

# SYNTHESIS OF INORGANIC MATERIALS AND NANOMATERIALS

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# Outline

## **II - SOLID-STATE REACTIONS**

### **1) Reactions between solid compounds**

- a) Ceramic method**
- b) Carbothermal reduction**
- c) Combustion synthesis**
- d) Sintering**

### **2) Solid-gas reactions**

### **3) Decomposition and dehydration reactions**

### **4) Intercalation reactions**

### 3) Decomposition and dehydration reactions

Formation of gas + solid products

carbonate



$\text{CO}_2$

oxalate



$\text{CO} + \text{CO}_2$

nitrate



$\text{NO} + \text{NO}_2 + \text{O}_2$

hydroxide



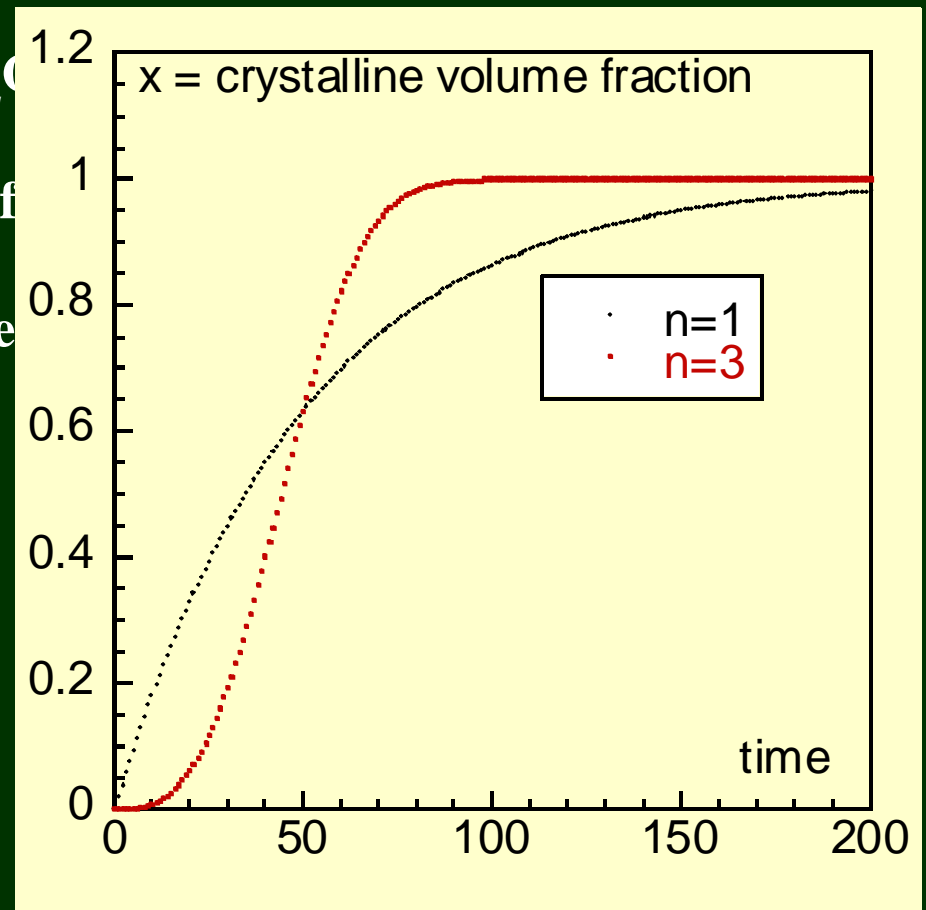
$\text{H}_2\text{O(g)}$

Ex.:  $\gamma\text{-AlO(OH)}$  (boehmite) →  $\gamma\text{-Al}_2\text{O}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$

Gas formation → formation of structural defects

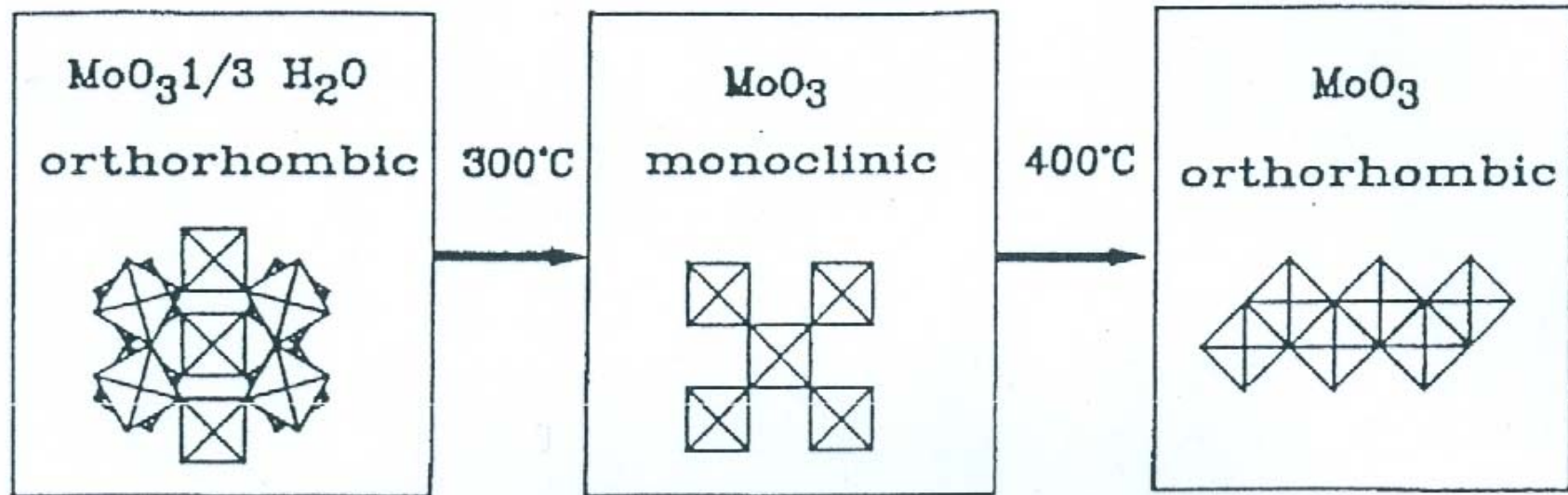
Reaction rate: sigmoidal plot (Avrami-Erofeev)

Possibility to obtain metastable products



### 3) Decomposition and dehydration reactions

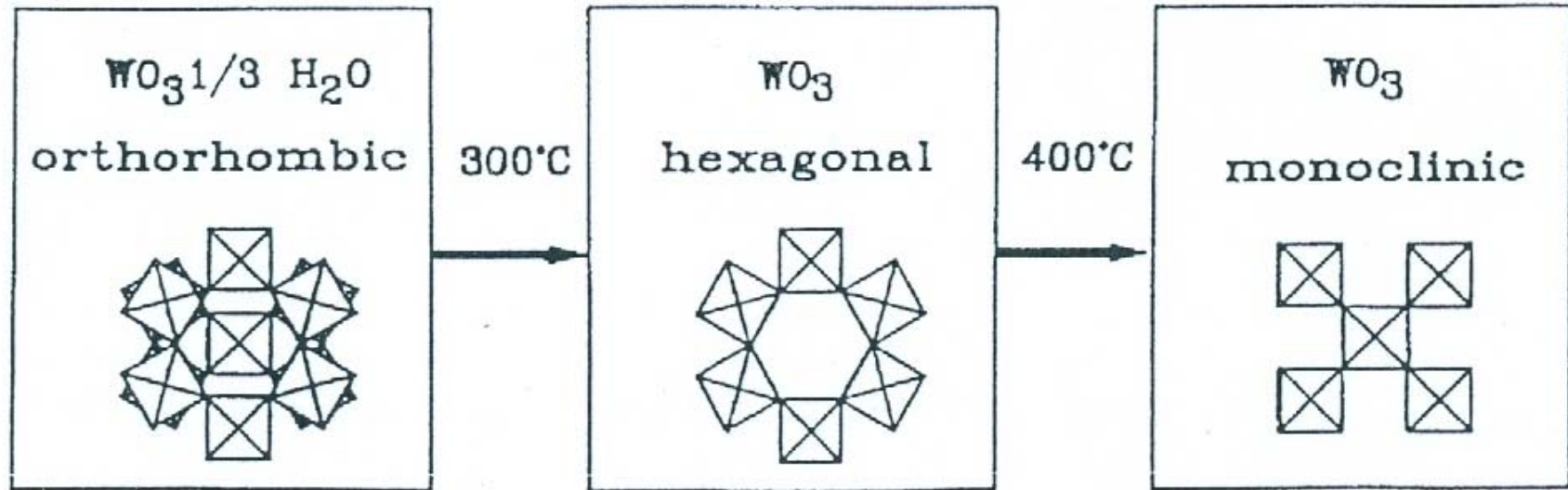
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**Figure 2-19.** Structural relations in the dehydration of  $\text{MoO}_3 \cdot \frac{1}{3} \text{H}_2\text{O}$  and  $\text{WO}_3 \cdot \frac{1}{3} \text{H}_2\text{O}$  and in the phase transformations of  $\text{MoO}_3$  and  $\text{WO}_3$ . Each crossed square represents an octahedron viewed from above.


### 3) Decomposition and dehydration reactions

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#### Topochemical reactions

→ insertion of guest species in host lattices → guest-host reactions

- 3D lattice with parallel or interconnected channels

→ zeolites    Ex.: mordenite (see figure)

- 2D lattice → layers

- 1D lattice → chains, nanotubes, nanofibers

Ex.: intercalation compounds of graphite (see figure)

compound	interlayer distance /Å	
graphite	3.35	
graphite + Li	3.71	
graphite + K	5.35	C <sub>8</sub> K
graphite + AsF <sub>5</sub>	8.15	
graphite + KHg	10.22	

**Charge of the layer:**

- **neutral:** graphite, FeOCl, CdS<sub>2</sub>, TiS<sub>2</sub> (layered compounds)

**Ex.: TiS<sub>2</sub>** (see figure)

- **negatively charged:** clays, phosphate layers → mobile cations
- **positively charged:** layered double hydroxides  $[M^{II}_{1-x}M^{III}_x(OH)_2]^{x+}$   
→ mobile anions

**Electrical properties:**

- **insulator host lattice:** zeolites, aluminosilicates  
→ adsorbants, catalysts, catalyst supports, ion exchangers
- **conducting or semiconducting host lattice:** graphite, metallic sulfides  
→ oxidation and reduction reactions  
→ electrode materials for cell, battery




**What are the oxidation numbers?**





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### 3) Intercalation reactions

### b) Preparative methods - Structure

#### Direct reaction



#### Structure and coordination number of layered compounds

**FeOCl (iron oxychloride)**

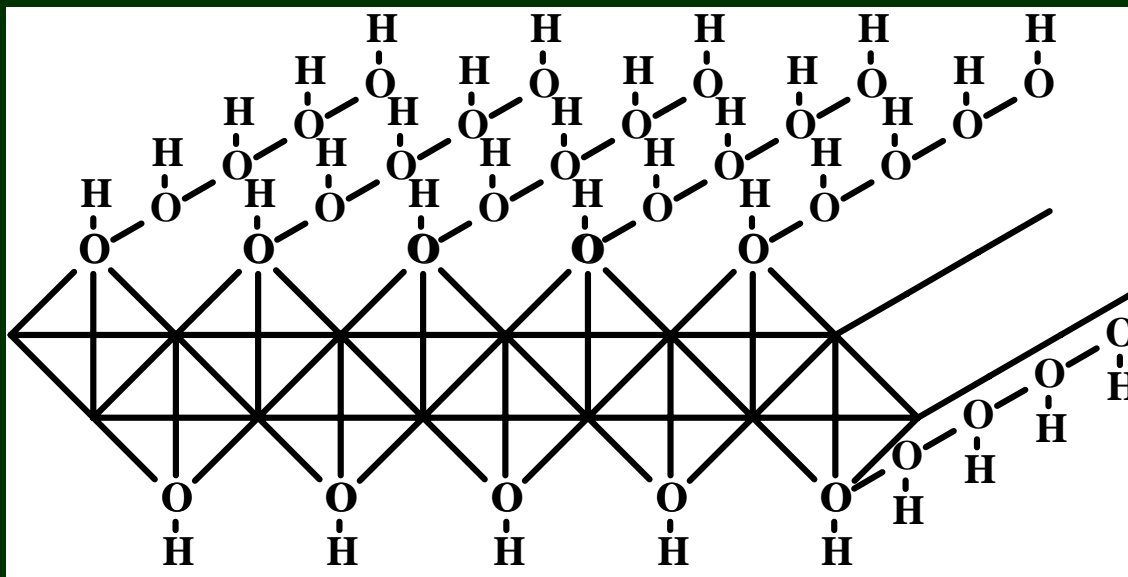
6  
4  
2

**AlO(OH) (boehmite)**

6  
4  
2

**AlO(OH) (diaspore)**

6  
3  
3 (non layered)



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#### Structure of silicates and aluminosilicates

- Si coordination number 4 → tetrahedral geometry
- O coordination number 1 (terminal) or 2 (bridge)
- For bridging O the angle varies between 120 to 180 °
- Al coordination number 6 (octahedra) or 4 (tetrahedra, replacing Si)

#### 3D structure: silica, quartz, feldspath, zeolites (see figure)



#### 2D structure: layers, clays (see figure)



→ possibility to intercalate neutral species

→ formation of colloidal suspension

#### 1D structure: chains or cycles (see figure)



### 3) Intercalation reactions

### c) Pillaring of layered compounds

Ex.: Muscovite  $\text{K}^+[\text{Al}_2(\text{OH})_2]^{4+}[\text{AlSi}_3\text{O}_{10}]^{5-}$  (See structure)

Replacement of  $\text{K}^+$  by larger cations

→ Possibility to introduce pillars to increase and control interlayer distance

→ catalyst with shape selectivity

→ ion exchangers

Ex.:  $[\text{AlO}_4\text{Al}_{12}(\text{OH})_{24}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_{12}]^{n+}$  diameter 0.86 nm (see figure) → value of n?

Answer:  $[\text{AlO}_4\text{Al}_{12}(\text{OH})_{24}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_{12}]^{7+}$

→ thermal treatment 500 °C →  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  particles 0.7 – 0.8 nm ( $S_{\text{BET}} \sim 300 \text{ m}^2 \text{ g}^{-1}$ )

Positive layers with hydroxides  $[\text{Mg}^{\text{II}}_{1-x}\text{M}^{\text{III}}_x(\text{OH})_2]^{x+}$  ( $\text{M} = \text{Al}^{3+}, \text{Fe}^{3+}$ )

→ anion exchangers

→ pillars

Ex.: polyvanadates  $[\text{V}^{\text{V}}_{10}\text{O}_{28}]^{6-}$

Ex.: heteropoly anions  $[\text{P}^{\text{V}}\text{W}^{\text{VI}}_{12}\text{O}_{40}]^{n-}$  (Keggin structure) → value of n?

Answer:  $[\text{P}^{\text{V}}\text{W}^{\text{VI}}_{12}\text{O}_{40}]^{3-}$

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Ex.: model of pillared clays (restaurant in Dan Dong City)



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### **1) Chemical vapor transport**

-  **a) General aspects of chemical transport**
- b) Halogen lamp**
- c) Transport reactions**

### **2) Chemical vapor deposition (CVD)**

### **3) Aerosol processes**

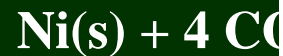
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Closed system

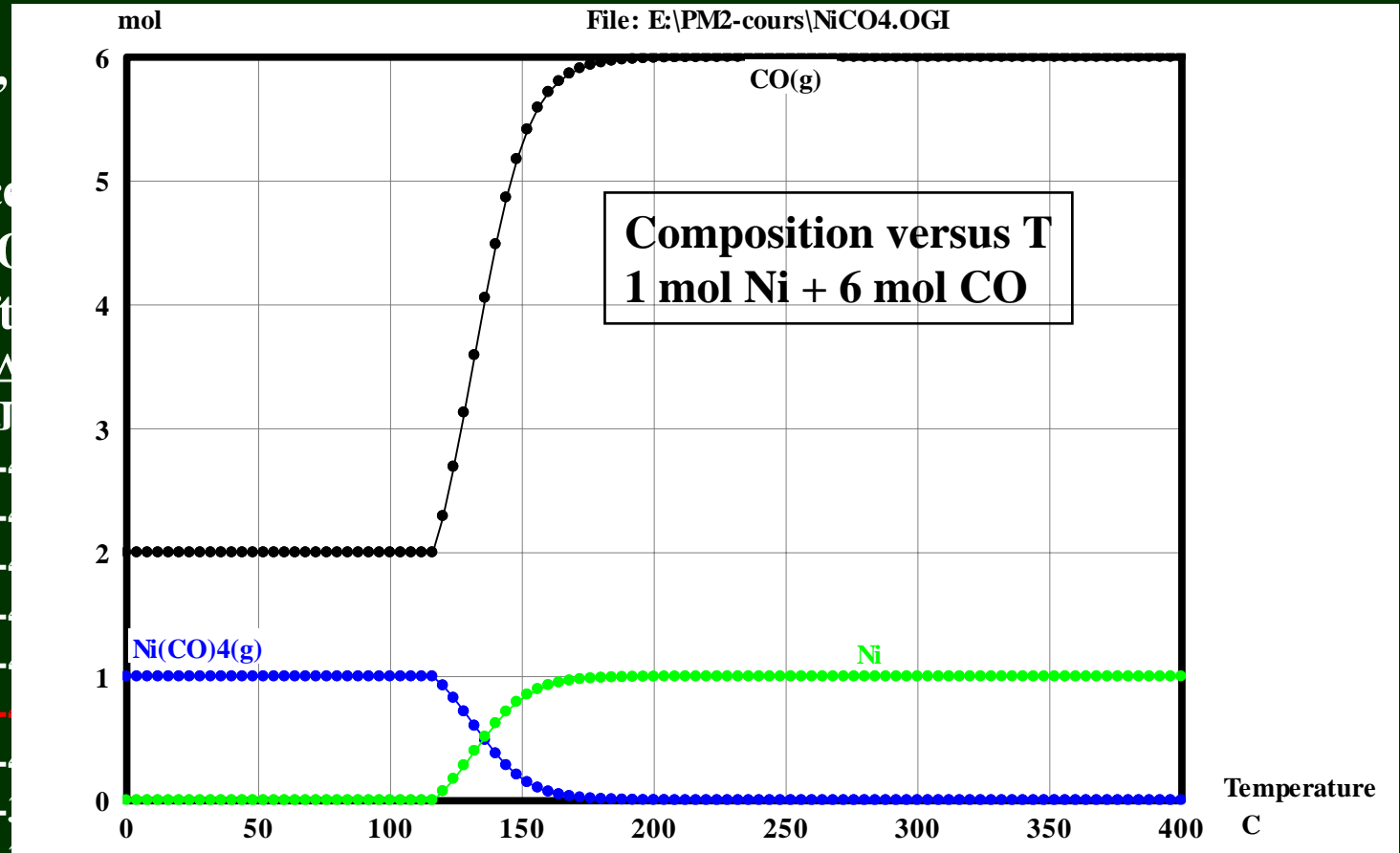
Parameters: pressure,

Ex. 1: Mond process



Results from HSC software

T °C	$\Delta_r H^\circ$ kJ mol <sup>-1</sup>	$\Delta_r G^\circ$ kJ mol <sup>-1</sup>
0.000	-159.538	-159.538
25.000	-159.435	-159.435
50.000	-159.231	-159.231
75.000	-158.967	-158.967
100.000	-158.657	-158.657
125.000	-158.309	-158.309
150.000	-157.932	-157.932
175.000	-157.532	-157.532
200.000	-157.122	-157.122
225.000	-156.706	-398.153





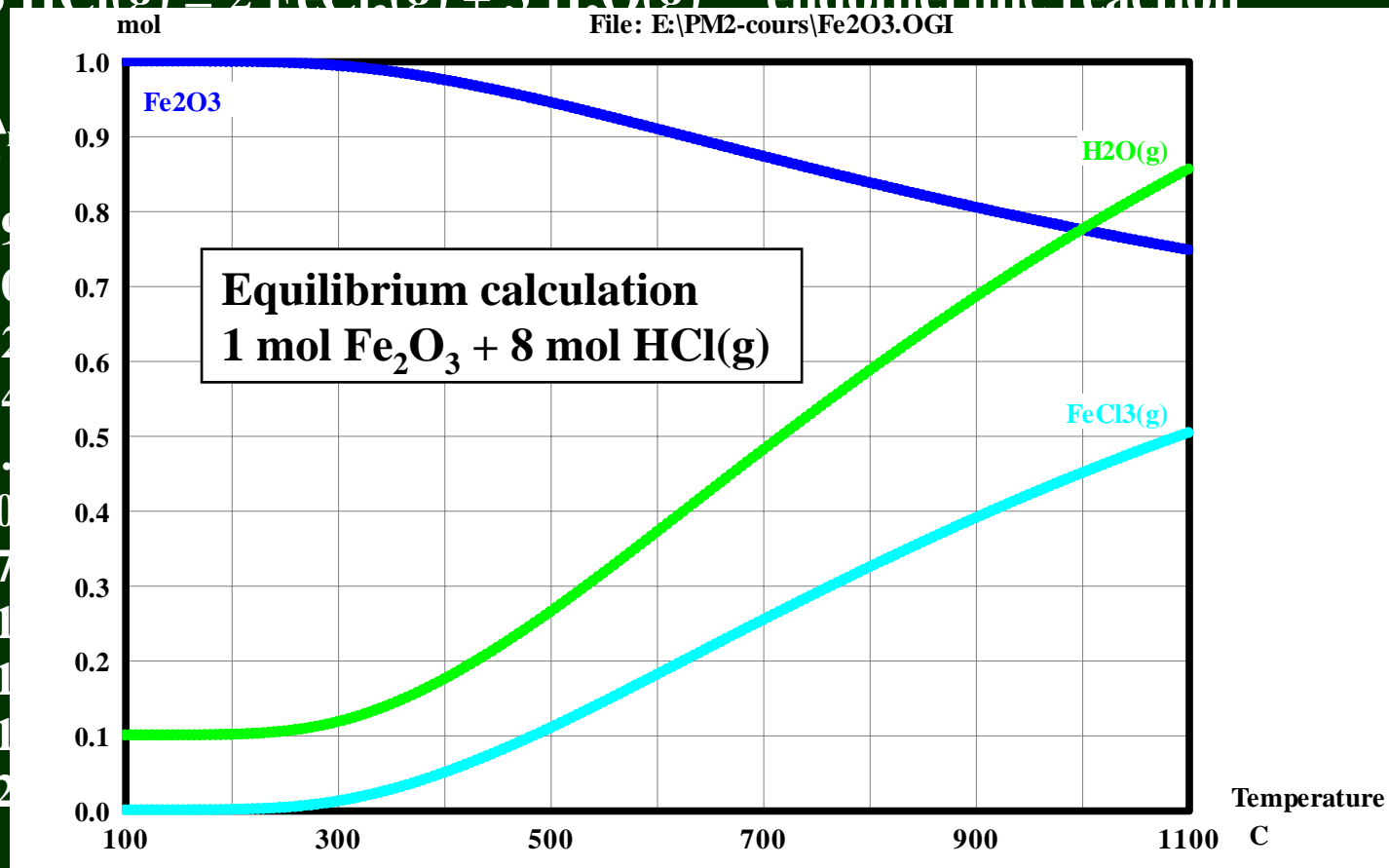


Closed system

Parameters: pressure, temperature (see figure)

Ex. 2:  $Fe_2O_3(s) + 6 HCl(g) = 2 FeCl_3(g) + 3 H_2O(g)$       endothermic reaction

$T$ °C	$\Delta_r H^\circ$ kJ mol <sup>-1</sup>	$\Delta_r G^\circ$ J
100.000	142.845	39.000
200.000	139.123	30.000
300.000	134.923	22.000
400.000	130.231	14.000
500.000	124.933	7.000
600.000	118.751	-0.000
700.000	111.486	-7.000
800.000	106.949	-14.000
900.000	102.855	-21.000
1000.000	98.814	-28.000
1100.000	94.788	-35.000



→ Geological interest for transportation of  $Fe_2O_3$  in volcanos

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**1879: first incandescent lamp;  
carbon filament replaced by tungsten filament**

- low vapor pressure**
- high melting point (3400 °C)**
- inert gas filling (Ar + N<sub>2</sub>)**
- but condensation at the colder region of the lamp bulb**
- wire becomes thinner → wire rupture**

**→ introduction of traces of I<sub>2</sub> (0.1 mg per cm<sup>3</sup>)**



**== self-healing process**