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Unary Phase Diagrams



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snowflake obsidian: black glassy phase + white xtalline phase SiO₂ - MgO - Fe₃O₄





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Professor Sadoway's lab coat is from MAISON DUTECH: it's French!



	m.p. (K)	b.р. (К)
oxygen	55	90
argon	84	87
nitrogen	63	77



1 atm = 101325 Pa = 0.1 MPa = 14.7 psi = 1 bar 1 GPa = 10,000 atm

polymorphs: different atomic arrangements at constant composition





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Phase diagram for mercury up to 67 GPa and 500 K

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The pressure-temperature phase diagram for mercury is determined using energy-dispersive x-ray diffraction and a diamond anvil cell. In addition to the well-known structures of Hg, one new modification was found to be stable in the present experimental region. An orthorhombic lattice with four atoms in the unit cell represents all the experimental data for this new phase. The locations of the phase boundaries between the different phases α - β - γ - δ are determined for the extended *p*-*T* region. Furthermore, the parameters of the equations of state of the different phases are evaluated.

MERCURY



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allotropes of sulfur



allotropes: forms of an element differing in bonding and molecular structure, e.g., O_2 and O_3 are allotropes of oxygen

polymorphs of sulfur $\alpha = \beta$ at 95.5°C





monoclinic

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$\beta = \lambda \text{ at } 119^{\circ}\text{C}$





$\lambda = \mu \text{ at } 160^{\circ}\text{C}$

forming"plastic" sulfur,ur Creativei.e., amorphous

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decaffeinating coffee

- use a process called *solvent extraction*
- historically the solvent was CH_2Cl_2
- today, green beans soaked in CO₂ at 90°C and \approx 200 atm.
- caffeine conc. drops from the normal 1-3% to $\approx 0.02\%$
- reduce T & P to exceed K_{sp} caffeine precipitates out of solution
- recycle the CO₂

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