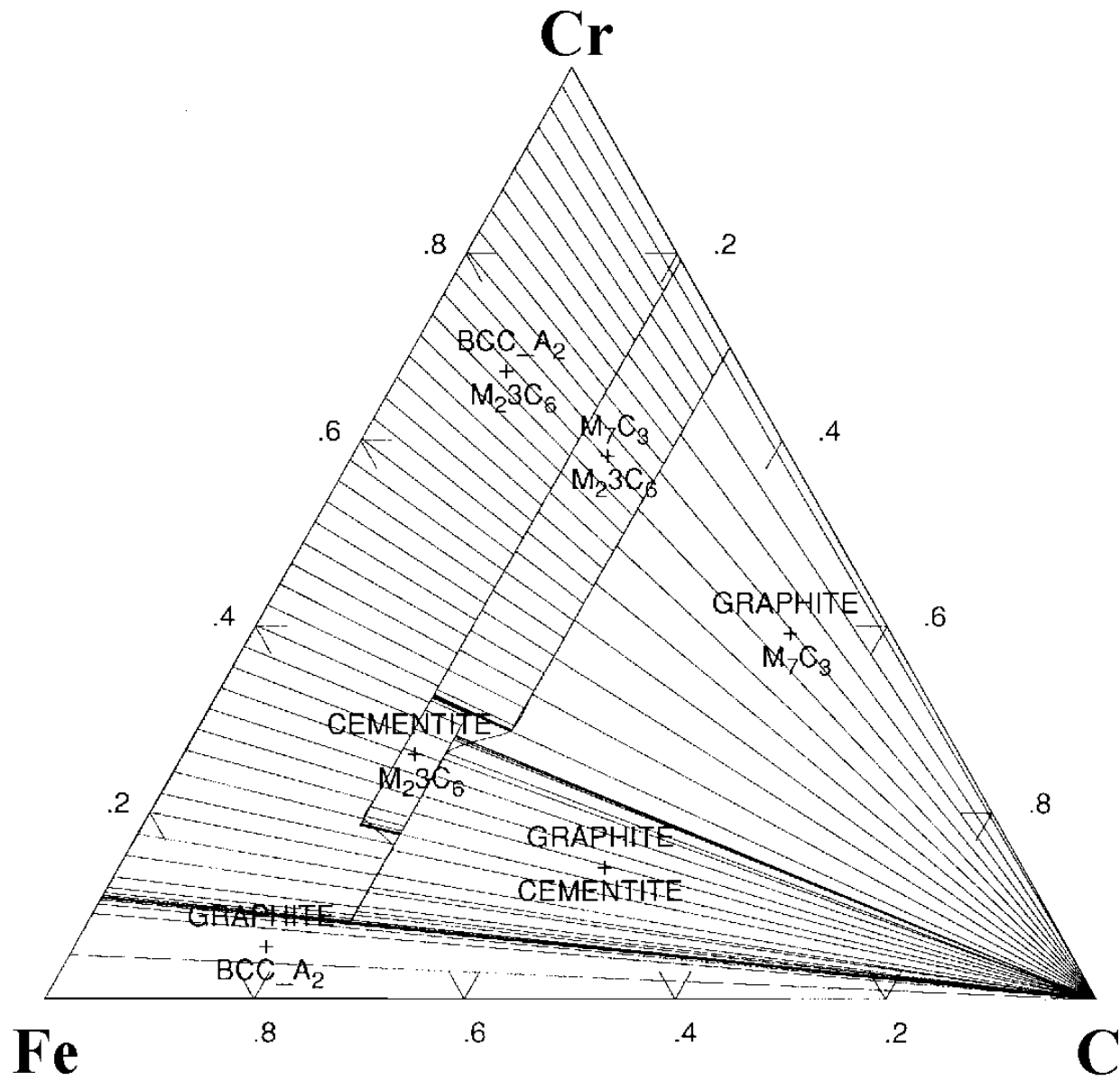
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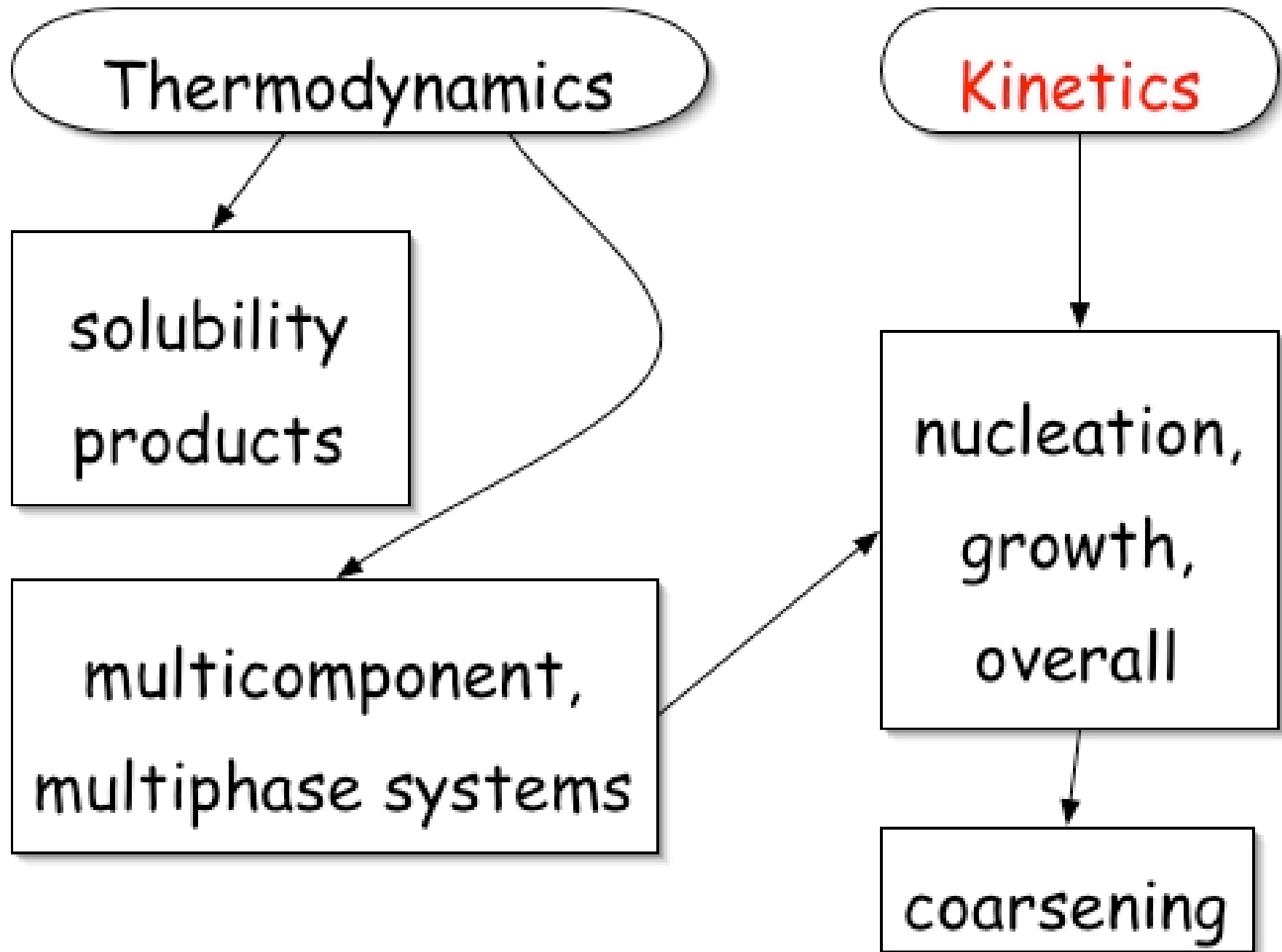
Plotted 15:09:32 3 APR 95  
Data file def.mpi  
Results file def11674.trr  
Log file mt2962.log

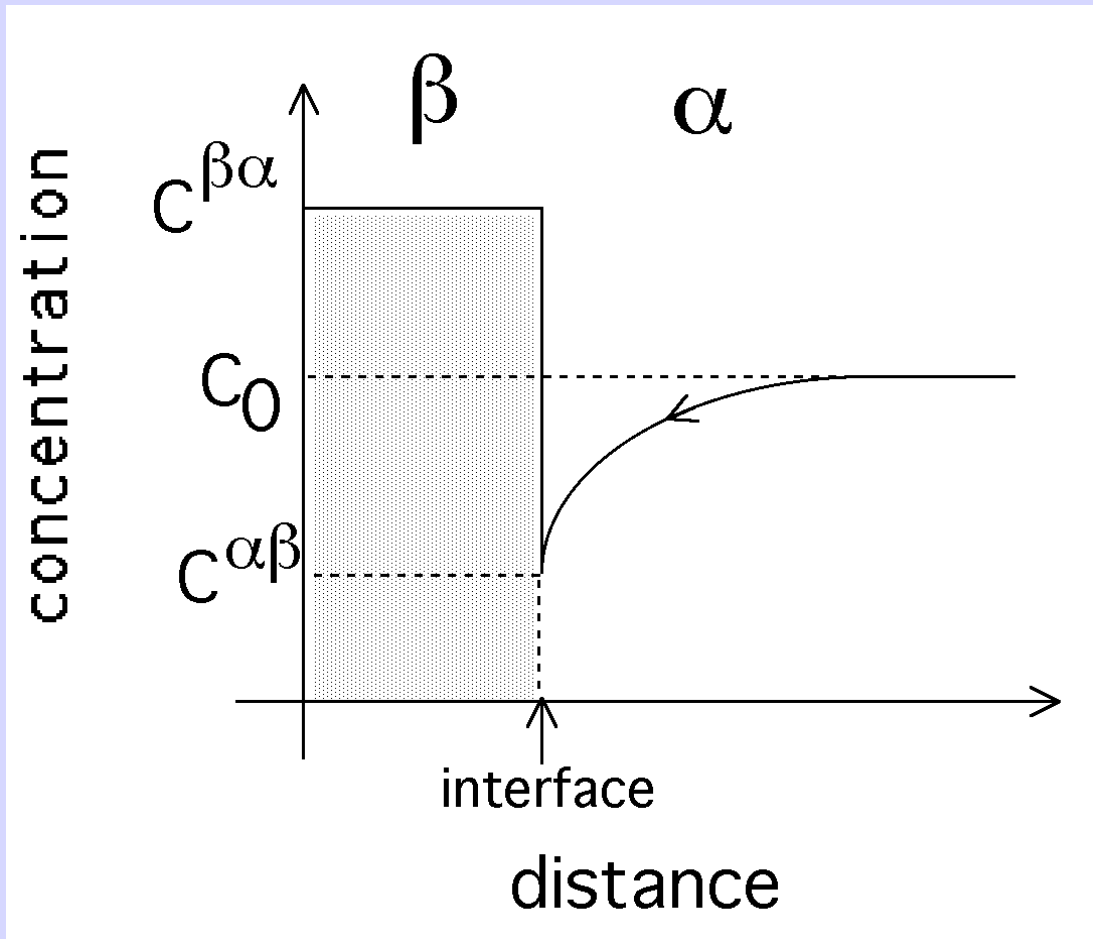
Fe-Cr-C  
700 K  
1.01325E5 Pa









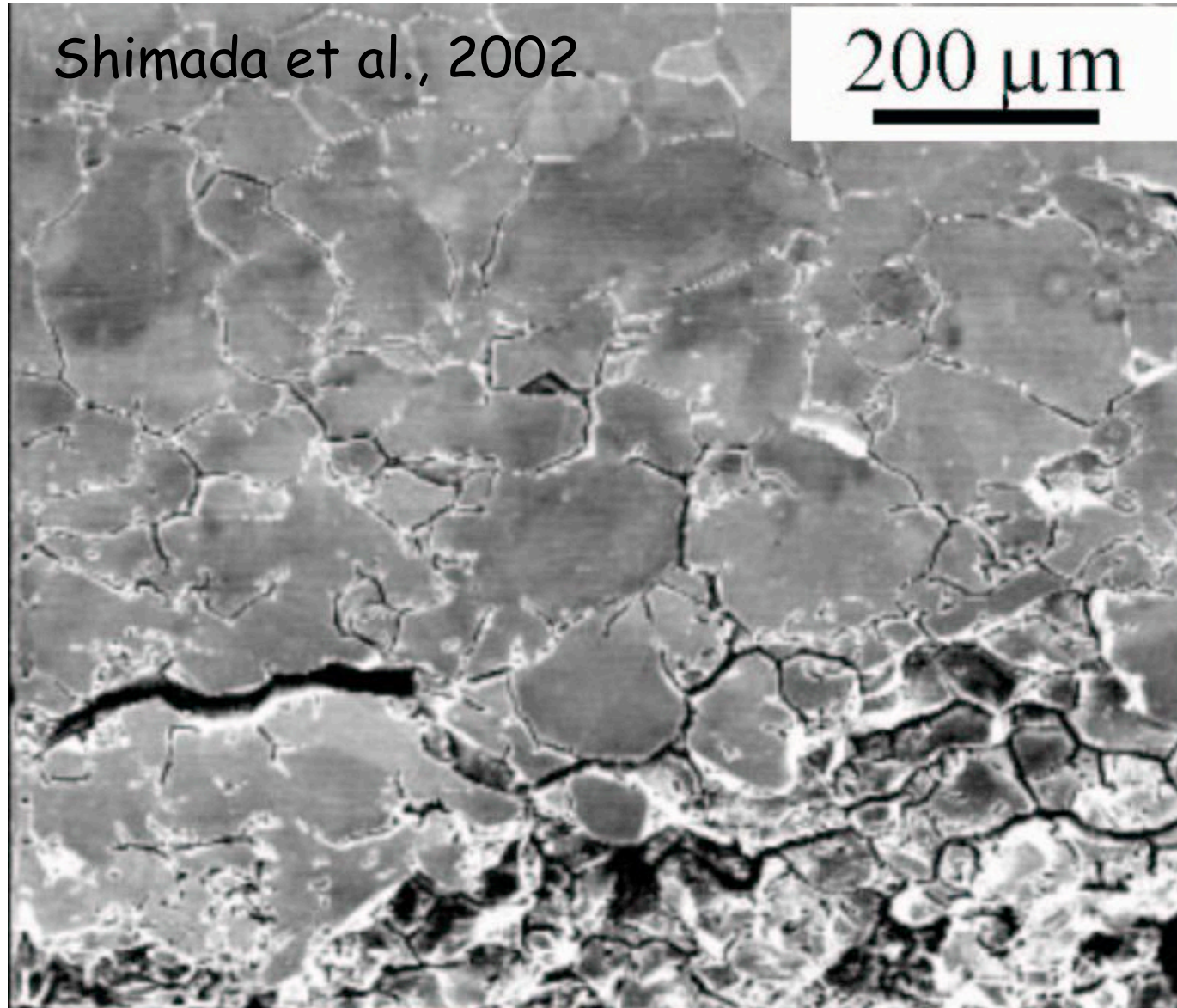


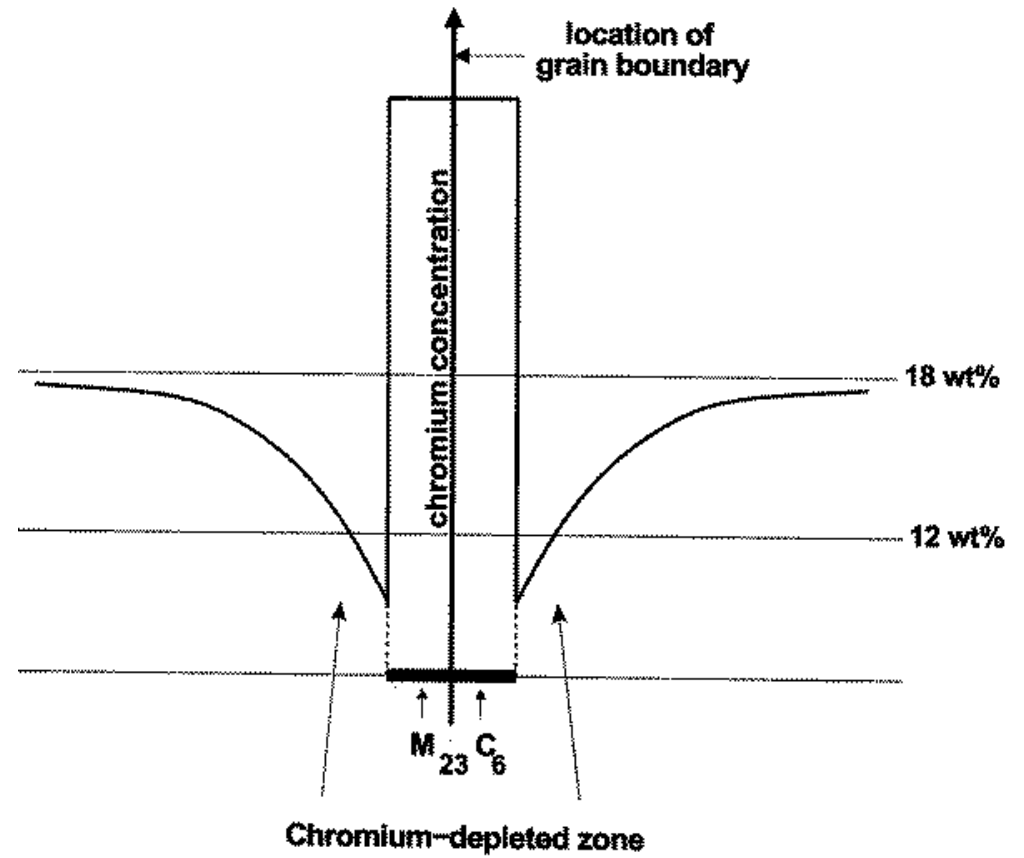
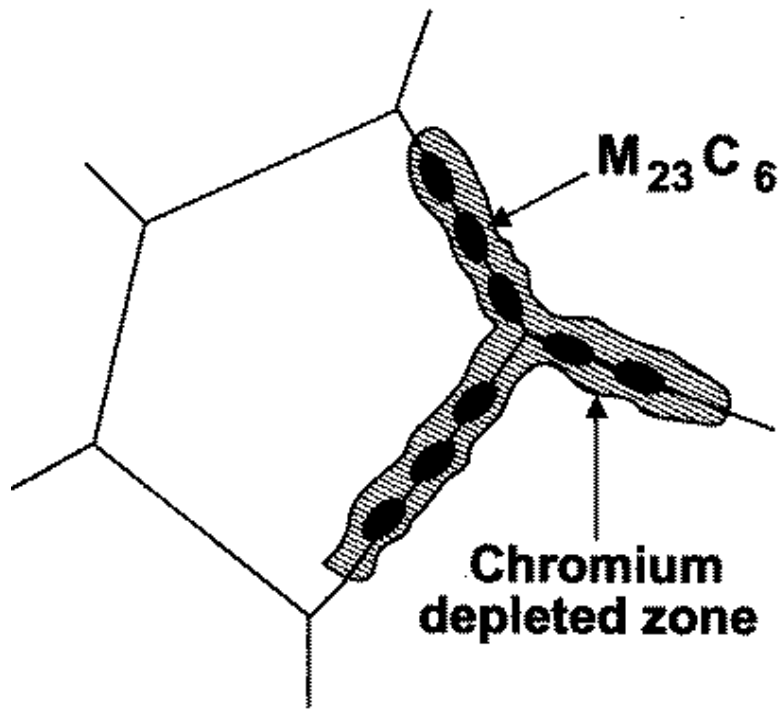
$$\underbrace{(C_{\beta} - C_{\alpha}) \frac{\partial x}{\partial t}}_{\text{rate solute absorbed}} = \underbrace{D \frac{\partial C}{\partial x}}_{\text{diffusion flux towards interface}}$$

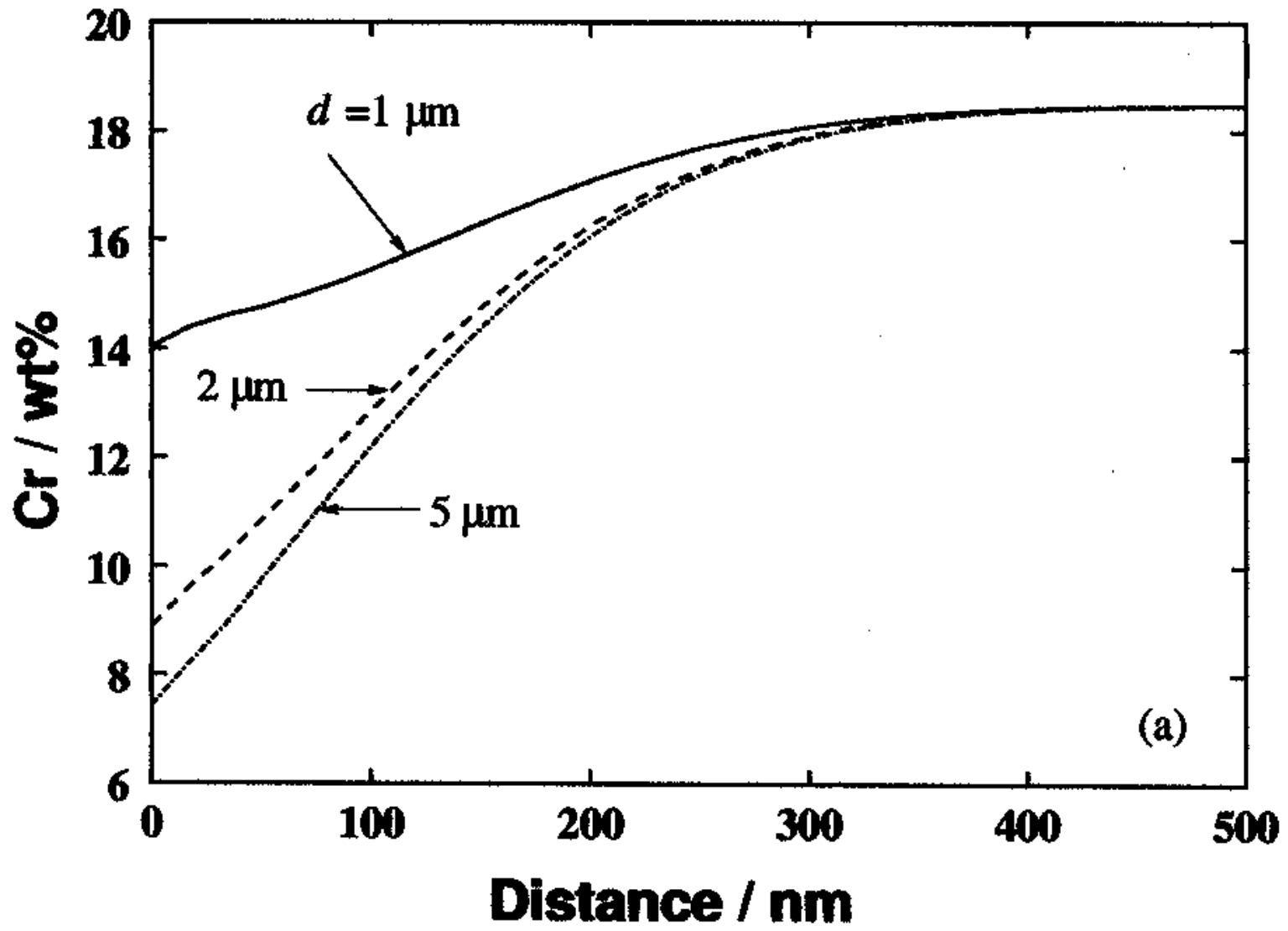
$$(C_{\mathbf{C}}^{\beta} - C_{\mathbf{C}}^{\alpha}) \frac{\partial x}{\partial t} = D_{\mathbf{C}} \frac{\partial C_{\mathbf{C}}}{\partial x}$$

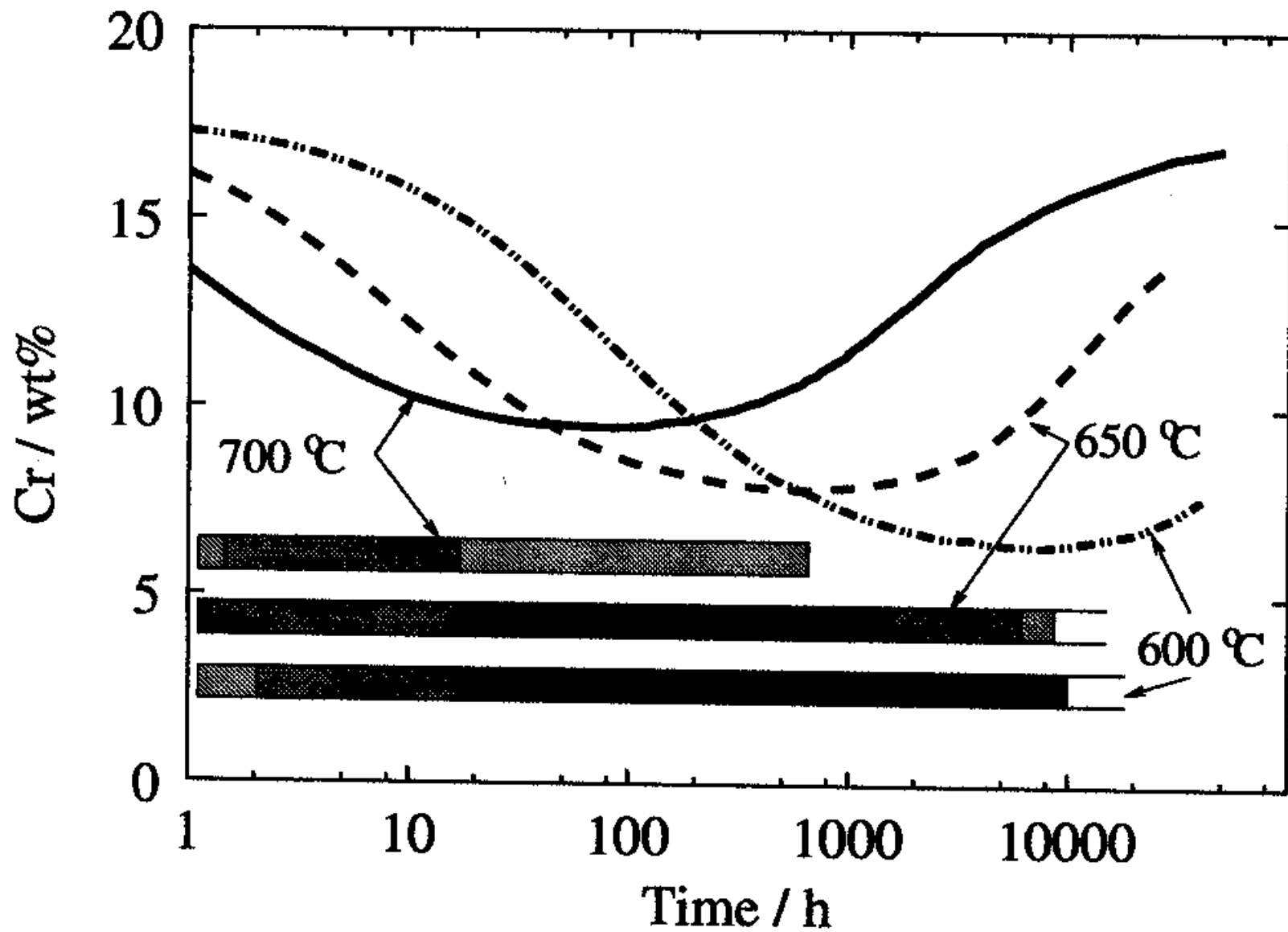
$$(C_{\mathbf{Cr}}^{\beta} - C_{\mathbf{Cr}}^{\alpha}) \frac{\partial x}{\partial t} = D_{\mathbf{Cr}} \frac{\partial C_{\mathbf{Cr}}}{\partial x}$$

# CASE 1: Sensitisation

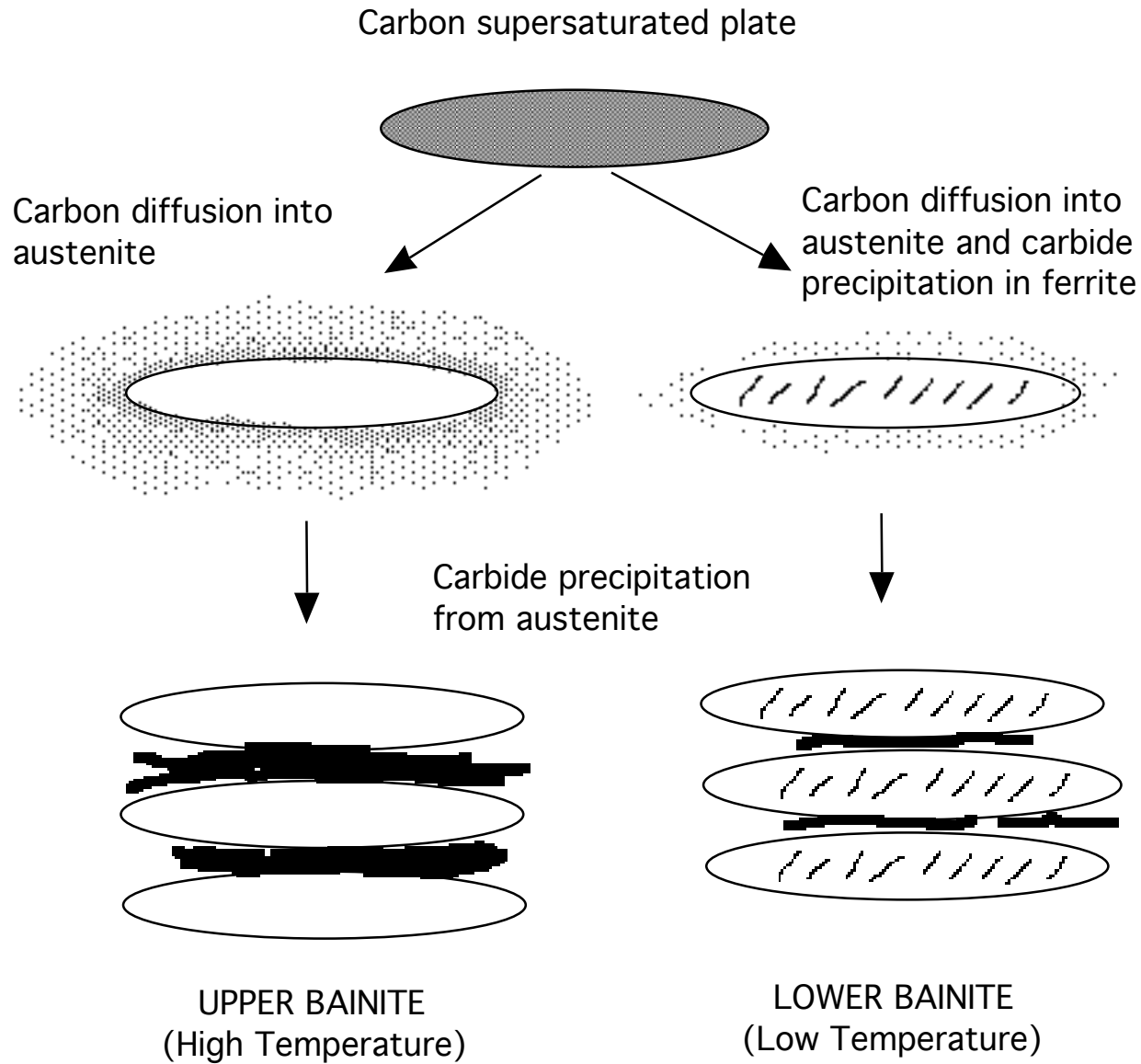






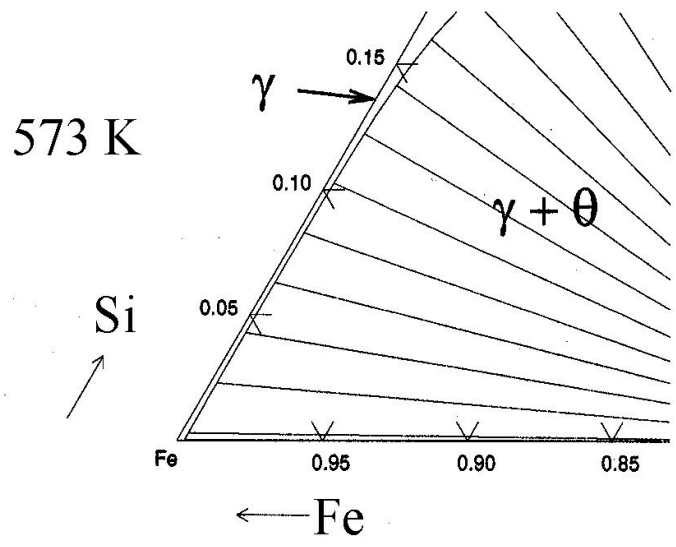


Sourmail, Too, Bhadeshia, 2003

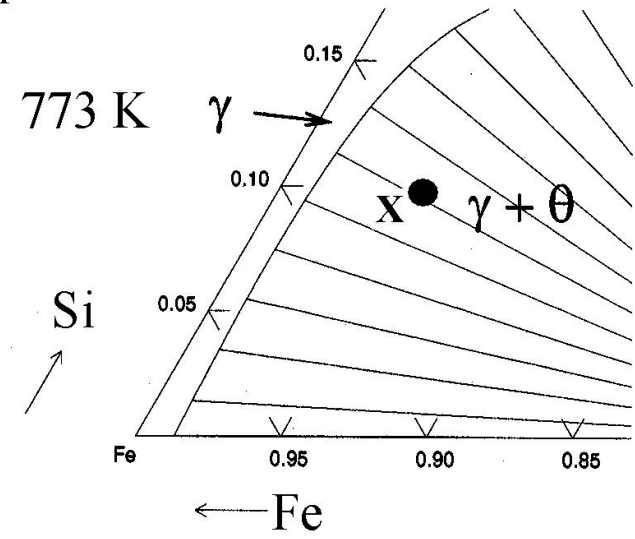


## CASE 2: elimination of carbides

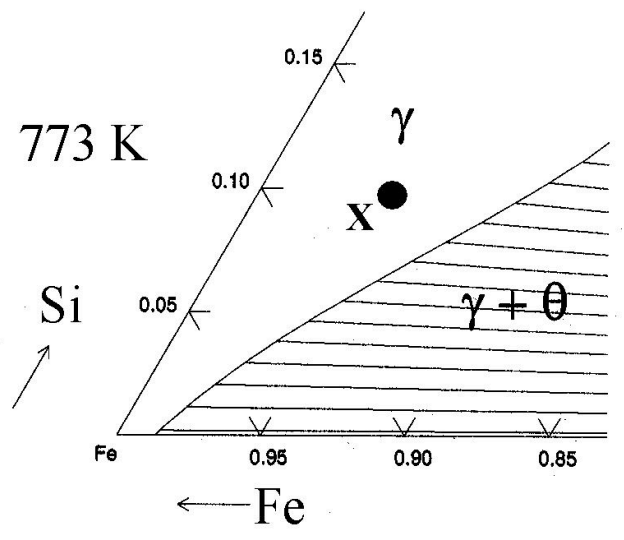
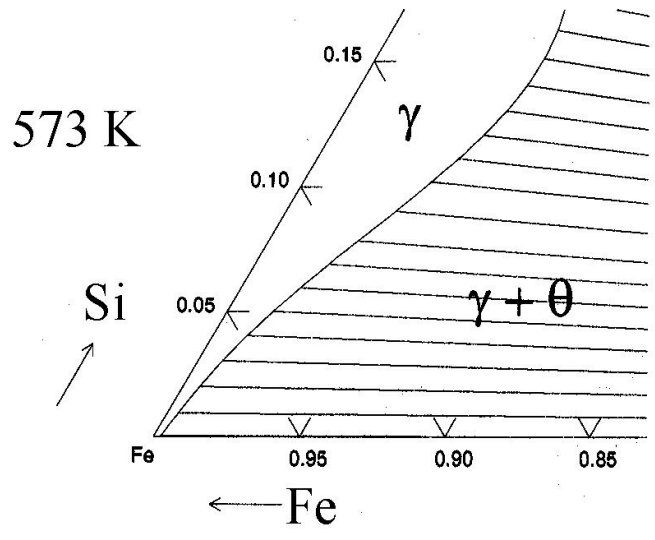


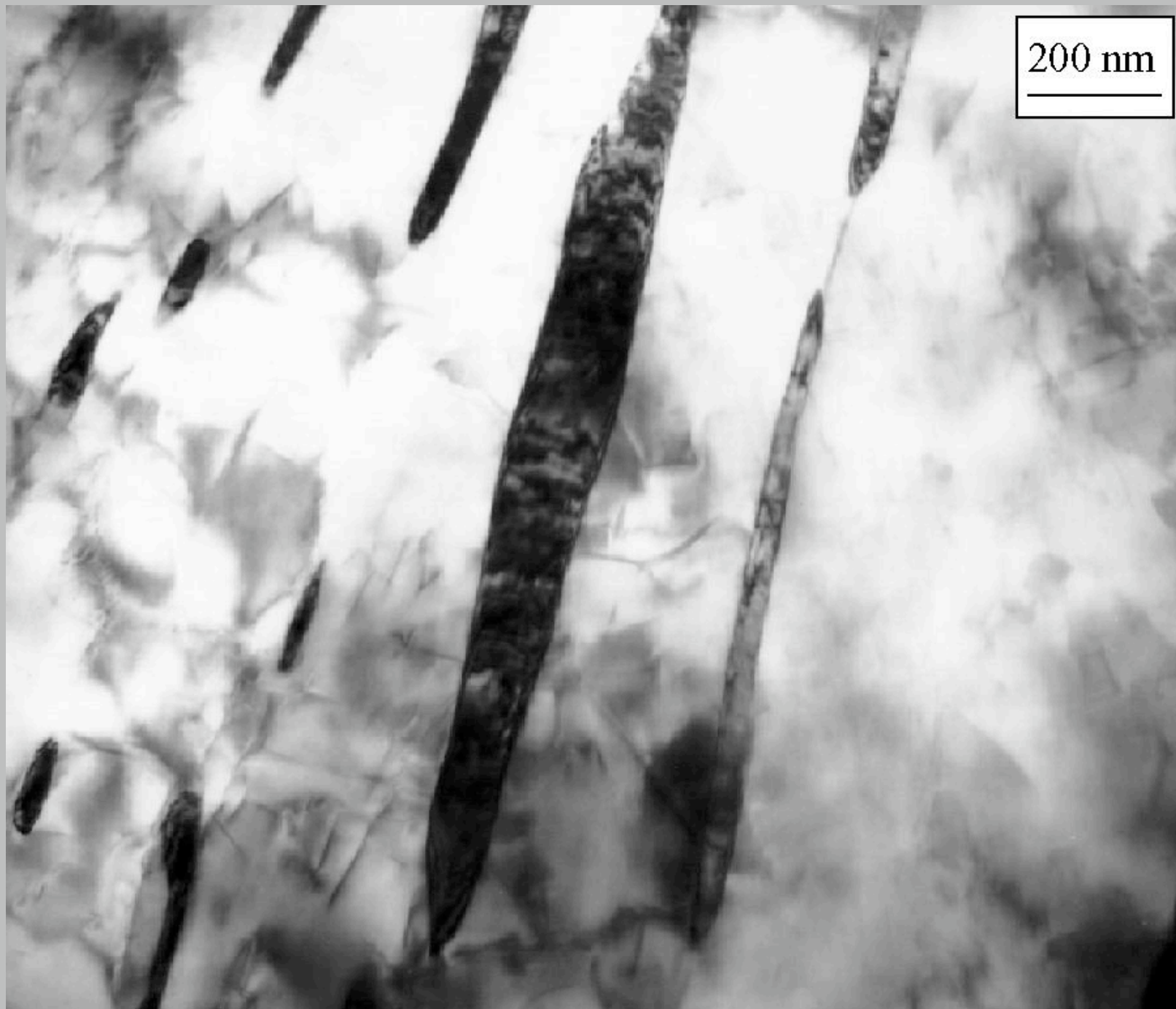


Equilibrium



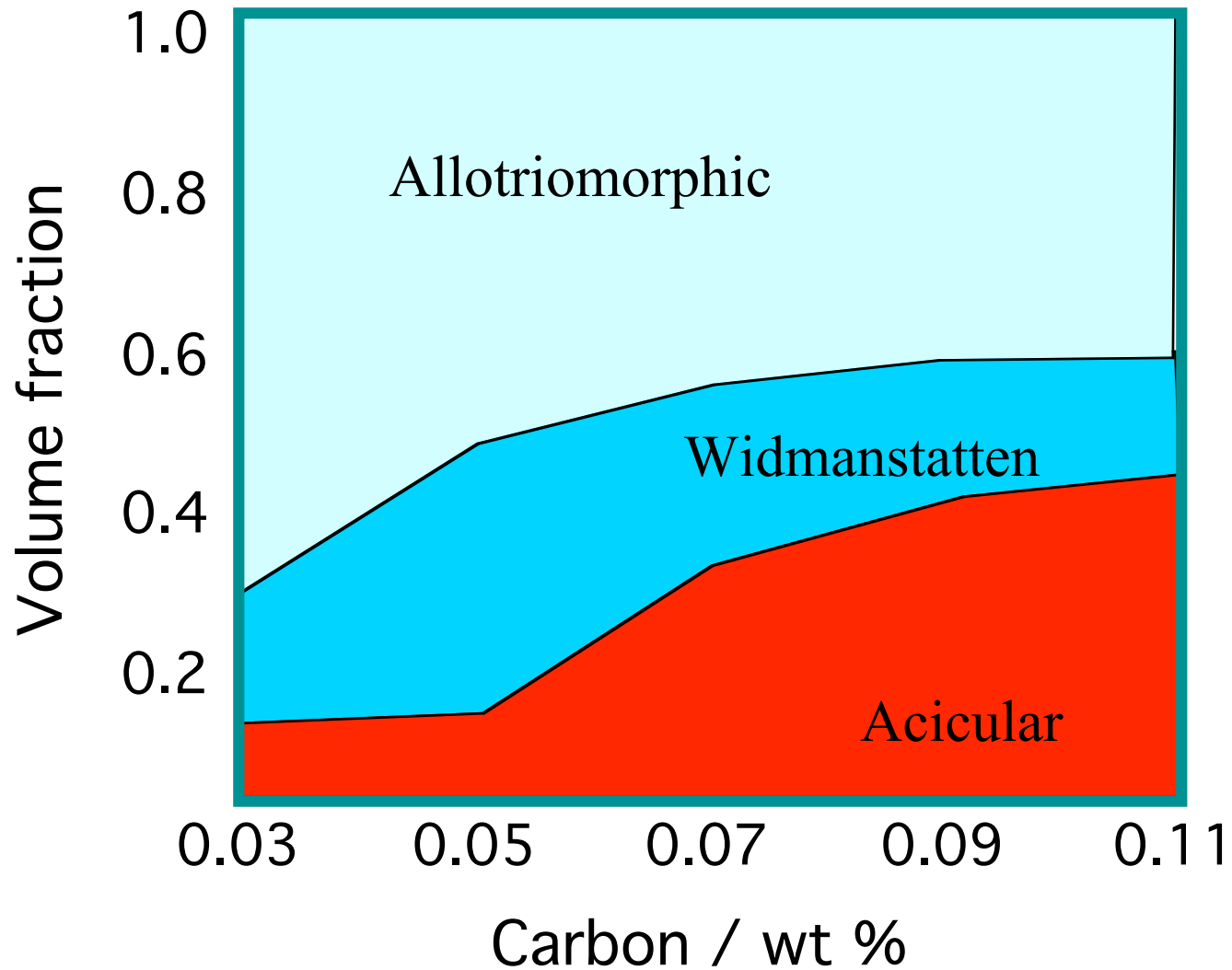
Paraequilibrium





200 nm

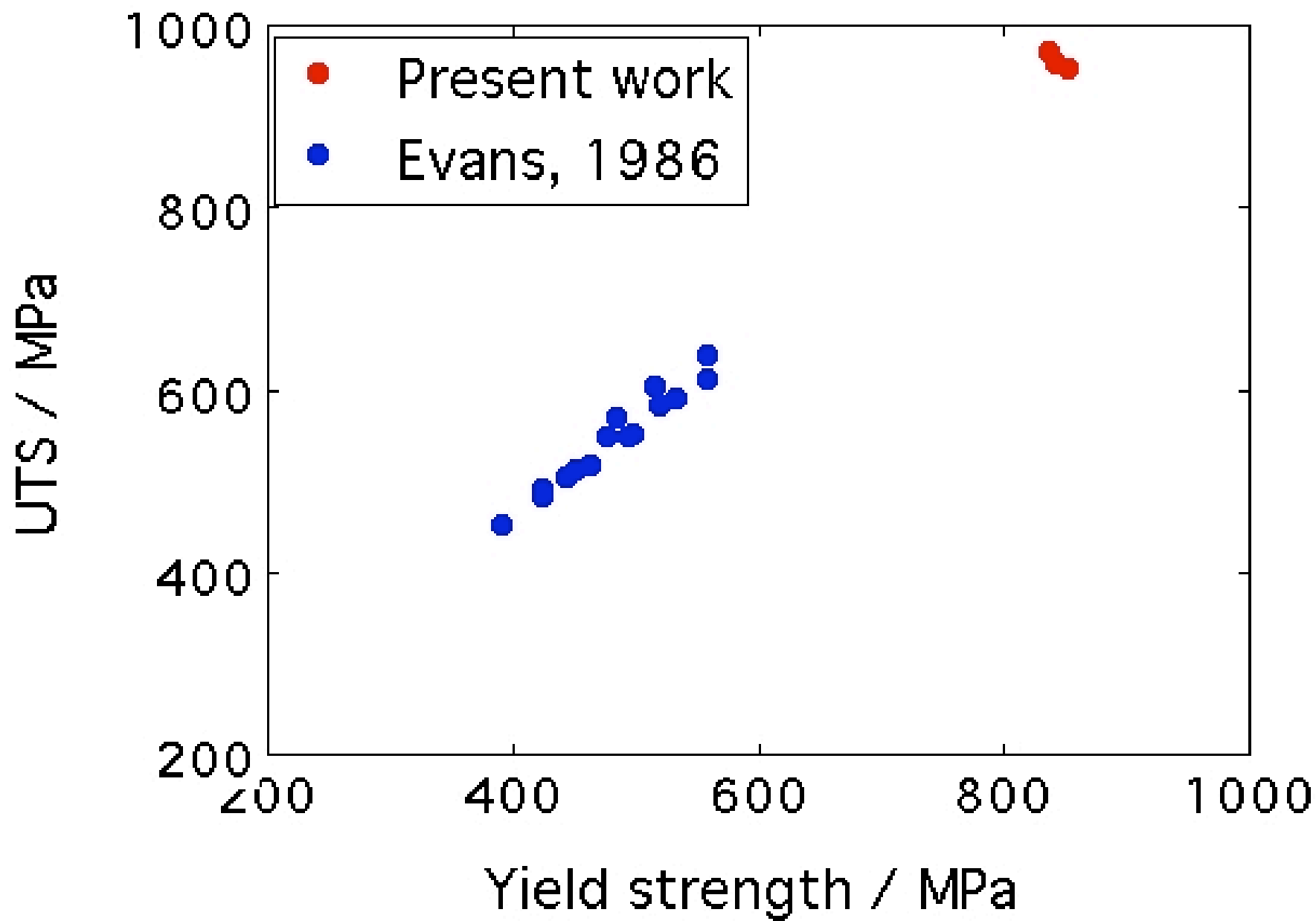
# Fe-1Mn-C wt % manual metal arc welds

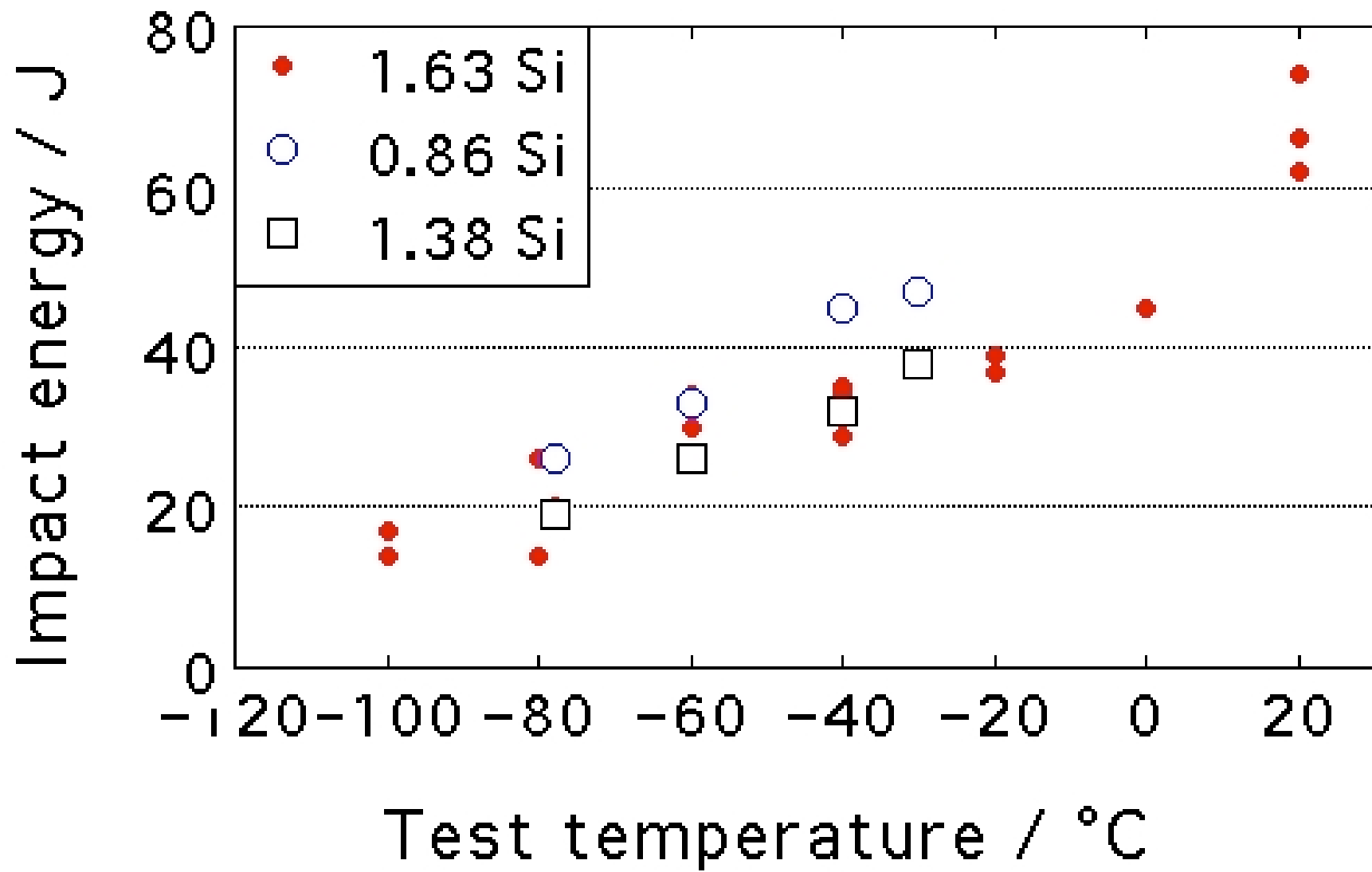


C	Mn	Ni	$V_\alpha$	$V_{\alpha w}$
0.10	2.18	2.07	0.00	0.00
0.10	<b>1.00</b>	2.07	0.18	0.04
0.10	<b>1.00</b>	<b>1.00</b>	0.27	0.07
<b>0.05</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>1.00</b>	0.46	0.23

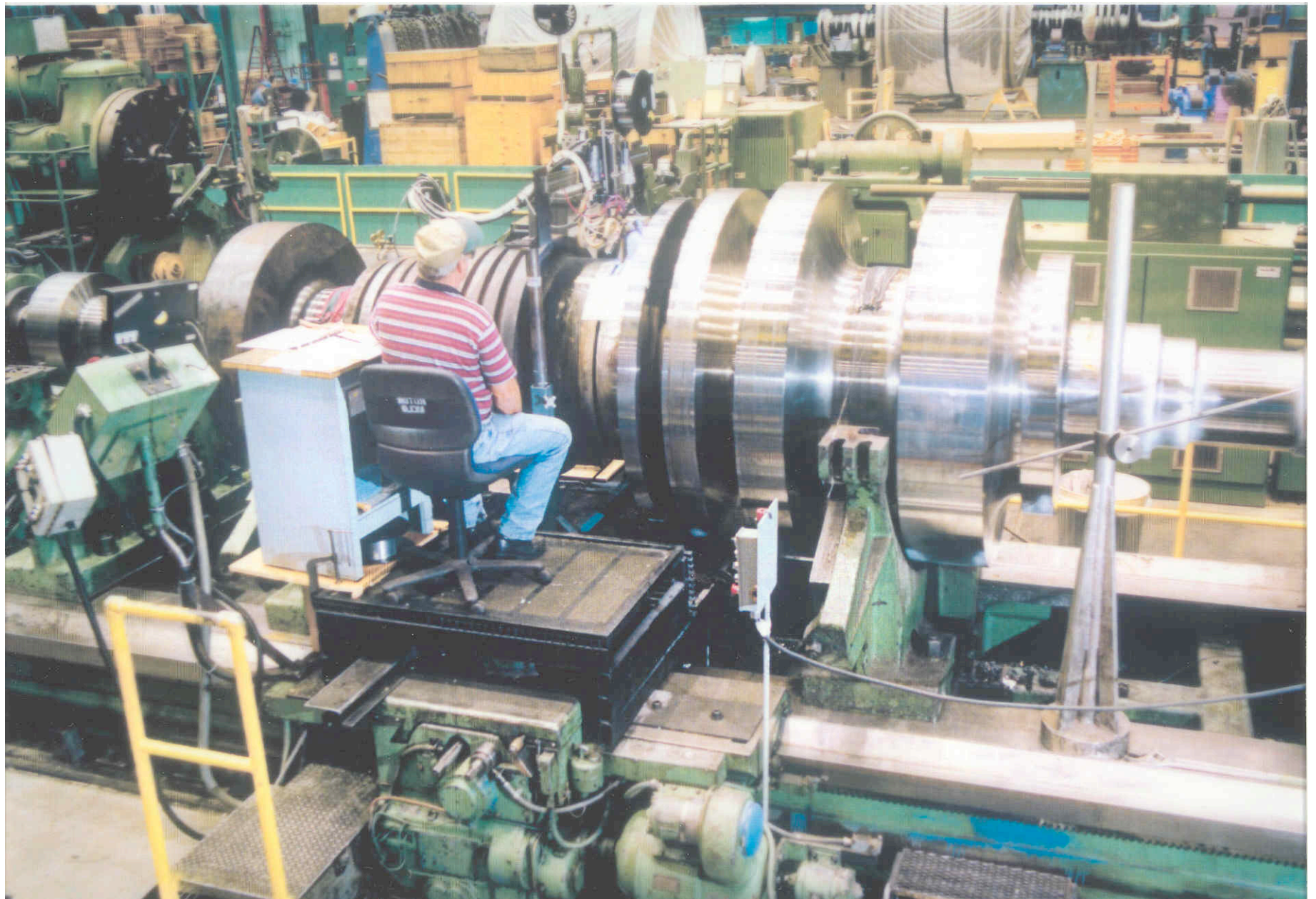
Weld	C	Mn	Si	Ni	Mo	O
A	0.10	2.24	<b>0.86</b>	2.11	0.21	<b>0.025</b>
B	0.12	2.30	<b>1.38</b>	2.12	0.21	<b>0.026</b>
C	0.10	2.18	<b>1.63</b>	2.07	0.23	<b>0.021</b>

wt%



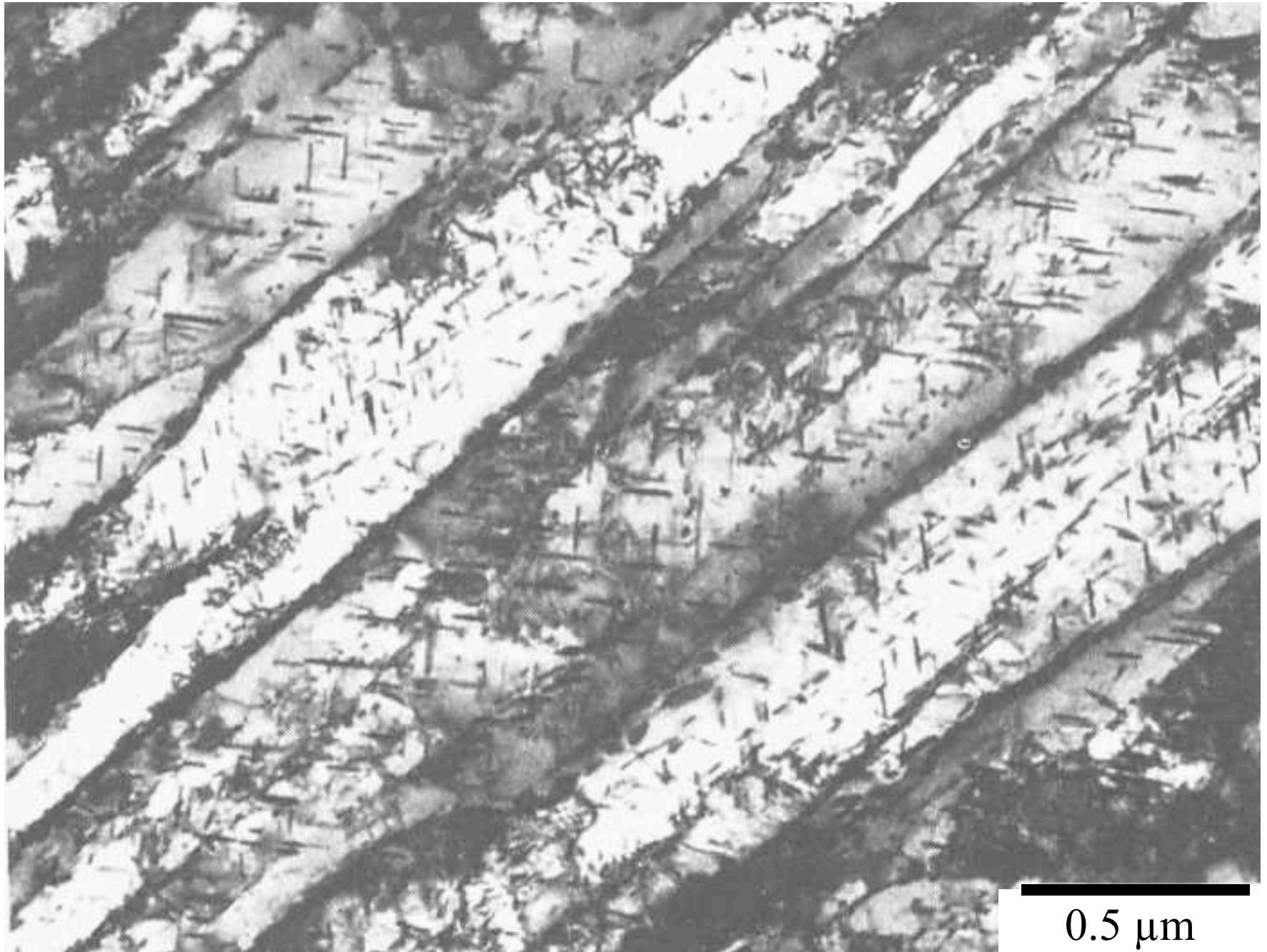




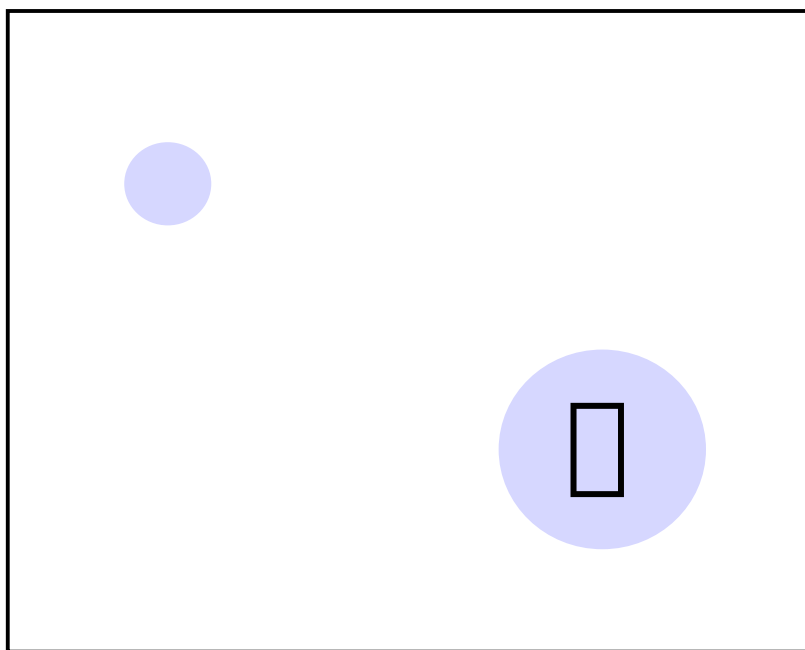


CASE 3: carbide strengthening

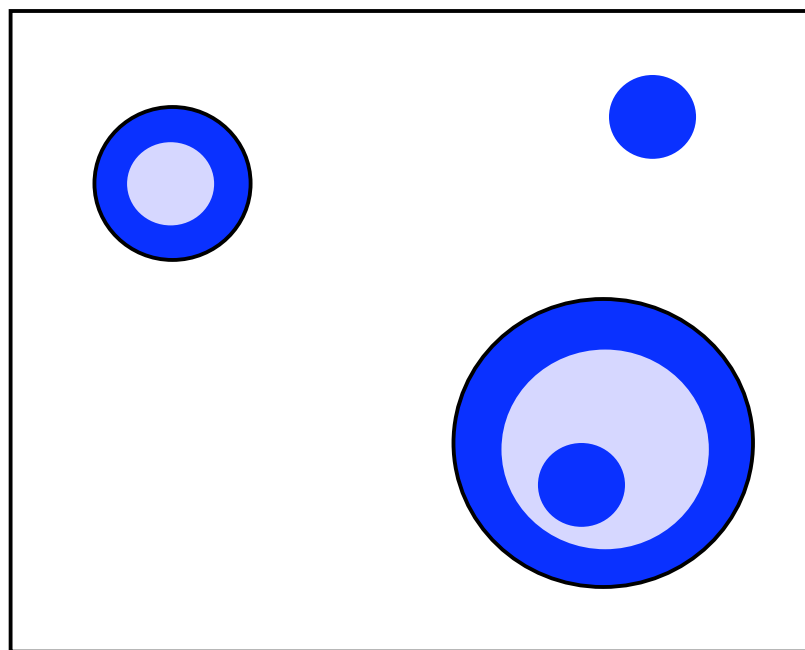




0.5  $\mu\text{m}$

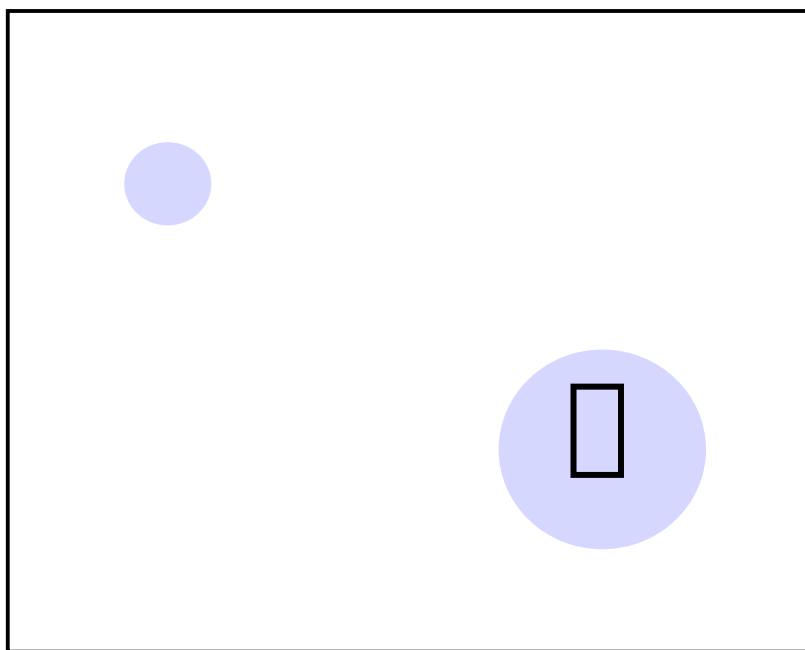


time = t

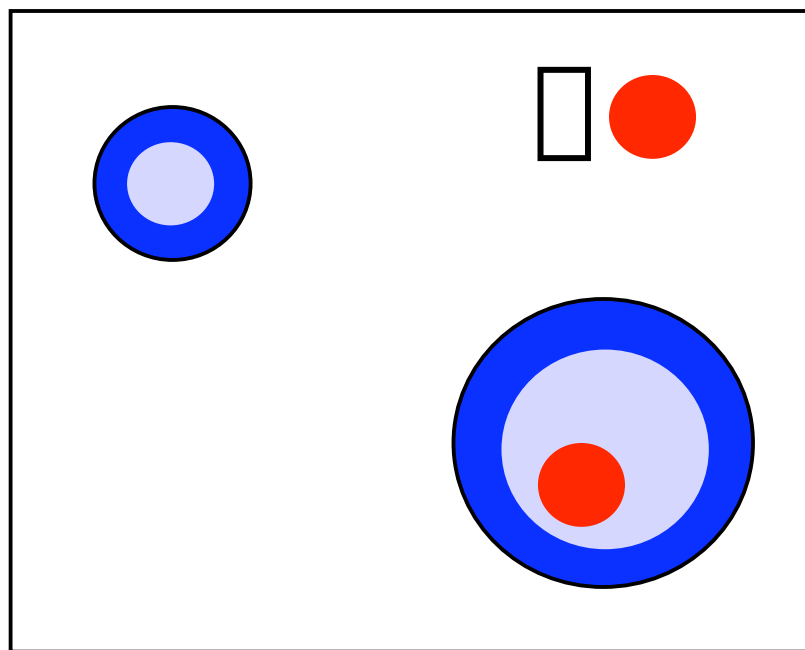


time = t + Δt

$$dV^\alpha = \left( 1 - \frac{V^\alpha}{V} \right) dV_e^\alpha$$



time = t

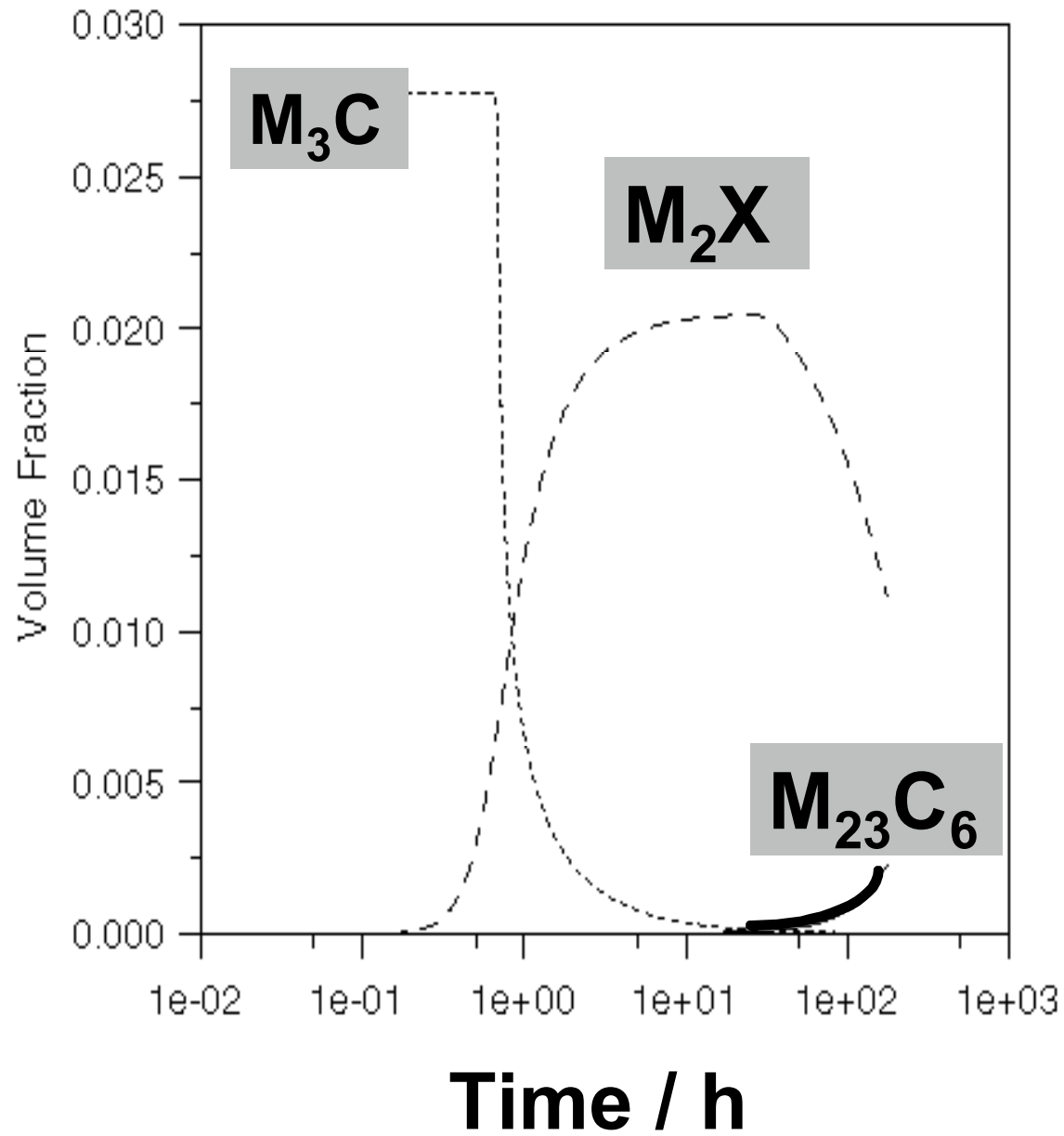


time = t + Δt

$$dV^\alpha = \left( 1 - \frac{V^\alpha + V^\beta}{V} \right) dV_e^\alpha$$

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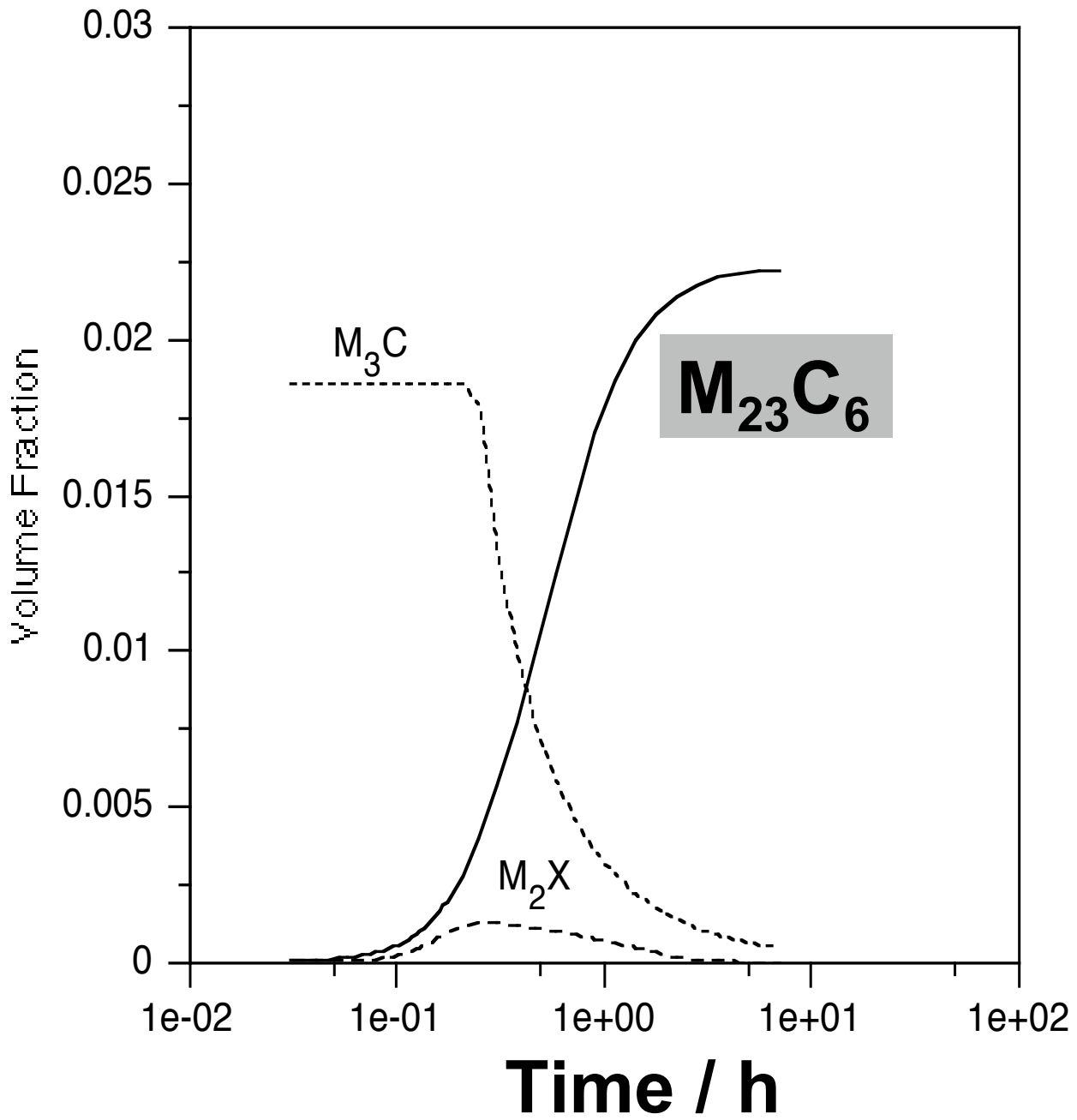
$$dV^\beta = \left( 1 - \frac{V^\alpha + V^\beta}{V} \right) dV_e^\beta$$



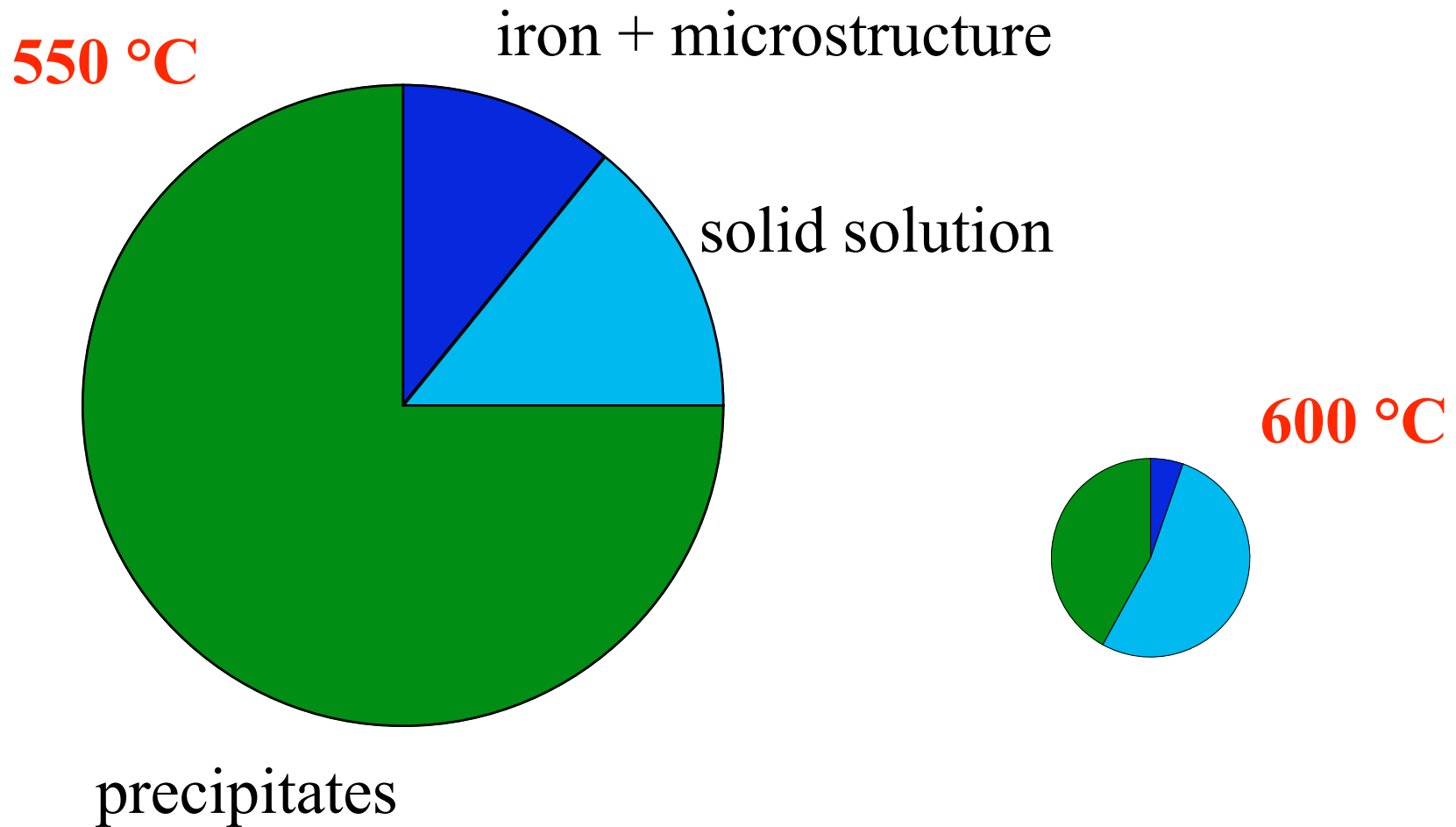
**2.25Cr1Mo**  
**600 °C**

**1000 h**

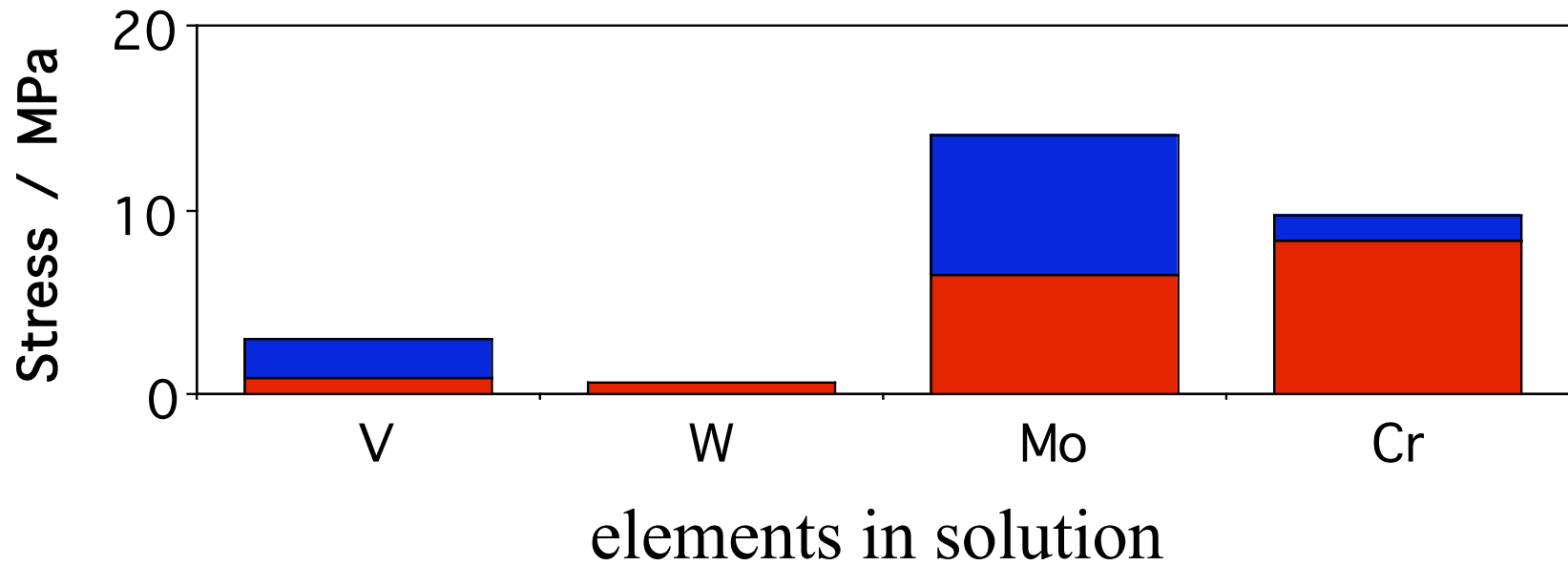
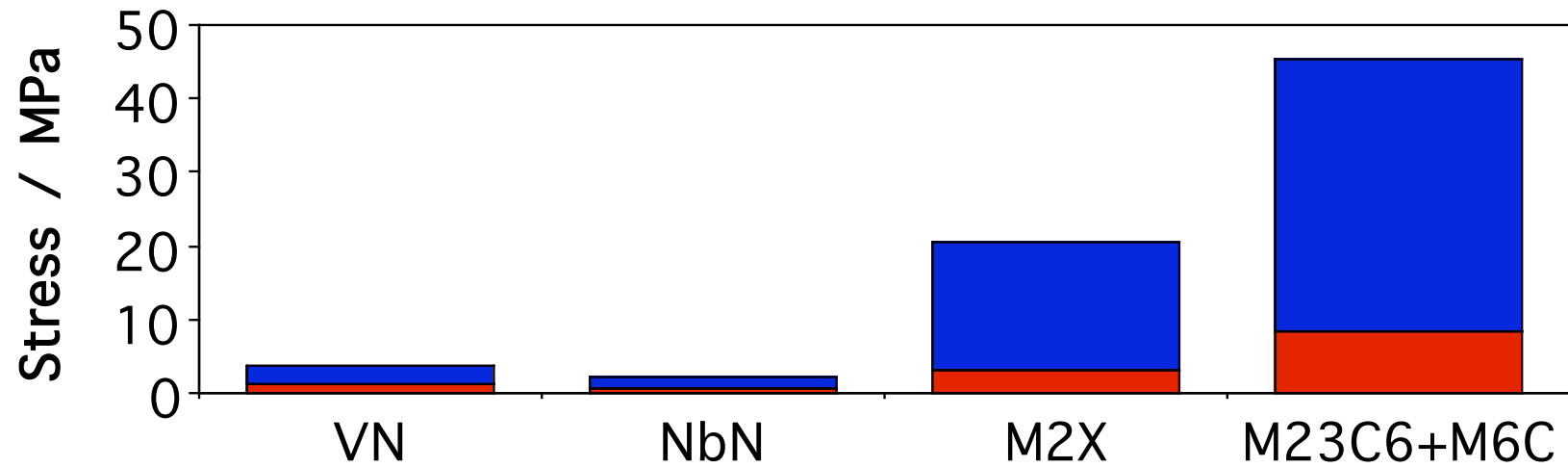
**3Cr1.5Mo**  
**600 °C**



# Components of Creep Strength, 2.25Cr1Mo



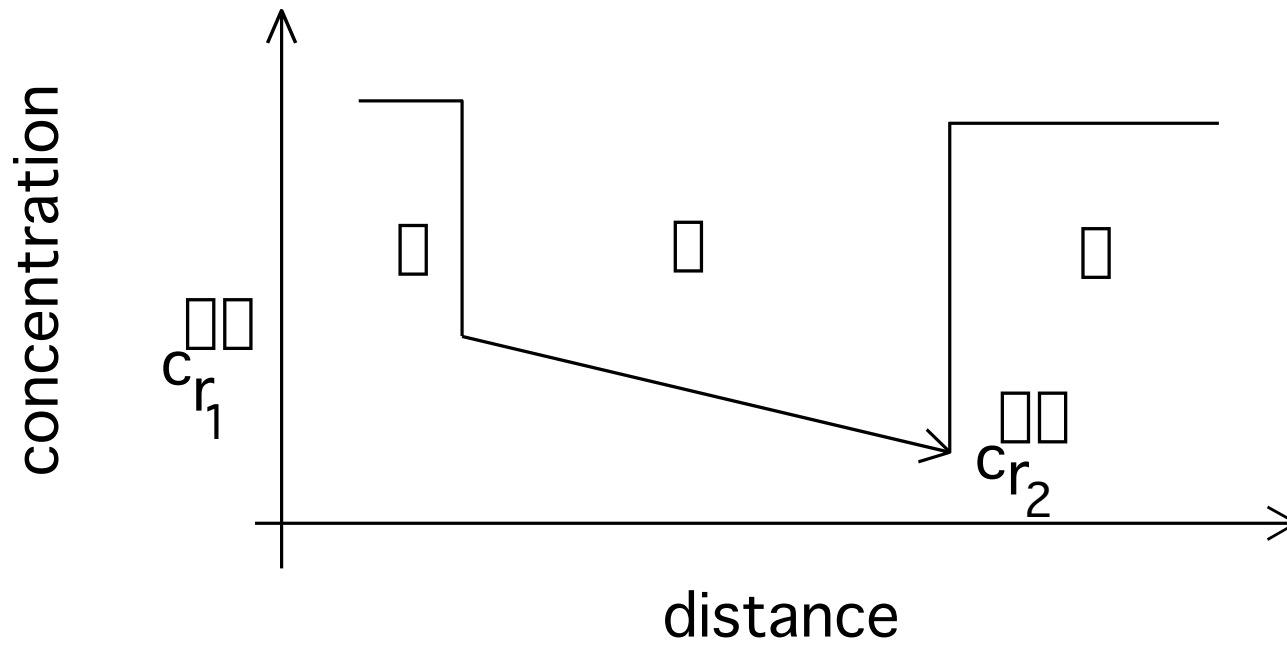
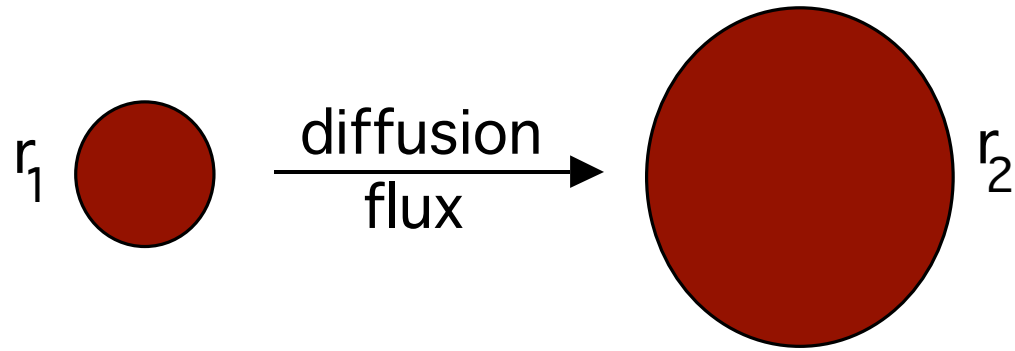
Murugananth & Bhadeshia, 2001

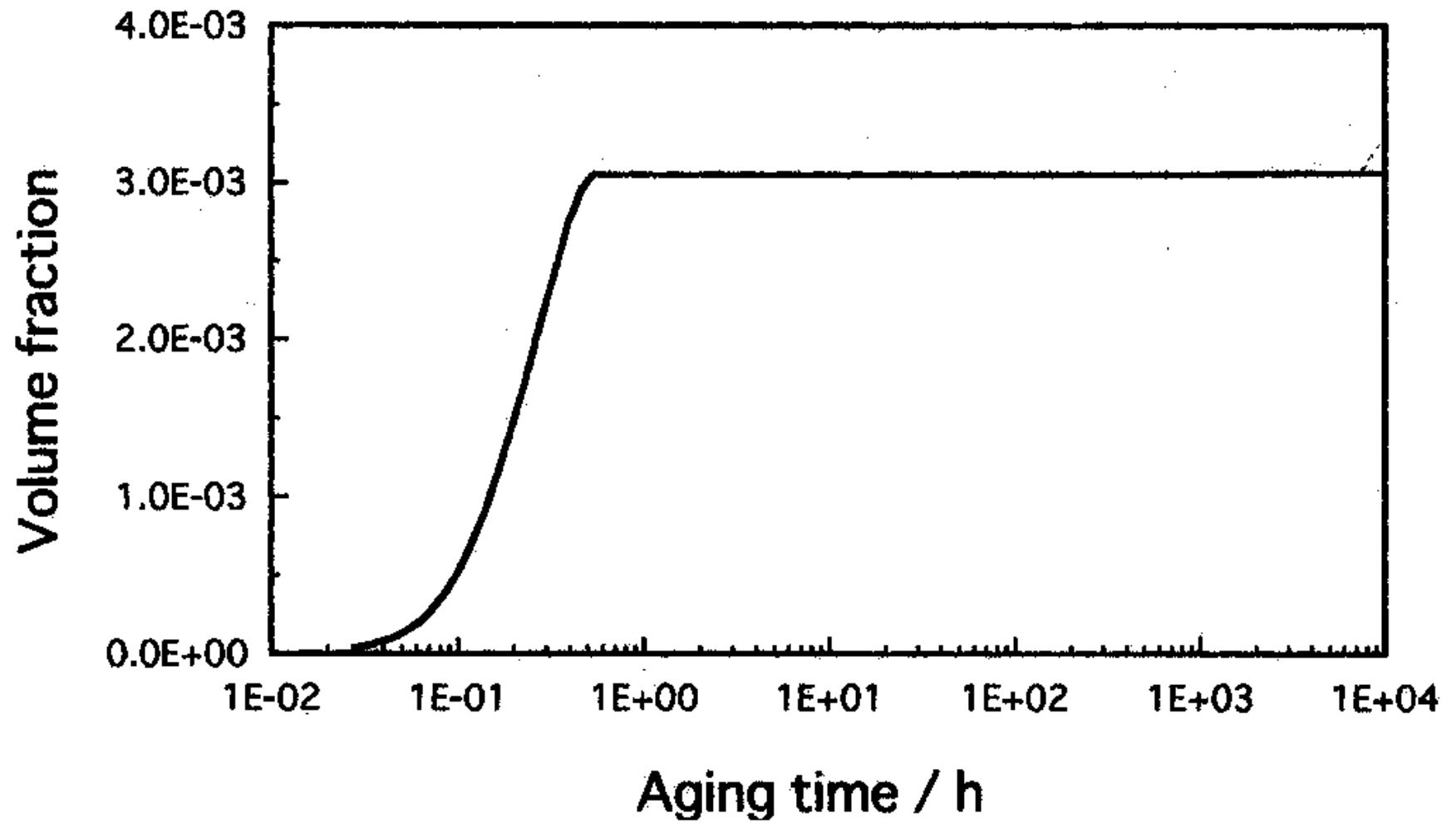




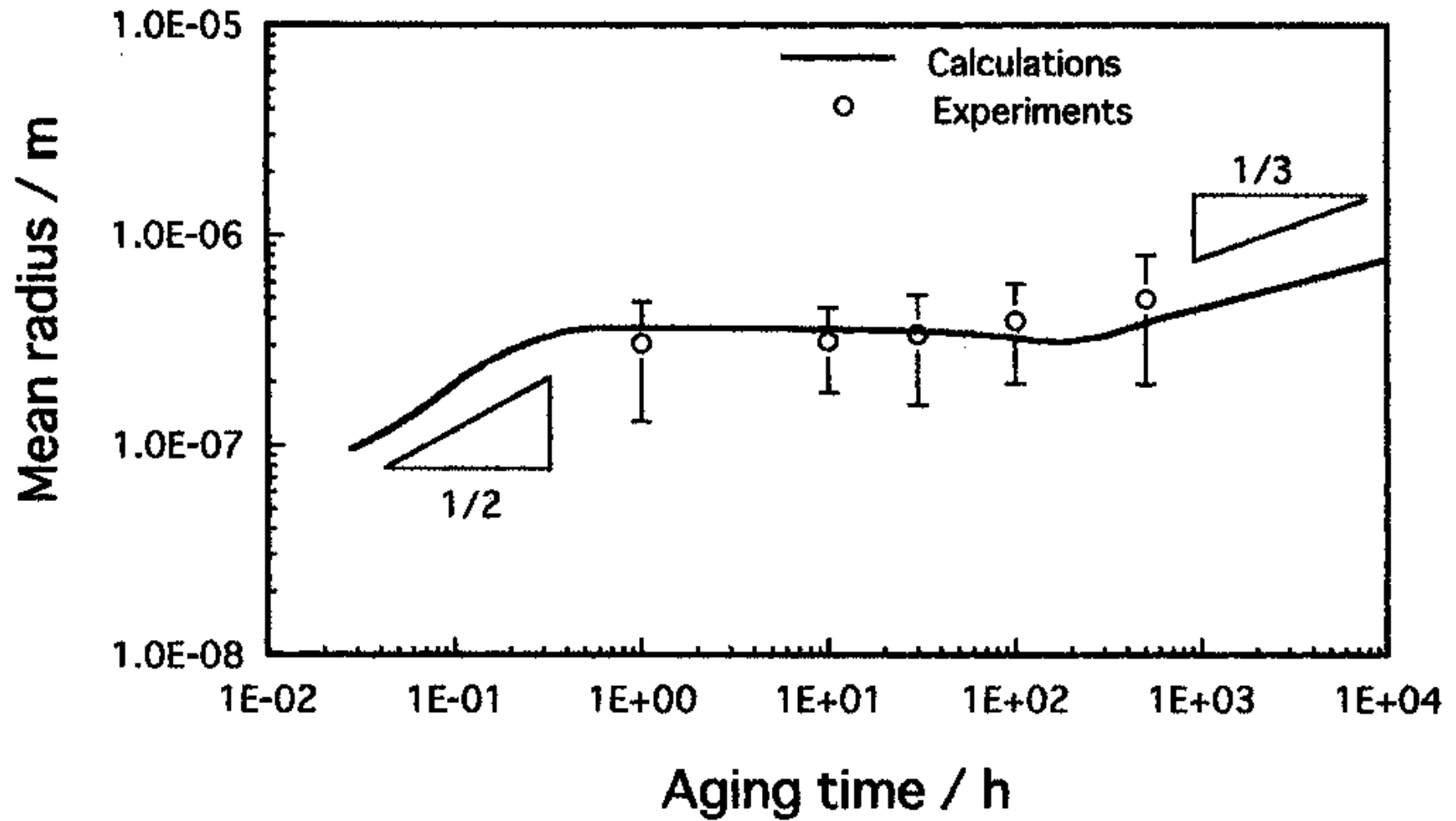


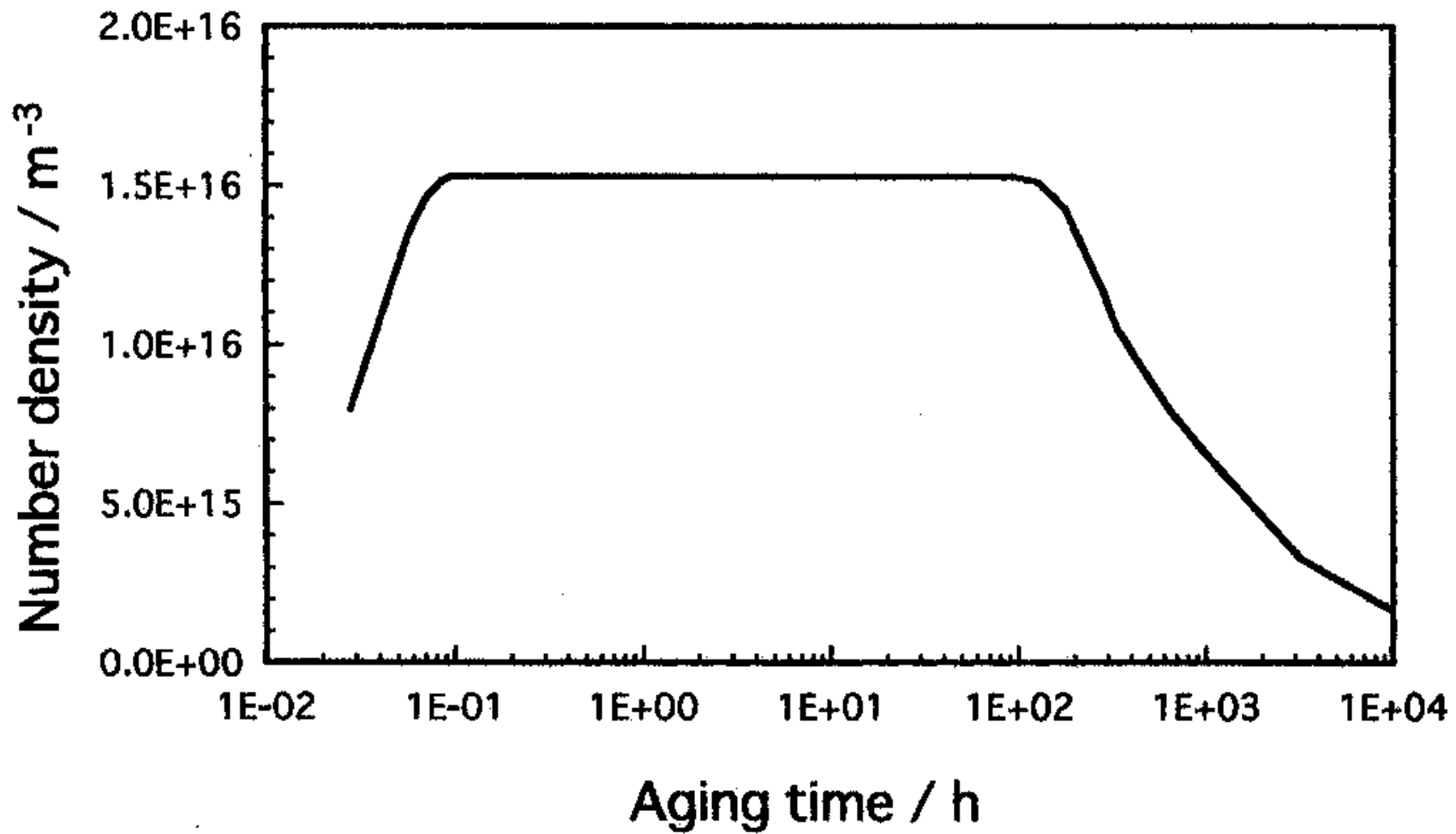
# Coarsening





Fujita and Bhadeshia, 2002





Fujita and Bhadeshia, 2002

# Summary

- Significant advances in theory
- Can model diffusion-controlled growth, coarsening
- Elimination of cementite
- Long-term microstructural stability can be estimated

# Conclusions

