

# **Review of First Principles Comparisons to Pure Elements**

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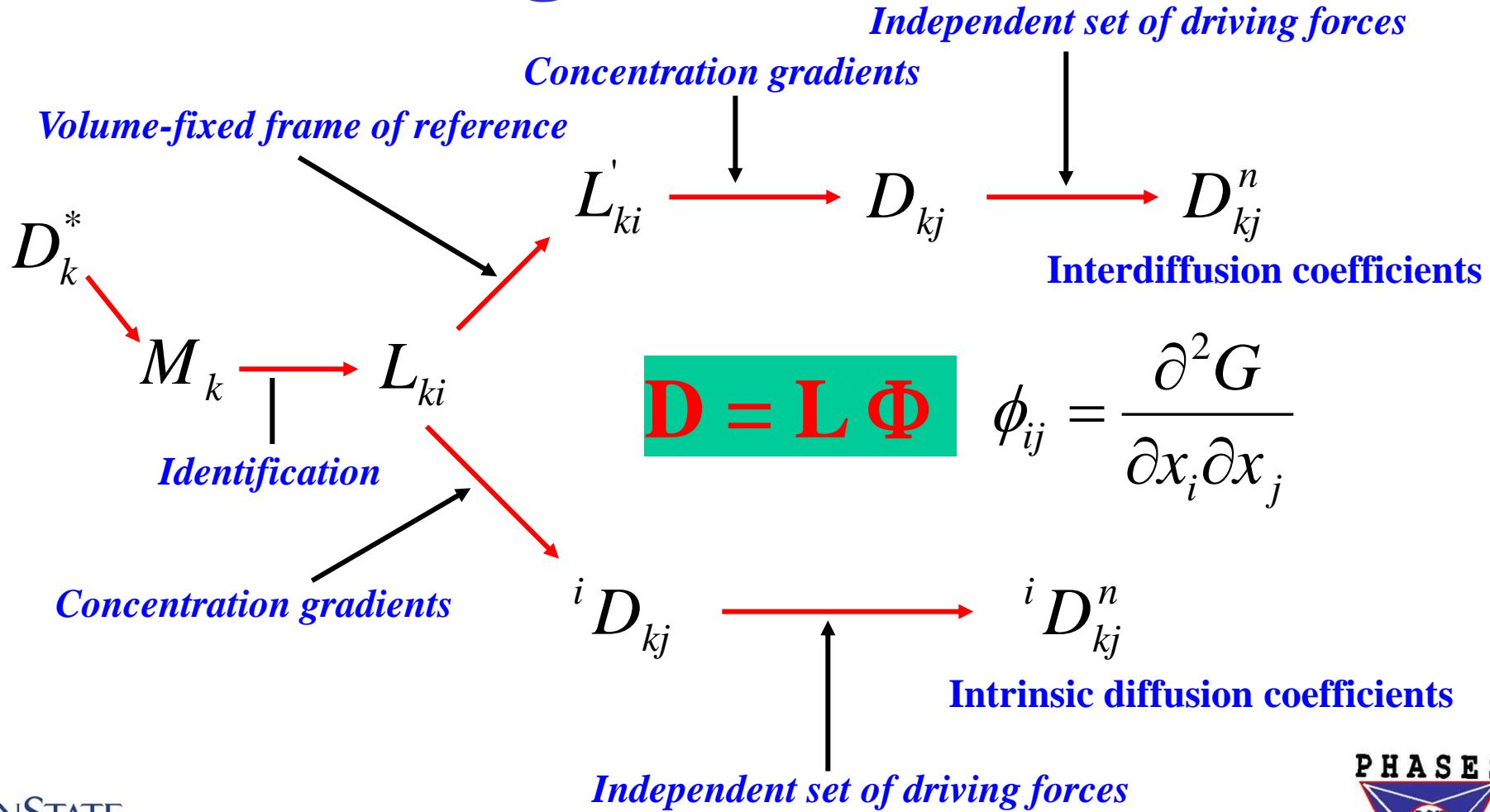
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# Summary of steps taken when transforming from $M$ 's to $D$ 's

Tracer diffusion coefficients



# Atomic mobility and tracer diffusion coefficient

$$D_i^* = RTM_i$$

$$M_i = \frac{D_i^*}{RT} = \frac{D_i^{0*}}{RT} \cdot e^{-\frac{Q_i^*}{RT}} = \frac{1}{RT} e^{\frac{-Q_i^* + RT \ln(D_i^{0*})}{RT}}$$

# Mobility modeling in the similar way as thermodynamic modeling

- **Solution phases**  $(A, B, C\dots)_x$   $(a, b, c\dots)_y$

$$M_i = \frac{1}{RT} \exp\left(\frac{\Delta G_i}{RT}\right) \quad \Delta G_i = -Q_i + RT \ln(D_i^{*0})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta G_i = & \sum_j \sum_m y_j^I y_m^{\text{II}} \Delta G_i^{j:m} + \sum_j \sum_{k>j} \sum_m y_j^I y_k^I y_m^{\text{II}} \Delta G_i^{j,k:m} \\ & + \sum_j \sum_n \sum_{m>n} y_j^I y_n^{\text{II}} y_m^{\text{II}} \Delta G_i^{j:n,m} \end{aligned}$$

# Mobility model parameters

$\Delta G_i^{j:m}$

- For species  $i$  when the first and second sublattices are occupied by species  $j$  and  $m$ .

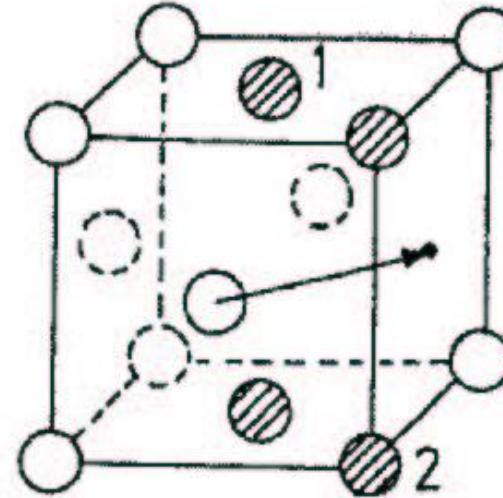
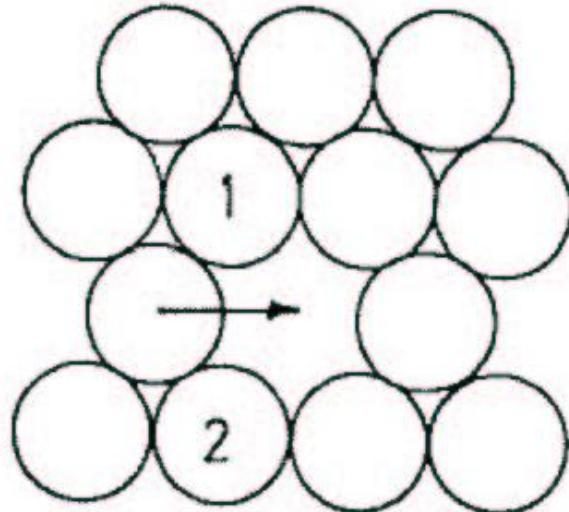
$\Delta G_i^{j,k:m}$

- Interaction parameter between  $j$  and  $k$  in the first sublattice when the second sublattice is occupied by  $m$ .

$\Delta G_i^{j:n,m}$

- Interaction parameter between  $n$  and  $m$  in the second sublattice when the first sublattice is occupied by  $j$ .

# Diffusion: Formation and migration of vacancy



- When between atoms 1 and 2 (saddle configuration), the diffusion atom is in an unstable state with imaginary frequency.

# Vacancy formation and migration

$$c = \exp\left(\frac{-\Delta_f G}{k_B T}\right) = \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta_f H}{k_B T}\right) \exp\left(\frac{\Delta_f S}{k_B}\right)$$

$$w = \tilde{v} \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta_m G}{k_B T}\right) = \tilde{v} \exp\left(\frac{\Delta_m S}{k_B}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta_m H}{k_B T}\right)$$

**However, the entropy and enthalpy at the saddle point could not be evaluated due to the unstable vibrational mode**

# Mitigate the unstable vibrational mode at the saddle point

$$w = \tilde{\nu} \exp\left(\frac{\Delta_m S}{k_B}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta_m H}{k_B T}\right) = \nu^* \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta_m H}{k_B T}\right)$$

- Transition state theory

$$\nu^* = \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{3N-3} \nu_i}{\prod_{j=1}^{3N-4} \nu'_j}$$

# Eyring's Reaction Rate Theory

- Partition function
- Atom jump frequency

$$Z = \exp\left(\frac{-G}{k_B T}\right)$$

$$w = \frac{k_B T}{h} \frac{Z_{sd}^*}{Z_{eq}}$$



\* remove the imaginary frequency  
of the saddle configuration

$$w = \frac{k_B T}{h} \exp\left(\frac{S_{sd,N-1}^* - S_{eq,N-1}}{k_B}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{H_{sd,N-1}^* - H_{eq,N-1}}{k_B T}\right)$$

$$D = fa^2 C_w = \frac{1}{6} fr^2 z \exp\left(\frac{H_{sd,N-1}^* - \frac{N-1}{N} H_N}{k_B T}\right) \exp\left(\frac{S_{sd,N-1}^* - \frac{N-1}{N} S_N}{T}\right)$$



# Diffusion in hcp

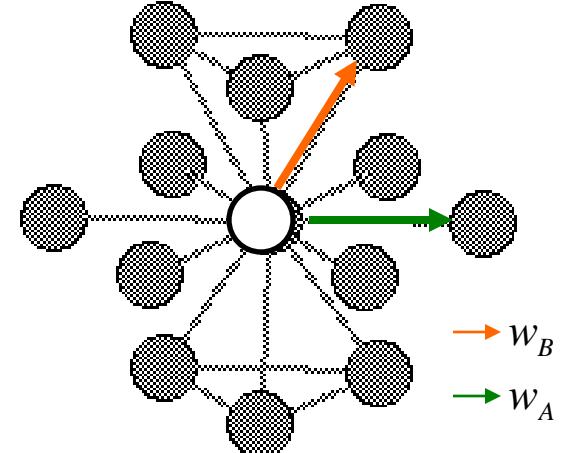
- Two diffusion directions

$$D_x = \frac{1}{2} Ca^2 (3w_A f_{Ax} + w_B f_{Bx})$$

$$D_z = \frac{3}{4} Cc^2 w_B f_{Bz}$$

- $w_A$  - jump within basal plane
- $w_B$  - jump between adjacent basal planes
- $f_{ij}$  - partial correlation factors for jumps A and B

- Correlation factor for host and impurity atom jump - a function of  $w_A/w_B$
- Other quantities have similar definitions as cubic system.



# First-principles calculations based on density functional theory

Many-body Schrödinger's equation

$$\hat{H}\Psi(\vec{R}_1, \vec{R}_2, \dots, \vec{R}_N, \vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \dots, \vec{r}_n) = E\Psi(\vec{R}_1, \vec{R}_2, \dots, \vec{R}_N, \vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \dots, \vec{r}_n)$$



Born-Oppenheimer  
approximation

Many-electron Schrödinger's equation

$$\hat{H}\psi(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \dots, \vec{r}_n) = E\psi(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \dots, \vec{r}_n)$$



Density Functional Theory

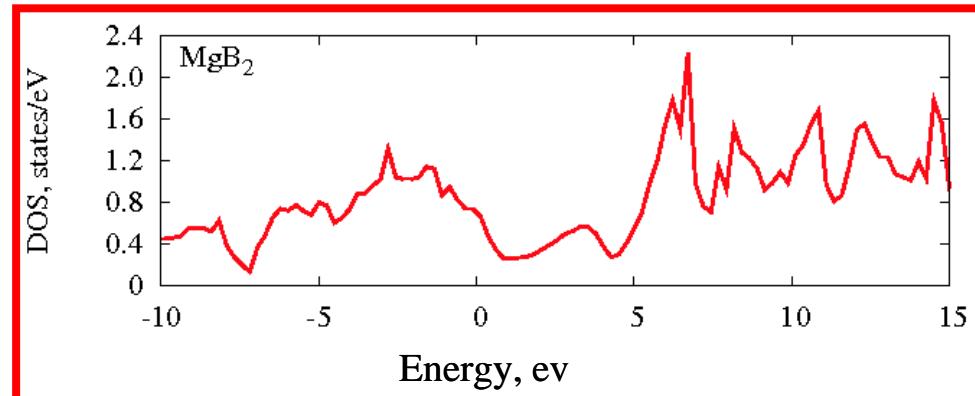
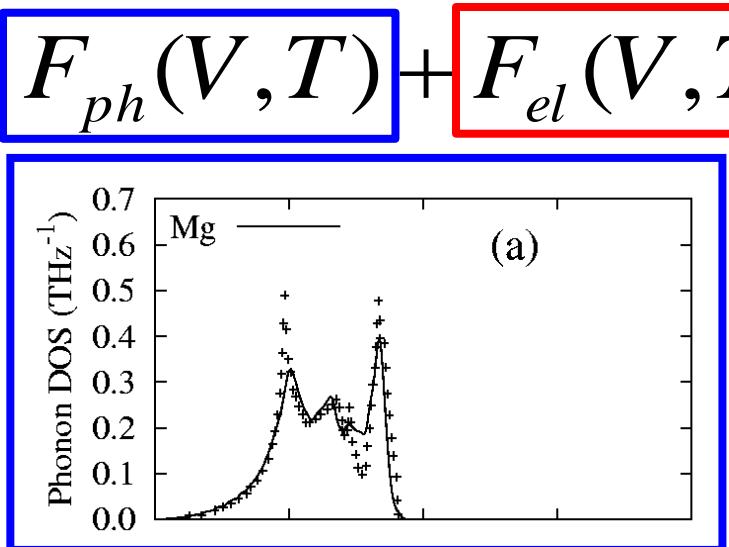
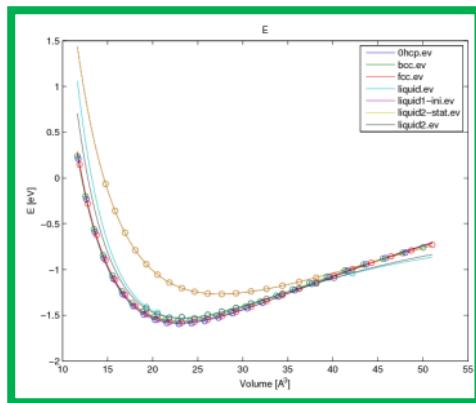
$$E = E[\rho(\vec{r})]$$

Set of one-electron Schrödinger's equation

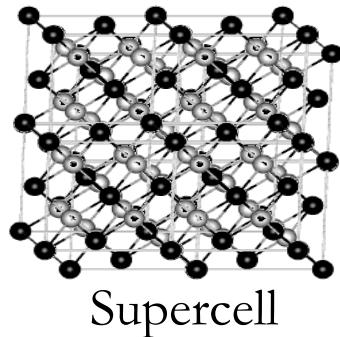
$$\left[ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla_i^2 - \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{I=1}^N \frac{Z_I}{|\vec{r} - \vec{R}_I|} + \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{\rho(\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d^3\vec{r}' + V_{xc}[\rho(\vec{r})] \right] \psi_i(\vec{r}) = \epsilon_i \psi_i(\vec{r})$$

# Thermodynamic, kinetic & physical properties at finite temperatures

$$F(V, T) = E_c(V) + F_{ph}(V, T) + F_{el}(V, T)$$



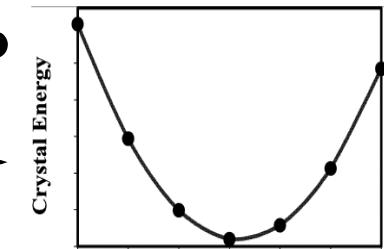
# Phonon calculations based on the supercell method



Lattice  
Symmetry

Distinct  
Atomic  
Displacements

VASP



Atomic Displacement  $u$   
Poly fit

$\Phi(i,j)$

Dynamic matrix

$D_{\alpha\beta}$

Eigenfrequencies  
& vectors

$\nu$  &  $I$

Integrate PDOS

$S_{\text{vib}}$

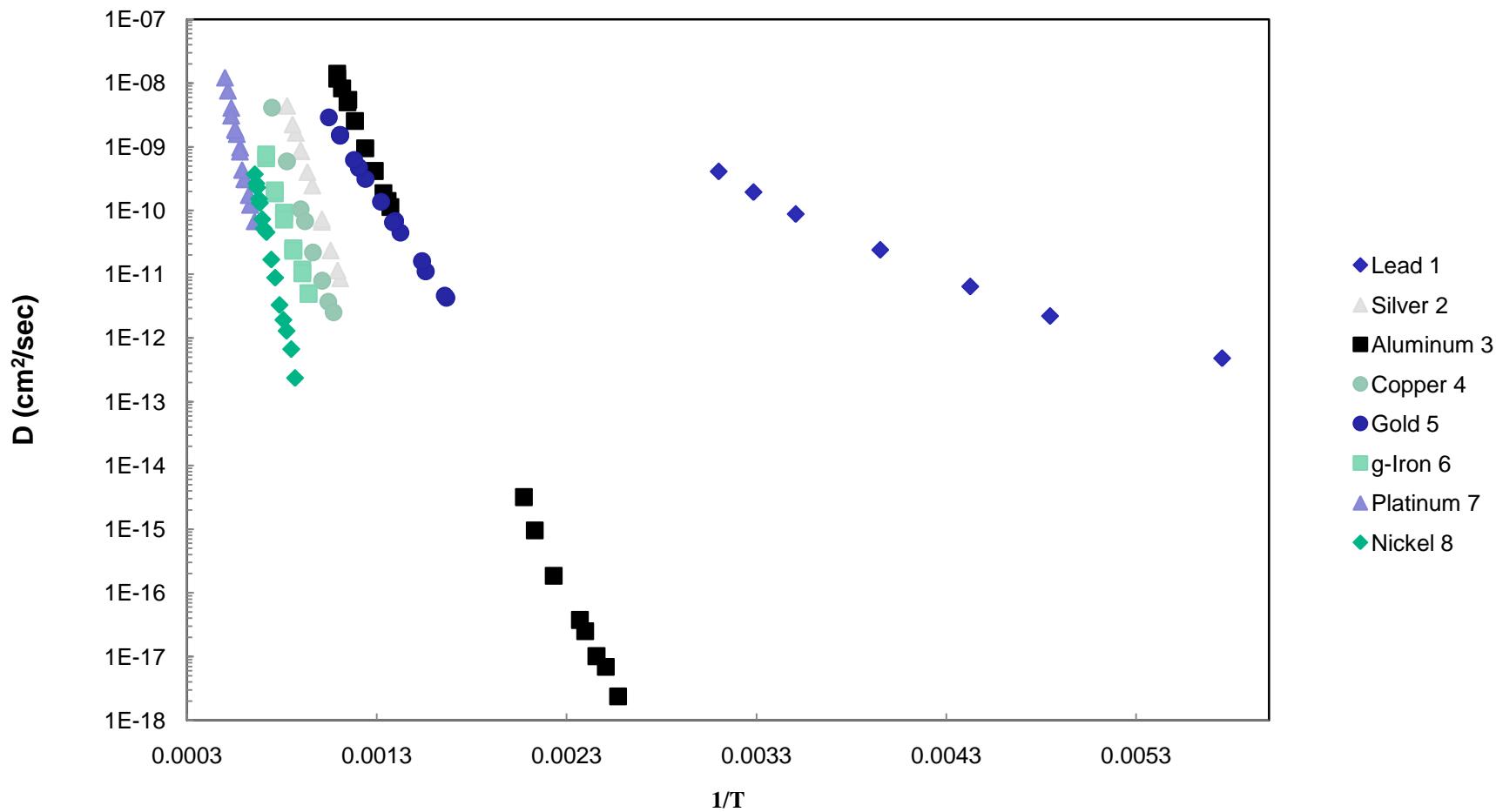


$$f(i) = \Phi(i, j)u(j)$$

$$S_{\text{vib}} = -k_B \int \ln \left[ 2 \sinh \left( \frac{h\nu}{k_B T} \right) \right] g(\nu) d\nu$$

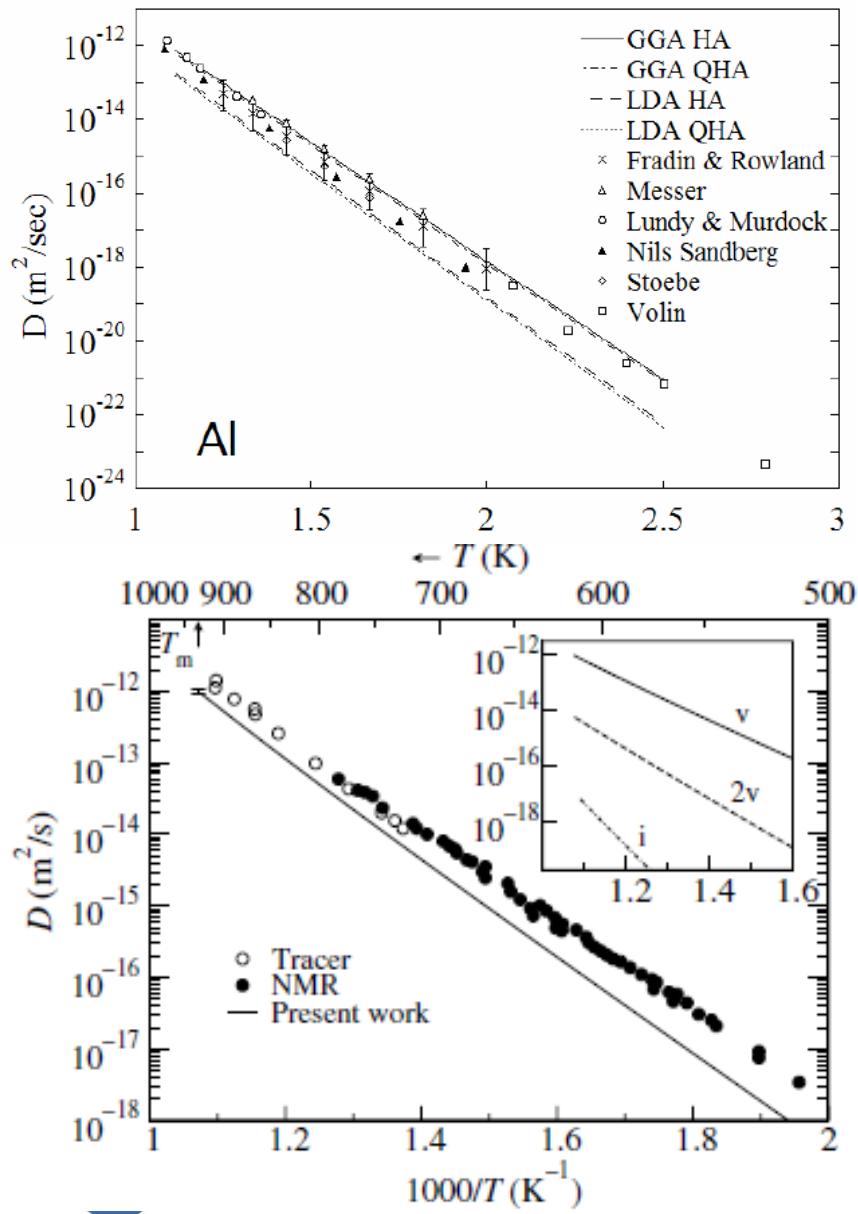
# FCC Self-Diffusion Data

# Experimental FCC Metal Self-diffusion Coefficients, cm<sup>2</sup>/sec

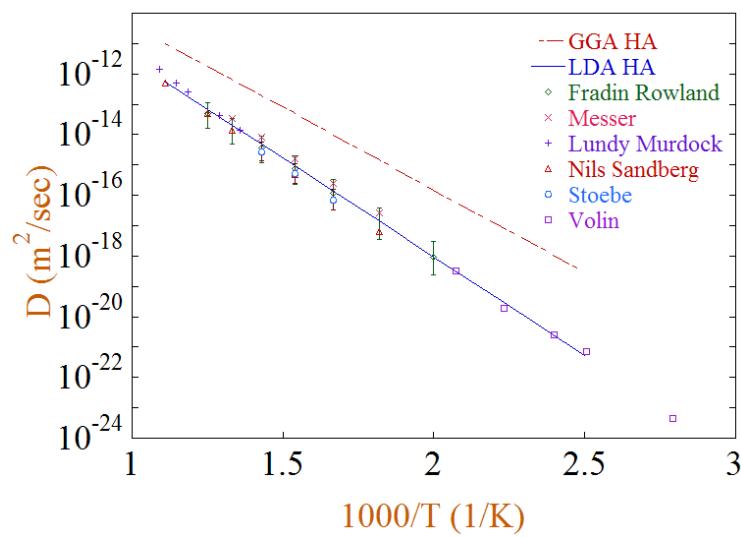


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2	Ag	Hegenkamp, Th. and Faupel, F., Acta metall., 1983, 31, 691
		C. T. Tomizuka and E. Sonder - 1956 - Self-Diffusion in Silver - Physical Review
3	Al	Volin, Annealing Kinetics of voids and self-diffusion coefficient in aluminum
		T. S. Lundy and J. F. Murdock - 1962 - DIFFUSION OF AL-26 AND MN-54 IN ALUMINUM - Journal of Applied Physics
4	Cu	A. Kuper, H. Letaw, L. Slifkin, E. Sonder and C. T. Tomizuka - 1954 - SELF-DIFFUSION IN COPPER - Physical Review
5	Au	B. Okkerse - 1956 - SELF-DIFFUSION OF GOLD - Physical Review
6	γ-Fe	F. S. Buffington, K. Hirano and M. Cohen - 1961 - SELF DIFFUSION IN IRON - Acta Metallurgica.pdf
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8	Ni	Hoffman, Self Diffusion in Solid Nickel, T AIMME, 1956

# Aluminum

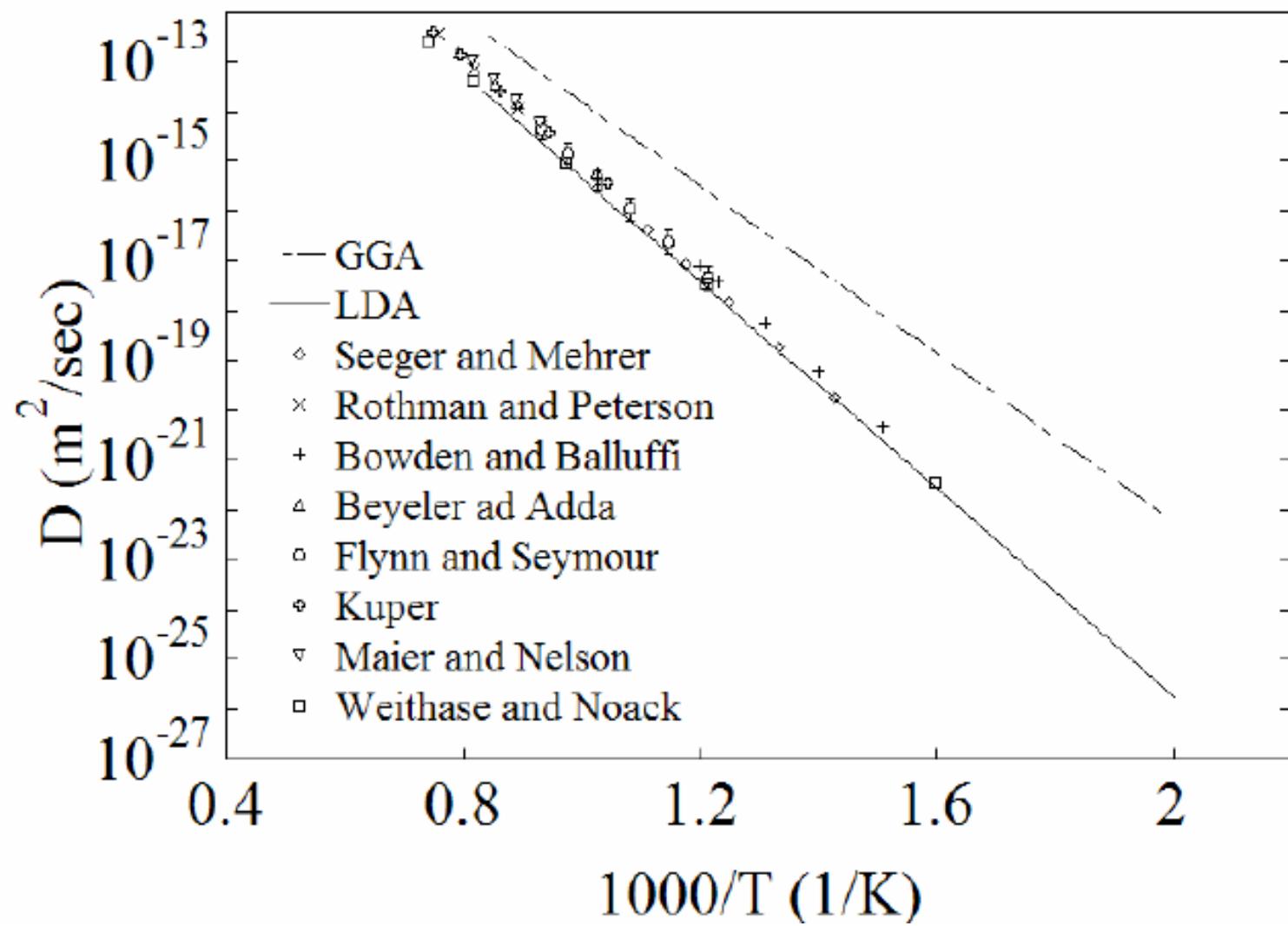


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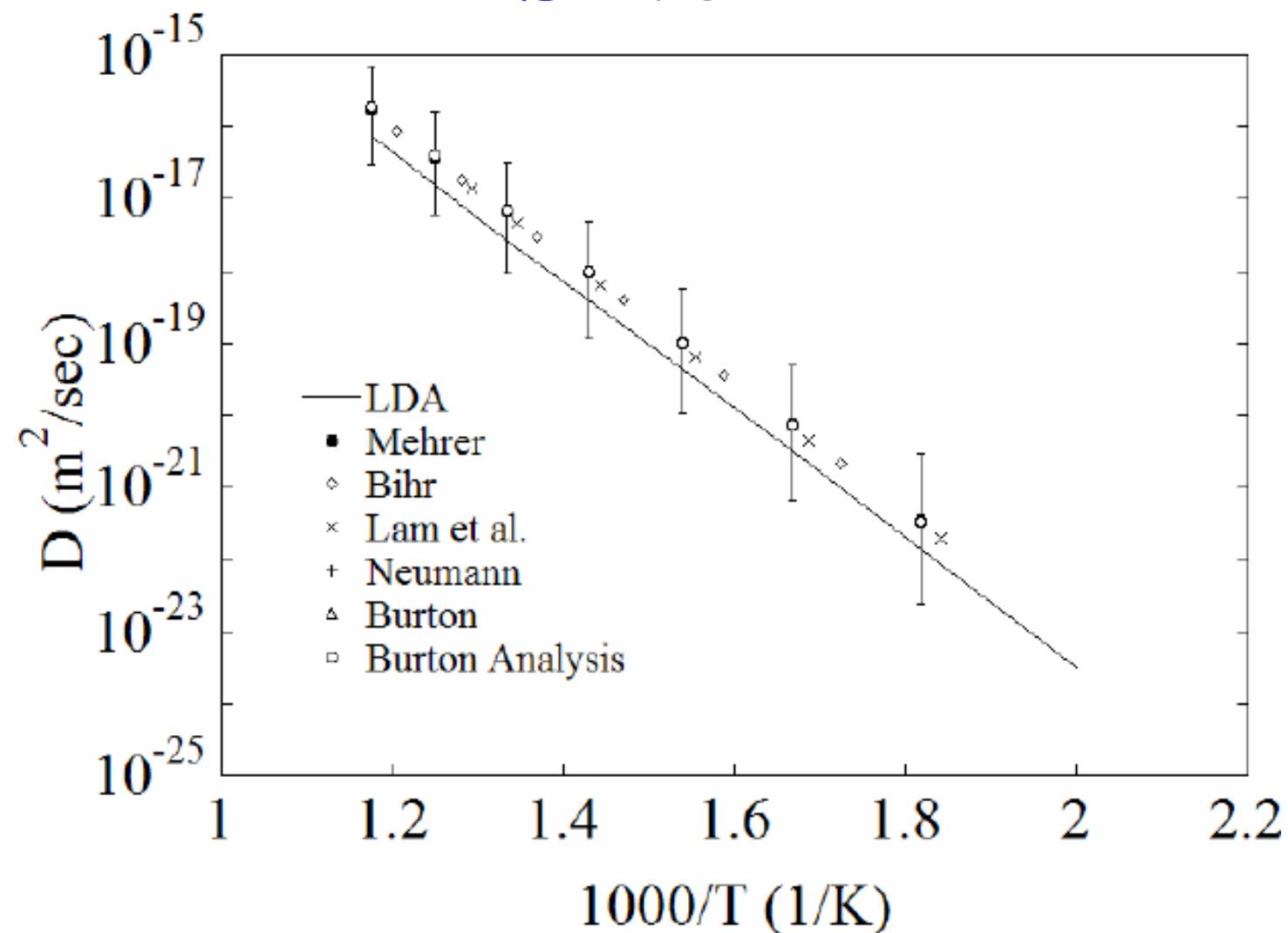


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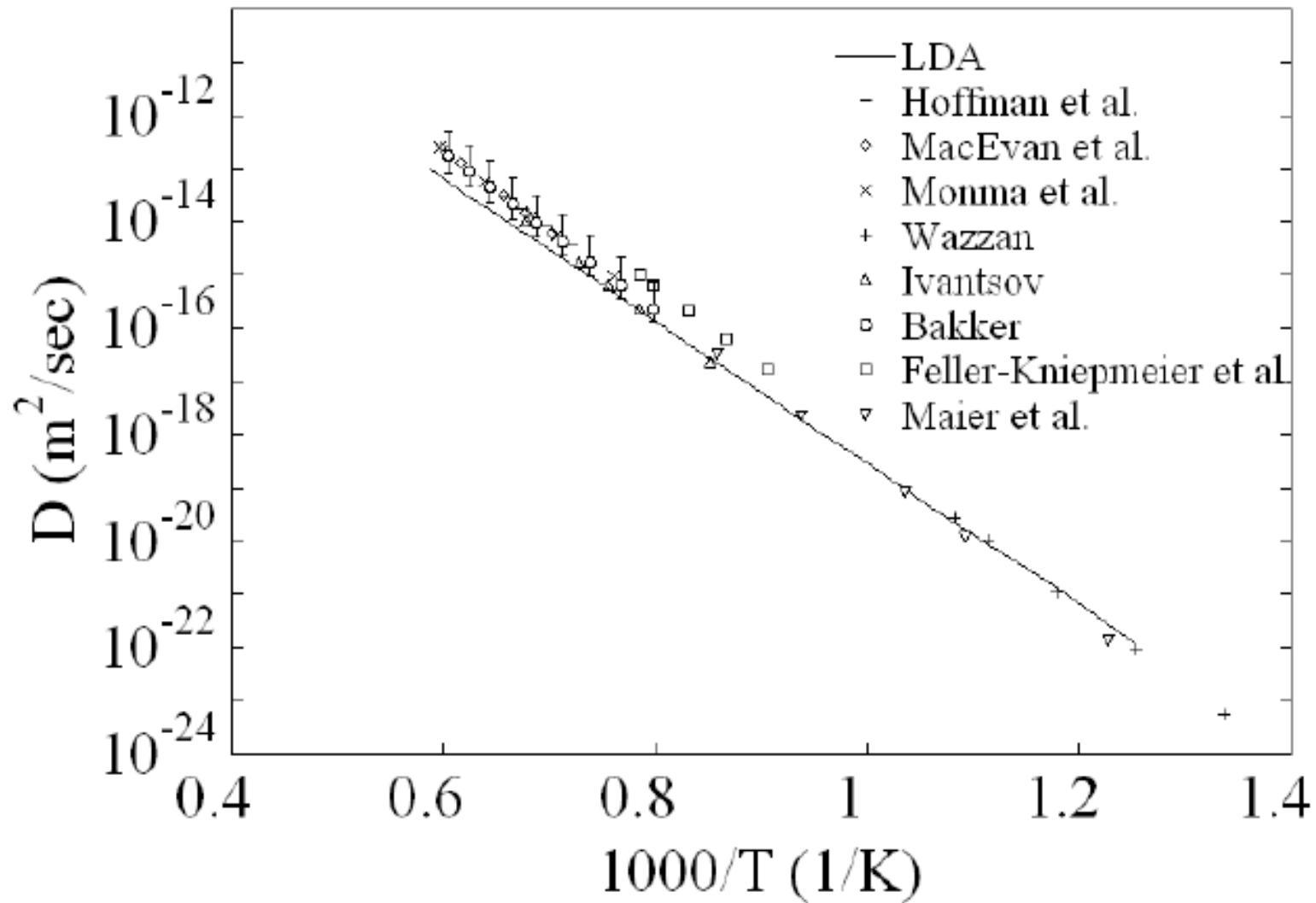
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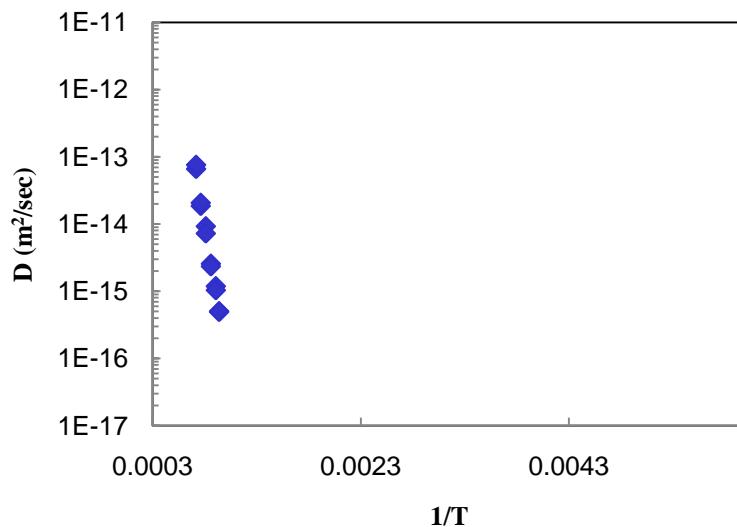
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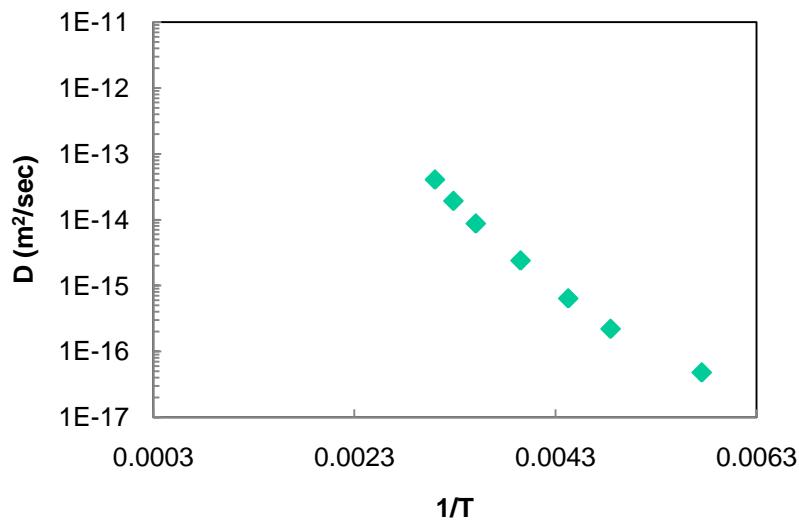
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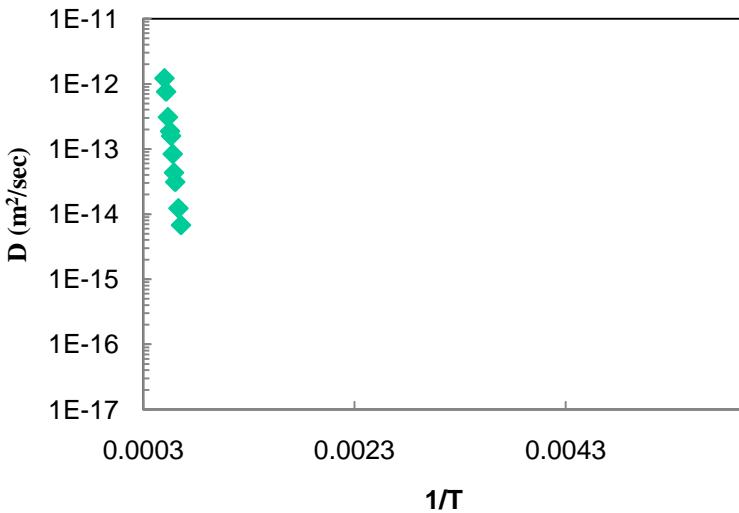
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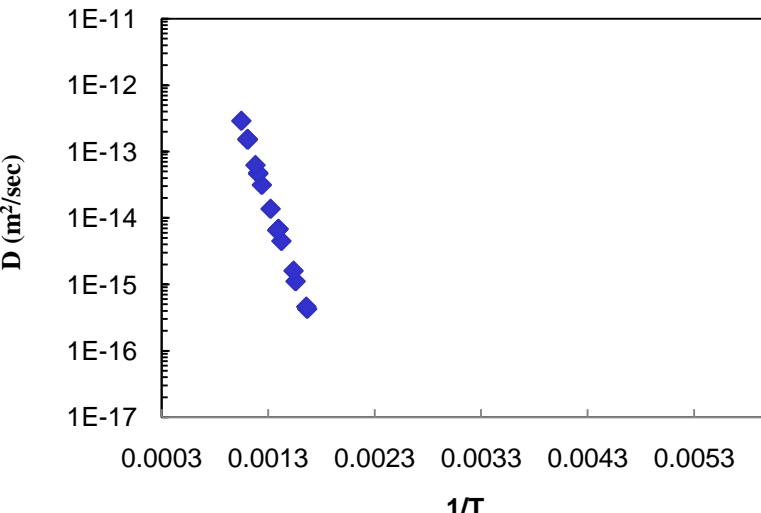
## Lead



## Platinum

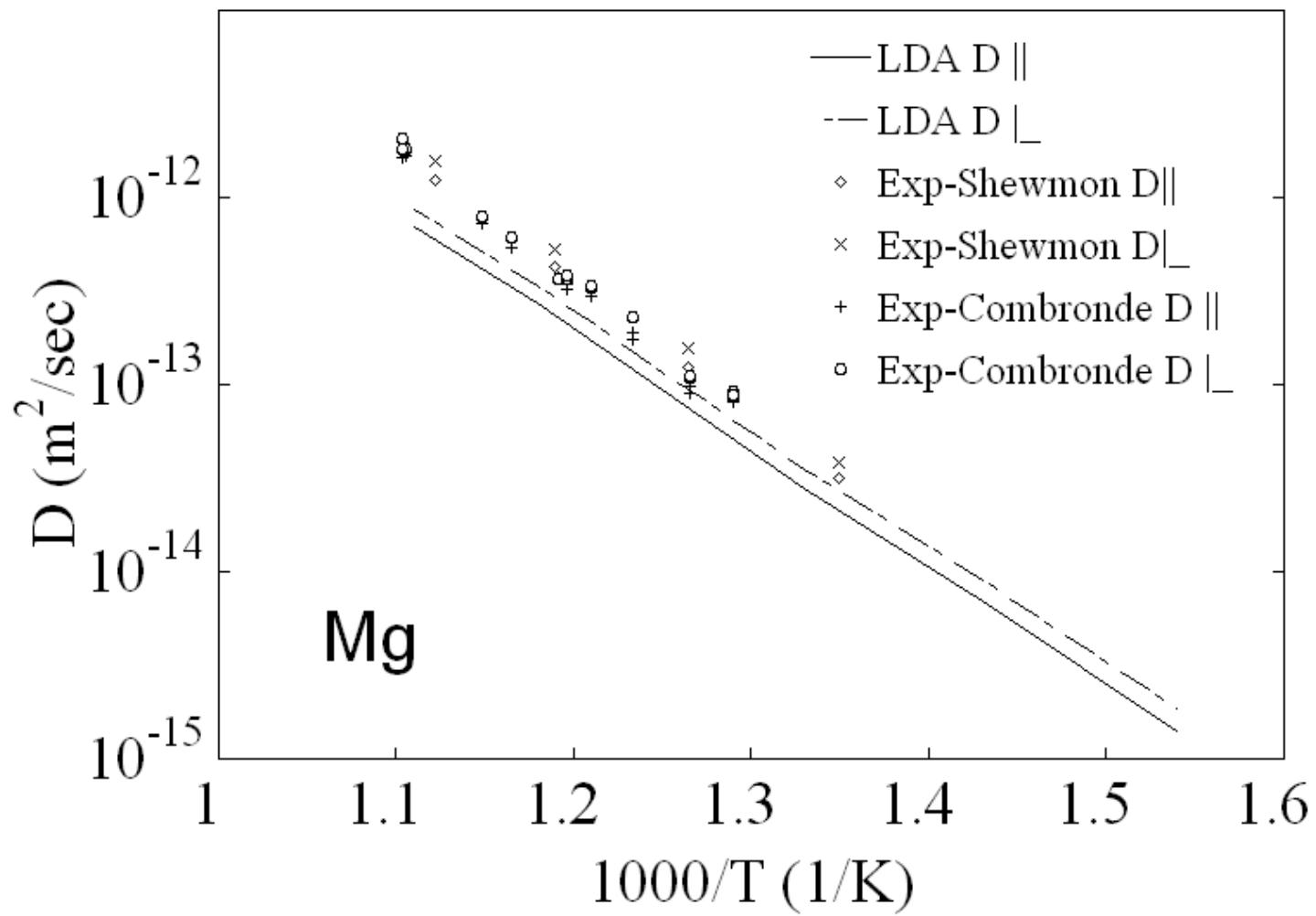


## Gold

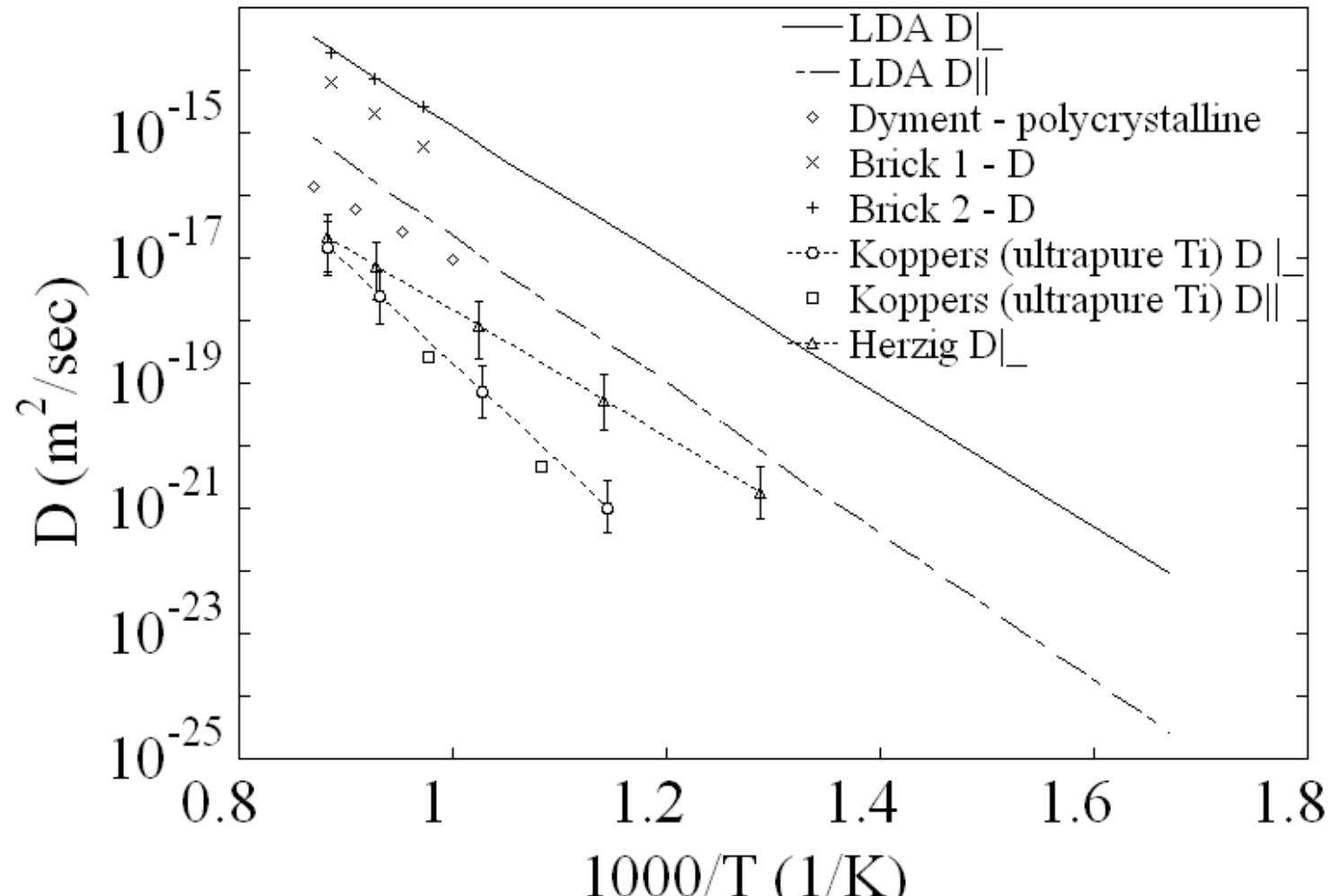


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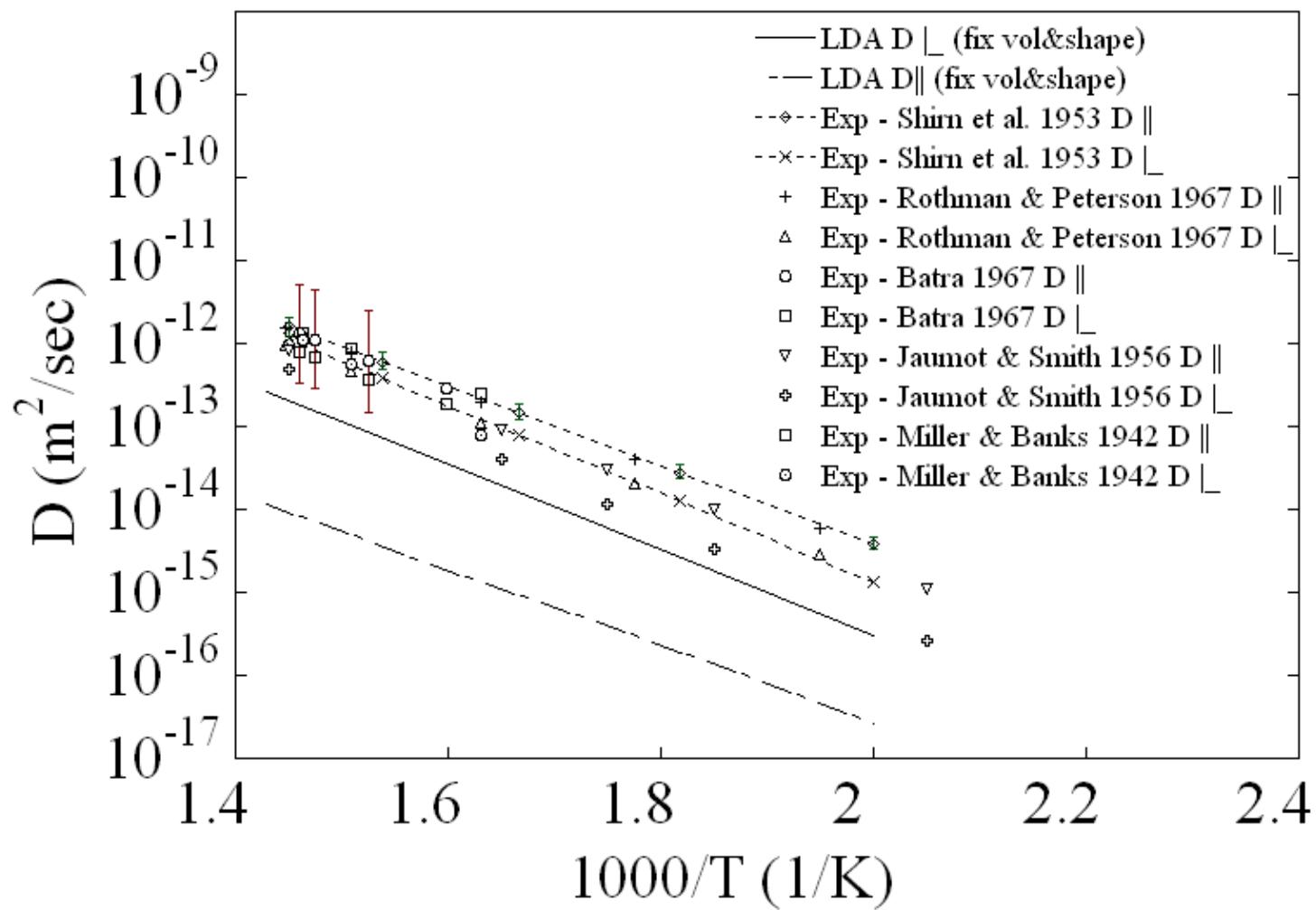
# Mg



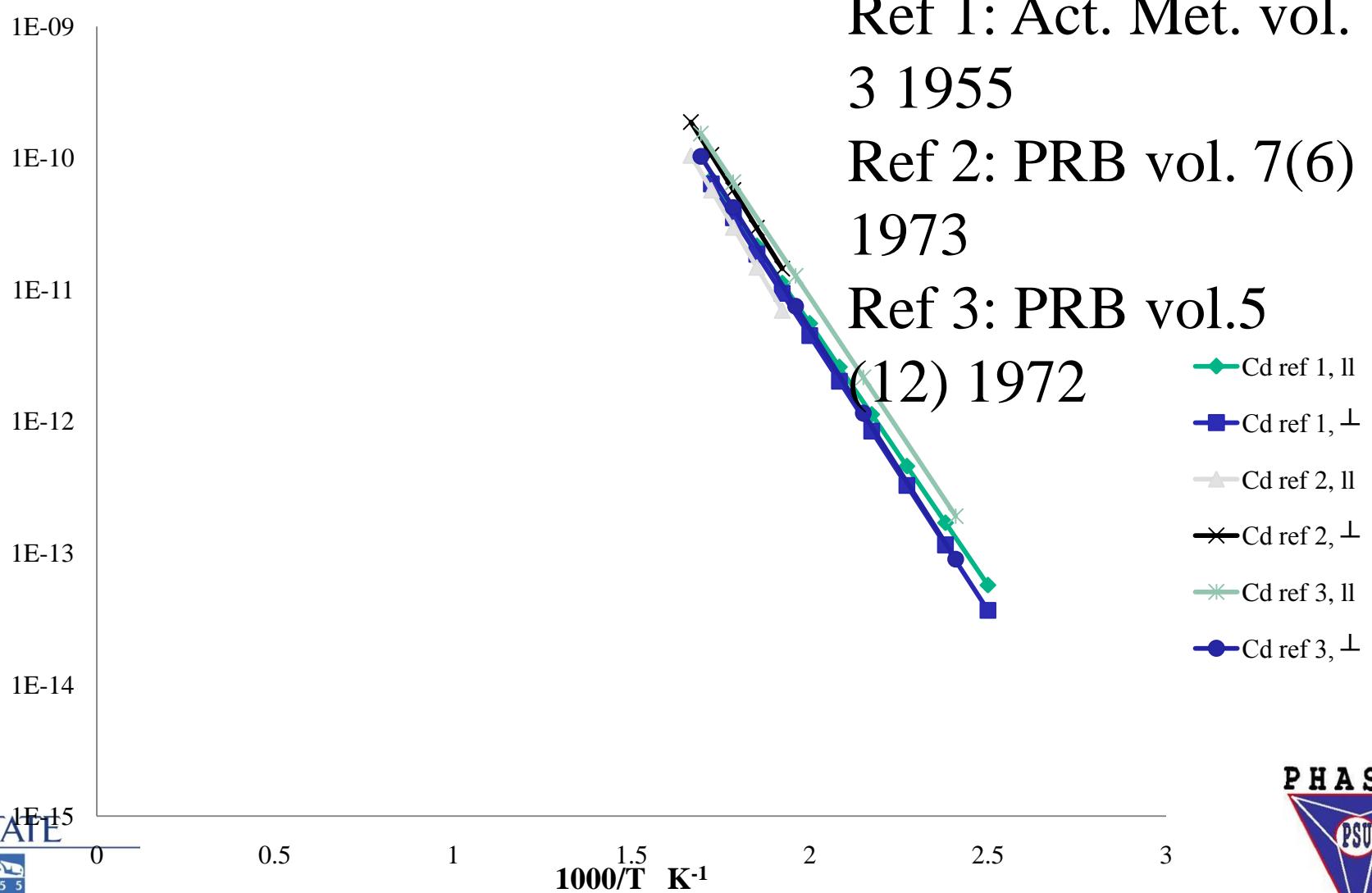
# Ti



# Zn

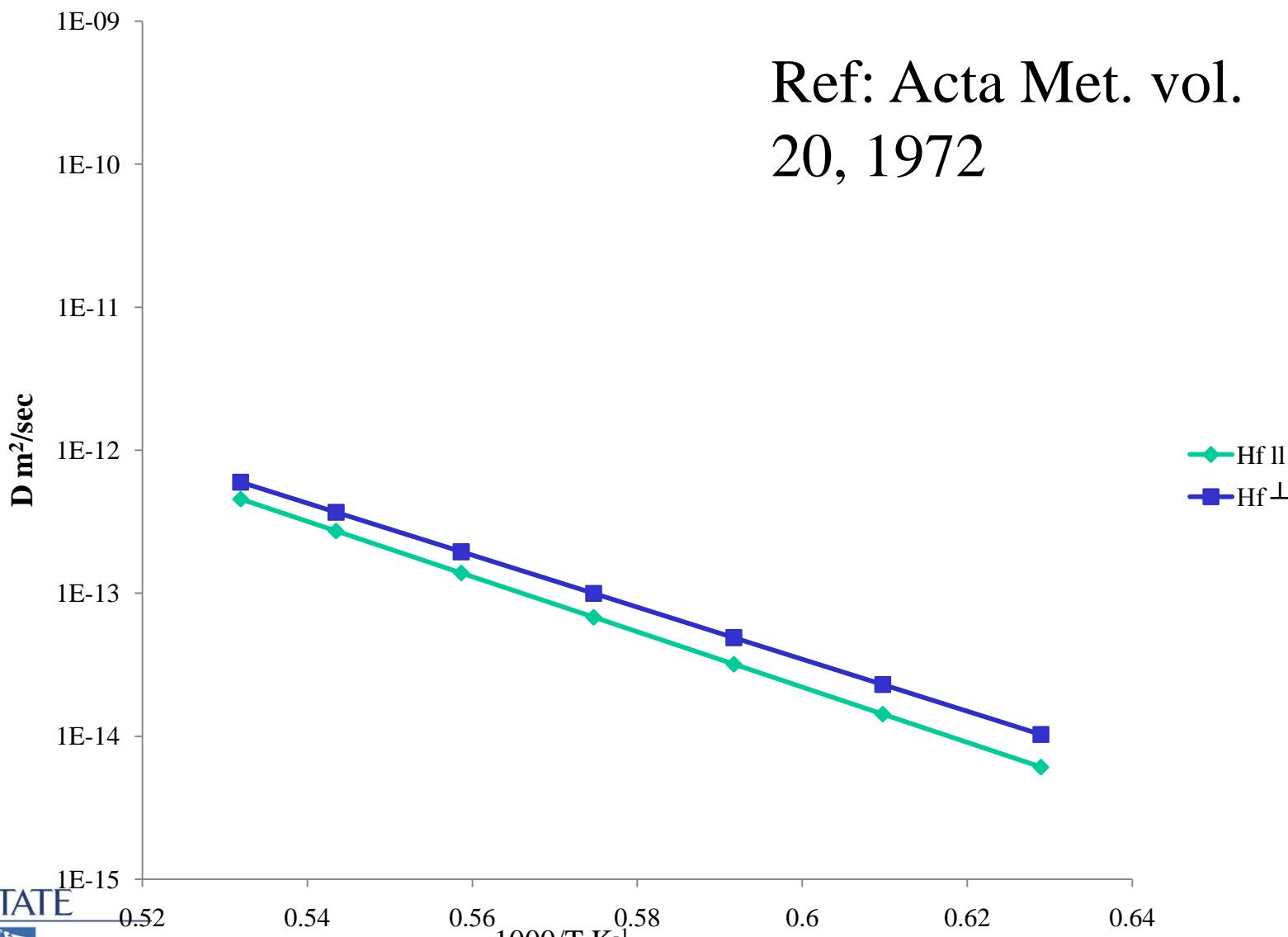


# Cd



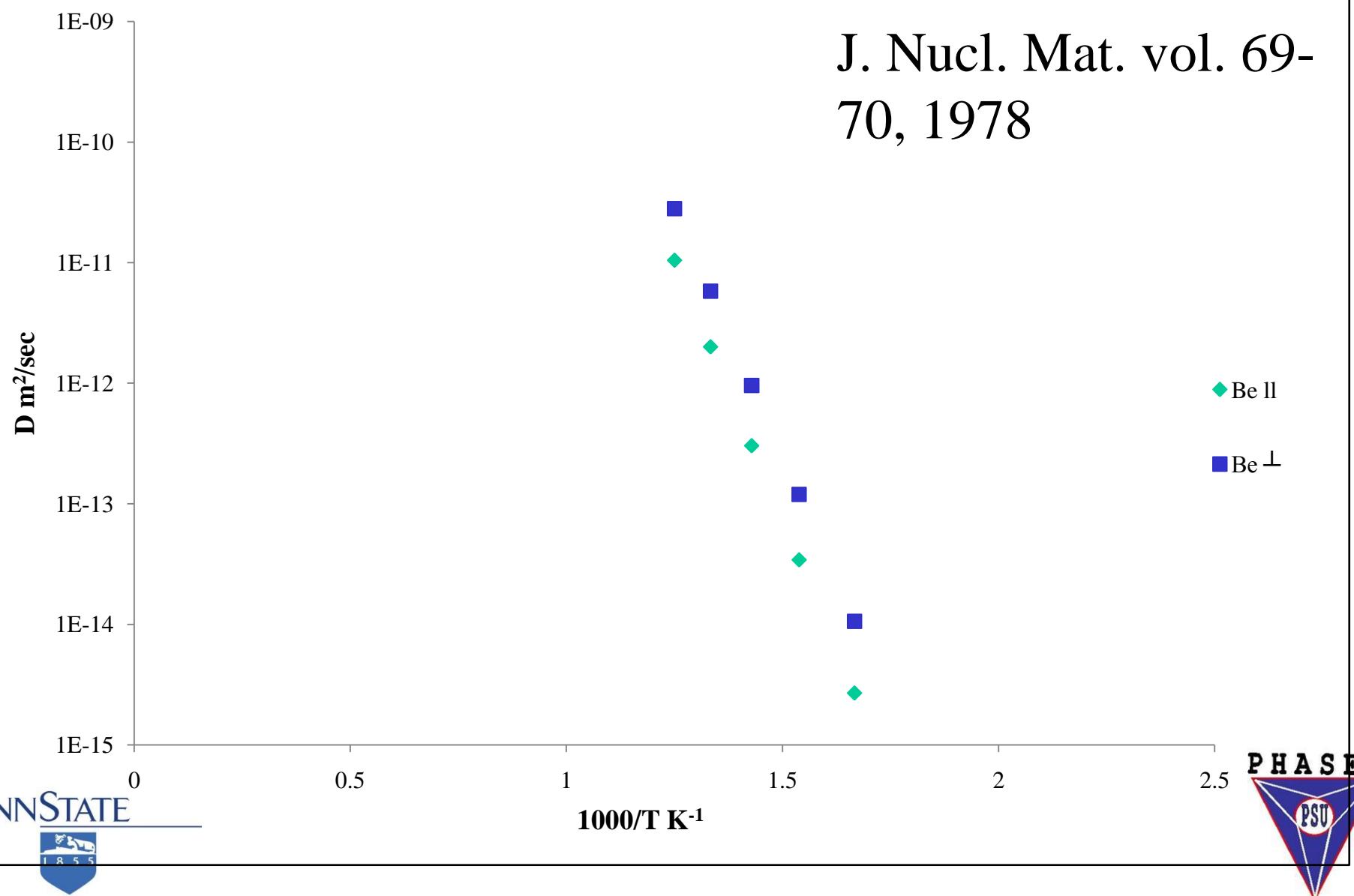
# Hf

Ref: Acta Met. vol.  
20, 1972



# Be

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70, 1978

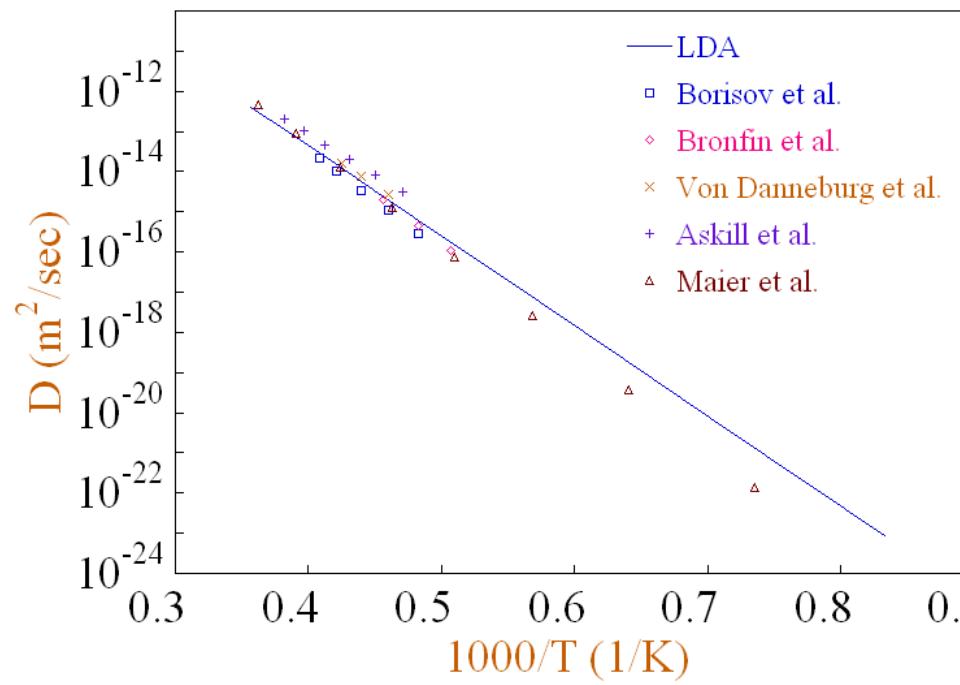


# BCC Self Diffusion Data

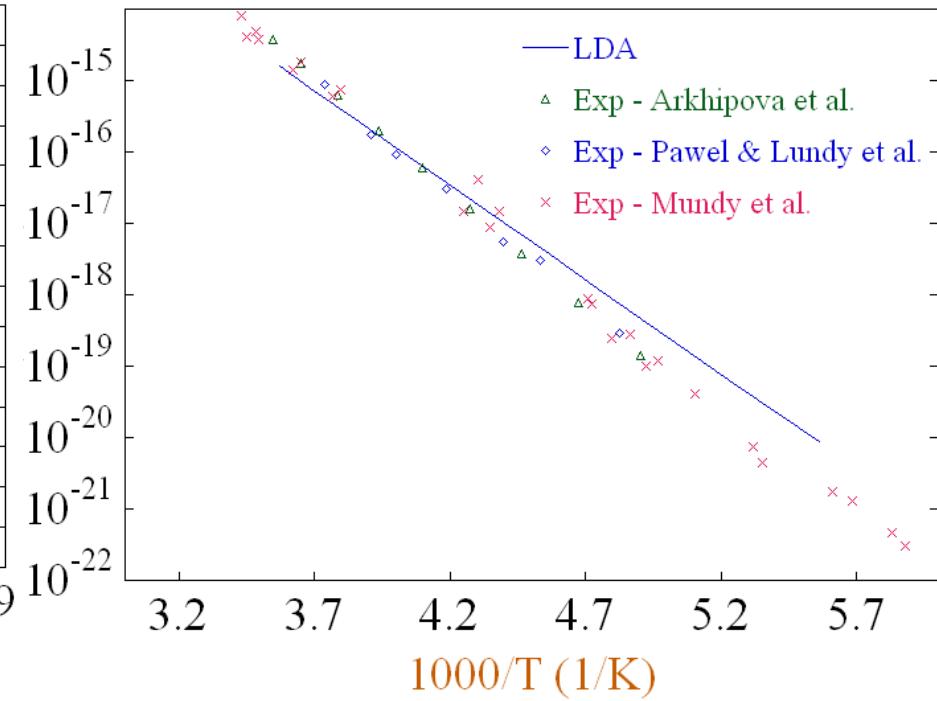
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# Self-diffusion coefficients in bcc

MOLYBDENUM SELF-DIFFUSION



TUNGSTEN SELF-DIFFUSION



$$D = fa^2 C_w = fa^2 \frac{k_B T}{h} \exp\left(\frac{S_{sd,N-1}^* - \frac{N-1}{N} S_N}{T}\right) \exp\left(\frac{H_{sd,N-1}^* - \frac{N-1}{N} H_N}{k_B T}\right)$$

Mantina, submitted

# Impurity diffusion data from our first-principles calculations

- In fcc Al
  - Cu, Mg, Si, Li
  - 3d: Sc, Ti, V, Cr, Mn, Fe, Co, Ni, Cu, Zn
- In hcp Mg: Cd, Sn
- In bcc Mo: W
- In bcc W: Mo

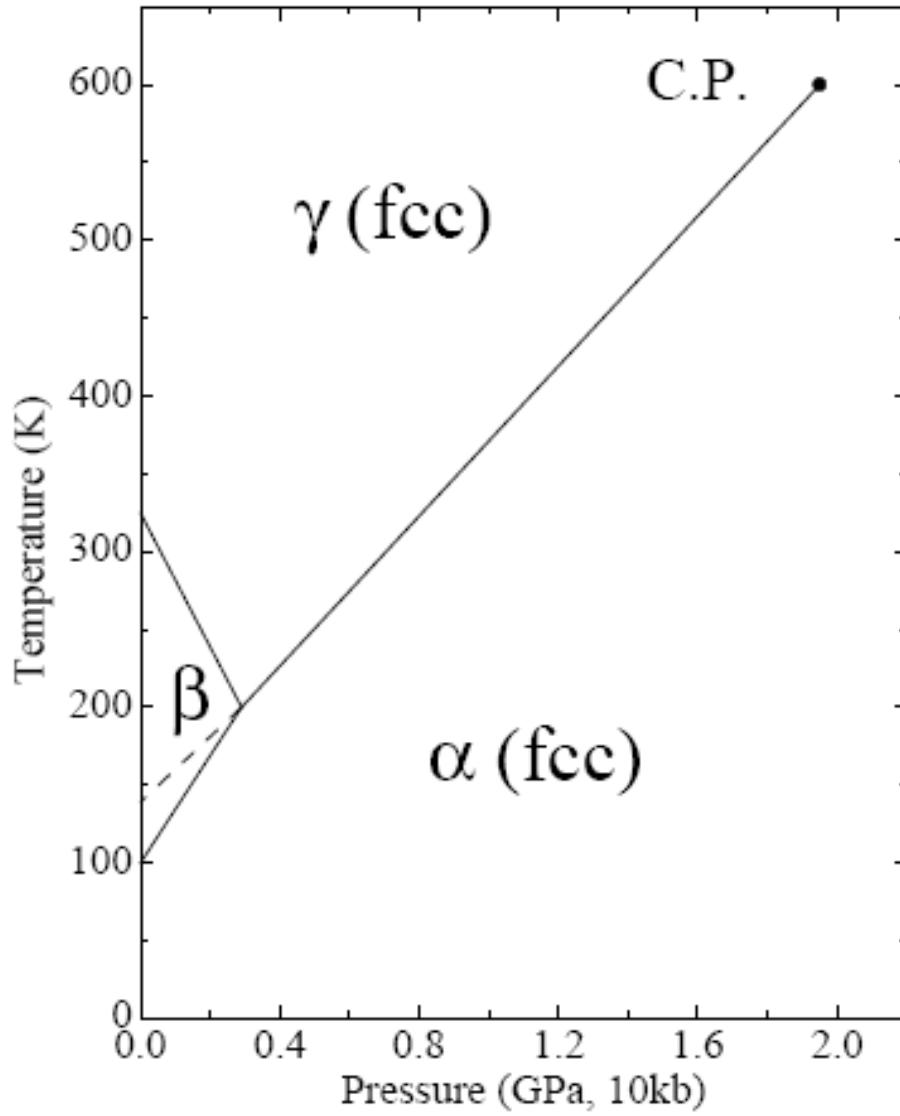
# Capability and Challenges

- First-principles procedures to calculate self-diffusion coefficients and *impurity diffusion coefficients* are developed for fcc, bcc, hcp structures.
- Challenges for diffusion in
  - Magnetic elements
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  - Unstable phases at 0 K, such as hcp-Al
    - Ozolins, Phys. Rev. Lett., Vol.102, 2009, 065702.

# Magnetic phases

- Gibbs energy of vacancy formation and migration as a function of temperature
- Treatment of magnetic property as a function of temperature
  - A magnetic phase at finite temperatures is a mixture of various magnetic states such as non-magnetic (NM), anti-ferromagnetic (AFM), ferromagnetic (FM)
  - Its partition function is a sum of the partition function of individual magnetic states

# Magnetic transition in Ce from non-magnetic $\alpha$ to magnetic $\gamma$

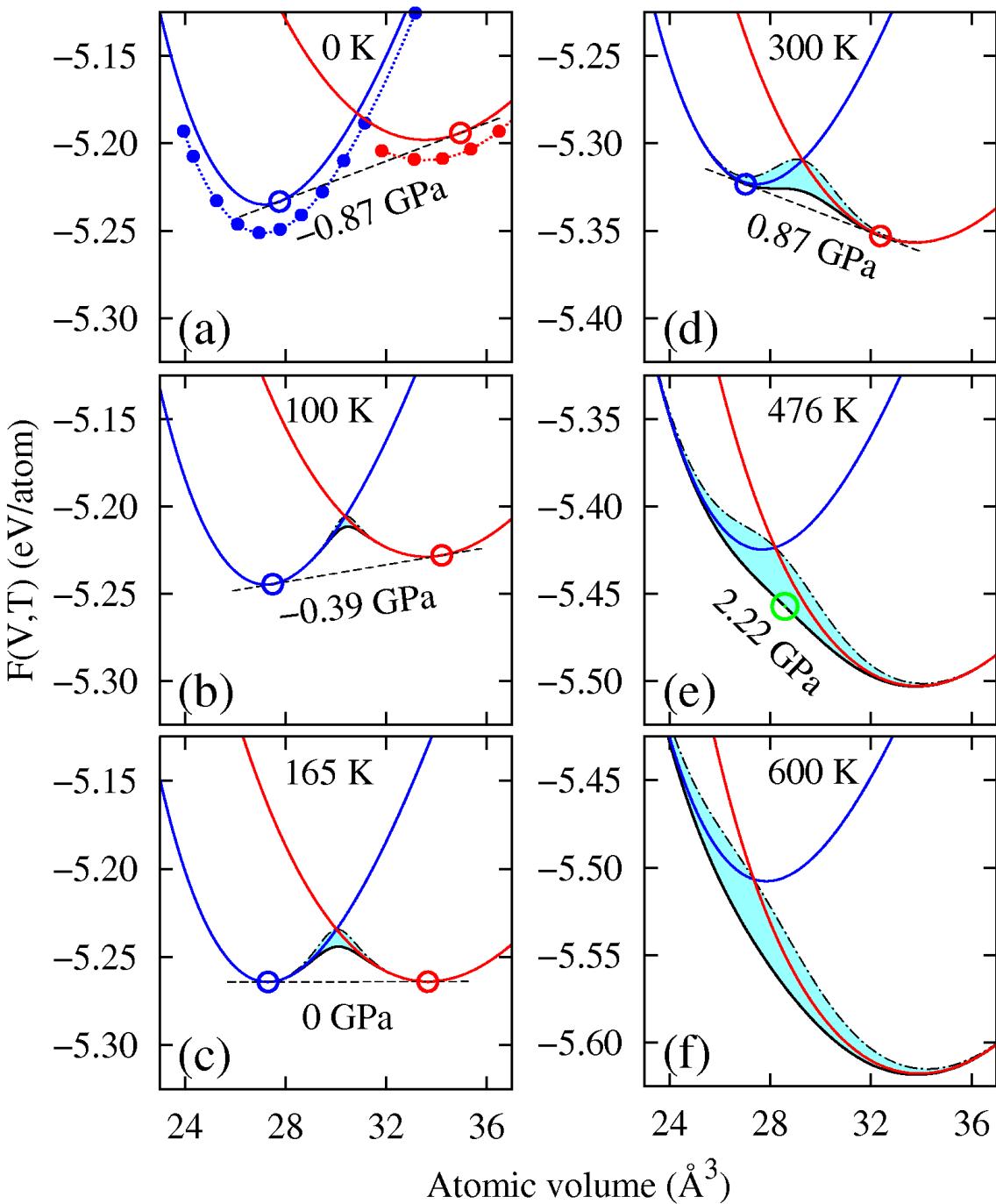


# Helmholtz Free energy diagram for Ce

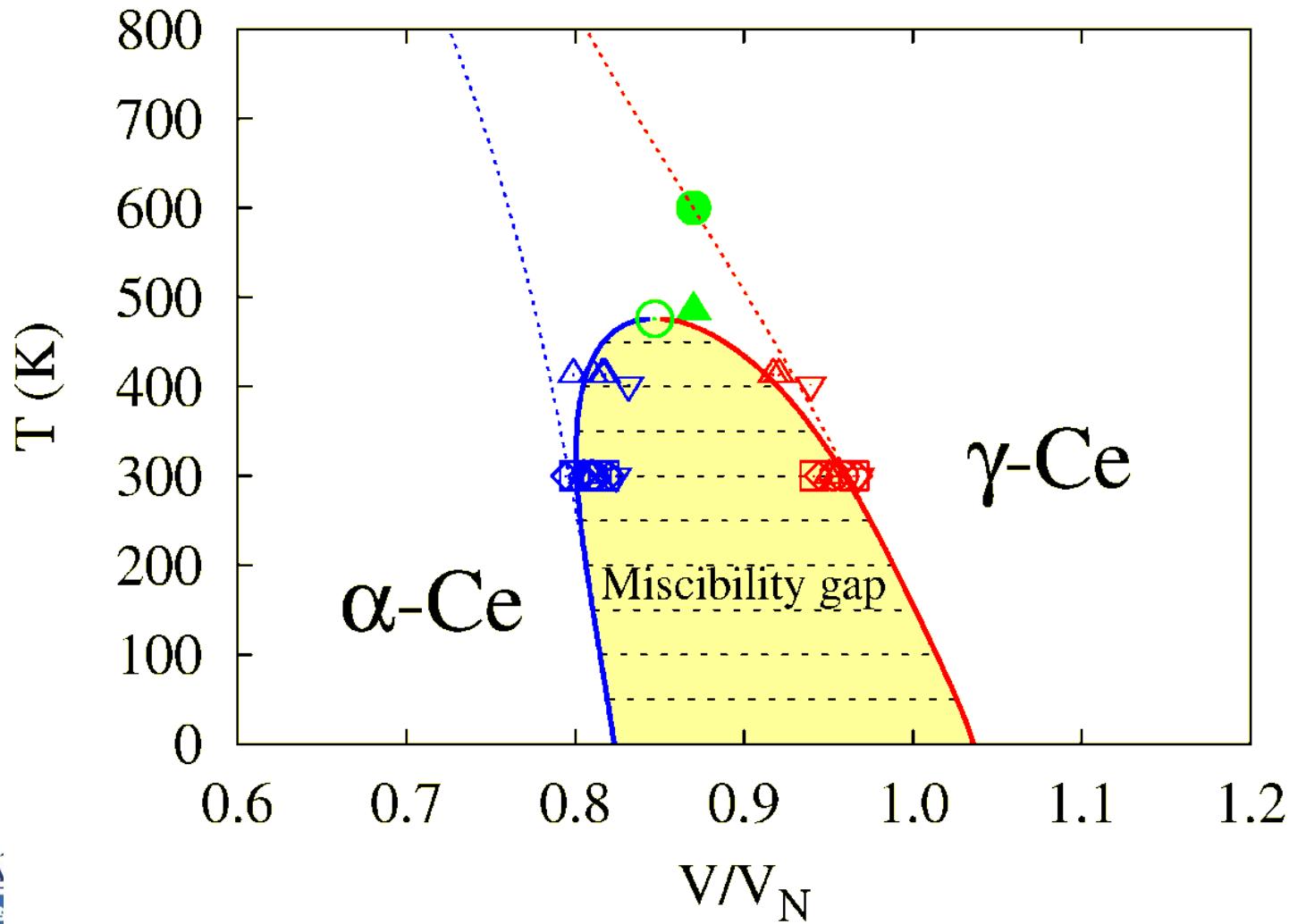
$$F^\sigma(V, T) = -k_B T \log Z^\sigma$$

$$F(V, T) = \sum_\sigma x^\sigma F^\sigma(V, T) - TS_{conf}$$

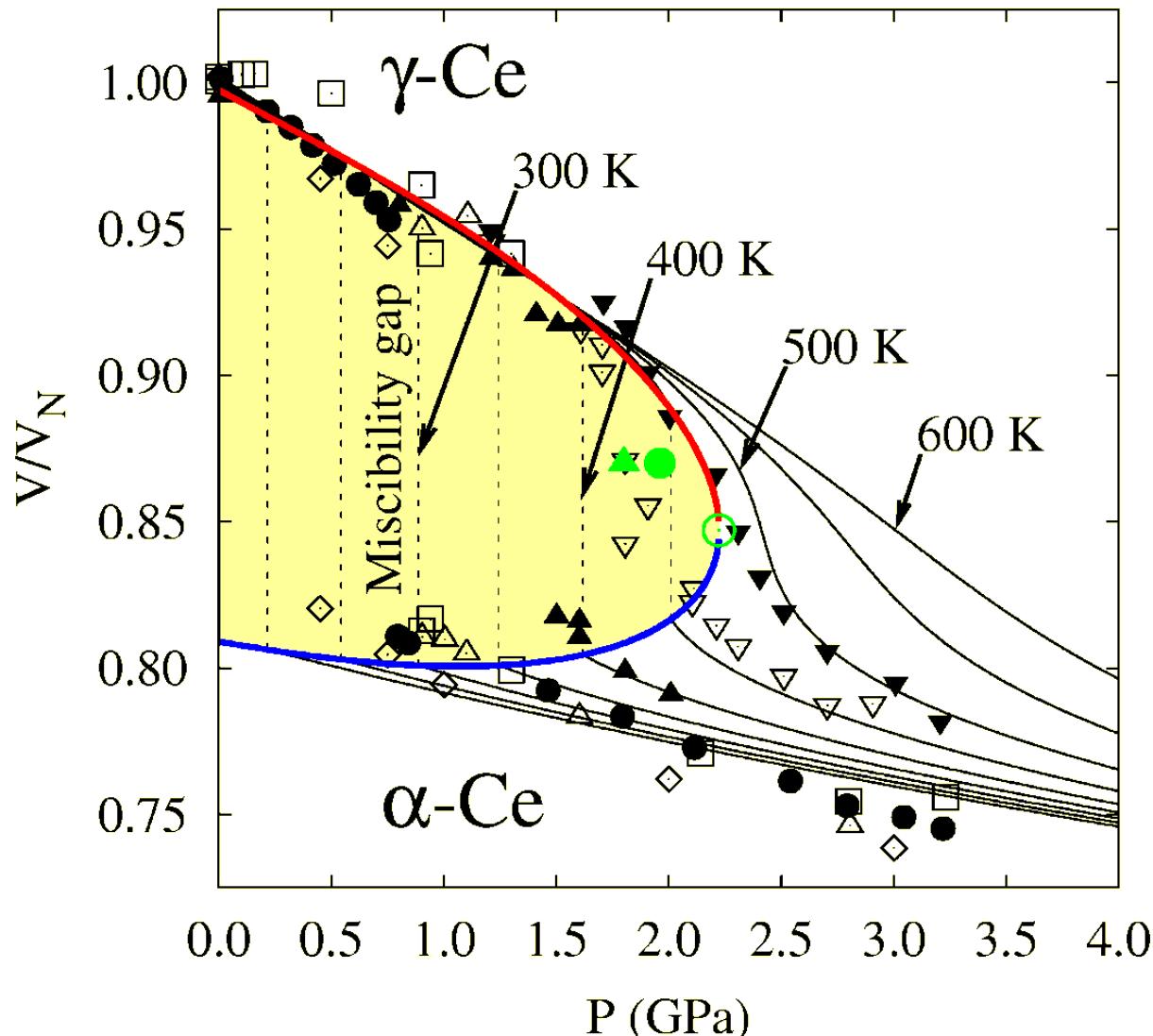
$$S_{conf} = -k_B \sum_\sigma x^\sigma \log x^\sigma$$



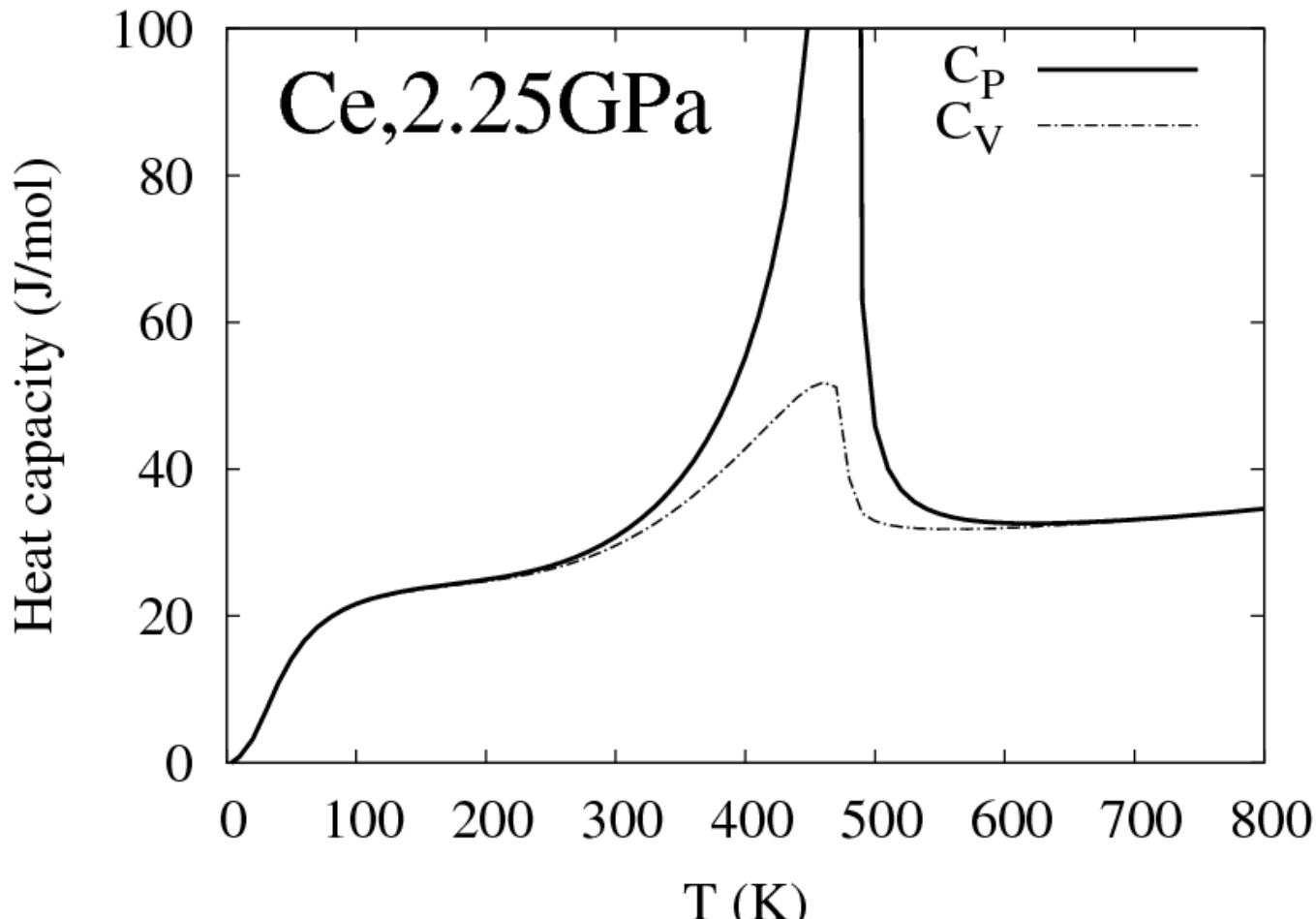
# Predicted temperature-volume phase diagram



# Volume-pressure property diagram



# Predicted heat capacity for second-order magnetic transition



Wang, *unpublished*

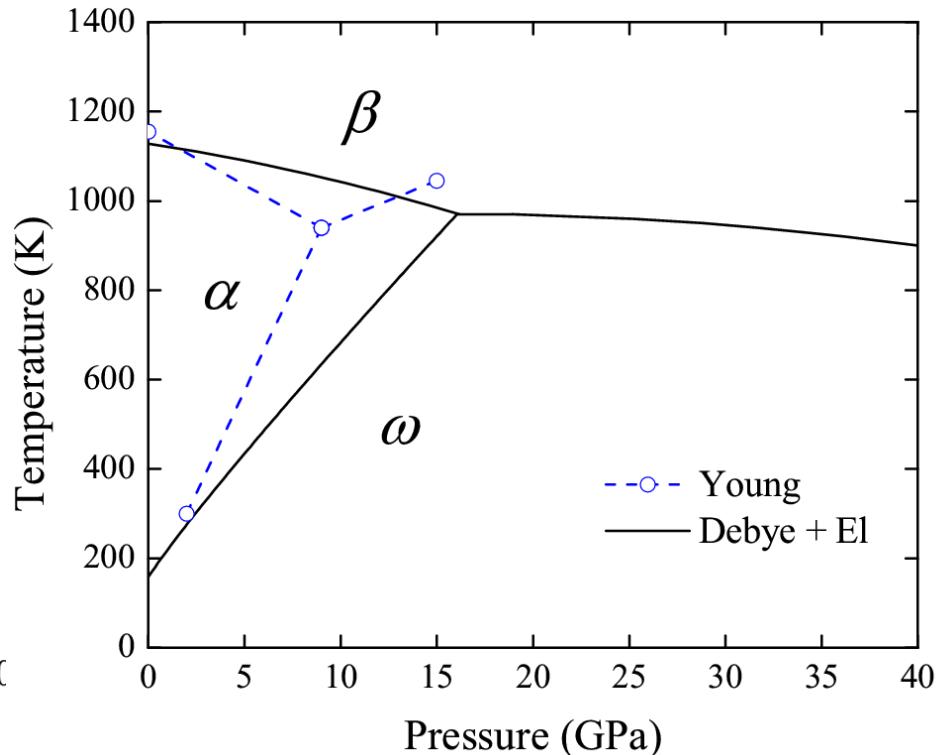
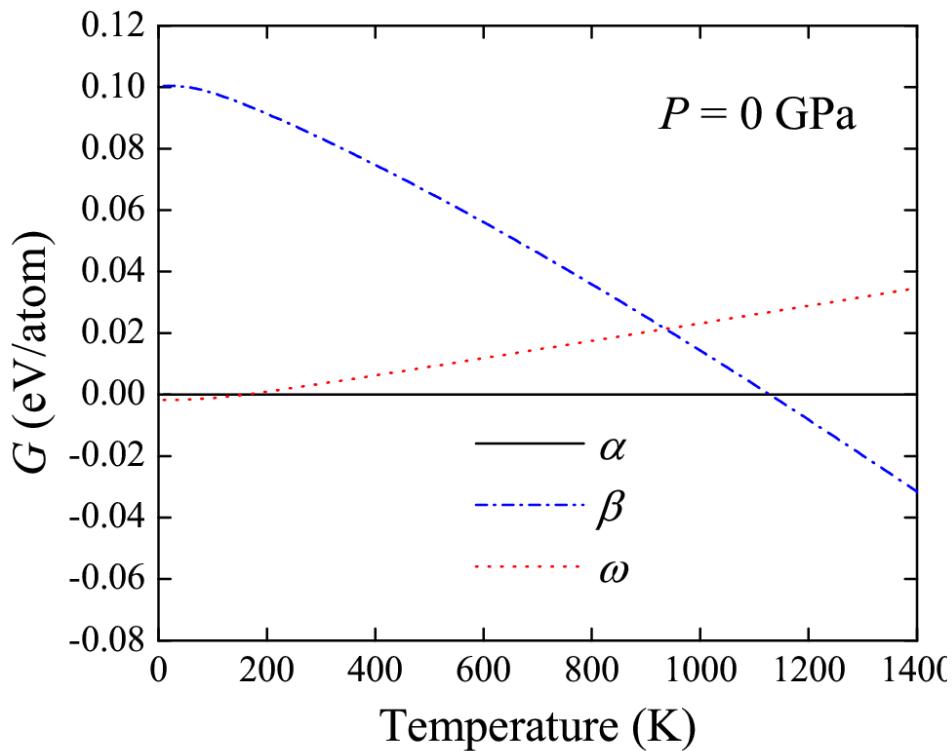
# Unstable states

- Two cases
  - the transition state (saddle point)
  - zero Kelvin
- Phonon approach is not applicable due to imaginary frequencies, soft modes.
- Debye model to obtain free energy
  - Testing system: Ti

$$\Theta_D = sAV_0^{1/6} \left( \frac{B_0}{M} \right)^{1/2} \left( \frac{V_0}{V} \right)^\gamma$$

# Debye model for Ti

$$F_{vib}(V, T) = \frac{9}{8} k_B \Theta_D + k_B T \left\{ 3 \ln \left[ 1 - \exp \left( -\frac{\Theta_D}{T} \right) \right] - D \left( -\frac{\Theta_D}{T} \right) \right\}$$



# Future work on magnetic and unstable states

- First-principles calculations for various magnetic states with and without vacancy and at the saddle point
- Debye model for states with soft modes
- Free energy functions for all states
- Nonmagnetic elements: free energy difference between the saddle point and equilibrium state without vacancy
- Magnetic elements
  - Partition function to get free energy of the system as a function of temperature
  - Free energy difference at the saddle point and equilibrium state without vacancy