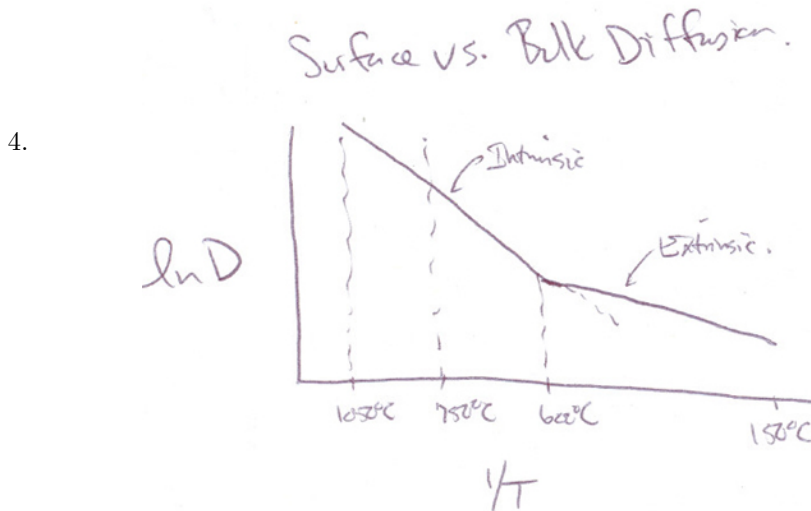


Problem Set 9 Solutions

1. See Problem 5 in Problem Set 8 Solutions.
- 3a. Assuming Random Walk  $\langle R^2 \rangle = nl^2$
- 3b. In general  $\langle R^2 \rangle = nl^2 f$ 
  - i).  $\langle R^2 \rangle = nl^2 \Rightarrow f = 1$ . Random Walk. Jumps not correlated.
  - ii).  $\langle R^2 \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow f = 0 \Rightarrow$  Jumps *completely* correlated.
  - iii).  $nl^2 \ll \langle R^2 \rangle \ll n^2 l^2 \dots f > 1$ . Future jumps are biased by prior jumps.



Diffusion mechanism is temperature dependent. At 150°, you are in extrinsic rather than intrinsic regime. Grain boundaries, defects increase rate of diffusion.

5.

$$\Delta g_b = -2000 \text{ J/mol}$$

$$\gamma = 100 \text{ mJ/m}^2$$

$$\Gamma_c = \frac{-2\gamma}{\Delta g_B}$$

$$\Delta g_B = -2000 \text{ J/mol} \times \frac{1 \text{ mole}}{6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{ atoms}} \times \frac{4 \text{ atoms}}{1 \text{ unit cell}} \times \frac{1 \text{ unit cell}}{(3.8 \times 10^{-10})^3} = -2.42 \times 10^8 \text{ J/m}^3$$

$$\Gamma_c = \frac{-2(100 \times 10^{-3})}{-2.42 \times 10^8 \text{ J/m}^3} = 8.3 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$$

$$\Delta G_c = \frac{16\pi\gamma^3}{3\Delta g_B^2} = 2.9 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

$$\# \text{ Atoms} = 4 \times \left[ \frac{\frac{4}{3}\pi\Gamma_c^3}{a^3} \right] = 174 \text{ atoms}$$

$$\Delta G_c = 2.9 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

$$kT = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \times 800 = 1.1 \times 10^{-20}$$

$$76kT = 8.4 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J } [ @800\text{K} ]$$

$\Delta G_c \approx 26.4kT < 76kT$ , Nucleation is likely observable.