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Met 320

Ternary Phase Diagram Problems

1. **CaO-Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>-SiO<sub>2</sub> (C-A-S) Ternary Phase Diagram**

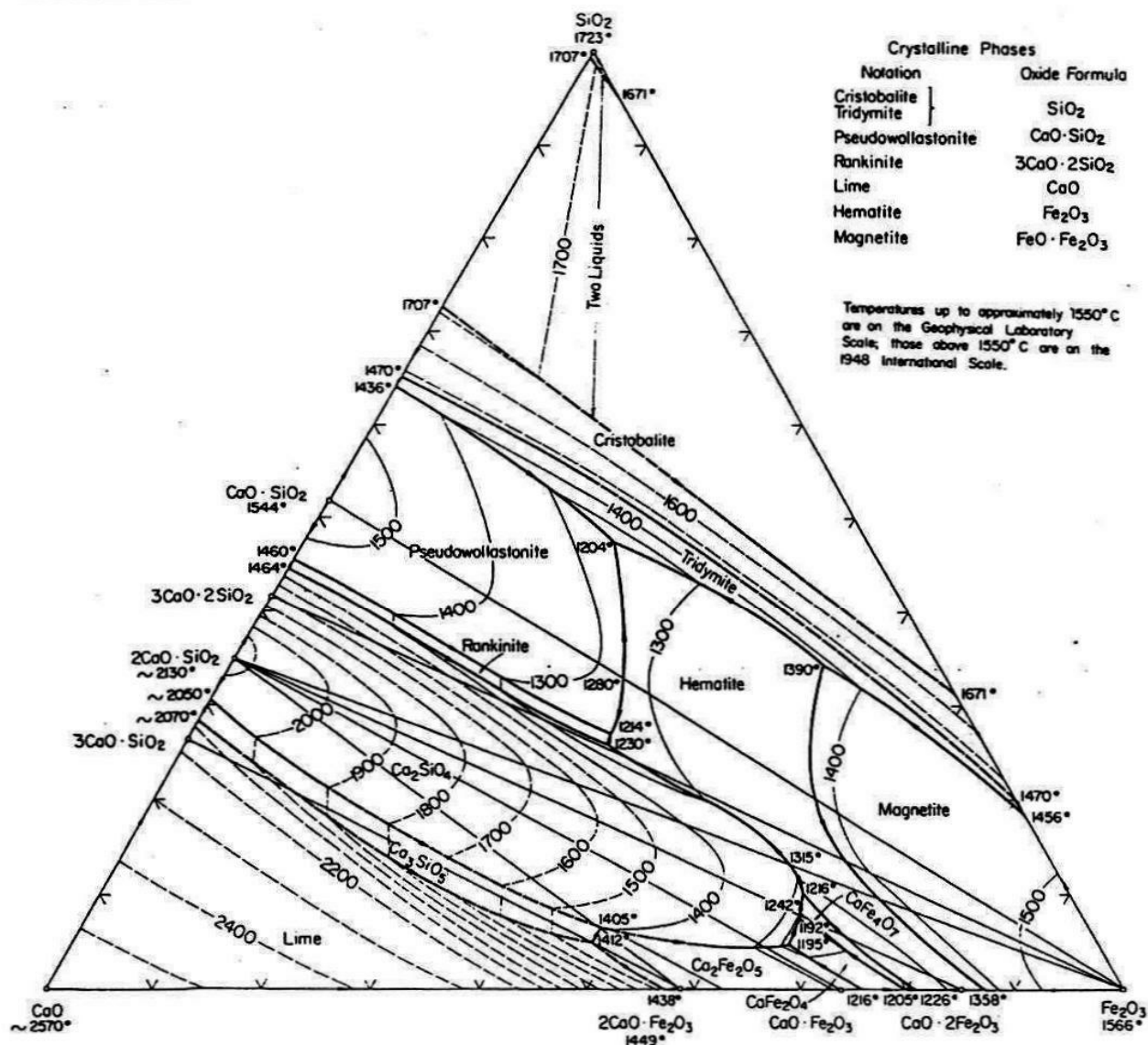
Show all constructions on the diagram.

- a) For the bulk composition marked “1”, what is the bulk composition’s
  - i) Percent SiO<sub>2</sub> = \_\_\_\_\_
  - ii) Percent CaO = \_\_\_\_\_
  
- b) For the bulk composition marked “1”, what is the 1<sup>st</sup> crystal to appear upon cooling?
  
  
- c) For the bulk composition marked “1”, what are the final 3 crystals?
  
  
- d) For the bulk composition marked “2”, what percent liquid is present at 2200 °C



2. Shade in the regions, if any, of the next CaO-Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>-SiO<sub>2</sub> ternary phase diagram where the melt at 1600°C or hotter is saturated with solid

- a) SiO<sub>2</sub>
- b) CaO
- c) Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>

CaO-Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>-SiO<sub>2</sub>FIG. 656.—System CaO-Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>-SiO<sub>2</sub>; composite. (Condensed Phases in Equilibrium with Air).

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3. CaO-Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>-SiO<sub>2</sub> Ternary System

Characterize a bulk composition of 80% CaO and 10% SiO<sub>2</sub> (balance Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>) at

a) 2000 C

b) 1500 C

4. Refer to the attached FeO-SiO<sub>2</sub>-Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> phase diagram and indicated bulk composition.

i) What are the final three crystals?

ii) What is the first crystal and at what temperature does it first?

iii) What is the second crystal and at what temperature does it first?

iv) What is the third crystal and at what temperature does it first?

v) What is the percentage liquid at 1300 C?

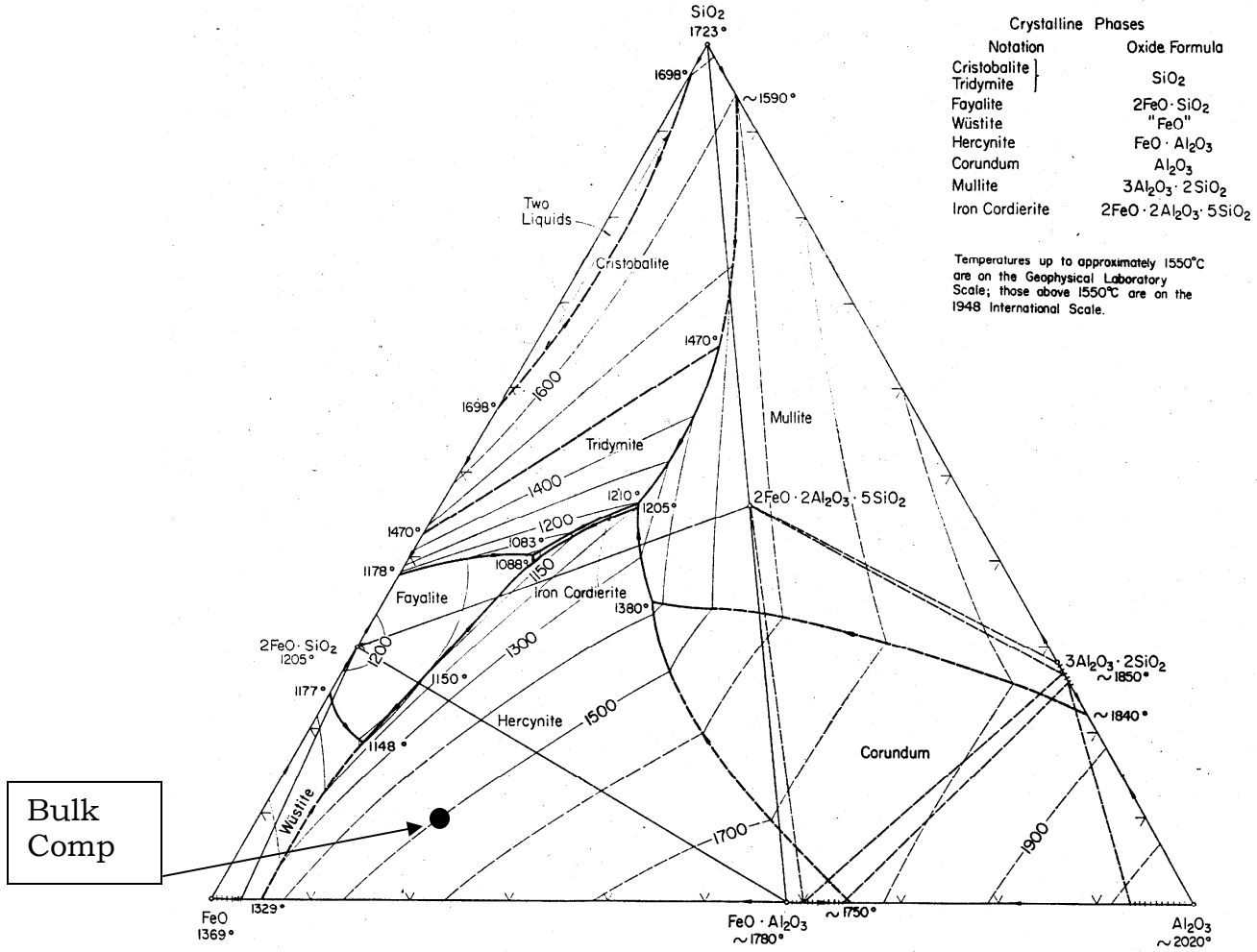
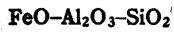


FIG. 696.—System "FeO"-Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>-SiO<sub>2</sub>; composite. (Oxide Phases in Equilibrium with Metallic Iron).

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