

From thermodynamics to geodynamics: An overview of the geophysical thermodynamics of phase relations

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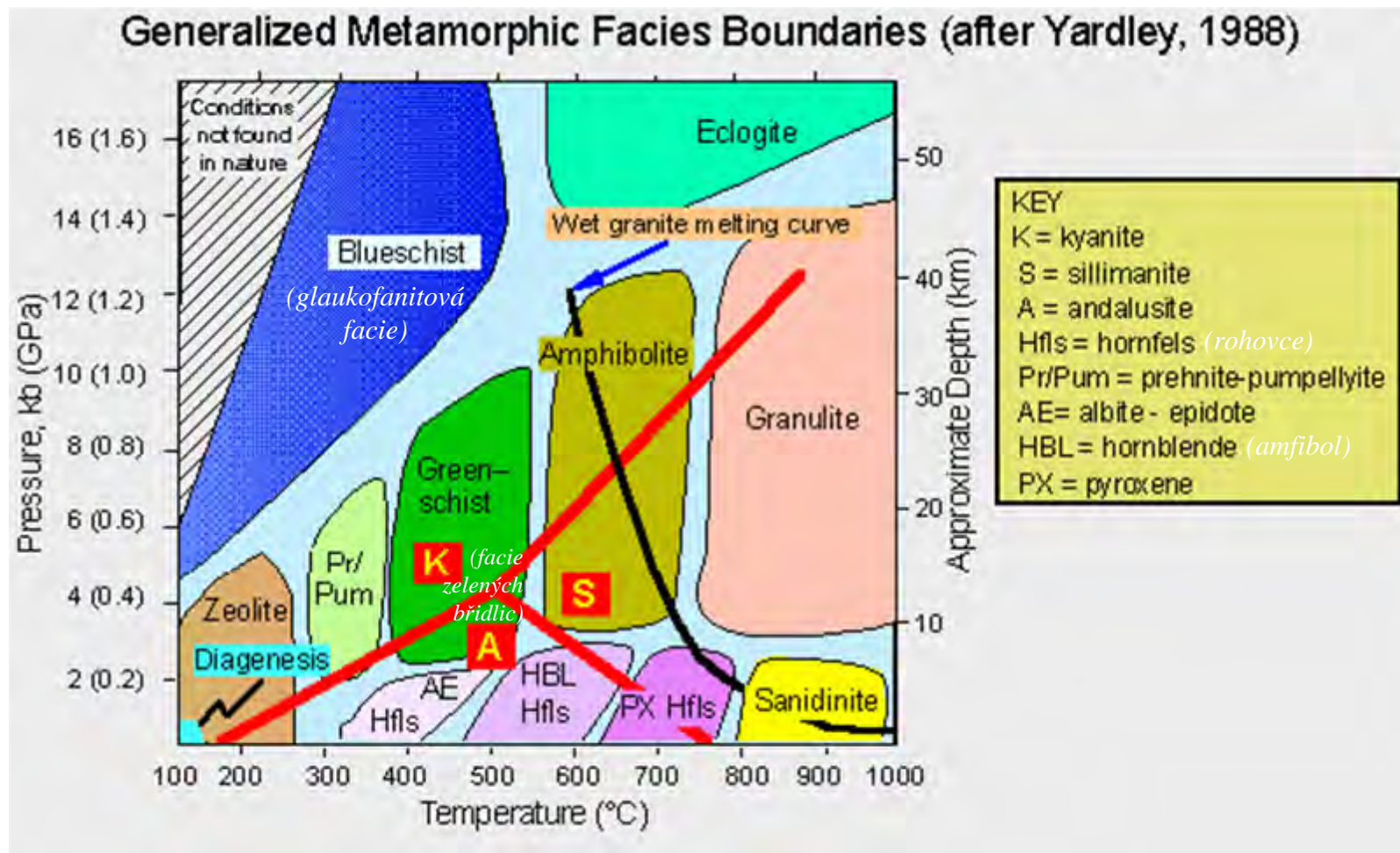
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Geobarometry and Geothermometry

Petrology allows us to estimate the range of pressure and temperature of equilibration by observing the coexisting mineral species.

metamorfní facie (stupně metamorfózy)



(from J. Ahern)

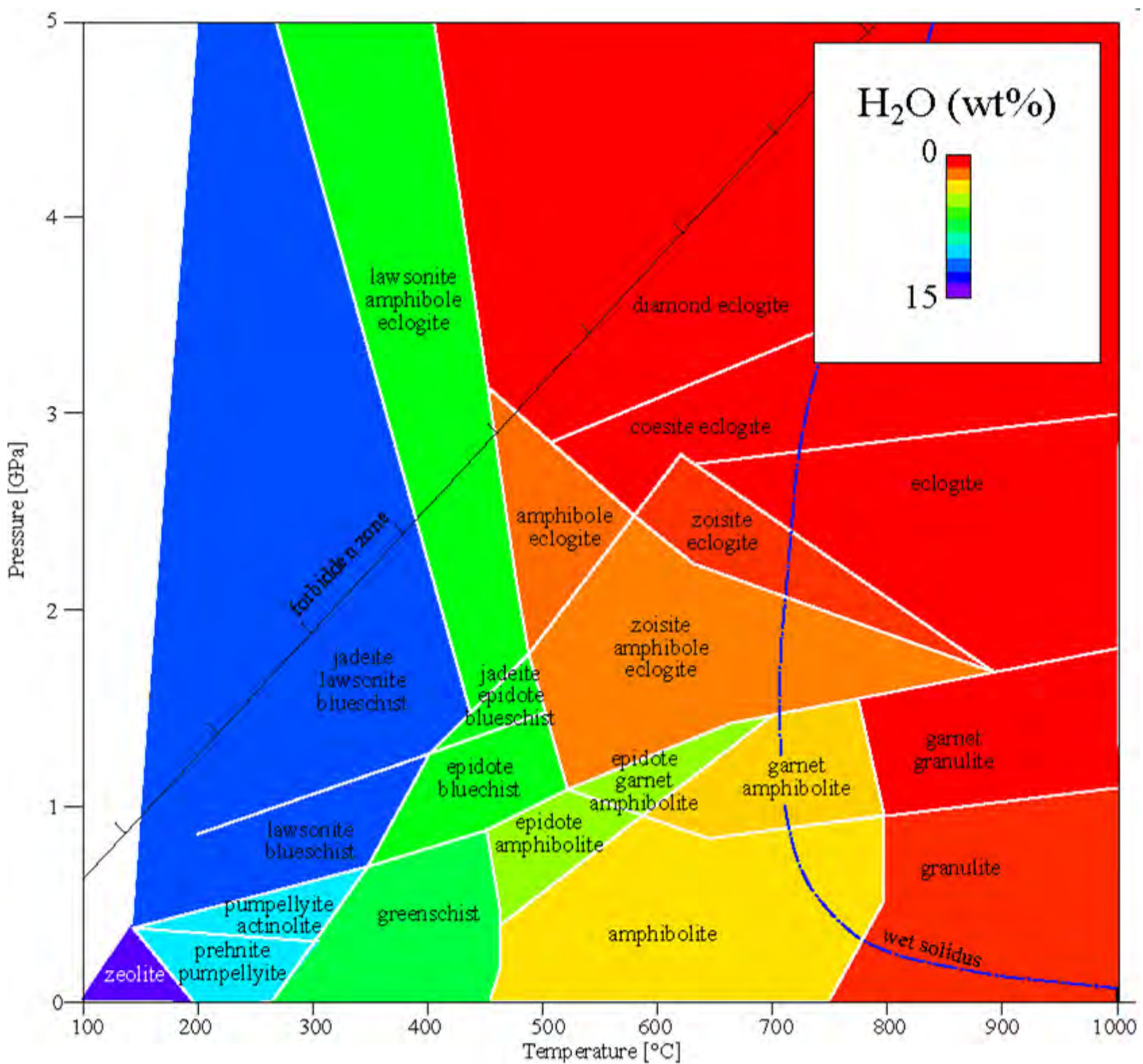
metamorfní facie (stupně metamorfózy)

Table 25-1. Definitive Mineral Assemblages of Metamorphic Facies	
Facies	Definitive Mineral Assemblage in Mafic Rocks
Zeolite	zeolites: especially laumontite, wairakite, analcime
Prehnite-Pumpellyite	prehnite + pumpellyite (+ chlorite + albite)
Greenschist	chlorite + albite + epidote (or zoisite) + quartz ± actinolite
Amphibolite	hornblende + plagioclase (oligoclase-andesine) ± garnet
Granulite	orthopyroxene (+ clinopyroxene + plagioclase ± garnet ± hornblende)
Blueschist	glaucophane + lawsonite or epidote (+albite ± chlorite)
Eclogite	pyrope garnet + omphacitic pyroxene (± kyanite)
Contact Facies	Mineral assemblages in mafic rocks of the facies of contact metamorphism do not differ substantially from that of the corresponding regional facies at higher pressure.

After Spear (1993)

Table 25.1. The definitive mineral assemblages that characterize each facies (for mafic rocks). Winter (2010) An Introduction to Igneous and Metamorphic Petrology. Prentice Hall.

podrobnější metamorfní facie (stupně metamorfózy)

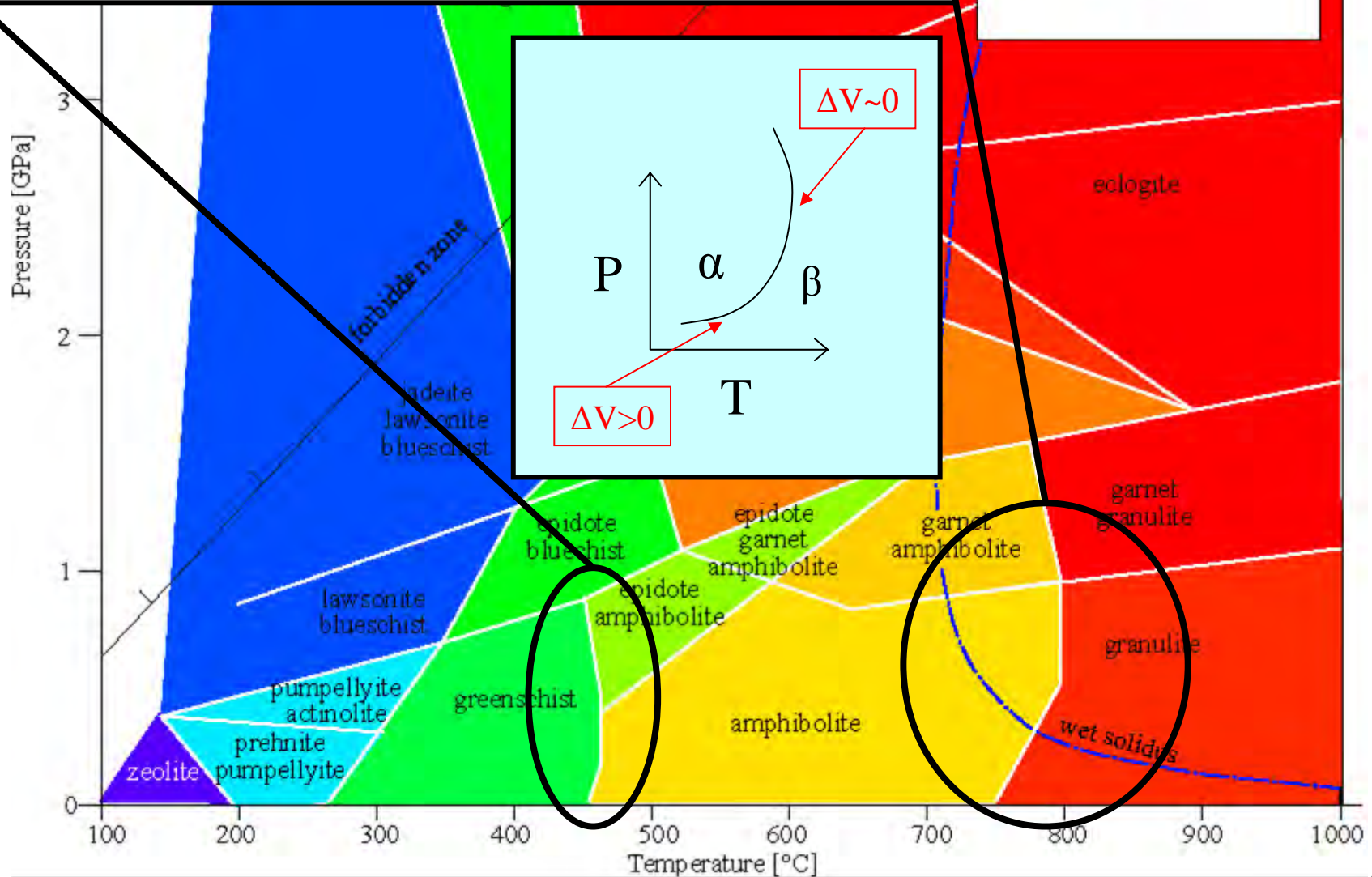


(from B. Hacker)

podrobnější metamorfnní facie (stupně metamorfózy)

Precise boundaries involve several reactions and depend upon bulk chemical composition.

Note increasing dehydration at higher T and characteristic shape of dehydration reactions.



(facies boundaries from B. Hacker)

podrobnější metamorfi

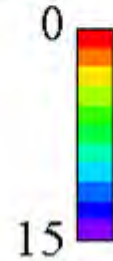
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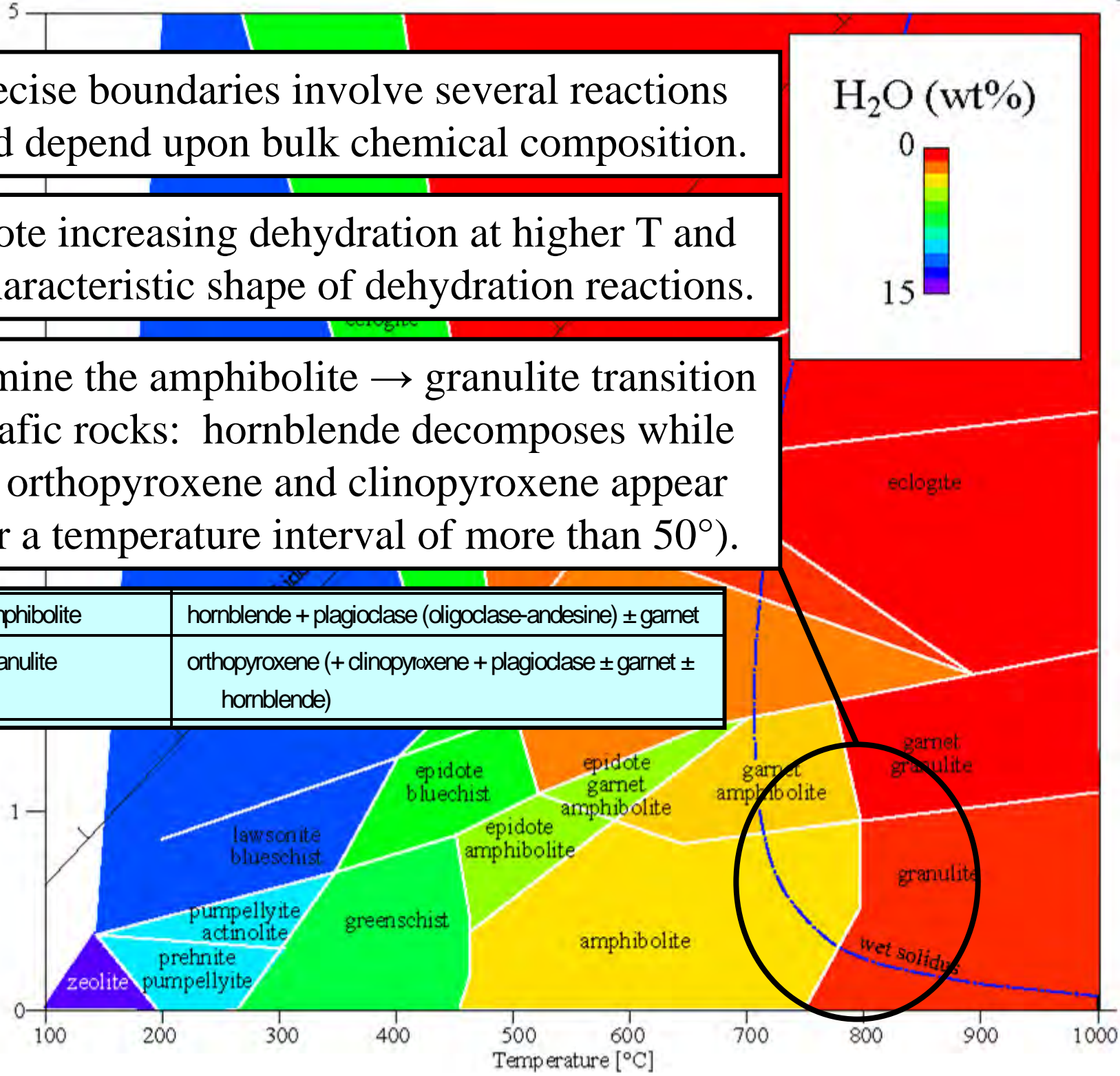
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Examine the amphibolite → granulite transition in mafic rocks: hornblende decomposes while both orthopyroxene and clinopyroxene appear (over a temperature interval of more than 50°).

H₂O (wt%)



Amphibolite	hornblende + plagioclase (oligoclase-andesine) ± garnet
Granulite	orthopyroxene (+ clinopyroxene + plagioclase ± garnet ± hornblende)



(facies boundaries from B. Hacker)

The amphibolite → granulite transition in mafic rocks: hornblende decomposes while both orthopyroxene and clinopyroxene appear.

Note characteristic shape of dehydration reactions.

General form of reaction progress:

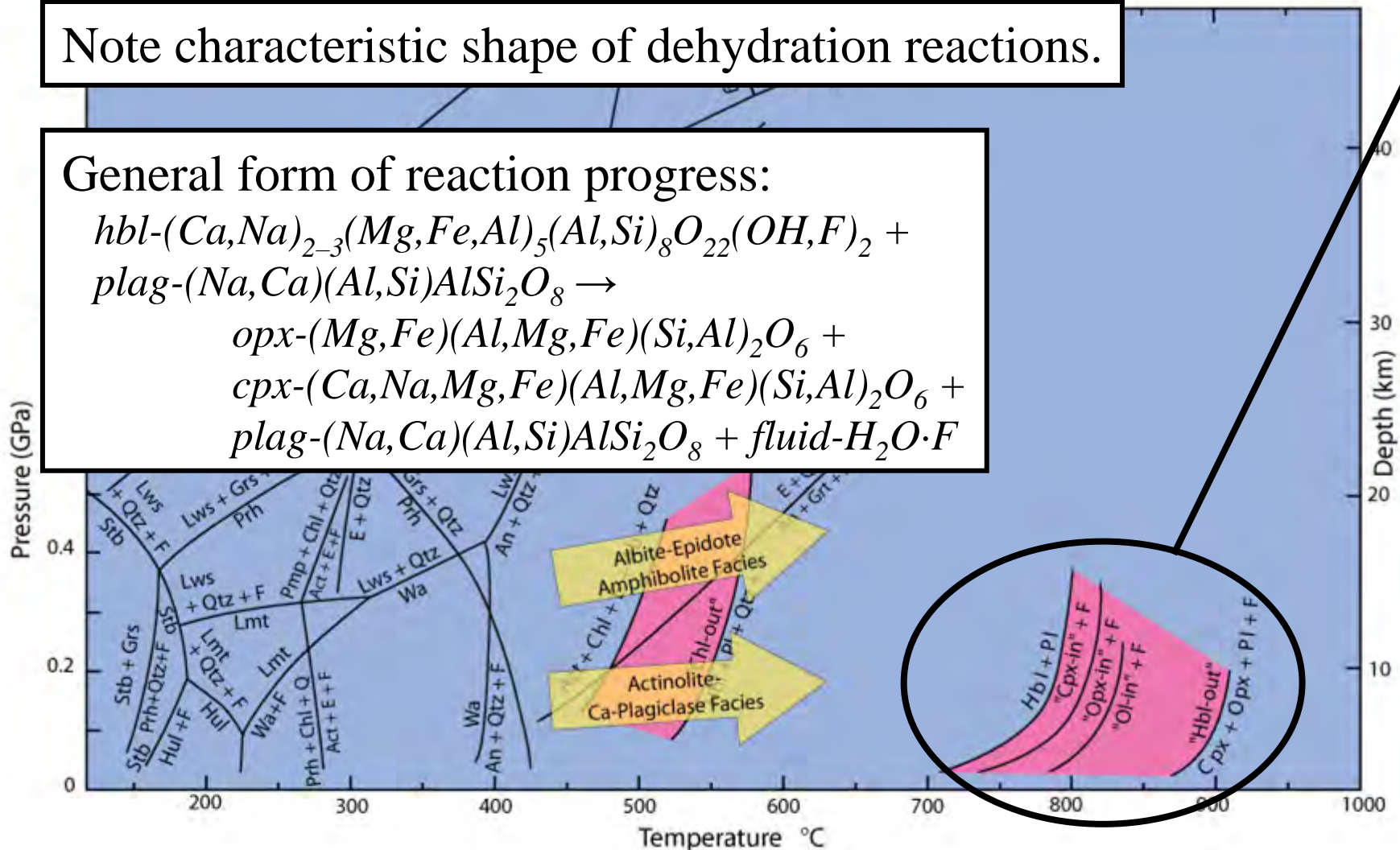
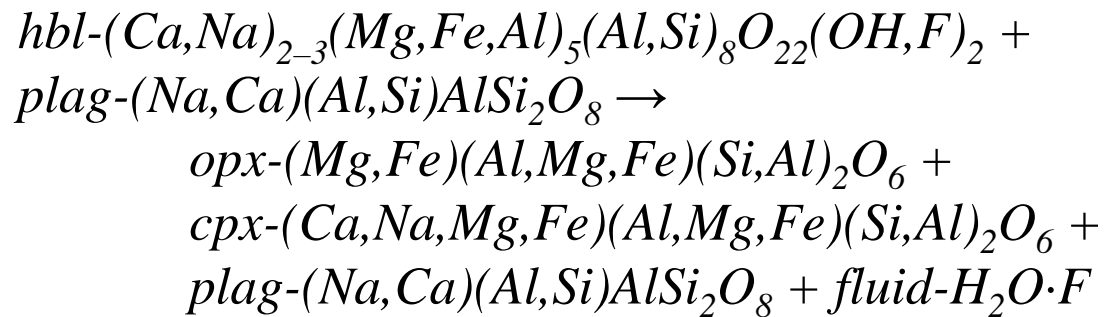


Fig. 26-19. Simplified petrogenetic grid for metamorphosed mafic rocks showing the location of several determined univariant reactions in the CaO-MgO-Al₂O₃-SiO₂-H₂O-(Na₂O) system (“C(N)MASH”). Winter (2010) An Introduction to Igneous and Metamorphic Petrology. Prentice Hall.

Dovolte mi, abych vám představil vaše nové nejlepší kamarády: minerály!



{hořčík, železo, křemen}

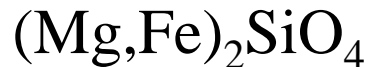
vic oxid křemičitý →

← méně oxid křemičitý

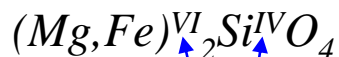
(Mg,Fe)O
magnesiowüstite

nebo

ferropericlaase



olivine



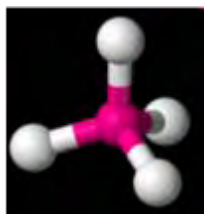
orthopyroxene



quartz (*křemen*)



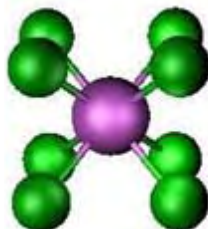
koordináční číslo



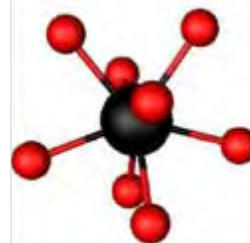
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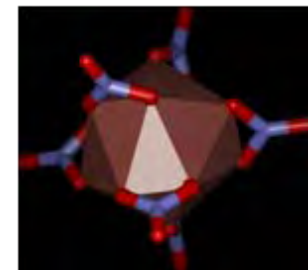
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Paul Kiprof



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4-fold site
(tetrahedral)

6-fold site
(octahedral)

8-fold site
(cubic)

8-fold site
(dodecahedral)

12-fold site
(icosahedral)

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vic oxid křemičitý →

← méně oxid křemičitý

(Mg,Fe)O
magnesiowüstite
nebo
ferropericlasite
(Mg,Fe)^{VI}O

*pevný roztok s
koncovými členy:*

MgO = periclasite

FeO = wüstite



John Betts
Fine Minerals

(Mg,Fe)₂SiO₄
olivine
(Mg,Fe)^{VI}₂Si^{IV}O₄

*pevný roztok s
koncovými členy:*

Mg₂SiO₄ = forsterite

Fe₂SiO₄ = fayalite



John Betts
Fine Minerals

(Mg,Fe)SiO₃
orthopyroxene
(Mg,Fe)^{VI}Si^{IV}O₃

*pevný roztok s
koncovými členy:*

MgSiO₃ = enstatite

FeSiO₃ = ferrosilite



John Betts
Fine Minerals

SiO₂
quartz (*křemen*)
Si^{IV}O₂



John Betts
Fine Minerals

solid solutions:

$$\mu_i = \mu_i^0 + T \cdot (nR \ln \gamma_i X_i)$$

(entropy of mixing)

Complex solutions have expanded stability fields.

Vysoký tlak ...



$$-\int \Delta S dT + \int \Delta V dP = \Delta G < 0$$

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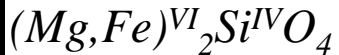
olivine
(Mg,Fe)^{VI}₂Si^{IV}O₄



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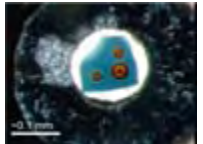
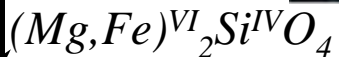
vysoký tlak

wadsleyite
(β-modified-spinel-type)



HACTO

ringwoodite
(γ-spinel-type)



S.D.Jacobsen

(Mg,Fe)SiO₃

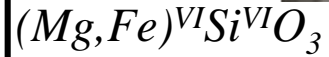
orthopyroxene
(Mg,Fe)^{VI}Si^{IV}O₃



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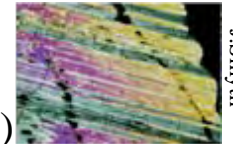
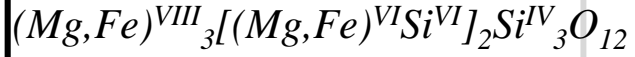
vysoký tlak

akimotoite
(ilmenite-type)



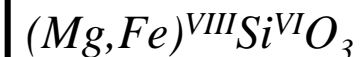
N.Tomioka
& K.Fujino

majorite
(garnet-type)



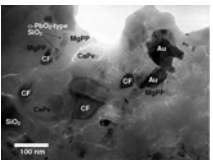
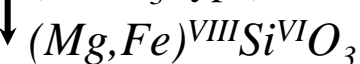
J.Smyth

silicate perovskite
(CaTiO₃-type)



HACTO

post-perovskite
(CaIrO₃-type)



K.Hirose +

SiO₂

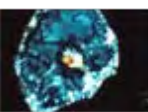
quartz
Si^{IV}O₂



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vysoký tlak

coesite
Si^{IV}O₂



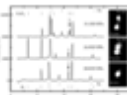
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stishovite



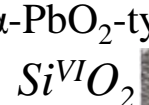
HACTO

CaCl₂-type



D. Lakshatnov +

seifertite
(α-PbO₂-type)



BGI



Plus vápník ...

$r_{Ca^{2+}} > r_{Mg^{2+}} \rightarrow V_{Ca} > V_{Mg}$

vic oxid křemičitý →

← *méně oxid křemičitý*

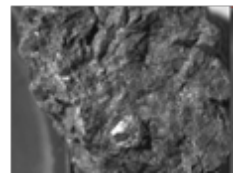
(Mg,Fe)O
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(Mg,Fe)^{VI}O

(Mg,Fe)₂SiO₄
olivine
(Mg,Fe)^{VI}₂Si^{IV}O₄

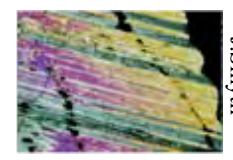
Ca(Mg,Fe)Si₂O₆
clinopyroxene
Ca^{VIII}(Mg,Fe)^{VI}Si^{IV}₂O₆

SiO₂
quartz
Si^{IV}O₂

vysoký tlak



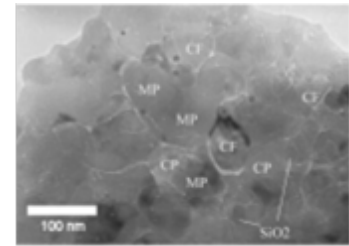
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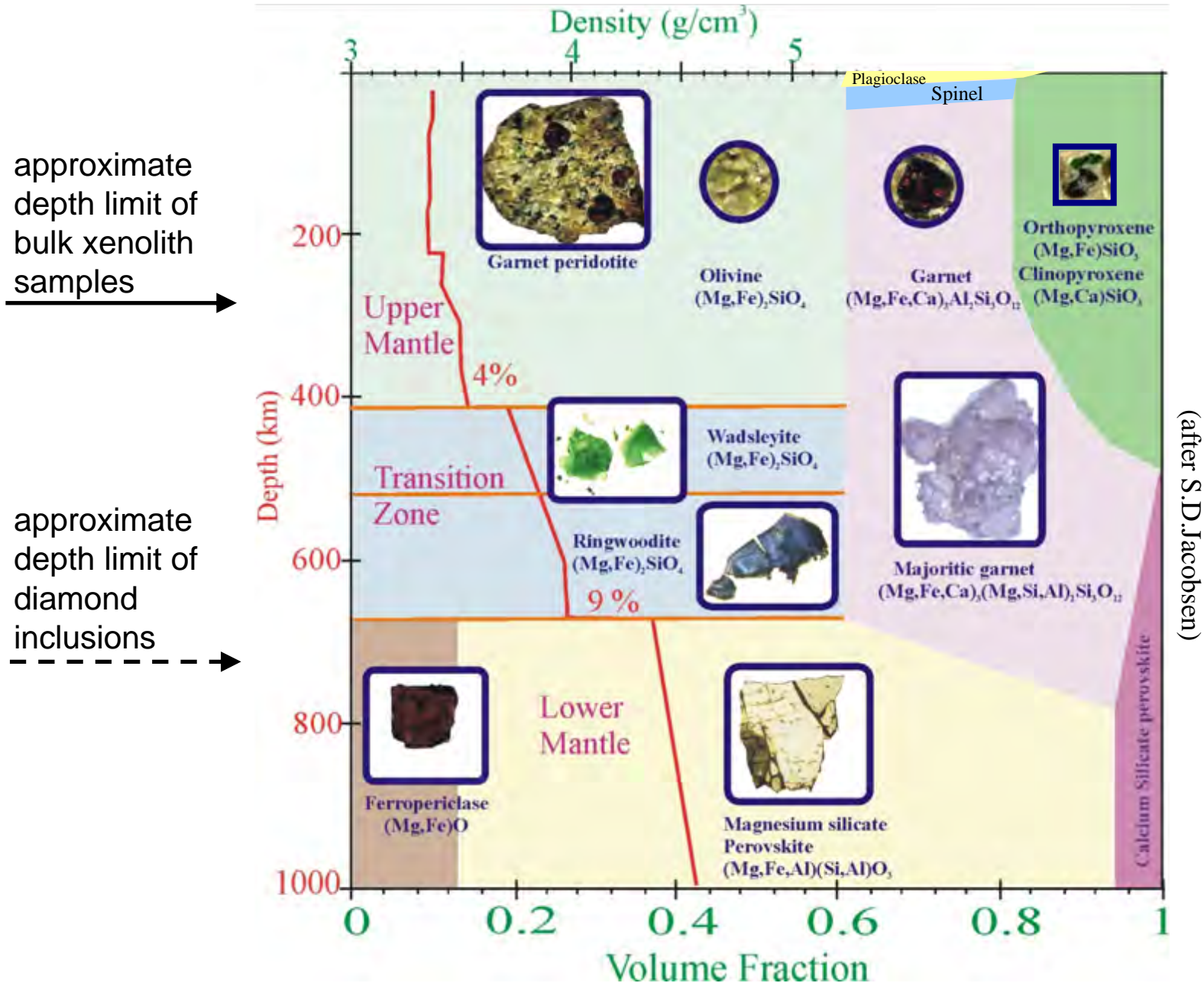
majorite
(garnet-type)
(Ca,Mg,Fe)^{VIII}₃[(Mg,Fe)^{VI}Si^{VI}]₂Si^{IV}₃O₁₂

Ca-silicate perovskite
(CaTiO₃-type)
Ca^{XII}Si^{VI}O₃

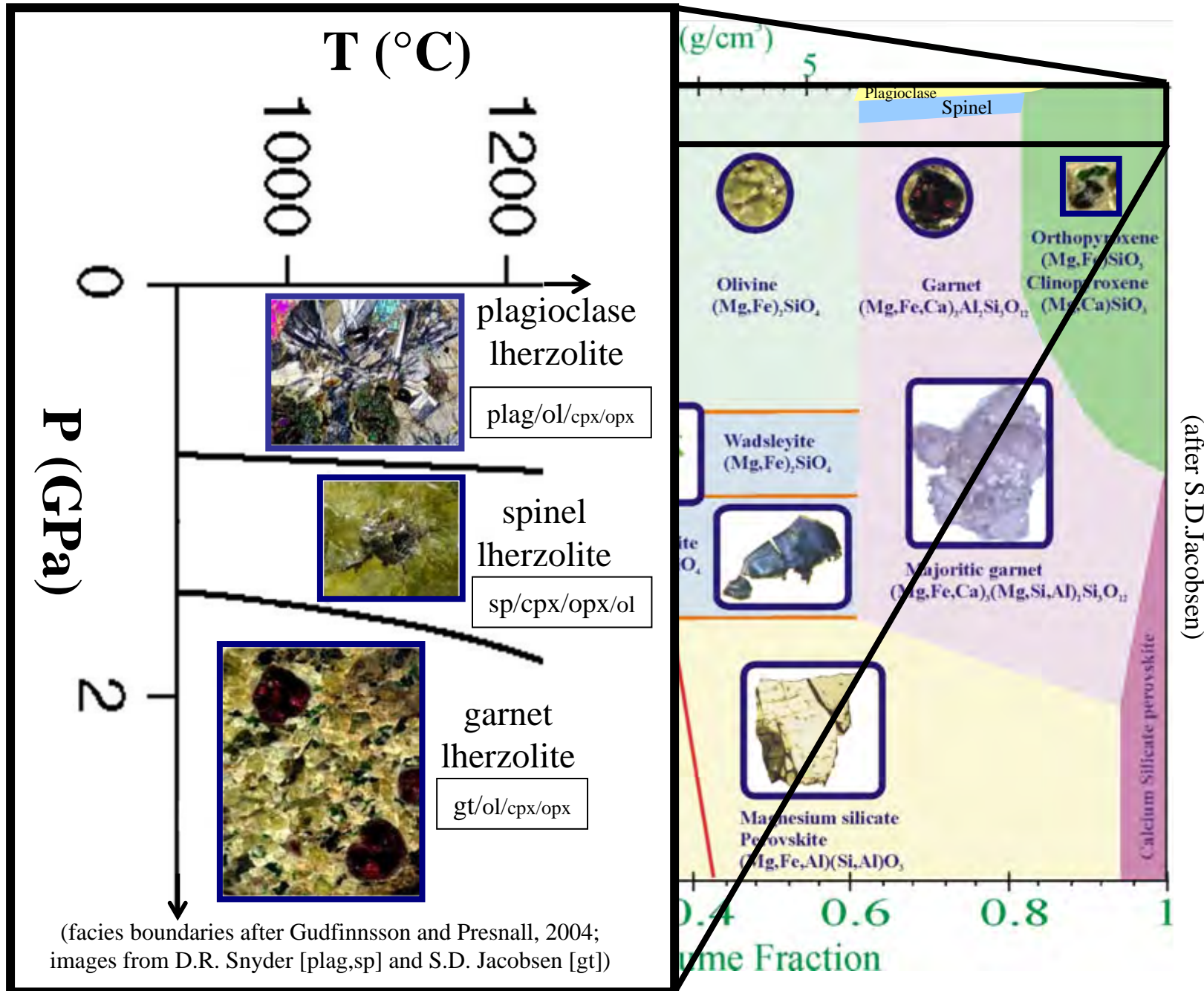


R.Simmyo +

Introduction to Mantle Petrology



Introduction to Mantle Petrology



{MgO,FeO,CaO,SiO₂,Al₂O₃}



plagioclase (*sodnovápenatý živec*)

A plus hliník ...

Al³⁺

pevný roztok s

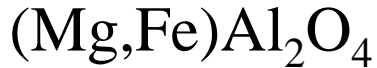
koncovými členy:

NaAlSi₃O₈ = albite

CaAl₂Si₂O₈ = anorthite



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spinel (*Mg,Fe*)(Al,Cr)₂O₄ ...

pevný roztok s

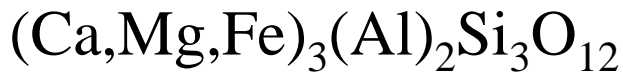
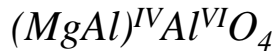
koncovými členy:

MgAl₂O₄ = spinel

FeAl₂O₄ = hercynite



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garnet (*Ca,Mg,Fe,Mn*)₃(Al,Fe³⁺,Cr)₂Si₃O₁₂ ...

pevný roztok s

koncovými členy:

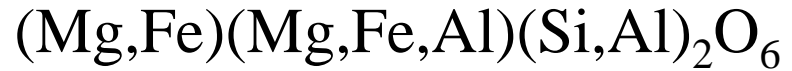
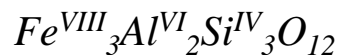
Mg₃Al₂Si₃O₁₂ = pyrope

Fe₃Al₂Si₃O₁₂ = almandine

Ca₃Al₂Si₃O₁₂ = grossular



Wikipedia



orthopyroxene

pevný roztok s

koncovými členy:

MgSiO₃ = (ortho)enstatite

FeSiO₃ = (ortho)ferrosilite

MgAl₂SiO₆ = Mg-Tschermak's



Wikipedia



clinopyroxene

pevný roztok s

koncovými členy:

CaMgSi₂O₆ = diopside

CaFeSi₂O₆ = hedenbergite

CaAl₂SiO₆ = Ca-Tschermak's

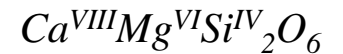
MgSiO₃ = clinoenstatite

FeSiO₃ = clinoferrosilite

NaAlSi₂O₆ = jadeite



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(Mg,Fe,Ca,Na)(Al,Fe³⁺,Cr,Mg,Fe)(Si,Al,Fe³⁺)₂O₆ ...

Geobarometry and Geothermometry

PROBLEM:

*How can we determine the **pressure** or **temperature** of equilibration from the measured **compositions** of coexisting minerals?*

Geobarometry and Geothermometry

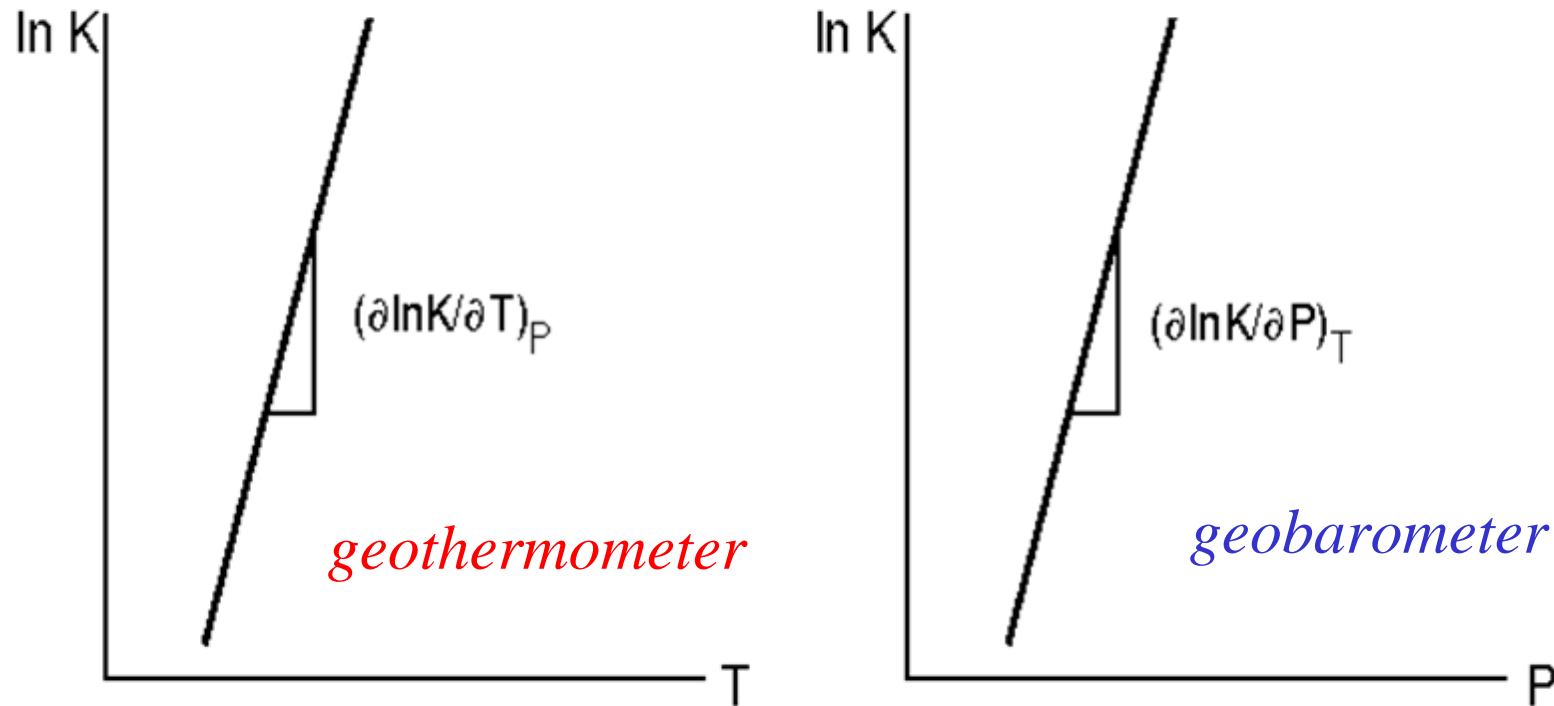
$$0 = \Delta G(P, T, X) = \Delta G^0(P, T) + RT \ln K_a$$

$$\Delta G^0(P, T) = -RT \ln K_a$$

Geobarometers: *composition* should be most sensitive to *pressure*: $|(\partial \ln K_a / \partial P)_T| \gg |(\partial \ln K_a / \partial T)_P|$

Geothermometers: *composition* should be most sensitive to *temperature*: $|(\partial \ln K_a / \partial T)_P| \gg |(\partial \ln K_a / \partial P)_T|$

Geobarometry and Geothermometry



Mineral equilibria that are used as geothermometers or geobarometers should have steep slopes in $\ln K$ vs. T (left) and $\ln K$ vs. P (right) diagrams, respectively. Errors in $\ln K$ lead only to small errors in the estimated temperatures and pressures if this is the case.

(Figure 21b of Will, 1998)

Geobarometry and Geothermometry

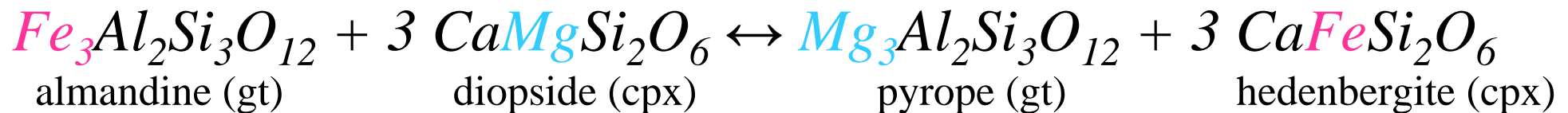
Geothermometers: *composition* should be most sensitive to *temperature*: $|(\partial \ln K_a / \partial T)_P| \gg |(\partial \ln K_a / \partial P)_T|$

Thus, they should have large ΔS (or ΔH) relative to ΔV .

(prostá kationtová záměna)

Typically: a cation-exchange reaction (e.g., $Mg^{2+}-Fe^{2+}$, $Mn^{2+}-Fe^{2+}$, $Ni^{2+}-Mg^{2+}$) involving little volume change.

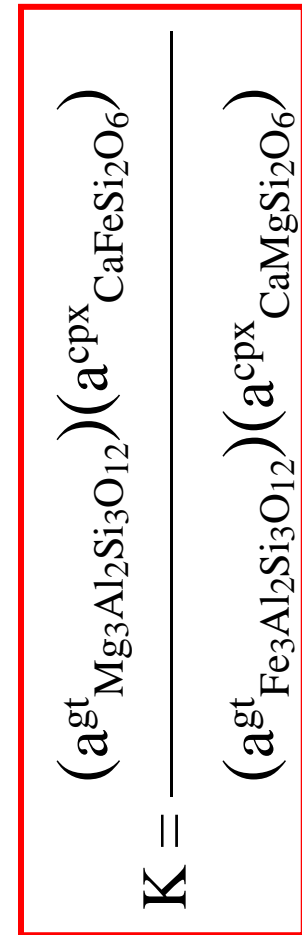
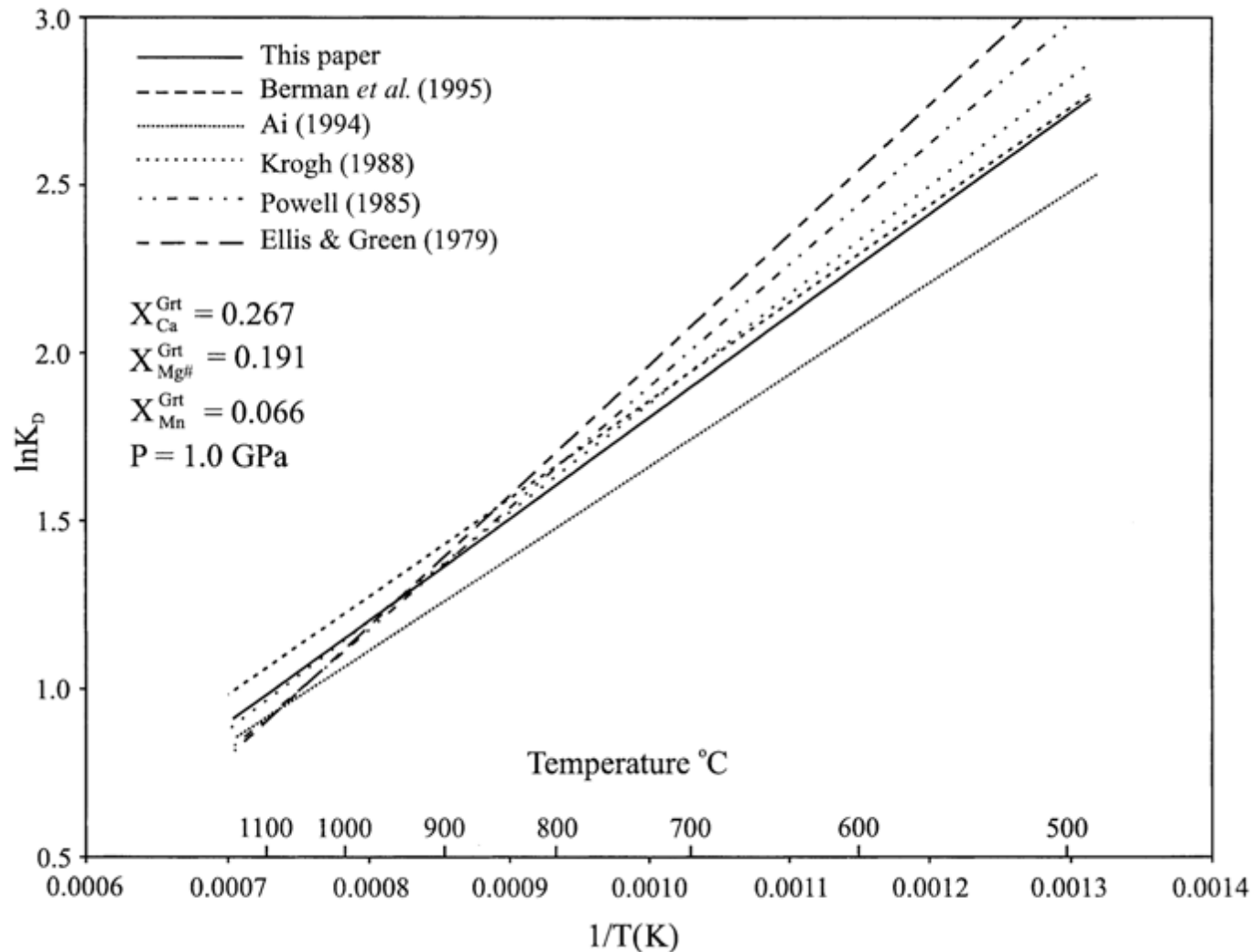
For example, the “*Fe-Mg* garnet-clinopyroxene geothermometer”:



find compositions of coexisting $gt-(Mg,Fe)_3Al_2Si_3O_{12}$ and $cpx-Ca(Mg,Fe)Si_2O_6$
(granát) *(klinopyroxen)*

(cf. Will, 1998; Ravna, 2000)

Geobarometry and Geothermometry



Fe-Mg garnet-clinopyroxene geothermometer

Plot of $\ln K_D$ versus $1/T$ at 1.0 GPa for various versions of the garnet–clinopyroxene Fe^{2+} –Mg thermometer, calculated for the garnet composition given in Table 4. K_D has been varied by changing the Fe^{2+} /Mg ratio of the clinopyroxene.

(Figure 3 of Ravna, 2000)

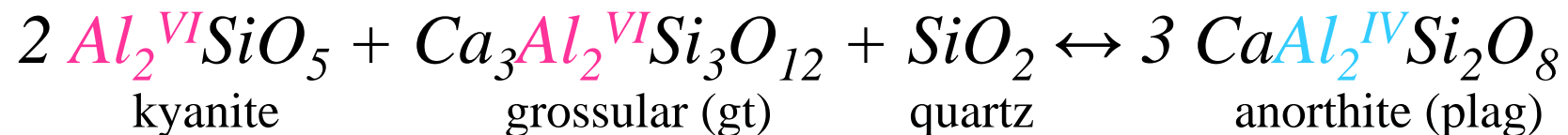
Geobarometry and Geothermometry

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Thus, they should have large ΔV relative to ΔS (or ΔH).

Typically: a mass-transfer reaction involving a change in coordination number (and thus a volume change).

For example, the “*GASP* geobarometer”:

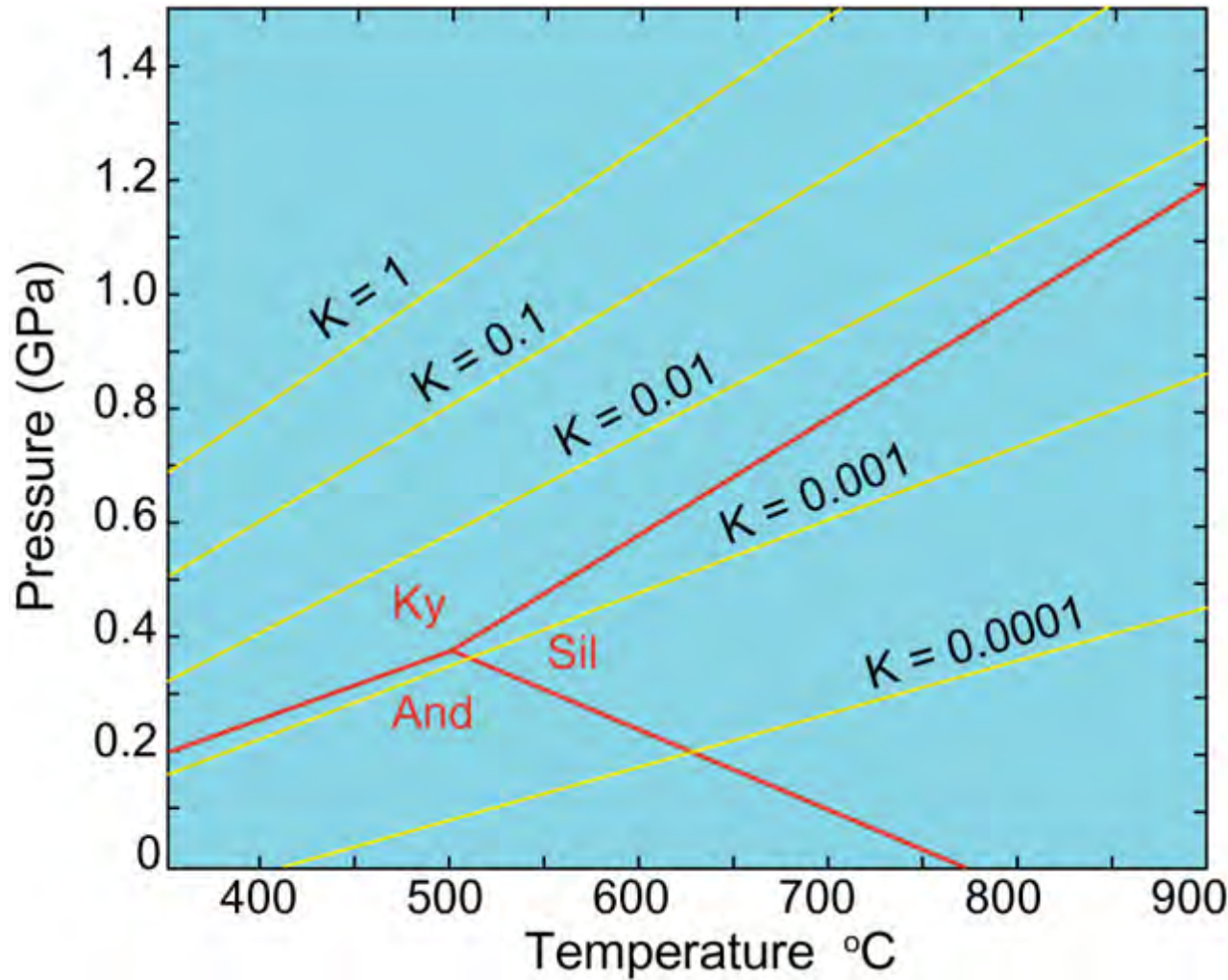


GASP = “**G**rossular-**A**luminosilicate-**S**iO₂-**P**lagioclase”

measure coexisting *gt*-(Ca,Mg,Fe)₃(Al)₂Si₃O₁₂ and *plag*-(Na,Ca)(Al,Si)AlSi₂O₈

(*granát*) (cf. Will, 1998; Holdaway, 2001) (*sodnovápenatý živec*)

Geobarometry and Geothermometry



$$K = \frac{(a^{\text{gt}}_{\text{Ca}_3\text{Al}_2\text{Si}_3\text{O}_{12}})}{(a^{\text{plag}}_{\text{CaAl}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_8})^3}$$

GASP geobarometer

(Figure 27.98 of Spear, 1993)

Let's Examine Some Example Transitions in Detail

čedič

eklogit

gabro

eklogit

The “Basalt → Eclogite” or “Gabbro → Eclogite” Transition

(cf. Wood, 1987; Gubbins et al, 1994; Helffrich, 1996; Hacker, 1996)

sodnovápenatý živec

spinel

granát

lherzolit

The Plagioclase → Spinel → Garnet Lherzolite Transitions

(cf. O'Neill, 1981; Wood and Yuen, 1983; Carroll Webb and Wood, 1996; Nickel, 1986; Robinson and Wood, 1998)

The “Basalt → Eclogite” or “Gabbro → Eclogite” Transition

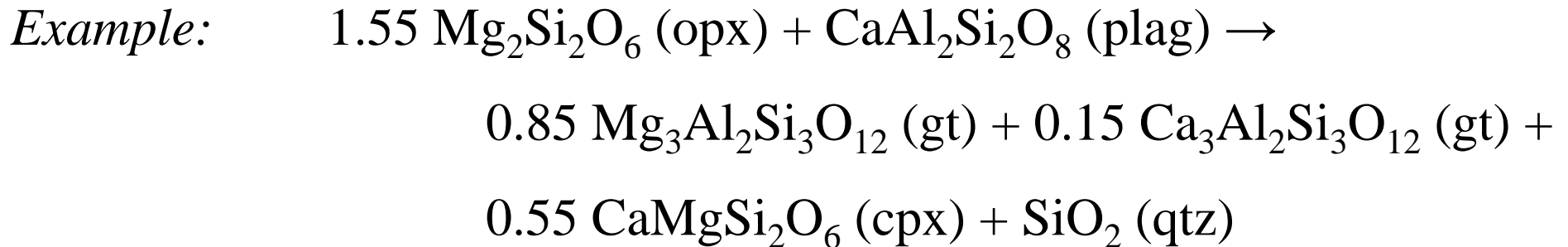
Facies: granulite → garnet granulite → eclogite [→ coesite eclogite]

Reactions:

orthopyroxene + clinopyroxene + plagioclase → garnet + quartz

orthopyroxene + plagioclase → garnet + quartz

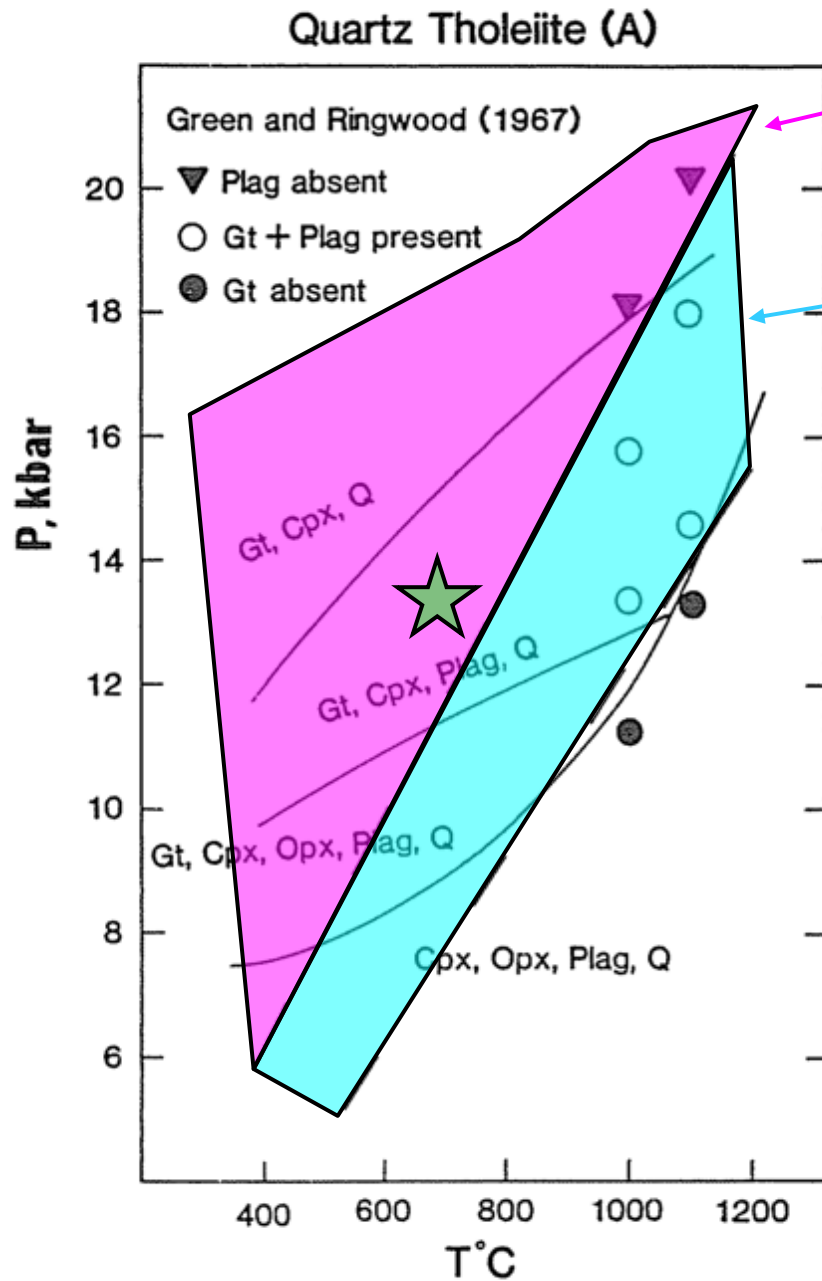
plagioclase → clinopyroxene + quartz



Summary: gt increases; opx vanishes; plag decreases and vanishes

[Later: $\text{SiO}_2 \text{ (qtz)} \rightarrow \text{SiO}_2 \text{ (coes)}$]

gabbro → eclogite transition



*linearly extrapolated
eclogite regime*

*linearly extrapolated
garnet granulite regime*

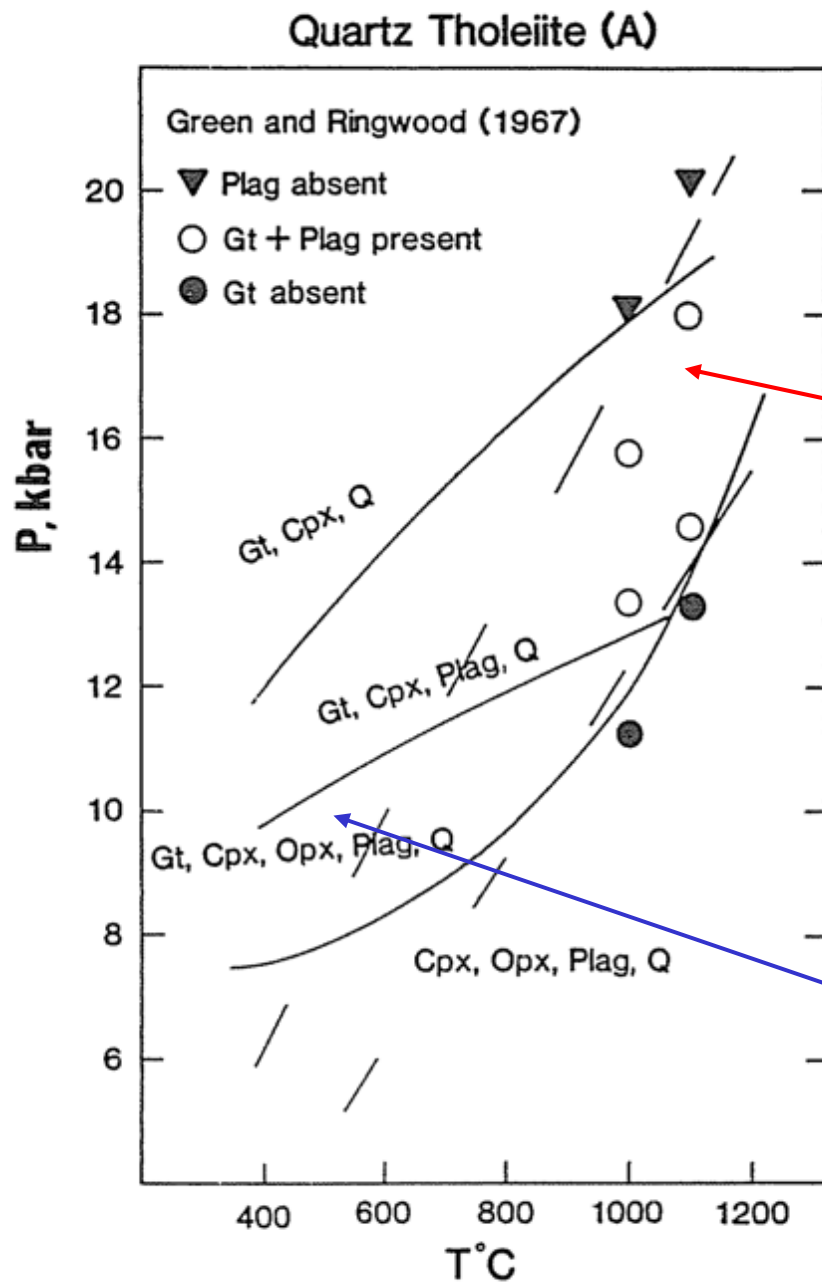
Calculated transition from gabbro (cpx, opx, plag, qtz) to eclogite (gt, cpx, qtz) for the quartz tholeiite (A) composition of Green and Ringwood (1967). Symbols are experimental data. Solid lines are (with increasing pressure) calculated garnet-in, orthopyroxene-out and plagioclase-out curves. Dashed lines are extrapolations of Green and Ringwood (1967).

*Implications for mafic composition
of lower continental crust?*

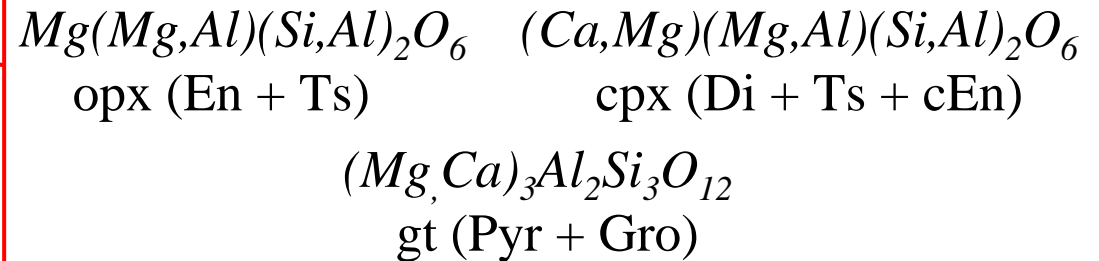
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gabbro → eclogite transition

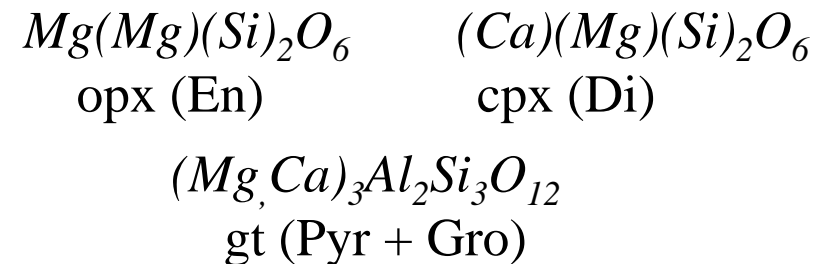
Actual phase boundaries are curved!



*Pyroxenes and garnets are solid solutions at **high temperatures**:*

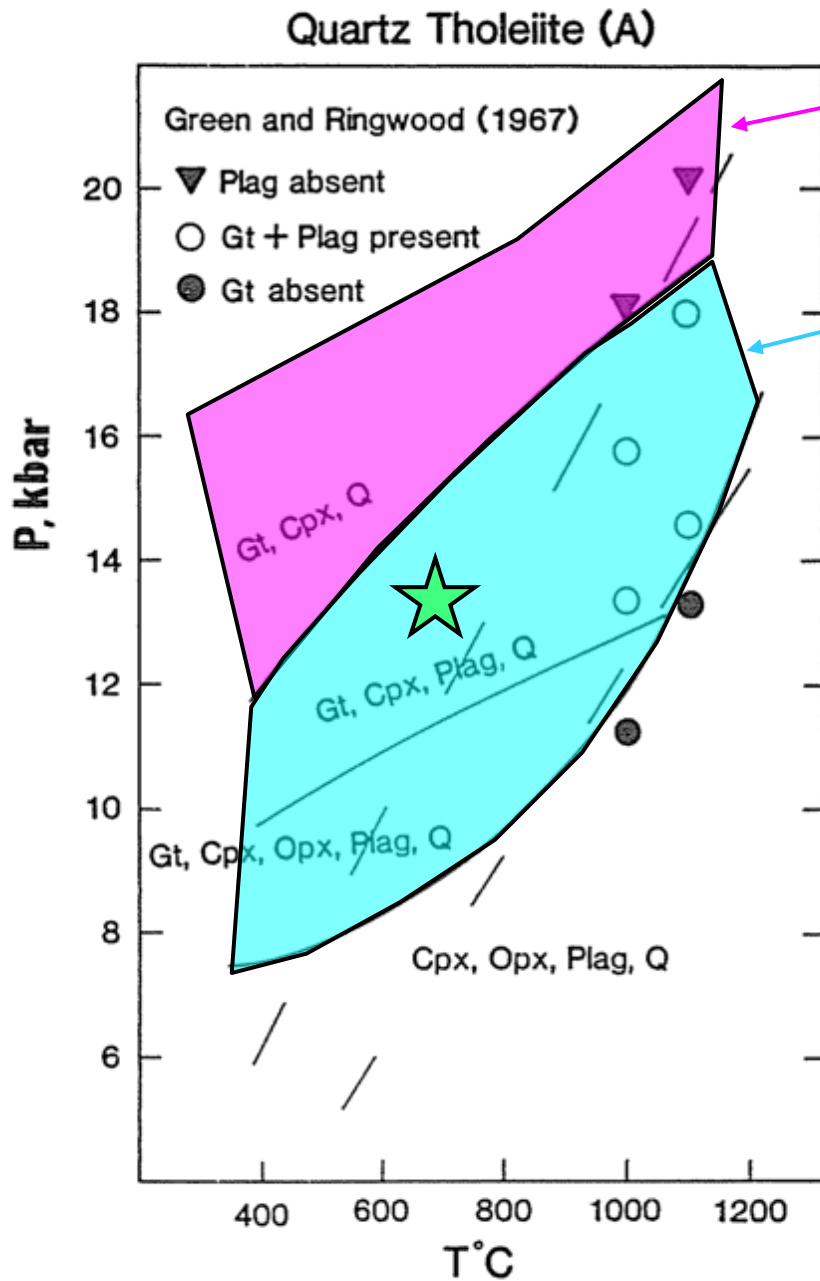


*Garnet stability field expands at **low temperatures**, as pyroxenes become nearly pure phases while garnet remains a solid solution:*



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gabbro → eclogite transition



calculated equilibrium eclogite regime

calculated equilibrium garnet granulite regime

Calculated transition from gabbro (cpx, opx, plag, qtz) to eclogite (gt, cpx, qtz) for the quartz tholeiite (A) composition of Green and Ringwood (1967). Symbols are experimental data. Solid lines are (with increasing pressure) calculated garnet-in, orthopyroxene-out and plagioclase-out curves. Dashed lines are extrapolations of Green and Ringwood (1967).

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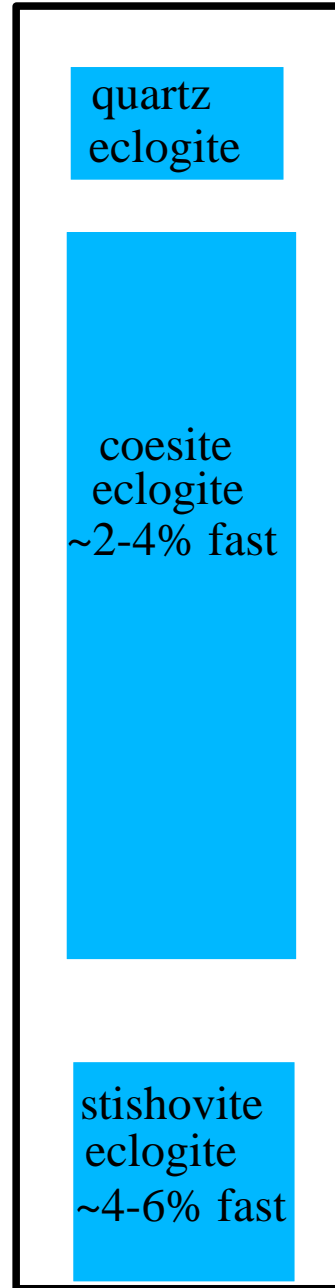
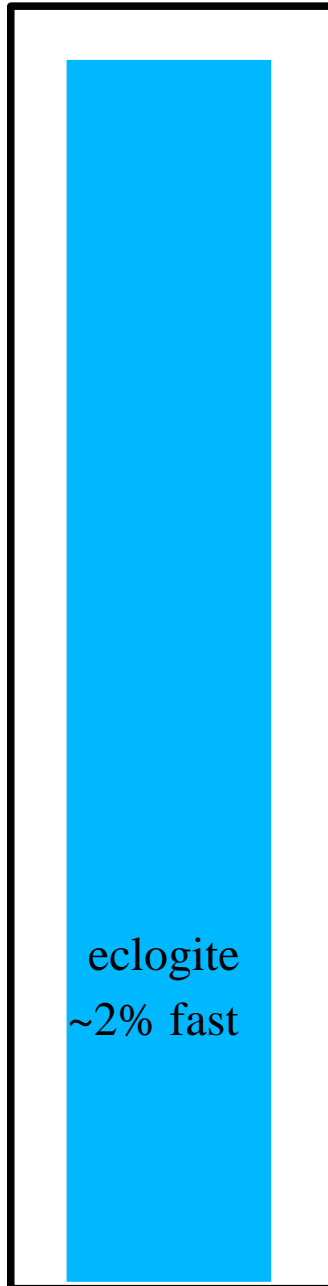
anhydrous
metabasalt

anhydrous
silica-rich
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gabbro → eclogite
transition

50 km



*Implications for
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structure of
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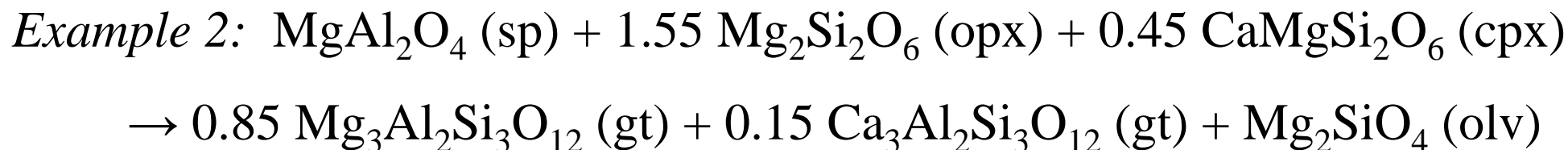
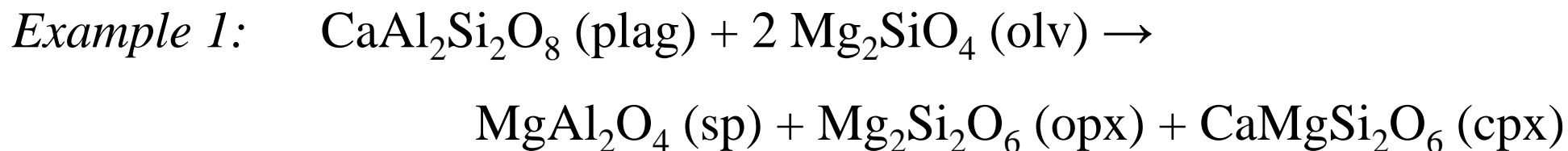
*Helfrich et al., 1989
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The Plagioclase → Spinel → Garnet Lherzolite Transitions

Facies: plagioclase lherzolite → spinel lherzolite → garnet lherzolite

Reaction 1: plagioclase + olivine → spinel + pyroxenes

Reaction 2: spinel + pyroxenes → garnet + olivine

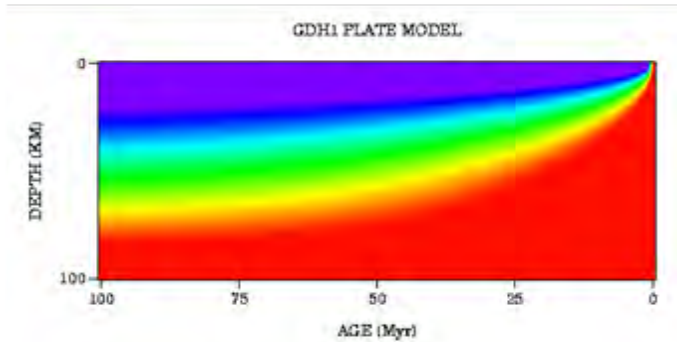
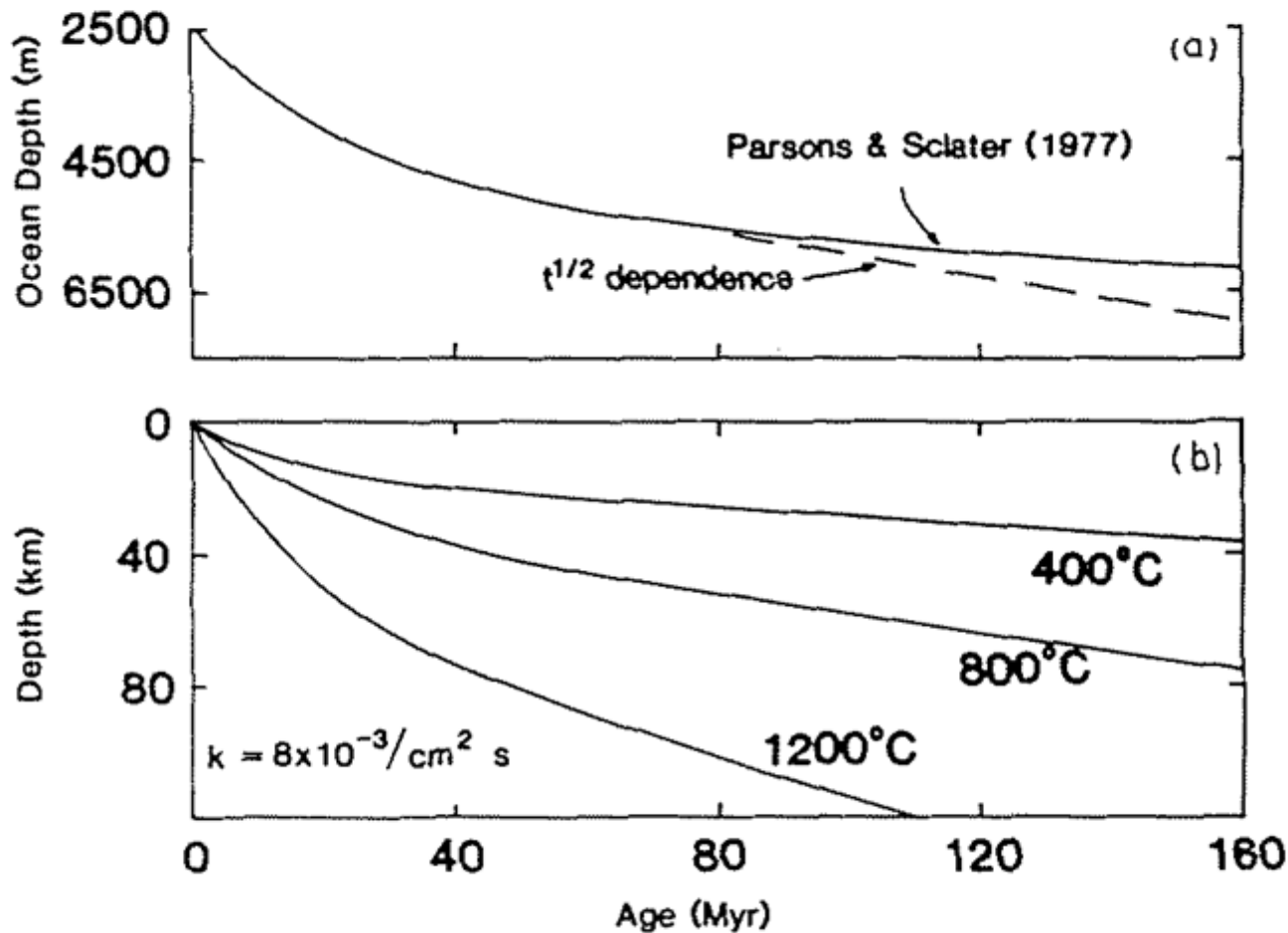


Summary 1: sp, opx and cpx increase; plag vanishes; olv decreases

Summary 2: gt and olv increase; sp vanishes; opx and cpx decrease

plagioclase → spinel → garnet
lherzolite transitions

Ocean Depth and Lithosphere Temperature–Age Relations

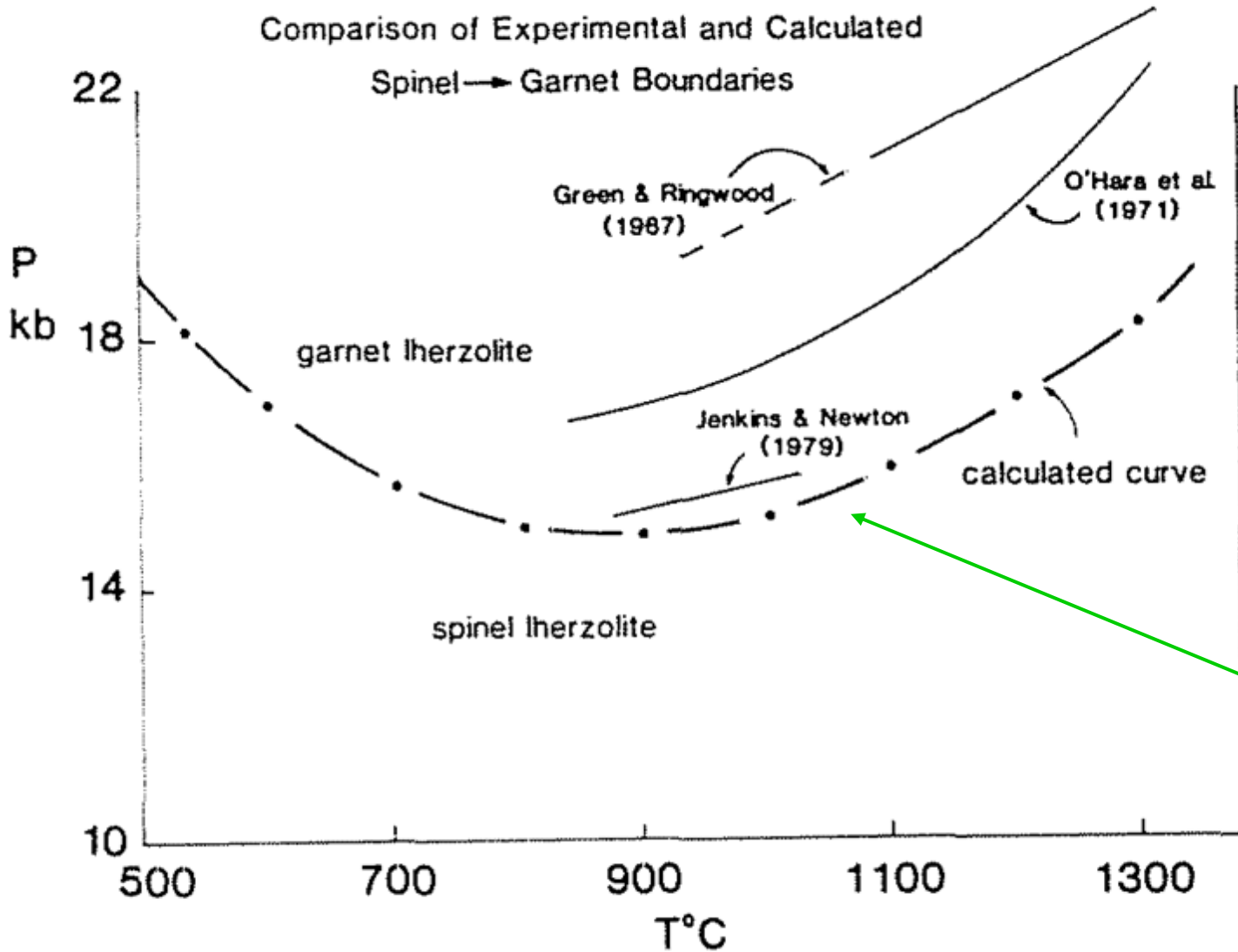


(after Stein and Stein, 1992)

(a) Comparison of observed ocean depths with those predicted for a conductively cooled plate ($t^{1/2}$ curve). (b) Temperature–depth profiles for pure conductive cooling (equation (1)) with thermal diffusivity of $8 \times 10^{-3} \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$ and maximum temperature of 1350°C .

(Figure 1 of Wood and Yuen, 1983)

spinel → garnet lherzolite transition



Experimental and calculated P - T boundaries for the spinel lherzolite-garnet lherzolite reaction. Note calculated change in sign of the P - T slope with decreasing temperature.

spinel → garnet lherzolite transition

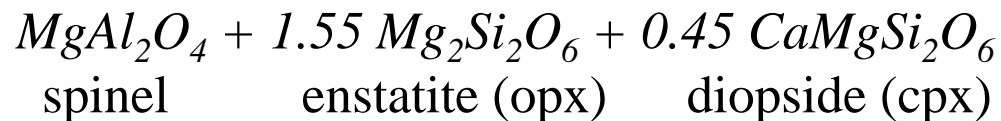
(Figure 3 of Wood and Yuen, 1983)

spinel → garnet lherzolite transition

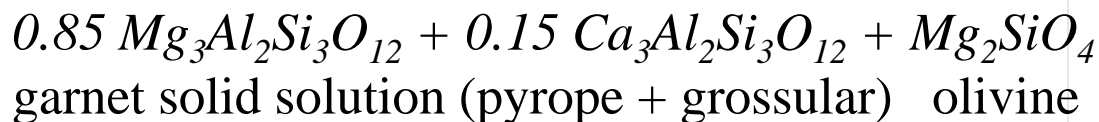
Increasing pressure:

$$\Delta V < 0$$

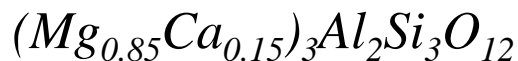
At very low temperatures:



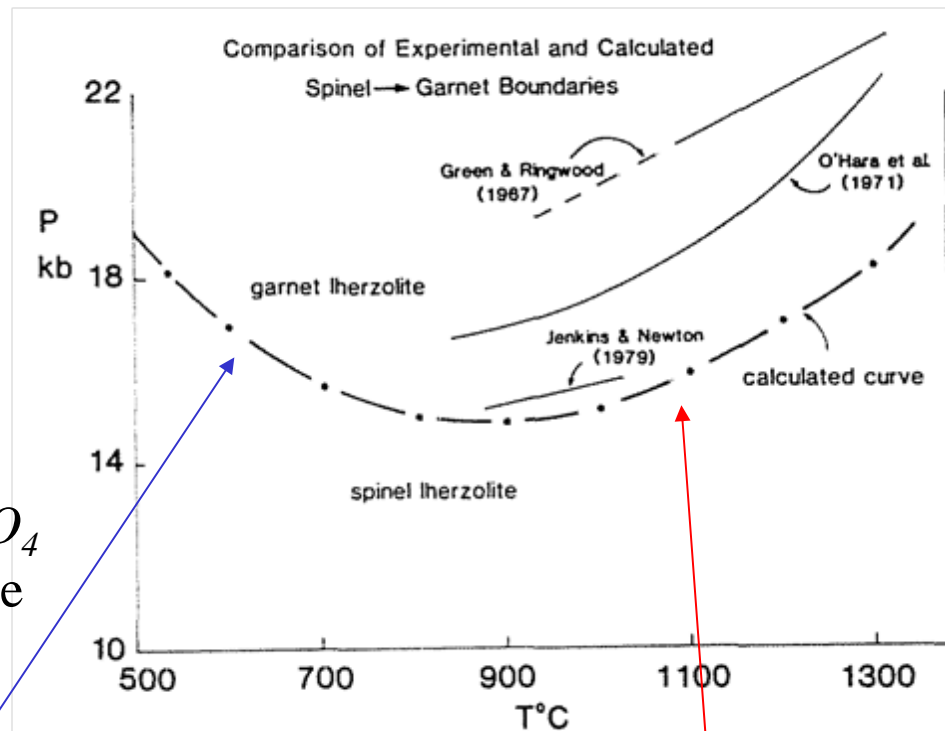
↓ (increasing P)



Reactants are nearly pure phases, but products contain garnet solid solution:

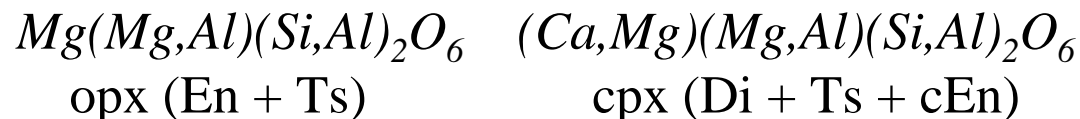


$$\Delta S > 0$$



(Figure 3 of Wood and Yuen, 1983)

At higher temperatures: *Reactants become solid solutions, too:*



$$\Delta S < 0$$